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THE SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB

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SCC meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. for a dinner meeting.

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SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

To enhance the experience of Corvette ownership through the support system and fellowship of its members. This is achieved in an interactive social environment of monthly meetings, activities, road tours and a newsletter. This forum invites the sharing of experiences, knowledge and fun, while creating an atmosphere that perpetuates the leadership position of America's only true sports car. All that is asked of its members is professionalism, integrity, personal ethics, and a love of the Corvette.

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SCC BIRTHDAYS!



John McClelland January 4 Al Redford January 13 Lloyd Benner January 22 Phil Merrill January 25 Linda Beyerle January 31 Kathi Thomas January 31



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COMING EVENTS!

January 10 - Club Dinner Meeting January 17 - Vette Vixens Dinner & Men's Poker Night January 24 - Board Meeting January 28 - A Day with Frank Lloyd Wright Trip

February 3 - Mystery Trip February 14 - Club Dinner Meeting February 21 - Vette Vixens Dinner & Men's Poker Night February 24 - Cocktail Party at Steve & Jennifer Rabins' Home

March 14 - Club Dinner Meeting March 21 - Vette Vixens Dinner & Men's Poker Night March 24 - "Cars, Coffee & More Cars" March 28 - Board Meeting

April 7 - Ethnic Epicurean Dinner April 11 - Club Dinner Meeting & Car Show April 18 - Vette Vixens Dinner & Men's Poker Night April 21-22 - "Mary Colter's Dream"

We have included the Board meeting dates in case you have a topic you would like the Board to discuss. Just let a Board member know prior to any of the Board meetings.



The SCC Store utilizes Lands'End because of its reputation for customer service and the quality of their merchandise. The feedback from our membership has been very positive, and we plan to continue to use this site as our Club store.

For new members only, you'll need to create an account. You can do that by clicking on the following url:

http://business.landsend.com/store/scottsdalecorvetteclub

Once there, go to the top of the page and click on MY ACCOUNT, and select CREATE AN ACCOUNT. Complete the information, submit it, and that will be it - and here's the best part: You can immediately start to shop. Should you have any issues, please contact Lands'End @ 1.800.587.15417 and they are available weekdays 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. CDT.



YOUR SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2018



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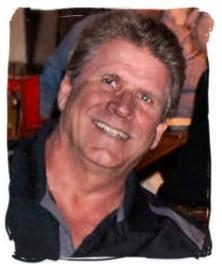
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A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO WALTER AND MICHELE JUESSEN FOR TEN YEARS OF EXCELLENT SERVICE AS ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR AND CHIEF NAVIGATOR ON BEHALF OF THE SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB!



Check page 33 for the interview of Walter and Michele for this newsletter that appeared in the March-April 2007 issue, page 36 for the article on the very first "Ethnic Epicurean Experience" dreamed up by Walter and Michele, and other little tidbits about Walter and Michele scattered throughout this newsletter.

FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT

By Ken Harder



Hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season. We enter the year with 125 members and a great Calendar of Events for 2018. The Board met in early December and elected Manny Siprut as Vice President, Frank Tasnadi as Governor, Ed Luse Membership, Rick Cartel Secretary, John McClelland Activities, Brenda Brandt Treasurer, and I will **serve** one more year as President. Walter Juessen has retired from the Board, and we will have a special salute for Walter and Michele in March, so please mark your calendars for March 14th (our March monthly meeting date) which should be nothing short of hilarious!

Our Holiday Party and Toy Run had 51 people attending the Toy Run and 49 attended the dinner party, which was held at Moon Valley Country Club. The food was ok, the entertainment was better, and we had the busiest dance floor in years! Next year the Holiday Party will return to Scottsdale and take place at Grayhawk Golf Club on Sunday, December 9. January activities include our Monthly Meeting on January 10, and our speaker will be Bob Bogdan from Smart Shield. On January 28, we will have the Frank Lloyd Wright experience led by the McClellands, and I will be hosting the Mystery Tour on February 3. Attendance at the Mystery Tour is "unlimited," and I have a restaurant opening especially for our group, so please plan to attend this special event. Our February (14) Monthly Meeting, as is our custom, will be held at our sponsor's location, Van Chevrolet. And on February 24, we will have another house party hosted by the Rabin's, which will be limited to 50 members.

The Vixens have adopted the Men's Poker formula of having people sign up to host or take charge of each monthly event. Krysha Sorce is spearheading the Vixen's event on January 17, and Fran Harder will take the lead for the February 21st event. January and February Men's Poker will be held at the homes of Walter Juessen and Manny Siprut, respectively.

One more comment about Activities. We believe we have an outstanding Calendar of Events, but some of these events are "limited" because of either a lack of hotel rooms available, limited size of restaurants, or the venue itself. For example, many of our House parties are limited to 40-50 because of the work involved and what someone's home can reasonably accommodate. I mention this because we know that some people would like to participate in an event but find that it has quickly sold out, even on the first day! That attests to the attractiveness of the event and the great participation level of our Club members. I hope everyone realizes that we cannot select events where we can accommodate ALL members of the Club. When we have trips where 25-30 can participate, which represents more than 20% of the Club, that is an extraordinary participation level unmatched by any other car club. John McClelland has done an incredible job of trying to accommodate folks who were not the first to sign up for an event by creating a waiting list and accommodating most of those on that list through expanding lodging and restaurant capacity, as well as the inevitable cancellations from those who did sign up and then cannot attend. With this process, only a very few people have not been able to be accommodated. So far we have accommodated 75 members (60% of the Club membership) in the two announced 2018 trips to date, a remarkable result! If you sign up for the Waiting List and give us some time, we may likely be able to accommodate you for that event. We also have lots of other events from which you can choose to participate. We appreciate your support and understanding as we try to deliver a wide range of Activities for our entire membership. If anyone has any ideas on how we can improve the process, please let me or John McClelland know. Hope to see you at one of our upcoming events.

