

# RUSTY NUTS

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## **BEHIND THE WHEEL**

**DEAN LEWELLEN, PRESIDENT**



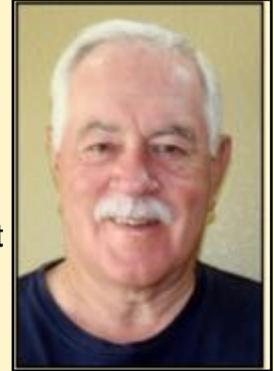
### **HELP WANTED!! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

The ARC organization and the Club's shops are operated entirely by our own volunteer members. There are no paid staff or worker positions for any piece of the Club's day to day business, committee and officer assignments or the overseeing and managing of our Shop operations. We now have over 500 paid-up, active members. Yet, for example, only about 30 members have been trained to serve as Shop Foremen, and, of that group only about 12 to 15 regularly actually sign-up and show-up to perform. We are experiencing more and more afternoon shut-downs due to the lack of a Desk Monitor or a Floor Monitor or a Shop Foreman. With summer approaching and with our winter visitors departing, this problem will only increase and grow worse.

Some, in fact most, Charter Clubs in Sun City West require their members to monitor a minimum number of hours and/or to perform facility clean-up tasks on weekends, in order to be able to enter the club and work on their own projects inside the club's facility. ARC has never had to adopt this required member service policy, since a good number of members always stepped up and volunteered to serve when needed in the past. Changing times, a change in old and new member attitudes or perhaps the Covid pandemic have created a volunteer shortfall for safe Shop operations since we reopened last June. Let's not go to a "Forced Volunteer" policy. Signup and give back some time, now.

Every member, old or new, needs to remember that ARC is their club. It is not furnished by the Rec Center folks for residents to enjoy like the Swimming Pools or the Bowling Alley. Consider your \$35.00 annual dues as the entry fee to become an active member of the best Charter Club in Sun City West. But, more importantly, remember it also requires that every ARC member must give back some time and energy to allow ARC to operate for every member's enjoyment.

## Founder's Focus A Column by Herb Clark **Crawling, Walking ...Running Soon!**



Well, it has been over a year that most of us have been in some sort of quarantine. It looks like my home state of Missouri is starting to loosen up a little bit. In fact, last week we went to dinner with Don Kloth. It was so much better than "Curbside."

Hopefully this summer will allow us "car nuts" to get out and enjoy our hobby/sport! There is so much catching up on my list. In June the Great Race 2021 will be starting in San Antonio. If you are anywhere along the route, please come and say hello. Our car will be #147. Ugh! In the past, we have always had a double digit number and it will take some getting used to the three digit one. The reason is because we are in the **X Cup Division** which features young men and women as the Navigators. We will be representing the **RPM Foundation**. RPM stands for Restoration, Preservation, & Mentorship. **Google them! They do so much for youth who have an interest in cars!**

As I am writing this article, I am thinking about this weekend. On Friday and Saturday this week is the annual **Branson Classic Car Auction**. (The dates are April 16th and 17th.) My taxes are paid, so I am planning on looking seriously at two cars. One is a 1960 MGA. I had a 1958 MGA when I was in high school. I swore I would never have a British car again! They had a miserable electric system. Well, so much for swearing! The other car is a Corvette ????. I have owned several Corvettes over the years ... and, well what's one more going to hurt. While in Branson, we will see the Sight & Sound Theater Production of "Jesus." In the past we have seen "Sampson" and "Noah" there. They were great!

I am certainly hoping you all have a safe and fun summer wherever you spend your time! Currently, Patty and I are planning to return to SCW in November this year. Hopefully we will see you! Be Safe! Herb

**\*\* If you would like to receive daily updates of our journey on the Great Race email me [woodmedic@aol.com](mailto:woodmedic@aol.com)**



## **Power Point Presentation of members' cars and projects soon to be running continually in ARC for visitors**

Send before and after photos to Roger Babler at his email address [rbtv@tds.net](mailto:rbtv@tds.net)

Roger is also hoping to provide information for a story on ARC for the "Kustomrama Traditional Rod & Kustom" website's newsletter. Their main focus is "Old School Rods & Customs" and any one that was involved in that industry years ago. Here is a link to them on the web based in Oslo Norway <https://kustomrama.com/wiki/>

