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**Classics Under The Sun; Tucson Mini-CARavan;
Copperstate Kickoff; End-Of-Season Steak Fry**



**Bill & Jane Podsedly's Packard 2106 Sedan
At San Xavier Del Bac Mission**

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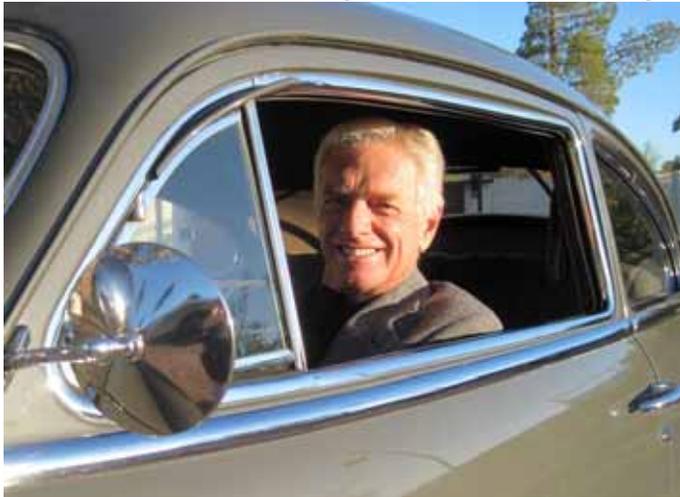
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On the front and back covers: Front: Bill & Jane Podsedly's 1947 Packard 2106 at Mission San Xavier Del Bac on the Tucson Mini-CARavan (photo by John Ossenfort): Back: Lee & Sandi Gurvey's 1937 Buick 91F at "Classics Under the Sun" (photo by Dee Pellegrini).

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A Message from Region Director Ed Winkler



Here Comes Summer

Time for us to sign off until the cool winds of fall blow once again in Arizona. I hope this season was as enjoyable for you as it has been for Karen and I. This is a wonderful Region and we have a stellar group of dedicated automotive enthusiasts. We have just completed the final event of the season with The Great Steak Fry at the Briskman's; sorry we missed it, but duty called us out of state. By all accounts it was another great event.

The highlight of the season for us was the overnight trip to Tucson. Give Keith and Marie a mission and just get out of the way. Thanks, guys, for putting on a great event, one we will all be talking about for a long time. Even Keith and Marie had a good time! It was wonderful to see so many Classics take to the roads and without any major problems! We kept the "Trouble Truck" from getting into trouble.

The new members on our Board have been a big boost to our success. Dale Lillard has stepped up and become involved in all our activities. His love for driving the old cars, Classics or not, is quite apparent. Thanks, Dale, for all of your outstanding leadership.

I received this week a detailed financial statement for our Region which includes a balance sheet and profit/loss statement from our new

Treasurer, Steven Kreisman. The report is six pages long and is the most complete financial statement I have ever seen for any club—great job, Steven.

We have some fun events already scheduled for the fall. We will have our Annual Meeting in November, the 2nd Annual Concours d'Elegance on January 11th, and the Auction Breakfast the next weekend; then Classics Under the Sun in March. We will add some new adventures: in October, "Horses and Horsepower"; in November, Rich Hull will open his home and garage for us to marvel at his Model Train display. In December, there will be a ride on Ollie The Trolley with dinner. In February, we're planning a visit to one of the most spectacular classic automotive collections in Arizona; and to end the season, a road trip to Flagstaff and on to Lake Powell. If you have some other ideas or would like to help us organize any of these events, please let me know.

Till then,
Ed

PS: By now you have received in the mail the CCCA Annual Membership Renewal. Please remember when you renew your National Membership, you also renew your Regional Membership. Both memberships are renewed at the same time, on the same "Renewal Form". Thank you for renewing your membership and supporting the greatest of all car clubs, the Classic Car Club of America and the Arizona Region.



SEE YOU NEXT FALL!

Get ready for fall! We have some new and exciting events coming up that you won't want to miss.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!



