# RUSTYNUTS

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AUTOMOTIVE/RESTORATION CLUB OF SCW

# Resurrecting a 1966 Stingray



Before



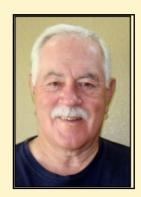


After Jim Gallagher's Walk Through The Mud

Rusty Nuts is the Monthly Newsletter of the Automotive/Restoration Club of Sun City West, AZ

### Founder's Focus A Column by Herb Clark Member Number ONE

Herb Clark is ARC's founding member number ONE! ARC was Herb's idea and John Chaney supported him from the very start. Herb went to the Rec Center to find out just how to start a club and went at it. He pitched his idea to anyone he could find and drove us crazy at the Metal Club. When he started talking about the club having their very own building several people laughed in his face, told him he was crazy and walked away! But Herb persisted and as you can all see, here we are! Herb's positive "never give up" attitude seemed to have set the tone that has become ARC's main characteristic. Get it done! Herb Clark is truly "Numero UNO!



#### We Are Blessed! ARC is Blessed!

Well, it is that time of the year again! We just finished Thanksgiving, and now we are thinking about Christmas, Hanukkah and the New Year. This is a time for all to be thankful! Just before I started writing this article, I got a note from member Ed Zacko. He was telling me about his newly found '62 Corvette... and all the wonderful members who are always willing to help out the other members... and anyone needing assistance. He commented I must be proud of what ARC has evolved into. Yes, I am! I am proud of the people who have given me and the other club members so much of their time, knowledge and money since 2011. Let's all be thankful!

It is also the season for giving. In last month's article, President Tom Jones mentioned that in the beginning of ARC, a few members stepped up and donated money to get the club rolling. We thank them so much! Today we have a state of the art restoration center and a newly opened paint and prep area. Yes, now we can do the complete restoration. Our mix of members ranges from the experts to those who are just trying to learn. Some members just like to be around cars! Many of our lady members are getting more involved! We love that! Speaking from experience, my "car days" would not have been long without Patty's continual support. How about 8 years while she was the editor of "Rusty Nuts." Thank you Patty!

Anyway, thanks to every one of you that has made ARC such a success! Not only are we recognized across the country, but in several other parts of the world! YES the world!

ARC still needs your donations! In order to provide you with a great place to gather, work, and just have fun, we must have funds. When I started ARC, it was with the goal in mind to be an asset to our community, constantly helping others in and around SCW. To do this and do more, we need for you to think about what a blessing we have and to make a donation to ARC. I envision a time when ARC will be debt free and able to do so much more! Your donation can make a difference! Please consider making a check out to ARC of SCW, P.O.Box 85376-5034 Sun City West, AZ. 85375. Happy Holidays, and love to all of you! Remember we are a 501(c)(3) organization.

#### **ARC Deuce Coupe Corner**

#### by Tom Jones, President

ARC members, following with my theme for the last quarter of 2019... D O N A T I O N S! Everyone has an opportunity to give back to our amazing club, AND because ARC is a bona fide 501 (C)(3) charity, it could be tax deductible for you. That makes it a win/win. So, whether you donate your time, talent or resources please consider the options listed below.

#### Thank you for your commitment to ARC!



# **Buy a Brick**

- 4" x 8" brick at \$125 per brick, 3 lines of text and 20 characters per line
- 8" x 8" brick at \$250 per brick with 6 lines of text and 20 characters per line
- Logos may be added at \$100.00

# Sponsor a Tile

- 11" x 11" tile at \$1,000 per tile, 6 lines of text and 20 characters per line
- Logos may be added at \$150

## Make a Pledge

Amount Pledged	Lump Sum Option	36 Month Option	Other Pay Option
\$600.00	□\$600.00	□\$16.67	□
\$900.00	□\$900.00	□\$25.00	<b></b>
\$1800.00	□\$1800.00	□\$50.00	<b></b>
\$2500.00	□\$2500.00	□\$69.44	<b></b>
\$5000.00	□\$5000.00	□\$138.89	

Leadership is not about glorious crowning acts. It's about keeping your team focused on a goal and motivated to do their best to achieve it. It is about laying the groundwork for others' success, and then standing back and letting them shine. (Chris Hadfield - astronaut)

We are blessed to have Tom Jones leading us!

