

RUSTY NUTS

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AUTOMOTIVE/RESTORATION CLUB OF SCW

The Special 100th Edition of the Rusty Nuts!

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Mike with wife Nancy
and Stingray



Mike's Rumblebee

Deuce Coupe Corner

by Tom Jones, President



Be THANKFUL!

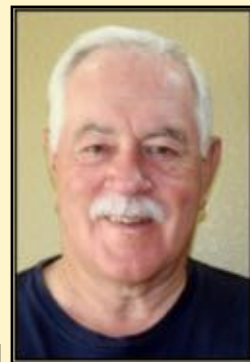
\$399,410.29 is the figure that ARC owes the Rec Centers for our building. With a year end payment of \$25,000.00 our debt will be under \$375K.

We certainly can be thankful for our club and the money that has been paid over the past years to reduce our debt. I am thankful that I live in Sun City West and have the opportunity to belong to such a premier club. ARC provides amenities that most senior communities do not or cannot provide their residents. That means we rely on our Car Show, Dream Car Raffle, membership dues and donations to pay down our debt. As 2023 nears an end, some of you may need to put money in a charity as an end of year financial directive.

The Automotive/Restoration Club is a 501(c)(3) organization, does charitable work in the community, and donates to multiple charities throughout the year. Consider ARC receiving your year end distribution. Another way to help the club finances is to select ARC if you shop at Fry's (Kroger) and designate ARC in their Community Reward Program. This does not cost you, but benefits ARC. **Also, if you open an account with Western Bank and make ARC your designated "Refer a Friend", the club receives \$100.** It's your club, be a part of the solution to our financial obligation. Stay safe, stay healthy and be thankful for family and friends.

ARC General Meeting
Tuesday, November 14, 3 PM
RH Johnson Social Hall
Edward Jones (Matt McNally) will provide pizza
Members are asked to bring appetizers, salads and desserts
following the alphabetical suggestions - see Group Works for more info.

Founder's Focus A Column by Herb Clark



Wives Can make the Difference!

Last week I ran into a very interesting man who made a statement that I guess I really had not thought of too much before. Here is the story. A local car club in St. Louis (Coachman Car Club) was asked if they would have some of their classic beauties be in a local high school Homecoming parade. A plea went out to the membership for us to participate. On the day of the parade, a little over 20 cars showed up...a good turnout.

Patty and I took our 1931 Model A "Woody" and headed to the event. About the time we arrived, Patty asked me, "Do we have enough gas?" Many of you know it is not easy to see the gas gauge on this car. When I got a chance to look I saw we were very low. It was now too late to stop and fill it up so onward we headed, fingers crossed.

While we were lined up in preparation for the start of the parade, I walked around and talked to other drivers. It was a party atmosphere waiting for the 10 AM start. One of the cars I had not seen prior to the parade was a red and white 1958 Edsel. The driver was a very nice guy and we chatted for a long time. We talked about how each of us got into "cars," the cars we have owned, and the cars we have loved. He then remarked that 'it was great to see Patty joining me in the parade'. **She usually does!** He went on to explain his wife had passed away a few years ago. His next comment struck home with me. He said if his wife had not supported all of his crazy car activities, they just would not have happened, or at least **not been as much fun as it was with her support. I TOTALLY AGREE!** Spouses are SO IMPORTANT! Hats off to all of the supporting spouses who put up with us crazy people. It may NOT be my wife's favorite thing to do, but it sure makes it a lot more enjoyable to me! **Thanks to all of the spouses...get involved...you might love it too!**

We finished the parade and found a gas station two blocks past the finish line. We filled Woody up and had a nice trip back home!



Downshifting
Mike McGuire (#414)
by
Ed Zacko

Mike McGuire comes to ARC as a genuine “Okie from Muskogee,” as the song goes. His mother worked for Corning Glass Works and his father as production manager for a company that bottled Pepsi, 7Up and Dr Pepper.

