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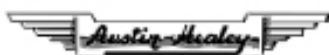


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Santa's Elves building the Toys?

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

December 8, 2009 @ 7:00 PM

Denny's Restaurant

3315 N. Scottsdale Rd.

**Come Early to Socialize and Network
with other Members**

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EDITORS DESK

Dave Riddle

Another year is almost over! Seems so hard to believe. It's even harder to believe that it will soon be 2010.

Since it is almost time to for the making of New Years resolutions I am resolving that the TR3 WILL be done and ready to take to Triumphest in San Diego next year. I'm trying for the BEAT but that might be a bit optimistic.

This past year have seen the Club hold some excellent activities and here's hoping for even more of the same in the coming year. If you have an idea for an event don't wait for the someone else to do it. Instead, follow in the lead of Stu Lasswell or George Durkin and plan an event that sounds fun to you. Very likely quite a few members will find it fun too and join you on the adventure.

Just be sure that if you do an event to be sure to send your humble Newsletter Editor some pictures and a write up so that it can be included in the newsletter. That way others that did not attend that event will hopefully be inspired to attend the next event or even plan their own.

Just like I cannot put this newsletter together without your assistance the Club and it's officers need your leadership and participation to make us a success too!

As for the Website. I'm, still looking for a member to supply some photos of there cars to make some themes featuring a Stag, a Herald, etc...

Recommended Vendors

A "Vendors" menu option has been added to the website. Selecting that menu option will show you a listing of vendors (services, parts, repair, etc...) that DCTRA members have had experience with and are recommending to other members.

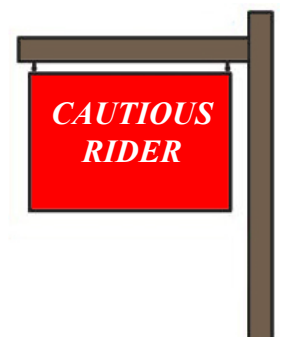
If you have a Vendor to recommend you will notice at the bottom of the list that a form has been provided for you to fill out. When we receive your completed form we will add your recommended vendor to the list.

Membership

Contact Marty Clark at 480-962-7848 for membership information. Dues are \$18.00 per year

Update Your Triumph Membership

Marty has posted the updated membership list on our DCTRA.org website (see files section). It's updated through the January '08 Brunch meeting. He is still accepting digital pictures of your car(s) to include on this list. Club members voted to remove unpaid listings, so these will no longer receive club emails. If you would like your membership to be renewed, bring your payment to an event, meeting or mail a check (made out to DCTRA) to our Treasurer, John Reynolds, 806 E. Campus, Tempe, AZ 85282.



Prez Sez

Kathy Slabaugh

Hello Fellow Members,



Where has the year gone? The holiday season is once again upon us, let us not forget what the season is really about, spending time with loved ones, showing support for others less fortunate and taking a moment to reflect on those who serve in the Armed Forces who are putting their lives on the line 24/7

to keep our freedom intact.

A big turn-out for the meeting again, what a great group of members we have. I can't wait to hear about the 3 Flats run, unfortunately, my car is on the fritz as many of you saw at the breakfast run. Initially I thought it was just the battery but I'm going to have to take it back to C.A.R.S., British Bob, to see if there is an underlying problem before investing in a new battery.

WOW!! What a terrific breakfast run in Nov. I loved the idea of the poker run even if I didn't win, the food was delicious, fun entertainment and a HUGE turn-out. Thanks again to British Bob and Penny of C.A.R.S. for a wonderful time and setting the bar up a notch for future runs.

At the last meeting we took nominations for the 2010 club officers. Stu said he is interested once again in taking over the helm and I strongly encourage putting your faith and vote towards him. I think its important for the club to keep the top position rotating so that we continue to get a fresh approach each year and with the experience that Stu has, I think he will make the position proud.

Everyone have a wonderful, fun and safe holiday and hope to see lots of folks at the Christmas Party. Kathy Slabaugh, Prez

Minutes of the November Meeting

Bev Peterson

DCTRA Meeting Minutes - November 10, 2009

President Kathy Slabaugh opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at DENNY'S RESTAURANT, 3315 N. Scottsdale Road in Scottsdale.

49 people signed the roster:

Jim Bauder – drove TR	Bob & Penny Branton
Bill Close – drove TR	George & Chris Durkin
Deborah Cooke & Ken Schmidt	Gene Glenn
Deta Hampsch & Lee Loftin	Ron Gurnee
John Heisser	John & Beth Horton
Martin Jones	Betsy Kavash
Armand LaCasse – drove TR	Ed May
Stu Lasswell – drove TR	Mike Long – drove TR
Bob Mazer	Patrick McDermott
Jim Medlund	George Montgomery
Frank & Ann Montone	Ron Price
Linda Nicholson – drove TR	David Riddle
Kathy Nuss – drove TR	Tim Rose
Bill Pettingell – drove TR	Rob Shuster
Matt Reynolds – drove TR	Court & Kathy Slabaugh
Lewis Smith	Roy Stoney
Marie Thompson	Steve Thompson
Dave & Denine Muré – drove TR	
Pete & Bev Peterson – drove TR	
Jamie Harr – drove Austin Healey	
Joe & Kathy Polkus – visitors - drove TR	
Zeke ??? – visitor from Florida - has 1981 TR7	

12 TRIUMPHS WERE DRIVEN TO THE MEETING!!

Visitors were:

- Joe & Kathy Polkus: former members.
- Zeke ???(said his name is unspellable & unpronounceable: Visiting from Florida and saw our website – has a 1981 TR7.

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 13, 2009 meeting were approved as submitted by Bev Peterson in the November newsletter.

TREASURER: Matt Reynolds reported for John Reynolds. We have money!

MEMBERSHIP: Marty Clark was not present to

report.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Riddle reported that he has changed some things on the newsletter. Gene Glenn had a question about the event dates on the calendar.

AAHC: John Horton provided more information on the two proposed bills he told us about last month. One will collect sales tax on car sales between private individuals. John said this has already passed in several states. Another would require GPS in all cars on the road to track mileage and speed for tax purposes and to issue tickets.

EVENTS: Vice President Kathy Nuss reported on future events. Next scheduled club event is the "3 Flats Rally" on November 21st. See the newsletter or visit the website for more information.