The next ARC General Meeting
December 11
RH Johnson Social Hall
8:00 A.M.
Pancake Breakfast
9:00 Meeting
Get your \$10.00 ticket at ARC



#### **Raffle Quilt**

Tickets and quilt are at the shop. \$1 for one ticket, \$5 gets 6 tickets. Drawing will be during the meeting on Dec 11th

(quilt was made by Verda Bell)

# Downshifting Jim and Lola Gallagher (Member Number 412) by Ed Zacko

It doesn't get any more depressing than this! Shown on page one, a top of the line, matching numbers, 1966 Corvette Stingray, now burned to almost nothing. One sunny afternoon the owner started up his prize winner to prepare it for washing and suddenly, without any warning, up it went in flames. By the time the fire department arrived you see what was left of his trophy winning beauty.

The Corvette's famous fiberglass body was completely melted from the rear of the cockpit forward, the interior a charred ruin! The engine had all but melted. The only thing that even resembled a Stingray was the rear deck.

Now, who in their right mind would even consider tackling such an apparently hopeless project? ARC's own Jim Gallagher was undeterred. He made the insurance company an offer and brought her "home" to ARC! For Jim, the mud was not so deep.

Two years ago in the ARC building, I stood with Jim next to the melted hulk and expressed my doubts but Jim was undeterred and with all the confidence in the world he quietly said "I can do something with this." "Well, if you say so Jim!"

Lola and Jim Gallagher (#412) came to Sun City West four years ago from Portland OR. I was surprised to discover that Jim's career was not in the automotive industry but in elevators where he worked for Otis Corporation as an installer and technician. An auto enthusiast his whole life, Jim began with a '55 Chevy. Since then has owned more than 30 cars, of which his favorite just happens to be the '67 Stingray. When it comes to cars, Jim is entirely self taught. He just happens to be extremely good at it! Jim is one of ARC's "first call go to guys" when it comes to information.

I am continually astounded at the vast wealth of knowledge and experience that I see every day in our club. As I have gotten to know Jim over these past few years I realize that his confidence is well founded in experience.

This seemingly hopeless project is now complete. The transformation is stunning! I should have known better! And, it should come as no surprise, Jim has already begun a new project, a 2015 Jeep Wrangler Sahara.

Congratulations Jim, well done!





Clean up and reconstruction begins

#### The Project



Ever so slowly she starts to look better and better



You cannot rush this project but the result was worth the effort!!



#### 8th Annual Car Show and Swap Meet

This year's Car Show planning is in full swing. All Committee chairs are working hard to ensure that this year's 8th annual car show will again be a show we will be proud of. A great amount of effort goes into the production of a show of this magnitude that only happens with the participation of the membership.

We encourage all members to join us in making our car show the best in the valley. We will have sign-up sheets for all of the committee groups at the general membership meetings, and at the ARC building. Members are invited to attend our planning meetings on most Mondays at 8:00 A.M. in the shuffle board room in the bowling alley.

Thank You,

Gary Masak

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#### 2020 Director positions open

The position of Safety Director will be open starting Jan 1, 2020. David Eicke has been the ARC Safety Officer for the past 8 years and has requested a break. Thank you, David, for helping us to be as safe as possible in a work shop environment.

This is an appointed position and does not require membership voting. Members with safety background interested in the position are asked to provide a short resume of qualifications. Prior to the end of the year, the candidates will be interviewed by the ARC Board of Officers and Jim Hager, the Rec Center Safety Manager to determine the future appointed Safety Director.

