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# NUTS & BOLTS

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**Cars, Cars, Cars! Coverage of: the Wildly Successful VVSC Last Call For Fall, and the vast, exhausting Good Guys Shows**



Three great looking Vintage Vehicle beside the band shell at the Sun Bowl show November. 5th

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# Presidents Letter

Another year of our club is coming to an end and a lot has happened in our short 2 years of existence. We are experiencing growing pains and need to make some changes to improve our day to day operations. The purpose will be to get more people involved to spread the work load out over more people to stop burning out the few that are trying to do it all. The positions will be better defined so everyone will know who is doing what so accountable will be easier to keep track of. Our list of our accomplishments is below.

Tom

## **Vintage Vehicles of Sun City Accomplishments: Our Club was born on January 29, 2014**

- 1) We have gone from 0 members to 200 plus in less than two years with no meeting place or a place to work on cars.
- 2) We have been able to put together many car shows and some tours with hot rods and custom cars working out of private homes and restaurants.
- 3) We have gone out and gotten sponsors to pledge money for car shows and a golf tournament.
- 4) We received a 1987 Mercedes roadster to raffle off. got it running, repaired the engine, cleaned it up and installed a new top. Then we sold raffle tickets for 6 months and raised over \$14,000 for the club.
- 5) We hosted a catered picnic for club members and their guests and we had a winter celebration for our members and guest.
- 6) We help raise money and food for the food bank with car shows.
- 7) We brought car shows to some rest homes in the area, so people who couldn't get out, could see nice cars.
- 8) We have set aside funds to use for SCHOA and SC- CANS to aid people in need of car repairs. We fixed their car for free or at a reduced fee. it's temporary on hold because we lost our place to do the work and RCSC has some concerns.
- 9) We have shop tools and equipment in storage just waiting for a place to put them, with promises of more equipment when we get a shop.
- 10) We have been able to accumulate funds of \$39,000 to go into a building or equipment fund through the efforts of our members working together.
- 11) We have a web site that is first class that was built by our members and to go along with that we have an active newsletter available on line that is put out monthly.
- 12) We have an inter active web site created by our members to which you can sign up as a new member and pay on line with PayPal or sign up for a car show.
- 13) We have weekly breakfast every Thursday year-round at a local restaurant in the area (the location has been changed several times because of its growing size, we have had as many as 60 for breakfast). Presently the breakfast is at Bobbies.



## The Fabulous Last Call for Fall Car Show and the people who made it happen



There are no words of praise worthy of the efforts put forth by Anthony and Troy in the endeavor to make this monumental show materialize. I hope this doesn't burn them out or turn them into Zombies. Just try to put yourselves in their shoes this last year and imagine and appreciate what was accomplished by them. Before we see the cars we will see some of the other folks who gave their time to make this show great. Continues next page.







Ed Gordon and I tried our best to photograph all the cars and participants we could but due to space constraints we are unable to show everyone who made this show a success. After December 1<sup>st</sup>, dozens of additional photos will be available to view on the website.







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## **Letters to and from the Editor**

Thanks to all who submitted photos and articles to this newsletter. It's feast or famine around here so I offer apologies to those whose submissions ended up on the cutting room floor so to speak or those that have fallen through the cracks. You may notice there is no happenings section as the website is the most accurate and up to date "vehicle" for that information. This issue is to celebrate our people as well as our cars and there will be an overload of photos.

It may take some extra time to download the news letter due to some of the high pixel density of the photos.

New newsletter app next month. I am going to use Microsot Publisher instead of Word with the assumption that picture and text control will be much easier and acurate for what I want to do.

**Connie Sherman informs us that the Ladies luncheon is Wednesday, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, Noon at Tivoli Gardens.**

**Don't forget! the general meeting is Dec 13<sup>th</sup> meeting room 3 at 1pm**



## Who can I.D. the Mystery Dashboard?



Annual dues are well, due. Please pay up or “Uncle Tony” will visit you before he goes “fishing”.



