



# CRUZIN NEWS-N-VIEWS

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## President's Message and Comments

Here we are rapidly approaching the time of year when you have to run like an Olympian to get the car dry before the sun bakes the water droplets into a ridge of mineral deposits it would take blasting powder to remove. I just prefer to call it graphics. It is kind of hard to get enthused about playing with the car(s) when you suffer third degree burns just by picking up the wrench. Just to show that fun can still be had, Bob Bailey organized the trip out to Speedworld in Wittman for the drag races Saturday night. It was a pretty great time. Tom Noble, Bob Bailey, Brad Harrelson, and Dr. Speed, Page Barnes all took their turn tripping the lights. A bunch more were in the stands cheering them on. While this is geared toward the twenty something tuner crowd, we still managed to show the young'uns how it is done. It was good to see the car hobby being perpetuated. They really got a kick out of seeing show cars being put through their paces. Big kudos to Bob Bailey.

I think we might try another putt to the drive in to see the movie "Cars" It only makes sense.

I can't wait to get a report about Paso Robles. That always is a good time. I think most of the larger car shows will be in California for a few months. I am ready to go on the LA Roadster Show cruise. I guess a lot more of us are going to take the time off and do the tour with Street Rodder Magazine rather than jet over and jet back. I am sure that will be memorable. Of course, Arizona has the mountains and I am looking forward to going to Showlow and Flagstaff.

I want to remind you about the larger "Over the Hill Gang" shows. If you haven't reserved a room for Winslow, call Linda Barnes as I'm sure that will be a sellout crowd. I have only six rooms left for Del Mar. Fred Kunze has a group going the country way to Puyallup Wa with a side trip into Canada. That sounds like a great place to be in July. If you are interested, just speak up. We want to take care of club members first before we invite "the usual suspects" to join in our fun. I don't believe there is a better way to experience this wonderful country than pulling into a backwater restaurant or convenience store with a group of old cars and giving the locals a mini car show. I don't believe that I ever missed out on a conversation about landmarks or countryside or where there are more old cars hidden in the hills. I guess I will have to explain why I blew the mileage limit on my insurance renewal again this year.

## June Birthdays



|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Henry Rex       | 6/1  |
| Walter Hann     | 6/2  |
| Kip Kulper      | 6/9  |
| Bob Otis        | 6/10 |
| Michelle Monroe | 6/10 |
| Dave Pierce     | 6/11 |
| Pete Golightly  | 6/17 |
| Conrad Monroe   | 6/20 |

## June Anniversaries



|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Bob & Vivian Otis    | 6/5  |
| Herb & Pam Kitchener | 6/29 |

Think you have an interesting idea for a one day putt, bring it up at the next meeting.

Carol Du Bois is collecting pull tabs from cans. They are donated to the Ronald McDonald House. Please bring your tabs to the OTHG meetings and continue helping this great cause.

Ten Commandments For The Car Collector  
June: Thou shalt not store thy car out doors except for the wife's Toyota.

### FOR SALE

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The 13<sup>th</sup> annual Bee-Line Cruise In was a huge success again this year. They had 310 cars registered and were turning cars away for over a week. Larry & Brenda, Steve & Terri, Jeff & Vicky, Fred & Fran, and Deb and I were the early birds that cruised up the hill Friday morning. Aside from a few rain drops, the trip up the hill was very pleasant. Breakfast at the casino was good as usual. Brenda was the big winner with a little over \$1500 being taken home. A short visit at Mom and Dad's by everyone and it was off to the motel.

Saturday's weather was fantastic. Lots of spectators hit the main street car show early before it got too warm. Door prizes were given away all day. Steve won a toy backhoe tractor and it was going to his grandson. A DJ spun all the oldies but where we parked, we couldn't hear too well. Everyone had a great time. Jerry & Carol and Paul & Judy pulled in just after we had finished shining up our hot rods.

