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# Deuce Coupe Corner

by Tom Jones, President

As February ends with rain and wind, we are so thankful that the day of the Car Show was so nice. Lauren Matley was looking down on us as we held the event. He was



the originator of the Car Show/Swap Meet and the good weather each year. Also, Don Scheidt had taken over as the prognosticator of the car show weather. Sadly, Don passed away on Valentine's Day. He was a driving force in donating to our building fund and making sure things were running well during the week. The shop is "Don's Shop" and the area in front of the building is "Anna's Courtyard". There are two chairs and a plaque in front of the grass area, for all to enjoy the beauty of the building and grounds.

Also, as we ended the month, a check for \$50,000 was presented to the Rec Centers to pay off the original building debt, a year earlier than the due date. The Car Show proceeds and the raffle car proceeds made it possible.

I want to thank two members who were behind the scenes at the 2023 car show. Vince Crelley cut out the metal trophy tops and Ray Peterson cut out the wood trophy bottoms. Others behind the scenes were Gary Masak and Bill McVeigh assembling the trophies after Lee Schwartz had painted and clear coated the bases. One of the reasons ARC had a successful show were the trophies that have been rated "Best in the West" by the winners. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked in making the 2023 ARC Annual Car Show/ Swap Meet such a great success!

Another milestone will be constructed in the near future. An outside storage area to match our building with masonry block and gates will be built to allow storage of items from the shop. We still have the debt of approximately \$400,000 to pay off the paint/body shop, but we have time to accomplish that as well.

Consider donations to ARC as a 501(c)(3) charity. This will allow ARC to continue to donate to other charities and pay off our debt. You can donate in the form of monetary, vehicle and other items. Buy a brick or wall tile to honor someone in your life.

ARC General Meeting Tuesday March 21 2 PM RH Johnson Social Hall

## Founder's Focus A Column by Herb Clark

#### Life in Paradise...Sun City West

I am writing this with a big smile on my face. For the last month Patty and I have been in, as the Disney commercial says, "Like No Place on Earth." What a great month! It will never replace the six months we used to spend out here,



but it was great to be back visiting friends and taking part in the great activities! The drive out was OK. We did see some cars and trucks lying on their sides in the ditches from an ice storm, but our roads were dry and safe. Typically, I would drive straight through from St. Louis, but I promised my wife we would stop and spend a night along the way. Once we got here it was SOOOOO great seeing many of our old friends and catching up on what we might have missed.

My first stop of course was the John S. Chaney Building, the home of the Automotive/Restoration Club (ARC). It was so great to see all the guys and gals, and to look at the numerous projects happening. I couldn't help but take a good look at Dana's Model T Roadster. I am fond of the older cars! The ARC Car Show was filled to over capacity. Well over 400 great cars were on display. For the first time in the show's history, the raffle for the beautiful Camaro convertible went to an ARC member. (Not me.) Oh well, maybe next year!

Each day has been a blessing. We are seeing old friends, eating at our old restaurants, plus Patty and I are walking great distances each day. The land is flat! We stopped by the softball field where I played so many games over the last 20 years. Great seeing the old timers still playing!

Here is another story. Funny but true! I went to a Car Show Review Meeting followed by an ARC Board Meeting. At the end (I thought) of the Review Meeting, I made a restroom call. While I was in the restroom, I was awarded a very nice plaque. When they realized I was gone, they stood and stared at the door until I came out. This was embarrassing!!! I had NO CLUE what was happening. They awarded me the plaque artfully done by Vince Crelley and Wayne Undereiner. I can honestly say I was shocked and humbled. THANK YOU, ARC!

By the time you are reading this, Patty and I will be back in St. Louis. Our thanks go to all of our SCW friends...too many to list. THANK YOU! For those of you reading this who are not from SCW, next time you are in the Phoenix area, a must stop on your agenda has to be the John S. Chaney Restoration Building, home of ARC, located in Sun City West, AZ.

Synchronizers\*

The Many ARC Club Photographers

The Rusty Nuts team would like to thank all of the members who contribute photos to the club slideshow and the Rusty Nuts. Working behind the scenes to capture the special moments for our club's history is not an easy task. We welcome all photo participation to help us remember and document what a great club we have. Thank you for your work!

\*People who keep the gears meshing allowing ARC to move forward.