# VVSC Second Anniversary Party

**When:** Saturday January 14, 2017 6PM    **Where:** Fairway Recreation Center, 107<sup>th</sup> & Peoria

**\$25 Per Person    -    Must be paid in advance By Monday January 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Send Payments to: Denny Lockmon**

**Please make checks out to VVSC**

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## MENU

### **Classic Caesar Salad**

Fresh chopped romaine lettuce, homemade seasoned croutons, Caesar dressing fresh grated parmesan cheese.

### **MAIN COURSE    CHOICE OF:**

#### **Breast of Chicken Florentine**

Filled with fresh sautéed spinach, shallots, garlic, sundried tomato with a tomato basil sauce and shredded parmesan cheese garnish. Served with seasonal vegetables and basmati rice pilaf.

**OR**

#### **Smoked Beef Brisket**

Served with Au Jus, and BBQ sauce, long ranch potatoes, and seasonal vegetable

## **DESSERT**

### **Chocolate Pot de Crème**

Imported chocolate custard served with fresh whipped cream, seasonal fresh berries and hazelnut cookie

**The Calhouns will provide the music and are pictured and described on the next page.**



# The Calhouns



The Calhouns are an award-winning band out of North Platte, Nebraska. Jim Calhoun, Charli Cusolito & Melanie Thompson have performed for events across the central and southwestern states providing fun and energetic music shows. Jim was inducted into the Nebraska Country Music Hall of Fame in 2007 and was named entertainer of the year by the Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs in 2004. Mel is a trained musician playing piano, guitar and drums. She has great stage presence and energy! Charli is a very talented lady on the keyboard. Her smile, energy and personality bring an added energy to the stage. More recently The Calhouns performed two tours in England and Scotland. They have had one of their original songs included in a BBC movie sound track. They perform classic Country and good old Rock and Roll with a hint of Rock a Billy and Blues. The Calhouns like to consider their music "Rural American Music".

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## Rich Mock's 1922 Model T Ford Pickup Truck

I have owned this 1922 Model T pickup for approximately 10 years and have always enjoyed running it around town. Before buying our second home out here in Sun City, my wife, Jan and I have always lived in the Buffalo, NY area our entire life. We grew up together as her parents and my parents were very close friends and would get together many times during the years. Not too many people can say they have known their spouses for their entire life!

Anyway, a friend of mine use to drive this truck in parades for his friend, Bo Tucker. Bo had a company called Creative Concrete, which by the way was painted onto the doors of the truck in such a way that it looks quite original. Bo was a large fellow who could not get behind the wheel anymore, so my friend would drive it for him in the parades around town. I told him that if it ever came up for sale, to let me know, as I have thought about owning a Model T and thought it would be fun to drive it around. At the age of 16, I owned my first Model A and have owned Model A's throughout my adult life and now wanted to learn more about the Model T.

About a year later, I got that phone call that I have been waiting for... it was for sale! I could not say yes fast enough. My friend delivered it, and while backing it off the ramp, he dropped it about 1 foot to the street below. Steering is very touchy as the tires are so skinny. It doesn't take much to over steer. Luckily nothing was broken. She just bounced up and down and was fine. Guess she felt right at home, just like driving the ruts back in the early 1920's.

I have added many extra period items to the truck, and anytime I find something that would look good on it, I try to add it.

Around 8 years ago, the rear axle broke while driving down the street and had to have it flat bedded back home. I must say I know pretty much every inch of the old girl, between having to fix the axle and other things I have done to the truck. **Continued next page.**



There is an electric start on it, but I also like to crank her up every so often. It is a fun car to drive, especially out here in Sun City!

I presently own a 1930 Model A Ford also back in Buffalo NY and enjoy working on these old cars. If anyone ever needs help with either their Model A or Model T, just let me know. I would be happy to help you out.

## More discounts for us!

I have negotiated a deal with Jax Wax of Arizona. This is an excellent line of wax and cleaning products for automobiles. I personally have used several of their products on my cars and find them superior to the products I can buy from any of the big box stores. Among many items, I especially like their Hawaiian Shine Spray Wax. It is a spray on Carnauba wax that works very, very well in sun or shade on wet or dry surfaces.

