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**Barry Mallis, Sedona Resident
Featured at KSB Speaker Series on Wednesday, September 18, 2024**

After a brief summer break, Keep Sedona Beautiful will hold its next Preserving the Wonder Speaker Series event on Wednesday, September 18 at 5:00 pm. This month's speaker is Barry Mallis. His topic will be "Sinaguan Echoes in the Verde Valley." As always, this presentation will be free and open to the public, and will be held at the KSB EcoHub, 360 Brewer Road in Sedona. Please visit the KSB website, www.keeppedonabeautiful.org for details.

Barry will share facts and artifacts to illuminate the presence, over the course of several hundred years, of pre-contact indigenous people in the Verde Valley.

Barry Mallis and his wife, Melanie Vuicich-Mallis, have been litter lifters for years in Sedona. Both have a lifetime of volunteering, including over a thousand hours at Red Rock State Park where Barry leads nature hikes and presents monthly programs on Sinaguan archaeology and anthropology. Melanie, the "Bird Lady," tends to the park's Hummingbird Garden. Barry has also led geology hikes for Friends of the Forest.

Barry served on the 1980 Winter Olympics ski patrol, was a U.S. Soccer Federation referee instructor and has completed a few marathons. He's fluent in several languages, and has children and grandchildren sprinkled from San Diego to Vermont, with stops in Dallas and Brooklyn. The couple were raised (apart) on Long Island, New York.

The Preserving the Wonder Speaker series is held on the third Wednesday of each month. For over 50 years, Keep Sedona Beautiful has been dedicated to protecting and enhancing the scenic beauty and natural environment of Sedona and the Verde Valley. For more information about Keep Sedona Beautiful, please visit www.keeppedonabeautiful.org.