



Featured Member Spotlight – Glenn Gormley



Glenn was born and lived the first 6 and a half years of his life in Patterson, NJ. In August of 1964, he and his family moved to Phoenix, AZ. His father had arthritis and really struggled with the cold weather, so they sold

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everything, packed everyone up in their brand-new Country Squire Station Wagon, and off they went to the warm dry climate of Arizona.

Arriving in Arizona, Glenn's father quickly found a job and within a month, they had purchased a home and were living in the far West Valley community of Maryvale. Glenn attended Starlight Park Elementary School and, in his words, "just had the best childhood." Glenn laughs, "it was just wonderful out here, so much to do, we ran wild."

As a youngster, Glenn found he was always around things that had an engine, thus began his fascination with motorized vehicles. At the age of 10 or 11, Glenn got his "Taco" brand mini-bike; he rode it everywhere. After graduating from Junior High, Glenn worked a summer for his uncle Bill Gormley and saved up to buy a new 125 cc race ready Yamaha Motorcycle. This started the racing bug in Glenn as he competed in Motocross with his new motorcycle; and rode motorcycles throughout High School.

When he turned 16, he purchased his first truck; a 1968 Chevrolet Step-Side pickup. He followed that with a 1959 VW that he purchased for the enormous sum of \$25!

Glenn was a hard worker in school as well. In the West Valley, development was booming and the school system could hardly keep up. Glenn was in a flexible school schedule at Maryvale High School where for his Freshman through Junior years, he doubled down and took extra classes. By the time he was a Senior, Maryvale High School was bursting at the seams and added a new, Trevor Brown High School. Glenn had taken so many credits in his first three years he arrived at his Senior year only needing one credit. Glenn's senior year was a breeze and he soon graduated from Trevor Brown High School.

Glenn's father and uncle were in the ice cream business, selling ice cream all around the West Valley. Glenn worked for the ice cream warehouse all through High School; and although he had good grades and easily could have gone to the college of his choice following High School; he chose to



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strike out on his own. He decided he needed to explore the world, and so he did.

He converted a 1964 Studebaker Step Van, a former postal vehicle, into an ice cream truck, and started an ice cream route of his own. Never really satisfied with that, he started looking for something else to do.

Soon after, he got married, and was a father at 20 years old. Glenn has two children, a boy, and a girl. He got a job as a salesman for a company, starting out as a shipping clerk. A sales manager took Glenn under his wing and he went into sales; he just excelled.

At Thanksgiving, his wife's uncle, Dick Byrnes asked him, "what do you want to do with your life?" He suggested, consider getting into the garbage business, "you'll never be out of work"! He thought he would give it a try and was referred to Dick's friend, Bob Allen of Western Waste Services. When Bob said he could use someone to clean his damaged trash containers, they would then need to find someone to come in to make welding repairs to them, and finally, find someone to paint them. Glenn said he could clean, weld, and paint them. Bob said Well, let's see what you can do. Bob was impressed with Glenn's work! He was given the job, and offered \$250/week. A pretty good wage in 1976.

When Bob was short a driver, he asked Glenn, "Do you think you could drive one of these trucks?" Glenn responded, "I am already driving them around the yard!" Another opportunity had presented itself, so Glenn jumped in and was rewarded with another raise.

Nine months later, Glenn was offered an opportunity to advance himself at Waste Management. He worked there, for 13 years, in a variety of positions, from sales to operations. In 1985 he had a serious, on the job, accident after blowing a front tire. While recovering, in 1986, since he was not yet fully able to return to his driving job, he started in a sales position at Waste Management, and once again, found, he excelled in sales. In 1988 he applied for a new position in Operations, and did not get the job due to his lack of a college degree.



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Glenn decided to move on and put in his two weeks' notice, leaving the company without a job at that time. Shortly thereafter, Glenn ran into a gentleman that he had worked for in 1977, Joe Klimoski. Joe was starting a new company, and Glenn agreed to be his Operation's Manager, helping him build his company. In a few years this company was bought out by Waste Management.

Glenn had already started his own business, "Haul Away Clean-up Services," where he was helping people clean up their property, so he put in his two weeks' notice and went out on his own fulltime.