Welcome To The AZ Region CCCA Club Store

For 2014, don't forget to wear your Club apparel, which is now available online at:

arizonaccca.org/eshop.htm

Please browse the store and select the items you would like to purchase and Dee will be happy to order them for you. All the apparel has an embroidered logo of the Arizona Region CCCA. Start your shopping today and support our club!!

Fall & Winter 2014-2015 Regional Events

Date	Event	Time	Contact
October 26	"Horses And Horsepower" Display at Scottsdale Polo Championships, WestWorld	10:00 AM-5:00 PM	Pellegrini
November 22	Arizona Region Annual Meeting & Lunch, McCormick Ranch Golf Club	11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Briskman
November 29	Rich & Sharon Hull Train & Circus Collection Tour & Lunch	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Briskman
December TBD	Ollie The Trolley Christmas Lights Ride & Dinner	TBD	Capra
Jan. 11, 2015	2nd Annual Arizona Concours D'Elegance, Arizona Biltmore	9:00 AM-4:30 PM	Winkler/ Cornish
Jan. 18, 2015	Annual Auction Breakfast, DC Ranch Clubhouse	9:00 AM	Capra
February 2015	Garage Tour TBD	TBD	Winkler
March 14, 2015	Classics Under The Sun & Dinner, The Pavilions	3:00 PM	Briskman
Apr. 25-26, 2015	Page/Lake Powell Mini-CARavan	TBD	Ossenfort

National CCCA 2014 Events

CARavans:	
Sept. 12-20	"It's A Shore Thing" - Michigan Region
Grand Classics:	
May 31	Hickory Corners, MI (National)
July 12	Dearborn, MI (Michigan Region)
July 26	Columbus, IN (Indiana Region)
August 2	Stillwater, MN (Upper Midwest Region)
September 6	Hudson, OH (Ohio Region)

Club Members: Bill & Jane Podsedly

Article & Photo by Ed Winkler

Meet Bill and Jane Podsedly. Bill is a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and attended Case Institute of Technology, now Case Western. As a young boy Bill would help his dad who was an automotive mechanic. Bill honed his technical skills at a young age and later used his talents in the Navy as a carpenter. After the war Bill concentrated on home building and built houses for his family members.

Bill relocated from Cleveland to Sacramento, California, where he worked in the aeronautical industry. He began as an assistant engineer and worked his way up to a managerial position at Aerojet. While we were touring the Titan Missile Museum, south of Tucson, Bill told the group that he had worked as a rocket test engineer, under the guidance of rocket scientists Dr. Rudy Bikel and Dr. Theodore Von Carmen, to develop the turbine system that drove the propellant (fuel) of the Titan rockets. Bill retired from the aeronautical business in 1991.

At one point Bill owned a 125-acre walnut farm and, in usual Podsedly form, he took a marginal farm and transformed it into a showcase; it was at this point that he sold the farm to Robert S. McNamara, president of the World Bank and former secretary of defense under JFK and LBJ.

Bill's love of the automobile goes back to his youth; he purchased his first car in 1955, a Model T Ford (or at least some rusty parts of one). Fifty-seven collector cars later, Bill is still looking for his next ride, maybe a mid- to late-60's Cadillac convertible, with air conditioning.

Bill was very active in the Horseless Carriage Club and the CCCA. He has held positions at the National HCC level and in the Northern California CCCA Region.

The HCC was the catalyst that brought Bill and Jane together in 1991. Bill had a blind date

with Jane, arranged by an HCC member, and they have been together ever since. Bill claims it took him three wives to get it right!

At the conclusion of the missile program, Bill elected to stay in Sacramento and opened an automotive repair business, where he also restored antique and classic cars. Bill used his experience in the aerospace industry to improve automotive diagnostics and worked with the state of California to develop their auto emissions program using his dynamometers.

