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Automotive/Restoration Club Of SCW

**RUSTY**

**NUTS**



Margi at the  
NHRA Winternationals



*In the December Rusty Nuts on pg.8, Dan Kuhl introduced us to Club Member Rick Popp and his wife Margi. In the article he mentioned Margi's Photo.....*

*Here's the photo above the Social Table,  
You Rock Margi !!*



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**CAR SHOW...CAR SHOW...CAR SHOW...yes** our 13th annual car show is just around the corner, Gary Masak still needs volunteers to help work the show. The sign up sheets are at the shop, if you are unsure what you can do just ask just about anyone at the club will help you, none of the *volunteer* spots are difficult.

This is OUR major fund raiser of the year, so if you can help...PLEASE sign up. The raffle car ticket sales are going well, thanks to ALL the volunteers who has helped sell the tickets, there still is time for members to purchase tickets...\$20 each or six for \$100. The club did purchase a new combo metal shear-sheet metal roller-and bender...come by and check it out. We are still in need of automotive related parts or tools for the swap meet portion in the car show, if you have any parts or tools you do not need anymore, please bring them to the club for a donation, if you have bigger stuff to donate please let me or Shop Manager Tony G. know and we will pick them up for you. AGAIN thanks to all the volunteers that make this club what it is..

**President Craig Landers**



I read an article the other day: "Happiness in your 70's." Three Points have stayed with me, Camaraderie, Volunteerism and Doin' Good Stuff for Others....

Good people here, Friendships to be made with plenty of Volunteer spots at *The Shop* and upcoming yearly *Car Show*. Good Stuff? Our Scholarship Fund is backed and don't forget our *ARC Angels!*

It's time to Renew your membership or become a Member, you'll *feel better* for it!

Next Month Gary and Gloria, The Thursday Couple Founders.....



**Wayne Brand**



### **Paint Shop Change of Management**

When Lee and his wife first came here to SCW their interest was in the Metal Shop but then along came ARC. Lee instructed High School and College students for 30 years how to repair metal and paint it. After 6 years, Lee has decided it's time to pass on the Managerial portion and Wayne has accepted. We'd like to thank Lee, he was the right man at the right time working with the Architects in setting up the Paint Shop area...well done Sir!! Also, Congratulations on becoming the *President of the Metal Club!*

Wayne comes from an extensive *out in the Field* work experience, over 40 years of Body and Paint. Understandably he's had enough of Fiberglass so be forewarned when you bring in your 'Vette or? for repair. He's usually in during Shop Hours or out shopping for supplies. Any questions about Mechanical stuff? He has that talent also.

**Good Luck to you Wayne and Congratulations!**

I'd like to impress how important it is to keep the equipment clean, you want that flawless paint job on your car? We have the means to clean the tools, let's do it!

How does it all work? The White Slips are for working in *The Shop* and the Green ones for the *Paint Shop*. All scheduling for the Paint Shop is through Wayne and is placed on a Master Calendar attached to the COL-MET Paint Booth.

See page 3 *Paint*

**Paint Con'd**

Material quantities are purchased and broken down on a per cost basis for you.

***DYK: An anonymous Donor paid for the Paint Booth?  
A Doff of the hat to you Sir/Madam, how generous!***



**The COL-MET Auto Refinishing Booth installed in the New Addition of 6 years ago.**



**Great "Car Show" signage Dan Kuhl!**

**EVENTS**

**FEB 1: WestMec Auto Show 9-1pm 13201 West Grand Avenue, Surprise.**

**FEB 4: Car Show Meeting, Beardsley 8-9 am**

**FEB 8: It's Here! 13th Annual ARC Car Show 8-3pm**

**FEB 11: Post Car Show Meeting?, Beardsley 8-9 am**

**FEB 12: Board Meeting 8:30-9am Camino del Sol FC & C**

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**ON GOING EVENTS**

**Western Bank Mini Car Show 10-1 pm Every 3rd Friday**

**ARC Coffee & Cars 8-10 am Last Saturday of the Month**

**Nancy Perry 67th & Bell 4:30-8 pm Every Saturday**

**Corvette Tuesdays at The Shop, tell lies and have coffee!**

75th Annual  
**ARC**  
**Car Show**  
Saturday Feb. 8th, 2025

Automotive Restoration Club of Sun City West, AZ  
FREE for spectators - Everyone Welcome!  
19803 RH Johnson Blvd. • Saturday, February 8th, 2025 • 8am to 3pm  
Food • Vendors • Entertainment • Raffle Prizes • Dream Car Raffle  
Registration and Sponsor entry forms: <https://arcshow.com>

Our Major Club Event is about a week away. What an excellent time to step up and Volunteer, meet some of the Guys and Gals. Have a bit of fun looking at all the interesting Show Vehicles.

