Superstition H-D Toy Drive



2017 marks the 4th year of the Toy Drive Kick-Off and Car & Motorcycle Show hosted by Superstition Harley-Davidson. This is a two-part event, so we'll follow the calendar to tell the story {;o)

The day dawned on November 4 with a cool grey sky, reminiscent of autumn. If we were up north, you'd be sure there was snow coming. No doubt there was concern by the organizers... but thankfully all that developed was a brief light rain \sim just enough to bring out the smell of ozone.

People gathered at Superstition HD, located at 2910 W Apache Trail in Apache Junction for the Seductive CC Motorcycle & Custom Car Show from 10a-2pm ~ which is also the Toy Drive Kick-Off. Sponsors included San Tan Ford of Gilbert, AZ.

Entry into the show was a new, unwrapped toy. There were more than 62 beautiful vehicles on display ~ motorcycles, cars, and even bicycles. A 1929 Ford Model A hot rod appeared to be the oldest in the show. It's always so neat to see the older vehicles being kept up, road-ready, and show worthy.

Vendor booths included model cars, food & coffee stations, Cornwell Tools, AZ Mounted Rangers, & more.

The raffle table was full of goodies, including sound system components {donated by Slangin Sound}, tools, a custom-painted skateboard, signs, shirts, hats, model cars, gift certificates from restaurants & services, car care kits, and a tall Cornwell Tools chest.

There was music by Gear Shifting Fools and a

Car Hop Competition.

Seductive Car Club is unique in that theirs is a Car, Motorcycle, and Bicycle Club ~ allowing for the interests of everyone in the family. They are based in Mesa, AZ. Learn more at their Facebook page www.facebook.com/seductivecarclub1/

We love the motorcycles of course.... but the cars bring back such memories; offering an extra treat at this gathering. Other car clubs represented included Majestics CC, Pride CC, Redeemed CC, Society CC, Timeless Bombs CC, and USO CC.

From November 4 until delivery day on December 9, people could drop off toys at SHD. The beneficiary of these donations is Sunshine Acres Children's Home. Over 400 toys were donated.

Everyone was invited to return to Superstition HD on December 9 to take the Toy Deliver Ride.

There were about 40 motorcycles, 4 low riders, & another half-dozen or so cars that took the self-paced trip to SACH, on Higley Road in Mesa. This was a family-friendly outing which included a Christmas Party at Sunshine Acres where the kids got to open their gifts and everyone enjoyed cupcakes, cookies, and candy canes.

Brina Brown & Melissa Diekman of Superstition Harley-Davidson, organizers of this event, send out thanks to "Seductive Car Club and Vice President Paul Ponzetti Jr. and all those who participated in the giving of toys and bringing them to the kids. Without the help and support of all involved we would not have been able to have such a successful

toy run!!"

Paul Ponzetti Jr. of Seductive C.C. shared on his Facebook page, "It was amazing to give back to the community. Seductive CC, Superstition Harley, SanTan Ford, Hayes Transmission, Devine Signs, Franks Hydraulics and all the car clubs and solo riders. Thank you all and God bless."

There are many reasons why parents are unable to care for their kids. Sunshine Acres Children's Home {http://sunshineacres.org/} "provides a loving, wholesome, Christian home for children who are separated from their parents..." This 501(c)3 organization relies solely on donations. It was establish at the beginning, back in 1953, that SACH would take no government support and children won't be turned away for financial reasons. There are currently 96 kids of various ages in residence. If you are unfamiliar with Sunshine Acres, the story of how it all began & how it continues to care for children of our community is on their website. It is an extraordinary & inspiring read.

Various groups representing the motorcycling community do fundraisers for Sunshine Acres during the year. Coming up is the annual 'Miracle in the Desert' picnic supported by CMA and ABATE. It is traditionally held in Spring. We'll have details of that in our calendar as they become available.

Congratulations to all involved for a job well done!

Betsy & Bruce

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