In 1973 Bill's 1940 Cadillac V16 Sedan Convertible won 1st place at Pebble Beach. Two other Podsedly cars took second place in their respective classes. Bill did all the restoration himself, engine and body; he even taught himself how to do upholstery, and Jane would provide the sewing expertise. While in Sacramento, Bill became known as Mr. Cadillac; at one time he owned every engine configuration Cadillac ever manufactured: single cylinder, 4 cylinder, V8, V12 and V16. Bill considers the overhead valve V16 to be Cadillac's most interesting engine.

Today Bill is comfortable with his 1947 Packard 1206 four door sedan (see front cover) and his 1948 Lincoln Continental Coupe, but he is always on the lookout for the next collector car.



Classics, Sun, And Conviviality

By Sharon Briskman

Photos by Dee Pellegrini

Twelve beautiful classics lined up at the Pavilions in Scottsdale on Saturday, March 8th, for the 4th annual Classics Under The Sun. (Actually, previous ones were called “Classics Under The Stars”, but the event time has crept forward—hence the name change). Unlike the rainy previous year the sun shone brightly and crowds gathered quickly to talk to the proud owners and to tell them about the great old car their grandfather had, or the car that was stored since new in an out of the way farm in Nebraska.

Membership information was on display and one person became a member right then and there. After the show, 23 members and guests enjoyed dinner together at a local Scottsdale eatery.



Show organizer Sharon Briskman with her husband Barry (or is he? The sign behind his shoulder says 'Free'), in front of their 1934 Rolls Royce Town Car.



Above: Prez Ed Winkler with wife Karen, displaying their 1955(?) Chevy Nomad (n/c) - their '47 Cadillac was “resting”.
Below: Steve Evans brought his rare 1927 Locomobile Sedan.





Neil & Patricia DeAtley with their 1947 Cadillac Convertible Coupe—Patricia says it's easier to drive than the Packards.



Classics Under The Sun Attendees

Barry & Sharon Briskman	1934 Rolls Royce
Gary & Lisa Capra	
Toni & Kevin Cornish	1942 Cadillac
Neil & Patricia DeAtley	1947 Cadillac
Steve Evans & Family	1927 Locomobile
Steve Freegard	1948 Lincoln
Lee Gurvey	1937 Buick
Dale Lillard	1932 Lincoln
William Link	1939 Packard
Bob Messinger	1941 Cadillac
Don & Dee Pellegrini	1947 Cadillac
Marvin Price	1940 Packard
Ed & Karen Winkler	
Ken & Kim Zitzmann	1936 Cadillac



Above: Kevin & Toni Cornish & friend with their 1942 Cadillac Sedan
Below: Marvin Price and his 1940 Packard 160 Coupe, restored a few years ago by he and his son.



Back To Tucson: Another Mini- CARavan

Photos by John Ossenfort

Road trips are always fun, no matter your age. And when they're organized by Keith & Marie Ambs, they are even more enjoyable. We visited some fascinating new places in the Tucson area, ate some delicious food along the way (including perhaps the biggest hors d'oeuvres spread ever put on in the Region) and of course did all this with lots of friends.

This trip started out early in the morning on March 29th at the Pavillions McDonald's, site of the Classics Under The Sun show and purveyor of various quick breakfast foods and COFFEE! After a short driver's meeting held by Ed Winkler, the group set off at about 8:30 along the nearby Interstate and the Superstition freeway toward Florence, led by Barry & Sharon Briskman in their (n/c) Jaguar. Once on Highway 79, the road became more the sort to which our cars were accustomed. A couple of cars made quick stops in the Florence area, either to top up their gas tanks or to reduce the volume of the morning's COFFEE.

At Catalina, north of Tucson, we made our first official stop of the trip, at Bubb's Grub World Champion Barbecue. To look at the table you would have thought we hadn't eaten in weeks. Everyone loaded up on ribs, pulled pork, chicken or hot links before heading back down the highway through Tucson.