Wear your ARC badge and thank them for coming to the Best Car Show in the West Valley!

If you have some Car Related items to donate for our Flea Market, please bring them by *The Shop* for a look over.

*I'd recognize that  
Fin anywhere, it's  
a 1961 Chrysler  
Imperial once  
owned by Club  
Member John  
Donily.*

*I bet he's smiling  
right now.*



*Rest in Peace John*

The 1961 Chrysler Imperial was overall an admirable car with great handling and road manners. Power steering, power hydraulic drum brakes, power windows, the AM radio, and many other advanced features only further boosted the comfort on the road. The fact that the power came from the 413 cubic-inch V8 engine rated at 350 horsepower is also impressive, considering such an output was quite good at the time and allowed for more than enough fun on the road. Designed by: Virgil Max Exner Sr. *Ps Be careful Tony G, they also made a Station Wagon Model!*

Fun Fun Fun...

**Take This T-Bird AWAY!**

**2004 Thunderbird or \$10,000 Cash**  
2nd Prize \$500 Cash · 3rd Prize \$200 Cash  
**Tickets: 1/\$20 ~or~ 6/\$100**  
**Drawing to be held 2/8/25 at 2PM MST**

Proceeds go to Automotive/Restoration Club of Sun City West, a 501(C)(3) Charity

**DREAM CAR RAFFLE**

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:

stevlinda2004@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.

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

Don't forget to let me know if you hear of someone I should be in contact with.



**In Memoriam:**

**Jim Ruppert (#79)** We are sad to report the loss of Jim. He was a long time member of ARC.

Our hearts and prayers go out to his wife, Jean, at this difficult time. We will miss you, Jim.

**ARC Gets Ready for 13 th Annual Relay**

*by Linda Victor*



Planning is underway for the 13 th American Cancer Society Relay for Life of the Sun Cities which will take place in Beardsley Park on Sunday, February 16, 2025.

Steve Victor, your Captain, has already signed up the ARC team at [www.relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz](http://www.relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz) Last year ARC raised \$7,000 to promote cancer research as well as to help those individuals going through this dreaded disease. We are especially looking for survivors to honor on this day.

You can help by:

*See pg. 6 RELAY*

WHAT is our Purpose?

Dated 12/05/22

Chartered Club Bylaws Article 1 – General Section B - Purpose of Organization:

*“The Automotive/Restoration Club of Sun City West is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.....”*

**ARC Memorial Scholarship Fund**

The Memorial Scholarship Fund allows Members to donate in the Memory of any deserving individual.

Recent Donations recognized Joyce Rada, John Donily and John Chaney.

Members who would like to donate to the Fund, in Memory of a former Member or Loved One, may write a check to:

ARC of SCW  
P.O. Box 5034  
Sun City West, AZ  
85375

*Every January, 10% of the value of the Fund will be given to West-Mec, to be used for the benefit of students enrolled in Automotive Studies.*

*One of our Members, who wishes to remain anonymous, will be donating \$10,000 per year to the Fund.*

A Doff of the Hat to you Sir/Madame– Outstanding, **Thank You!**

**ARC Angels**



*“Doin’ Good Stuff for Others...”*

What an interesting way to do Good for others, one never knows what The Call will bring! Dan or Randy takes the info and thinks of ways to help out, for instance, perhaps a valuation of a car, how to get a car started, recommendations which way to proceed with their car, minor repairs, etc. Dan states that over 99% are battery related issues. To enlist ARC Angels support for your automotive issues,

Contact:

Dan Kuhl at 602-757-2625 and/or Randy Robinson at 206-819-8655.

**RELAY con’d**

- **Signing up for the team-\$20.00.**
- **Bringing your car to the event for a mini car display (3:00-5:00) -\$20.00.**
- **Monetary donations.**
- **Donating a raffle item for our day of fundraiser.**
- **Purchasing a luminaria to honor someone who has lost, won or is fighting cancer-\$10.00.**
- **Canned food donations to hold down the luminaria bags (Food goes to Food Bank).**
- **Buy Raffle tickets at the event.**

**Let’s Celebrate-Remember-Fight Back together.**

**You may contact the Victors with questions.**

**623-214-1090 slvic@comcast.net**

**Linda**

## February is Car Show Month!



ARC's biggest event of the year is the Annual February Car Show. This is the show ARC depended on each year to pay our expenses, and to help pay for our wonderful building. Lauren Matley was our first Car Show Chairman. Since we have lost Lauren, Gary Masak has stepped up and continued



Car # 169

the excellent work. With the help of volunteers, this event is one of the feature events in the Phoenix area for classic cars. Gary always needs volunteers from the club and other

outside sources! Spouses are ALWAYS welcome at ARC!