Glenn always had in his mind, that if he ever had his own business, his employees would not be treated as he had sometimes been treated in the corporate world. His employees would have a voice, he made it important for them to have the things that they needed to have success, and he always paid them the most he could afford to pay. "We had a blast every day!"

Through Glenn's excellent sales and business skills, he grew the company into a multi-million-dollar business. In 2006, he sold the company, and retired; Glenn was 50 years old. His working career had lasted 30 years and 2 months.



Glenn's 1965 Corvair Monza



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Over the course of his life, Glenn has focused on a couple of important points, he has "learned the art of communication with people" and has "learned to always have a couple of bucks in your pocket so you can take advantage of opportunities that come your way."

Glenn loves cars, it has always been a constant in his life. Cars bring him great comfort. Glen says he "can't count the hundreds of cars he has probably owned."



Glenn's 1966 Chevy II Nova

Glenn's 200 BMW M5

Glenn was still racing, now he had switched to cars. He participated in Amateur Road Racing, covering primarily southern California and Arizona; Porsche was his main car of choice.

Over the years, Glenn had usually maintained a small collection of 4-6 cars. After the sale of his business, and with plenty of time to enjoy them, his collection grew to a huge number of cars. Glenn had a lot of Porsche's, Camaro's, VW's, Corvair's, etc.

Along with the racing, Glenn started a Consulting Company, helping friends and business associates make their businesses more successful.



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In 2018, Glenn moved to Sun City to be closer to his mother and sister. He has been a member of the VVSC Club for about two and a half years. Being a high energy guy, he thought the Club would be a wonderful fit. His motto is "to help people, contribute to other's success, and always have fun!"

Glenn's current stable of cars include; 1956 Belvedere, 1965 Corvair Monza, 1966 Chevy II Nova, 1967 Camaro, 1984 BMW E30 325, 1995 BMW M3 Turbo Track Car, 1995 BMW M3 all original, 2003 BMW M3, 2000 BMW M5, 1924 Model T, 1976 911 Porsche, and a 1995 BMW 325i Sedan.



Glenn's 1967 Camaro S







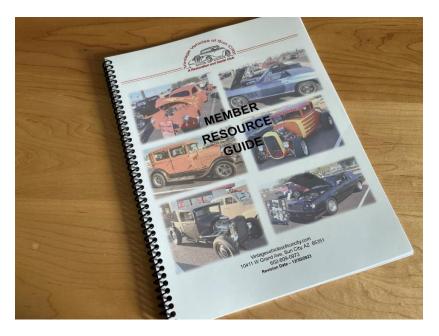
What You Need to Know

Attention Welders: There will be a charge in the shop for welding. If you have any questions, please contact Ed Gordon.

Ongoing Food Drive – please bring non-perishables to the Shop, Car Shows, Potlucks, Meetings.

2024 Board Members – see the Org Chart at the end of this Newsletter for a list of names, some positions have changed.

More on the website or in the shop about What You Need to Know.



MEMBER RESOURCE GUIDE

A new information manual has been created and is in the process of being refined as a reference primarily for new members, as well as, existing members. Since the club is growing quickly, we are looking for a comprehensive way to reach and involve all our members in the many activities that the club has to offer. If you would like to be involved in some way, contact Bob DuChene, Debbie Benson, or Alan Lund.



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March Ladies Lunch Adams Café, Youngtown





Photos Courtesy of Susan Mitchell







Vintage Vehicles of Sun City 7th Annual Spring Fling Car Show

The March 02, 2024 annual car show was a great success because of the hard work of the many members that participated in putting this on. Great weather, great cars, a lot of sponsors, vendors, food booths, and large turnout of spectators. A special thanks goes out to Alan Lund, Car Show Director!



Nice Nova!



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It takes a lot of preparation to make the show run smoothly. Thanks to Stacy Benson, and his many helpers that met the day before the show to review the plan and procedures. This year we had a great D.J. and sound system, who also set up the Friday before the event.





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Large crowd of spectators. The vendors were happy!



Thanks to all our members that manned the booths!







