

# RUSTY NUTS

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A U T O M O T I V E / R E S T O R A T I O N C L U B O F S C W

## The Big Car, The Big Winner and a Great Guy John Donily

1961 Crown Imperial



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!"



#### **Looking Ahead...First I Looked Back!**

By the time you are reading this, the holidays have passed and you are thinking about the new year! I was thinking about many of the great fun things I have done in my life, and how they shaped what I am doing now. I have always loved cars, but didn't get a chance to really engulf myself in cars until after I retired. This will be true for many of you!

When ARC started in 2011, my goal was to get younger generations involved and to help them get started early in a fantastic hobby. Here is the twist. Most people are younger than me! You probably are too, so here are some thoughts I would like to share with you.

Some of the best times I can remember have been driving down the street in my classic car and getting a lot of "thumbs up" from people walking or driving. It ALWAYS brings a smile to me and a warm feeling. ARC made this possible for me! Getting a classic car does not have to cost a fortune. Many good cars are available under \$10K. They may not be the kind of cars you see at the auction, but they are still head turners. Ask some of the "Drivers" who have driven the cars at the auctions and they can tell you that they are not always what they appear to be! Need help picking a car? There are plenty of good ARC members who can help you!

## **JANUARY 2020**

### **DEUCE COUPE CORNER**

**BY TOM JONES, PRESIDENT**

I have a 2020 “vision” for ARC. Nine years have passed since this Chartered Club was started by Herb Clark. We are truly a full restoration facility with a mechanical shop and paint and body shop. What sets us apart from other car clubs is that we are also a 501(c)(3) charity. With the ARC Angels and our work with national and local charities, we certainly give back to the community. I want to say thank you to the many ARC members who have stepped up and filled important positions during the year. Volunteers keep the club running smoothly and include the officers, directors, managers, foremen, monitors and over 100 volunteers for our car show. ARC is growing and our reputation is one to be envied.

My vision is to pay off the original debt for the building this coming year. Of the over \$900,000 cost to build our initial 6,000 sq ft shop, only \$195,000 is left on the debt. With everyone’s help, we could reduce that debt with contributions from members, friends and organizations that support our cause. If you have contacts in the automotive world, I would like to send them a brochure about ARC and our charitable status. We still have room for bricks and tiles in our courtyard and they serve as a lasting memorial for the donors and a fundraiser for ARC.

Thank you ARC members and friends for where we are today and let’s make 2020 a perfect year!



**MAG Auctions**  
ARIZONA AUCTION WEEK  
REGISTER TO BID OR CONSIGN YOUR CAR TODAY!  
**JANUARY 10-12, 2020**  
Peoria Sports Complex  
16101 N 83rd Ave. Peoria Az 85382

## Mag Auction Sign Up Information

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4dadaf28aaf94-magsiver>

(Click this link to sign up for the Mag Auto Auction.)

If you have friends or family who would like to see how we spend our time with ARC, invite them to help. You can add individuals to your signup. Put their names in the remarks section with a phone number.

This event netted the club \$5000 last year so it's a good source of income and great fun, if you haven't been there before give it a try.

For more information on our work at the auction or for help signing up, contact me at 602-999-5687 and leave message

Danny Gayhart

The next ARC General Meeting  
will be held on January 21  
1:30 P.M.

West-MEC Technical School  
Dysart and Grand

A tour of the school follows the meeting  
Voting on dues increase will take place at the meeting

Downshifting  
John and Pat Donily (Member number 1019)  
by Ed Zacko

Pat and John Donily came to Sun City West from Pilot Rock, Oregon where he worked first as a union cabinet maker and later as the proprietor of Green Steel, manufacturing visual aids for schools.

To date John has had 34 cars. His favorite of them all is his present ride, his 1961 Chrysler Crown Imperial Southhampton Hard Top. John purchased this *huge boat* from the estate of its original owner in 1995. John, wanting to maintain the originality of the car, went so far as keeping the original license plate and number. Today the cars has only 45,000 original miles and its Malibu Tan paint is still in pristine condition.

A unique feature of his car is the front seats that swivel to allow easy entrance and exit through the large front doors.

When I asked John "If you could have any other car what would it be?" With no hesitation at all he said, "A '59 Dodge Royal Lancer convertible with push button drive!"

When I remarked that his car was beautiful he said "No, it's different. You see, I like big cars with large fins. I like different!"

Last month at the Rock Around the Block / Surprise car show, John's Imperial won the trophy for "Best In Show!" Congratulations John!