### **Miracles in the works in ARC - Craig Miller**



### **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.

## **Downshifting Jaime (1496) and Pamela Gunyuz (1497)**

Invariably I get asked where I am from. I was born and raised in Turkey and came to Phoenix, Arizona when I was a teen-ager to attend Arizona State University in Tempe. While there I played on the soccer team and received a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering. One of my first jobs was helping build Disney World in Orlando, Florida. I still have memories of driving Roy Disney around the property trying to avoid slipping into the swampy muck at the side of the roads used during construction. After the Disney job I co-owned a construction company located in Orlando. I had an opportunity to return to the Phoenix area and joined Bechtel Corporation in the construction of Palo Verde Nuclear Plant in Tonopah, AZ. Later, there was an opportunity to join the City of Phoenix at Sky Harbor Airport and I worked there for 10 years building Terminal 4. I felt I had found my true calling of being an airport engineer. While working at Sky Harbor I met my wife Pamela through friends. They felt we had a lot in common, especially a love of community theater, photography, and travel. We were married on 8-8-88, a date I picked because I thought it felt like a very lucky number which it has been.

Shortly after our wedding, wanderlust took over. We moved to Saudi Arabia where I was employed to help rebuild the Dhahran Airport which was destroyed during the First Gulf War. Pamela was able to teach elementary school there at the American School on the U.S. Consulate grounds. We remained there for 8 years and then moved on to Istanbul, Turkey for two years. Upon returning once again to the Phoenix area I joined the city of El Mirage as a city engineer and Pamela returned to Litchfield Park Elementary schools until her retirement. We moved to Sun City West in 2005 to live here full time.

My first car was a 1954 Chrysler which I sold to buy a 1956 Pontiac during my last year at ASU. I think my favorite car was a 1976 TR7 Triumph convertible. It was a red convertible. The license plate frame read: "To Know me is to Love Me". But Pamela made me take that off!

The car that we call Black Velvet, a 1939 Buick Special, was purchased in 2009. In 2018 I bought my dream car, a Porsche, Macan SUV with a moon roof. It has all the bells and whistles one could ever want in a car. It is a great road trip car and we hope to continue doing that now that the pandemic is winding down.

I just joined ARC in 2020 in December and hope to become active during this next year.

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## Story of Black Velvet

Black Velvet is a 1939 straight 8 Buick. It was first viewed at Don Laughlin's Riverside Casino Car Museum in Laughlin Nevada in fall of 2009. At that time it was not listed for sale. Jamie was given the owner's name and phone number however. When he contacted the owner, Jamie was informed that the car was actually his wife's car and HER FAVORITE so no, definitely , NOT for sale! Not one to give up easily Jamie contacted the owner a few more times and after these various discussions the owner agreed to talk to his wife about the "possibility" of selling the car to an eager buyer. The wife finally agreed and agreed to trailer the car from Albuquerque, New Mexico to Sun City West. It finally arrived on October 9, 2009 . Not only did he bring the car but he also brought boxes of trophies, plaques, and awards that various showings had awarded to the car known as "Black Velvet".

Jamie Gunyuz and his wife Pamela then first joined The Veteran Motor Car Club of America with its mission statement of: " demonstrating a sincere interest in the history of automotive engineering in the preservation of antique automobiles and materials related to them, and in sharing knowledge and experience with other antique car enthusiasts as well as promoting good fellowship among club members." This car club based in the Phoenix area brought together a variety of people and vintage cars for showings and social events. In 2011 Jamie was approached and asked to join the C.A.R. S. organization that had members from all the Sun Cities plus Peoria, Glendale, and Surprise. Jamie and Pamela also joined this club to further attend showings and social events for its members. At that time the C.A.R.S. club, required new members to have their engines and cars inspected to make sure they were authentic and had not been modified significantly. Finally in December of 2020 Jamie and Pamela joined ARC of Sun City West, anxious to continue showing their "Mafia staff car" as some call the 1939 Buick.

## Pamela, Jaime and Black Velvet



Black Velvet was featured in a national car insurance commercial on TV. Jamie always says that if he knew they were going to use the commercial so many times he would have asked for more money! While a member of C.A.R.S. club another member was regularly contacted about vintage cars being used in TV commercials. He spoke to Jamie about this and a month later called Jamie and told him they wanted a 1930's car for a car insurance ad. The company provided a transport trailer to carry the car to Chandler where the commercial was filmed. Jamie kept hoping he would also be asked to actually be in the commercial but a cast of characters was there in costume. The filming took a full day even though the commercial itself was only 45 seconds long. The premise was that the insurance had insured cars since the 1930's until the present and showed actors in costume from the 1930's and also the present. The commercial was actually played during the Super Bowl game in 2011! We witnessed this same commercial played for about three years locally.