Congratulations to Paul Hiles, our VVSC Icon Golf Cart Winner! Our members did a wonderful job selling golf cart raffle tickets! We sold <u>every</u> ticket that was allotted for the raffle. Special thanks to Connie Sherman that coordinated the sales, Great Job Connie!



Sales have started for our **2025 Spring Fling Raffle!** Bon Voyage Travel \$5000 Travel Voucher! Tickets were sold at this year's Show, and are now available online and at the Shop! Get yours today!









The owner of the 1935 Chevrolet Sedan, the maroon car, averages 15,000 miles per year!



Herb Carson has been telling us he is in his Nineties, I think he is pulling our leg!



One of our vendors at the Car Show, Dylan's Tailgate Benches. Very nice quality. Dylan Orszulak and Chelsey Tucson, originally from Barre, Massachusetts, now living in AZ. You can reach them on their Facebook page, Dylan Orszulak.



Good turnout at Tue 3/12/24 Car Show Recap Meeting, some good feedback!





ANGRY BIRDS BOWLING



February Angry Birds Bowling Group!

Angry Birds Bowling is tied in to the video game. The object on the video screen is to knock the pigs down! In addition, the group also participates in No-Tap Bowling. If you leave a pin in a frame, it still counts as a Strike! The group meets every Sat. at 5:30-8:00. Contact Jan Mock, janrich72@gmail.com, or 716-510-4864 by 1:00 Sat to paticipate. Photo Courtesy of Jesse Allen Falls.

NASCAR Cup Series Race

The Vintage Vehicles of Sun City Car Club was invited, by NASCAR, to bring our cars to an exclusive Car Corral parking area for the March 10 NASCAR Cup Series Race. There was a space set aside for classic cars where the spectators could pass by on their way to the race.



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Classic car parking for March 10 NASCAR race. Many VVSC members left from the VVSC Shop as a group in the early morning hours, parking in the easy access Car Corral.



It was an exciting race with many lead changes, won by Gibbs Racing driver Christopher Bell in car number 20.







March 26 Potluck and Celebration of Life for Scott Donkers at the VVSC Shop.



Remembering our friend and Founding Member of VVSC, Scott Donkers. May he Rest in Peace.







Monthly Car Fun Run organizers The Monthly Group is called "The Retreads"

Denise Fitzgerald, Beth Miller, Richard Holcomb, Lloyd and Carol Reimann, and Mike Fitzgerald gathered before the first run to The Road House in Cave Creek on Valentines Day. Richard came up with the idea for a Monthly Car Run and Mike and Denise, and Lloyd and Carol will be the hosts for the future Car Runs.

Next Run:Date: Thursday April 11
Destination: Travelling Vietnam Memorial Wall at Lake
Pleasant, AZ There will be a guided tour of the wall
provided to the members of VVSC – please bring your
badge.
Time: Leave at 9:00 am, Tour 10:30
Details: Check at the Shop or contact one of the Hosts.





Dwarf Car Museum Fun Run

Maricopa, AZ – March 20



The grounds of the Dwarf Car Museum.



Raceway Bar and Restaurant, Maricopa. Debbie Carlson with '54 Chevy Dwarf car.



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Hanging out with Ernie at the Dwarf Car Museum. Photos Courtesy Denise Fitzgerald, Jesse Allen Falls.



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The Vintage Riders on two-day motorcycle ride, VVSC, Wickenburg, Lake Havasu, Oatman, Kingman, Ash Fork, Prescott, Sun City.



John Fillinger, Ganen LaJoie, Bob DuChene; taking photo, ride organizer, Al Stiewing.

