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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.

Hello everyone. As I'm writing this, the month of November is coming to a close. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with family or friends. Ruth and I celebrated with our daughter and her new husband. We are so thankful for her happiness and the happiness for our two sons and all of our grandchildren in the Northwest for whom we will be spending our Christmas with at the same time as our club Christmas Party.

The month of November was a busy one for the club. It started out with a few members rushing to sign up for Midnight at the Oasis in Yuma. We now have all 14 spaces that were assigned to us filled.

Kearny Az Fall Festival. I didn't go but heard it was a fun cruise to go on. There were 7 club cars that made the trip and said the drive was very enjoyable and the best part, it was FREE.

Next came Bartlett Lake. Mike and Susy did a great job getting the food and the BUNS, sorry Mike but I had to say it, to the lake. Organizing the cooks, getting the BBQ pits up and running and getting the best entertainment in the Phoenix area to play his harmonica and later his choice of music on his sound system for just a hamburger and a hotdog. Thank you Gary you're great. Also thank you to all the members that showed up and brought more food than we could eat. It was also good to see some of our social members. You know you are always welcome. All and all it was a lot of fun and the weather turned out to be sunny and warm.

Good Guys show was about the same as always. People parking on the grass complaining about it being dusty, people parking on the asphalt complaining about being dusty, complaining food and drinks being to expensive and not enough vendors in the big tent.

I, on the other hand, had a great time hanging out with other club members telling stories, lies and laughing. We had 7 cars parked together on Friday and 10 on Saturday. We also had 2 members selling stuff at the swap meet. We also had the OTHG flag flying all weekend. There is a 3 hour video on YouTube. At about 35-40 minutes it starts to show the OTHG cars. Again, I had a good time and I hope we can get more club cars to show up in March.

A few final notes.

- (1) The winners of the 50/50 are to do a write up for the news letter. You will have 2 months to do it or we will take away your birthday and we're not kidding.
- (2) We are going to try a new way of selling tickets for the 50/50 so bare with us. More info to come, I hope. 😊

Thank you everyone
Your President
Russ

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))

[Car Shows \(arizonacarshows.com\)](http://Car Shows (arizonacarshows.com))

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

MIXTECA Cruise-in 67th Ave & Bell Rd Glendale Saturday nights

PAVILLIONS Rock & Roll car show at McDonalds on Indian Bend and the 101. Saturday nights

WESTGATE (a Nancy Perry event) Wednesday nights starting at 5 pm **STARTS SEPTEMBER 18**

PHILS FILLING STATION Fountain Hills Sunday mornings ***STARTS UP OCTOBER 13 thru MAY***

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

CHECK the RODDIN' ARIZONA free paper for a lot of great info on other shows and events

Birthdays

DECEMBER

Shirley Presmo 12/1

Pat Gerber 12/5

Jerry Elliott 12/7

Larry Besore 12/8

Susy Arney 12/22

Karen Riley 12/22

Carol Boen 12/25

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Articles, suggestions, ideas, etc. are solicited and encouraged for publication and the Editor reserves the right to edit and publish those articles felt to be in the best interest of the Over the Hill Gang-Phoenix.

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

- December 7, Saturday, from 5-10pm, club Christmas party, at American Legion Post #62, 9847 W. Desert Cove Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85345. Current active Members dinner meal is at no charge; For non-active members, the dinner meal is \$25 per person, as well as all Guests; No shows will still have to pay \$25, including guests. There will also be a no-host cocktail bar. Set up will be on the day of the party @3:00pm, and at the party, there will also be a train for pictures.
 - January 1, 2025 – Kimmyz on Greenway, 5930 W. Greenway Road, Glendale, AZ, John Logsdon & Ron Boen's New Year's Breakfast run, more info to follow
 - January 4 - Nominations for Officers and Board Members – John Riley volunteered to make the calls
 - January 18-26, 2025- Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction, Westworld of Scottsdale, 16601 North Pima Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85260
 - January 31, February 2, 2025 – Grand National Roadster Show, 75th Anniversary, Fairplex, Pomona, CA
 - February 8, 2025 - Sun City West Car Show & Swap Meet – RH Johnson Rec. Center, 19803 RH Johnson Blvd., Sun City West, AZ 8537. More to follow
 - February 27-March 1, 2025 - Havasu Deuce Show, Lake Havasu City Rotary Park, Lake Havasu City, AZ, \$80-\$120
 - March 1, 2025 - Spring Fling Sun City car show, Sun City Amphitheater, 10220 N 107th Avenue, Sun City AZ 85351, \$25.00 - \$30.00 after 2/20/25, online register- vintagevehiclesofsuncity.com
 - March 7-9, 2025 - Midnight at the Oasis – Yuma, AZ, \$40 entry (Registration is now locked)
 - May 2-4, 2025 – Route 66 Fun Run – Seligman to Kingman – Join the celebration for a nostalgic weekend – Get your hotel early, and register early
- **2025 Monthly Breakfasts**
 - Sunday, January 19 – Roadmasters — **Ron Olmstead**, More Info to follow
 - Saturday, February 15 – Roadmasters – **Diane and Chuck LaVetter**– More Info to follow
 - Saturday, March 15 – Roadmasters – **Need Volunteers**, – More Info to follow
 - Saturday, April 19 – Roadmasters – **Need Volunteers**, – More Info to follow

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After I graduation, I married Carol and we left for grad school in Pittsburgh in our '59 Covette. My dad took the Model A to a parade in the small town of Wilbur, NE and a kid jumped on the running board and wanted to buy it. We sold it for \$900. The boy was going to the Air Force Academy and that is the last we heard of it.

The '55 Chevy is in a storage shed in Columbus, NE. The Corvette was stolen twice in Pittsburgh for joy rides and, since we were moving to the Bronx, I knew its odds of surviving there were dicey so I begged a guy to take it for \$1000. Never saw it again either.

I will tell you about our current car when I win my next 50/50.





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