The awards ceremony kicked off about three PM. The club pick went to a purple 38 Chevy coupe with ghost flames. The owner did all the work himself except for the interior. He was overwhelmed with our choice. He said it meant a lot to him to be recognized by such a famous club. Jeff & Vicky won first place in his class and Steve & Terri won second place in the sedan class while Deb and I came home with a third place plaque. What a great time we had. YA SHOULDA BEEN THERE.

## A Story of Inspiration

By Steve Besore

I made a purchase on ebay of some 53 Buick tail lights from a seller named 39chevy, as we wrote each other about the purchase we got to know a little bit about each other and I thought I would share the story with you. I think the moral in this is we can either go through life doing transactions or we can make friends as we go. I think being a club member can go that way too!

### He wrote:

steve...thanks for the quick payment...I will send out the lenses in the morning - well, it's morning already...later this morn....johnnyB

### I wrote:

I see your ebay handle is 39chevy are you a street rodder?

### He wrote:

steve...the taillights are on the way....i do have a 39 chevy - totally torn down now after 300,000 miles as a streetrod since '72....i am currently building an A truck ratrod, and an A roadster....just dumped off a 425 cad engine - man, i love those old nailheads - why a slug of a cad engine in the 53>????nailheads are soooo kool...my friend in australis is building a 56 with tribanged nailhead - real smooth with air ride....all the best on your builds!...johnnyB

### I wrote:

Johnny,

The caddy was already in the 53 when he bought it, we may change it out later once we get some of the other stuff done.

I love 39 Chevy's, my brother had a coupe for a long time and he still regrets getting rid of it!

I got the taillights today, thanks for packing them so well!

Attached is a picture of my 37, who know's maybe we'll be swaping parts on ebay again!

Best Regards, Steve

### Johnny wrote:

wow, a rare slantback - what a beautiful ride, steve - my 39 is all apart and will be nice again, too - i attached a pic of my summer ratrod ride in the interm...it has progressed since this pic and hopefully will be on the road next week...have a great summer....johnnyB

### I wrote:

Sweet!

A rat Rod is in my future...I'm sure of it!

Yeah, lot's of car shows over the next few months plus we (my car club the Over the Hill Gang) host the Good Guys SW Nationals here in Phx. in November!

Where are you, NY?

### Johnny wrote:

yes, steve, i am in upstate ny - 60 miles south of syracuse....the east coast nationals are held there in July - about 7000 cars!....i have a friend that owns arizona hi-fi there in tempe - i drove my 39 chev there in 99 and towed our porsche race car out there with it - my son and i then dropped the trailer and put another 5000 miles on the 39 up and down the calif coast...it was a great 5 week trip for me and joe - two years later at age 17 he was killed by a drunk driver - i was lucky to have had the chance to do some great car things with him - he is sorely missed!....the ratrod is just a pacifier for me - i have the 39 with new paint/engine/trans/rear/front& rear suspension/air-heat/brakes/tires-wheels - it will be done this year...my A roadster was mine and joe's project - when he died, i put it up on the lift and have not touched it for 13 years - maybe this year will be the time to finish it - it was last on the road in 1962 and we totally rebuilt it and re designed some 'old' modifications and 'safened' them up....attached is an old scan of my 39 and roadster - the hair is gone as are the flames on the 39 - lol....hope to come out that way maybe next year - my wife and i want to do a x-country trip as i retired early 2 years ago from teaching - need the break from here anyway!....i have heard about your club many times - i left the club thing many years ago - we started triple cities street rods in 1972 and i ran it many years as president/vp/secretary - hate \$ so never made the treasurer position...well, off to ebay and bed - lost my good childhood friend this week at age 57 (my age, too) he was a good guy and had many many classic cars - life is so unpredictable! never can be too sure tomorrow will come....have a good one....johnnyB

### I wrote:

Johnny,

Good thing I'm a big time macho dude or I would have to say I cried while reading this!

Ok, I did!