## Cool Raffle

Cool Raffle tickets are still on sale. They are 1 for \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00. You can win either a Complete Home AC System, or \$3000.00 Cash. They make great too. To purchase them please contact me at [wtm113@yahoo.com](mailto:wtm113@yahoo.com) or get them at the shop. Let's keep supporting our club and our gold sponsor Sun City Mechanical.

Bill McVeigh

# NEVER IGNORE THE SUGGESTION OF A WOMAN

By  
Dan Kuhl



This article is a followup to my recent courting article in the November Rusty Nuts since courting and music go hand-in-hand. The story begins in 1929 when there were no radios in cars. Two gentlemen, William Lear and Elmer Wavering, drove their girlfriends out to a local overlook to watch the sunset and do what young couples do in a romantic setting. While enjoying the sunset one of the girls suggested the sunset would be nicer with a little music. So the two men began their quest to develop a radio for use in a car. Their research led them to a Chicago radio convention where they met Paul Galvin who put them to work at his factory developing their car radio (Note: Philco began marketing a car radio in 1930).

Who would guess the first radio tested in a car was tested in Galvin's Studebaker (another first for Studebaker). He was so excited by their success that he drove the Studebaker 300 miles to a radio convention in Atlanta. Once there he could not afford to display the Studebaker in the convention hall, so he parked the car out front and blasted the radio so the passing conventioners could hear the music. He received many orders for the nameless car radio. Because it was common to use the suffix "ola" to name phonograph and radio products of the day, i.e. Victrola, he decided to name the car radio the Motorola.

As with other businesses of the day, the Depression hit his car radio business very hard until the mid 30's when Ford began to offer the Motorola in new Fords and B.F. Goodrich began selling them in its tire stores. Galvin Manufacturing continued to improve his product line by introducing the first push button radio, police scanner radio, and the first two-way radio used by the Army in WWII. In 1947 the Company name was changed from Galvin Manufacturing to Motorola. Galvin's company should also be noted for developing the following: the first television to sell for less than \$200, the first pager, the equipment used for televising the first step on the moon in 1969, and the first handheld cellular phone. Where would the youth of America be without this innovation?

Wavering and Lear, the two men who started this odyssey, went on to have illustrious careers. Wavering continued to work for Motorola and developed the first automotive alternator. Lear had more than 150 inventions credited to his name, including the eight track tape player that was so popular in the cars of the late 60's, and more importantly his inventions associated with aviation: the radio direction finder, autopilot, automatic landing system, and his most famous invention, the Lear Jet, the first mass produced business jet.

Yes, Studebaker played a small part in the development of the car radio, but it is more important to remember that nothing would have happened without that first suggestion made by a woman.

By the mid-50's all cars could be purchased with a radio. In some cases the radio could automatically seek out your favorite station with a push of a button. Iconic industrial designer, Raymond Lowey, who designed cars for Studebaker, called the automobile of the day a "jukebox on wheels". The car had evolved from a simple means of transportation not unlike the horse, to an entertainment center for the young at heart.

#### References:

No author listed. (1955, April). Jukebox on Wheels, Atlantic, No pages listed on the web.

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Various websites located using a search engine.

Note: The ad was chosen because it appears to be a Studebaker convertible.

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show & Swap Meet



Grand Marshal  
Bill Schwind



Sat., Feb. 8, 2020

8:00 am to 3:00 pm

# FREE

For Spectators  
Everyone Welcome!



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[arcofscw@gmail.com](mailto:arcofscw@gmail.com)



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## ARC 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show

The car show team has been busy with final plans for the February 8<sup>th</sup> event. Now that Christmas has come and gone, the New Year brings us just a little over one month until the big show. We still encourage all members to sign up for any one of the committees i.e. parking, judging, registration, etc.

The ARC shop will be featured in “Roddin & Racin newspaper January’s issue showcasing our beautiful shop along with our show flyer and registration form. And don’t forget to stop in to buy your raffle tickets for the Ranger truck and the Cool Raffle. Yes, the excitement is building.