Original price of the 1939 Buick Special Straight Eight was - \$894.00!



## **Mecum Glendale 2021 Records \$42.3 Million in Sales**

*3-Day Auction at State Farm Stadium Exceeds Expectations and Raises the Bar for Future Success*

WALWORTH, Wis. – March XX, 2021 – Mecum Auctions, the world's largest collector car auction company, outdid itself once again, setting a new record-high sales total for its Glendale, Arizona, auction. Held March 18-20 at State Farm Stadium, the 2021 auction reached \$42.3 million in overall sales totals, a more than 14% increase over Mecum's first auction in Glendale, which itself had been a record-setting event as the highest-grossing inaugural event in company history.

A total of 712 of the 829 offered vehicles hammered sold for an exceptional 86% sell-through rate, and the auction's top seller achieved a sale price of \$2.7 million. The top-selling 1967 Chevrolet Corvette L88 Coupe (Lot S122.1) was an award-winning car that boasted an original legendary L88 engine, easily shooing it into the multimillion-dollar collector car category.

"The success of this auction in only its third year is unprecedented," Mecum Chief Operating Officer Sam Murtaugh noted. "By exceeding \$42 million in sales in only three days, the Glendale, Arizona, event has officially established itself as the third largest auction on the Mecum calendar. The success and continued growth would not be possible without the natural synergy that has developed with our partners at State Farm Stadium and the gracious host city of Glendale. Mecum is excited to compound the momentum in Arizona, and we all look forward to 2022 by making it bigger and better than ever."

Other notable vehicles to land among the top-10 sellers in Glendale included a trio of Ferraris from the headlining 20-vehicle Steve Todhunter Collection, which sold in its entirety for an overall total of \$6.08 million. It was a 2016 Ferrari F12tdf (Lot S105) that landed the second seat in top sales at \$880,000, followed by a 2011 Ferrari 599 GTO (Lot S103) in third with a \$720,500 sale. Todhunter's 2006 Saleen S7 Twin Turbo (Lot S109) nabbed the fourth spot among top auction sales with a \$605,000 price tag.

Another main attraction collection in Glendale was the diverse Napa Valley Collection of 18 classic vehicles, which saw a 100% sell-through rate for a total of \$2.1 million. Four of the collection's cars broke into the six-figure range with a 1973 Porsche 911 Carrera RS 2.7 (Lot F123) claiming the fifth spot among top auction sales at \$495,000 and a 1970 DeTomaso Mangusta (Lot F120) just shy of making the list at \$302,500.

The complete top 10 collector-car sales at the Glendale 2021 auction include:

1. 1967 Chevrolet Corvette L88 Coupe (Lot S122.1) at \$2,695,000
2. 2016 Ferrari F12tdf (Lot S105) at \$880,000
3. 2011 Ferrari 599 GTO (Lot S103) at \$720,500
4. 2006 Saleen S7 Twin Turbo (Lot S109) at \$605,000
5. 1973 Porsche 911 Carrera RS 2.7 (Lot F123) at \$495,000
6. 2014 Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG Black Series (Lot S101) at \$451,000
7. 2001 Ferrari 550 Barchetta Pininfarina (Lot S106) at \$440,000
8. 2019 Porsche 911 Speedster (Lot F104) at \$440,000
9. 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 429 Fastback (Lot S114) at \$385,000
10. 2018 Mercedes-Benz G550 Brabus Edition (Lot S220) at \$379,500

## The Model T Group is ready to go cruising to The Sanderson Museum on March 31, 2021



## ARC'S Social Pages

April 22 ARC had a good old fashioned car games event where you competed against each other for the much coveted awards. It started at 9:30 AM with coffee and doughnuts. The drivers and their partners tested their driving skills as you navigated through 6 "low tech" games. The event ran from 9:30 to 11:30. The day ended with hamburgers and hotdogs and announcement of award winners. (Photos - road kill, wet T-shirt, the winners, balancing a water glass riding over 2 by 4s.