All VVSC Club members will receive 15% off the listed price by entering the coupon code: "vvsc15" or "vintage", when an order is placed on their website. Plus, they will deliver the products to us at no additional charge. When ordering Jax Wax products, our members must access the Jax Wax website using the following Hyperlink: <http://www.shop.jaxwaxofaz.com/> A catalog of all products is available via the hyperlink.

Additionally, this local company has a sister business that specializes in "Paintless Dent repair". I have seen the results of some of their "Paintless" dent removal work and it is excellent. Their 27 years of experience in the business shows in the quality of repair.

Logos and art work are attached. If you have any questions, please feel free to phone me or reply by email.

Scott Donkers



## THAT IS WHAT THIS CLUB IS ALL ABOUT

I would like my fellow club members to realize there is not only a brilliant automotive mind, but a wonderful, patient, generous man amongst us. That would be Tom LeVack.

I was having trouble with my 1930 Model A. By process of elimination, trial and error, research, chasing and waiting for parts and friendly, lengthy garage sessions, we arrived at a solution.

With every new part we located, installed and tested, Tom never lost heart. I admit I was reaching that point

After several ideas failed...finally we heard the sound we all love...the rumble.

For sure I netted an entirely new electrical system in the process. I am roadworthy and car show worthy again.

A by-product of this camaraderie was a refresher course in automotive systems. Most importantly, I realized I have a loyal friend. At the end of our "road", I asked him how could I possibly repay him for his time. His response was

a thank-you to me for providing him a learning opportunity to a difficult but not insurmountable challenge. He continued by adding, that is what this club is all about.

The purpose of the submission is not to advertise Tom as an on-call 24/7 mechanic. After all, I wouldn't want to lose a new friend!

I hope this letter will encourage our fellow members to assist one another. For sure, we have such unusual cars, and these vehicles have complicated and expensive problems. In the name of continuing education, friendship and fun, let's help each other.

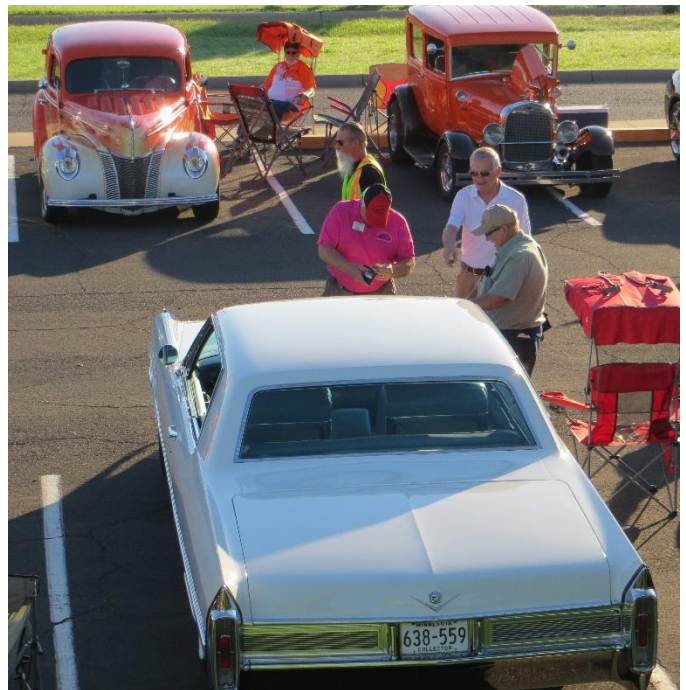
Long live our special club.

Respectfully submitted, Ed Gordon, Jr.

## And now the Cars of Last Call for Fall



**Did you also know that Ed's car was voted the most popular at the show? He also took many of the photos at the last call show.**



**Some familiar faces enjoying the show. I think I've seen these cars somewhere?**

**Continues the next few pages-**





We all know Jese's John Deere.







**See Many more on the website**



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## Denny and Tom's Most Excellent Adventure at Good Guys



Denny's Avanti in the morning sun that was part of the adventure driving up on the 101



37 Lincoln model K V12 Coupe, I absolutely loved it







**Check out those transparent valve covers**



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# The Funny pages



Instant six-pack abs. No need to give up beer



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All photos submitted by Al Baxter except my slightly anorexic cousin Skellatia taken by me at the Good Guys show



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Submitted by Les

Happy Holidays to all



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