



## CRUZ'N NEWS – JUNE 2023

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

**Next Officer Meeting June 27th**  
Neufeldt's Restaurant in Aumsville  
Dinner at 5:30pm Meeting starts at 6  
Members Welcome

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**WVSR President**

**Russ Strohmeyer**



**Contact Russ**  
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**Thanks** to Dave Cartwright and Wendi McNitt for stepping up to be our Cruise Master Team this year.

Dave likes to send out a weekly car event calendar on Wednesdays, to keep us all informed on any car related activities happening in the valley and surrounding area. Watch for an email from Vicki Champ, club Communications Director, with that information.

I encourage everyone to participate in planned activities and caravan together as a club when you can. When we all go as a group it is safer, draws attention to promote the hobby, makes WVSR attractive to potential members, and just plain looks cool going down the road.

Hope to see you on the road this summer in one of the caravans!

*Russ Strohmeyer*  
*2023 WVSR President*



Scheduled to bring cookies to the June meeting are:  
Rich Wright, Tracy Shearer, Wendi McNitt, & Vicki Champ

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

<b>1</b>	<b>Shirl Shetler</b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Vicki Champ</b>	<b>Joyce Guzman</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Vinnie Rolfness</b>	<b>Heidi Anderson</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Susan Ramsdell</b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Sharon Crauder-Munz</b>	<b>Jake Higginbotham</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Cindy Smith</b>	
<b>12</b>	<b>Marla Burgess</b>	
<b>13</b>	<b>Milton Hoch</b>	
<b>19</b>	<b>Stephanie Brazofsky</b>	
<b>20</b>	<b>Joel Memmott</b>	
<b>24</b>	<b>Sherri Cartwright</b>	
<b>25</b>	<b>Lisa Stine</b>	
<b>30</b>	<b>Aleta Bruebaker</b>	<b>Kim Long</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Pam Marshall</b>	

## DID YOU KNOW?

Underneath Kansas City, MO is more than 55 million square feet of limestone caves used by many businesses for storage due to the year round natural temperature of 65-70 degrees.

Ford leased 25 acres of the subtopolis in the 70's when they produced more Mavericks than they could sell and stored thousands of the surplus unsold cars underground.



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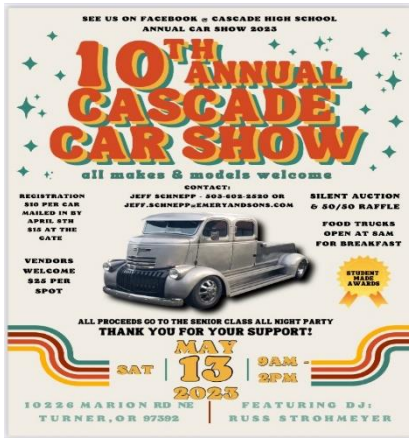
Ann Sowerby sends cards to members feeling less than 100% for one reason or another.

Rod Beach has broken ribs.

Carolyn Walz was feeling under the weather

Chuck Black was also not feeling 100%





A beautiful spring day brought everyone and their hot rod to Cascade High School for what seems to have become the event that kicks off car show season.

With plenty of sun and temps flirting with 90 degrees it isn't surprising that 328 cars registered and even more stopped by for a visit. I believe this is a record high attendance and if you were there you know the place was packed on all sides. Trophies were hand built by students and looked amazing – at least two members left with one – and WVSR won club participation with 28 members registered. The 50/50 winner, not me unfortunately, took home nearly \$1,000 and some silent auction items went for double the value! This show is amazingly supported by the community and I think it's becoming a fan favorite if it isn't already. Here are just a few of the amazing vehicles and people in attendance.

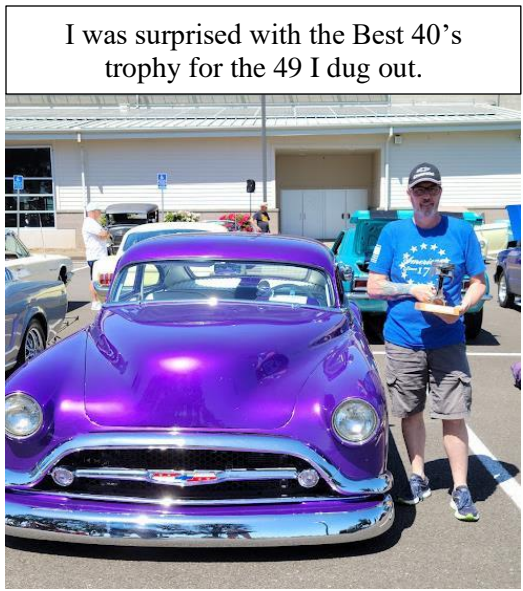
Submitted by Garry Pullen



Ed Blair picked up one of the trophies for his gorgeous wagon.







I was surprised with the Best 40's trophy for the 49 I dug out.







