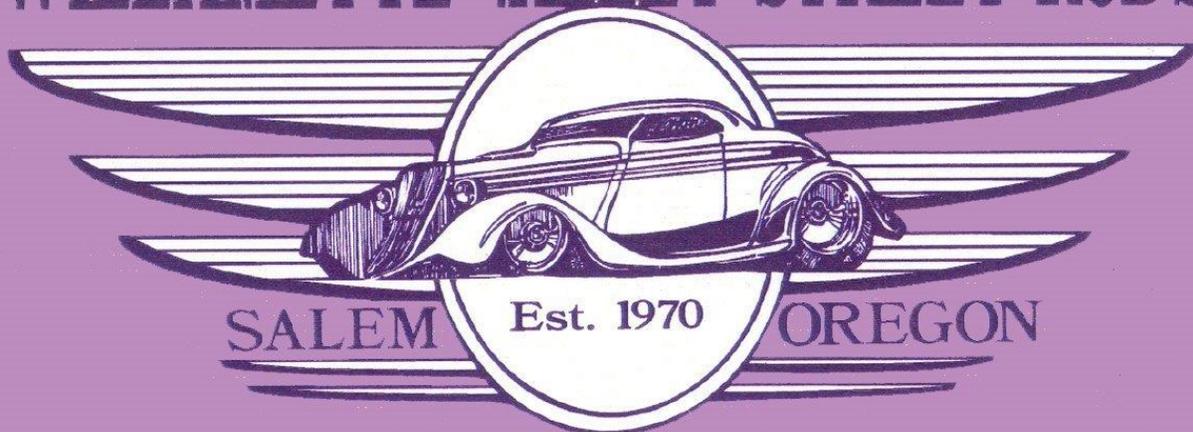


# WILLAMETTE VALLEY STREET RODS



## Cruiz'n News October 2020



How could I have missed recognizing Pam Foster's birthday in the newsletter(of all the people)?????? Pam gets up early every single day, looks at her little birthday book that she always brings to the meetings to see who in the club has a birthday that day. She then goes through all of her photos that she's taken over the years of club members and posts one of the birthday person with a banner across the photo on Facebook for everyone to wish them a Happy Birthday. If she doesn't have a photo of the club member she always wishes them a Happy Birthday in big bright bold letters for everyone who looks at the club Facebook page to comment on and send their best wishes as well. All of this is done by about 7am each and every day.....

\*\*\*\*Pam , I had to resent the newsletter so we could all recognize you and your special day (October 22 )this month. I wanted everyone in the club to know how much time and effort you put in to this. We all appreciate what you. Vicki



## October Birthdays

3 Linda Rader, Dale Wheeler  
4 Randall Ransom  
6 Chuck Black, Denise Larson  
8 Bill Floyd  
9 Don Flammang, Frank Munz  
10 GeorgeAnne Pfnister  
11 Lance Williams  
12 Sandi Lendahl  
14 Bob Repine, Connie Stanton  
16 Dick Campbell, Ed Gonzalez, Bruce Parnell  
21 Doug Lendahl  
22 Pam Foster, Garry Pullen  
24 Laurie Winslow  
26 Ray Agen  
27 Ron Sowerby

**\*\*\*Birthdays taken from the club membership roster.**

## Message from the President



### President's Message, Russ Strohmeyer,

[stros cars@wvi.com](mailto:stros cars@wvi.com)

503.930.8976

*Hope to see everyone at the club meeting  
Tuesday, October 6*

*Brooks Tree Farm  
(Dave and Kathy Lecompte's home.)  
Look for the sign and the American Flag*

*9785 Portland Road NE, Brooks, OR*

Arrive 6:15-7pm for the social and meeting at 7pm. Bring your cruiser chair, dinner if you like, but nothing to share(sorry.) We'll have cookies for everyone. If the weather is too cool we'll be inside Dave's shop.

At the September meeting we started taking nominations for our 2021 officers. It looks like all of the 2020 elected officers said they would be willing to hold the same positions next year, in saying that, if you have a desire to serve on the board we would be happy to add your name to the ballot for the position you're interested in. We're always looking for more members to step up. We'll be taking more nominations at the October 6 meeting. If you would like to be added to the ballot please reach out to me ahead time if possible. I'm happy to answer any questions you have about specific duties of the club officers. We'll hold our elections at the November 3 meeting.

## Member Care Report



**Card were sent to:**

Don Oman, clogged artery in his neck  
Ed Blair, shoulder surgery  
Judy Countermine, had a knee replacement  
Travis Sowers, Shoulder surgery

The next officer's meeting is Tuesday October 27, 6pm, Almost Home Restaurant in Salem. Because of the restrictions on the size of the group we need to know if you plan on attending, please RSVP to Vicki at 503.910.5952.