I can't imagine the pain that must be involved with loosing a child, you have my profound regrets for your loss. I do know from loosing my parents that time does not erase the memories and as you said I'm glad you guys had that great road trip for you to remember. I'm 56 turning 57 in Feb.07 so I can relate to the photo comment. Finishing the model A might be good therapy, it's funny how the cars intertwine with our lives isn't it? I'd like to meet you if you come out for another tour of the west. I am attaching a picture of our 34 ford sedan Hiboy we recently sold, I love fender less hot rods-just not practical for road trips!

Another sign of age, caring about what's practical!

Also check out our club website: [www.othg-phx.net](http://www.othg-phx.net)

You will see photos of my wife and I, my brother Larry, my cousins Nick and Jeff Bacon and their cars...yeah it's a family club!

There's a section on past car shows we have attended, member profiles, etc. it's pretty cool.

Well I'm heading over to my son's house to help him work on his 53 Buick.

Stay in touch!

Best Regards, Steve Besore

## Cruising Locations in Town

### Fridays

35<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Northern, northwest corner  
 Checker Auto Parts- North of the 101 on East side of  
 59<sup>th</sup> Ave.- 6PM to 9PM  
 Warner & Lindsey Rd.- Northeast corner-6PM to  
 10PM- open to all

### Saturdays

Safeway parking lot- 40<sup>th</sup> Street & Chandler Blvd.  
 sponsored by Rodders For Christ  
 Rock and Roll McDonalds at the Pavillions- Pima and  
 Indian Bend Rd. 4PM to 10PM.  
 Safeway parking lot- 83<sup>rd</sup>. Ave. & Beardsley  
 U.S. 60 and Power Rd.

An excellent source for upcoming show information and printable information sheets, maps and registration forms is: [www.cruisinarizona.com](http://www.cruisinarizona.com) or [www.desertcruisers.com](http://www.desertcruisers.com) or [www.lonewolfcruisers.com](http://www.lonewolfcruisers.com)

### TUCSON ROAD TRIP-2006

by Bob Bailey

Thursday morning at 10:30, Page & Linda, Terry & Barb (topless), Ken & Dee, Brad & Joanne, Jerry & Carol, Paul & Judy, Fred Kuntz and Fran, and Bob & Betty took off for the Tucson Car Show. Since their Thursday program had been canceled, we went on our own tour to the Pima Aerospace and Plane Museum. While there, we took a guided tram tour which took us all around and showed us all of the planes, and were told everything about all the cool old planes. They even had a few Russian jets. It took 1-1/2 hours and was well worth it. We headed to the hotel to check in and get some, what else, FOOD! About 7 PM we thought it was time for dessert, so back to Bennigan's. As we sat around talking, Carol said it was Paul and Judy's 23<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary on Sunday, so after a little teasing and joking, two hours later we were ready for some rest, and our very friendly waitress brought Paul and Judy a can of whipped cream and a squeeze bottle of chocolate. I don't know why, but Paul and Judy had a SMILE on their faces all weekend. I saw a lot of smiley faces everywhere though...lots of people having fun.

Friday morning the Byrants and Monroes, and Nancy Morgan and John joined us as everyone headed for Mt. Lemmon. It was a beautiful drive up a scenic windy road, and at the top, YUP, more food. Several people went up on the ski lift. Page got carded because the woman selling tickets for the lift wasn't convinced that Page was 65 so didn't deserve the \$1 discount!! On the ride back down we stopped for a photo op and to take in the view and beautiful weather, Conrad took some pictures, then back to the hotel to rest up for the auction and more food. Jim and Karen Councilman came in Friday night as well. Several of us won our bids at the auction; it was all for a good cause. Sometime Friday night, Prill and Kip joined us with the pizzazzed roadster.

Saturday was the 32<sup>nd</sup> Rodders Day Show downtown, and we hung out until about 2 PM. Our friend, Dan, with his '32 5-window came too. It was a beautiful day and many beautiful cars to enjoy, and, OF COURSE, good food at the restaurants, and shopping was good-you know who you are! Saturday night was the poker run, ending at the 5 'n Diner, where we stopped for a while before heading to eat at the Silver Saddle Steakhouse--a good place to eat if you're ever in Tucson! Back at the hotel everyone was partying after the basketball game. We joined them out on the patio as the weather was too good to waste!

