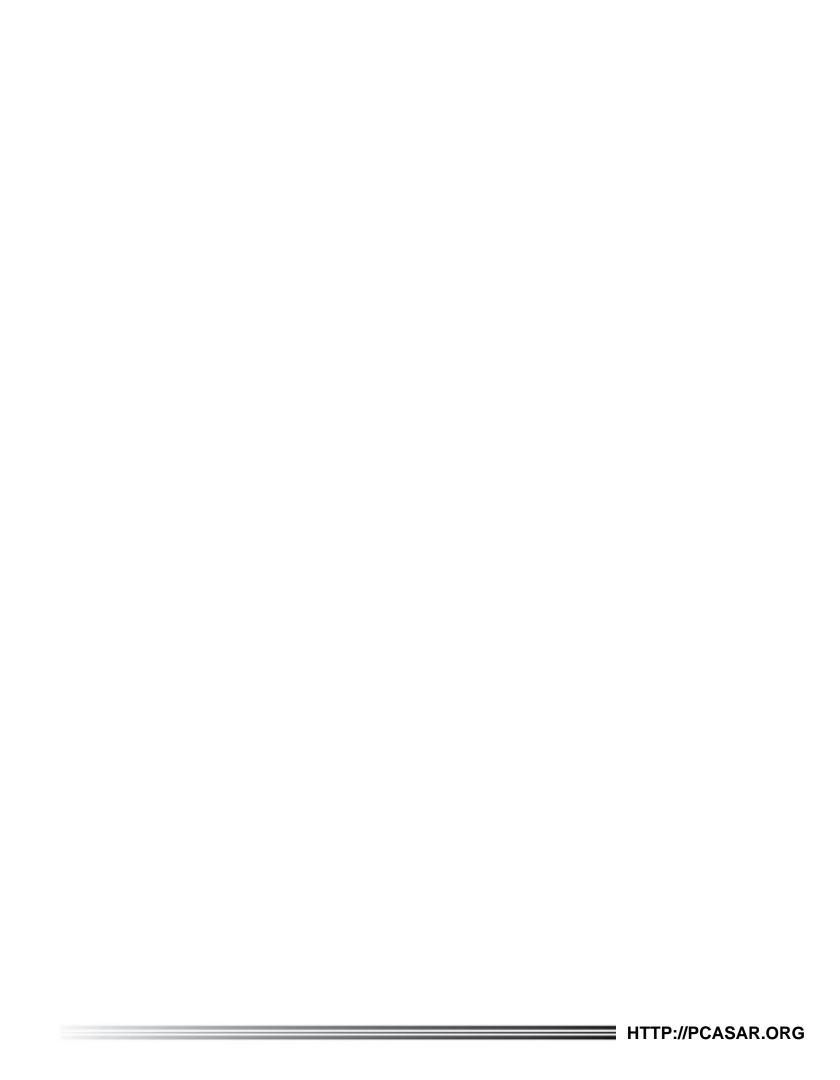


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Club President Pat Norris drives his 944 at the recent Driver's Education event. Photo by Jim Kendler

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## President's Corner By Pat Norris



As summer hits and things slow down in southern Arizona, for PCA-SAR it may actually seem like things get busier this year! We haven't been able to meet inperson for over a year now, except for a great series of tours and some much needed time at the DEs. But things are changing.

As I write this, we already have folks up at Treffen! This is expected to be an amazing event. Watch the new peasouthernaz Instagram account for photos, as Chris, our social media chair, is one of the attendees.

Here in the greater Tucson area, we are planning our first in-person breakfast social! Watch for an email because there will be a sign-up on motorsportreg.com. We will still be limiting attendance so spots are expected to go fast.

And we are starting to plan for how many folks would be interested in a tour to the Grand Canyon - a drive up to Williams, AZ, with a round-trip train ride to the canyon rim the next day. Ed, one of our SAR board members, has started putting this together and needs to know how many folks are interested.

Finally, we are already talking about the possibility of an in-person membership meeting! Keep an eye on your email and the website, as some of this will likely happen before the next issue of the ZN.

For now, stay safe, and I look forward to seeing you (in person!) at an event coming to PCA-SAR soon.