As the youngest of five kids, Mike played the trombone and baseball, where he found “a little success as a pitcher.” He eventually moved on to football, but despite his large build, “I took getting hit and blocked very personally. In other words, I did not have the disposition for contact sports.”

In high school, he got a job with Safeway and worked up to being the youngest night manager they ever had. Mike also discovered that he had a knack for chemistry, becoming the “teacher’s apprentice” during his senior year. In 1969, he graduated as a member of the National Honor Society and was awarded a Humble Oil Scholarship to the University of Tulsa. Sadly, despite the scholarship, college proved too expensive for the family and he was forced to put college aside.

Mike enlisted in the Air Force at the end of 1969 and gravitated toward the computer field. He was assigned to the Joint Chief of Staff PACAF and returned home in 1972 with multiple decorations. He left the military in 1978, returned to Tulsa, took a job with a computer service bureau, and met Nancy. “She has been my life partner, supporter, mother to our son, and puts up with me very well.”

The McGuires moved to Phoenix where Mike ran his own company until he was offered a job with Occidental Petroleum in LA. He worked as Payroll Systems IT manager until 2010, when he chose to retire rather than be transferred to Libya or Dubai. Nancy and Mike immediately relocated to Sun City West as Nancy’s parents were already here.

Like many of ARC’s members, Mike’s interest in cars was sparked by the TV series “Route 66”. He and his friend Johnny often talked about doing such a drive themselves. “Little did I know at that time that in 2003 I would get that chance in a 1994 Corvette.”

His first car, a 1948 Plymouth 2-door coupe, was a 7Up Bottling Company staff car. “My dad got it repainted for me, and I learned to drive a stick shift with that car.”

He eventually sold the Plymouth and bought a Corvair Monza with a souped up Spyder engine owned by his sister’s boyfriend.

Other interesting cars along the way were a 1967 Plymouth Fury Commander, and a 1955 2-door Chevy in which he replaced the 6 cylinder engine with a 327 V8. He sold the Chevy when he was sent to Vietnam; upon his return he bought a Chevy SS and a ’69 Dodge Charger. His discharge from the Air Force heralded a 1994 Corvette, and in 2010 they arrived in SCW on the wheels of a yellow Dodge Ram, “Rumblebee.”

Mike has now, finally, joined ARC's "Corvette Society" with his recent acquisition of a gorgeous 2015 Corvette Stingray painted in Night Race Blue Metallic and sporting the full Kalahari interior. Mike's "great drives" include traveling along with 15 other Corvettes to the Dakotas and on to Yellowstone. His greatest drive of all was when they relocated from Texas to LA. "We took the opportunity to finally live my high school dream and travel the famed Route 66 from Oklahoma City all the way to LA!"

What is his dream car? "I love Corvettes but I would also like a 1969 Road Runner or GTX with the Hemi engine."

Mike joined ARC in 2012. He serves as head of security for our annual Car Show, and as chairman of the committee that nominates officers for ARC's Board of Directors. He can be found as a regular monitor on the shop floor, "where I try to listen and learn as much as possible about car maintenance and repair."



One of my first excited and proud moments was the birth of my son, Michael Lige McGuire. I thought this attached picture showed my excitement, but also many members that know me have never seen the biker look I had going.



When I met Nancy, I was a struggling single parent. She and her family welcomed me and my son into their arms. We immediately felt like part of the family. The attached picture is of our wedding vow renewals. We were married in Las Vegas, but redid the vows in our church.



The picture is of the 1994 Corvette, aqua/teal color. We had a lot of trips in that vehicle. Traded it in on the 2005 Dodge Ram Rumblebee.

**Get Out and Drive Day
Sunday, October 2, 2023**

Approximately forty cars gathered at ARC Sunday morning and headed out to drive in Sun City West. The drive went past some of the ARC members' homes and neighborhoods. John Donily was out in front of his house waving at the drivers with his family and neighbors. Other members Bob and EvaJean Pratt and their caregiver were waving from their front porch. Many of the participants drove through The Grand and met at Culver's for lunch.