Our next stop was at Mission San Xavier Del Bac, rightly known as the "White Dove of the Desert". Located on the Tohono O'odham Indian reservation, this beautiful church and associated buildings were constructed by the Spanish missionaries in 1783-1797. It is the oldest intact European building in Arizona, and contains some beautiful baroque religious statuary and murals. A museum and gift shop next to the church was a popular destination. The unseasonable heat caused problems though; one of the cars failed to proceed until some starting fluid was applied.



Jim McDowell, daughter Audrey, and friend Holly Norlin tailgate on Jim's 1937 Packard Victoria Dietrich at McDonald's.



Someone stole the engine from Ed Battershell's Tesla S (n/c).



Lunch at Bubb's Grub in Catalina—choose your barbecue.



Above: Exterior and interior of the church at Mission San Xavier Del Bac, the “White Dove of the Desert”.

Then everyone raced on down the highway to get to our 3:00 tour at the Titan Missile Museum—one of the highlights of the trip. A former missile watch commander turned docent gave a fabulous tour of this one-time Titan II missile silo, still containing a (deactivated) ICBM. This is the only remaining such site of the original 54 sites active in the U.S. from 1963 to 1987. Additional information was supplied at the rocket engine display, where member Bill Podsedly disclosed that he had been one of the engineers who developed and tested the Stage 1 engine.



Titan Missile Museum:
Top: the missile still in the silo
Above: Ed & Karen Winkler prepare to fire it off! Head for the bomb shelters!



A classy display of open Classics at Canoa Ranch resort: The McDowell 1937 Packard Victoria, the Ambs 1941 Cadillac Convertible Coupe, and the Lillard 1935 Auburn Phaeton

Below: A small part of the spread in the Ambs' hospitality suite. Dale & Marilyn Lillard and Toni Cornish serve while Kevin Cornish and Sharon & Barry Briskman eat it up.

Middle: The great paper airplane contest. Former aerospace engineer Bill Podsedly takes his shot while the Cornishes, John Vander Heide, Bob Messinger, your editor, and Ed Winkler await their turn.

Bottom: Bob Messinger celebrated his 82nd birthday on the trip; here he is reading his birthday card.



Our home for the night was at the beautiful Canoa Ranch Resort in Green Valley. Although a restaurant was available next door, the Ambs' hospitality suite had so much food and drink available that few of us made it to supper. And in order to break up the eating and drinking a little, Keith organized a paper airplane flying contest within the suite, won by Regional Director Ed Winkler.

Your editor had to leave early the next day and missed the final visit of the trip: the Pima Air & Space Museum. This huge complex is filled with all sorts of aircraft from the Second World War through the space race. From all accounts, everyone had a great time taking the tour.

Thanks again to Keith & Marie Ambs for arranging this delightful trip. Thanks also to Dale Lillard, who arranged for our (unused) trouble truck.



A couple of other well-filled participants: Jane Vander Heide and Don Pellegrini.

TUCSON MINI CARAVAN ATTENDEES

Keith & Marie Ambs	1941 Cadillac
Ed Battershell	
Sharon & Barry Briskman	
Kevin & Toni Cornish	1941 Lincoln
Dale & Marilyn Lillard	1935 Auburn
Jim McDowell	1937 Packard
with Audrey McDowell & Holly Norlin	
Bob & Dot Messinger	
John & Cheryl Ossenfort	1941 Cadillac
Don & Dee Pellegrini	1947 Cadillac
Bill & Jane Podsedly	1947 Packard
John & Jane Vander Heide	
Ed & Karen Winkler	
John & Michelle Craft	trouble truck

Copperstate 1000 Show 2014

Photos by Dee Pellegrini

The Copperstate 1000 is one of Arizona's best-known annual car events. Sponsored by the Men's Art Council, the charity rally takes entrants on a 4-day 1000-mile loop around scenic parts of Arizona. For the last 2 years, the Arizona Region CCCA has been invited to show their cars on the infield of Tempe Diablo Stadium, from which the Copperstate runners begin their tour. This year, on April 6th, several of our members also ran in the rally: Kevin & Toni Cornish, Jim McDowell, and Dale & Marilyn Lillard.



