

# RUSTY NUTS

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## The ARC Angels

We cannot say enough about the ARC Angels! Headed up by Randy Robinson, the ARC Angels have helped many SCW residents over the years.

The objective of the ARC Angels is to share their many hundreds of years of automotive experience and knowledge with the residents of Sun City West. They consult with residents on their automotive concerns, values, and problems to insure they are treated fairly in their dealings with local repair shops and people who wish to purchase their automobiles. They do not fix or buy the vehicles.

The Angels usually work quietly behind the scenes, but ARC has received numerous "Thank You" notes from grateful SCW residents stating their gratitude for the help they received. The notes range from helping find a reliable, honest repair shop; help getting a car running; help to know the value of a car; helping out of town family members in selling or transporting a vehicle; giving second opinions that saved money; advice selling a vehicle; battery advice; towing advice; helping someone who was locked out of their home; and looking over someone's shoulder to make sure they got a fair deal on a repair or when purchasing a vehicle. Thank you, ARC Angels!

If you know of anyone in need of help, please tell them about the ARC Angels! Call Randy Robinson at 623-556-1235.

The next  
ARC General Meeting  
will be  
April 18, 2017  
at 2:00 PM  
Social Hall, RH Johnson



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*John S. Chaney Restoration Center*



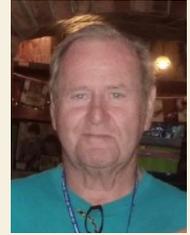
*Randy Robinson*

The ARC Angels don't have halos or wings,  
but they are in Sun City West  
to help residents who  
need them!

## FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT

By President, Lauren Matley

We as a club are bound by our passion for cars, but more than that we are really a family. ARC needs to be ran much like a family in that we must help one another and show empathy and compassion to fellow members.



To steal a phrase from one of our most popular Presidents, John Kennedy, "Ask not what ARC can do for you, but rather what you can do for ARC."

It is my observation that each member has a wide range of untapped talents and as a group we can draw from those work talents and capabilities. So do not shrink into the shadows when we are looking for new talent to help us not only grow, but to fulfill our mission as a charity club. We can assist others in many ways while still having fun.

Our own Herb Clark just put on a terrific Cactus Derby that may inspire some entrants to go on the "Great Race" sometime in the future. Also, our long time member and club supporter, John Dorrson, gave ARC a fabulous picnic. There were again many ARC helpers making ARC operate like a family.

I am proud to serve our members in my awe of how little talent I possess, but I give it my best to keep this family putting Sun City West on the map. We don't produce a salable product, but our annual car show gives us the capability to pay-off our building debt faster and to fulfill our charity wishes. Soon our new addition will be a reality. The equipment has been fully funded with members receiving naming rights.

### In For Repairs By Linda Victor

Welcome to "In For Repairs"! If you know anyone who needs a little cheering up or who is going through a difficult time, ARC wants to know. We are one big family, and we care about one another. Please contact me at [stevlinda2004@earthlink.net](mailto:stevlinda2004@earthlink.net) or call 623-214-1090 with the information. I will be in contact with the individual by e-mail and also follow up with a card and special note from ARC. Please keep the following individuals in your thoughts and prayers. If you know them personally, I'm sure they would love to hear from you.

Fred Cox (#303) - Recovering from intestinal surgery at home. He has a slow recovery ahead. We keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Hope you continue to heal and get stronger, Fred.

## ARC Picnic Brings out 150 +

The 6th Annual ARC Picnic was held on a beautiful March 7th day. Over 150 members showed up to be treated to a great burger or hot dog. Members brought a dish to share and the fun began. The parking lot was lined with members' cars and Anna's Courtyard was filled with picnic goers. Thanks to all who helped make this fun gathering happen. A special thanks to John Dorrson for all the work he puts into it!



## Camino Del Sol Funeral Home and Chapel Car Show

Thanks to all the ARC members who came out on March 9th to support our great sponsor, Camino Del Sol Funeral Home and Chapel. This annual event is always well received by the community. Thanks to Camino Del Sol for inviting ARC and the community to your annual event!



**Cactus Derby Results**

On March 4th, ARC hosted the 1st Annual “Cactus Derby.” Participants included ARC Members and guests from the area . . . plus some welcomed out of state competitors. The Cactus Derby name is owned by Coker Tire. The original Cactus Derby was an annual race from Los Angeles to Phoenix, held from 1908 until 1913. Famed racer Barney Oldfield won it five times.

This race/rally was not about speed. It was about teamwork between the Driver and Navigator. To win you had to follow the directions to stay on course and on speed. The competitors left SCW and went north to Morrystown, Wickenburg, Congress, Yarnell and then back to Circle City, Wittmann and finished in SCW. They all saw some beautiful scenery!

After the 4 hour long rally, the results were:

- 1st Place - Kerry & John Marshall, North Carolina
- 2nd Place - Greg & Brenda Carhart, SCW
- 3rd Place - Bob & Nan Janis and David & Jackie Meyer, SCW



Greg and Brenda recorded an “ACE” on the first leg of the competition!

The Marshall Team is now entering the Great Race 2018. Thanks to all who joined in the fun!



*Kerry Marshall*



*Greg & Brenda Carhart  
with Herb Clark*



*Jackie & Dave Meyer  
with Herb Clark*

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**LARC BREAKFAST**  
*The next LARC breakfast  
will be Thursday, April 20, 2017  
at 9:00 AM  
at Memo's in the Bowling Alley  
at RH Johnson Rec Center.*

*No reservations needed - just come and enjoy  
fellowship with other ladies.  
(No fragrances please!)*

## HAPPY CAMP - BACK TO THE MOVIES

On March 13, ARC participated in the Rec Center's Happy Camp! ARC showed the movie "Cars" on a big screen outside our building. The movie was enjoyed by young and old. It was fun to hear some of the men laughing during the movie and saying they had no idea that it was about Route 66.