Ken



SAVE THE DATE! THIRD WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH! POKER NIGHT! WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR DETAILS!

SCC MEN!



SAVE THE DATE - FIRST SATURDAY EVERY MONTH!

SCOTTSDALE MOTORSPORTS GATHERING

At 7000 East Mayo Boulevard. All kinds of exotic cars in the parking lot for a free drive-up car show. In the summer the cars arrive fairly early in the morning - 7:00; 8:00 when it's cooler. This is change of venue, so here's a link to show you the layout of this event: <u>https://www.scuderiasouthwest.com/smg</u>

WILL WE SEE YOU THERE ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH?

Don't forget to wear your Club name tags! With so many new members, it helps us all get better acquainted!



SCC WOMEN! SAVE THE DATE!

THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH THE VETTE VIXENS MEET FOR COCKTAILS AND DINNER -DRIVE YOUR VETTE OR NOT

THE NEXT DINNER WILL BE ON JANUARY 17TH!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



DON'T FORGET THE MEMBERS' DRAWING AT THE MONTHLY DINNER MEETINGS!

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN. THE PRIZE MONEY STARTS OUT AT \$25.00 AND INCREASES BY \$25.00 EACH MONTH IF THERE IS NO WINNER. CAROL LIPSKY WON \$50.00 IN NOVEMBER. BE SURE TO ATTEND THE JANUARY MEETING! YOU MIGHT WIN \$25.00!



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

By Dorinne Dobson

Happy New Year to all!

With the New Year and this first issue of the newsletter for 2018, we welcome the new Board of Directors and say good-bye to Walter Juessen, who has been our Activities Director for ten years, starting in 2006 through 2008, then Walter took two years off to finalize the wind-up of his business in Switzerland, and then came back to full-time work as the A.D. from 2011 through 2016, and continued working with the "Activities Committee" as titular head A.D. for 2017.

I hope you'll understand my "waxing poetic" about Walter's departure from this vital position, but he's poured his heart and soul into the "job" of directing the Club's trips and events, month after month and year after year. I guess I personally can appreciate Walter's service because I was serving on the Board of Directors during the two-year hiatus Walter took, and the Board took on the responsibility of conducting all the Club's activities during those two years. Let me assure you it was not my cup of tea dreaming up and being responsible for even one trip or event a year....

We've had some great times with Walter at the helm, and I believe he deserves recognition. Please tell him and Michele thank you for their service to the Club the next time you see them.

Now we are on to a new era with John McClelland as Activities Director, and the slate of events for 2018 looks really outstanding. I hope you all are enthused about participating in these activities.

As always, I am grateful to all of you who have contributed articles, photographs, and ideas for this issue of the newsletter. Please keep up the good work! This newsletter would not exist without your efforts!

Until the next issue, Save the Wave!

Dorinne

ANOTHER "WALTER MOMENT"

From Ken Harder's article on the Monterey and San Simeon trip in the September-October 2012 newsletter:

On Sunday morning the group was going to the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance and... "Walter was a little delayed – apparently after a couple of glasses of wine the night before, he decided to use 'the Club' on his steering wheel – only to realize the next morning that the key to unlock 'the Club' was at home in Scottsdale. Not so funny at the time, since he needed a good locksmith to get the Club off. Two hours and \$225 later, Walter finally arrived at the Concours."

THE JANUARY COLLECTOR CAR AUCTIONS

January 13 – 21, 2018 – BARRETT JACKSON, WestWorld of Scottsdale, 16601 North Pima Road, Scottsdale. Adult admission Saturday, Sunday & Monday, January 13-15, \$17.00 advance purchase, \$25.00 at the gate (Seniors \$14 and \$20); Tuesday & Wednesday, January 16-17, \$25 advance purchase, \$35 at the gate (Seniors \$17 and \$30); Thursday, January 18, \$35 advance, \$45 at gate (Seniors \$23 and \$35); Friday, January 19, \$50 advance, \$65 at gate (Seniors \$40 and \$55); Saturday, January 20, \$60 advance, \$80 at gate (Seniors \$50 and \$65); Sunday, January 21, \$17 advance, \$25 at gate (Seniors \$14 and \$20). Website: https://www.barrettjackson.com/Events/Event/Home/Scottsdale-2018/93f04d0d-614b-4e1c-b4ca-c87d88b709c4

January 14 - 17, 2018 - WORLDWIDE AUCTIONEERS, 6460 East McDowell Road, Scottsdale. Advance preview admission (non-auction days) \$35 admits one to Auction with limited seating available and does not include catalogue. Preview with credentials (9 a.m. To 6 p.m.): Credentials includes \$150 registration fee, or \$100 auction catalog, or \$35 admission pass, or medial credentials. Admission to auction with catalogue \$100 includes one auction catalogue and seating for one subject to availability. Spectator admission to auction \$100 per person w/limited seating. Auction begins at 5 p.m. On Wednesday, January 17. Website: http://www.worldwideauctioneers.com/auctions/sc18.cfm?id=5

January 17 – 21, 2018 – RUSSO AND STEELE COLLECTOR AUTOMOBILE AUCTIONS, Salt River Fields at Talking Stick, 7555 North Pima Road, Scottsdale. Preview Wednesday, January 17 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; general admission \$30.00. Auction hours Thursday-Saturday 12:00 noon; Sunday 11:00 a.m. Thursday-Saturday general admission \$30.00. Sunday general admission \$20.00. Website: https://russoandsteele.com/scottsdale/

January 18, 2018 – **BONHAMS**, Westin Kierland Resort & Spa, 6902 East Greenway Parkway, Phoenix. Additional information not yet published. Website: http://www.bonhams.com/auctions/24452/