Mag/Silver Auction Jan 6 - 14th Sign up to participate with this link <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4dadaf28aaf94-magsiver">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4dadaf28aaf94-magsiver</a>
This is a big fund raiser for the club and a fun day Last year we raised \$5000.00
Slots are filling up - ARC has 205 slots

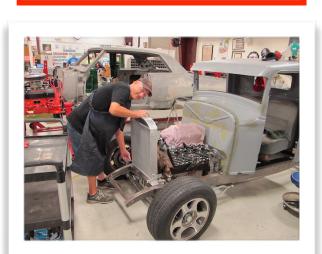
#### Happenings Around The Shop



Diana Hudson, Pamela McCaflin busy restoring a Model A Ford



Mike the Moose Model AA
Service Truck





Jack Sigler works on Chevelle Malibu

Al VanAntwerp and his 1932 Ford pickup

David and Debbie Martinez series 62 Cadillac



#### 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 <a href="mailto:stevelinda2004@earthlink.net">stevelinda2004@earthlink.net</a> 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.

Lori Holman (Wife of Don #330) - Fell and broke her hip. We wish you a speedy recovery, Lori, and keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

John Rank (#308) - Recovering from surgery at home. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers, John. Hope you are having a feel good day.

Gloria Tasseaux - (Wife of Paul Cowley-#474) - Currently under Hospice care. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Gloria and Paul, as you go through this difficult time.

Lauren Matley (#16) Still battling health issues. Working to get stronger. We are here for you, Lauren. Hope you are having a feel good day.

Zane Childress - Our honorary member is in New York going through special spine surgery and recovery. I'm sure that cards and notes will help to cheer him up at this difficult time for him. New York Presbyterian Och Spine Hospital, 5141 Broadway, 2RW79/Zane Childress, New York, NY 10034

#### In Memoriam:

Bob Smith (#808) - We lost another of our members to Cancer recently. Bob was a fighter and part of our Relay team for many years. We are thinking of his wife, Pam, and his family at this difficult time.



#### **Remember When Cruise Association**

will have their 37th Annual

#### **Toyz4Totz Wickenburg Run**

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Free General Admission

Enter any vehicle with a donation of a toy

Car Show 9 AM - 1:30 PM

Awards at 1:00 PM

Raffle every 15 minutes

50/50 closes show at 1:30 PM

Cruise leaves at 8 AM from

the southwest corner of

67th Avenue and Bell Road

ARC Board Members busy planning the monthly meeting in Bill Baker's Man Cave



# 8th Annual John S. Chaney Memorial Rock Around The Block Cruise and Car Show.

This year the event is on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7th. The first year Herb Clark wanted to honor the memory of John Chaney and his service in the Merchant Marine during WWII. Eight years ago he chose that Saturday to hold a car related event that would bring the ARC family together. Since then we have had a "mini Great Race", cruises that included a Pac Man theme and a scavenger type hunt called "Cellphone Pursuit". Each year the ARC event was on the same weekend as the Surprise Party Classic Car Show. Since this is the 18th Annual Surprise Party, we are planning to cruise from the ARC shop to the car show at the Surprise parking lot to be part of the festivities.

The Surprise Party starts the night prior on Friday, December 6th from 5 - 9 p.m. with a tree lighting ceremony, balloon glow, live music, skydivers and fireworks.

Saturday, December 7th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. ARC will partner in the Surprise Car Show where there are already trophies PLUS special trophies just for ARC members displaying ARC identification. The show cost is \$20 per vehicle before December 7th (\$25 per vehicle on 12/7) and the first 200 that are pre-registered receive a gift stocking. Every entry includes: ARC T-shirt, ARC Dash Plaque & ARC Goody Bag. There will also be live music, an arts and crafts festival, pony rides, roaming entertainment, petting zoo, great food and more! ARC members will receive a special Rock Around The Block T-shirt. ARC will be the HOST Car Club at the event and will get to park together.

