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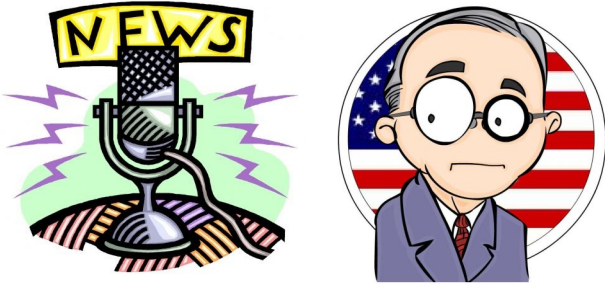


Interesting facts about January

Every month in the calendar has its charm, brings about its season, weather, fun, and festivals to celebrate. Each specific month has its significance in our lives and lifestyles. People wait for their favorite month of the season to arrive, so they live it to the fullest, complete the work they have been waiting for a year. A mango lover waits for the summer months. i.e.

April and May to enjoy those delicious mangoes from his backyard garden. A farmer waits for the rains to arrive in June to have a bumper harvest. Similarly, January, for most people, has significance. It brings a fresh start to lives and gives them a new beginning, while for some, it is a month to rejoice in the sweet winters.

People in most parts of the world regard January as the beginning of the year. They put up and promise to follow specific resolutions for themselves, aimed at getting themselves better as human beings in life and career. They greet their colleagues, friends, and family, wishing them a long, happy life. Moreover, many people regard January as the best time of the year to start a business, improve career prospects, and move forward in life. Besides this, there are a lot of facts about January that we aren't aware of. Let us have a look at these facts.



PRESIDENT: CHRIS AMES

As I was taking the Christmas tree down and safely packing it away in its closet, I was thinking that it seems like I just did that a month ago, knowing full well it was 12 months since I last packed it away. Reflecting on that observation it seems that the more time I experience, the faster I experience time. Or stated in more frightening terms, the older I get the faster I get older! This is a scary observation! So, when I'm not actually using my vision, I'm going to close my eyes to limit my perception of time passing. This should be seen as sleeping! I'll let you know how it's working next month.

As we moved out of the shadow of public health concerns, ACTC picked up the pace in 2022 from 2021, including Supporting Thunderbird High School's homing parade and fielding 8 Classic Thunderbirds to carry Veterans in the fountain Hills Days parade. And we have lots of opportunities to further build on that this year starting events with the Super-Hero show and then the 28th Annual Santa Cruz Valley Car Nuts Classic Car Show at Veteran's Municipal Park, Sahuarita, AZ.

One final note, CTCI has engaged the new year with a full commitment to the 2023 Convention. CTCI members have received Constant Contact emails with information on pre-registration and hotels.

The complete list of year's list of shows, drives and displays will be finalized in next couple of weeks.

ACTC MEMBERS

It is ACTC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME.

A Member Application is included with this announcement.

Please fill out all of the information so that we will be able to double check that all your information is correct.

This year we also want to track Retro Birds. On the line, please put down how many cars, (if more than one) the year of the car as well as the color.

If you are a member of CTCI, please include your number on the CTCI membership line.

The deadline for receiving your check and application is January 23rd in order for your information to appear in the 2023 roster. Mail to Judy Thompson, 4055 North Recker Road, unit 28, Mesa, AZ 85215

Make check out to ACTC.

**Any questions...call me at 602-625-2052
Judy Thompson, Membership Chair**

The 2023 CTCI OFFICERS were announced at the Christmas Dinner. Chris Ames – President, Gregg Thurston – Vice President, Yvonne Wagner – Secretary, Chuck Thompson – Treasurer (not pictured). Kathy Michele – Assistant Treasurer, Robert Michele – Member Board Member at Large, Ex-Officio Member – Danny Kim (not Pictured, Ken Falkenberry – Ways & Means.



2023 CALENDAR OF ACTC EVENTS

January is starting a new year.
Be sure to answer Evite or call Bob that you
are coming to the meeting!!!

All meetings: Members arrive between 8:30
am—9:00 am
Breakfast served at 9:30
Club business attended to before and after
breakfast.

Saturday Feb 11th: 11 Annual Car Show/Swap
meet R.H. Johnson Center's Main Office
8 am-3 pm

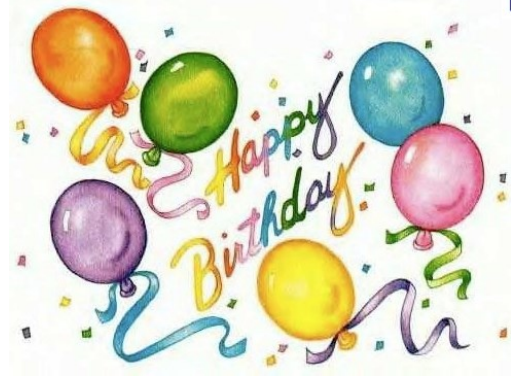
Saturday Feb 11th: Phocus Charity Car Show 7
am Yvonne Wagner has info

Sunday: Feb. 12th American Legion Post 107
20001 N. Cave Creek Rd. Phoenix

Sunday: Mar. 12th The Burg 751 E. Union Hills

Saturday: Apr 8th Annual Picnic Pera Park 1 E
Continental Ave. Tempe Members
arrive between 11:30 am—12:30 pm
Lunch served at 12:30 pm

Sat: April 29th Day at the Pavilions, Mc
Donald's Parking Lot Indian Bend Rd.
west of 101 freeway
Members arrive between 12:00 Noon
and 2:00 pm stay as long as you like.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Sandy Trasente	1/2
Jim Timmons	1/7
Joyce Nimbus	1/11
Barbara Cooley	1/16
Mike Price	1/17
Beverly Saccente	1/17
Phyllis Braasch	1/19
Pat Ciammitti	1/21
Mike Doles	1/22
Wes Henderson	1//23
Frank Saccente	1/23
Polly Betterton	1/23
Kathleen Boles	1/26

PLEASE NOTE !