January 18 & 19, 2018 - RM SOTHEBY'S, Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa, 2400 East Missouri Avenue, Phoenix. Preview Wednesday, January 17, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Auction Thursday and Friday, January 18 & 19. Admission is open to the general public during preview hours only. Admission to the auctions on Thursday and Friday is for registered bidders, consignors and qualified media only. Bidder registration \$200 (includes catalog and admission for one bidder and one guest to the auction). Website: https://rmsothebys.com/en/auctions/AZ18

January 19 & 20, 2018 – GOODING & COMPANY, Scottsdale Fashion Square, Corner of North Scottsdale Road and East Highland Avenue. Viewing 9-6 on Wednesday thru Saturday, January 17-20. Auction Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. Admittance \$40 (admits one to all events); Catalogue \$100 (admits two to all events). Website: https://www.goodingco.com/auction/scottsdale-2018/



A great big THANK YOU to all who contributed articles, photographs and/or other items of interest or information to this issue of the Newsletter! Those who contributed to this issue are:

> Mark Bales Jim Dobson Dorothy Durby Bill Follette Ken Harder Jan Kellogg & Ed Luse John McClelland Bob & Chris Mingie Suzy Poulter Steve Rabin Frank Tasnadi Rollie Trayte



A RESULTS UPDATE ON DOROTHY DURBY'S CHILI PARTY/ CHARITY EVENT IN OCTOBER

Dorothy Durby's Chili Fest on October 28th was billed as a "charity event" to benefit St. Mary's Food Bank. Dorothy reported the following results: *SCC* members donated \$250.00 in cash, and the Club donated \$350.00 from the treasury, for a total monetary donation of\$600.00. PLUS, the Club members donated 239 pounds of canned goods! HOW GREAT IS THAT!?!? Dorothy wouldn't mention this, but she donated all the food and refreshments for our fun party! Now, wasn't that a night to remember?



From Rollie Trayte: Wanna ride in a new ZR1? Click on the link below. There's a lot of info on the screen acceleration and braking, RPM, MPH, G-forces, gear, etc . . .turn up your volume . . . base price just shy of \$120k.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=30&v=8h3tWv6SYgc

REMEMBER IF YOU NEED TO REPLACE YOUR SCC NAME BADGE, CONTACT: Ahwatukee Trophies

Sales@ahwatukeetrophies.com

480-785-5292 Brian or Keely are the two main people to contact Cost is approximately \$11.00.

A FEW HISTORICAL ANECDOTES FROM WALTER'S TENURE AS ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

Walter's Sayings on Email Messages and Event Flyers

PLEASE NOTE: WALTER WRITES ONLY IN CAPITAL LETTERS. NO OFFENSE!

and

HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US. AND AS ALWAYS KEEP IN MIND:

WE JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN.

Mystery Trips

Walter took the Club's annual Mystery Trip event to a whole other level. As you all know, the Mystery Trip is an event where Walter and Michele know where we're going, but no one else does. So at the trip in January 2015 at the driver's meeting in the parking lot at the Pavilions before heading into the "unknown" with Walter, he handed each of us a sheet of paper with several right turns listed and at the bottom it said "Hope you don't get lost! If you do, it's been nice knowing you!" So I guess you get the picture.... Here are just a few of the spectacular places we've been:

- In January 2011 we ended up mysteriously at the University of Phoenix Stadium where "We learned more about the University of Phoenix Stadium than we ever thought we'd know and saw more of it than we ever thought we'd see. We learned about the structure, the operation of the roof, the color and design of the interior, and many more interesting facts. We saw the giant tray of grass that comprises the football field and is kept outdoors in the sunshine."
- In January 2013 after SIX right turns through Scottsdale and Phoenix, we ended up again mysteriously - at Chase Field, Home of the Arizona Diamondbacks! We received a grand tour of the premises conducted by our tour guide, Rook, and saw all the inner workings including the visiting team locker room and Player's Lounge. Then we walked a few blocks to lunch at Marjerle's Restaurant.
- In January 2016 we had 33 Corvettes driving to an unknown destination and miraculously as well as mysteriously we all ended up at Wildlife World off Loop 303 way out in Goodyear, Arizona!



BENTLEY SCOTTSDALE POLO CHAMPIONSHIP

November 11, 2017

Story by Jan Kellogg Photographs by Chris and Bob Mingie



What a beautiful autumn day for a Corvette outing! Sunny with some clouds and temperatures in the 70's and early 80's. The Seventh Annual Bentley Scottsdale Polo Championships, called "the best polo event in the world," showcases the ancient and regal sport of kings and some of the world's most esteemed polo teams and players. The event sponsors include platinum brands such as Bentley Motor Company, Barrett-Jackson, House of Molina, Hensley Beverages, Realty Executives and Wells Fargo Private Bank. The focal point of the event are matches that include some of the world's most esteemed polo teams and players.





The seven SCC members attending this year's "world's greatest polo party" arrived at The Thumb on Bell early to caravan to WestWorld polo grounds to participate in the Car Show alongside other Corvettes, Bentleys, Ferraris, Lamborghinis and Porsches. Ed Luse, Jan Kellogg, Charles Poulter, Ed and Charlene Lenzi, and Bob and Chris Mingie parked the four Corvettes in the premier parking area and did an outstanding job of showcasing the Club's entries.



Ed Luse led the coordination of our group and was interviewed by FOX News, answering questions about our Club and participation.

The complimentary tickets provided by House of Molina included ushered parking for assembly adjacent to the VIP tent with a reserved table that featured a delicious buffet of nonstop service and champagne - all at no cost to the group. We were located within easy view of the tournament matches and great proximity to all the festivities. For those who enjoy people watching, this was an opportunity to observe everything from attire "a la Pretty Woman" to scantily clad socialites as well as an array of hats to rival the Kentucky Derby. The venue also features a tent with music and dancing that



Chris Mingie and Al Molina

was jammed with millennials. Several boats were on display as well as vendors showcasing souvenirs and services. Walking about the event for the day was easy and fun. Not to be forgotten during an outing that fell on Veteran's Day, the event paused activities for a salute to veterans, anthem, and photos on the field.