[WVSR Fundraiser-Online Auction](#)

**October 9-11**

***BRING YOUR ITEMS TO THE MEETING TUESDAY, OCT. 6.***

Don't forget to get items to Garry at the club meeting this Tuesday. Have you looked at the auction items we've gotten so far? Just to mention a few things, a Garmin activity watch, a handmade quilt, gift baskets, etc. Items can be viewed early at [32auctions.com/WVSR2020](https://32auctions.com/WVSR2020). Cash donations can be given through the website or the auction if they don't see something they want to bid on. Sign up before the auction starts on the morning of Friday the 9th. Share it, have fun, and let's raise some money for our worthy causes!

I'd like to have up to 100 items in the auction for folks to bid on through a website specifically for our online auction. I'll donate a big wooden Welcome sign and Mark from Honoring Heroes is donating a custom wooden flag that he makes. We just need some other cool items. Do you have a business and could donate a service? Gift certificates? Other ideas? We can also put baskets together if we have smaller items to combine.

We're looking for new or like new items. If you have anything to donate or want to make a cash donation instead please [email](mailto:email) or call me at 503.507.5333.

Be safe, be well

Garry Pullen

*stood the test of time.....*



Greg and Kaye first met in 1972, Greg was twenty years old and Kaye nineteen. In 1974 they had a daughter together, Shaya. Greg and Kaye decided to go their separate ways. They both eventually married someone else and their marriages lasted for many years. Fast forward forty years later, they reconnected after both losing their spouses, and realized that their love for each other had not faded.

Their daughter, Shaya is married to club members Jim and Carolyn Walz' son Michael. Michael and Shaya gave them two beautiful granddaughters, Lillian and Camille.

In 2017 they decided to move to Kingman, AZ and live on Route 66. Greg and Kaye love their life there. They're close to Las Vegas, the Grand Canyon and are surrounded by beautiful mountains.

Greg has been a member of WWSR for over twenty years, Kaye five. Even though they live 1,030 miles from Salem they said they'll always keep their WWSR membership. They have such a connection to the club and the many friends they've made over the years.

Greg and Kaye want club members to know they're always welcome to stop by if in the Kingman area, their home is always open to friends to visit. Since they've moved to Kingman they're always delighted when their Salemite friends visit.

A quote from the newlyweds: *"We are blessed and life is good."*

***Congratulations to recently married Greg and Kaye Smith. We wish you many more years of love, happiness, good times and good health!!!!***



Once again we will be helping make the holidays brighter for the families in the FBB program. When I contacted the Director of Business Partnerships, Julie Hilty she was thrilled that we will be continuing our



partnership with them again this holiday season. Below is Julie's response.

*"Attached are our 2020 wishes for our friends at WVSR. And I have BIG news – This fall, FBB will be expanding to serve 218 more families in your community, a nearly 40% increase, totaling 774 families in Marion and Polk counties! This includes new annual funding through Healthy Families and funding through Oregon Pre-kindergarten (OPK). This means we're increasing the number of children that will be in our program during the holidays by over 200! We need the help of the Willamette Valley Street Rods more than ever this year. 200 more children means 900 more gifts than last year. We would not be able to fulfill these wishes without the partnership of the Willamette Valley Street Rods. Thank you, Willamette Valley Street Rods, for your loyal and consistent giving. We are so very grateful! Vicki, let me know if you need anything else. Yay! Thank you. I love that we're working together again this year."*

With festive *cheer* during our favorite time of year,

–Julie C. Hilty,  
Director of Business Partnerships  
Family Building Blocks

\*\*\*It's still up in the air if we'll be able to drive our hot rods to Family Building Blocks and deliver the toys and clothes as a group. Closer to December I'll check with them again, it will depend on the restrictions that are in place at that time.

I've already started collecting money, donations and toys from our members. I'll be collecting at the October, November and December meetings. Please reach out to me if you have any questions, or want me to pick up donations from you. [Vicki](mailto:vicki@familybuildingblocks.org) 503.910.5952. As always, I'm happy to shop for you if that's easier.

### Wish List for Family Building Blocks 2020

#### Veteran-Troop Support



One of the charities that we support, Honoring Heroes has a new project they're working on. They're assisting a new Salem Veterans Center that hopes to open their doors later this year. They're calling it "*Tanner Project*." The facility will house both male and female veterans. They're looking for donations of paperback books, hardcover novels and DVD's. These items will supply their day /entertainment room and for use in their individual rooms. If

you can donate these items we can provide you a tax receipt. If you're local to the Salem–Sublimity area you can either contact them for pickup, deliver, or mail.

If you're able to make a cash donation they'll purchase personal hygiene products, clothing and bedding for the residents as well.

Please contact Mark Buchholz at 503.871. 2198 or email [honoringheroesinc@gmail.com](mailto:honoringheroesinc@gmail.com) with questions, or for a pickup.

To learn more about this non profit organization that we support view their [website](http://www.honoringheroesinc.com).



Don and Donelle Flammang have graciously offered to host the Harvest/Halloween Party again this year at their home in Dallas. The event will be Saturday, October 24, starting at 4:30pm. Watch for the email announcement with all of the details next week.....

