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JANUARY 2024 HAPPY NEW YEAR



The celebration of the New Year dates back to ancient civilizations¹²³. The earliest recorded festivities in honor of a new year's arrival date back some 4,000 years to ancient Babylon². The Romans celebrated New Year on 1st of March, which was later changed to 1st of January with the change in Roman calendar¹⁴. The origin of January 1 marking the New Year dates back to 46 B.C., when Julius Caesar developed the solar-based Julian calendar⁵⁴. Another reason behind making January 1 the start of the New Year was to honor Janus — the Roman god of beginnings who had two faces⁵⁴.



President

Jim Rodgers

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PORT HOLE

Wow!, 2024 sure did sneak up on me as I am sure it did most of you not to mention Christmas but didn't we have great weather during the Holidays?

ACTC President for another year. This will be my fourth term as President after serving as President in 1983, 2015 and 2016 and I'm not sure that has ever been done but why is it? Really folks I get it, we are all getting older and the Lil Birds no longer consume our entire lives but it takes so little to make YOUR club successful if everyone does just a little.

I remember 1983 we had four consecutive meetings with 100 members present and just shy of 50, yes 50 Thunderbirds but times have changed and I get it. I need help any more just to wipe the Bird down and get her ready for the next event. Remember, we can do it and remember our motto I started years ago and that is "IF IT RUNS, DRIVE IT".

2024 looks to be a great year headed by Activities Chairman and VP Bob Michelle with events for everyone to enjoy so let's make it a great year. You may have noticed that the meeting is moved up a week on the Calander but future meetings for the most part will continue to be the second Sunday of the month.

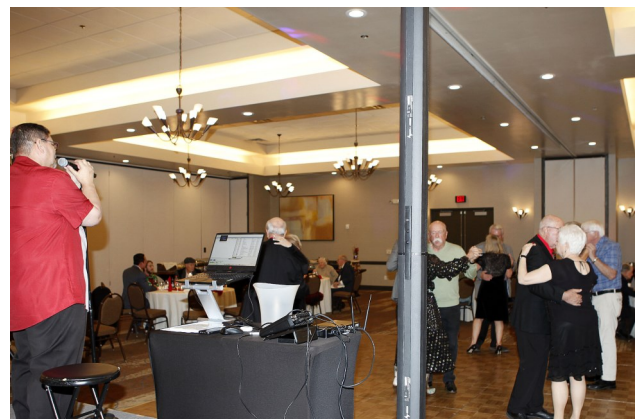
Now to thank all those on the 2023 ACTC Board and all the volunteers that made 2023 a great year. Our meetings in 2024 will be conducted by in large, in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order and as outlined in Article 6 of the By Laws as outlined in the ACTC roster. Meetings will be for socializing and enjoying each other's company and will be kept short but expect to see a little fun and humor injected here and there so until next time.

"IF IT RUNS, DRIVE IT"

Annual Christmas party



Welcome Birders



2024 CALENDAR OF ACTC EVENTS

“DRIVE YOUR CARS”

**Sunday January 7th (first Sunday of the month) Rudy's BBQ 1733 N. Higley Rd, Gilbert cost \$13.00 per person
8:30-9:00 breakfast 9:30**

Saturday February 10th (second Saturday of the month) Oro Valley BBQ & Blues Classic Car Show \$45.00 registration 12155 N Oracle Rd, Oro Valley, AZ 85737 contact Bob Michele if you are interested.

Sunday February 11th (second Sunday of the month) American Legion Post 107 20001 N. Cave Creek Rd, Phoenix Cost \$16.00 per person



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

PLEASE NOTE !

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



CLASSIC CLASSIFIEDS


1951 Chopped top Ford 2 door, 5.0 Mustang motor with AODE overdrive trans new ECM motor runs great, 4 wheel disc brakes, Appleton spot lights, large bubble skirts, Mustang seat, split in back 20 gal gas tank with new sender. Custom dash with Dakota gauges, electric wipers

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Annual ACTC Christmas Party went off smoothly due to Bob and Kathy Michele and crew. Kathy Michele came up with wonderful center pieces.

Duane Foster did his usual superb photos. Happy hour worked out great, the bar was right in the party room.

Dinner was served buffet style via numbered tables of course #1 went first.

Food was excellent and plenty of it.

Music started, and he sang a lot of requested songs.

Dancers had a ball, they even did a couple of electric slide dances.

Thanks to Jim and Carter Rodgers they brought their 57 Thunderbird, Russ and Maggie Hanson also brought their 57 white Thunderbird.

WHAT A GREAT PARTY!



Holiday Greetings From CTCI

Happy Holidays Thunderbird Enthusiasts

We recently made changes to your CTCI Club Store. You can now access the On-Line Club Store without using your password. All you have to do is go to the CTCI home page and click on the Club Store link to Shop. When you make a purchase we'll check it against your member number. You don't have to do anything else.

As our gift to you this Holiday season and through the end of January 2024, some popular items are on special.

21st Century Tech Tips paperback book. Sale price \$5.00 (regular price \$8.00),

Multi-page color sales brochures for 1955, 1956, and 1957 have been discounted to \$12.00 (regular price \$18.00).

Some additional items have been marked down for closeout.

Be Safe and Happy Holiday!

Merry Christmas
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ACTC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE EMBASSY SUITES



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No sitting on Santa's Lap!



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JUST A REMINDER

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DON'T FORGET YOUR 2024 DUES ARE DUE NOW SO YOUR NAME WILL BE IN NEW ROOSTER



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Meetings are smoke and cell phone free!