Often referred to as "the greatest show on grass" and boasting crowds of more than 11,000 fans, this event is a must. You do not need to know everything about the sport, you just need to know how to have a good time. Put this event on your calendar for next year.

Jan Kellogg



From Chevrolet Media Services

On Jan. 20, 2018, GM and Chevrolet will offer the first production 2019 Chevrolet Corvette ZR1 for auction at Barrett-Jackson in Scottsdale, Arizona to benefit the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation and the work they do to support wounded veterans through the Building For America's Bravest program. The Corvette ZR1 is the fastest, most powerful production Corvette ever built.

Here's the link for more info: http://media.chevrolet.com/media/us/en/chevrolet/ho me.detail.html/content/Pages/news/us/en/2017/nov/11 30-zr1-barrett-jackson-auction.html



Rollie Trayte says: Wonder when Walter's going to order one?

Here's a link for more info: http://www.corvetteblogger.com/2017/11/29/ official-2019-corvette-zr1-msrp-starting-119995/

SCC COMMAND & CONTROL TRIP On the November 18 & 19, 2017, Weekend

Story by Suzy Poulter Photographs by Chris Mingie, Bill Follette, Suzy Poulter and Frank Tasnadi

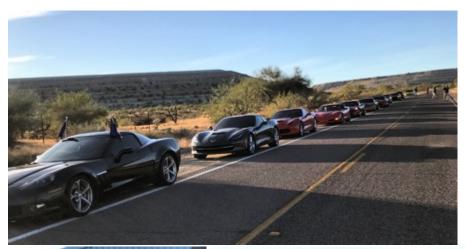
Hola! It's Suzy and I'm here to tell you all about our FABULOUS trip organized by John and Linda McClelland. Since my hubby Charles and I only moved from the San Francisco Bay Area of California a year ago, every restaurant, museum, and experience is new to us, like tourists we are, and we just had a blast! (pun intended)

Our adventure started with brunch in Tempe at Salut Kitchen Bar. The McClellands had pre-arranged reserved front-row parking for us, and we had two long high tables on the patio for our group. The food was YUMMY, so if you want to try somewhere new to you, I suggest this one. And John and Linda called this 'lunch' on the schedule, but, honestly, a lot of us ordered breakfast food. So, note to trip leaders, this group likes our breakfast food!





Then off we went on our two hour drive to the Titan Missile Museum near Tucson. I am not sure entirely how many Corvettes we had, maybe 14?, but it was great. John & Linda in the lead, Frank mid-pack, and the Osters sweeping us all along. It was our first drive of such length staying in formation, so, you know, it was like we were practicing to be USAF Thunderbirds before we even got to the air stuff! (Except we were driving really slow, because this was a safety corridor and we didn't want to get a ticket...or 14 of them. HA!) Interesting for us also to see how the radios worked. The cars were so spread out that the sweeper couldn't hear the leader and someone mid-pack had to relay the instructions.







As we arrived at the Titan Museum, we had a few minutes to look thru the displays, and then our private tour began. First, we all watched a very educational 14 minute or so video about the Titan Missiles and the cold war and how everything worked, and then we set off to the underground.

After 55 steps down, our guide stopped us in multiple locations underground to explain technology, history and procedures. And, lucky me, I got to sit in the Captain's chair when we were in the command room and 'turn the key' to launch the missile simulation! I'm so lucky. Captain Suzy for fifteen minutes!





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After we got lots of education in the control room, we got to look at the missile itself from underground windows, and then we went back up into the land and got great views looking down at the missile from the outside.



People then toured the topside things like the engine display, the museum inside, and the gift shop at their leisure, and we were off to the nearby hotel for the night.

We all did a quick check in at the Best Western Green Valley Inn, and shortly after we met up in a conference room at the hotel to listen to an informative talk by John McClelland. I'm still not quite sure what secret rocket scientist stuff John did in his 'day job' before he retired, but I loved hearing everything he told us and could have listened to him talk longer about the Command and Control movie stuff and nuclear history.



Corvettes at the hotel in Green Valley

We then all piled into our Corvette babies and headed off to our nearby dinner at Los Agaves Restaurant. Again, excellent food and company, and it was fun to sit by different SCC members at each meal and share stories and get to know our new Corvette family members. Obviously, it was a Mexican restaurant, but I had the Saturday night special of ribs and they were the best I've had since moving to AZ! I believe everyone left happy and full.

John let us know at dinner that if we wanted to eat as a group in the morning, there as a 7:30 a.m. reservation made for our group in the 19th Hole restaurant at the hotel. The breakfast was complimentary with the hotel, so not huge, but not continental either, and it hit the spot. Again, chatting with other SCC members was fun, and we were away from the hotel and checked out by 9 a.m. Sunday.



We had a scenic 30-minute drive from Green Valley to the Pima Air & Space Museum, where, again, we had reserved parking waiting, plus our own guide, Randy, and our own open-air tram shuttle. John had worked a whole year with Randy planning what things we were specifically to see. The emphasis was to be on the nuclear-capable bombers to keep with our theme, even though we got to see tons of other stuff. It was an absolutely awesome tour again. Randy was just so knowledgeable, and we got to stop and get off our tram and walk around and touch multiple planes that normal tour folks don't get to.



"Beauty of Flight" at entrance to Pima Air & Space Museum



Our private shuttle with Randy, our guide, in the doorway at right



Reserved parking at the Museum



Charles with one of the big bombers



An old "Blue Angel"



Suzy says, "There were just SO SOOOO many planes - historic and modern alike."



A big bomber



One big plane...



Got a kick out of this. A historic TWA plane in the front and a brand-new Boeing 787 Dreamliner in the background. It was one of the preliminary - test Dreamliners that was donated to the Museum.