Above: Part of the Region's display: Ed Winkler's 1947 Cadillac 62 Coupe, with Marvin Price's 1940 Packard 160 Business Coupe beyond.



Top: Don Pellegrini's 1947 Cadillac 62
Middle: Toni Cornish, Rose Dennison & Rosemary Price await the start.
Bottom: Waving the cars off.

Return Of The Great Steak Fry

Photos by Dee Pellegrini

Old traditions never die. After an absence of several years, the Region's spring steak fry is back! On April 12th, 37 members gathered at the Briskmans' to enjoy the food, enjoy the friends, and of course to give chef Don Pellegrini invaluable advice on how to burn the steaks. Jane Vander Heide coordinated the delicious accompanying potluck while Dee Pellegrini ordered the meat.



Top: Sandi Gurvey, Gary Capra and Sharon Briskman arrange the potluck donations. Above: Neil DeAtley, back on his feet again, surveys the scene with Keith Ambs, while Lee Gurvey and Marie Ambs have a conversation.

Below: Chef Don Pellegrini displays the featured items.

Bottom: How's this for a dessert! It's almost a shame to cut it. Dot Messinger won it at a silent auction.



Thanks to all who contributed—see you next fall!



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Press release by Bob Golfen:

The second annual Arizona Concours d'Elegance has announced four icons of automotive history to appear as featured classes during the January 11, 2015, event at the historic Arizona Biltmore Resort. The Arizona Concours, an exclusive celebration of fine automobiles, will include among its field of 80 select entries:

- The classic American luxury brand Pierce-Arrow;
- Competition Ferraris (pre-1965);
- The cars of Carrozzeria Ghia, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the renowned Italian design house;
- A gathering of cars once owned by architect Frank Lloyd Wright, famed architect and auto enthusiast.

After a successful inaugural event this past January, the Arizona Concours will again serve as the signature event to commence the famed Arizona Collector Car Auction Week in the Scottsdale/Phoenix area. The Concours is held on the landscaped inner lawns of the Arizona Biltmore, providing an intimate setting during the typically warm and sunny winter season.

The selection of a special class for Frank Lloyd Wright cars was inspired by the aura and architecture of the Biltmore hotel, said Ed Winkler, one of the directors of the Arizona Concours. The luxury hotel, which opened in 1929, was designed in Wright's landmark style by Albert Chase MacArthur.

The Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation has been an enthusiastic supporter of the efforts to bring together the class of FLW cars. The foundation is based at Wright's famous winter home and architecture school, Taliesin West, which is located in Scottsdale.

"There's just a mystique that travels with Frank Lloyd Wright," Winkler said. "Because

he has a grand presence in Arizona with Taliesin West, and his connection with the Biltmore hotel, has inspired us to assemble as many of his former cars as possible."

The Arizona Concours steering committee has also determined the class list for the 2015 show and competition, with 17 specialty classes for entries ranging from antique and full classic to sports cars and exotics.

The Arizona Concours d'Elegance benefits Make-A-Wish Arizona, the founding chapter of the national organization that grants wishes for children facing life-threatening medical conditions.

For more information about the Arizona Concours d'Elegance, see

www.arizonaconcours.com.

GREAT STEAK FRY ATTENDEES

Keith & Marie Ambs
Ed Battershell
Barry & Sharon Briskman
Gary & Lisa Capra and 2 guests
Kevin and Toni Cornish
Neil & Patricia DeAtley
Ken & Rose Dennison
Steve Evans and dad
Tom & Martha Ferran
Lee & Sandi Gurvey
Richard & Joanne Hansen
Bill & Nancy Ingler
Raoul Jacques
Paul Longstreth
Bob & Dot Messinger
Don & Dee Pellegrini
Bill & Jane Podsedly
Marv & Rosemary Price
John and Jane Vander Heide

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The Gurveys' 1937 Buick Limited 91F
Formal Sedan At Classics Under The Sun