Thanks to Ray Helt and John Underhill for heading up the event.



Everyone in ARC should help Mike Liberatore sell raffle tickets at the many car shows coming up. You might win a trophy!! Tell Mike when you want to help!!

Some ARC winners of Fiesta Grande show were Tony Giralamo, John and Cindy Schwager



BEFORE THE TV, BEFORE THE RADIO, WAS...

By
Dan Kuhl

...sheet music, defined on the web as printed music as opposed to performed or recorded music. At the turn of the 20th century families would gather in the evening or on holidays for a sing-along around the piano in the parlor. If your family was lucky the piano was a player piano (pianola), which was the most expensive household item until the family auto came on the scene a few years later. In my childhood of the 50's we had a pianola that was operated with a vacuum cleaner providing the vacuum needed to operate. It saved having to sit at the keyboard and pump the air bellows with both feet. Many of the rolls of music for our player piano came from the early days of the automobile. One song I remember playing, non-car-related, was "Bye Bye Blackbird" from 1926.

Around the turn of the 20th century automobiles came on the scene. Most Americans were crazed with this new mode of transportation that liberated them from the drudgery of everyday life. There were automobile shows with chorus singers who praised the features of the new cars on display. Copies of the chorus songs in sheet music were provided with the sales literature to the viewing public.

In 1899 Studebaker initiated the soon to be popular in automobile-related sheet music with "The Studebaker March." In 1905, twenty songs about the automobile were published and in 1906, another forty songs were written. Two of the most notable early automobiles, the Oldsmobile and the Ford, provided some of the best examples of auto related sheet music. Often when these two names are mentioned there is a discussion as to which auto maker coined the assembly-line process in the manufacture of the automobile.

The curved dash Oldsmobile, our Club's first mascot, is depicted in the earliest sheet music, "In My Merry Oldsmobile." The automobiling young lovers, named Johnny and Lucille, enjoy a respite from the restrictions of the family parlor. This couple was quite popular in later Oldsmobile advertising, depicted at least three more times until 1973. Lyrics from the first version of "In My Merry Oldsmobile" clearly depict the new-found freedom of young couples:

"They love to spark in the old dark park, as they go flying along. She says she knows why the motor goes; the sparker is awfully strong. Each day they spoon to the engines tune. Their honeymoon will happen soon."

The Ford Model T was more often seen on the road with 15 million sold by 1925. Besides the sheet music there were a number of jokes that entertained the driving public. Here are a few of my favorites: What do a Model T and a bathtub have in common? -You don't want to be seen in either one; A Ford does not need gasoline, it can run on its reputation; What always keeps moving? -Ford cars and the earth; What did the chicken say after being run over by a Ford? -cheep, cheep, cheep; and, when the young man asked his date how she liked riding in his new Ford, she said she had a rattling good time.

A run-about was great for getting the young couple to the countryside, but it was the Ford Model T with its back seat that made necking under the moonlight most enjoyable, as can be seen in the examples of sheet music. The Ford was so popular in song that more than 60 songs about Henry and his Ford were published between 1908 and 1940.

The enclosed car was a boon to the young couple who were dating and couldn't wait for clear weather to go parking at Lovers Lane. A soiree worth remembering deserved the comforts of home. By the 1950's there was rock-n-roll in the backseat as well as the radio which came into its own in the 1920's. With the radio, sheet music lost its place as a popular form of entertainment and has been relegated to an automobilia collectible.

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Sheet Music photos are from the web.



The Good Guys event is November 17, 18, & 19
Our raffle car and swap meet teams have been invited to attend.
We're going to need a lot of help on this three-day event.
Mike has a signup sheet in the shop.