Charles and Suzy



Another plane



The group at the Pima Air & Space Museum

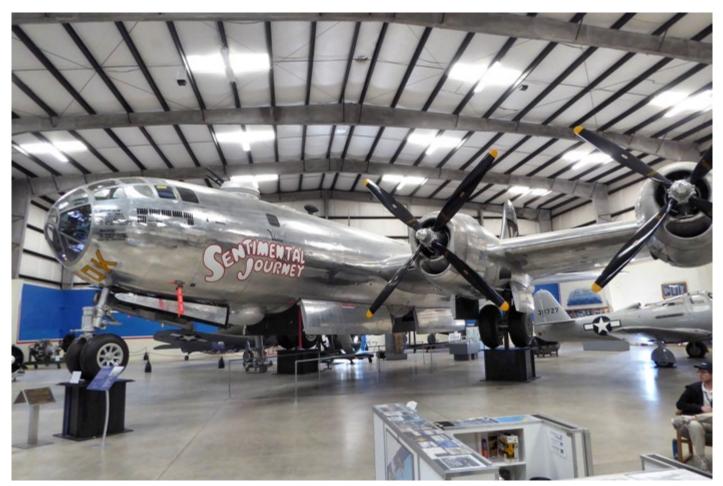


An SR-71 Blackbird

Our tour concluded about noon at the SR71 Blackbird, and many of us stayed at the Museum and had lunch at the grill afterwards, whereas others left when we were done, and still others stayed and viewed more things. This museum is MASSIVE, with many, many buildings, and even more planes out on the grounds. It is suggested that you take two full days to tour the Pima Air & Space Museum, so our half-day was the tip of the iceberg, yet we got to see more than most. There was much talk of the 'boneyard,' a storage area of planes the armed forces have sitting idly but could be put back in service at any time. To tour the boneyard, you need a reservation/advance security clearance and planning 10 – 90 days in advance. http://www.pimaair.org/tour-boneyard Charles wanted to stay and see more things, but I wanted to get home and at the same time knew that we'd do the boneyard tour on a future visit and then be able to also see those buildings we missed this time. It's really worth your time.

And that concludes our tour! Charles and I took a scenic way home from the Museum, because I'm very much a 'find new roads' kind of gal, but we won't do this exact route again probably. Although we enjoyed the two-lane portions of Highway 77 and 177, getting thru the gridlock of Oro Valley with our M7 was not as fun.

Many thanks to John and Linda for all their time and efforts in planning this trip. It was very obvious that this was John's forte, and his background knowledge really enhanced every part of the trip.



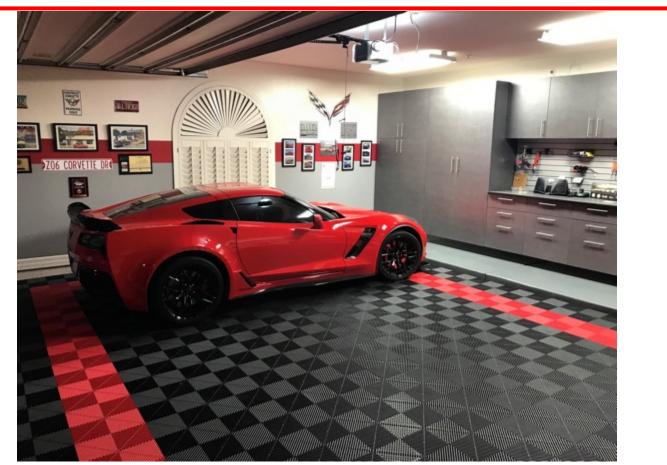
We spent a lot of time learning about this bomber, as the 'theme' of our weekend was nuclear bombs, after spending the first day at the Titan II missile site.

Suzy

Cheers!



Ed. Note: Suzy put this on her Facebook page of photos from the Pima Air & Space Museum "just because I loved it," she said. I loved it too, and thought it should be added to her article. I hope you enjoy it as well, and that you find this readable. If you can't read it and would like to see a larger photo, check it out on Suzy's Facebook page. She posted this one and a lot of other photos on November 20, 2017.



Steve Rabins sent the above photograph under the caption: "New Garage Photo." Looks like a gorgeous garage space to me - and of course the red Vette doesn't detract from the view at all... This brings up a thought your editor has had before, over the years - it might be fun to have an event consisting of a tour of some SCC members' interesting garages -I know some of you have interesting garages filled not only with interesting automobiles but also containing interesting car-related artifacts and memorabilia. SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB'S TOY RUN TO VAN CHEVROLET AND HOLIDAY PARTY

DECEMBER 2ND, 2017

A PHOTOGRAPHIC ESSAY WITH PHOTOS BY MARK BALES



Meeting in the Parking Lot Prior to the Run to Van Chevrolet



Cookies and a ZL 1 at Van Chevrolet



You Saw Us on the Cover - Here We Are Again! SCC Members and Chuck Mullins, Van GM, far left in back row

ON TO THE PARTY AT MOON VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB



Lucky Steve!

Cocktails on the Patio









From the top, left, Lucy, Pam and Donna; right, Chuck and Walter; Center, Dick, Sue, Linda and John; Bottom left, Jerry and Dick; at right, Mike and Don, with John in the background



Top left, Manny, Rollie & Mike; right, Bob & Susan; second row, left, Ed & Jan; right, Joan & David; third row, left, Gloria, Linda, Lyn & Kathi; fourth row left, John, Patrick & Foster; right, Pam & Jerry; fifth row left, Suzy & Charles; right, Charlene & Ed





Jennifer & Steve

Dawn & Manny



Ken & Fran





At left, Larry and Charlene Above, Don, Cindy and Phil





Left, Connie & Mike; right, Lucy is photobombing Peter, with Pam looking on



And there was music...

