Submitted by Bob Repine – Scholarship Chair

## Speedster Program Update

With the school year coming to an end I reached out to club member Ron Smith who is also the President of the Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum. Ron's response was:

*"Hi Bob, yes, the curtains are in and working great, they also purchased other supplies, and all are in use! We are supposed to get some students from Salem-Keizer schools again starting this week! Not a lot of school time left, but super busy out in the shop getting projects running."*

This is all great news and I know installation of the new shop curtains will allow them to complete their separate machine shop area before the new school year starts.

### Students and Mentors of the Speedster Class of 2022-2023 with the first speedster.

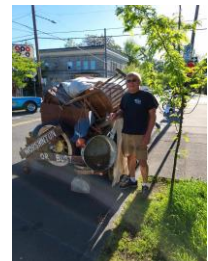
At this month's WVSR Officer meeting there was support for a mini-cruise to the museum like we did last year. This allows us to show our support to both the students and the program, it also gives the students an opportunity to see our cars and ask questions about the restoration of our hot rods.

The gathering is planned for June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1pm meeting at Harbor Freight (4675 Portland Rd. NE Salem) and will leave at 12:30pm. We'll caravan to Powerland (3995 Brooklake Rd NE, Brooks). This will be a quick afternoon since the kids leave at 2pm that day.

I hope many of you will be able to this gathering to show our support for the Speedster Program! Last year we brought cookies to share with them so if you can bring a dozen cookies to share it would be appreciated by all.

Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> Ray Agen and I attended the annual Portland Transmission Warehouse cruise in. About 300 cars turned out for good times and free food and car registration. Lots of traditional hot rods here.

- Submitted by Dave Cartwright





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## Function 4 Junction Friday Night Cruise – Photos submitted by Dave Cartwright



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## SACC Report-Motorsport Auction Group

*Submitted by: Vicki Champ*

We've all seen the big-name classic car auctions on TV, such as Barrett Jackson and Mecum. The MAG Auction is similar in nature but on a smaller scale, they had two hundred ten vehicles cross the auction block at the Salem Fairgrounds last month. Everyone seemed to enjoy the experience of driving so many unique vehicles, such as a Bentley, Cadillacs, Corvettes, Hummers, Bronco's, Jaguars, Porsche, Cobras and just about any kind of vehicle you could think of. Of course, they weren't all "car show" quality. There were some with dead batteries and needed jumped, some were just temperamental to start. They had staff to help with the vehicles that needed extra TLC getting them across the block.

It was so good to see all the different car clubs represented by volunteering to help with this event. Hopefully the MAG folks will come back to Salem next year.





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**2023 Carousel Cruise** – Next meeting will be held July 11 at Salem Riverfront Park beginning at 6pm. We'll discuss the possible need for a new layout and volunteers for security patrols. Please also begin bringing any silent auction and raffle prize donations you have to club meetings. Cash is also appreciated for grabbing any fill in items we may need. We'll have a sign-up sheet to go around to fill any open spots, mostly, that may be one-hour shifts for two person teams to keep an eye out for any issues that may arise during the show.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

With car show season ramping up there are too many events happening to capture them all. Here we'll list the shows the club may be caravanning to or has some specific connection. Check out the [wvsr.org](http://wvsr.org) events page for a more complete list.

June 22-25: Kruise of Klamath @ Moore Park in Klamath Falls OR

June 23-24: branch 15 Antiques, Collectible, & "Old Iron" Swap Meet @ Antique Powerland Park in Brooks, OR

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### Contact an Officer:

**General** questions sent to [wvsrhq@gmail.com](mailto:wvsrhq@gmail.com) will be answered or distributed to an officer who can answer your question.

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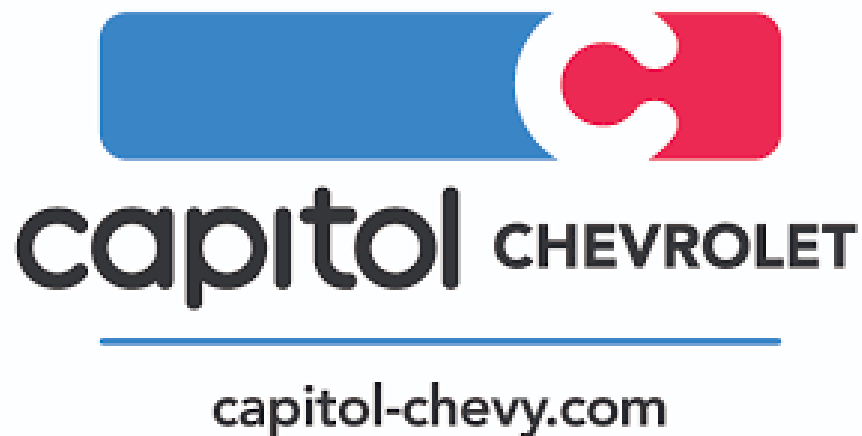
The goal is to have the newsletter out the Sunday evening prior to the club membership meeting. Please submit any articles or photos to [wvsrhq@gmail.com](mailto:wvsrhq@gmail.com) by the Friday prior to that Sunday distribution. Editor reserves the right to edit submissions as needed for length, fit,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

Thank you – Garry Pullen



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