We need to pre-register and provide the size T-shirt needed. Registration forms will be available at the November 19th ARC General Meeting and the \$20 will be collected at that time. We will send the forms and checks to the City of Surprise together at one time.

The twist to the event is that for an additional \$10 you may purchase a Culver's 2020 Calendar with Culver's coupons AND an entry in the Poker Walk with cash prizes for 1st Place Poker Hand, 2nd Place Poker Hand, and the Worst Poker Hand for \$10

# <sup>6</sup> ARC remembers Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941



Ed Zacko '62 Dave Eicke '61 Jim Gallagher '67 Corvette

# Trilogy Car Show January 11, 2020

by Mike Liberatore

Trilogy Roadrunners Car Show has invited ARC members to join them at their 10th annual car show January 11th 2020 from 10-2. They have always supported our club and I encourage members to support theirs. As in past years, I will be there selling raffle tickets for the 2019 Ford Ranger. This has always been a great show and I encourage ARC members to join me with their rides.

Previous participants are receiving this early notification and registration notice.

Trilogy Roadrunners are very excited about this year's show.

This show will be better than ever. Registration opens to the public on November 1st but you can sign up now.

New for this show will be a second award category. 1st & 2nd place trophies will be awarded in a Club-Member class and a Guest-Class.

This year's donations (\$20 per vehicle) and proceeds will be awarded in the form of a scholarship to a deserving student attending the Universal Technical Institute in Phoenix.

# Coming Events Further information can be found on Group Works

8th Annual Rock Around the Block - December 7th
Toyz4Totz Wickenburg Run - December 8th
Christmas Pancake Breakfast—December 11th 8:30-12
ARC December General Meeting in the RH Johnson Social Hall
Tickets \$10.00 available at the November Meeting
John Dorssom is in charge of this event.
Mag Auction Jan 6 - 14th Sign up to participate 205 slots
further information on Sign Up Genius
Trilogy Car Show January 11
8th Annual Car Show and Swap Meet February 8th RH Johnson
Skills USA Competition February 22nd 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
Relay for Life February 23 - information at www.relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz
West-MEC Touch a Truck February 29th, 2020 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

### ARC Angels

The ARC Angels are a group of ARC members, led by Randy Robinson, annd Dan Kuhl who quietly go around helping SCW residents who are in need. They don't ask or look for recognition or praise. Occasionally, someone who has been helped, lets us know. Thank you to all of the ARC Angels for your continued service to the SCW community.

LARC Breakfast
Thursday, December 19th 9:00 A.M.
Memo's in the Bowling Alley
No need to reply, just come and enjoy fellowship
with other ladies of ARC
Remember no fragrances please