Gary Masak

## Roddin & Racing Tour of ARC



**Rock Around the Block/Surprise Car Show  
December 7th - ARC had many winners**



## The Annual Rock Around the Block

Some ARC winners and cars

John Donilly 1961 Crown Imperial - Best in Show

Gary Alwes 1970 BOSS-302 Mustang - Best in Class 1964-1985

Tom Jones 1932 Ford Model B - Best in Class

Ed Zacko 1962 Corvette - Best in Class

Brian Chudyk - Best Chevrolet Nova

Bob and Linda Bartelt 1963 Volkswagen - Best in Class



# Happenings Around The Shop

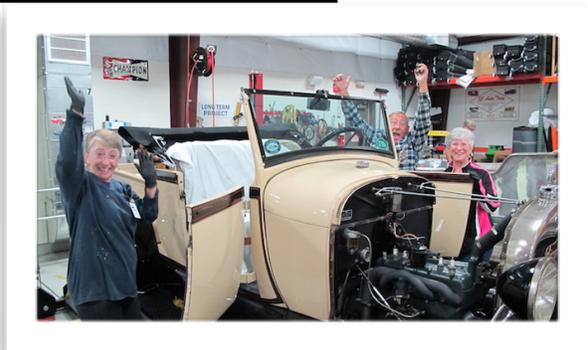
**T BIRD SHOP PROJECT - IT STARTED!!  
GARRY CURTIS ALWAYS NEEDS HELP  
EVERY DAY HE HAS A TO DO LIST**



**Work above and below every vehicle**



**Just starting - Almost finished**



**Time for coffee  
John Dorssom and Warren Burdine**

**Caddy is getting ready for paint!**



American Cancer Society 7th Annual Relay for Life  
Sunday, February 23, 2020, 3:00 - 8:00 PM  
Beardsley Park

ARC has a team - "Automotive/Restoration Club of Sun City West"  
Join our team for a \$20 donation

(As a 501(c)(3) organization, ACS Relay for Life is one of the charities we support)

Sign up online at [www.relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz](http://www.relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz) or get a form at the shop  
Contact Steve (ARC Captain) or Linda (Relay Committee) Victor at  
stevelinda2004@earthlink.net or 623-214-1090

Survivors get a free T-shirt and can be part of the Survivor Victory Lap, which is very inspiring! (Last year ARC had over 20 survivors join in - We know there are many more of you out there, and we would like to honor you. You give hope to so many of us. If you are a survivor, come out to be honored.) \*\*\*\*You don't have to be an ARC member or Sun City West resident to join our team or participate.

For \$10 you can dedicate a luminaria to someone who has lost, won, or is fighting cancer! Last year, ARC raised over \$4,100 - Let's top that this year!  
ARC will have a mini-car display from 3:00 - 6:00 PM. Bring your "ride" and participate in the Relay! Sign up sheet at the shop. The Opening Ceremony is at 4:00 PM followed by the Survivor/ Caregiver lap. Dinner will be provided by Saradella's for survivors and their caregiver around 5:00 PM. The Luminaria Ceremony is at 6:30 PM. It's worth coming out for! There will be entertainment, raffles, and lots going on. We are looking for raffle items to help us raise money for our team. Come for as long or as short of time as you can spare.

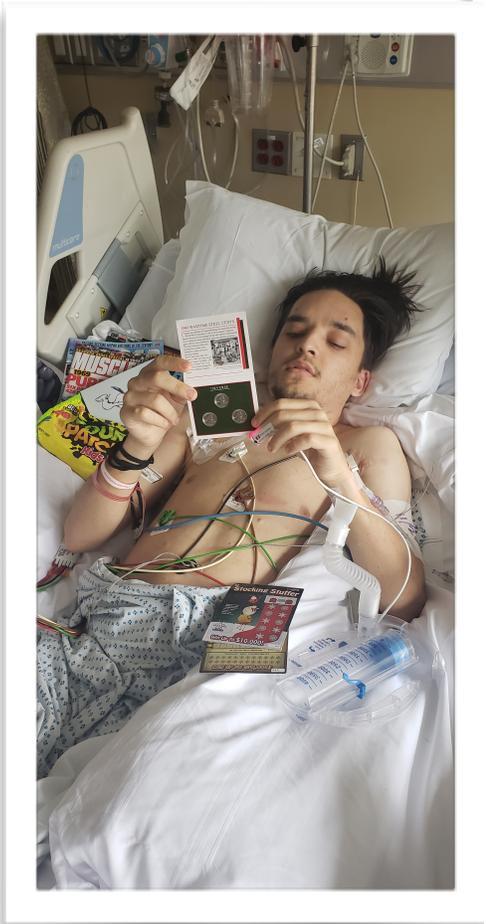
#### How Can I Help?

- Join the Team-It's a fun afternoon to hang out with your friends
- Stop by and support your fellow ARC members
- Bring your car
- Purchase a luminaria-Let's honor our ARC members
- Donate cans of food-to hold the luminaria down & then, donated to food pantry
- Donate a raffle item
- Monetary donation (Can be done on line or leave an envelope in the folder.)
- Spread the word to neighbors and friends

Come out and support your community.