John Horton announced that Graham Stretch & Angela Cotton will be visiting next week from the Isle of Wight. Graham has volunteered to hold a workshop at John's house while he is here. Details to be emailed to all members.

Jamie Harr reported on plans for the Christmas Party at his house in east Mesa. The party will start at 6:00p.m. on December 5th. Go to the website for directions and other information and/or contact Bev Peterson (bev@carefree.org) to let us know what you will bring for the potluck and provide a head count for the party. The usual gift exchange procedures will be followed – limit is \$10. For those not familiar with it, it's the Pink Elephant/Steal Other Presents/Anything Goes/ Doesn't Have to be TR Related Gift Exchange.



There was also discussion about the location for the January 2010 Election Brunch. Further information on these and other events are

in the newsletter and on our website at: www.dctra.org

OLD BUSINESS:

Bob Branton, owner of C.A.R.S. and host of the November 8th Breakfast Run said over 100 people attended and it was a great success. Bob Mazer thanked John & Matt Reynolds and Gene Glenn for helping him with work on his TR – that's what the club is all about!

Stu Laswell reported on plans for the Camping Trip to Payson – cold but fun.

John Horton asked for nominations for club officers - the Election of Officers will be at the January Brunch. John suggested keeping the current slate of officers.

MONTHLY OWNERSHIP UPDATE:

Bob Branton told us about the Triumph Herald he rescued from the crusher. Its name is "Wilma" (as in the Flintstones) because you can put your feet through the floorboards.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

TECHNICAL:

Armand LaCasse said progress on his white GT6 is going slowly.

Bob Branton cautioned members with a TR4 or TR6 about a rubber part on the steering column that, with age, may crack and break, with possibly very dangerous results – no steering while you are driving.

Tim Rose said he met someone whose name he couldn't remember that has TR2-3 body parts to get rid of. Pete Peterson said, from Tim's description, it must be former member Bill (and Dulcie) Delchamps (10-15 years ago?).

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by:
Bev Peterson, Secretary



Camping DCTRA Style

Contributed by Stu Lasswell

After the good time had last year at our inaugural club camping trip, it was decided that I should initiate a similar event this fall. As I only get a traditional "weekend" every fifth week, I had to determine when to do it. Last year we had the event in late September, coincidentally on my birthday, but my weekend fell in October.... the same as Triumphfest. Since I'm the one planning it, I just looked ahead till my next long weekend, which put us into mid-November. I guess I hadn't really thought about how cold it could be in Payson (elev. 6,000 ft.) in November. As it turned out, we had been having a quite balmy, unseasonably warm fall.... until the weekend of our camping trip!



Nonetheless, we had encouraging commitments from a number of our members, so we didn't falter. Sub-freezing night time temperatures, with a high in the 50s,,,, we're tough, right? Well, some of us are. Pete Peterson wanted to go, but Bev wasn't as enthused. My wife Debbie gets cold when it gets below 70, so they agreed to meet us at the start in east Mesa, where Pete would join me in the TR while Bev and Debbie would go off and spend the day garage sale-ing and hitting the thrift stores. From that starting

point we had Pete and I in my TR3, Linda Nicholson and young Tim in her TR4A, Bob McIlravy in his TR250, and George Montgomery in his small SUV. We were met by Gene Glenn and Barbara in his TR4A at the Beeline/Bush Hwy junction, and later by Chris and Ann Marie Hansel in a TR8. The Nuss's were running a bit behind, but caught us in Payson in their little blue Spitfire. In Payson George abandoned his non-LBC and rode with Bob, as we proceeded up and east to the Tonto Fish Hatchery.

At this point I must admit that the weather was fairly cooperative, in that we caught a hint of rain a couple of times heading toward Payson, but not enough to discourage those of us hardy (or foolish) enough to go top down. By the time we got to the fish hatchery (near Kohl's Ranch, 6,500 ft.) we were dry, but a bit chilled! All the cars seemed to be handling things just

fine, and the fish hatchery was pretty interesting. The large breeding stock were impressive, and the finger lings looked like pirhana in a feeding frenzy when they were fed! From there we proceeded east to a cosy little diner in Christopher Creek for some lunch. While we warmed up and waited for our meal to be served the staff suggested that those of us who had left our tops down might reconsider, as it was snowing outside! Now, I'm a southern California boy moved to

Arizona, so I don't have 50 names for snow like the Eskimos are said to, but whatever was falling was cold, icy, and wet! Sleet? Slush? Whatever, we got the tops up in a hurry, finishing just as it stopped (naturally). The lunch, however, was quite good

The drive back to Payson was uneventful, but accompanied by more rain. Once in town, however, the sun came out. We proceeded to set up camp, put out some chairs and enjoyed the

late afternoon over a beer and talk of all things Triumph. While Gene and Barbara hit the pricey steakhouse, the rest of us went on down to a family style restaurant for dinner. From there, it was back to the campground for the much anticipated S'mores. While we campers got the fire going and prepared for our little shindig, Linda and Tim drove in, saying Gene and Barbara were walking in not far behind her. After a while Tim went out with a flashlight to see what had become of them. When he returned unable to find them, I got a light and we headed out again. Eventually we called Gene's cell phone, only to hear a tale of pain and misery!

It seems that Gene and Barbara had set out on foot. Gene had gotten to the campground, and set to stumbling about in the dark without a flashlight (literally, if not metaphorically). As Gene led poor Barbara down that dark path (see previous parenthetical statement) they fell, causing Barbara to sprain her ankle. Gene left her there to get the car, only to find that he had lost the hotel key in the fall. He roused the management to get him into his hotel room to get the car keys, but at the time we called him he was trying in vain to get the car started! We found poor Barbara standing in the dark, cold and shaking, looking none too happy. Once Gene got to us in the car we helped her in and they returned to the hotel. It was quite an exciting tale.

Meanwhile, back at the campfire, things were going quite well. We enjoyed gourmet S'mores (Dark chocolate, toasted coconut-covered marshmallows and graham crackers!) while sipping peppermint schnapps (for medicinal purposes, naturally) and singing along to folk songs with guitar and mandolin accompaniment.

Now, here I must say that a summer tent and 40 degree rated sleeping bags don't result in a comfortable night's sleep when it's 27 degrees out! We were all out of bed and packing up by 6:30 or so, as most of us wanted to get to the Breakfast Run at British Bawb's new shop. In the dark, the frost on everything looked rather like snow! I have never had to scrape the ice off both the outside and the inside of my windshield before! It was a cold trip back to the valley, but I think we were all glad to be heading into the des-



ert again. We made it to Bawb's place in time, and had a nice warm breakfast.