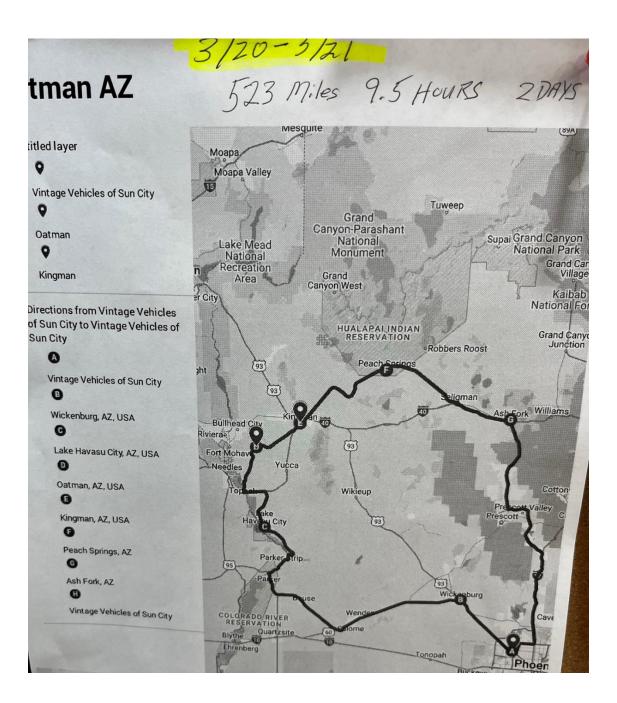


Stop in Oatman, AZ. The burrows come into town daily to greet the visitors.





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Welcome January, February, and March New Members

Rick Sprengel, Teala Willet, Tammy Burt, Don Donahue, Franklin Lamca, Rick Sidwell, Susan Sidwell, Bernie Locatta, Martin Spaay, Antonio Bonilla, Gary Figueroa, Steve Christensen, Ron VanStraten, Jean (Jeanie) Ackley, Geary Hall, Dave Leibold, Paul Haney, Karen Sperry, Wendy Agema, Alberta Beatty/Gormley, David & JoAnn Cantwell/Kramer, Allen Collins, Karen Curtis Sperry, James (Jim) Davis, Paul Dietz, Gary Edwards, Priscilla (Sally) Fairchild/Spor, Ronald (R Dale) Gross, Leon Jarnagin, R Marie Jones, Michael Lafler, Dennis McCreery, Patricia (Pat) McKnight, Janelle Meyer, Harold Nelson, Robert (Karl) Peterson, Patrick (Dutch) Sangaline, Timothy (Tim) Sperry, Phillip Spor/Fairchild, Richard Terreo, Lee & Stephanie Thomson, Aaron Tomlin, Leo Baumann, Larry Cannon, Daniel Davies, Chad Dixon, Michael Gibson, Lawrence (Larry) & Linda Gulotta, Joseph (Joe) Hedges, Patrick & Ramona Helms, Carl Hu, William Huston/Ragonese, Sandra (Sandy) Jacobs/Hoeft, Audrey Kautza, Elizabeth (Lizz) Kelly/Lindley, Michael Lindely/Kelly, Ralph (Butch) Lord Jr., Abel (Abe) Masquelier, Rex & Ann Moore, Michael & Barbara Neal, Teresa (Terry) Padula, Joe Pendergrass, Linda Ragonese/Huston, John Silchia, Dan Sullivan Jr., Eugene (Gene) Vorwerk, Michael Wasilewski, Rich White Sr., Stanley (Stan) Wicks, Timothy (Tim) Wilt

VVSC Membership Survey Results

141 Responses, 27% of Membership - 522 Members at time of survey

Question 1 - What activities do you participate in? Check all that apply

	<u> # Responses</u>	
Car Shows	102	77.3%
Potluck Dinners	54	40.9%
Outings/Cruises	55	41.7%
Motorcycle/ATV rides	16	12.1%
Bowling	13	9.8%
Meetings	59	44.7%
Other	42	31.8%



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<u>Question 2</u> – How do you find out about club activities? Check all that apply

	<u># Responses</u>	
Club E-mails	119	85.0%
Club Website	60	42.9%
VVSC Facebook page	22	15.7%
Club Monthly Newsletter	33	23.6%
Word of Mouth	64	45.7%
RCSC Bulletin Boards	16	11.4%
Sun Views Newspaper	13	9.3%
RCSC Social Media	2	1.4%
VVSC Shop Bulletin Board	59	42.1%

<u>Question 3</u> – Do you attend Club General Membership Meetings? Check all that apply

	<u> # Responses</u>	
I attend meetings	69	51.5%
I have other commitments wh	nen meetings are s	scheduled
	29	21.6%
I don't know when the meetin	igs are held or wh	ere they are held
	11	8.2%
I'm not a meeting person	31	23.1%
Question 4 – Do you use the	shop? Check all tha	t apply
	<u> # Responses</u>	
Yes	77	55.0%
Νο	42	30.0%
Interested	26	18.6%

<u>Question 5</u> – Are you willing to volunteer to help with club functions, events, or activities? Check all that apply

	<u># Responses</u>	
Yes	78	55.7%
No	16	11.4%
Perhaps	47	33.







