

Nuts & Notes Newsletter

HIGH ROLLERS
LAS VEGAS CHAPTER VMCCA, INC.

May 2026



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May Birthdays

Connor, Murphy 5/12

Harry Ransom 5/16

May Anniversaries

Steve & Sue Struve 5/13

Connor & Katie (Kleinick) Murphy 5/22



June Birthdays

Dennis Rutkoskie 6/5

Anthony Adsit 6/10

Doug Wheeler 6/11

Paul Rolland 6/24

Ann Macmillan 6/24

James Lukavich 6/30

June Anniversaries

Doug & Kay Wheeler 6/26

I want to thank everyone who showed up for Las Ventanas and Thank John Munoz for hosting the event. Even with all the other shows going on around town we still had a good turnout. We gained a new member, Bill Ramsey, thanks to John Munoz and it looks like we will get at least one more from the show, maybe four.

As I'm writing this, we will be hosting our 15th annual Show & Shine this weekend. Looking forward to a great turnout and the weather prediction for the weekend. We have just as many pre-registered as we did last year at this time. Let's see what happens.

Judy and I have been members since 2007 and one of the things that I want to write about is membership and lineage in the chapter. The newer members don't realize we have not only Legacy members, but a Grand Legacy member among us. Talk about history. Legacy members are Carla & Anthony Adsit and Macy & Joshua Booth. Our Grand Legacy member is Elizebeth and Hartley Delvalle, 3rd generation members. Elizabeth's Grandparents are Grace and Farrow Smith, Sr. If you come to meetings or go on our tours you will meet Farrow's sons who help out when needed, Farrow Jr and Darrel Smith. Talk about History in the community. just strike up a conversation with one of them and be enlightened. It all stems from the Underground House and the rest is history.

While on the subject of Membership, I just want to remind everyone that Veterans are free for the 1st year and our membership is now prorated for the second half of the



year. Membership is \$30.00 for National and local is \$18.75 or \$48.75 for the balance of the year. Also, if you get 3 new members in the same year we will cover your membership for the next year. We have new brochures so please reach out to Paul Rolland our Membership VP, or John P. We have member packs available. You should carry one in your cars and where ever you may travel. You just might run across someone that might be a likely candidate.

As you know we are approaching the half way mark in the year when we start looking for new officers for our board and possibly new committee chairs. So, if there's something you would like to do next year all positions are open. Please feel free to contact me and let's make next year even better.

Touring season is upon us at national and if you haven't seen the country what a better way to spend a week, driving your baby through the country side with fellow members and meeting like minded folks. So, checkout the tour schedule and go for it.

See you at the Show & Shine,
John Pendergast

HIGH ROLLERS CHAPTER of the VMCCA minutes for May 12, 2026

- 7:02 Pledge of allegiance was led by Past Pres. John Munoz
- 7:03 Roll call was led by Secretary Brian Pucio. All board members present. 17 members total in attendance.
- No new members or guests.
- 7:03 President John Pendergast thanked all for attending and thanked John Munoz for the Las Ventanas show.
- 7:04 Treasurer's report was read by treasurer Judy Pendergast. Motion to accept report as read was first by Brian and second
- By Anthony Adsit. All were in favor.
- 7:06 Secretary Brian Pucio read the minutes. Motion to accept minutes as read was first by John Pendergast and second by
- Anthony. All were in favor.
- 7:08 EVP. Anthony Adsit thanked all for attending the meeting.
- 7:09 Activities VP. Jeanie Prouty talked about the June 20th Morelli House being on hold due to its being sold. The Underground
- House may be an alternative but costs \$50 to \$75 per head. July 17th is our pizza run. Signup sheet on back table.
- 7:17 May 16th is our Show and Shine. We reviewed duties and needs. Possible run to Boulder RR Museum.
- 7:25 Membership VP Paul Roland had new member pamphlets on back table.
- 7:25 Publications VP Hartley Delvalle said to keep sending him info and photos for the newsletter.
- 7:27 Sunshine Chair Donna Pucio sent a condolence card out to Michael Wattenbarger for the passing of his father.
- 7:28 John Pendergast had store stuff available.
- 7:28 Telephone Chair Skip Yarema and Joan Saucier said calls are being made.
- 7:29 Tour Master John Munoz said Las Ventanas was great and thanked those who attended.
- 7:30 Web Master Anthony Adsit said the website is always updated and needs info for next months event.
- 7:31 Western Regional Director Dion Stams stated that May 28th is the board of governors meeting.
- 7:32 Old Business was the third quarter Board meeting @ Amore Taste of Chicago August 25th @ 6 pm. We still need something for
- Septembers run. Possibly Blue Diamond Park for a picnic.
- 7:40 New Business was that we still need a Social Media Director for email reminders.
- 7:41 John Pendergast shared his newest tractor and farm cart project.
- 7:42 50/50 was for \$27 and won by New member Bill Ramsey.
- 7:43 Next meeting is June 9th.
- 7:43 Call for motion to adjourn the meeting was first by Anthony and second by John. All were in favor.

MY CONTINUING TO ATTEND CAR SHOWS/EVENTS IN PAHRUMP, NV, (PART TWO)

I am continuing to attend car shows in Pahrump, whether they are formal car shows or informal get togethers. (See my first submission about this elsewhere in this newsletter.)

The most recent car get-together I went to in Pahrump was on Thursday, May 7, 2026 at the Rubalcaba Mexican Restaurant, 1500 Red Butte Street, Pahrump. This get-together is advertised in each issue of the "Pahrump Valley Times" which is published on Wednesdays and Fridays. New and vintage classic car enthusiasts gather at the Rubalcaba Mexican Restaurant every Thursday beginning at 2:00 P.M.

