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President's Corner By Greg Curtiss



Hi Everyone!

After a fairly cool January, February started off with nice weather which continued throughout the month (except, of course, the lack of rainfall). Hopefully, you were able to enjoy the Tours, our monthly dinner and breakfast meetings, a Driver Education Event at the Arroyo Seco racetrack, and other events held by the Southern Arizona Region in February. A busy February is now in the history books.

We are lucky here in Tucson to have a huge event, although not Porsche-related, every year in February, The Tucson Gem Show. Just about anything that ever was in the earth is available at one or more of the 40 or so show sites around Tucson. I went to about seven of these, looking for a Porsche carved out of stone, but came up empty-handed (I did, however, find a number of other interesting items).

Every year in May near the fifth of the month, SAR has its premier event, the Cinco de Mayo Concours Weekend. This is our one and only Concours event each year and is a Zone 8 event. Zone 8 is one of the 14 PCA Zones in the United States. It covers southern California, southern Nevada and all of Arizona. This means that points earned at the Cinco Concours are added to points earned at other Zone 8 Concours events, and count towards overall Zone 8 Concours awards. The Concours will be on Saturday, May 3rd.

Most people think that the Cinco de Mayo holiday originated after the Mexican army defeated the French at a battle in 1862. However, I read somewhere that Hellmann's mayonnaise was manufactured in England back in 1912. A large quantity of jars were on board the Titanic to be delivered to Mexico after a stop in New York City. The Mexican people were understandably distraught when the ship sank. So, they created a national day of mourning, called of course Sinko de Mayo.

As part of Cinco this year, we expect to have a golf tournament on Thursday, May 1st at a local country club. So, save the date! Cinco will also include a Welcome Party, an awards banquet, and a Tour on May 4. See you there!

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Editor's Column
By Debi Norris

Happy Spring!

After what seemed like a very short winter, Spring has

arrived early here in Southern Arizona. I love this time of year with warm, sunny days, and plenty of good weather to spend outside. With so little rain this year, however, I don't expect there will be very many wildflowers to enjoy.

I had a great time at Arroyo Seco Raceway in New Mexico at our High-Performance Driver's Education Event. I've done autocrosses for many years and have driven Musselmann a few times, but for some reason the thought of driving on a "real" track was very intimidating to me. Now, I wish I had tried a DE sooner! Jim and Kathleen Kendler run a very organized and safe event with a lot of driving time. The drivers are divided into run groups based on skill level. I was placed in a group with other Novices so I did not have to worry about advanced drivers driving circles around me. Everyone was well spaced out so there was little chance of getting in each other's way. If a pass was needed, there were welldefined passing zones with strict rules as to how to proceed. Everyone followed the rules and had a great time. What fun it was to drive my Porsche as fast as I could with no worries about breaking any traffic laws!

There will be an article in the April issue of the *ZN* about the event. In the meantime, I think I need to sign up for the next DE at Podium Club!



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Upcoming Events





March

01 - Tour to Parker Canyon Lake

03-06 - Dave Shryock Memorial Tour to Sedona

04 - Membership Meeting - Trident Grill II 2910 N. Swan

08 - Monthly Breakfast at Blue Willow on Campbell

09 - Empire Ranch SUV Tour (note new date)

12 - Porsche Ladies Event

15 - Adopt-a-Roadway Event

18 - Board Meeting

22 - Fort Huachuca Museum Tour

April

01 - Membership Meeting - See website for details

05 - Tour to the Amerind Museum

12 - Monthly Breakfast at Blue Willow on Campbell

15 - Board Meeting

26 - Colossal Cave Tour

Upcoming Events

May 1-4 Cinco de Mayo Weekend

July 6-12 Porsche Parade Oklahoma City

September 13 - PCA's 70th Anniversary

Event

Upcoming Events Around Arizona

Check out what is happening in our neighboring regions to the north:

Arizona Region March

2 - All Porsche Grand Display

8 - Autocross at AMP

19 - Ladies Brunch and Hike

27/28 - Tour to Tucson

Arizona Mountain Region March

15 - 7 Year Anniversary Party

20 - Temecula Spring Adventure

It's Cinco Time Again!

