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"First Lady Writes"

Antique Nationals

Alan and Cheryl Mitchell, Mike and Jean Rust as well as Ron and I all attended the Antique Nationals in Fontana, CA.

Ron had taken his mini-bike to CAM Auto Creations Friday so Alan could load it in the trailer along with his '39 Chevy gasser. Saturday morning Ron and I went to Alan and Cheryl's so we could ride with them. We then met Mike and Jean Rust for breakfast in Wickenburg. We were ready for our trip to our motel in Rancho Cucamunga. We arrived in time for Mike, Jean, Ron and I to take a dip in the pool. We all met to walk across the parking lot for dinner at Mimi's. Then back to the motel to rest up for the big day.

Sunday all donned our safety-green 'crew' t-shirts and headed for the track. Fontana Raceway was a great facility and the grandstand was huge. They were running go carts there as well as the antique drag cars. We lined up and as usual, it was a hurry up and wait process. After we entered the parking area, unloaded, the guys went to the tech line. Ron couldn't carry his helmet, jacket and gloves on his mini-bike so Jean and I accompanied him in the Rust's new Mercedes SUV. While we were still in the tech line. Alan made his first run. Sorry we missed it, Alan.

Ron went up to check out the start tree since it was new to him. At home, he was always started by a flag girl. While doing that and talking to old and new friends, he missed his first run. Alan was all set for his second run when Camnoxious became a little obnoxious and decided to break. Alan was done for the day. The Mercedes crew car had to tow him back to the trailer.

Ron was towed by the Mercedes to the staging area. Cheryl and I were riding tailgate with our feet dangling. The pit crew helped him put his gear on while Mike started the bike. Cheryl was taking pictures. Still unfamiliar with the starting system, Ron rolled his tire over the line and that caused a red light to come on. To him, it meant do not go yet. When the kid in the next lane got the green, he went so Ron gave him a long headstart, then sped off. He beat Carlos by half a tracks' length only to learn he had no time. So Carlos won by default.

Carlos thanked Ron for coming and told him next year he was going to build a bike like his. The boy was 9 years old.

Since the guys were both finished, we packed up the trailer and headed to the motel for showers and rest.

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It had been a very hot and humid day. Mike and Jean decided to go back to Phoenix. Later, the four of us went for dinner at the Home Town Buffet; all had ice cream for dessert, all but Alan, that is. He had pie(s). One final stop at the Country Kitchen for lunch in

Wickenburg where it all started. We picked up our HHR which was parked at the Mitchell's and headed for home sweet home for a day, that is. This was Monday. On Tuesday, we packed for our Utah trip leaving Wednesday driving Ole Plain Jane.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN or not!!

Silver City, NM car show - we are scheduled to go on Friday morning, leaving the 'slab' at 9:00 a.m. Ken was going to lead our group consisting of Ken and Dee; Charlie and Danise Cover, Bob and Betty Bailey, Ron and Jan Olmstead, Dave Bennett. Then, Conrad and Michelle Monroe along with Frank and Rose Svancara are joining us in Silver City from the North lands (Show Low and Greer)!

Well, Thursday night at our "cousin's dinner," I took my sister, 79, who is in assisted living, with us. I had her nails and hair done in the afternoon, so took her to see the cousins at dinner, as well. We were just getting ready to leave MIMI's and she passed out! Called 911, went to hospital, did tests, etc. They wanted to keep her overnight! Got home about 2:00 am. Next morning, Jan called, Ron is not feeling well, been sick all day Thursday, so they're not going. So Ken called Charlie to lead the Phoenix group, as we had to go back to the hospital.

Genny (my sister) had more tests on Friday and we waited for the results. She was not released from the hospital until about 5:30 pm on Friday. They couldn't find anything causing her blackout. We thought at first she was having a stroke. Nope!

Now, we were already packed and both of us still wanted to go, so we left at 4:00 am on Sat; Ken drove 5-1/2 hours straight. We got to Silver City at 10:30 am, checked into the hotel, and went to the park where Michelle had been saving a spot for us. The rest of the day was calm and peaceful, went downtown for lunch. Charlie and Danise won a trophy. Then after the awards, Dave had invited us all over to his campsite for his GREAT CHICKEN TORTILLA SOUP meal. Yummy!

We took our bowls and spoons, chairs, drink....what a fun time! I brought dessert snacks! We visited and ate and about dark, headed back to the hotel. Sunday morning after breakfast at the hotel, we were all planning to go to Greer for lunch. Covers and Baileys decided they would head directly home, so Dave went with them. The other three couples did head to Greer. Now we like to take our time and sight-see on the way. So we did!

By Dee Giuntoli

Our first stop was to see the "cat walk" and it was a five mile drive back in. Let's go! Not the best of roads, but hey, our streetrods have been lots of places! On we went and came to the gate which had a sign: "CLOSED" on it. So we turned around and left. Continue on to Greer.

