



Alumni Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a great year it has been! Nothing but fun and informative meetings and events...and it's not over yet. The Verde Canyon RR/Blazin' M Ranch Special Event is next and I promise you this one will set a new "standard" for excellence. The second information email with three attachments was sent out today to all participants which requires a response, so check for it in your inbox.

More good news. For the first time in seven years it looks like we will not suffer any loss of membership. We have about ten new members which will more than offset any "member non-renewals". Alan Steffe is now preparing the 2016 Roster and will have final numbers for us before the end of March. Now, for the rest of the GOOD news....



NEW BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENT. It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce to you the appointment of Ms. Pam Roberts as the newest member of the GM Alumni Club of Arizona Board of Directors. Pam brings with her an unbelievable amount of talent and energy. She was born in Norwich, Norfolk, England, but was raised in Detroit, Michigan. GM has been a huge part of her life. Pam was always considered to be a "Brain" with "Nerd Potential" when growing up. So, when she graduated from Detroit's Western High, it is no wonder that she was granted a four year college GM Scholarship for academic achievement.

Result, she graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BS Degree in Business Administration and a minor in psychology at the University of Detroit. Cadillac Motor Division gobbled her up after graduation where she held many supervisory and managerial positions evolving around dealer computer system activity.

As you are aware, the Club Board is always looking for new members who have a record of exhibiting a level of high energy and achievement. Pam really fits this criteria in "spades". Her husband John, loved to travel, read and to perform volunteer work. Pam was his partner in his volunteer work for over 20 years. Their first missionary calling was to build a parsonage in Swaziland. This opened their heart to God's purpose for them which lead to over 60 mission trips to 16 countries. In one 11 year period alone, they were involved in building over 50 small churches. Pam still volunteers her time and in 2015 participated in two trips, first to Kenya to assist with combating gender/work place violence. Her second trip was to Rocky Point, Mexico to build churches and witness about God in order to create change.

To tell you the truth, in reality, there is much more that she is involved in to include taking time to teach a small group from her church once a week. She's the social secretary for her Sunday school class and a singles group. And, of course, she heads up a ladies prayer group in her house once a month.

So, when you see her at Club meetings, stop and tell her how glad we are to have her as part of the Board.

MEMBERSHIP PASSES TWO BOARD SPONSORED AMENDMENTS: By majority vote at the March 8, 2016 Club Meeting, the follow two Amendments to the Club By-Laws were approved:

Amendment One - Change Name of the Club to the GM Alumni Club of Arizona. Vote: 37 Yes, 2 No.

Amendment Two - Create a new category of Membership - Associate Members. Vote: 37 Yes, 4 No.

Therefore, effective immediately, the Board will change the By-Laws to recognize these two amendments and will begin to create a process by which we can begin to accept and process Associate Member Applications.

TENTATIVE 2016/2017 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS:

Tuesday, October 18, 2016 - Musical Instrument Museum, Scottsdale. **CONFIRMED!!!** See Event Flyer attached to this email.

November 2016 - Day trip to the Pima Air Museum and San Xavier Mission.

December 2016 - Christmas performance/musical at a local theater.

January 2017 - Meeting at the East Valley Culinary School and Special Speaker

February 2017 - GM Speaker and Sands Chevrolet sponsored luncheon.

March 2017 - Major League Baseball Spring Training Game

March 2017 - Club Golf Outing

April 2017 - Day Trip to Sedona

Most of these events are almost ready for announcing dates, therefore, please look for a final schedule in April 2016 The Club Reporter.

2016 CLUB GOLF OUTING: The date for this year's Club Golf Outing is April 13, 2016 to be held at the beautiful McCormick Ranch Golf Course in Scottsdale. The price per person is \$75.00 which includes golf, cart, lunch, gift bag and prizes. There are still openings available and remember this is a scramble format, so don't worry if you're not a very good golfer. In fact, it's an advantage. If you do not have a foursome, no worries, Bob Goebel will assign you to a group.

See attached Registration Flyer for details.

Regards,

Hal Hubbard, President
GM Alumni Club of Arizona