What's Going on at the Shop

All the lifts except number 3 are currently back in service.



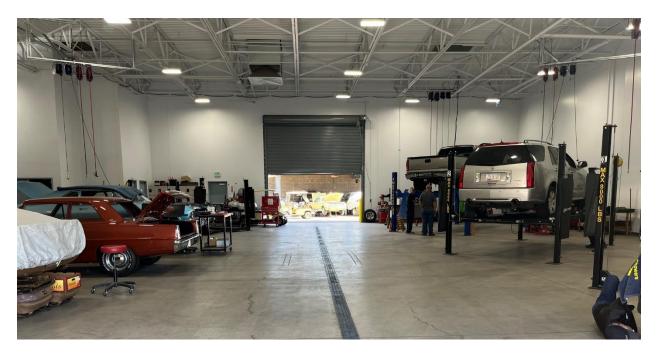
Len Manning installing his 454 Chevrolet with 540 hp on the Dyno. Photos Courtesy of Matthew Staske.



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Matthew Staske pulling the engine on his 1965 Chevrolet Corvair Corsa. Stacy Benson working on his 1973 Chevrolet C-10 Stepside.





Shop Training Don Puetz, Technical Supervisor - Training Series

Training (on different subjects) takes place the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 1-3 pm. Classes have concluded for this season.

Welding Classes

- Wednesdays 9 11:30
- 2 Students per class
- Welding Instructor Ed Gordon
- See Fee Schedule for Welding Supplies
- Sign-Up at the Shop





Upholstery Sewing Area

Upholstery Sewing Class – We now have two instructors generously volunteering to conduct training classes - Bob Cummings, and Ron Atkinson! Thank you, gentlemen!

- Classes Wednesday and Monday 9:30 am to 12 Noon
- Two consecutive classes are required to pass
- Sign up at the Shop
- Students must be current on Monitor Status to attend

Bob Cummings and Ron Atkinson are the volunteers that are providing the training for Upholstery Sewing at the shop. Bob has a unique background as he worked with interiors and upholstery in automobile manufacturing. Ron always had an interest to do his own vehicle upholstery so consequently he has been taking upholstery classes at the local community college.

In addition to providing upholstery training classes, Bob and Ron are happy to answer questions and offer advice if you are working on an upholstery project. RCSC rules do not allow VVSC shop members to take on work for compensation, however.

Future Events

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Car Shows, Etc.

<u>April 5th</u> – Friday, Spring Potluck with Car Show and Games located at the Mountain View Rec Center Auditorium. The Car Show will be in the SE parking lot.11 am. – 4 pm.

<u>April 12</u> – Friday, Car Show and Cruise-In at the MC Recreation Center Southwest parking lots, 10 am. – 12 pm.

For more detailed information on Car Shows - flyers, car show registrations, waivers, etc., check in the shop or go to the VVSC website: www.vintagevehiclesofsuncity.com







Club Meetings & Events

April

April Ladies Luncheon

When: April 1st, Monday, 12:00 pm Where: Links Neighborhood Grill, 18823 N Country Club Parkway, Peoria, AZ 85383

Please RSVP to Susan Mitchell, <u>mitchellsm1@yahoo.com</u> to be added to the count.

Events and Show Planning Meeting – 2nd Tuesday of each month

When: April 9th, Tuesday, 10 am – 12 pm Where: Grand Rec Center, Sonoran Room We need your help, ideas, and input for our club events! Everyone is welcome to attend!