The new 2019 Corvette ZR1 has a big supercharger - it's so big Chevrolet had to cut a hole in the hood to accommodate it. The Corvette engineers working on the engine have an internal codename for this big engine: BAS. BAS stands for "Big-Ass Supercharger." Read more about it at

<u>http://www.roadandtrack.com/new-cars/future-cars/a13517850/2019-chevrolet-</u> <u>corvette-zr1-release-date-specs-photos/</u>



AN INTERVIEW WITH WALTER AND MICHELE JUESSEN

[Reprinted from the May-June 2007 SCC Newsletter]

On Wednesday evening, February 7th (2007), Jim and I went to Walter and Michele Juessen's home. It was a balmy winter day in Phoenix, and we sat comfortably on the Juessens' patio, asking questions of Walter and Michele for this article.

As most of you know, Walter and Michele are an international couple - Walter was born and grew up in Romania and Hungary, which were socialist states in Eastern Europe, and Michele was born and raised in Switzerland. Walter was in hotel management and traveled extensively throughout the world, when he met Michele and her family in Switzerland. Walter went to work in Michele's family's sporting goods business, and Michele's father jokingly said Walter had gone "from hotel executive to shoe salesman." He and Michele have been married for thirty-two years.



In the 1970's while the Cold War was still going on, Walter's mother became interested in investing in other countries so that the family would have a place to live if the need arose. In 1979 as they were traveling from Hong Kong to Mexico, they decided to stop in Las Vegas for a short visit. They stayed for two weeks and loved the weather and the small town atmosphere of Las Vegas at that time. They came back a few months later and bought a home, where they lived four or five months a year. Walter's brother lived in Scottsdale, and they visited him

often, and Michele and Walter came to live in Scottsdale in 1988 and divided their time between Gstaad, Switzerland, and Scottsdale, while running the business in Gstaad.

In 1995 they decided that ultimately they wanted to live full time in the U.S., and began to explore ways to divest themselves of their business in Gstaad with a view to retirement in Scottsdale. At the present time, they are in the final stages of achieving this goal.





I asked Walter how he found out about the Scottsdale Corvette Club, and he said he saw something in the newspaper about the Club and the meetings were at the Hyatt Regency Gainey Ranch, which was just around the corner from his home. He and Michele had been looking for a social organization, came to a meeting, and found that they hit if off with the group. Walter is in his second year as Activities Director of the Club, and is enthusiastic about the planning and implementation of events and activities for the Club members.

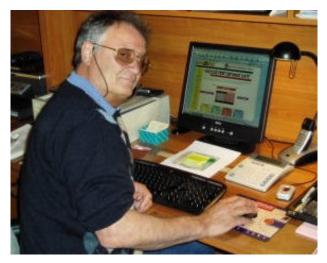
When asked whether they had explored Arizona before becoming involved with SCC, Walter said they had not to any great extent. He has gone rafting down the Colorado River three times (Michele declined to participate) and loved the experience.

As far as hobbies and other personal interests, Walter says he likes to work around the house, bicycle, watch basketball and other sports, travel and work on the computer. Right now he is preoccupied with getting his business settled in Switzerland. Michele loves to do old fashioned knitting, crocheting and sewing, and especially likes to alter clothing.



And you wondered why Walter has such a clean car?

Walter and Michele owned a Corvette in the 1980's when they lived in Las Vegas. They bought their 2002 white convertible "for the fun of it." Walter says he would like a new one, but he is waiting for the really fast one, the 2008 Z06. The only hitch is he wants a *convertible* Z06.



Walter loves Formula One Racing and attending the first Formula One Race in Las Vegas, back when they were held in the parking lot at Caesar's Palace.

When we asked him if he had thought of trading his two-wheeled pedal bike for a Harley, Walter said he was not seriously thinking of doing so. Walter is very dedicated to his job as Activities Director. He has organized his files and has already done extensive work on planning the activities for 2007. Throughout this newsletter, you will find more details and highlights on all the regularly scheduled events on the calendar for this year.

Dorinne Dobson



PREVIEWS OF COMING ATTRACTIONS



Sunday, January 28th <u>A Day With Frank Lloyd Wright</u> A tour of the Biltmore Hotel, brunch at Wright's, and a tour at Taliesin West in Scottsdale This event is sold out already, but you may be able to get on a waiting list.



Saturday, February 24th <u>Cocktail Party at Steve & Jennifer Rabin's Home</u> What fun! Sign up right away when you receive the invitation from the Club! You won't want to miss this house party!



Wednesday, February 14th <u>Club Dinner Meeting at Van Chevrolet</u> It's our annual Club meeting at our sponsor, Van Chevrolet's dealership. Last year it was outstanding! You must be sure to attend this meeting!



Saturday, February 3rd <u>It's A Mystery</u> Attendance on this trip is unlimited, and it sounds like there's food involved. Mystery trips are always fun you won't know where you're going till you get there! Be sure to sign up for this event!



Saturday, March 24th <u>Cars, Coffee and More Cars</u> Not a lot of details on this one yet, but we'll attend the "Coffee and Cars" car show with coffee and food trucks for breakfast, then off to Martin's Auto Museum just off I-17, with lunch at Naked BBQ restaurant. Sounds like a full and fun day!



Saturday & Sunday, April 21st & 22nd <u>Mary Colter's Dream</u> This promises to be a fun weekend staying at La Posada Hotel in Winslow, touring with the Harvey Girls, and dinner at the famous Turquoise Room!



Our First Ethnic Epicurean Experience

TAWOOK MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

(Reprinted from the May-June 2007 SCC Newsletter)

If you had been at Tawook Mediterranean Cuisine at Hayden and Via de Ventura in Scottsdale on Saturday evening, March 31, [2007] you would know that it is possible to squeeze sixteen people into an 8' x 10' room for dinner. It was close quarters and noisy, but we had a great time, eating and drinking and chatting with our friends. And every half hour or so a charming, red-headed, scantily dressed belly dancer came by to entertain us with her dancing and undulations. There was no room for her to get very far into the room - no dancing around the tables here! - but she managed to entertain nevertheless.