When I went there on May 7, 2026, the first vehicle I noticed, among many others, was a vehicle owned by Barbara Benson. She and her husband, Charles, were former members of our car club. They now reside in Pahrump. Charles was, also, at this show. In talking with Barbara, she said people usually start arriving at Rubalcaba's about 1:30 P.M.; and the show runs until about 3:30 P.M. However, I only noticed a couple of vehicles leaving at about 3:40 P.M. Everyone else was still there. At one point Barbara said (a name)--he's coming back after his appointment. This is a dedicated enthusiast. He went to the car show, left for his appointment, then returned.

Again, this is a weekly, informal, get together. I was surprised, and impressed, by the number of vehicles at the show, particularly, again, since this show runs every Thursday. It was hard for me to pick a "favorite" at the show, but I sure liked the vintage Dodge Challenger.

I was carrying around flyers for our May 16, 2026, car show. Barbara asked me what I had. I gave her one of the flyers. She said I should put it on the Pahrump car show website, which is on Facebook. I told her I am not on Facebook, at which time she immediately said she would post it there. I said, are you sure, she said, absolutely. Good bless Barbara!

I hope to be able to attend this get together. I can either take my 1973 VW Thing and/or the 1972 Chevrolet truck, both of which are in Pahrump. My 1977 Malibu and my mother's 1970 Chevelle are both in Las Vegas.

Some of the folks at the car show on May 7, 2026, had been in the Rubalcaba restaurant to eat. I hope to try it the next time I can be there. I always judge any Mexican restaurant by their cheese enchiladas!

As stated above, our upcoming car show is May 16, 2026. The Coyote Den annual car show in Pahrump is the same day. The Coyote Den car show starts at 8:00 A.M. Barbara (Benson) mentioned this car show to me at Rubalcaba's. When I attended the Lakeview Car Show (see my other writeup in this newsletter), I got a flyer for this car show. I intend to be at the Coyote Den Car Show on Saturday, May 16 2026, at 8:00 A.M., take a look around, and be on the road to Las Vegas by 9:00 A.M. for our car show.

High Rollers Pizza Run

The club's annual pizza run will be at Amore's on East Sunset--further details will be in the June and July 2026 newsletters. Carla and Anthony Adsit are handling this pizza run and have everything in place.

I just want to remind everyone that there is a club charge of \$10.00 per person for the pizza run which includes soft drinks, water, pizza. If you wish to order an alcoholic drink, salad, or anything else, you would personally need to pay for that.

The pizza run is set to begin at 3:00 P.M. with pizzas started to be ordered/cooked at about 2:30 P.M. You may arrive at any time you wish, but, again, the pizza will only start to be ordered by about 2:30 P.M. Thank you for your cooperation.

Las Ventanas Car Show

Eight car club members, with their classic vehicles, participated in the annual Car Show at Las Ventanas on Saturday, April 25, 2026. There were, also, about a half dozen non-car-club individuals who participated in the Car Show with their classic vehicles. It was disappointing that more members of our car club were not able to participate in this year's show.

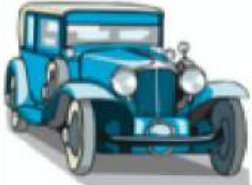
It was a great weather day for the show, allowing residents and employees to be outside with the Car Show and for the continental breakfast and lunch. Once, again, Las Ventanas had outdone themselves with food and drinks. The entertainment by Mark Aston was fantastic. This year he had a saxophone player with him. At one point Mark did a disco number, with an employee with a resident in a wheelchair "discoing" all the way down the hill from the reserved parking to the bandstand.

Faith Lutheran Middle/High School teachers and students participated in this year's car show, assisting residents with getting them seated and getting their food orders and/or helping them through the food line. These students were extraordinary in their politeness and helpfulness.

Las Ventanas had reserved all covered parking for the car show. With the exception of two SUV's from Faith Lutheran occupying two of these spaces, everything else was meant for the car show--it was, again, disappointing that there were not enough classic car participants to fill up these spaces (see attached flyer of Las Ventanas regarding the parking.)

When I first arrived at the Car Show, I walked through the upper parking spaces, viewing the classic vehicles and talking with the owners. I then proceeded to all of the table seating, stopping at each table, speaking with the residents, employees, and Faith Lutheran teachers and students. I then sat at one of the tables before getting some coffee and donut holes.

When I got up to get some lunch, other people sat at the table where I had been, so I sat at another table with two female residents--other people soon filled the chairs at this table, including a Faith Lutheran teacher. In conversation with one of the female residents, this teacher mentioned that, when Faith Lutheran first opened, they had no football field, but were fortunate to have been able to use the football field at Las Vegas High School (LVHS) at Seventh and Bridger. (As we know, LVHS became a performing arts academy in the 90's--there is a different LVHS near Sunrise Mountain.) When the teacher mentioned (the original) LVHS, the other female resident at the table said she had graduated from LVHS, at which time I said, so did I. Before I left this table, I stepped over to the LVHS graduate, finding she had graduated in 1943. I asked her if she had gone to the LVHS reunion last year at the Orleans. She said she missed it due to other commitments, but had been planning to be there, representing the Class of 1943 of which she is the sole remaining graduate. These are the kinds of stories that make a car show, such as Las Ventanas, so worthwhile.

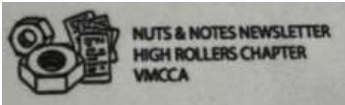


CLASSIFIED ADS
Classifieds are free
to High Roller Members.
List your car related items in Nuts & Notes.

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Las Ventanas Car Show Photos





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