50th Annual Beeline Car Show in Payson

At 4:30 AM before the sun had risen in SCW Saturday, October 10, a trio of cars left ARC headed for Payson. The drive through Tonto National Forest on 89-A was spectacular. The Payson show always generates interest in our car raffle and we were happy to sell 131 tickets. Gary Masak, Michelle and Mike Liberatore, Ellen and Ed Zacko made this bold trip arriving back in SCW Saturday night exhausted but happy to have helped ARC pay for its building.



Mike Bannon represented the Firefighters to receive the ARC donation at our general meeting on Tuesday, October 17



Car Shows and Car Events

Western State Bank Friday Car Show with Pizza



Cars and Coffee Saturday, September 30



Car Show Faith Presbyterian Church 50th Anniversary (1973 to 2023)

Need a 1973 vehicle for this event.

Sunday, November 5, 11 AM to 2 PM

16000 N Del Webb Blvd, Sun City, AZ

Parking entrance from Brookside Drive

Food Trucks - Music by the Willow Creek Band

Clowns - Face Painting

TheGrandCarClub.com

Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church (corner of Rim & Clearview)

Saturday, November 4, 10 AM to 2 PM

15820 W. Clearview Blvd. Surprise, AZ

Entry fee: \$20 (Pay at Show)

Partial proceeds to church

Free to spectators

For more information: [408-930-0384](tel:408-930-0384)

All Cars Welcome - DJ Music - Food Truck - Raffle (1:30 PM)

Free raffle ticket to each entry

Trophies - Peoples' Choice Awards

Mecum Auction in Las Vegas November 9-11

Las Vegas Convention Center - North Hall

3150 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV

The Las Vegas auction is set for November 9-11. Although all paid shifts have been filled, we are still in need of drivers. If you are in the Las Vegas area during these dates and would like to drive, please let me know and I will register you for this auction. If you have connections with car clubs, family or friends in Las Vegas who would like to drive, please feel free to forward this email to them and I will be glad to add them to the driving team. Thank you to the drivers who have volunteered from car clubs in AZ and CA. We appreciate you and your support in making Las Vegas another great auction.

For more information see Group Works or contact

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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.

Suzanne Jones (#6) We are thinking of Suzanne as she recovers from shoulder surgery. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers, Suzanne. Hope you are getting better every day.

John Underhill (#558) John was involved in a car accident. He is recovering at home. Thinking of you and wishing you feel good days ahead, John.



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.

The Rusty Nuts Team wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!



For Sale

ARC Logo Items

Caps

ARC Flags and License Plates

Breakaway lanyards

Come to the shop and have a look!

ARC Car Show - February 10, 2024

Gary Masak Car Show Chairman

See Gary to Volunteer for the Show

2024 Car Show Meetings Scheduled

All meetings are Tuesdays at 8:00 AM in the Sagebrush Room
at Beardsley (watch Group Works for any room change)

November 14

December 12

January 2, 9,

January 23, 30 (Agave Room)

February 6

Review - February 13

**2024 Raffle Car
2016 Mustang Convertible
Tickets in the shop
1 for \$20.00/ 6 for \$100.00
or call Mike to get some tickets to sell at your next event!!**

Congratulations to all the members involved in selling raffle tickets for ARC's 2016 Mustang. Because of the hard work and dedication of all involved, we have sold the first 1000 tickets. **\$\$ The CAR IS NOW PAID OFF!! \$\$**

The 4000 remaining tickets are all profit for the club.

Don't delay, get yours today.

Ya can't win if you don't play.

Three chances to win this year!

First place is the car or \$10,000,

\$500 for Second place and

\$200 for Third place.

I'm still looking for more members to help out. Also, we're going to need extra help for ticket sales and the swap meet table at the Good Guys show coming up on November 17 - 19.