All in all, I think a good time was had by most (I'm sure Barbara will forgive us, and maybe Gene, in time). I know we all agree that the basic format and concept of a fall camping trip is good, but we're all agreed that perhaps mid-October or so might be preferable. November is just too cold for the mountains.



Three Flats Rally

**Photos Armand LaCasse &
Alvin Elisco**

Three Flats Rally November 21, 2009

Members of the DCTRA completed the 3 flats rally on November 21 starting at San Tan Flat, then on to Tortilla flat and ending at Grease-

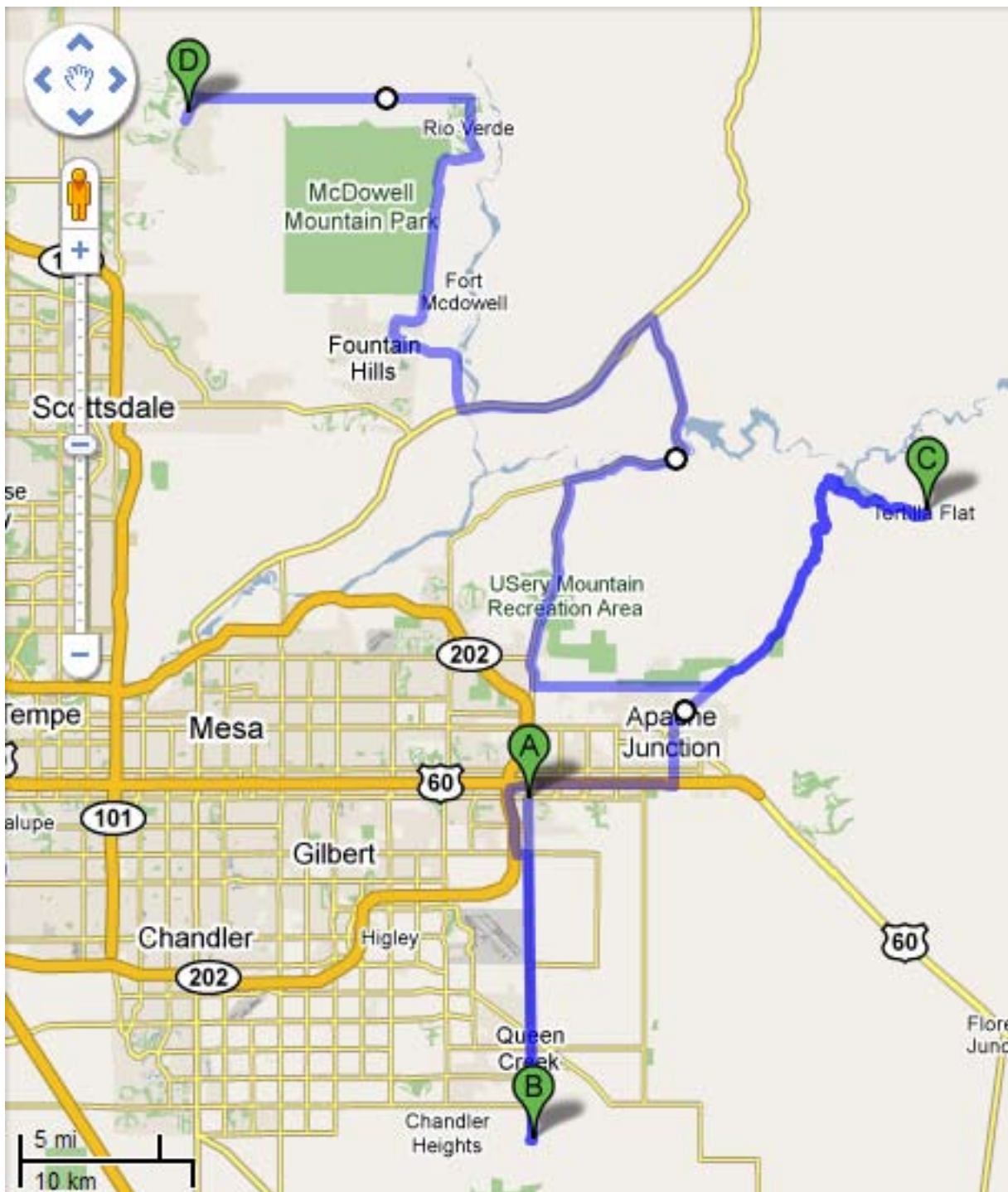
wood Flat.

A total of 22 cars of various marques were signed up for the run, but some late cancellations reduced the number to approximately 20.

The run commenced on schedule from the meeting point at Ellsworth Road at 10:30am and ended at Greasewood flat at approximately 4:30 pm.

Feedback from the participants was very positive, and everyone enjoyed the rally, the scenery and the various establishments at the flats.

No Breakdowns were reported and no-one got lost so the directions appeared to stand up to the test. Requests were also received to make this an annual event, possibly with some variations on the route and starting point.









Burma Shave

John's Garage

Contributed by: Armand LaCasse



How many "gear thingys" are in Martin's TR7 5 Speed Tranny?



Martin Jones, Peter Peterson and John Horton - note John using a really big cheater bar to remove a head stud from Pete's TR3 engine block!



Forget a cup of sugar... Can I borrow your saw!
Note Gene Glenn's extremely clean white t shirt!



Does it really take five guys and a photographer to assemble Ron Gurnee's TR7 engine???



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Portland Triumph Owners Association	www.portlandtriumph.org
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Tucson British Car Register	www.tucsonbritish.com
Central Coast British Car Club	www.centralcoastbritishcarclub.com
Texas Triumph Register	www.texastriumphregister.org

DCTRA Christmas Party

The Christmas Party this year is being hosted by Jamie Harr (an Owner of Coventry Motors). The address is 3237 N. 89th Place, Mesa. If you get lost following the maps below you can call Jamie at 602-989-5100.

Gift Exchange

Everyone brings a wrapped gift valued up to \$10.00 auto or whatever related. We draw a month and then the people in that month start the process.

The first person draws a gift and opens it right then. The second person can either take gift from the first person causing them to draw or take another from some one else. Gifts can only be "stolen" once in a round.