Then we came to another sign, Mogollon Mine and Ghost Town - 9 miles. Here we go again, up, up! The road is a one-lane all the way. Mile 1, Mile 2, Mile 3, Mile 4 and on we went. Beautiful scenery, but watch the road! There was a small stone house (four walls with an opening) and inside was a small tree with Christmas ornaments on it. There was a larger evergreen tree next to it, but just the one tree was decorated. Hmmm! OK, Mile 5, Mile 6, road is getting bad, sharp turns, steep, rough, hairpin turn going down. Rose was on the radio, beyond this turn, unfinished road. Want to keep going? Well, maybe not! So now we have to turn around, steep and sharp turn, and all three of us right there. So Frank backed up and got turned, eased his way past us; then Ken went into the sharp turn and got backed up and turned around; Conrad eased past us and finally got turned around. So we start up the mountain, and decided to stop right there, as there was a locked gate off to the right ahead, and Michelle saw part of a roof of a house. So Michelle, Rose and I, held onto the end of the gate and swung around it; then down the path we went. There was a mine opening and COLD AIR coming from the opening. It felt good.

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The chain at the opening had been broken and you could see where someone had been in there and had a bonfire, pop cans strewn about. Then Frank and Conrad followed down and Ken stayed with the cars. Conrad got lots of snaps of the mine and metal, rusted house, that once was! I went up so Ken could come and have a look. Then we all headed back to the highway.

We stopped in Alpine to gas up; on to Greer and the restaurant; Barney and Donna were already there from Parks; and two of Svancara's grandkids were just leaving Greer. So we visited a bit before going inside. The food was delicious and Frank and Rose bought us all peach cobler (or whatever we wanted for dessert after our meal). We went to their cabin and just as we turned on their road, there was a large deer eating in the woods. Get my camera! At the cabin we visited for a time and another deer appeared out in their yard behind the cabin. Get my camera! Later, Barney and Donna headed for home. We went to Molly Butler's for dinner. Monday, after a fantastic breakfast on their back porch, Rose packed a lunch and off we went for a drive. We stopped at the Greer gift stores first, then headed into the woods. After a nice drive, Frank found a perfect spot for lunch and while we were eating, a bee was pestering

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Rose, so she had a kleenex and got the bee inside and "oww" she got stung! Put ice on it and then Frank gave her a penny to put on her finger under the ice. That pretty well took care of it. I was amazed. After our picnic, we did some more sightseeing and headed home. Had a great dinner, then a game of domino's and off to bed!

Tuesday morning, I checked the bedroom window to see if anything was out there, and low and behold, I said to Ken, "where's my camera"....there was a mommy deer and two little babies, just out in the back yard, eating and running....so cute! When the mommy deer would run, the two little ones would 'prance' to keep up with her. So funny! That made my day...and we had just gotten up! It had rained during the night so breakfast was served inside. After we ate, time to load the car and say our good-byes until next time.

We headed down the road and had rain off and on; stopped in Payson to top off the tank; then ate at the Subway and got home about 5:00 pm. We unloaded the car and went to vote! It was a good trip, good show, had our usual WONDERFUL STAY with Frank and Rose, more good food, good scenery, good rain, and as usual, good friends to share another fun time!

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	Ann Bennett	9/15	I '	(602) 370-8576
	Sue Elston	9/26	LL	
	Rose Svancara	9/26	I _	
۲	Ken Schaaf	9/29		Please e-mail me so I can list your birthday jnolte@cox.net

Cruisin Car Shows "A little something for everyone" by Cheryl Mitchell

If you have car show information and good club putts send them to: camestimates@aol.com, they will go on the list.