November events for selling raffle tickets - contact Mike if you can help

		1 West Gate	2 Beardsley Fall Fest	3 Beardsley Fall Fest	4	5
6	7 US Army Band @ Beardsley 3pm	8 Music on the Green RHJ and West Gate	9	10 Veterans Day Concert @P.R. 11am	11	12
13	14	15 Music on the Green RHJ	16	17 Good Guys	18 Good Guys	19 Good
20	21 Feliz Navidad Palm Ridge 7-8	22	23 THANKSGIVING DAY	24	25	26

ARC Car Show Judging To Go Casual in 2024

At a recent meeting of the 2024 ARC Car Show committee, the procedure of judging the entrants was discussed, with the goal of simplification. Ideas for making the process more efficient and easier for our judges, yet maintaining fairness for the entrants, were the basis for analysis and suggestions.

Previous shows provided a scoring sheet of four categories with points in each to be awarded by judges, the class winner being the high scorer. The system was thought a bit complicated, perhaps confusing, and time consuming.

So, for the upcoming show, ARC will try a simple “What do you like best” approach. Judges won’t need to calculate points for each vehicle. They’ll just select the three cars that were the most appealing to them.....no pre-established criteria or guessing how many points it ought to have.....just pick their #1, #2, and #3 in the class. Teams might think, “Of all I’ve looked at, I’d like THIS one in my garage.” It’s thought that this method will prove less confusing, faster, and easier for all our judges and in most cases the results will be the same. Fairness will be maintained and the process should be less mysterious. Remember, it’s not required that judges be ARC members so let’s invite friends and family to join us, have some fun, and support the club in this important event.

Attention Members of Automotive/Restoration Club of Sun City West

The ***Nominations of Officers*** for next year is rapidly approaching. The task of the Nominating Committee is to present a **Slate of Nominees** to the Membership in the October meeting for vote in the November meeting. Nominations will remain open until 30 days prior to the election of officers in November. All candidates nominated, either by the nominating committee or from the Membership, will sign the **SCW AUTO RESTORATION CLUB - AGREEMENT TO SERVE IF ELECTED Form**, *stating that they agree to serve in the position for which they are applying*, to be accepted on the Slate of Nominees.

I will post a **signup sheet** and the **Agreement to Serve if Elected Form** at the ARC Building until one day prior to the October meeting. On that date, I will pick up the documents.

You may email me at okiemcguire@gmail.com if you have any questions or are interested in being nominated. Provide your name, member number, and the position for which you wish to be nominated. If you feel that you cannot serve on the Board in 2024, **PLEASE** consider volunteering in 2025, or in future years.

These are the six Officer positions to be voted on for the Board of ARC. The positions and current nominees are: (nominees marked with -inc are the incumbents)

President – Craig Landers
1st Vice-President – Ray Peterson - inc
2nd Vice-President – Gene Wojtyna - inc
Payables Treasurer – Ray Helt - inc
Receivables Treasurer – Ron Rada - inc
Secretary – Lynnette Saylor

These positions are open to any members. If there is more than one nominee for any position, we will have a ballot vote at the November meeting. A quorum is required so please plan to attend. Please CLICK on the link <https://arcofscw.com/about/bylaws/> to review all job descriptions.

Sincerely,

Steve “Mike” McGuire and Dave Dunbar, Nominating Committee

First Ever Automotive Repair Project! by Deborah Ray

I did not grow up in a "car" environment, and have no car maintenance, repair, or restoration skills to speak of. They do not extend much beyond checking the air in the tires or the levels of engine oil or windshield washer fluid, and topping them up as needed. Although I have changed the fuel filter and cleaned the water filter on a sailboat's diesel engine and subsequently bled the engine (in extremely cramped quarters, I might add!) I never had the opportunity to learn much about cars.

However, I recently undertook my very first car repair project, in a tiny way. My 2015 Subaru Forester needed to have a burnt out brake light bulb replaced. It would have cost \$\$\$\$ at a shop. Ridiculous!! I purchased the correct replacement bulb and scheduled an hour of shop space. (In retrospect, it could have been done at home, but I was not confident.) Ed Zacko met me at the shop on the appointed day and offered backup and moral support. Thank you, Ed!