DCTRA Membership Application

Please print and return completed form to:
John Reynolds, Treasurer
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Tempe, AZ 85282

Member Info:

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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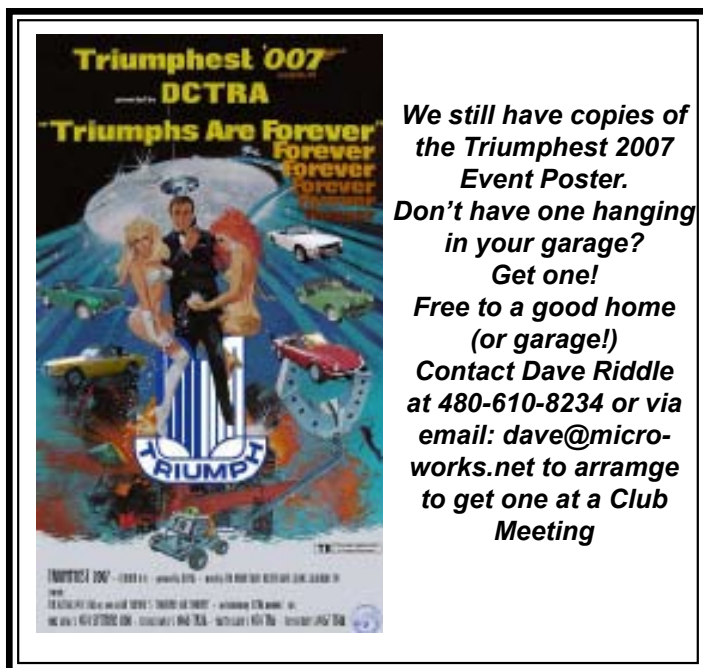
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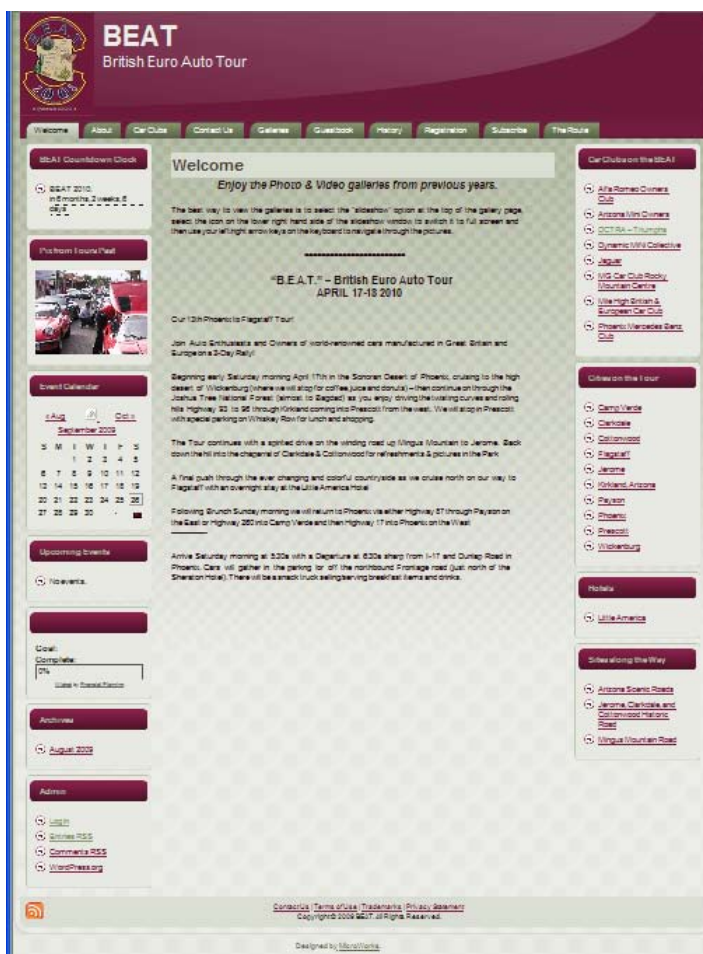
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Calendar of Events

For more information or to sign up for an event, visit the DC TRA web site events page (www.dctra.org). Also, check the link to "Arizona Car Shows" on the dctra.org website. Some events are listed without dates as they are not known at this time but are shown in their "historical" time frames.

To add or host an event, contact Kathy Nuss, VP and Activities 480-983-3945 / jknuss@live.com

May 2010

- 11 - DCTRA Monthly Meeting
- 13 - Prescott Highland Games
- ?? - Breakfast Run

December 2009

- 5 - DCTRA Christmas Party
- 5-6 SCCA @ PIR w/ Vintage class
- 8 - DCTRA Monthly Meeting
- 12 - Southwest Karters @ Firebird Main
- 19 - Christmas Lights Tour

January 2010

- 16 - DCTRA Election Brunch
- ?? - Breakfast Run
- ?? - DCTRA Drive-in Movie

February 2010

6 - Heritage Square in Phoenix for cars from the 1900's to 1980's. Contact tammy.parker@phoenix.gov because pre-registration is required and limited to 100 vehicles.

- 9 - DCTRA Monthly Meeting
- ?? - Breakfast Run
- ?? - Wickenburg Goldrush Days
- 27 - Chandler Classic Car and Hot Rod Show
- 27-28 - Phoenix Highland Games

March 2010

- 6 - Pace laps at PIR with NASA
- 7 - Wheels of Britain
- 9 - DCTRA Monthly Meeting
- 13 - Case Grande Classic Car Show
- ?? - Breakfast Run

April 2010

- 3 - Rally (More info to come)
- ?? - Prescott Unique Little Car Meet
- ?? - Copperstate 1000
- 13 - DCTRA Monthly Meeting
- ?? - Breakfast Run
- 17 - Bisbee Copper Classic Car Show
- 17-18 - BEAT Rally

Local Cruise Nights

from the Safeway Property management - food - Every Saturday night from 5pm-???