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### Downshifting Jerome Knudson #20, Club Founder

by

#### Dan Kuhl

Long before ARC founding members got together over a few beers in the picnic area at Beardsley Recreation Center, Jerome Knudsen began fooling with old cars at the age of 12 when he purchased his first car, a Ford Model A. Before too long he had cut the top off to make it into a roadster and transplanted a flathead V8, making it into a real hot rod! He grew up in the farm country near Crosby, ND. He has been a grain farmer there for 70 years. He still farms there today when he goes home for the summer.

Jerome's current project is a Crestline Skyline 1954 Ford Victoria with a glass roof and glass hood. It caught the author's attention when it was being prepared for new paint at the Shop.

The glass roof was available in a Ford from 1954 to 1956. The glass hood insert shows off the Y-block engine that was new for 1954. A light bar mounted to the underside of the hood would "shed light on the subject" after hours. This glass hood option is quite rare and was only issued to a dealer as a sales kit to show off the new engine. Only 200 hoods were issued to dealers, while over 13,000 glass-topped Crestlines were manufactured. His car also came with power windows and a power seat, two very desirable options. Standard on all '54 Fords is another neat item, the Astra-Dial speedometer, which allows the sun in from the top to light up the speedometer during daylight hours.

The frame-off restoration project began in North Dakota in 2020, after Jerome purchased a package deal containing two cars and the special hood (see before restoration image). The second car is a duplicate of his project and is a donor for his project. The car's rebuilt engine had to be tweaked because a mouse had crawled up the tailpipe and messed up two of the cylinders. The engine will remain in stock form, as is the rest of the car.

The car has been in the shop recently, as Mr. Knudsen wants to get as much completed as he can before he heads back home to his fields. When he is not working on the '54 he entertains himself driving his '31 Ford Model A coupe or his '87 Mercedes 560. Jerome wanted you to know that he will be running two six-volt batteries, one to operate the seat and windows and both to operate the rest of the car on 12 volts. He can't wait to get the car out on the show circuit.

(Note: The 1954 Ford facts came from the web.)



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So many volunteers help prepare for the opening of the Car Show!









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### Many club volunteers working indoors and outdoors







Our 11th Annual Car Show was a great success! Thanks to all of the ARC members who participated and worked to make it happen.

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#### The cars started to roll in at 7:00 A.M.



# The car registration process contnued until 10:30 A.M. when the judges entered the social hall for their meeting



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# **Teamwork in Action**

The Advertising Team

A good show needs good advertising. We would like to thank Lee Partridge for putting everything together on the ARC website and Shelly Giles for her work on Facebook getting show information out to the public.



Lee Partridge



Shelly Giles

The Recreation Centers Team A big thank you to Don Dauterive and his staff for their work for our show!

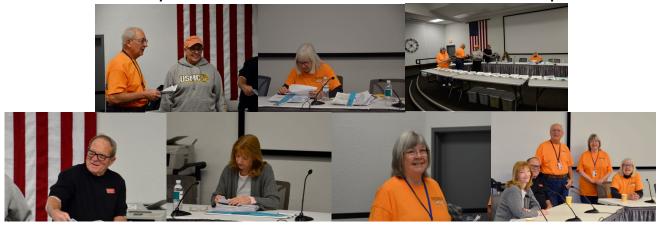
The Captain Copy Team

The Car Show starts here behind those closed doors at 6:30 A.M. Registration of 434 cars takes time and concentration. To have a good show we cannot make any mistakes!!