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Editor's Column
By Debi Norris

It is hard to believe that we are already getting towards summer! As the heat intensifies here in Tucson, the Club slows down for our summer

season. Many club members head off to cooler climates while those of us who remain hide from the heat in our airconditioned houses and cars. (How did people survive Tucson summers before A/C was invented?) Since things are rather slow, I am combining the May/June and July/August issues of the *ZN*.

Although things are slowing down, there are a few events to look forward to. We will be restarting our popular Breakfast Socials in June! Look for an email to sign up, as space is limited. It will be nice to have an in-person social event again after so many months of virtual events!

The Board is also looking at planning a trip up to the Grand Canyon Railway in the fall. I am especially looking forward to this one as my Grandfather worked for the Rock Island Railway and I have always had a fascination for trains! Our family did this trip a few times when the kids were young and we had a great time. We can only get a group discount if we commit to having at least 20 people (10 couples/cars). If you are interested, be sure to let a board member know.

Stay cool, be safe, and I look forward to seeing you at an event!



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# **Upcoming Events**





Local events in **Bold** 

## May

04 - Virtual Membership Meeting - check your email for details and a link

05-09 Treffen Scottsdale

18 - Board Meeting

21 - DE at Buttonwillow - CCCR

#### June

05/06 - TT/DE - Willow Springs - SDR

08 - Virtual Membership Meeting - check your email for details and a link

19 - Breakfast Social! Blue Willow Restaurant on Campbell

22 - Board Meeting

## July

06 - Virtual Membership Meeting - check your email for details and a link

11-17 - Porsche Parade - French Lick, Indiana

20 - Board Meeting

#### October

30/31 - California Festival of Speed - Autoclub Speedway

#### November

13/14 - INDE Motorsports Ranch Weekend

All events subject to cancellation or postponement due to COVID-19 restrictions. Check our website at pcasar.org for up-to-date information.

# PCA-SAR High Performance Driver's Education (HPDE) – April 27 Article and photos by Jim Kendler – PCA-SAR Driving Event Coordinator

SAR hosted a highly successful Driver's Education (DE) Event at Musselman Honda Kart Circuit. If you are new to PCA or not sure what a DE event is, let me explain. Driver's Education is your chance to drive your car on a track with continuous lapping. Unlike autocross, you remain on the course for the entire session. Also, cars are sent out on the course in groups, not individually. This means that in addition to finding the fastest/safest line around the course, you must also deal with traffic. Inevitably, cars will bunch up, and passing is a required and expected part of a practice session in a designated passing zone.



The mission and purpose of the Porsche Club of America's High Performance Driver's Education Program is to provide a safe,

structured, and controlled teaching and learning environment. The PCA DE Program is designed so that participants can improve their driving abilities and acquire a better understanding of vehicle dynamics and driving safety. Participants will experience first-hand the capabilities of high-performance automobiles in a controlled, closed-course environment and acquire skills that will enhance safer vehicle operation in all driving situations.



Current State,
County, and
PCA COVID
safety
protocols have made
the individual
instruction usually
provided to first time
participants at these
events very

challenging. Under non-COVID safety protocol, SAR provides in-car instruction for first time novice participants. But with the help from PCA-AZ (Phoenix Region) we managed to provide limited novice instruction at our April event. As you can see



from the pictures, it was a beautiful spring day in Tucson and all participants had plenty of track time.

For our fall and winter events we hope to be doing limited in-car instruction. Future HPDE dates currently scheduled include Inde Country Club Track scheduled November 13-14 and Musselman scheduled December 12. If you have questions please contact me at <a href="mailto:kjkendler@comcast.net">kjkendler@comcast.net</a>.



#### **Breakfast Social**

(Yes! We actually have an in-person social event!)

Our always-popular Breakfast Socials are returning!
Saturday, June 19th
8:00 AM

Blue Willow Restaurant

2616 N. Campbell Road

Registration is required and space is limited. Watch your email for the link to sign up!





# Save The Date!

INDE Motorsports Ranch Weekend

Join the joint Arizona and Southern Arizona Regions event on

November 13-14

Enjoy one of the best tracks in the Southwest!