Board Meeting – 2nd Tuesday of each month

When: April 9th, 1 – 3 pm Where: Grand Rec Center, Sonoran Room

General Membership Meeting

When: April 16th, Tuesday, 1-3 pm Where: Lakeview Rec Center, Social Halls 1 and 2

Potluck at the VVSC Shop

When: April 30th, Tuesday 5:00 pm (Last Tuesday of the month.) Where: VVSC Grand Rec Center in the shop

May

Events and Show Planning Meeting – 2nd Tuesday of each month

When: May 14th, Tuesday, 10 am – 12 pm Where: Grand Rec Center, Sonoran Room We need your help, ideas, and input for our club events! Everyone is welcome to attend!







Potluck in the Sonoran Room

When: May 28th, Tuesday 5:00 pm (Last Tuesday of the month.) Where: VVSC Grand Rec Center, Sonoran Room

On Going Meetings and Events

Potluck and Social Night – Last Tuesday of the month, 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Bring a dish to share, dish utensils, and maybe a chair.

<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.

Angry Birds & No-Tap Bowling- Every Saturday, 5:30-8:00 Contact Jan Mock janrich72@gmail.com or 716-510-4864 by 1:00 Sat to participate

<u>Breakfast Social Time</u> – every Tuesday at 7:00 am at Willow Creek Golf Course – snack shop. Located at 10600 W. Boswell Blvd. Any changes in time/location will be noted on website.

<u>Arby's Cruise In</u> – every Wednesday, 4:30 to 7:00 pm, 99th 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>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

Happy Birthday to Carol Montalto, Kay Nation, and Zelda Robinson!

Let Susan Mitchell know if you would like to be added to our birthday list! Mitchellsm1@yahoo.com

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 <u>y.ahrens@gmail.com</u> ; Marilyn Miller 509-279-4952 or email <u>bob-marilyn@g.com</u>; Nancy Oyler <u>480-558-6717</u> or email <u>nancynascar@outlook.com</u> 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/Membership Forms

- 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, they are in the Badge Box at the Shop for pick up. We do not mail out Badges.
- <u>Renewals for 2024</u> you can renew Membership until January 31st, 2024; at which time those that have not renewed will be deleted from the Club Roster.
- Please, please, please write legibly when filling out Membership Forms. If we mis-interpret your writing, your info may not be accurate.

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.







Org Chart/Position Responsibilities VVSC Officers for 2024

Title	Name	Phone	E-Mail
President	Troy Janicki	480-277-6910	troyjanicki@gmail.com
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Volunteer Shop Operations Crew to Keep You Safe

Facilities/Shop Director:

Thom Kron

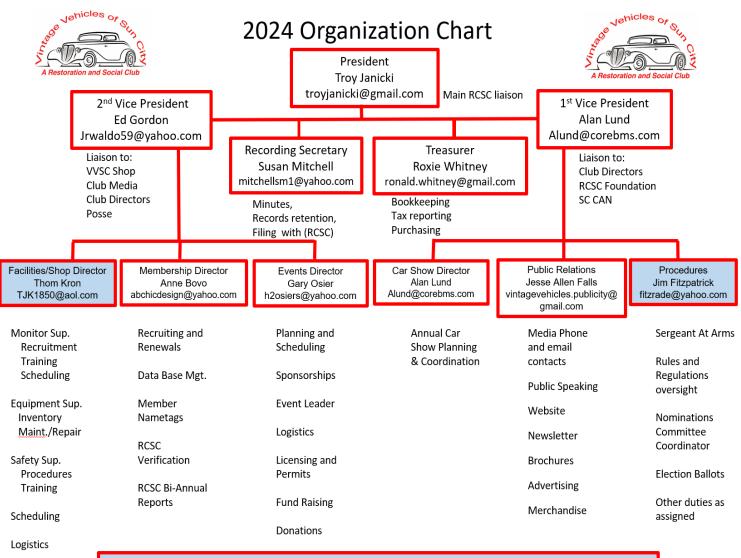
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Glen Gormley, Shop Foreman:	602-540-8720
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Dan Chopp, Monitor Super/Trainer:	216-870-4478
Jim Wersching, Monitor Trainer:	630-550-8786
Don Puetz, Technical Supervisor:	701-318-0879
Ed Gordon, Welding Instructor:	720-447-4045

Get Involved! Participate in your Club! Meet new people!



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Facilities/Shop and Procedures Directors consult on procedures specific to shop operation