Fridays:

Chandler - East Valley Cruise-In at Fulton Ranch Towne Center - S.W. corner of Arizona Ave. & Ocotillo Rd. - 6-9pm - Info: Stephanie 623.582.9599

Glendale - KOOL Radio Car Show 3rd Friday of Month at Sanderson Ford Lincoln Mercury (6400 N. 51st Ave) - 4pm-7pm - live music and great KOOL prizes - Info: Nick 602-488-8163

Mesa - Cruise Downtown Mesa 2nd Friday of Month (West Main Street from Country Club Drive to Center Street) hosted by Downtown Mesa Merchants Group - Come down, join the fun and show off your car!! It's FREE!! - Info: Sharon 480-890-2613 or Anita 480-924-7887

Mesa - Mesa First Car Show at Mesa First Assembly (1303 S Lindsay Rd) - Meets 1st Friday of every month beginning Jan. 2nd from 6-9pm - Live music, BBQ, soft drinks, huge parking area, great lighting - All vehicles welcome - Info: Greg 480-678-2209

Peoria - Friday Night Lights Car Show/Cruise In - 91st Ave just of Northern behind Auto Zone (8350 N. 91 Ave.) - 300 parking spaces - 100 to 200 cars attend weekly - 5:30pm - ? - open to all cars, trucks, food, music, trophy for best car - Info: Bryn 480-229-2918

Phoenix - West Side Cruisin' - 35th Ave. & Northern - Info: 602-246-3906

Phoenix - Rod and Custom Cruise (SW corner of 59th Ave. and Beardsley), prizes, raffles, music, and clean fun - Info: 623 362-8282

Surprise - Fry's Marketplace parking lot (13982 W. Waddell Rd.) - 5-9pm - all makes and years - Corner of W. Waddell Rd. and Litchfield Rd., behind the Sonic Drive-In - Sonic, Fry's and Subway for food and beverages - Info: Larry 623-476-8098

Saturdays:

Chandler - Chandler Christian Church (1825 S. Alma School Rd.) - 1st Saturday of every month - Coffee and Donuts - Cars, Trucks and Motorcycles welcome - 9am-11am - Info: Tom Donahue (480) 510-3145

Glendale - Safeway - 83rd Ave. just off the 101 (west) 1/2 mile north of Union Hills - hundreds of parking spaces, plenty of light, permission



Laveen - Wienerschnitzel (5220 W. Baseline Rd.) from 5p-9p - Info: Shane 602-605-8101 or 949-433-1251

Mesa - Cruisin' on Main Street presented by Hot Rod Planet and Concerned Mesa Cruisers (Country Club to Mesa Dr.) - 6-10pm - Info: Lance 480-229-5691 - Mesa To be held the 4th Saturday of every month

Mesa - Power & Hampton on Saturday Evenings near Superstition Springs by K Mart

Peoria - Safeway Shopping Center - 20713 N. 83rd Ave. (83rd Ave. and Lake Pleasant Road) - 5-9pm - Everyone Welcome - Info: Gary 623-203-5752

Phoenix - Cruise-In at SO-CAL-AZ (3427 E. McDowell Rd.) - Second Saturday of month - 7-9am - coffee, donuts, car talk and a Small Swap - Drive your classic car or truck to qualify for swap space - No Trailers or Truck loads - Info: Don 602-275-7990

Scottsdale - McDonald's, Scottsdale Pavilions Shopping Center, 4pm-10pm, 9140 E. Indian Bend Rd. (Pima & Indian Bend Road)

Sundays:

Chandler - Every Sunday morning at 7am at Starbucks in downtown Chandler ((1 San Marcos Place) just west of Arizona Ave, south of Chandler Blvd.) We're kinda hard to miss, just look for the Hot rods! Can I hear an AMEN? - Info: Craig Pike 480-220-6687

Fountain Hills - Fountain Hills Automobile Club Cruise-In at KFC & A&W RESTAURANT (16805 E. Shea Blvd.) (Target Center) - 1:00 PM - Open to all Antique, Classic & Special Interest Vehicles (No Shows during the summer)

Phoenix - Hotrod Jokers Cruise-In and Car Show - Ramjets Speed Shop (13701 N. Cave Creek Rd.) - 1-4pm - free hot dogs and beverages - Info: Ron 602-574-4059

Scottsdale - Old Guys Hot Rods Hotrod Show at Handlebar J's (7116 E. Becker Lane) - 1st Sunday of Month - car show on the street in front Handle Bar J's patio, Live music - all years and makes welcome - Info: Mike 602-291-8374

December 2009 Car Events in AZ

Dec. 4 "Cruisin' With Santa" at the East Valley Car Show, Fulton Ranch Towne Center (4040 S Arizona Ave.) - 6-9pm - free admission - no registration required - Visit the East Valley Car Show for a fun night with Santa! Prizes for vehicles sporting the most festive holiday decorations, holiday music, goodie bags for the first 75 people to stop by the information table, free cookies and hot chocolate, bounce house and holiday face painting for the kids, visits from Santa and a wide range of classic and newer vehicles on display - Meet in the parking lot near Famous Footwear in Fulton Ranch Towne Center - Info: Stephanie 623-582-9599 - (Hotel Finder) - Chandler **

Dec. 5 Car/Truck Show to benefit The City of Chandler's "ACTS OF KINDNESS Program" at Laguna Village Center (5865 W. Ray Rd) (Exit Ray Road - 1.7 miles east of I-10 or 2.9 miles west of 60 - S.E. corner Ray & Kyrene) - \$10 donation entry - 11am-3pm - All makes & models of cars & trucks are invited - 100% of the proceeds go directly to the "Acts of Kindness Program" aka "A-OK" - FREE to public, Raffles, Music, Family Fun, Everyone is invited - pre-reg or day of show reg. - Info: Dawn 480-600-7601 - (Hotel Finder) - Chandler **

Dec. 5 Vista Grande High School Craft Fair and Car Show sponsored by the Vista Grande Band Boosters at Vista Grande High School (1556 N Arizola Rd) - Show 8am-3pm - \$25 entry, pre-reg. before Nov 20 - Live Entertainment with After Hour, Goodie Bags, Dash Plaque, T-Shirt, 8 Vehicle Classes, 1st-3rd Trophies, Food, Beverage and Crafts - Proceeds Benefit Vista Grande High School Road - Info: Doug 520-483-8289 - (Hotel Finder) - Casa Grande

Dec. 5 Hooters Eastside Show-n-Shine Car Show presented by Tucson Mopar Club at Hooters Eastside Restaurant (6335 E. Tanque Verde Rd) - all makes, models and all car clubs welcome - reg. 5-7pm, Show and judging 7-9pm - Free - Hooter's girls will award 3 trophy's, and the first place winner can come back Dec 19th for a chance at a \$200.00 cash prize - Info: Dave 520-551-0691 - (Hotel Finder) - Tucson