Look for an email to sign up on Motorsportreg.com

# Grand Canyon Railway Weekend

The Board is considering planning a trip to the Grand Canyon Railway in the fall and would like to get input as to possible interest. In order to get the group discount we need a commitment of at least 20 people (10 cars/couples). If this is of interest to you, please contact either Pat at <a href="mailto:president@pcasar.org">president@pcasar.org</a> or a Board Member at <a href="mailto:board@pcasar.org">board@pcasar.org</a>. If there is enough interest we will go forward with planning!

#### Day One

Depart Tucson Arrive at the Grand Canyon Railway & Hotel in Williams, AZ Dinner at the Fred Harvey Restaurant Stay overnight at the Grand Canyon Railway & Hotel

#### Day Two

Breakfast at the Fred Harvey Restaurant
Wild West Show before the train departs at the Williams Depot

Train travel in any of six classes of service from Williams, AZ to the Grand Canyon with entertainment from strolling musicians & personalized service and insider knowledge from your Passenger Service Attendant Free time at the canyon to explore

Train travel back to Williams with same ameneties Dinner at the Fred Harvey Restaurant Stay overnight at the Grand Canyon Railway & Hotel

#### **Day Three**

Breakfast at the Fred Harvey Restaurant Depart Williams Arrive Tucson

# Possible dates and prices September 28-30

2 nights Standard Room 2 Queen Beds (other options available) 1st Class Seating Both directions \$906 Dome Car up and parlor car back \$1039 (limited availability)

**October 1-3** (Steam Train will be operating instead of usual diesel) Williams Railway Hotel 2 nights Standard Room 2 Queen Beds (other options available)

1st Class Seating Both directions \$1106

Dome Car up and parlor car back \$1229 (limited availability)





#### **Tour to Benson**

#### Article by Debi Norris and Photos by Jim Kendler

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, PCA-SAR enjoyed another fun tour, this time out to Benson. The club met at the Desert Diamond Casino parking lot as Kurt Fuerstenau gave a brief safety talk and we all turned in our required Covid paperwork. We headed east along Sahuarita Road and then south into Sonoita. Some beautiful, twisty roads took us further east to Highway 80, near Tombstone, where we finally headed north into Benson.

Once in town, we converged on the visitor center where Bob Nilson, the director of the visitor center, warmly greeted us. We all enjoyed a picnic lunch and then Bob gave us a very informative tour of both the visitor center as well as several of the murals in the surrounding area. His talk was both entertaining and informative.

After the tour, we were free to look around the visitor center and several of us tried our hand at driving the model train around. Too soon, it was time to head back to Tucson.

The local Benson paper even had a write-up about our event. You can follow this link to read it: <a href="https://www.myheraldreview.com/news/benson/porsche-club-visits-benson-while-touring-southeastern-arizona/">https://www.myheraldreview.com/news/benson/porsche-club-visits-benson-while-touring-southeastern-arizona/</a> article 9ae748e8-9b1e-11eb-b9b5-a7d525eb3e8f.html

A big thank you to Kurt for organizing all of our tours this spring. It has been a great way to safely socialize and have some fun with our Porsches. I look forward to more tours in the fall.













#### First Long Voyage

#### By Jerry and Darlene Fouts

The first week of April of this year, Darlene and I had a need to travel to Grand Junction, CO to begin the disposal and relocation of some of the stuff that belonged to our son Jeff who is now living here in Tucson.

After a long search for a smaller SUV that could carry Jeff's electric scooter plus Jeff and a dog, we acquired a 2016 Porsche Macan S from a Porsche dealer in Oklahoma City. That is a long story for another time. We took our preferred route by scenic but less traveled roads to Grand Junction avoiding Phoenix and I-17, traversing the Salt River Canyon and the Navajo Reservation. We found the Macan a joy to drive. We



were concerned about the trip home, as we would be pulling a U-Haul trailer. But to our surprise, we actually found ourselves looking for passing zones so we could get by slower traffic. The Macan turned out to be a towing little beast as we were able to accelerate quickly even on steep uphill grades. Other than slightly lower gas mileage, the car did not seem to notice it was pulling a trailer.