You may contact the Victors with questions. They will have a table at the January ARC General Meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance, Steve & Linda Victor

**Thank you for supporting all of our worthy causes!**



**Recovering in the hospital, Zane Childress, who attended West-MEC Northeast campus while in high school, reads all the loving letters and cards from ARC members after his critical surgery.**

## 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 [stvelinda2004@earthlink.net](mailto:stvelinda2004@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.

**Lori Holman** (Wife of Don #330) - Home and going through physical therapy. It is a slow process. We keep you in our thoughts and prayers, Lori.

**Lauren Matley** (#16) Working to get stronger and doing much better. We are here for you, Lauren. Hope you are having a feel good day.

**Bonnie Robinson** (Wife of Randy/#138) - Fell and broke her arm. Hope you are improving every day, Bonnie.

**Reita Dorssom** (#607) - Dealing with some health issues. We wish you a speedy recovery, Reita. Sending good thoughts your way.

**Zane Childress** - Our honorary member is back in Maryland after special spine surgery and is recovering. He came through the operation well, but this is about a two-year process of recovery. He sends many thanks to all of the ARC "Angels", as he thinks of us, for all the good wishes.

## Coming Events

**Further information can be found on Group Works**

**Mag Auction** Jan 6 - 14th Sign up to participate 205 slots  
further information on Sign Up Genius

**Trilogy Car Show** January 11

**Superhero Saturday and Car Show**

Casa Center for Positive

January 18th from 12:00 A.M. to 5:00P.M.

**ARC 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 - info at [www.relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz](http://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, and 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, January 23 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

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!

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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**

**Dream Car Raffle**  
**2019**  
**Ranger**

**Drawing on or Before 2-8-20**

<b>Grand Prize:</b> Vehicle or \$20K Cash <b>2nd Place:</b> \$500. Cash <b>3rd Place:</b> \$300. Cash		<b>Lariat Series</b> • FX4 Off-Road Package • 10 Speed Auto. • Supercrew Cab • Color: Magnetic • MSRP: \$43,860
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**1,000 Tickets to be Sold**  
**\$100/1 ticket**  
**All proceeds go to ARC**  
**ARC is a 501 (C)(3) Charity**

  
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**SANDERSON  
 Ford**

  
**ARC**  
Automotive/Restoration Club Of SCW



**Remember Raffle Tickets**  
**Make Great 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

## **A Raffle for a Raffle** **A great idea from Warren Burdine**

In the ARC building tickets for \$5.00 may be purchased for the 2019 Ranger. When twenty tickets have been purchased the lot will be put together. From the twenty tickets one ticket will win a \$100. raffle ticket. You have a 5% chance to win \$100. If you are a lottery person this is a no brainer. Take a chance today. Go the ARC and buy some tickets.



### **Another Fund Raiser for our building fund**

Tickets for the Gypsy Jazz Concert  
can be purchased from Dean Lewellen 546 7649 or Ellen Zacko 374 3056  
(Thirty Percent of the ticket price after expenses goes back to ARC)

Support our club and enjoy a fine concert

Wednesday March 4th

2:00 P.M. and 7 P.M.

Price \$20.00

Palm Ridge Summit Room A/B

Check made out to ARC or cash is accepted

(six clubs are participating in this event and the tickets are selling now)

**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.

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.



**Mike and Verda Bell won  
The Children's Choice Award at  
the Wickenburg Toys for Tots Show  
December 15th for their  
34 American Austin**

## **ARC CLUB CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**ARC Club**

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**Dean Lewellen, 2nd VP**

**Kathy Swanson, Secretary**

**Pete Mahnke, 1st Treasurer**

**Gary Kakert, 2nd Treasurer**

**Jan Lahtonen and Tony Pallozi , Safety Co-ordinators**

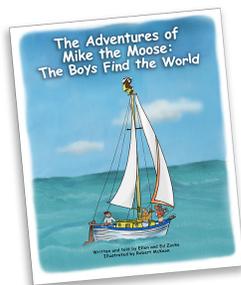
**Paul Nordmeyer, Membership Director**

**Ellen Zacko, Editor of Rusty Nuts**

## A Message from Mike the Moose



**No matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs friends to act goofy with!**



Available at ARC and  
[Mikethemoose.com](http://Mikethemoose.com)



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](mailto:mikezackaroonie@gmail.com)  
 Your stories make this newsletter!

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