Join us for SAR's Premier Event

The 2025 Cinco de Mayo Concours Weekend May 1st – 4th

The weekend starts Thursday with the return of our Golf Tournament.

It continues Friday night with a Welcome Party hosted by Porsche Tucson.

Saturday morning is the Concours d'Elegance. This year we are returning to the Tucson Country Club – a beautiful setting for some beautiful vehicles!

The Awards Banquet will be held Saturday evening, also at the Tucson Country Club.

The weekend will end with a fun driving tour.

Watch your email for more information and a link to sign up at Motorsport.reg

We can't wait to see you there!

Tech Session at Ceramic Pros

Our Tour Director, Kurt Fuerstenau, organized an interesting and informative Tech Session on February 8th at Ceramic Pros. The shop put on an interesting demonstration of their products. They offer ceramic coatings, window tints, and paint protection films. After everyone enjoyed the presentation, they headed off to Hot Rods Old Vail for a delicious lunch.









Tour to Fort Huachuca Museum

Saturday, March 22nd

Join us as we journey down to Fort Huachuca for a museum tour.

The Fort Huachuca Museum serves the Fort by collecting, preserving and exhibiting artifacts representing its own history and the larger history of the military in the Southwest. Opened in 1960, the Museum houses several thousand objects and documents, many on display in attractive exhibits telling the Fort's 135 year story. The Museum is located in two buildings on the Fort's historic Old Post and is open to the public without charge.

The Museum also tells the human side of Army Aviation and features memorabilia and photo essays that capture the human spirit of our proud heritage.

After the tour, we will head to the German Café in Sierra Vista for lunch. We will order off a limited menu, hopefully ensuring we are served in a timely manner!

Tour is limited to 30 people, so sign up early!

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/pca-sar-ft-huachuca-museum-tour-fort-southern-arizona-276137



Got a Cayenne or Macan? Maybe a Jeep? Actually, any SUV will do!



Come join us on an SUV Off-Road Tour to Empire Ranch Rescheduled to Sunday, March 9th

This is a Class 1 off-road tour suitable for sedans and SUVs, but NOT sports cars. A Porsche is not required. Andrea and I will drive our Ford Escape. After the drive, we will visit the ranch and have a picnic. The drive with a stop is about 90 minutes, and we can spend as much time at the ranch as we want. There is no fee, but we all need to sign up on Motorsport.reg.

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/pca-sar-suv-off-road-tour-to-empire-ranch-southern-arizona-579970

Porsche Ladies!

It's time for another outing! Wednesday, March 12th

This time we are going to the visit the Ignite Sign Art Museum on 331 S. Olsen Avenue. The indoor museum space is on one floor and is accessible to those with limited mobility. Chairs are available throughout the museum to allow visitors to sit down, relax, and enjoy the neon lights and exhibits. There's an additional 7,000 square feet outside called Argon Alley.

Arrival is at 10:00. General Admission \$14. Over 65 and Military \$12.

At 11:30 we will travel to Locale Neighborhood Italian Restaurant for lunch.

Please RSVP to <u>msampsel1@aol.com</u> by March 8th to confirm lunch reservation.



Willkommen, Bonjour, Glad to Meet You By Kathleen Kendler – Membership Chair

As of February 25th, 2025, here are our new members:

Residing Outside of Tucson

Roman Lysecky
Michael J. Jaworski
Sierra Vista
Jason Rose
Oro Valley
Chris Sanford
Sahaurita



Residing In Tucson

Jerry E. Davis & Noelle Desilva

Micah Dray

Alex Feder and associate member Alysha Sousa

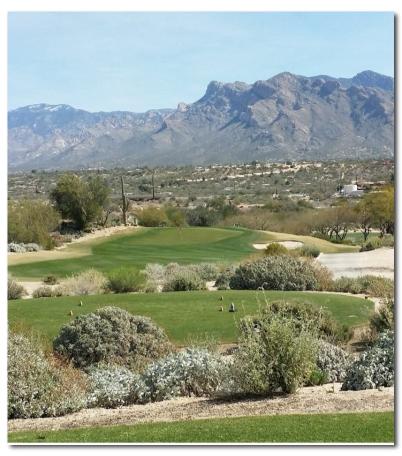
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Steven A. & Deirdre Weisman

New Test Drive Participants

Scott MorganTucsonChris SanfordSahuaritaJustin SnowTucson

Welcome!