The regular shop working bays were all occupied, so I was instructed to bring my Forester in and park it right beside the monitor's desk. Under the watchful eyes of many encouraging onlookers, I used a woven canvas belt to pop off the tail light housing cover. Then we replaced the bulb, tested it, and popped the housing back on. The whole actual procedure took about five minutes. It saved me a quite a bit of cash. More importantly though, I had the fun and satisfaction of doing something for my car, myself! It was heartwarming that many folks who were on hand gave me sincere "attaboys" for doing my first ever project on my own car.

This may sound trivial or silly compared to the amazing things that happen in the shop every day - rebuilding engines, major body work, even whole car restorations. But for me, replacing a burnt out light bulb was a big deal! It was a first, very small step into the fun experience of learning about cars, with the support of folks who are so much more knowledgeable than I am. Thank you to all the great members of ARC who freely share their knowledge and encourage newbies like me.



One more reminder - Announcing another concert
Tim Kliphuis and Jimmy Grant
GYPSY JAZZ DUETS
“In Conversation”

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. This is an evening concert not to be missed!



Only two hundred tickets will be sold!!
Tuesday, February 20 7:00 P.M.
Sun City West Christian Church
20803 N 151st Ave, Sun City West, AZ 85375
Ticket Price \$20.00
Mark your calendar
Tickets will go on sale after January 1, 2024

**L'ARC Breakfast
Thursday, November 16
9:00 A.M.
Betty's Rooste
No need to reply, just come
and enjoy fellowship
with other ladies of ARC
Remember no
fragrances please**



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: www.ArvidKay.com. We can give you an estimate of what your home is worth today.

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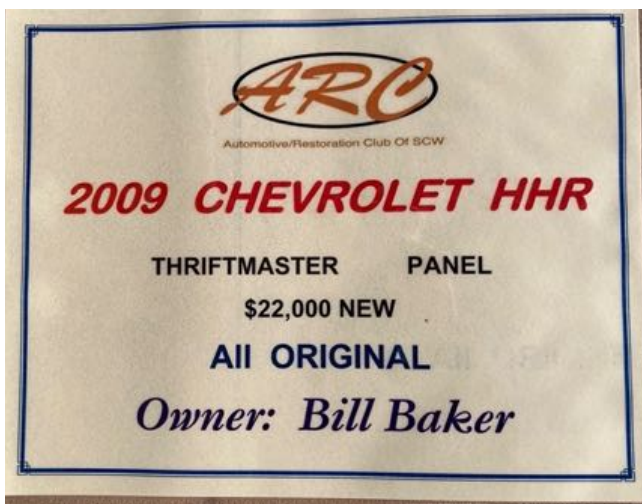
New Display Plaques for your car, golf cart, or bike? It is good for you and fund raising for the club. Get rid of your old, torn, dog eared displays, the new ones are made with champagne-beige color paper and laminated with thicker, UV protection pouches.

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

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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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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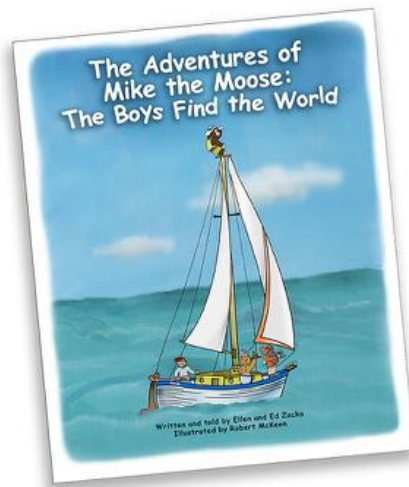
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A Message from Mike the Moose

The tragedy of life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal.
The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach.
Benjamin Mays, educator 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
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