Dec. 5 AutoZone Car Show presented by and held at AutoZone (8616 E. Broadway) - entry fee is one new unwrapped toy - reg. 9am, show 10am-2pm - collecting canned food for the community food bank - Info: Troy 520-722-8109 - (Hotel Finder) - Tucson

Dec. 6 Cops Who Care Toyz 4 Totz Cruise presented by Arizona Good Time Cruisers - Entry one (1) unwrapped toy - 11am-3pm - meet at 35th Ave. and Northern at 9am for donuts and coffeee cruise @ 9:30am cruise to Wickenburg Community Center - Activities at the show: raffle prizes, chinese auction, vendors and craft sales, kid's booth's, food, oldie's by Cruisen DJ's - Info: Sherry 602-326-0924 - (Hotel Finder) - Wickenburg

Dec. 6 Severed in the Southwest presented by Severed Ties at Castles n' Coasters (9445 Metro Parkway E.) - to benefit less fortunate children during the holiday season - entry \$20 with an unopened toy or \$25 - reg. 7am-10:30am - food, entertainment, and vendor spaces, free to spectators - Info: Kurt 602-216-2673 - (Hotel Finder) - Phoenix

Dec. 6 Just Sell It Swap Meet at Glendale Comm College (59ave & Olive) - gates open 5am - Spaces \$20ea - No early set-up, No early registration, Just show up - Info: Tom 602-332-1939 or Scott 623-628-0364 - (Hotel Finder) - Glendale

Dec. 11 "Cruisin' With Santa" at Norterra Car Show at The Shops at Norterra (2460 W Happy Valley Rd) - 6-9pm - Prizes awarded to vehicles with the most festive holiday decorations - The event is FREE and registration is not required - meet Santa and enjoy live holiday music, prize drawings, free kids' holiday face painting, goodie bags to the first 75 people to stop by the info table and a wide range of luxury and classic cars on display - Info: Stephanie 623-582-9599 - (Hotel Finder) - Phoenix

Dec. 12 MCSO Deputies Christmas Car Show for Kids presented by MCSO Queen Creek Deputies at Queen Creek Market Place (Ellsworth Loop and Ritzenhouse Rd) - 10am-2pm - to benefit needy tots and children - entry fee is a new boy and girls toy - trophies will be awarded - Info: Officer Mike 480-688-3818 - Queen Creek

Dec. 12 Toy and Food Drive presented by Nasty Habit VW Club at Wienerschnitzel (5220 W. Baseline Rd)
- 12 noon-? - food available, 50/50 to benefit Lions Club and Crisis Center - Info: Robert 602-750-4436
- Laveen

Dec. 12 Hooters Classic Car Show hosted by De-structive Southern Az. Truck Club at Hooters (4385 W. Ina Road) - 3-7pm - free admission, drink specials and the world famous Hooter Girls - Info: Eddie 520-867-1357 - (Hotel Finder) - Tucson

Dec. 12 Little Anthony's Diner Classic Car Show (7010 E. Broadway) - trophies, prizes - reg. 9-10am, show 10am-2pm - Info: 520-296-0456 - (Hotel Finder) - Tucson

Dec. 13 Rawhide Rumble at Rawhide Western Town (5700 W. North Loop Rd) - Car Show, Swap Meet, Live Music, Food & Beverage - 10am-5pm - \$20 entry, public \$5, 2 Cans of Food or any Unwrapped New Toy - trophies in 4 categories, Awards & Free Street Dance - to benefit Toys for Tots & Local Food Banks - Info: Beth or Mike 480-705-2931 - (Hotel Finder) - Chandler

Dec. 19 Hooters Eastside Show-n-Shine and Grand Prize Show presented by Tucson Mopar Club at Hooters Eastside Restaurant (6335 E. Tanque Verde Rd) - all makes, models and all car clubs welcome - reg. 5-7pm, Show and judging 7-9pm - Free - grand prize night where the last 6 show's first place winners will be parked together and the public will vote on one winner for a chance at a \$200.00 cash prize - (Hotel Finder) - Tucson

Dec. 26 Hooters Classic Car Show hosted by De-structive Southern Az. Truck Club at Hooters (4385 W. Ina Road) - 3-7pm - free admission, drink specials and the world famous Hooter Girls - Info: Eddie 520-867-1357 - Tucson



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Election Brunch

We are scheduled to hold the annual DC-TRA Election of Officers Brunch on Jan 16, 2010. The location for this year has been moved from it's home for the past many years at the Landmark Restaurant in Mesa to the Sierra Bonita Grill (<http://www.sierrabonitagrill.com>) located in Phoenix on the southwest corner of 7th Street and Glendale (6933 North 7th St. Phoenix, Arizona 85014).



We will be using their private dining room which is located downstairs and is accesable via an elevator. The room has a stated capacity of 50.

Unlike in years past where we were limited to a contracted and limited number of menu items this year you will be able to chose from the entire brunch menu. The following page in the newsletter contains a sample of the Resturants Brunch Menu.

We will still need for those attending the Brunch to place their meal orders on the Club's website. This will allow us to let the Restaurant know in advance what is being ordered so that they can time the

meal service for our meeting without having to waste time in taking orders as we arrive.

When you do arrive we will have a place card for you to place on your table indicating your meal choice to further assist the servers.

As in years past the Club will be writ- ing a single check for the meals, Champagne Toast, tax and gratuity. You will need to pay the Club Treasurer for your individual meals. Since meal orders will be placed in advance you will need to cancel your attendance no later then the evening (Jan 15th) before the meeting to avoid our being charged for your meal.

Once nominations close for the election of new officers an early/absentee ballot will be placed on the website to assist in balloting. We will have no hanging chads or late arriv- ing ballot boxes.

Early/Absentee balloting will close at 9 am on the morning of the election so that even if you were planning on attending and at the last minute you discovered that you would be unable to attend there might still be time for you to cast a ballot. Additionally, even if you are attending you are free to cast a ballot on the site. If at the meeting you decide to change your vote your electronic ballot can be replaced with the ballot you cast at the meeting.



STARTERS

Agua Fresca of the Day \$3
Pineapple

Mofford's Seasonal Muffin \$2
Baked fresh in our kitchen each morning. Strawberry

Mini Quesadillas \$7
Corn tortillas with mexican menonita cheese, spinach and huitlacoche. served with Oaxacan salsa, Indian salsa and marinated cabbage

Enchilada Suizas \$9
Corn tortillas with chicken, tomatillo sauce, menonita cheese, onions, crema and cilantro.