On April 11<sup>th</sup> the ARC Model A group took a tour to Morristoryn for lunch and to watch the cowboys and cowgirls rope some steers. The lunch was great and the rodeo was pretty fun too. Those joining us on tour were: Diana Hudson in her '29 Roadster pickup, Pamela and Terry Findley in her '30 Roadster with Bob and Gladis Dale as passengers in the rumble seat, Bruce and Jan Winslow in their 31 Roadster, and Joop and Marllies Phaggenborg from Glendale in their 31 A400. It was wonderful getting out and driving the cars



## Lord of Life Lutheran Church 40th Anniversary Celebration

An eight mile "Parade" around SCW featuring "The ARC A's" provided 9 Model A's, 1 Model T, plus ARC's Model AA Service truck **The Mike the Moose Mobile**. The remaining charter member, Wilma Pastilla, who worked at Ford Motor Company in Detroit for 40 years, was in the lead vehicle, Jake's Basket Case Model T. The 3 Pastors followed in the open cars. It was fun for all and the Church served a box lunch for the drivers after the parade finished.



## ARC Members raise money for Alzheimer's.

Members of the Automotive Restoration Club of Sun City West set-up their tables to display a collection of donated automobile parts and accessories at Lake Pleasant swap meet Sunday March 21st. They managed to sell enough merchandise to donate \$500 to the local Alzheimer's Association Desert Southwest Chapter.

ARC is a 501c3 organization that prides itself in supporting various causes i.e., Relay for Life, Make a Wish, and Alzheimer's. Our club was founded on being a club that supports our community in many ways. We have a group of dedicated members who make up the "ARC Angels". This group is available to help the Sun City West residents with their automobile problems to analyze the problem and advise them for the best outcome. You are welcome to tour our facility at 19803 R.H. Johnson Blvd. or visit [arcofscw.com](http://arcofscw.com), or call 623-518-3226 for more information



## ARC members on March 6 were judges for the WestMec Skills USA

The Winners were  
Ryan Mulder  
Christian Brudage  
Leon Asmar



## 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 [stewelinda2004@earthlink.net](mailto:stewelinda2004@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.

We know that many of our members are facing some challenges right now but wish to remain private. We are thinking of all you and wishing you brighter days ahead.



### In Memoriam

**Gary "Viz" Vizelka (# 948)** - We are saddened to hear about the loss of Gary. He was also a member of the Metal Club. We send our thoughts and prayers to his family at this difficult time.



**Former ARC member Gary Curtis loving hot rods featured in his local newspaper**

# A throwback in more ways than one

BY KYLE DARRYSON

Gary Curtis has been fixing cars for more than half a century now, and his latest project — a 1932 Ford four-door sedan — is a real callback to his formative years in the hobby.

"I had one 50 some years ago and I've had numerous cars in between," he told the Sun this past Tuesday. "Lots of '30s cars and '50s cars and '60s cars and stuff like that, and I just wanted to go back to a pure hotrod again."

Later on, Curtis invited the Sun to witness the progress he has made on this classic vehicle inside his garage here in Brandon.

Even though the 69-year-old still has to put the Ford's chassis, body and wheels together, he revealed that the car is in a lot better shape compared to when he originally bought the body from a Saskatoon resident back in 2015.

"It sat in his backyard for over 40 years before I got it," Curtis recalls. "So the doors were all bent up, there were bullet holes in it, there was a little bit of rust on it, but all the hard-to-find pieces were there."

After towing the heap back to his Westman home, Curtis began the laborious process of bringing this classic car back to life, which involved plenty of roadblocks along the way.

Not only was the retired auto-worcker tasked with getting the car up to modern safety standards, but he also went out of his way to install some quality-of-life improvements that would make long-distance travel much more comfortable.

This includes replacing the fabric roof with steel, installing an early 2000s GM fuel-injected, computer-controlled engine and hooking up a heat and air conditioning system, even though some of these updates caused the veteran gear head plenty of headaches.

"When I put the heat, air conditioner unit in this car I had to remove all my wiring that I already put in and re-position it because it was in the wrong spot," he said. "But that's just normal when you build a car like this."

Of course, a lot of these obstacles are old hat for Curtis, who has been obsessed with restoring beat-up old cars since childhood.