*All dates and events listed above are tentative
and subject to change. Please check the calendar
each month for updates.*

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!

Judy Thompson



FOUNTAIN HILLS THANKSGIVING PARADE

Thousands of spectators turned out early Thanksgiving morning to run the Turkey Trot and to watch the annual Thanksgiving Parade in Fountain Hills. We had 8 Thunderbirds from ACTC driven by Bob Michele, Wade Myers, Yvonne Wagner, Rose Marie Busby, George Randall, Douglas Shearer, Club President Chris Ames, and Vice President Gregg Thurston. We also had 9 vehicles from the Arizona Military Vehicle Collectors Club. Each of our drivers could tell you stories about the interesting information they learned from the various veterans who rode in their vehicles.



As an example, in Alan Thurston's 1942 jeep which was the lead vehicle in the parade, rather than carry the usual VFW Commander, this year he carried 98 year old Howard Asher, WWII, [J.S. Navy. Howard advised that during the invasion of Iwo Jima, he was assigned to the IJSS Artemis, an attack cargo ship which was anchored on February 19, 1945, in transport area "Baker" off the SE, coast of Iwo Jima during the invasion. The Artemis sent boats to assist in transport during the initial attack, remained in the area for 8 days discharging troops and cargo, and took casualties on board. Howard reports that he personally observed the raising of the American Flag on the top of Mount Suribachi on February 23, 1945. This is just one example of the many real life stories which these veterans can recall from their various services in foreign wars on behalf of all of us.

We were cheered and applauded by thousands of spectators as we drove slowly down the parade route. Men, women, and children of all ages wished us "Happy Thanksgiving" and "Thank you for your service". As we drove down the Avenue of the Fountains we could see the fountain spraying water high above the lake. Dogs wagged their tails at us and one guy also waved and shouted "Beautiful Corvette". His girlfriend or wife waved at us and appeared to be proud of his knowledge of collector cars. The sky was clear and we were blessed. With a great Arizona November morning for a parade. Meanwhile some poor folks in New York had to dig out from 5' of snow. There was a lot to be thankful for. A big thanks goes to all the drivers who drove their cars or military vehicles making our morning a truly memorable event. And to all of you reading this article, now that Thanksgiving is in the rear view mirror, it is time to say "Merry Christmas to a11." And next month you will see numerous photos from our annual Christmas Party. Raise a glass and celebrate for it is now that time of year!

Article by Gregg Thurston

Sorry, Readers, this very important article was meant for the December Newsletter, but I ran out of room.

SUPERHERO CAR SHOW

Here is the first car show of the New Year:

The Superhero Car show will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2023, from 11:00 am. - 5:00 pm., at 2200 N Central Avenue, (several blocks south of Thomas Road). We had about 8-10 cars from our club attend this car show last year. The registration fee is \$25 and you can register at this address: <https://www.superherosaturday.org/cars> , or contact Bob Coudret at email: bob@guardiansgroup.com, and Bob can register your car.

The car show is to honor former ACTC member Tom McKee who was a Peoria Police Reserve officer, as well as fallen police officers. The proceeds raised will be for the families of fallen officers as well as the Child Crisis Center. Bob Michele states that he will set up a group breakfast near the show as he did last year. This is a relatively small show (40-60 cars) which has numerous Superhero characters present as well as Phoenix Police SWAT vehicles.

Judging of Cars: Some persons who attended last year were disappointed that the "best of show car" was chosen last year by drawing a name/car. We are advised that this year there will be actual judging and not a drawing due to numerous valid complaints. So whether your car wins or not, this is a chance to spend a few hours on a Saturday at a breakfast with friends, socializing with club members, viewing some nice cars, and help a good cause.

If you sign up please email Bob Michele (rmich1957@gmail.com) and Gregg Thurston (Thurstonfamily@yahoo.com) so we can organize the breakfast and keep a count and keep in touch with the folks going to the show. All club members and friends are welcome to come and you can enter any car you want, not just Thunderbirds. So let's support Phoenix Police and fallen officers!

Hope to see you there,

Gregg Thurston

2022 ACTC CHRISTMAS PARTY AT EMBASSY SUITES Happy Hour



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**Russ Hanson found a 57 T-Bird up for auction:
<https://auctions.ejsauction-lot/1957-ford-thunderbird-coupe-9FD40D2BF7>**

**For sale 4 Coker wide whitewall tires 4 ply 7.50x14 used great condition off 57 T-B
Make offer call Doug at**

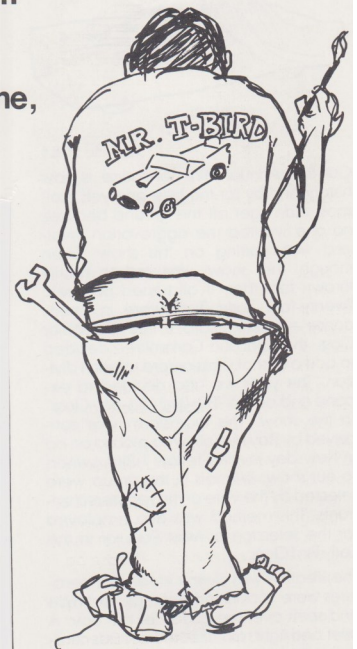
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GOOD SHOT, THAT'S WHAT I'VE ALWAYS WANTED.

Mr. T-Bird look alike...

does this look like anyone you know? Send us his/her name, and we will publish your results.



Remember to old days when crack meant the gap in your pants!

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Don Anderson's daughters

Tracey & Tammy



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\$1500 per person**

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