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Impala Bob's to host 2nd Annual Fall Chevys-Only Show October 25

Along with mercifully cooler temperatures, fall is also the time when classic car shows gear up again in Arizona. Impala Bob's is hosting its second annual fall Chevys-Only show Saturday, October 25. Impala Bob's is located at 4753 E. Falcon Dr. at Falcon Field Airport in Mesa.

Take the Greenfield exit from either Loop 202 or U.S. 60. Falcon Field is about 1 1/2 miles south of Loop 202 at Greenfield Rd. and McKellips. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Arizona Impalas will be at the show, with a meeting of the general membership at noon. Included on the agenda will be nominees for the 2004 board of directors.

If you'd like to help out with set up and logistics at the show, you can get a discount on show registration. Contact Rey Flores at 480-981-1600 ext. 1616 or rey@impalas.com

Impala Bob's always puts on a good show, with lots of cool door prizes, great music, and a nice turnout of classic Chevrolet cars and trucks. Impalas usually get prime parking spots, so bring your car and get there early so we can park together and show off our rides.

New treasurer, Webmaster take charge

With Gary and Samantha Dulude leaving for Oregon this summer, new members have taken charge of the club's treasury and Web site.

Kevin and Marty Byrnes accepted the position of treasurer on the club board of directors. Besides managing the club's finances, Kevin and continued on page 2

Three 64s, "new" 72 Impala attend Prescott show



Karl and Cindy Becker's 64 Impala SS, George and Devona Stebbins' 64 Impala SS, Dave Poore's 72 Impala Custom, and Gary and Samantha Dulude's 64 Impala park together at the annual Prescott Auto Enthusiasts' Comp and Cruise June 7 in downtown Prescott. This was the first show for Dave's "new" 72 Impala, which had been shipped from the seller in Oregon just days before.

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Postcard from Oregon: Gary, Samantha and Betty settle into new home

Gary and Samantha Dulude and Betty, their 64 Impala, moved to Independence, Oregon this summer.. Thank goodness for those huge Impala trunks; after the movers left, they still had a lot of stuff, so Betty's trunk was jam packed.

Other than one rather expensive exception, Betty did great on the 1,300-mile trip, cruising at a steady 70-75 mph with the A/C on full blast most of the way. But as they entered Santa Barbara, Calif. on July 3, Gary heard a couple of

ominous clunks, and Samantha saw smoke coming out from the rear wheels. The rear axle bearings had given out. This was one of the few parts of the car that Gary hadn't refurbished. and fortunately, they were able to make it to a garage that could do the repairs that afternoon. Six hours and a few hundred dollars later, they were back on the road.

Since arriving in Oregon, Betty has attended a couple of shows, and Gary and Samantha are looking for a club to join.



Top: Betty crosses the Golden Gate bridge on the way to her new home in Oregon. Right: Betty now sports rare vintage 1964 Oregon "Pacific Wonderland" license plates.

And since Oregon doesn't have nice Historic Vehicle plates like Arizona, Gary found a rare set of vin-



tage 1964 Oregon plates to put on Betty.

Byrnes takes over treasury, Poore takes on Web site

continued from page 1 Marty are maintaining the inventory of club

shirts. Currently, we have 12 T-shirts and are working on ordering

new club polo shirts. Dave Poore has taken over the club Web site.



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www.arizonaimpalas.com. He has already set up an automated form to post classified ads on the site. You can also e-mail him at KnockOnWood@stillruns.com if you have news or information about shows and other events to share with members.

Thanks to both Kevin and Marty and to Dave for their willingness to step in and take charge of two important club functions.

Dave Poore

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Member spotlight — Archie and Edith: Dave Poore's two '72 Impala Custom coupes

Dave Poore owns two of the most famous Impalas in the world, courtesy of the Internet. They are aptly named Archie and Edith after the Bunkers in All in the Family.



Dave's Web site, www.stillruns.com, first went online in November, 1995 as a tongue-in-cheek tribute to Archie, his venerable 1972 Impala Custom coupe. Bought for \$650 in November, 1988, Dave figured he'd drive the car until it died. Fifteen years and nearly 300,000 miles later that's just an estimate since the odometer broke years ago—Archie still runs.

Dave liked his Impala so much that he decided to





Edith (top) and Archie (bottom) are Dave Poore's matching pair of 72 Impala Custom coupes. You can see many more pictures and have some good laughs at Dave's famous Web site, www.stillruns.com.

buy another one this past June. He found Edith with 68,000 original miles on the Internet and had her shipped to Arizona from Roseburg, Oregon.

Although Edith looks a lot better than Archie, both Impalas are in good shape mechanically. Dave has gradually fixed the things that have broken on Archie and is upgrading Edith as needed. Both Impalas have 350 V-8 engines and two-barrel carbs; Dave reports both engines are still perky. Both cars have air conditioning,

but Edith's actually works.

This year, after running a poll on his Web site, Dave put personalized plates on Archie: STILRNS. After buying Edith, he ordered personalized plates for her as well, STLRUNZ.

New parts and services resources coming to Web site

At the September 20 meeting, members mentioned new companies that offer parts and services for classic car restoration. George Stebbins reports R & B Obsolete Parts is moving to the Glendale Airpark.

Marty Byrnes said Matt Diamond is starting Gear Head Garage which has lifts and equipment for rent. His e-mail address is mattdiamond350@cox.net. Also mentioned were Charlie's Chrome Shop and Papago Plating for rechroming your chrome parts.

The club is compiling a list of reliable vendors for restoration parts and services that will be posted to the Web site. If you have a recommendation, send the company's name, address, phone number and e-mail address or Web site to Dave Poore, Arizona Impalas' Webmaster at KnockOnWood@still-runs.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Desert Classic Chevys 16th Annual Extravaganza, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park,

October 11: downtown Chandler. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information: 480-755-4153.

Sunday, Eddie's Diner Classic Car Show, NE corner of Glendale and 35th Ave.

October 12: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday, Back to School Car Show, Grand and 51st Ave.

October 19:

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noon. Discounted registration for members volunteering to help set up and work at

the show; contact Rey Flores at 480-981-1600 ext. 1616 or rey@impalas.com

Saturday, Goodyear Car Show at Palm Valley Elementary School, Goodyear. Information:

November 15: 623-935-0291.



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