Daily Drink Special \$2
Miche Rojo

Green Corn Tamale \$5
With manchego cheese and salsa fresca and hatch green chile sauce with bacon.

Guacamole \$8
Made fresh daily in our molcajete. Served with tortilla chips and three salsas.

Green Chile Pozole \$4/8
Tender pieces of pork and hominy in a green chile broth. Topped with shredded cabbage, onions and cilantro.

Azteca Soup

Spicy chipotle chile broth with chicken, avocado, cilantro, queso panela, lime and crispy corn tortilla strips.
\$4/8

BRUNCH ITEMS

Baked Chilaquiles \$10
Tortilla casserole with manchego cheese, tomatillo sauce and indian salsa. Served with a side of scrambled eggs.

Southwestern Benedict \$11
Poached eggs atop green chile beer biscuits with cure 81 ham, roasted poblano hollandaise and roasted root vegetable hash.

Vegetable Omelette \$10
Three eggs filled with asparagus, baby spinach, roasted peppers, jalapeno jack cheese and calabacitas. Topped with oaxacan salsa and served with a side of roasted root vegetable hash.

Huevos Motulenos \$11
Two fried eggs over a crispy tortilla shell with refried beans and cure 81 ham. Topped with hatch green chile sauce and served with a cinnamon glazed banana.

Cowboy Hash \$11
Roasted root vegetables tossed with Shreiners linguisa sausage and chorizo. Topped with fried eggs, salsa verde and indian relish.

Huevos Rancheros \$11
Fried eggs over a crispy corn tortilla with a tomato-chile sauce and refried beans. Served with roasted root vegetable hash and guacamole.

Verde Vaqueros \$9
Green chile beer biscuits with Shreiners southwest sausage gravy. Served with a side of scrambled eggs and smoked bacon strips.

Atole Pinon Hotcakes \$6
Griddled blue corn masa and pinenuts topped with blueberry butter

Breakfast Enchiladas \$11
Scrambled eggs, carne asada, chorizo and manchego cheese in corn tortillas and topped with a guajillo chile sauce. Served with a side of charro beans.

Steak and Eggs \$12
Wood grilled 5 oz. Prime flat iron steak with two eggs and roasted root vegetable hash.

Stacked Chicken Enchiladas \$10
Blue and yellow corn tortillas, menonita cheese, charro beans, hatch green chile sauce and salsa fresca. Topped with a fried egg.

Sample Menu from
Sierra Bonita Grill
Location for the January
Election Brunch

LUNCH ITEMS

Sierra Bonita Salad \$8
House salad mix with, raspberries, Gorgonzola cheese, tomatoes, spiced pecans, red onions and balsamic vinaigrette

Wood Grilled Burger \$9
1/2 pound of fresh ground chuck, with lettuce, onion and vine ripened tomato.

Grilled Mahi Tacos \$9
Coriander crusted Mahi Mahi, chipotle lime aioli and marinated cabbage with indian salsa and queso fresco

****Carne Asada Tacos** \$9
Marinated carne asada with shredded cabbage, salsa fresca, pesto mayonnaise, panela cheese and cilantro.

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All members that Register with the website (<http://www.dctra.org>) can post a profile and history of themselves and their car(s) along with a photo. Visit the site and on the membership page you can find a detailed step-by-step process (including pictures!) of how to do it.

http://www.dctra.org/files/How_to_post.pdf

Our Webmaster would be happy to post your info for you if the following seems too complicated. Just email him (dave@microworks.net) with the text you want and a picture if you have one.

Or...

You can follow the instructions below or go to http://www.dctra.org/files/How_to_post.pdf to open/download a PDF document that takes you through the process step-by-step with illustrations.

1. Login

2. Select "Write" from the menu at the top (your account must be upgraded from the initial level when the account was created - if you do not see the "Write" option send an email to Dave to have your account upgraded)

3. Fill in the Title box. For example enter your name: John Q. Public

4. In the Post box fill in a little bit about yourself, your car and how the two of you got together.

5. DO NOT CHECK the "Notify everyone (regardless of subscription).

Now to upload your picture(s) to accompany your post...

6. Select the "Browse" button on the right hand side of the field called "File" See below for some advice on photos.

7. This opens the normal Choose File dialog box. Find the file you want to upload. Click on it and then select the "Open" button. If you want give the file a Title and a description.

8. Press the "Upload" button.

9. Leave the settings "Show Thumbnail" and "Link File" just like they are.

10. Now backup in the box where you typed your "Post" place the cursor where you want the picture to be located.

11. Press the button "Send to editor"

12. Over on the right hand side in the Categories menu place a check in the "Members Cars" box.

13. If you want people to be able to comment about your post leave the Comments and Ping boxes checked. Otherwise uncheck them.

14. Press the "Publish" button

Now you can "View site" and see your post in the "Members Cars" category!

A Note about posting and uploading your picture in your Member Posting. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE pay attention to the size of the picture you want to upload. Resize the image so that it is no more than 600 pixels wide. If you do not know how to do that feel free to email the picture to dave@microworks.net and he will resize the image and email it back to you.

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Contact Rick 520-780-1948
rschuarizona@yahoo.com

GT6 Engine

1968 GT-6 engine complete bought from wrecking yard in Flagstaff \$250.00 Scottsdale 602-377-8559

1980 Triumph TR8

Partially restored, British racing green. Asking \$6,500. The car is in Streamwood, IL and the contact info in Richaubert@gmail.com or 630-254-8489

Interior:

- *Beige custom interior
- *New door panels (not yet installed)
- *New, installed carpeting
- *Air conditioning and heater rebuilt but not tested
- *Center console completely rebuilt (not yet installed)

*Oversized seats installed (original seats available and partially restored).

Body:

- *New convertible top (some sun damage to rear plastic window).
- *Body in good condition – straight, with no damage or rust
- *Paint has scratches due to shipping up from Ari-

zona
Engine:

* Rebuilt crabs.

*Car runs – but the 5th gear of the trans mission is

noisy

*Engine compartment has not been worked on

(dirty).

Note: Classified ad's are always free to DCTRA Members



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- You bought a race car before buying a house.
- You bought a race car before buying furniture

for the new house.