ARC was to show "The Great Race" on March 27th but because of high winds it had to be cancelled.



*Herb Clark with Happy Camp visitors.*



*Beth Crabtree popping popcorn!*



*Pat Clark serving popcorn!*



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## Meet Gary Masak By Pat Clark



If you don't know Gary, make it a point to meet him! He is one of the nicest guys you will ever meet!

Gary grew up in NW Indiana and lived there until he retired 62 years later. He retired from Ford Motor Company where he worked for 40 years. He started out as a tool and die maker in '68 and ended up in management and tool and die engineering. While working for Ford, he had many different cars to drive and although he had lots of favorites, his most favorite was a Jaguar X. Ford owned the Jaguar Motor Company at the time. He and other guys at Ford would draw straws to see who got to take a Jag for the weekend. While at Ford, he also tinkered in General Contracting as well as landscaping. Before Ford, Gary put in a tour with the Marine Corp.

Gary's interest in cars started early because of his father's influence. His father and uncle owned a service station where Gary worked as a kid. He says he was a "Car Kid" at heart. His very first car was a hand me down Mercury Meteor. He promptly went out and bought a 289 from a junk yard and converted the Meteor into a hot rod.

He cut his teeth early on Jags as his father had a XK140 and his sister also had a Jag. Jags became an ongoing interest for Gary. I asked what he would have today if he could have any car. His reply was, "I have it!" Its his XK8 Jaguar.

To take care of his "need for speed," Gary has a Yamaha FJR motorcycle. He and his brother tour during the summer, taking trips of 3000 miles or more. Gary makes frequent trips to CA where his brother lives and where he is part owner of an

alpaca ranch. The alpaca adventure is quickly losing Gary's interest though.

Gary has lived in Sun City West for slightly over a year. He is a full time resident. Along the way, he has lived in St. Louis, Denver, and Phoenix. He has a son and two grandchildren who live in North Carolina. His hobbies, besides touring on motorcycles, are cooking (he is very good), target shooting, and fishing. Here in SCW, he belongs to ARC, the Boomers, the Woodworking Club, and the Pickleball Club!



This summer, Gary is going to participate in his first "Great Race." He looks at it as an exciting new adventure and feels fortunate to be able to participate. He says everyone he talks to who has had anything to do with the "Great Race," has shared what a great experience it is.

Gary says ARC has greatly enriched his life because of association, the club theme of helping others, and the friends he has made. He has participated in car shows, and many scheduled activities. He tries to give back by being a club monitor and club foreman. He has just volunteered to be the new Chairman of the 2018 Car Show/Swap Meet. His first Car Show/Swap Meet meeting will be held Monday morning, April 3rd at 10 AM. Come out and show him your support!

Since retiring, Gary's philosophy is to **Enjoy life to the fullest and make the most of it!**



## EDITOR'S GARAGE

*By Pat Clark*

Where has the year gone? Does it seem to anyone else that this year has flown by? Herb & I will be leaving SCW for the summer next week already. Although it will be great to see our family and friends in St. Louis, we are sad to leave all of you. Hopefully, by the time we return in the fall, ARC will have a new paint booth and prep room.

ARC is so fortunate to have such wonderful, giving members so we can all enjoy our beautiful building and now the paint booth and prep room. People give in different ways - some give financially while others give of their time and talents. We are grateful for however you have contributed to ARC. We hope our new members will follow your example. New blood is needed to keep ARC the great club that it is. Please get involved. You will enjoy and appreciate ARC much more when you do.

We are very grateful for Gary Masak who has volunteered to head up the Car Show/Swap Meet in February 2018. Many volunteers will be needed to help Gary make this another great event. Please step up and help! We are also grateful for our officers who keep everything running smoothly.

If you are leaving SCW for the summer, be safe and stay healthy. If you stay in SCW, stay cool!



We have a completely remodeled 3 bedroom home on Pebblebrook Golf Course located at 18642 N. Conquistador in SCW that has a lot that will hold a 2-3 car garage that could be used for storing your vintage cars. Please call us at 623-308-2316 to see this amazing home. There is none like it in Sun City West.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**April 3 - Car Show Meeting 10 am at Johnson Shuffleboard Room**  
**April 13 - Board Meeting 8 am at Camino del Sol Funeral Chapel**  
**April 13 - Madison Home Car Show 10 am to 1 pm with free lunch**  
**April 18 - ARC GENERAL MEETING 2 pm at RH Johnson Social Hall West**  
**April 20 - LARC Breakfast 9 am at Memo's**  
**April 20 - Newcomers Welcome Meeting at Social Hall**



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**1964 Corvette Convertible** For Sale. Very nicely restored roadster. I'm listing it on Craigslist for \$50,000, but would like see one of our members buy it, no haggle price of \$45,000 to ARC members only. It's a 327, 4 Speed car. Paint is perfect, Chrome is perfect, Real Knock off wheels (not bolt on's), New top, Rust free frame, Gauge cluster has been rebuilt, even the original clock and radio work. These car just continue to go up in value, better than money in the bank. If you have ever considered owning a classic corvette, this one is worth looking at. Call Mike Liberatore, my phone is 815-263-8686.



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