CINCO GOLF RETURNS Thursday, May 1st, 2025 By Norma Nada

Save the date Porsche Club golfers – May 1st, 2025. More details to follow in the April SAR newsletter. In the meantime, fellow golfers, start warming up your game, and find a friend(s) if you'd like, to join us for a fun modified scramble round of golf at the Omni Tucson National Golf Resort and Spa, in northwest Tucson. Any questions or concerns, please contact me, Norma Nada, at sloporsche@aol.com.

Plan to see you then.

Sahuarita Car Show

On Saturday, January 30th, several SAR members participated in the 30th Annual Sahuarita Car Show (previously the Tubac Car Show). Congratulations to Jim Kendler for winning the Porsche division.



















Amerind Museum Tour

PCA SAR will drive to Amerind Museum to view their collection in the beautiful, and geologically fascinating Dragoon Mountains. Nestled in spectacular Texas Canyon in southeastern Arizona, the Amerind's 1600-acre campus is located in the ancestral homeland of the Chiricahua Apache. The Amerind Foundation and Museum was established in 1937 by William Shirley Fulton to explore and expand knowledge of Native Peoples through research, education, and conservation. The drive is about 90 minutes.

After, we will continue on to the Triangle T Guest Ranch for lunch.

Start time will be emailed to all registered participants.

The start is at the Roadrunner Market located at 16121 S. Houghton Rd. in Vail.

The finish is at the Triangle T Guest Ranch, located at 4190 E. Dragoon Rd. in Dragoon.

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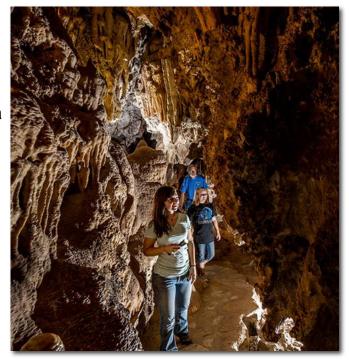
Driving Tour and Colossal Cave

PCA-SAR will drive to the Colossal Cave Mountain Park. There we will visit the cave on a 60-minute guided tour. The fee is \$14.00. The first leg of the drive is about 60 minutes.

Start time will be emailed to the registered participants.

After the walk/tour we will drive together for lunch to the del Lago Golf Club.

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2025 Porsche Parade - Oklahoma City

If you have never attended a Porsche Parade, this might be the year to go. This year's Parade is being held in Oklahoma City, just a 2-day drive away. The Porsche Parade is an incredible week-long experience of all things Porsche. There are several competitive events such as the Concours d'Elegance, the Time-Speed-Distance Rally, the Autocross and the Tech Quiz. There are also enjoyable driving tours to all kinds of local attractions. The Hospitality Suite offers a chance to relax with fellow PCA friends while perusing a variety of vendors' displays. Not to mention delicious banquets, Tech Tactics, the Parade of Porsches, an Art Show, a Goodie Store, and Porsches everywhere you look. There's even a

Parade Kids program for the young Porsche enthusiasts.

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Registration is open and several SAR members are already signed up to go. Why not plan on joining them?

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Spring Adopt-a-Roadway Event

By Lon Reeder - PCA SAR Community Service Chair

Hello, PCA-SAR members!

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy.

The new year is off to a good start and the PCA-SAR Spring 2025 Adopt-a-Roadway event is just around the corner. I'm looking for enthusiastic participation again to fulfill our community commitment on **Saturday, March 15**th. For many years our club has been committed to the Adopt-a-Roadway program as



an effective means of demonstrating our continued support to our community. The Adopt-a-Roadway program is part of the nationwide effort of sponsorship designed to help beautify our roadways by facilitating trash removal and saving the taxpayers of Pima County approximately \$250 per mile cleaned which translates into thousands of dollars saved. Signage along our portion of Orange Grove Road clearly recognizes PCA-SAR's sponsorship.

