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### Featured Member Stories – AI & Kathy Baccaro

Al and Kathy are originally from Pittsburgh, PA; moving to Sun City about 10 years ago. They have been members of the VVSC Club almost from the beginning. Al is thoroughly involved in the classic car hobby. He is currently working in commercial and retail sales at Advance/Carquest auto parts on Bell Rd...at least until his well-deserved retirement arrives! He has helped more than a few VVSC Club members find those elusive maintenance and high-performance parts, using his extensive knowledge and experience!



Al and Kathy Baccaro at the 2023 Spring Fling with their 1965 Buick Gran Sport

Al & Kathy have quite a stable of fine automobiles. A low, low mileage 2011 Corvette Grand Sport tracked down in Florida. Kathy's 2009 Mustang Convertible, 1980 Corvette, the 1965 Buick Gran Sport shown above at the 2023 VVSC Spring Fling, 1989 Lincoln mark VII that was Al's father's car, and the 1968 Buick GS 400 4 speed



that is featured in the video below. The 1965 Buick Gran Sport was purchased in pristine condition from a friend.

Where do Al & Kathy keep all these cars? A great four car garage and an additional creative solution makes it work! (Fun Fact; Al & Kathy used to write the newsletter for their Corvette Club.)



1968 Buick GS 400 4 sp - "If This Car Could Talk"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= XDI0U0E7RE

Click on this link (ctrl click) and watch this great video from "If This Car Could Talk" which chronicles Al's ownership from before he could legally drive...to him tracking the same car down nearly four decades later. Although in good, unrestored condition, Al says the restoration has begun – the engine and interior are out, and the front clip is off! We can't wait to see the finished product!











### **Car Shows & Club Events**

### Spring Fling 2023 Car Show March 4<sup>th</sup>

As Paul Graham, Car Show Director, said "I think we had a tremendous show".

Thanks to all involved that planned and put on the show. The Sponsors and Vendors were happy. It was a beautiful day. There were a lot of cars and great crowds!

















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## Cross Church 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show March 19<sup>th</sup>



















Roger Sharp and his 1934 Vicky

Roger Sharp is a long time Phoenix resident who has spent his life aligned with the automotive hobby. He grew up with family that was involved in the development of the NHRA, and local timing associations, has met and worked with many icons of racing, campaigned a Funny Car, owned a custom truck accessories business, and produced custom louvers and dimple dies. Roger is a very interesting person, if you come across him at a local car show, strike up a conversation and you will find that he is a fun car guy to talk to.















### **Welcome March 2023 VVSC New Members**

Edward & Judith Moore James Lewis Dan & Debbie Avra Lori Sunthonchart Ted & Vicki Griem Ken Agema Scott & Rhonda Cage Leo Hunting



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Our Spring Fling 2024 raffle prize is a new 2023 ICON Electric Golf Car. We purchased the golf car for this years Spring Fling and began to sell tickets. We will sell tickets throughout the year and award the golf car at our 2024 Spring Fling which will be March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

We anticipate that this raffle will be a good money maker for the car club. Several people have already been attending events here in Sun City and have started selling the raffle tickets. We can use your help to sell tickets (1 for \$20 or 6 for \$100). Tickets are being sold at the shop where the golf car is located and on line.



You can get your tickets from Roxie Whitney (952-472-4021).

Here's a QR code that you can scan to order tickets online:

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Here's a listing of coming events where you can help out. Call Alan at 248-496-9844 or Connie at 508-546-7131 if you can assist at one of these events. We have large Posters and can trailer the golf car to any event.



