

CRUZ'N NEWS – April 2023

Next General Member Meeting Apr. 4th
Pietro's Pizza/ 1637 Hawthorne Av. NE, Salem
Dinner & Socializing 5 – 7pm Meeting starts at 7
Guests and Prospective Members Welcome

Next Officer Meeting Apr. 25th
La Margarita Restaurant / Downtown Salem
Dinner at 5:30pm Meeting starts at 6
Members Welcome (Double check w/Russ on location)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WVSR President

Russ Strohmeier



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This weekend I attended the Portland Auto Swap Meet. There was a notable drop in attendance with both the buyers and the sellers and it probably wasn't all weather related. Our automotive hobby is changing drastically because of social media and the internet. Also auctions such as Barrett-Jackson and Mecum have driven prices of classic and special interest vehicles through the roof. This is causing concern for some of us who have been in the car collecting hobby for many years.

We wonder if the younger generation coming into the hobby are going to be able to afford our classic cars. Does this mean the value of our classic cars is going to drop as the newer generation passes on classic cars due to more interest in newer rods? Just as interest in cars made in the teens, 20's, 30's, and 40's has dropped because the generation that grew up with them are starting to pass or not be able to drive them any longer. Should we keep our older classics?

I hope the value stabilizes or continues to go up. When is a good time to pass on our older classics? Are the new muscle cars going to be the new rage? I don't know, only time will tell, so I say enjoy what you enjoy. Live in the present!

We are one big car family who will continue to support our current and future hobbyists.

Russ Strohmeier - 2023 WVSR President



Scheduled to bring cookies to the April meeting are:
Bill Watson, Gary Bruebaker, Linda Rader, & Gloria Blair

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1	Bill Watson	
3	Ernie Lamoureux	
4	Lesa Pappas	Carolyn Walz
8	Glen Rader	
9	Gary Bruebaker	
10	Jim Huckaby	
13	Janet Wulfers	
21	Gerry Guzman	
23	Ellie Eyeman	
24	Mel Myers	
26	Casey Bochmer	
28	Lizbeth Rogers	
30	Sherri Memmott	

DID YOU KNOW?

- In 1969, a change to NASCAR rules dictated at least 500 copies of a car designed solely for racing must be available to the public. Enter the 130 mph 29 race winning Ford Torino Talladega.



2023 CAROUSEL CRUISE



We are still looking for a few good people to chair committees for the Carousel Cruise. No experience necessary, just a willing attitude. We need someone to report to the show director, assign shifts, and explain duties to volunteers in the following areas:

Parking Chair – Work w/Vendor chair on set up and day of show parking.

Donation Chair – Acquire and distribute donations

Activity Chair – Work w/Donation Chair and coordinate Silent Auction, Raffle, 50/50 & Poker Walk.

Anyone is welcome and a volunteer sheet will go around later for those that want to help out. Call or text Garry @ 503-507-5333 or send an email to wvsrhq@gmail.com

Get
Well
Soon

Congratulations to the Sowerby's who welcomed grandbaby Oskar Kent, On March 23, weighing 6 lbs. 2 oz. They now have nine grandkids, and six grandkids.

Mike Starck fell and broke his hip.

Angela Myers is recovering from surgery

Don Oman was in the hospital, he had hiccups for 8 straight days.



great





WVSR Members Don Homuth and Charlie Wulfers proudly presented their rides at this years Portland Roadster Show. Both took home trophies in their category. Amazing cars!









What do WVSR members do when there are no car shows to attend? Well, a few of us went to a concert at the Elsinore Theatre where Vicki Champ and a few other WVSR members volunteer their time. Posing top to bottom are the Sowers, Coffeys, and Pullens.



Shoot to Thrill is out of Portland and the guitarist is truly skilled. His son, the lead singer hit a few notes a little high (I think Pat said "Ozzy on helium;") and the bass guitarist may have been wearing a wig because I don't remember ever seeing his face. Overall, we enjoyed the entertainment and had a really good time

A shameless plug for the Elsinore Theatre...

If you have never been to the Elsinore, you are missing out. The restored 1926 building is amazing in its own right with architectural craftsmanship and details long forgotten. The acoustics are so good there isn't a bad seat in the house. Our favorite spot is front and center on the Mezzanine and the Coffeys prefer the left rear floor seats. You can find something for everyone, plays, movies, concerts, comedy, ballets, and lots more. Tickets are affordable, you avoid big city traffic, and the smaller venue means you aren't so far away that you need a big screen to see the performer.

Submitted by – Garry Pullen

Photos courtesy
Vicki Champ &
Garry Pullen

UPCOMING EVENTS:



94th Annual

Salem Auto Club Council

Cherry Blossom Drive & Poker Run

Saturday April 15, 2023 9am to 2pm



**Cars, Trucks & Motorcycles
All Welcome!**

*Enjoy a beautiful drive through the Willamette
Valley visiting six interesting stops for
the Poker Run*

Start at:

**Walery's Pizza parking lot West Salem
1555 Edgewater St. NW, Salem**

*****Registration from 9am to 11am*****

Bring canned food or cash donation for Marion Polk Foodshare

Cost: \$5.00 per poker score card

Best 3 hands win!

1st place - \$100. 2nd place - \$75. 3rd place - \$50

Portion of proceeds goes to Boys and Girls Club of Salem

(Bring food or cash donation & be entered in a drawing)

Thanks to:



For more info call Russ Strohmeier 503-930-8976

55TH ANNUAL CORVALLIS AUTO SWAP MEET & ANNUAL "DUST'EM OFF" CAR SHOW

Date: Apr 23, 2023

Time: 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Benton County Fairgrounds & Expo Center

Car show begins at 9:00 am

Show Cars \$20

All vehicles welcome, more than 20 trophies

Awards at 12:30 pm

Admission \$5 Cash/Venmo \$6 Cards

Information - 541-754-8889 or 541-926-3972

Contact an Officer:

General questions sent to wvsrhq@gmail.com will be answered or distributed to an officer who can answer you question.

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Editors Notes:

The goal is to have the newsletter out the Sunday evening prior to the club membership meeting. Please submit any articles or photos to wvsrhq@gmail.com by the Friday prior to that Sunday distribution. Editor reserves the right to edit submissions as needed for length, fit, and content. Thank you.

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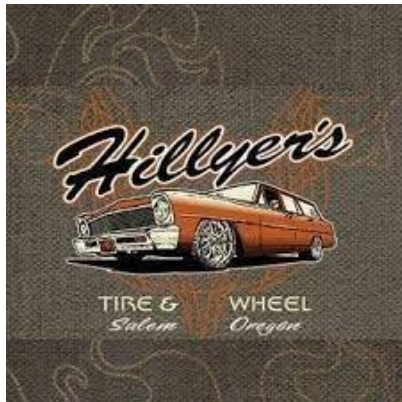
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