I am excited that I will be able to be there this year! Right now I am working with Mel Martin (Mel Martin's Museum) to bring over to the show a 1914 Dodge Brothers Car. In 1914 the Dodge Brothers built 300 cars. None were sold until 1915 when Dodge Brothers vaulted to the number 2 auto manufacturer in the US when they built a whopping 45,000 cars!

John and Horace Dodge started off making almost every part for Henry Ford Model T. When Ford refused to use better made parts, the brothers broke away to build "a better car." A few improvements included a 12 volt system, fluid brakes, key ignition, windshield wipers, steel wheels, and an ALL STEEL FRAME!

The plan is to bring Mel's 1914 Dodge (#169) to the show. Forty years ago, it competed in the Great Race from Los Angeles to New York...and WON!!! Come out and see this amazing vehicle and hear why it just might be competing again this Summer in the 2025 Great Race from St. Paul, Minnesota to Lake Murray, SC.

Herb Clark. Founder

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Alzheimer's Charity Golf Tournament**

2025 **Sat. Mar 22**

Questions, Contact: **Chuck Willkom 406-652-5675**

**Trail Ridge Golf Course**  
21021 151st Ave  
Sun City West AZ 85375

Registration: [arcofscw.com](http://arcofscw.com)  
Entry Deadline: Sat., March 8<sup>th</sup>  
Check In: 10:30 AM, March 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Shotgun Start: 12:30 PM

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- \$115/Player - Something for Everyone
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- Poker Run
- Raffle Prizes
- Flag Prizes
- 5 Hole In One Prizes

ARC is a 501(c)(3) Charity PO Box 9334, Sun City West, AZ 85376 More Info Contact Chuck: 406-652-5675 or [cw1144@hotmail.com](mailto:cw1144@hotmail.com)



**Here's Ron stylin' in ARC Gear. You can too by coming down and looking over our Clothing Inventory—all for reasonable prices.**

**Ron is wearing the comfortable Zip Up Sweater with the ARC Logo in print. A comfortable 60/40 made in Madagascar for only \$35.00. If you prefer the pullover, it's only \$25 but I like the Zip up, one can regulate body temperature and if your shoulders hurt, you know this is easier to put on!**

**Note his beautiful hat, it has the embroidered Logo \$20 and you can buy a matching green Polo shirt, also with the same Logo for only \$25.!!!**

**There are other clothing and Auto Accessory items for sale, check it out and support *The Club*.**

***Congratulations Ron Rada on becoming our 2025 2nd Vice President!***

**Our New Officers for 2025:**

President	Craig Landers
1st VP	Gene Wojtyna
2nd VP	Ron Rada
Treasurer	Ray Helt
Asst. Treasurer	David Dunbar
Secretary	Lynnette Saylor

**Rusty Nuts Crew:**

Official Photographer	Steve Victor
Photographer	Jim Hensch
Journalist	Dan Kuhl
Journalist	Dean Lewellen
Idea Man of the Past	Paul Burrier

***Have you ever "Pumped Gas" as an employee? (I'm raising my hand here). Paul 'The Idea Man' has come up with how it all started, Filling stations that is, check out the fun link:***

<https://youtu.be/qy-EfSxPsmI?si=CWRwM6F0n3zopONZ>

**ARC Website: Arcofscw.com**  
**ARC fb: Automotive/RestorationClubfb**  
**ARC Email: ARCOFSCW@gmail.com**  
**ARC Newsletter Contact: johnwawhite@gmail.com**

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***A few words: Thank you Ellen and Ed Zacko for your years at the helm of Rusty Nuts and the smooth transfer!***

***I'd also like to thank all those who helped in getting this issue together: Ron, Wayne, Lee, Margi, Dana, David, Tony G, Gary, Shelly, Linda, and let's not forget what a **Great** Club Web Site we have because of Lee F. Partridge.....And to those I've forgotten, I'm thinkin' of ya. Tchuss.***