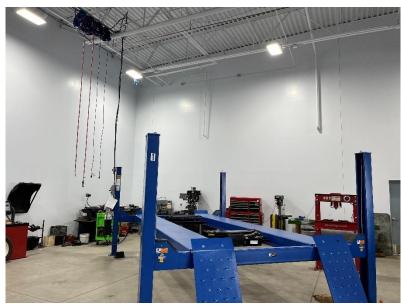
Sun City Area Event	Date	Time	Location	Who Can Be There?	Golf Cart - Yes / No
Marinette movie	Wednesday, March 29	2:00 PM	Marinette		
Rod Stewart & Tina Turner Tribute	Wednesday March 29th	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Sundial Recreation Center		Poster Only
Sun City Ukulele Club	Thursday, March 30th	4:00 pm	Fairway Music Room		
RCSC Board of Directors Meeting	Thursday, March 30th	9:00 AM	Sun Dial Recreation Center		
Tom Petty Tribute	Sunday April 2nd	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Sun Bowl Amphitheater	Alan Lund	Poster / Car - Yes
CBE Open Bowling Tournament	Sunday April 2nd	8:00 AM	Lakeview		
Posse Jubilee - 50 Years	Saturday, April 8th	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm	10861 W. Sunland Drive	Alan Lund	Poster / Car - Yes
Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday, April 8th	9:00 pm to Noon	Sun Bowl Amphitheater		
Sun City Concert Band Spring Concert	Saturday, April 8th	2:00 PM	Sundial Recreation Center		
The Fabulous Decades	Sunday April 9th	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Sun Bowl Amphitheater		
Outside the Line	Sunday, April 16th	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Sun Bowl Amphitheater		
The Elements	Sunday April 23rd	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Sun Bowl Amphitheater		
Yesterday Once More	Sunday, April 30th	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Sun Bowl Amphitheater		
33rd Annual Sun City Open Senior Bowling	April 29th 30th	10:00 AM	Lakeview and Bell Lanes		





Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, Potluck
Over 50 people attended! Lots of good eats to choose from!

### What's Going on at the Shop...



Rotary Brand 14,000 lb. Lift

Hose reels have been installed and the lift is in use. Training has been completed. If you need to use the lift, and have not had the training, see Dan Chopp.





#### **Future Events:**

#### **April 2023**

**April Ladies Lunch** 

When: April 3rd, Monday, 12:00 pm

Where: The Links Grill

18823 N. North Country Club Pkwy, Peoria

Please RSVP, so we have a head count, to Susan Mitchell,

mitchellsm1@yahoo.com

#### Spring Potluck/Cruise In/Mini Golf/Games/Car Show in Parking Lot

When: April 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 11am – 4:00pm Where: Mountain View Rec Center

#### ASU – Sun Devil Motorsports (Student run organization) Hosts SDM23 Car Unveil Event (Not a VVSC Club Sponsored Event)

When: April 8th, Saturday, 9:00 am

Where: Podium Club at Atessa – 6870 S Bianco Rd, Casa Grande, AZ Organization is inviting SSVC to participate in their car show, during the unveil. There is a \$10 Entry Fee for each participant, winners will be judged and awarded cash prizes. Food, music, ride-a-longs, and more available on-site. Must let SSVC know as soon as possible, contact Gary Osier at h2osiers@yahoo.com if interested.

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#### **Brats and Brooms- Grand Center Shop Clean-up**

When: **April 8**<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 10:00 am

Where: VVSC Shop on Grand

Bring a broom, and come help clean up the shop, brats served

afterward.

#### **Events Committee & Board Meetings**

When: **April 11<sup>th</sup>**, Tuesday

Events Committee Meeting 10am-12noon

Board Meeting 1-3 pm

Where: Grand Center, Sonoran Room



#### Cruise In/Car Show – Marinette Rec Center

When: **April 14**th, Friday, 10am – 12 Noon

Where: Marinette Rec Center – 9860 W. Union Hills Drive, Sun City

#### Show Your Wheels - Auto Show, The Vineyard Park of Surprise

(Not a VVSC Club Sponsored Event)

When: **April 15**<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 3 – 6pm

Where: 16650 N Stadium Way, Surprise, AZ 85374

Presented by The Burkardt Group and Vineyard Park Surprise.

Competitors will compete for Top in Show, Best Muscle, and Cleanest Classic. Food Trucks, Vendors, Raffles, and More! Please RSVP your vehicle with Kaylee Cochran (909)-653-5092, or Colette Roberge (425)-

343-4418

#### **General Membership Meeting**

When: April 18th, Tuesday, 1:00 pm

Where: Lakeview, SH1-2

#### Potluck at the VVSC Shop

When: **April 25**th, Tuesday 5:00 pm (Last Tuesday of the month.)

Where: VVSC Grand Shop

#### May 2023

#### Ventana Lakes Car Show (Not a VVSC Club Sponsored Event)

When: **May 27**<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 9am-1pm Where: 20015 N 108<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Sun City

DJ, Food, Vendors – Free Registration, for registration form contact

acitivities@vlpoa.org; or Oliviah Valencia at 623-566-6001



### On Going Meetings and Events

Potluck and Social Night – last Tuesday of the month, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Bring chairs, dish utensils, and maybe a table.