Curtis revealed that the genesis of his interest in the hobby can be traced back to his ini-



**ABOVE:** Gary Curtis showcases the progress he has made on assembling his 1932 Ford four-door sedan as of Wednesday afternoon. Curtis originally acquired the body and chassis for this hot rod separately in 2015. **RIGHT:** Curtis highlights all of the various automotive projects that he and his family spearheaded over the course of 36 years. Curtis himself has been involved in this hobby for more than half a century. (Photos by Kyle Darryson/The Brandon Sun)



**LEFT:** Curtis' family members push his recently acquired 1932 Ford four-door sedan into his garage for further modifications in 2015. **RIGHT:** A closer look at what Curtis' 1932 Ford four-door sedan looked like when the Brandon resident first acquired it. (Submitted)



tial viewing of "Suzie the Little Blue Coupe," a 1932 animated short film from Walt Disney Productions.

The plot of this short follows the titular anthropomorphic coupe, who gets thrown into a junkyard following years of abuse and neglect.

However, the car gets a new lease on life when it is discovered by a curious young man, who turns the junker into a slick hotrod thanks to some smart modifications.

"And I thought, that's what I want to do," Curtis recalls. From there, Curtis decided

to make cars an ever-present part of his personal and professional life.

After obtaining his first vehicle — a 1939 Plymouth coupe — at the age of 17, Curtis would go on to spearhead at least 20 automotive projects throughout the next five decades, including the restoration of a 1962 Plymouth Fury, a 1970 Dodge Challenger and a 1953 Ford truck.

In terms of his career, the Brandon resident also lent his expertise to several automotive centres in the region, and even served as the owner

of Mirrae Muffler and Brake for 14 years before retiring in 2009.

As such, Curtis believes that this real-life experience has given him all the mental and physical tools he needs to tackle a complex project like the 1932 Ford, which he wants to get running by at least the end of this summer.

"I've done all the engineering on it, I've done all the suspension work," he said.

"So now I'm getting ready to paint the chassis and all the components and start assembling the car. It's only a

matter of time now."

While the status of upcoming local car events are unknown due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Curtis has at least one big road trip planned for when everything gets back to normal.

After missing out on their annual visit to Arizona last year due to COVID travel restrictions, Curtis and his wife Trudy are looking to make the more than 2,000 kilometre trek to the Valentine State using this modified 1932 Ford.

In order to get the classic car to a point where it can suc-

cessfully complete that journey, the veteran gear head said he's going to utilize plenty of restraint and patience during the final stages of this rebuild, since these qualities have been invaluable throughout his last dozen or so automotive projects.

"It is a hobby. It isn't a job. You can set short deadlines, but the journey's more important than the destination," he said.

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**ARC RAFFLE CAR NEEDED FOR 2022 CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET**

HELP!! THE ARC RAFFLE CAR COMMITTEE IS ON THE SEARCH FOR A RAFFLE VEHICLE FOR OUR ANNUAL CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET FOR OUR 2022 EVENT. WE NEED A VEHICLE SOON TO SUPPORT RAFFLE TICKET SALES BEFORE THE ANNUAL CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET ON FEBRUARY 12, 2022.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A CAR THAT THE CLUB MAY PURCHASE OUTRIGHT FROM ANY SOURCE, OR, FOR A CAR DONATED BY A MEMBER, NON-MEMBER OR ANY ORGANIZATION TO SUPPORT THE CLUB AND RECEIVE A TAX DEDUCTION FOR IT.

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**ARC General Meeting  
Tuesday May 18  
3 PM Palm Ridge Rec Center**

**Mark Your Calendars**  
**Sunday - July 4**  
**1:00 P.M.**  
**in the ARC building**  
**Ice Cream and Cake - Don't miss the fun**  
**more information on group works**

### **Don and Anna Scheidt \$10 K Challenge**

Because of Covid, ARC did not have a car show which raises money for the building fund's payments. At this time we really need the support of our members to pay this year's REC center payment for our \$500,000 building loan. Don and Anna Scheidt are asking members to meet their 10 K challenge. Start donating - the treasurer will let us know when the challenge has been met. The club has +500 members at this time. We all need to help support our facility. Just get that pen out and write a check to ARC - drop it off at the monitors desk in an envelope marked CHALLENGE.