The cuisine at Tawook is from Lebanon, specifically Beirut. The entrees are served with a choice of house salad or soup and Turkish coffee. Some of us ordered the tabbouli salad for an extra charge - a delicious finely chopped mixture of parsley, tomatoes, scallions, cracked wheat, olive oil and lemon. Others ordered Caesar salad. The entrees at our table were varied, several different lamb dishes: hummus with shawarma (chopped lamb over hummus), shawarma plate (marinated slow roasted lamb with hummus and garlic sauce) and lamb chops (3 deliciously grilled lamb chops served with herb buttered pearl cous-cous); cedar-planked cumin-scented salmon with rice and spices; shish Tawook (a shish-kabob of marinated chicken breast char-grilled with onions and tomatoes over rice and lemon oregano sauce); and marinated sautéed shrimp over rice with garlic sauce. Everyone exclaimed over the good food, and we finished up with a tiny thimble-sized cup of Turkish coffee, very strong laced with cinnamon and cardamom.

Before the evening was over, the chef came in and said hello and took a well deserved bow.

It was a fun experience, and we all tried dishes we had never tried. We certainly wish Tawook every success, as they certainly put out a quality dining product. Kudos to Walter for thinking up this unique experience!

Walter is already putting together ideas for the second quarterly Ethnic Epicurean Experience. I, for one, am heartily looking forward to it!

Dorinne Dobson

ANOTHER "WALTER MOMENT"

Everyone always teased Walter about U turns – not that he invented them, of course, but we had to give him a hard time about something! Here's one example:

Dick Gutherless wrote in his article on the Mystery Tour in the March-April 2008 newsletter: "When we arrived everyone was buying poker cards from Mark and Kathy Bales for the poker run portion of the tour. Everyone was ready, except we were missing our tour leader, Walter. Seems he had forgotten his wallet and had to do a U-Turn home to retrieve it!"



THUMBNAIL BOOK REVIEWS

By Dorinne Dobson

This will be a slight departure from the usual Thumbnail Reviews because, unwittingly, I discovered an author who has written a series of romance novels entitled "A Love Story" series. An ad on the internet for a book called *Brew* caught my interest, and I ordered it on my Kindle. I didn't even know it was the latest in the "A Love Story" series. I loved the book – it grabbed me and I finished it in a couple of days. On reading about the author, Tracy Ewens, at the end of the book I found that she lives in the desert with her husband and three children in New River, Arizona – small world isn't it?

Brew by Tracy Ewens. The ninth novel in the "A Love Story" series is about three brothers who own the Foghorn Brewery in Oregon. One of the brothers (Boyd McNaughton) is the brewmaster, single father of Mason. Boyd injures his hand and he and Mason go to the emergency room where Ella Walters is the doctor. It's a charming story in which teenage son, Mason, seeking a woman's point of view in his male-dominated world, develops a friendship with Dr. Ella and slyly manipulates a relationship between Boyd and Ella.

Exposure by Tracy Ewens. The eighth novel in the "A Love Story" series is about a photographer, Meg Jeffries, who takes photographs of wild animals in their natural habitat and has had photo features in National Geographic. A series of publicity appearances is scheduled for Meg to promote her photographic successes, and a well known movie star, Westin Drake, is to appear with her. You guessed it - it's the start of a romance, causing the paparazzi to make Meg's life as complicated as Drake's.

Taste by Tracy Ewens. This is the third novel in the "A Love Story" series and it's about a chef, Logan Rye, and a U.S. Senator's daughter, Kara Malendar, who met at Le Cordon Bleu culinary school in Paris, where they had an amorous affair until Kara was summoned home to Los Angeles without notice at her prominent family's behest. They meet up again years later - Kara now a food critic for *The Los Angeles Times*, and Logan, the owner of a new farm-to-table restaurant in Los Angeles, The Yard. When Kara shows up at the Yard to do a feature article, she and Logan discover that they are still in love, and the story is how they sort out their dysfunctional family relationships in order to be together.

Okay, so now I'm going to tell you that I'm planning to read the other books in the series, including the new one that comes out in January 2018, *Smooth*.

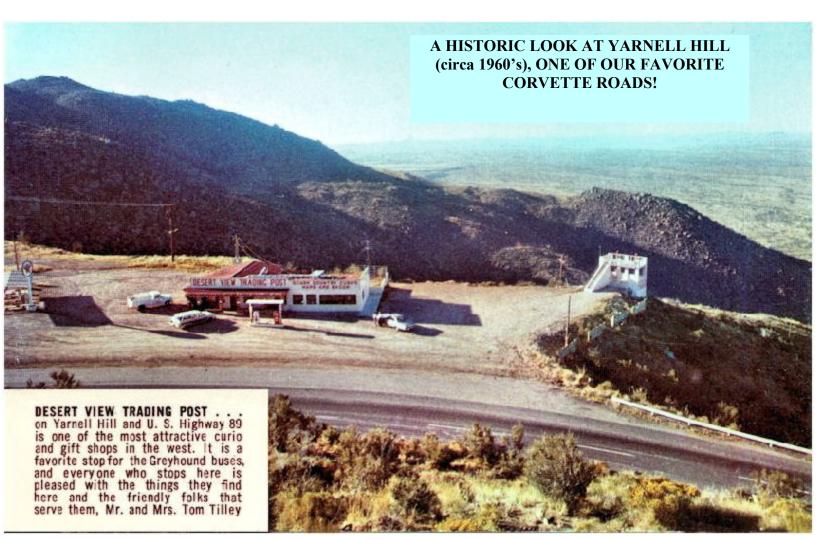
So, if you're interested in the series and want to start at the beginning, though I can tell you they are readable in any order, here's a listing of the series from numbers 1 through 10: (1) Premiere; (2) Candidate; (3) Taste; (4) Reserved; (5) Stirred; (6) Vacancy; (7) Playbook; (8) Exposure; (9) Brew; and (10) Smooth.