This is a fun and not-too-strenuous task that will take about two hours of your time and will make you feel good by keeping our roadways looking good.

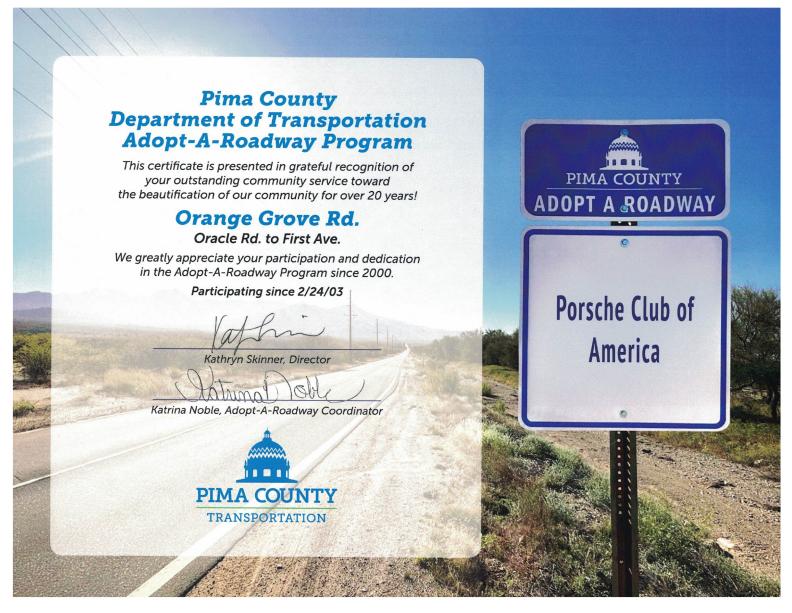
I expect great Tucson March weather. We will meet at 7:30 AM in Beyond Bread at the southeast corner of Ina Road and Oracle Road for pre-event coffee and pastry, some socializing, and signing waivers. ADOT requires that we wear hard-soled, closed-toe shoes (no sandals) and comfortable clothing. Gloves and hats are recommended. Water, safety vests, grabbers, and bags for the cleanup will be provided. I hope to see you there!

Come Join Us for Breakfast

Our monthly breakfast get-togethers are becoming quite popular! Come on out on **Saturday, March 8th**, to the Blue Willow Restaurant on Campbell at 8:00 a.m. There's a reason "It's not just the cars, it's the people" has been a PCA slogan for years – it's true! Our Club Breakfasts are the perfect way to get to know some great Porsche People. Hope to see you there!

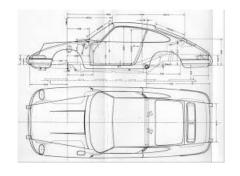






PCA-SAR was recently recognized by Pima County Transportation for over 20 years of service in the Adopt-a-Roadway Program. Twice a year a group of SAR members heads out to Orange Grove Road from Oracle Road to 1st Avenue, our assigned roadway. Members walk both sides of the highway cleaning up various road debris from pieces of vehicles to trash. This important work helps keep our city looking beautiful. Next time you drive on Orange Grove, look for the sign acknowledging our contribution. Information regarding our next roadway clean-up is on the previous page if you would like to help out.

Thank you to all the members over the last 20+ years who have helped SAR earn this recognition!



Project Corner

Hurry Up and Wait

Article and Photos by Pat Norris

Parts...

One challenge when working on our project vehicles is having parts and supplies when they are needed. The down time on Thumbelina, our 944 S2 race car, has definitely been extended due to difficulty getting parts, but it happens to the other vehicles, too.

For some of the smaller items, like drain plug washers, having a few extra on hand isn't a big deal. However, when parts get more expensive, and larger - like the three batteries I changed over the winter - it takes a little extra planning and notice to keep from having a car down for too long.