- Oct 4 Oro Valley Classics Car & Truck Show, Hosted by: SAACA, Oro Valley Marketplace, SW corner of Oracle & Tangerine roads, Contact: Jonas (520) 797-3959, Time: 7am to 2:30pm, Event Fee: \$25 prior to 8/29. Food, music and lots of fun.
- Oct 4 20th Annual Just Cruis'n Car Club Car Show in WINSLOW.
- Oct 11 Cruise on Central, Hosted by: Nancy Perry Productions, Park Central Mall, 3110 N. Central, Contact: Info Hotline (602) 843-3545, Time: 1pm to 9pm, Event Fee: \$15.00
- Oct 11 CARS in The Park, Hosted by: Sierra Vista Car Club, Veterans Memorial Park, Fry Blvd, Contact: Gary (520) 803-1678, Time: 8am to 4pm, Event Fee: \$25.00. 27 Classes, Dyno racing, raffle, t-shirts, door prizes, food and vendors. Fun tine in the Park.
- Oct 11 Le Bellezze d'Italia Il Quarto, Hosted by: The Arizona American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th St, Phoenix, Contact: Jay (602) 410-0776, Time: 10am to 3pm, Entry Fee: Non-perishable food item for St Mary's Food Bank, Lots of exotic cars, food, music, vendors raffle prizes. Proceeds to benefit The Military Assistance Mission for Arizona Military personnel and families.
- Oct 17-19 California Hot Rod ReUnion, Famoso Raceway, Bakersfield, CA. 3-days of Quarter Mile Nostalgia Drag Racing, Vendors, Swap Meet, Car Show, Cacklefest, Meet & Greet some of the tops drivers in Drag Racing, go to www.famosoraceway.com/california -hot-rod-reunion for all the details
- Oct 17-19 Mountain Casino Cruise for Slots & Rods. Go to www.cruisinarizona.com for more information. 2-days and 5 casinos.
- Oct 18 Tucson Classics Car Show, Hosted by: Rotary Club of Tucson, St Gregory College Prep School, 3231 N. Craycroft Rd, Contact: Drew (520) 440-4503, Time: 10am to 4pm, Entry Fee: \$25.00 per car/\$5.00 per person Register online: www.RotaryTCCS.com,
- Oct 18 4th Annual Cars for Charity, Hosted by: Our Lady of Joy and Knights of Columbus, 36811 N. Pima Rd, Carefree, Contact: Fred (480) 488-7006, Time: 9am to 2:30pm, Event Fee: \$35.00. Trophies, t-shirts, raffles, drawings, food. Fun for the entire family
- Oct 18 Cruisin For A Cause, Hosted by: Multiple Sights Sounds Productions, Goodyear Ballpark, 1933 S. Ballpark Way, Contact: Paul (602) 377-3063, Time: 3pm to 10pm, Event Fee: \$10.00/\$2 for spectators. Donations will go to the Phoenix Children's Hospital.
- Oct 25 Boys in Blue Car Show, Hosted by: Mesa Police Negotiator & Aviation Unit, Mesa Market Place/Swap Meet, 10550 E. Baseline Rd, Contact: Barb (480) 254-4023, Time: 9am to 1pm, Entry Fee: \$15. Trophies, prizes, music, raffles, food, drinks, exhibitors and vendors. Specialty Police Vehicles will be on display. Benefits to the Mesa PD Aviation/Negotiator Units

Cruisin Car Shows "A little something for everyone" by Cheryl Mitchell continued

- Oct 25 10th Anniversary of Kool FM Car Show, Hosted by: Nancy Perry Productions, Westgate Entertainment District, 101 and Glendale Ave, Contact: Nancy (602) 809-1766, Time: 9am to 3pm, Event Fee: \$20.00, Food, Fun, Vendors, Music and Kool Cars.
- Oct 25 Thorobred Thunder XV, Hosted by: Corvette Club of Arizona, Thorobred Chevrolet, 2121 N. Arizona Ave, Chandler, Contact: Garry (480) 363-2838, Time: 8am to 2pm, Event Fee: \$30 before 10/15, day of show \$35. \$10 of each registration will go to benefit the Packages from Home non-profit organization.
- Oct 26 Show and Shine, Hosted by: Red Mountain Community Church, 6101 E. Virginia Street, Mesa, Contact: Gerry (602) 430-4094, Time: 4:30 to 7:30, Entry Fee: Free. Lots of family fun and treats. Don't forget a couple of bags of candy for the kids. There's even a Food Truck Freenzie. Space can be reserved for clubs.
- Nov 1
 8th Annual Cops and Rodders Car Show, Hosted by: Evelyn Brantley/Tucson Police Foundation, Hi Corbett, 700 S. Randolph Way, Tucson, Contact: Evelyn (520) 429-5474, Time: 8am to 4pm, Entry Fee: \$30.00. So many fun things for the entire family I cannot list them all.
- Nov 1 Mountain Bridge Community Car Show, Hosted by: Mountain Bridge Homeowners Association,
 8730 E. Mountain Bridge Dr, Mesa, Contact: Sheri (480) 892-4492, Time: 12pm to 3pm, Entry Fee:
 Donation to benefit the Sunshie Acres Childrens Home, Lots of things for a great cause.

Check out "ARIZONA AUTO SCENE" online. So many shows that I cannot list them all. If you see one that looks like a good club putt let me know. There are a lot of shows to attend through this website, will keep you busy all summer long.

New Website to check out: VEGAS-RIDES.com, provides information on Car Shows being held not just in Vegas, but many different cities. Lots of Flyers on this site.

CRUISIN BREAKFAST AT DILLIONS, 1st Saturday of each Month, 20588 N. 59th Ave, Glendale, AZ, 8AM to 11 am. \$4.99 Breakfast Specials, Giveaways, Awards & DJ

PHILS FILLING STATION, every Saturday night, 7pm to 10pm, new entertainment series, never know what is coming. Lots of fun, great cars and good friends.

MIXTECA RESTAURANT, 67th and Bell Rd. Every Friday night. Contact Nancy Perry Productions (602) 843-3545 for details

Most of the shows listed have Trophy classes, plaques, goodie bags, t-shirts, food, vendors, and the list goes on. If more detailed information is needed all of these events can be found on "cruisinarizona.com/carshows", "arizonacarshows.com", "nancyperryproductions.com" and "arizonaautoscene.com". All flyer's and registration forms for each show can be found online.