If you're interested in learning more about Tracy Ewens and her books and other interests, check out her website: <u>http://tracyewens.com/.</u>

Now, if you wish I would get more serious about reading, I have another suggestion for you this issue. Turn the page for more information in an interesting biographical discussion that I am enjoying and you may find interesting. Sisters in Law: How Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg Went to the Supreme Court and Changed the World by Linda Hirshman. If you are interested in the Supreme Court, women's history or both, this book will entertain as well as inform you. These two women are from vastly different backgrounds: O'Connor from an isolated cattle ranch in Arizona and Ginsburg from the hustle and sophistication of the big city, New York. They are also physically at odds with each other: O'Connor, large, blond, open-faced, cheerful and energetic, against Ginsburg, petite, dark-haired, and serious. Both received superb educations, married and bore children early, and tried to make their way in a man's world. Their different paths to the Court are interesting - Ginsburg as a lawyer for the ACLU, a college professor, and a justice on the D.C. Circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeals; O'Connor as an elected legislator in Arizona, a local county judge, then appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals, and finally to the Ninth Circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeals. The question the book seeks to answer is how much effect these two women had on the role of women in this country, or whether the "liberation" of women we have experienced would have happened anyway. I found this to be an interesting and informative read.

Dorinne

Happy reading!



This is a postcard depicting the Desert View Trading Post on Highway 89 on Yarnell Hill. Zooming in on the picture severely, it looks as if the "woody" station wagon on the left is an early 60's For. The car on the right appears to be a 1963 (or thereabouts) Chevy. The right side sign on the restaurant appears to read "Stark Country Cured Hams and Bacon." The sign at the far left identifies the station brand as "Texaco." See more in the story on the next page.

A LITTLE HISTORY OF YARNELL HILL, ONE OF OUR FAVORITE CORVETTE ROADS! BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW THIS...

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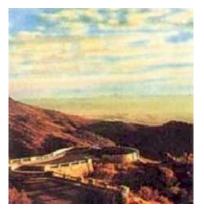
A New Year's Eve storm in the early 1930's stranded many motorists at Desert View, a curve in the then-doublelane road up and down Yarnell Hill where a gas station was located. The storm had deposited three feet of snow in just a few hours, and those going up couldn't get past Desert View or have room to turn around.

A little background includes the following:

- In the early 1900's, Phoenix folks had to go 72 miles by way of the Brill's Tank (now the Hassayampa River Preserve) through Wickenburg, over the Hassayampa, through Octave and Stanton and up to Yarnell to visit Prescott and points north. With the arrival of the automobile, the same trip became 140 miles because the road then went through Wickenburg, Congress Junction, Date Creek, Hillside and Kirkland to get to Yarnell and the ranching community of Peeples Valley.
- In 1926, the Yarnell Hill road was built ... a winding two lanes up Arizona's "Mont Blanc," which climbed 2,000 feet in four miles. It was paved in 1933.
- The other misplaced cargo: Terrified motorists and inexperienced truckers all have tales to tell of making the trip. White Elephant curve was the site of the majority of accidents.
- A cattle truck driver once lost his brakes but managed to save his new tractor by dragging the trailer side against the hillside. Another time, residents salvaged shoes that had been disgorged down the mountain from an accident, but they seldom found a matching pair. As for a load of whiskey, the feds arrived to guard it from thirsty locals. And some recall a load of eggs that survived to be sold by some for 25 cents a dozen, and eaten for a long time by many.
- The Desert View (now an outlook) was first used as a mule corral. After the gas station was added, frantic motorists would stop to find out what was wrong with their cooling systems. Model T's would often burn out the front bearing that received no oil during the steep uphill climb. The mechanic got so he could change them in 50 minutes.

Now, back to the snowy New Year's Eve at Desert View when two buses, one headed up and one down, were stranded, parked nose to nose, unable to go anywhere. The station owner sheltered many travelers in the station and took others to his nearby home. "They ate us out of just about everything we had," he recalled.

In the early 1970's, three years and \$3 million were spent chiseling out a second road for the Yarnell Hill traffic on U.S. 89. Gone were most of the thrills, chills and panic in welcome exchange for the opportunity to appreciate the breathless vistas of the journey on Arizona 's "Mont Blanc."



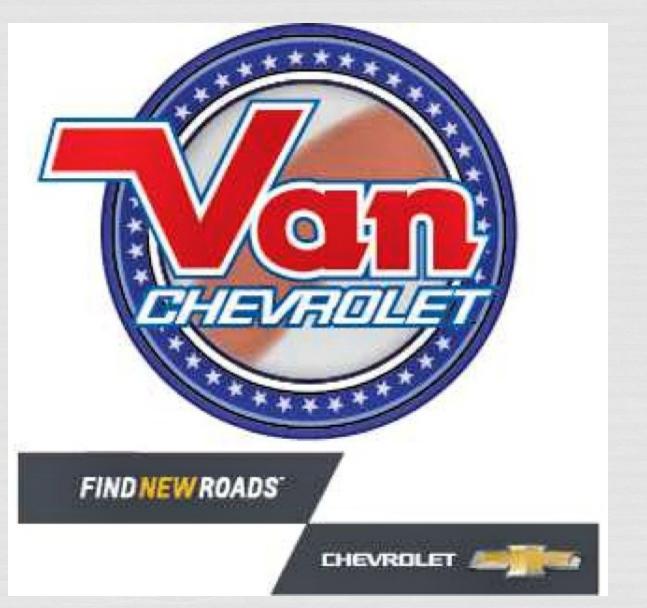
Editor's Note: With Yarnell Hill being one of Walter Juessen's favorite "Corvette Roads," I couldn't resist reprinting this article and the postcard on the prior page as part of the tribute to Walter that comprises this issue. For those of you who remember reading it in 2010, my apologies; for those of you who are new to the Club, I hope you enjoyed this little piece of Arizona history.



CLUB TRIPS/ACTIVITIES FOR 2018

Courtesy of John McClelland, Activities Director





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