<u>Ladies Luncheon</u> – First Monday every month, 12:00 pm at a location TBD each month and published in the newsletter and/or website. Watch for change in dates as well.

<u>Breakfast Social Time</u> – every Tuesday at 7:00 am at Mercer's Restaurant, 9720 W. Peoria Avenue. Any changes in time/location will be noted here.

<u>Arby's Cruise In</u> – every Wednesday, 5:00 to 9:00 pm, 99<sup>th</sup> and Bell; they are happy to have us come in, one restriction – no parking/sitting in the handicapped parking spaces. Wear your badge to get a Free Treat!

<u>Breakfast Social Time</u> – every Thursday at 7:00 am at George's Café in Bell Recreation Center

<u>Cruise to Culver's</u> – every Sunday at 11:30 am at Culver's Restaurant, 8330 W. Deer Valley Rd., Peoria, AZ 85382

### **Announcements/Reminders/Misc.**

#### **Tears, Cheers and Pitstops**

This page is dedicated to provide information about our members that is of interest to other members. <u>Cheers</u> represents the good information that we need to share, such as birthdays, weddings, new grandchildren, etc. <u>Pit Stops</u> represents information about members having difficult times, such as illness, hospitalization, or other difficulties. <u>Tears</u> represents news about members and relatives who have passed away.



If you want something posted in the Newsletter or Website, please contact one of the following Club Services Committee members:

Yvonne Ahrens at 217-899-7842 or email <a href="mailto:y.ahrens@gmail.com">y.ahrens@gmail.com</a>; Marilyn Miller 509-279-4952 or email <a href="mailto:bob-marilyn@q.com">bob-marilyn@q.com</a>; Nancy Oyler <a href="mailto:480-558-6717">480-558-6717</a> or email <a href="mailto:nancynascar@outlook.com">nancynascar@outlook.com</a> with information.

#### **Newsletter Info**

If there is something you would like to see in the monthly newsletter, or have a story to tell...please contact us at duchene2@msn.com; or call/text us at 612-418-2103 Bob, 612-247-4527 Kathleen.

#### Monitor Training - "Refresh"

If you are interested in updates to working as a Monitor, another option to Monitoring as a Shadow is to sign up for Monitoring for a "Refresh". List "Refresh" on the Monitor Sign-up Sheet at the Shop. If you have questions, contact Dan Chopp or Jim Wersching,

### Name Badges

- If you have a badge now that has the year punched, you will be receiving a new permanent badge when you renew.
- Lifetime Members If your emergency contact or phone number has changed, fill out a form with the change, and we will issue a new badge.
- Indicate if you have an email change on your Renewal Form.
- Ask for your new name badge at the monitor's desk.

#### **Food Drive**

Canned food can be dropped off <u>anytime</u> during the year, in the Food Drive Box (near the front door) at the Shop.

#### **License Plates Needed**

If you have plates you would want to donate, bring to the shop, and drop in a collection "bin". Any state, car, golf cart, motorcycle, trailer, RV...any plate! There are "creative ideas brewing" by a group at the club!!



### Future Reading/Misc.

# **Electric Cars Are Bankrupting the Auto Industry** – submitted by Richard Marone

Click (ctrl click) on the link below, or copy and paste into your web browser.

<u>frontpagemag.com/electric-cars-are-bankrupting-the-auto-industry/</u> By Daniel Greenfield March 28, 2023

Why Men Need Tool Boxes – submitted by Gary Osier Click (ctrl click) on the link below, or copy and paste into your web browser.

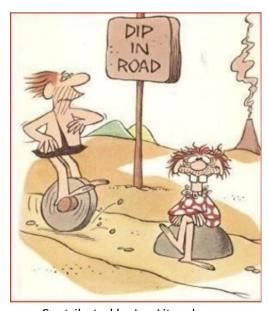
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9C\_ECDZ3naw

#### FREE to someone that can use this.

6-volt items left over from converting from 12-volt

- Good battery
- Generator
- Solenoid
- Relay

Contact Ralph Robbin, 623-256-1923.



Contributed by Les Litzenberger



### **April 2023**





## VVSC Officers (thru end of 2023)

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