Ed Zacko and Kayla Briesch

Ellen Zacko

The Workspace



Dave Boulet Nancy Levee Deborah Ray

The Team

### Everyone had fun participating in our Blue Ribbon Car Show!



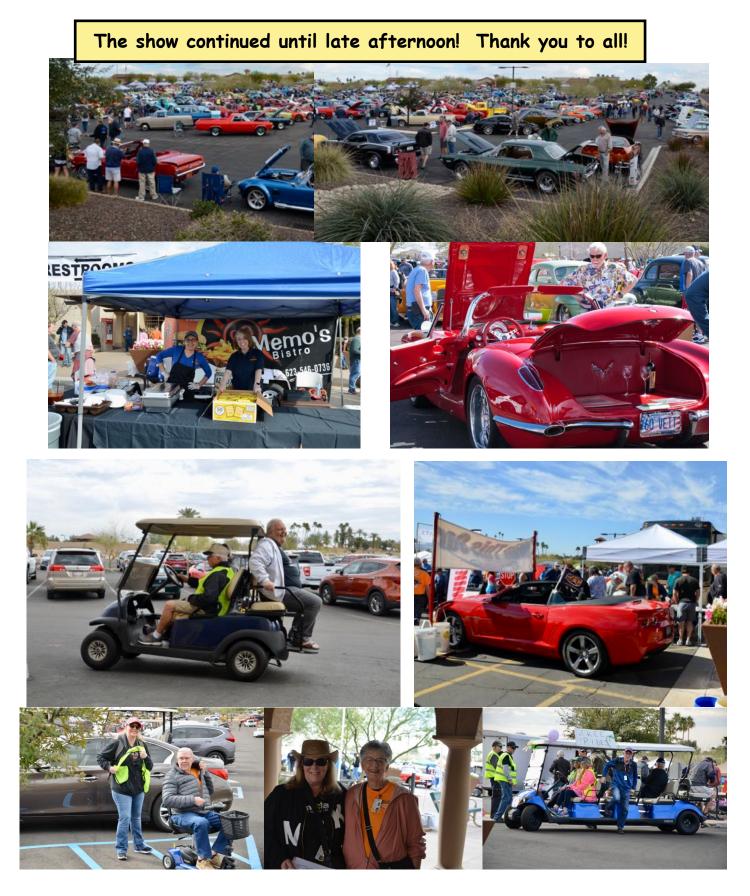


Two of a kind

King of Spiders

**Trophies** 





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#### There would be no show without our talented judges!



Fred Cox won ARC's 2023 Dream Car Raffle. The winning ticket number was 2334. Fred purchased several tickets throughout the year including the day of the show. The winning ticket was purchased about two months ago. I believe Fred's strategy was to buy a lot and buy often. Congratulations, Fred!



# **ARC'S Social Page**

Saturday, March 4 13th Annual Trilogy Car Show Tuesday, March 7 Car Games Thursday, March 9 Camino del Sol Car Display Tuesday, March 14 The Grand Car Show Tuesday, March 21 ARC General Meeting 2:00 PM Saturday March 25 Coffee and Cars 8 to 10 AM ARC parking lot Tuesday, March 28 - Saturday, April 1 Mecum Auctions Friday, March 31 Western State Bank Car Show Saturday, April 1 ARC Golf Tournament for Alzheimer's

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#### 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 stevelinda2004@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.

**Bonnie Robinson #399** - We are thinking of Bonnie as she is dealing with some serious health issues. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers, Bonnie. Hope you are having more feel good days.

**Bill Bramlett #902** - Bill is very ill and in hospice. Miss you at the desk, Bill. We are thinking of you and your wife at this difficult time. Prayers are with you.

#### In Memorium

**Don Scheidt #50** - We are saddened to report that Don has lost his fight with pancreatic cancer. Don was one of the early members and founders of our club. We are grateful to him and his wife, Anna, for their generosity in getting our club started and keeping it going. Think of Don when you are sitting out in Anna's Courtyard. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Anna, Donna and Robert at this difficult time.

# 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.

# All New Car Games Last Year's Games Are Not Repeated!!

Tuesday, March 7 Lord of Life Lutheran Church 13724 W Meeker Blvd. Games begin at 10:00 A.M. Awards luncheon will be served at about noon after the games. Everyone is welcome to participate in the games and have some fun. All forms of transportation are allowed a golf cart, a Corvette, a Model A, an MG, or whatever your favorite ride might be.

Please sign up at ARC or Group Works There will be a \$10.00 charge per person to enter. This covers the lunch and awards. Please let us know if you have any questions. Pamela McClaflin (pammac31@gmail.com) or Diana Hudson (dihud@pacbell.net)



### The past and the future



1922 Motor Home



# Welcome to Mecum Auctions Glendale, March 28- April 1

Hello Mecum Drivers! Chuck Gilbert is the Driver Coordinator for 2023. Due to the number of drivers invited to participate, we are unable to accept phone calls to answer questions or schedule shifts. Please respond by e-mail. Please note that all drivers must be at least 21 years of age, must speak

English, and must be able to drive a manual transmission competently. If your address or any other information has changed, please let me know. Checks will be mailed to the current address on file.

If you have any changes to your schedule or address as we near the auction date, please contact me as soon as possible so that I can make those changes.