The picture is in front of our home before unloading the trailer. As you can see there was no drooping of the back of the car. The trailer tracked wonderfully even on the twisty Salt River Canyon road. We were very impressed with the capability of our Macan S.

#### Meet Mia and Leonard Schenkel

By Kathleen Kendler - Membership Chair

When Leonard sent in his answers to my eleven "get to know new members" questionnaire, I saw there was a lot more than the standard short answers. I thought I would share as I found their wedding photo was awesome and had not heard the story on previous get-togethers.

If I understood correctly from our previous conversations, Mia and Leonard met at a race track.

Len has been racing Porsches since 1969, at first through SCCA, and later through the Porsche Owners Club. He finally gave it up in 2010 at the age of 77.

He mentioned that his most memorable car experience was trying to drive away from their wedding venue in a 356A with Mia in a huge wedding dress crammed into the front seat of that little car.



Check out the photo. I'm sure they had fun trying to get that dress into their Porsche, nicknamed "Willie!"

### Adopt-A-Roadway March 27, 2021

By Lon Reeder - Community Service Chair

The beautiful spring weather is a reminder that it's time for our club to meet its Adopt-A-Roadway cleanup commitment which we did on Saturday, March 27. During these crazy COVID times it was a welcome opportunity to break out of the house and get some much needed fresh air, sunshine, and exercise. The ADOT restrictions on the number of participants was still in place but a committed group of six volunteers came out and slipped on their stylish Hi-Vis vests, grabbed their grabbers, scoured the roadside, and filled their bags!

Being such a small group we didn't split up to cover both sides of Orange Grove Road in one go like we usually do. We walked the south side



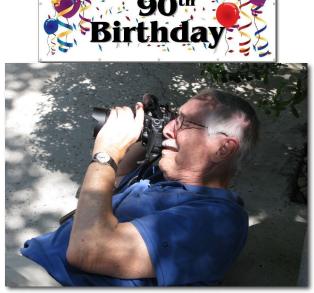
of the road to 1st Avenue and then returned on the north side. There was less debris on this outing, but we still managed to fill three large bags and gathered some other big items for ADOT to pick up later. There were no unusual surprises and no bonanza finds either so Jim Kendler still holds the record for his haul of a \$10 bill stuck in a bush a couple years ago. And, no, I don't plant money to entice volunteer participation. That's not necessary as everyone has a great time and takes pride in keeping our community looking good.

A big thanks to the fabulous five volunteers who joined me! With improving COVID conditions I expect that our Fall 2021 event will be open to everyone and we can resume the pre-pickup treat at Beyond Bread before the cleanup.

Stay healthy and I look forward to seeing you at our next Adopt-A-Roadway event in the Fall!

#### The Big Nine - Ohhhh!

Hal Tretbar celebrated his 90th birthday in March. Hal has been a longtime major contributor to our SAR newsletter, *Zuffenhausen News*. We all have enjoyed his travel logs, historical articles, reports on automobile auctions, series about women racecar drivers, the connection of aviation with the Porsche marque, and general reflections on all things Porsche. His wonderful photographs have also graced many covers and pages of our newsletter as well as professional magazines. Be sure to check out some of his articles under the heading of "Speed Bump" on our SAR website. Thank you Hal, for your continued support of the *ZN* and SAR. You are an active and awesome nonagenarian (Yes, that means someone who is 90-99 years old.) Many congratulations!



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

It is mid-April, 2021, as I finish this article to send off to the editor. I have received positive feedback on the matrixes of getting to know our members and stories about them. So, as long as you send me your answers, I'll keep compiling them for you.

Our new members as of April 1st are:

Tucson:

Joshua Blessings
Richard and Ann Hirschhorn
Eugene Kunde - transferred from Redwood Region
David Lovitt
Richard Vercillio

Mark Tartaglia Bisbee

Margot and David Elsner Green Valley

**Darren Crosslev** Sierra Vista

We are losing Barb and Steve Proctor as they move to Tennessee this month. There was a nice feature on their cars in the last issue of the *ZN*. Both have been involved with our club and the 356 Club for quite a while. They have been PCA members for over 40 years and whatever region they land in will have an awesome team to add to their local club.

