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The Prez Sez:

Well, it's hard to believe but...summer is upon us and it's only spring, BUT we are Arizonans or choose to be and we love the heat!? Right????

GoodGuys was a wonderful event according to Art. He spent two beautiful days there with our kids. Our son, Steve, was able to spend all day Saturday at the event, and I think the two of them closed the place down, watching every car drive out. If you haven't done that, try it sometime. Set your chairs right at the entrance and watch all the happy Hot Rodders pulling out, everyone with smiles brighter than the chrome on their grills! Day two gets super exciting because our two daughters, Alexis and Cyndi, and future son-in-law, Brian, arrived, and if you have met these three you know what I'm talking about. These girls STEAL the show wherever they go and when you add Art and Brian into the mix, it's a circus for sure. They all had a fantastic time and there were a lot of cars to oogle over! I was unable to attend the show but suffered through a 3-day stint in Palm Springs with Carol Boen and Dawn Yex. It was hard to handle but somehow I managed to NOT miss GoodGuys too much. We had a great time, more laughter than 3 gals should EVER be allowed! Girls' weekends are special to say the least! Art and I have adopted a new past time...Kayaking(!) and we managed to (sucker) oops, I mean get the Boens to join us in this adventure and are looking forward to getting the Daltons out on Tempe Town Lake sometime, so if you kayak or paddle board let us know and you can join our group...The Ole Hippie Kayakers....OK, back to car stuff.

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We had a super April breakfast putt to the Buffalo Chip Saloon. Thank you again, John Logsdon. It was a beautiful day for heading out to Cave Creek and we had a GREAT turnout. Art and I put our granddaughter, Rylie, who you met at the last meeting, on a plane heading for Minnesota to live until she returns to AZ for college one year from now. We are sad grandparents. She really enjoyed meeting you all and taking your money for the 50/50, and hopes to own a Hot Rod someday, and said she would like to be a member when she does. That's really something when a 17-year-old thinks your Car Club is COOL!

If you are reading this ahead of the meeting then you know...drum roll please...Our meeting is heading back to THE RED DEVIL on May 5th, in person, inside, back to normal kinda, maybe, OK! Normal is highly overrated! I hope we can all have patience with the staff for the first couple of months as they are understaffed, like most establishments, and need our help! We can do this! It will be wonderful to see your faces in a familiar place again!

Larry Besore mentioned a run to Goldfield Mining Camp/Ghost Town in the East Valley. Let's think on that and make it happen.

We are also teaming up with Brian and the staff at Vintage Auto Parts of AZ, formally SoCal, for the Christmas toy drive, so let's start collecting NOW!! We all have so much to be thankful for, sooo let's spread it around! Last but not least, Art sold the '38 Standard at GoodGuys, so I guess I really did miss something. Our '38 Special was a fun car to drive and will be missed BUT not replaced!

Keep Cruisin'!

Debbie

Everything you have always wanted to know about the Thomases but were afraid to ask!

Art and I have been married 25 years. We met over a beer at a country bar. My neighbor worked with Art and wanted to introduce us. The stars aligned and the Angels sang (for me) and after 5 years of bullying (by me) ha ha! he married me. The rest has been a fairy tale of Disney proportion. We have 5 children, 12 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren, who bring us much joy. I always wanted to be a grandma, and Art is the best grandpa ever! They are so much more fun than having your own kids because you always get to send them home eventually.

We have traveled around the world and across this beautiful country. We love camping, fishing, cars, and our family and friends. One of our greatest loves is karaoke with our family. We have been called a traveling family circus. We all sing (kinda); our kids are all really good singers. Art and I just make the dogs howl, but we can really belt out a mean Johnny and June Cash; Jackson is our signature song. Having fun is our favorite past-time!

Art spends many hours in his garage, working on his cars, and constructing all different kinds of things. I work in my yellow barn on crafts and woodworking projects that always require his help. We make a great team!!!!

Art has built more cars from the ground up than years married. Our first build together was his 71' Ford truck that he bought brand new. We drove that truck all over this country; oh what fun we had. Our son, Steve, drives it today. Our first hot rod build is a 1940 2-door sedan, which we refer to as "Plain Jane" and by far the most fun car we own. We became OTHG-Phoenix members 3+ years ago and enjoy the time we spend at car functions. We love driving the old cars; they make us feel young!

I hope you have enjoyed our life in a nut shell! Coming to a Karaoke Bar in your area later, better then sooner! See you on the road!

Art and Debbie Thomas

If you need more places to go and things to see: Please check before attending...

K-MART CRUISE NIGHT: Every Saturday night, 1445 S. Power Road, Mesa. Starting August 6th from 4-8 p.m. Hosted by Arizona Veteran Rodders.

SO-CAL SPEED SHOP: Every second Saturday, 3427 E. McDowell Road. Time: 6 a.m.

PHIL'S FILLING STATION: Every Sunday, October through May, 12-3 p.m. Lots of fun, great cars, and good friends. (The only time there is no show is if a holiday falls on a Sunday.)

SCOTTSDALE MOTORSPORTS GATHERING: First Saturday of every month, 7-10 a.m. It's free! Scottsdale 101 Shopping Center, 7000 E. Mayo Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85054.

BREAKFAST CRUISE-IN AT DILLON'S ARROWHEAD BBQ: First Saturday of every month, 8-11 a.m. 20585 N. 59th Ave.

Many events can be found on cruisinarizona.com/carshows, arizonacarshows.com, nancyperryproductions.com and arizonaautoscene.com. All flyers and registration forms for each show can be found online.

Upcoming Events

Monthly Breakfast Putts:

- Saturday, May 15: Roadmasters Ron & Carol Boen; Jimbo's Bar and Grill, 12224 N. 51st Ave., Glendale 85304. Breakfast special is \$6 + a free drink. Time TBA.
- Saturday, June 20: Need volunteer roadmasters.
- Saturday, August 21: Need volunteer roadmasters.

Car Shows/Events:

- May 15: TSRA Swap Meet, Tucson Speedway, 11955 S. Harrison Road, Tucson, AZ.
- June 5: Crusin' the Rim, Show Low, AZ.
- October 1-3: GoodGuys Del Mar, CA. Debbie Aronson will again be reserving a block of rooms and confirming our reservation at the Holiday Inn Express. She will be at the May meeting to confirm the list with us.
- October 29-31: NSRA Bakersfield Western Nationals, Bakersfield, CA.
- October ____: Fellowship Square Car Show (OTHG), 2002 W. Sunnyside Drive, Phoenix, 85029 (Ron Olmstead).
- April 31-May 2, **2022**: Seligman to Kingman, Route 66 Fun Run, Kingman, AZ.

Birthdays

Jane George	5/1
Phil Murray	5/7
Cindy Myers	5/7
George Thiewes	5/26
Fred Elston	5/27
Paul Nolte	5/29

Please let me know if I have missed your birthday and it will be included next time.

If you are interested in buying or selling an item, I will include it in an upcoming newsletter.

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The **Over the Hill Gang-Phoenix** is a club made up of owners and operators of pre-1959 vehicles. Its 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 Red Devil Italian Restaurant at 3004 East Bell Road, Phoenix, AZ, at **6:30 PM**. Board Meetings are held at Mimi's Café at Desert Ridge Marketplace, 21001 N. Tatum Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85050 (Tatum between 101 & E. Deer Valley) on the third Tuesday of each month at **6:30 PM**.

There is no Business Meeting or Board Meeting in the month of July.