Sunday morning was breakfast and awards, and our Club had a few winners: the Bryants, Fred and "Fran Kuntz" (she said they got married in the hotel lobby Saturday night after everyone had gone to bed--LOL!!), Nancy Morgan and John, and the Scotts. Jim Councilman also got an award. This was another great show, everyone had a good time, and some of us have already signed up for next year. The tour down and back was a good one in spite of road work and delays, but no breakdowns. We were sorry to hear about the Bacons' mom, and we hope she is doing better. All ours prayers are with you guys and we missed having you there.

You shudda been there!

## June 2006

| Sun  | Mon       | Tue  | Wed  | Thu       | Fri                          | Sat                           |
|--|-----------|--|--|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|  |           |  |  | <i>1</i>  | <i>2</i>                     | <i>3</i><br>Prescott          |
| <i>4</i>                                   | <i>5</i>  | <i>6</i>                                       | <i>7</i><br><b>OTHG<br/>Business<br/>Meeting</b> | <i>8</i>  | <i>9</i><br>Show Low<br>Days | <i>10</i><br>Show Low<br>Days |
| <i>11</i><br>Show Low<br>Days              | <i>12</i> | <i>13</i>                                      | <i>14</i>  | <i>15</i> | <i>16</i>                    | <i>17</i>                     |
| <i>18</i>                                  | <i>19</i> | <i>20</i><br><b>OTHG<br/>Board<br/>Meeting</b> | <i>21</i>  | <i>22</i> | <i>23</i>                    | <i>24</i>                     |
| <i>25</i><br>Prescott<br>Auto Swap<br>Meet | <i>26</i> | <i>27</i>                                      | <i>28</i>  | <i>29</i> | <i>30</i>                    |                               |



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| DATE       | UPCOMING EVENTS   | MEETING PLACE/                               |
|------------|---|--|
| Jun 3      | 17th Annual Custom, Comp and Cruise at the Courthouse Square in downtown Prescott, presented by the Prescott Auto Enthusiasts - 10 classes, 50/50, prizes, first 100 dash plaques, trophies - show 10am-3pm, check-in 7am - Reg. \$20 before May 3, \$25 after<br>Info: Dottie 928-778-0000   | 7:00 am Rock Springs for breakfast           |
| Jun 7      | <b>O.T.H.G. BUSINESS MEETING</b>  | 7:00 pm Coco's<br>4514 E. Cactus Rd.         |
| Jun 9-11   | Show Low Days "Still Cruisin" Car Show at Show Low City Park - 30 Classes, 9 special awards - Limited to 200 vehicles - Fri. Reg. 9am-5pm, Burger Burn 5:30-7pm, Ice Cream Social 7-9pm - Sat. Reg. 7am-12noon, Car Show 8am-5pm, Movie in the Park 6-10pm, Thunder Raceway 5:30-12am - Sun. Continental Breakfast 8-10am, Show n' Shine 8-10am, Poker Run 10:30am-12:30pm (1st \$250, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100), Awards 12:30 - Live DJ, 50/50, Raffles, Huge Arts and Craft Fair - \$25 prereg., \$35 after May 19, includes T-shirt, Dash Plaque, Burger Burn and Goodie Bag - Show Low - Info: Steve 928-537-2326 or 928-537-0961 | Fri. 7:00 am Shell Station<br>Fountain Hills |
| Jun 20     | <b>O.T.H.G. BOARD MEETING</b>   | 7:00 p.m. Calico Cow<br>Central & Hatcher    |
| Jun 25     | Prescott Auto Enthusiasts Automotive Swap Meet at Sheldon & Montezuma in Downtown Prescott - Swap Spaces \$30 (two parking spaces), car corral \$15 - Automotive-Antique-Performance parts only - Swap 6am-2pm, 6am set up - No early set up, No power available, No food or beverage sales, No alcoholic beverages, All pets on a leash - Prescott - Info 928-778-0000 or 928-778-9513   | 7:00 am Rock Springs<br>for breakfast        |
| Sept 8-10  | Flagstaff Route 66 Days   |  |
| Sept 21-24 | 15th Annual Roddin on the River - Riverside Resort & Casino   |  |
| Sept 29-30 | Standin on the Corner - Winslow, AZ   |  |
| Oct 6      | Outsiders Fall Car Show - Sedona, AZ  |  |
| Nov 2-5    | 8th Annual Express Run- Laughlin, NV  |  |