I would like to applaud our newest additions to the leadership team; Kim McCollum as the Charity Chair and Chris Grossklau as our Social Media Chair. Welcome to the team.

For the gearheads out there, you might enjoy the following articles published about Sean's 944:

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I found cutting and pasting the link address into your web browser to work well. I have known Sean since his college days. Check out some of his projects.

I would like to encourage you to write your own "My First Porsche" story or experience and submit the article to our newsletter editor, Debi Norris. Submissions are due by the 20th of each month for the working issue.

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I hope to see you in the near future. In the meantime, please stay safe and healthy.

## **Meet Some New Members**

## By Kathleen Kendler - Membership Chairperson

1.	When did you join PCA?
2.	What Porsche(s) do you have?
3.	Where are you from?
4.	Family/Significant Other?
5.	What is your work background/trade?
6.	What makes your car special?
7.	Next upgrade?
8.	Have you personalized your car?
9.	What is your favorite memory with a car?
10.	Why did you buy your Porsche (current one or another?)
11.	Do you have any special interests or hobbies?

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4	Eric Wentzel	Alfred Luckau	Bill Wilson
2	2020 1997 C4S	Middle of 2005 2005 Boxster S (987) Seal Grey w/ Stone Grey top	February 1971
3	Reading, PA	Moved to Tucson in '94 from SoCal. Raised on Maui and wife was born in Hilo, HI.	Moved to Saddlebrooke from Black Butte Ranch, OR.
4	Married to Barbara 32 years.	Sandra	Kathy Wilson, 52 years.
5	Finance career in bank treasury mostly in NYC with a brief stint in London.	Aerospace Engineer	Bill: Pharmacy – OR & MN Kathy: Teacher
6	My 4 <sup>th</sup> 911, and my 6 <sup>th</sup> Porsche. The 993 is the last of the air-cooled cars and the best blend of modern tech and old school engineering.	It's a hoot to drive, and practical, too. Had a blast driving it at the track in the early days.	We purchased the 1968, 2002, and 2014 Porsches new and still own.
7	Nothing planned	Macan S, perhaps ☺	Why? Maybe consider a new Cayenne.
8	Nothing Planned	Vanity plate	1968 912 Targa has been restored to near original condition.
9	Every drive is a special experience.	Great New Mexico and Colorado road trip for almost 2 weeks. And definitely tracking at Arroyo Seco.	1968 912 Targa – wedding car of Kathy and me and also for our 2 daughters. Our 2 daughters came home from the hospital as babies in this car. 1968 912 Targa won first place at 2017 Porsche Parade.
10	First Porsche back in 1985 was a 1980 911SC. It was a pretty big stretch to get it and a dream fulfilled.	Got into a mid-life roadster kick. Test drive and that was that!	I liked the quality of workmanship and technology.
11	Playing a lot of bad golf in my retirement.	I worked with great passion and enthusiasm. After retiring I just seem to dabble in various things.	Hunting, international travel, family, Porsche, boating in BC and SE Alaska.

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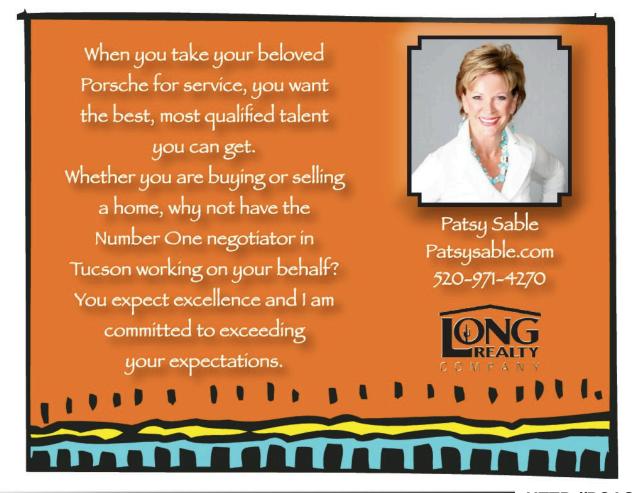
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