- You're looking for a tow vehicle and still haven't bought furniture!
- You find that you need a new house because you've outgrown your garage and the neighbors are threatening violence if you park one more vehicle on the street or in the front yard. .
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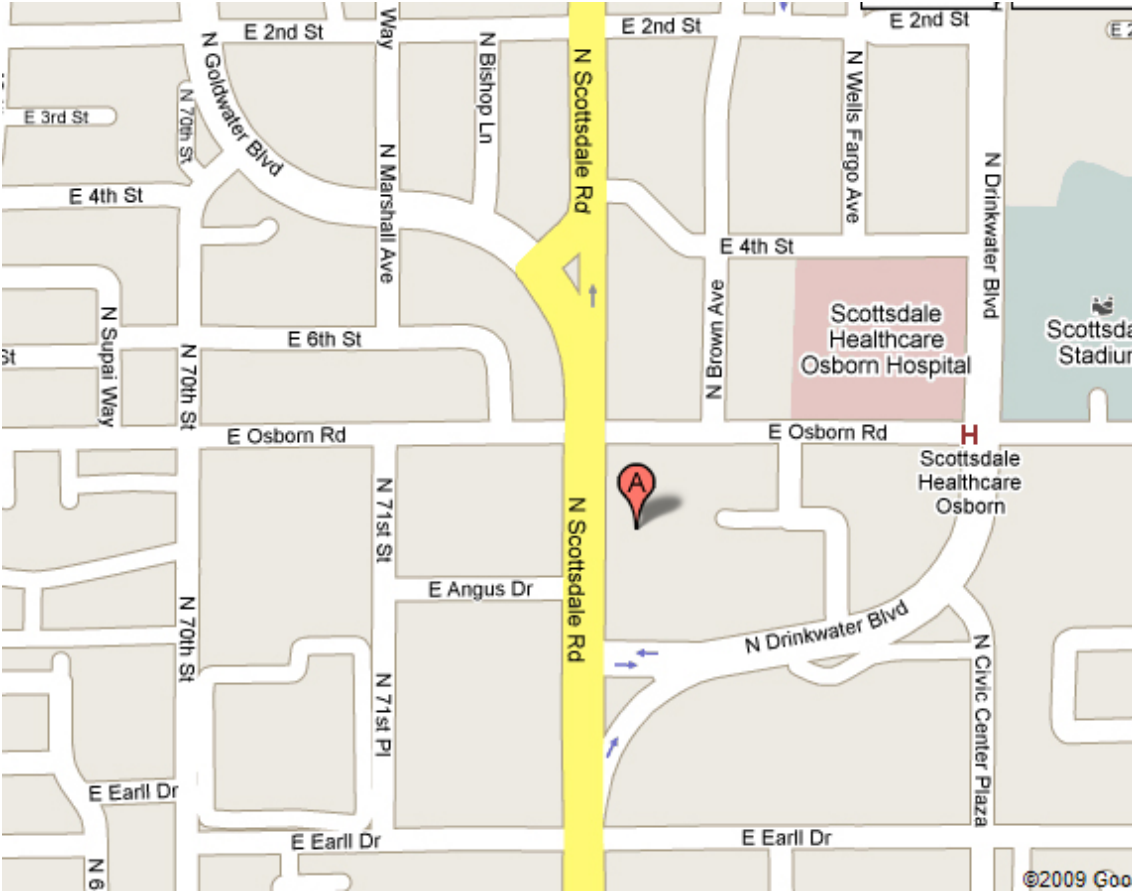
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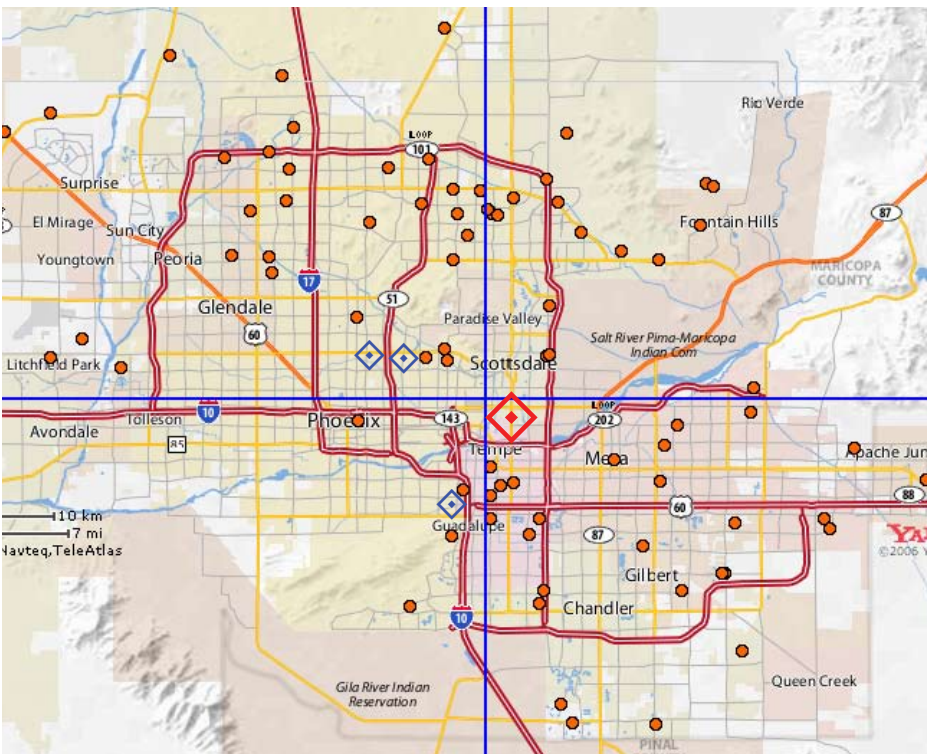
DCTRA Meeting Location!



As was reported in the Prez Sez column at the beginning of September issue the Committee formed to find a new location drew a circle around the Valley to find the Center.

This was already available on the Club's Website under the "Members Only" section where there is a static map with crosshairs bisecting the valley and a link to an interactive copy of that map showing the Valley with the address locations of all the Members.

DENNY'S RESTAURANT, 3315 N. Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale



Here is a copy of the map with a Red diamond target showing the new location. You can also see that I added three Blue target diamonds indicating the location of the last three meeting locations. The Orange dots on the map indicate the addresses of DCTRA Members (current at the time the map was created).

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