## Business Meeting –May 3, 2006

- The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by President Bob Kerkel
- Guests introduced were: Romeo and Gail Fournel, The Wagners, Jim Councilman and Ken and Sandy Milward.
- There is one opening for membership at this time. The Love's are next in line and 4 are on the waiting list.
- Thank You's were extended to Carol Dubois for her year's of service as Call Committee Chairperson. Carol has resigned, this position, however, Carol Elliott will be assuming her new role as Call Committee Chairperson immediately. Also, Dee Giuntoli was thanked for all her hard work as Basket/Raffle Chairperson. Dee has also stepped down from this position, but it remains unfilled at this time.
- Sue Elston gave the Poker Run Report. A total of \$5034.17 was reported as profit. We now have \$7593.18 in checking. It was voted on and approved to give Ronald McDonald House \$500.00, Habitat for Humanity, \$250.00, and Hospice of the Valley \$250.00. A check has been given to McDonald's already to cover the food expenses. Larry Besore reminded everyone of the usual donation to Toys for Tots in the amount of \$500.00 in December.
- Jim Elgan gave many thank you's for the help in Globe.
- Cruises/Show Reports:
  - Payson – 8 cars total, a good time, picked a 38 Chevy Coupe for club pick.
  - Casino – 18 Cars total
  - So-Cal party – for \$60<sup>th</sup> Anniv for So-Cal. Good turnout
- Bob Bailey will be running the store. He presented 2 different style of hats with flames/checkers and asked the Club for their opinions.
- Bob also spoke about the Putt for Drag Racing on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Meet at 6 pm at Hooters at Bell & I-17, on the NW corner. Bob read the rules/requirements for racing. He will put something out on email for everyone.
- Bob also suggested that for those people going to Tucson, a cruise to the Air Museum has been set up for club members.
- Larry Besore presented ken Dubois and Ken Schaaf with "family" awards for their presentation in Payson.
- The Christmas party will be held on December 23, 2006 at Pinnacle Peak Patio. Cindy Bryant has secured the larger room and Sue Elston has paid the deposit.
- Bob Kerkel said he has reserved all the rooms at the Leucadia Inn in Del Mar. All the rooms are different, so he asked everyone to look at the rooms on the intranet and call him with what rooms we want and he will get them assigned. There is a barbeque available for our use.
- Club Numbering System- Bob presented the idea for original members 1-12 to become Founding Members, the original 1-50 members to become Charter Members, all without numbers. Any new members will be member Since \_\_\_\_\_. This was voted on and approved.
- Members with Running Cars- a lengthy discussion was held to discuss the difference between those who are re-building and or fixing cars versus those who never run a club eligible car or go on runs, putts. Bob Kerkel suggested we follow the rules and if you have a problem with someone, bring it to the Board. Bob asked that if you don't have a car that runs or intend to in the future, please step aside (inactive member) and let someone join who wants to be active in the Club. It was also recommended that members re-qualify their car each year. A motion was made to shelve the discussion until next meeting.
- Bob Kerkel won the 50/50. T-Shirts were won by Larry Savi, Brenda Besore, Dave Pierce and Bob Bailey.
- The board meeting is on May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Calico Cow.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

**The Over The Hill Gang-Phoenix** is a club made up of owners and operators of Pre 1949 Vehicles. It's Primary objective is to promote the sport of Street Rodding.

**The Over The Hill Gang-Phoenix** has a Business Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at Coco's Restaurant located at 4541 E. Cactus Rd. at 7:00 PM. There is also a Board Meeting held at Calico Cat located at Central & Hatcher on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM and all members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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