Auction Dates: March 28- April 1 Location: State Farm Stadium 1 Cardinals Drive, Glendale, AZ 85305 Shift Times: Morning (AM) Shift - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM (Driver meeting 8:30 AM) Afternoon (PM) Shift - 2:00 PM to 7:30 PM - Approximately (Arrive by 1:30 PM)

# Tim Kliphuis and Jimmy Grant Gypsy Jazz Duets - returns to SCW Playing at Sun City West Christian Church Friday, March 17th 7 PM



Award-winning violin legend **Tim Kliphuis** (Holland) teams up with America's rising star on gypsy jazz guitar **Jimmy Grant** (LA) to celebrate the music of famed musical duo, Stéphane Grappelli and Django Reinhardt.

Re-creating the 1930s in Paris, and drawing inspiration from current-day classical and folk music as well, they alternate moments of dazzling interplay with melancholy and sheer exhilaration, in an inspired conversational journey that is different every concert. Ed and Ellen Zacko might be asked to join in.

Call Ellen Zacko for ticket information 623 374 3056 Ticket Price \$20.00

### The Third Annual ARC Golf Tournament for Alzheimer's Saturday, April 1 Organized by Craig Landers and Chuck Wilkom

The motto for this ARC golf tournament has been "The most fun you can have on grass!" Everyone who plays wins a prize. You do not have to know how to play golf to participate. It is simply a fun afternoon outdoors. There are numerous prizes including three special hole-in-one prizes: A new car from Sanderson Ford, a golf cart, and \$1000. There are \$10,000 in raffle tickets and a ball drop, but you do have to play to win.

To participate, pick up a registration form at ARC.

Entry deadline: Saturday, March 25 Check in: 10:30 A.M. April 1 Shotgun Start: 12:30 P.M. Awards Dinner: 5:30 P.M.

> Deer Valley Golf Course 13975 W Deer Valley Road Sun City West





L'ARC Breakfast Thursday, March 16 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



TRILOGY ROADRUNNERS 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CAR SHOW March 4th, 2023 10am-1pm 100+ Cars, Music, Food & Awards



Trilogy at Vistancia - Kiva Club 27980 N Trilogy Blvd., Peoria Registration starts on-line Jan.1st @ www.trilogyroadrunners.org



# 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

Get yours today! Especially if you are in any of the many car shows!!



Car Dash Example



Every car needs a Car Dash Display

#### Think about it - submitted by Dean Lewellen

- 1. I used to be able to do cartwheels. Now I tip over putting on my underwear.
- 2. I hate it when I see an old person and then realize we went to high school together.
- 3. I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes... so she hugged me.
- 4. My wife says I only have two faults: I don't listen, and something else....
- 5. At my funeral, take the bouquet off my coffin and throw it into the crowd to see who is next.
- 6. I thought growing old would take longer.

7. I came, I saw, I forgot what I was doing. Retraced my steps, got lost on the way back, now I have no idea what's going on.

8. The officer said, "You drinking?" I said, "You buying?" We just laughed and laughed.... I need bail money.

9. Day twelve without chocolate. Lost hearing in my left eye.

10. Scientists say the universe is made up of protons, neutrons and electrons. They forgot to mention morons.

11. The adult version of "head, shoulders, knees and toes" is "wallet, glasses, keys and phone."

- 12. A dog accepts you as the boss... a cat wants to see your resume.
- 13. Oops.... did I roll my eyes out loud?
- 14. Life is too short to waste time matching socks.
- 15. Wi-fi went down for five minutes, so I had to talk to my family. They seem like nice people.

16. If you see me talking to myself, just move along. I'm self-employed; we're having a staff meeting.

17. I won't be impressed with technology until I can download food.

# The team keeps growing.

Join us – write mikezackaroonie@gmail.com with your contribution or ideas The Rusty Nuts team and Mike the Moose thank you for all the contributions!





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Always helping in the background



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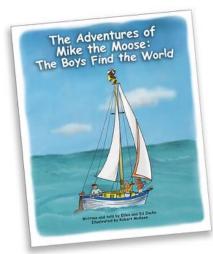
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- ARC meets monthly the 3rd Tuesday, at 2:00 at RH Johnson Social Hall
- (no meetings in June, July and August)
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- or Ellen Zacko 623 374 3056, to leave a message

# A Message from Mike the Moose

A life lived in fear is a life half lived. Buzz Luhrann, film director and Mike the Moose





Mike's book is available at the PORA store on Camino Del Sol - stop in and shop for gifts made in Sun City West!!

Rusty Nuts is *your* newsletter. Thank you for 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!

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