Oil seals for Thumbelina

...and Spares

Debi drove Betty, our 2005 Boxster, at the Arryo Seco Raceway (ASR) event and was rewarded with the wear sensors indicating that Debi had driven fast enough and braked hard enough to use up the brake pads - a very good thing!

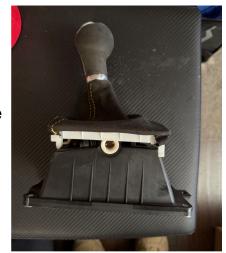
Pads are easy to replace; learning to use the throttle and trust the brakes is definitely harder. Unfortunately, I did not have a spare set of brake pads waiting for Betty when we arrived home. To keep the rotors in nice shape, Betty is waiting for the parts I don't have on hand to complete the brake job.

Waiting for Parts

Thumbelina has spent more time waiting for parts than anything else this past year. The latest delay was waiting for oil seals. The parts shipped fast and were exactly what I needed, but the USPS seemed to be trying to make the astronauts waiting for a ride back from the International Space Station feel better about the eight months they have to wait by delivering my parts slow, too. Of course, this meant that Thumbelina wasn't ready for the ASR event.

German parts for German Cars

I have wanted to get a short shifter for some of the vehicles for quite a few years. While waiting for parts to arrive for the other projects, I started taking another look at adding a short



Parts for the shifter project

shifter to some of the vehicles. I bought some parts and have finally started moving forward on making the Porsches shift a little nicer.

After getting ahold of some needed parts and taking some measurements, I decided there were a few more parts to get so I can be prepared to make the swap without causing an excessive amount of downtime. The latest part I have been trying to get is sourced from the factory. Wait time for parts from Germany could be as long as six to eight weeks. Although, there's a good chance that those German parts could show up before the parts that the USPS still hasn't delivered.

Local Local Local

While Mimi, our 356 project, isn't getting the most attention right now, parts are still being gathered and plans are being made and revised. The latest item we've obtained was

found right here in town. We got a very special accessory: an Arizona Outlaw badge from Jeff Gamble.

Now the key is to put all the parts I have been gathering for all the different projects where I can find them when I need them. I will let you know next month how successful I was.



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- Every Tuesday of the Month Tucson British Car Club at Starbucks 3001 N. Swan Rd.
- 1st Saturday of the Month Crown Automotive & Top Flight Golf 3930 W. Costco Dr.
- 2nd Saturday of the Month Obsessions Show/Lowe's 4075 W. Ina Rd.
- 2nd Saturday of the Month Frost's Show/La Encantada Campbell & Skyline
- 3rd Saturday of the Month Chapman Honda Dealership (Fall/Winter only) 4426 E. 22nd St.
- 4th Saturday of the Month Mona's Danish Bakery 4777 E. Sunrise Dr.









March Membership Meeting

This month we will be meeting at Trident Grill II - 2910 N Swan Rd

We will gather for dinner on Tuesday, March 4th, at 6:00.

Meeting starts approximately at 7:00.

Come hang out with your Porsche friends as we enjoy a great meal together!



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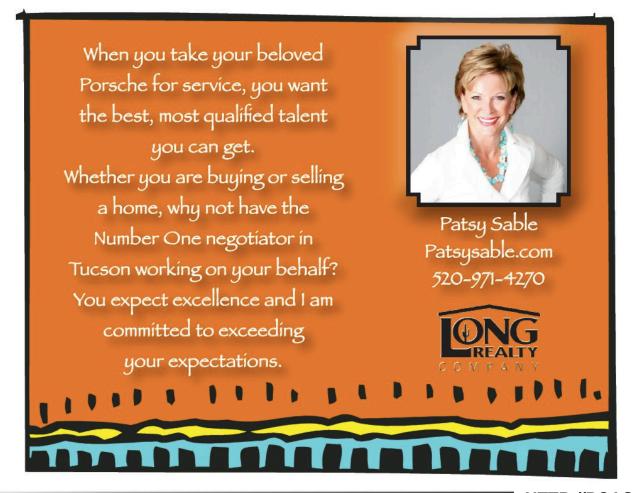
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