If 500 people donated \$20.00	= 10,000
If 100 people each donate \$100.00	= 10,000
If 200 people each donate \$ 50.00	= 10,000
If 50 people each donate \$200.00	= 10,000

### **Foremen**

Once again we need the foremen to step up...especially in the afternoon. Remember when you are working on YOUR car there is a foreman working, so return the favor to other members. We do have members that want to work in the afternoon...nice and cool in there...

## WHEN A BELT HELD UP MORE THAN YOUR TROUSERS

By  
Dan Kuhl

Going into 1892 Clem and Peter Studebaker were hot enthusiasts for the planned gathering to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Columbus's discovery of the Americas. As part of Indiana's response to exposition officials to all 44 states, the brothers decided to sponsor a Studebaker exhibit the world would remember. With their new Chicago repository, just down the street from the yet-to-be start of Rt-66, the Studebakers felt they wanted to participate in a big way in the successes of the fair. Because of the enormity of the endeavor, the 1892 Chicago World's Fair did not actually open until May 1893.

Even with the downturn in the economy the Studebakers prepared an incredible display of their products and a beautiful souvenir booklet describing, in Currier and Ives style, the factory and their products. The narrative of the booklet describes a factory covering 95 acres ( 72 football fields) that contained: length of line shafting 6000 feet, number of pulleys on shaft 1000, number of dynamos in use 15, number of board feet of lumber on hand 48,000,000, and length of all belting 7 miles. Dynamos are mentioned here because they were direct current power sources used prior to the widespread acceptance of AC current motors in 1896 (See factory photo of factory shafts , pulleys, and belts). Thirty types of vehicles were displayed with images of men working in a factory setting that seemed more like a community.



Cottonwood and whitewood were the woods of choice for the vehicles manufactured. The cottonwood tree is very common and readily available in the midwest, while whitewood is cut from many types of trees including the following: spruces, basswoods, tulip, pines, and silver firs. The name whitewood comes from the white grain isolated from the dark sap wood. The importance of the wood cannot be overstated with over half of the Studebaker factory devoted to lumber yards and drying kilns.

Because this technology is so antiquated, a reference is added to a website where one can see a factory museum still operating with shafts, pulleys, and belts since 1903, when the factory was started. (In Google go to Sept 10, 2009 Video of Rays Mustard Mill in Eastport, ME). When viewing this video imagine yourself touring the Studebaker complex at the time of the 1893 World's Fair.

A change in the wind was on the horizon. Starting in 1902 Studebaker began to dabble in automobile manufacturing, and by 1911 had jumped in with both feet. However, the first Studebaker automobile produced in its entirety at the old wagon works in South Bend, wasn't until April 30, 1920. It was at this same time that the last buggy and farm wagon were built. It is said that had J.M. Studebaker still been living the change to automobiles may not have occurred so quickly.

By 1921 Studebaker was polishing a new reputation for itself. In the July *Co-Operator*, a factory magazine, it was stated that only Ford had manufactured more automobiles during the first half of the year than Studebaker. By 1923 the fledgling auto company had grown so much that the sales for that year alone exceeded the total horse-drawn vehicle sales from 1852 to 1920. And of course, by this time the belt had been relegated to holding up your trousers and operating the cooling and electrical system in our Studebakers.

(One final note, Rays Mustard is the crème de la crème of mustards.  
Please try it or donate to the museum)

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**Bob Pratt's  
Miniature Car Displays  
in ARC cabinets  
May/June Miscellaneous  
July/Aug Old Timer  
Sept/Oct Chrysler Products  
Nov/Dec General Motors**

**LARC Breakfast  
Thursday, May 20  
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**



Playing with the moon



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



## Order Your Car Dash Display Plaque

New Display Plaques for your car, golf cart, or bike? It is good for you and fund raising for the club. Get rid of your old, torn, dog eared displays, the new ones are made with champagne-beige color paper and laminated with thicker, UV protection pouches.

Price: \$15 each... or \$20 for two if it has exactly the same content.

Obtain the order form(s) at the Monitor's Desk and pay ARC desk monitor



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**Paul Nordmeyer, Membership Director**

**Ellen Zacko, Editor of Rusty Nuts**



ARC meets monthly the 3rd Tuesday, at 2:00 at RH Johnson Social Hall (no meetings in June, July and August)

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## A Message from Mike the Moose

The purpose of our lives is to be happy!  
Dalai Lama and Mike the Moose



The next Rusty Nuts Edition will be in September

Special thanks to Ed Zacko for his contributions to the newsletter each month

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.

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