*On a side note: Some of our members were forced to evacuate their homes because of the fires. Glen Rader said he checked with them and everyone was okay and none of our club members lost their homes.*



### Cruise-in for a Cause September 20 Regis High School, Stayton, OR.

*submitted by: Vicki Champ*

This started out to be a "Cars and Coffee" event hosted by the Willamette Valley Corvette Assn. and morphed into an amazing fundraiser for the canyon victims. WVCA club member, Joe Peters contacted Russ about the possibility of our club co-hosting a Cruise-in fundraiser for the Santiam Canyon Wildfire Relief fund instead.

Russ and Joe put their heads together and with thirteen days notice they were able to get the car community together to donate what they could to help with the [Santiam Canyon Wildfire Relief Fund](#) that was established by the Santiam Hospital in

Stayton. I sent out 250 emails, plus I sent the information to twelve other clubs in the Willamette Valley and we shared the heck out of it on Facebook.

This was a "no frills" event, no sponsors, no vendors, no raffle, no 50/50 and no awards, We did have a coffee truck and a food truck there, who both turned around and donated quite a bit of their proceeds and tips to the Santiam Canyon Wildfire Relief Fund. Every penny that was collected that day went to the families that lost property or personal belongings in the wildfire.

Club member, Pat Coffey and his son Brandon parked cars all day, Joe Peters, WVCA helped park when Pat and Brandon were slammed. I was at the donation table all day along with Bob and Annie Koenig, WVCA members. Russ played his tunes and was announcing all day how much money we had collected for far. Every time he made an announcement folks seemed to dig a little deeper in their wallets and toss a little more in to the donation jar. It was such a rush to see how generous everyone was that day. People were giving me \$1,000 and \$100 checks and \$100 bills. Russ was getting pledges called in to him from people that saw his FB posts. People were just walking in off the street to hand me money. The general consensus was that everyone felt so helpless and wanted to do whatever they could to help the fire victims.

My dear friend, Allie Gamroth contacted me a few days, before asking for

information about the event that she'd seen on FB. She said she would be there with a donation, but little did I know the magnitude of what her and her friend Mike Berlik had been up to. They had been soliciting in Shaw, Silverton and Mt. Angel getting donations from people on the street, and going into businesses talking to folks in there as well. Mike and Allie showed up at the Cruise-in with an envelope with \$3,070 in it!!!! That is so like Allie, she has one of the biggest hearts in the Willamette Valley. We've worked together on so many non profit fundraisers over the years. I don't really know Mike but in talking to both of them that day they were so pumped about how much money they were able to collect from complete strangers.

At the end of the day the grand total we made was \$21,900, which included a \$500 donation from WVCA, with 235 classics in attendance that came from as far as Eugene. *Not bad for a four hour show without any bells or whistles.....* I was pleased to see so many of our club members there, thank you for that!!!! A special thank you to Frank and Sharon Munz for volunteering to lead the caravan of club vehicles that day.



Russ and Joe Peters presenting the check for the Cruise-in for a Cause to the Santiam Hospital in Stayton.



Mike Berlik and Allie Gamroth presenting the envelope with \$3,070 to the show chairs, Joe Peters and Russ.



Was good to see Founding Father, Gary Farrier and Dee at the Cruise-In for a Cause.



My daughter and granddaughter drove from Canby to make a donation and support the cause. .



Pat and Brandon Coffey taking a much needed break at the end of the day after being on their feet and trying to park all 235 vehicles.



Russ, Ed Diehl(board of directors member for Santiam Hospital) and WVCA President, Stan Czerniak doing the elbow bump.



Rich Dean, [West Coast Collector Cars](#) in Turner who made a considerable donation that day. Rich, thank you and Olga for your generosity.

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### Do you need a place to store your classic????

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I've decided to sell my 1949 Studebaker Champion Starlight Coupe. It still looks like this picture. The body is very solid, has



decent paint, good chrome, excellent running engine, working overdrive, partial redone interior, nice seats. It has electronic ignition, alternator, turn signals, 12 volts and older radial tires. Otherwise stock. I drove it to Oregon City for the Orphan Car Show and to the Chicken Run a couple years ago. It is not a show car it's still kind of a running driving project car. It is registered on a 1949 Oregon plate and has a clean title. \$6500. John Stanton. 503-767-3476. [hqtrqd34@yahoo.com](mailto:hqtrqd34@yahoo.com)

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\*68 Mercury Cougar project car \$3,000 OBO

Contact Garry Pullen, if interested at 503.507.5333 or [email him](mailto:garrypullen@gmail.com)



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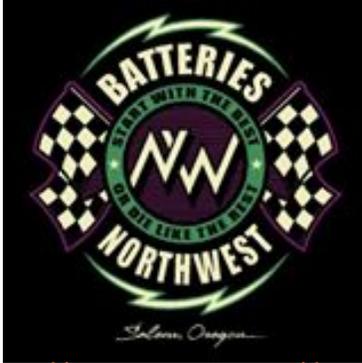
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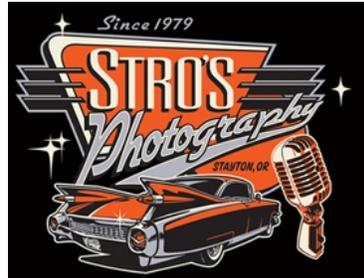
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