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Hello Gang:

Writing the Pres Says is never easy for me and today is a little harder. In the month of May we lost three past and present members. Please keep in your thoughts the family and close friends of Pat Perelli, Tony Cruz and Ken DuBois. The last meeting Ken and Carol attended was the night we had elections and Ken was elected to the board. They all will be missed.

Now for something a little happier. At the last meeting, I was begging for members to go to a car show with the chance to win \$500 for the club. It was a Nancy Perry free show with the money going to the club with the most participation. We didn't win but I couldn't have been happier or more proud with the turn out we did have. It was a last minute request and the Gang showed up with 15 cars and two visitors that said they were from the Gang. We only lost by 10. The winners were a low rider club that had 27 cars there. Thanks for your turn out.

Last Saturday night, Tom and Kathy Flaherty put on a Putt at Victory Lane Sports Park. It was a car show that benefitted Make-a-Wish. We had 8 club cars and again 2 visitors cars. We were all parked on grass which made it nice after the sun went down. I put the club flag up and asked everyone to sit around it. Ron put up his baby pop-up for some shade. We had some good conversation and a lot of laughing. I sent a lot of photos to Al and a write up and he is busy putting that on the web-site as I'm writing this. Check it out and you will see some of our laughs were at Ron and John, Carol and Helen, trying to put two chairs together. All and all, we had a great time together. Thanks Tom and Kathy.

Like I said last month, with the temps going up and the car shows slowing down, it's going to be harder to get together. We have one meeting in June and our Putt being put on by Mike and Suzy Arney on June 8th.

Don't forget, we will not be meeting the month of July. Everyone, enjoy your time off and be safe. Ruth and I will be gone for most of the month of July. I will be looking forward to seeing you all in August .

Your President
Russ

Here's a list of your Officers, Board Members and Committee Chairpersons. If you have any questions, suggestions, comments or just want to chat, give them a call.

For more Info about other Upcoming Events, Check out....

[Car Show, Cruise-In & Race Calendar - Roddin' & Racin' \(roddinaz.com\)](http://Car Show, Cruise-In & Race Calendar - Roddin' & Racin' (roddinaz.com))
[Cruisin' AZ \(google.com\)](http://Cruisin' AZ (google.com))

If you need more places to go and things to see:

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..

SPEEDWAY MOTORS : 1st Saturday every month (NOT JANUARY) Open House 8701 McDowell Rd Tolleson 9 am –12 noon

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.

Birthdays**JUNE****Walter Haan 6/2****Art Thomas 6/7****Mike Arney 6/10****Margaret Maione 6/24****Jim Dalton 6/28****Gary Aden 6/30**

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The **Over the Hill Gang-Phoenix** is a "street-rod" or "custom" based organization, limited to 1972 or older hobby cars. 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 , Denny's 2717 W Bell Rd. Phoenix Az 85054

There is no Business Meeting in the month of July.

Upcoming Events

- June 14-15 -LA Roadster Show, Fairplex, Pomona, CA
- August 3 – Watson Lake, Prescott, AZ - PAAC Swap and Parts Exchange

2024 Monthly Breakfasts

Saturday, June 8 - Roadmasters- **Mike & Susy Arney— Heart and Soul Café and Saloon, 4705 E. Carefree Highway, Unit 117, Cave Creek, AZ 85331**

Saturday, July – *No Club Meeting nor Club Breakfast*

Saturday, August 17– Roadmasters – **Phil & Sharon Murray- TBD**

Saturday, September 21– Roadmasters – **Ron and Carol Boen- TBD**

LETS HAVE SOME FUN! PLEASE READ THIS.... WHO ARE THEY??

Here is a ***FUN article*** that **ONE of our members wrote** and sent to me.....Please read it and see if you can **GUESS WHO it is**...and at the June meeting you'll have an opportunity to tell us your guesses.

This happened recently to my wife and I.

We took our Ford to the Desert Diamond free car show with the club. We left a little early because our car does not have air conditioning. We wanted to beat the heat and get home before it was too uncomfortable. It is a 30 minute drive normally to get home from the casino. About halfway home, I noticed the gas gauge dropping. Just a few minutes after that, another motorist got our attention and said that something was leaking from the back of the car. I pulled into the Fry's at 107th and Grand. I crawled underneath the back of the car to find a split fuel line. I didn't bring any tools or parts so I went inside fry's and bought screwdriver. The car has an electric and mechanical fuel pump. I bypassed the electric pump because I did not have any fuel hose. Wifey enjoyed taking pictures of me under the car. I destroyed my club shirt with gas stains that would not come out. 45 minutes later, we were on the road home. 10 minutes after that, we were stuck in traffic on grand because AZDOT was seal coating the roadway at 163rd av going north. The car got up to 235 degrees temp and died in the middle lane in bumper to bumper stopped traffic. Several people who we did not know helped push us to the shoulder at grand and 303. Man, it was warm sitting in our car and waiting for the car to cool down. The fuel line had "vapor locked" and it would not start. Many people offered to help. I got a ride from one of the many helpful people. They took me home. I got my truck and a tow strap and I returned. After some serious arguing or should I say "strong discussions" with my wife, I convinced her to drive the truck and tow me home. She did a great job by the way. This is the third time in 40 years that she has had to do this for me (us).
SO, who are we????

Hint: I may be the guy buying a new club shirt at June's meeting.

Thank you to Curt and Belinda Lewis for writing an intro letter sharing a little about their life....we are so happy to have you two in the club!

Hello to all!

From Belinda and Curt Lewis in Surprise, Az.

As new members of the group, we finally are getting this intro together for you. I've had a few distractions. Last fall, I had surgery for a hernia on my left side. Then in March, I had another surgery for a hernia on my right side. Hopefully, the rest of 2024 goes better for us. I am recovering as I sit here and think of what to tell everyone about us.

Belinda grew up in California and Washington. I grew up in Muncie, Indiana. I went to college in my hometown. We both joined the army in 1981 within a couple of months of each other. We were both stationed in Germany during the same time but at different places. We did not meet until we rotated back state-side to Ft Carson, Colorado. We were married in Colorado Springs on Oct 1984.

We moved back to Indiana in Nov 1999 when my father became ill. In Sept 2015, we moved to Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin to be near our son. Our son Matt and I worked at Mercury Marine in Fond du lac.

I supervised and managed in a machine shop environment for 21 years making car parts or Marine parts (mostly drive train components) Belinda worked in the printing industry in the early years. Then, she worked at a tomato products company called "Red Gold" in Indiana for 15 years.

When our son decided to leave Wisconsin and move back to Indiana and my mother had her third fight with cancer, we started our plans to move. Mom got thru this event with her cancer. We moved to Arizona in March of 2020 to eventually retire. This has been Belinda's wish to live here for many years. I was simply tired of winter and wanted someplace warmer.

I have been a car guy to a fault since I was 14 years old. My wife says that it is a fault by the way. Seems perfectly normal to me!

Anyway, we are so happy to meet new friends. Thank you all for inviting us into your group.

Curt & Belinda Lewis