

THE VOICE OF THE SEDONA CAR CLUB—PUTTING DEAD TREES TO GOOD USE

President's Vehicle

It's Party Time!! Due to the cold wind at last year's June Picnic in Flagstaff, it has been decided to hold the annual June picnic in July, in hopes off a warmer evening. Please see Ed Pittman's detailed report on this page.

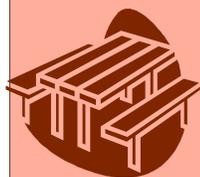
Because of the change in dates, there will be NO general meeting in June. The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, August 10th at the Sedona Library.

The tour to Wickenburg that Ed Pittman had scheduled for April has been postponed until October. In September, I will put on another of my infamous rallies. The dates for these events will be published in the next (August) Tire Tracks.

See you at Fort Tuthill.

Al Moss, President

(P.S. - Where In The World Are David & Rachel Lombardi?)



July Picnic - Ed Pittman edpitt@esedona.net

Traditionally, we have our picnic in June. Traditions are made to be broken! And we indeed are going to break that tradition. Last year, we held the picnic at Ft. Tuthill Park in Flagstaff. It was cold. How cold? Ask Loraine Cousins, who did not stop shivering for a week. This year, we are once again going to picnic at Ft. Tuthill (Cochise Ramada), but in July, which statistically, at least, is warmer. Word to the wise – throw a jacket in the car. The date is the second Tuesday, July 13th. Plan for Snacks at 4:00 and dinner at about 5:00. Fort Tuthill Park faces Hwy. 89A at the edge of Flagstaff, where the turnoff is for the Flagstaff Airport.

We searched for another site. Some nice places exist, but wine and beer are forbidden. Chavez Crossing Group Camp Ground on Oak Creek looked good, but it is not a day-use facility. Camping only.

The same caterer as in recent years will be cooking for us. Burgers, 'dogs, salad and dessert - ice cream, of course, are on the menu.. Price will be \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members. The Club will pick up the remainder. Reservations are required. Because we have no June membership meeting, payment will have to be sent to Ed Pittman. Send a check to Ed at 222 Bowstring Drive, Sedona 86336. Cut off date for reservations

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Thanksgiving is a day when we pause to give thanks for the things we have.



Memorial Day is a day when we pause to give thanks to the people who fought for the things we have.



Club Calendar

June - No Meeting

July 13 - Club Picnic - Fort Tuthill, Flagstaff

July - No Meeting or Newsletter

August 28 - Thunder Over Coconino car show at Grand Canyon Airport

September 25 - Sedona Car Club Show

Tire Tracks

Tire Tracks is published 11 times a year by the Sedona Car Club and contains information on events and activities of interest to members. It is compiled and edited by Greg Zucco. Distribution by Gene Mai. All submissions are due by the 22nd of each month. Send to:
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Congratulations ! On Your Anniversary!

Mike & Victoria Clark 6/13
Bob & Jean Jorgensen 13
Norm & Jeanie Uhlir 16
John & Cheryl Ossenfort 19
Herb & Joan Miller 26
James Bradley/Sandi Galbreth 7/3
Dwight & Patricia Van Evera 8
Bob & Jo Boydston 17



“Bone to be Wild”

A Motorcycle Ride to Benefit the Animals at The Humane Society of Sedona was held May 22, with club members Zucco, Giesbrecht and Tulley participating. It took us through the Village, Cottonwood and Clarkdale where at each stop a card was drawn to make a poker hand. Alas we all drew hands worthy of folding, but it was a worthy cause and fun.





JUNIPINE MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Right - McKenzie's & the Smith's
Below - Monaci's, Mortensen's,
and the Wadsack's





Left - Ossenfort's, Gain's, Currie's, & the Carson's.



Right - Al Moss and the Duncan's



Left
The Pietrofitta's



Right - Greg & Stephanie

AMAZING GRACE

Look carefully at the B-17 and note how shot up it is - one engine dead, tail, horizontal stabilizer and nose shot up.. It was ready to fall out of the sky. (This is a painting done by an artist from the description of both pilots many years later.) Then realize that there is a German ME-109 fighter flying next to it. Now read the story below. I think you'll be surprised.....



Charlie Brown was a B-17 Flying Fortress pilot with the 379th Bomber Group at Kimbolton, England. His B-17 was called 'Ye Old Pub' and was in a terrible state, having been hit by flak and fighters. The compass was damaged and they were flying deeper over enemy territory instead of heading home to Kimbolton.

After flying the B-17 over an enemy airfield, a German pilot named Franz Steigler was ordered to take off and shoot down the B-17. When he got near the B-17, he could not believe

his eyes. In his words, he 'had never seen a plane in such a bad state'. The tail and rear section was severely damaged, and the tail gunner wounded. The top gunner was all over the top of the fuselage. The nose was smashed and there were holes everywhere.

Despite having ammunition, Franz flew to the side of the B-17 and looked at Charlie Brown, the pilot. Brown was scared and struggling to control his damaged and blood-stained plane.



BF-109 pilot Franz Steigler



B-17 pilot Charlie Brown.

Aware that they had no idea where they were going, Franz waved at Charlie to turn 180 degrees. Franz escorted and guided the stricken plane to, and slightly over, the North Sea towards England. He then saluted Charlie Brown and turned away, back to Europe. When Franz landed he told the CO that the plane had been shot down over the sea, and never told the truth to anybody. Charlie and his crew told all at their briefing, but were ordered never to talk about it.

More than 40 years later, Charlie Brown wanted to find the Luftwaffe pilot who saved the crew. After years of research, Franz was found. He had never talked about the incident, not even at post-war reunions.



They met in the USA at a 379th Bomber Group reunion, together with 25 people who are alive now - all because Franz never fired his guns that day.

(L-R) German Ace Franz Stigler, artist Ernie Boyett, and B-17 pilot Charlie Brown.

When asked why he didn't shoot them down, Stigler later said, that he didn't have the heart to finish those brave men. I flew beside them for a long time. They were trying desperately to get home and I was going to let them do that. I could not have shot at them. It would have been the same as shooting at a man in a parachute.

Both men died in 2008.

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29TH ANNUAL **SEDONA** CAR SHOW



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Saturday, September 25, 2010
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
AT THE SEDONA AIRPORT



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Tire Tracks

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Hear Ye!
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The next meeting
of the Sedona Car
Club will be on
Tuesday, August
10th, at 7:00 PM
at the Sedona
Public Library on
White Bear Rd.