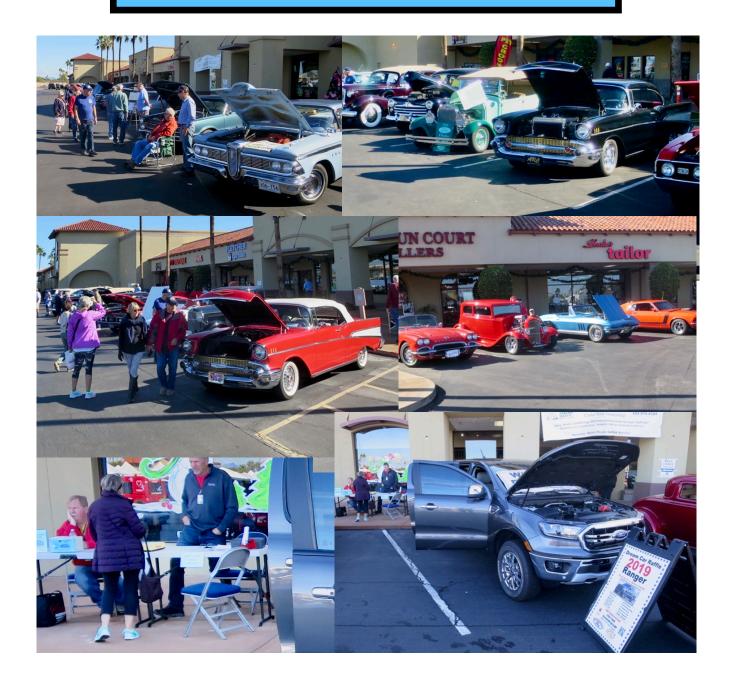
Sundome Car Show

A very successful event for ARC

The club made \$300.00

48 cars and trucks, one scooter attended

ARC sold 5 raffle tickets



Available in the ARC building
ARC T-Shirt \$10.00
ARC Cap \$15.00
ARC Car Flag \$15.00
ARC License Plate \$20.00
Order Windbreaker
Black, Dark Blue or Pink \$40.00





The inventory is lower than usual and the prices have been going up! This is a great time to sell your home or to buy a new one!

Please check us out on our website: <a href="https://www.ArvidKay.com">www.ArvidKay.com</a>. We can give you an estimate of what your home is worth today.

Arvid and Kay Peterson
623-308-2316 or 623-760-7367
arvidpeterson@awardrealty.com
ARC Members



Buying a raffle ticket from out of town?

It is easy - call Mike Liberatore at 815-263-8686

He is able to process credit cards and mail your raffle ticket receipt Everyone is a winner - either donating to a great club or winning one of three prizes - call Mike today



Remember Raffle Tickets
Make Great Holiday Gifts
To purchase contact Gordon Carlson at
408 892 2538 or drop in at the ARC
building. Support our club and its
growing efforts. Mike Liberatore

## **Special Gypsy Jazz Concert**



Ed and Ellen Zacko present
Tim Kliphuis/violin and Jimmy Grant/guitar
Wednesday March 4th, 2020
2:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M.
\$20.00 ticket price for each concert
Palm Ridge Summit Room A/B
Sun City West

Purchase tickets through sponsored SCW Clubs ARC, Woodworkers Club , SCW Broadcast Club, Music Club, Club Espanol and Zymurgy Club Seating limited to 400 seats per concert

Between concert barbecue with live music
March 4th 4:30 to 5:30 PM
Anna's Courtyard (ARC Building)
Hamburgers, chips and drink for \$5.00
Picnic tickets available at ARC after February 12

Concert tickets will sell out quickly. ARC has a supply of tickets which will be sold at the General Meeting Pancake Breakfast December 11th. Payment can be check made out to ARC or cash. Ellen Zacko and Dean Lewellen will sell the tickets before and after the breakfast. Come prepared to participate in this great event!!

### ARC CLUB CONTACT INFORMATION

**Shop Phone Number: 623-518-3226** 

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#### **ARC OFFICERS**

Tom Jones, President
Bob Janis, 1st VP
Dean Lewellen, 2nd VP
Kathy Swanson, Secretary
Pete Mahnke, 1st Treasurer
Gary Kakert, 2nd Treasurer
Dave Eicke, Safety Officer
Paul Nordmeyer, Membership

Have a wonderful holiday season! from Mike and the Boys



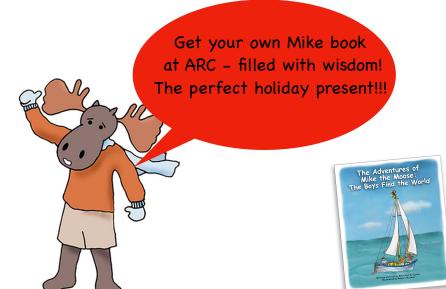








# A Message from Mike the Moose



Also available at Mikethemoose.com

The purpose of life is to matter, to be productive, to be useful, to have it make some difference that you have lived at all.

Leo Rosten, writer

Rusty Nuts is *your* newsletter. Thank you to all the member contributions. Keep them coming. Everyone has a story and yours is important to the membership.

Send your contribution to: mikezackaroonie@gmail.com

Your stories make this newsletter!

Special thank you to Deborah Ray, my friend and proofreader. I couldn't do this job without her special help.