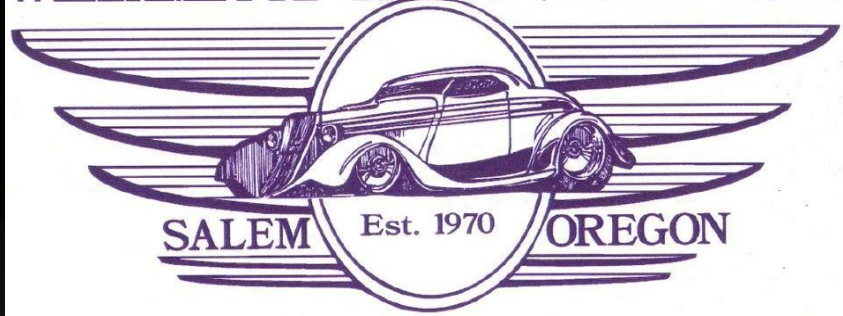


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## WILLAMETTE VALLEY STREET RODS



### EDITOR'S MESSAGE

**FYI...** Willamette Valley Street Rods is a nonprofit organization, just not quite in the same way you might think. Within the realm of nonprofits are two common designations under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4). WVSR is registered as the latter and while both are tax-exempt, they serve distinct purposes and operate under different guidelines.

Key features of 501(c)(3) organizations:

- **Tax Deductible Contributions** – Donations are tax deductible for the giver.
- **Restrictions on Political Activities** – May not engage in partisan political activities including endorsing or opposing a candidate or lobbying for or against laws.
- **Public Transparency** – Requires filing an annual financial and activity report with the IRS.

Key features of 501(c)(4) organizations:

- **Limited Political Activity** – May engage in some political activities, including lobbying and advocating for specific legislation. However, political activities cannot be their primary purpose.
- **Less Restrictive Contribution Rules** – Donations are not tax deductible yet have more flexibility in accepting contributions from corporations.
- **Less Stringent Reporting Requirements** – Still required to report annually to the IRS though not as strict as 501(c)(3) allowing some privacy for donors and activities.

Although donations to our club are not tax deductible most businesses write it off as advertising. The club doesn't need a CPA and we are free to engage in supporting or opposing laws that affect our passion for street rods and the motoring hobby.

Your 2024 Newsletter Editor - *Garry Pullen*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9	Nancy Herron	
14	Tom Schmid	
15	Roman Baszniak	Wendi McNitt
16	Richard Raymond	Glenn Scott
17	Janell Wittrig	
19	Ray Wittrig	Alan Eyman
22	Ken Pappas	
28	Greg Fisher	

## MEETINGS

### Club Meeting 2/6

7:00 PM – All Welcome

Pietro's Pizza in Salem

6:00 PM dinner and conversation.

### Officer Meeting 2/27

6:00 PM – Members only

RSVP Vicki Champ for location



## COOKIE SUPPLIERS FOR FEBRUARY

JOHN STANTON, LINDA RADER, STEPHANIE MASSIE, JAMES SORRELS JR.

SIGN UP AND BRING 2 DOZEN COOKIES TO SHARE AT ONE OF THE CLUB MEETINGS.

## HEMI be your valentine!



Get well soon!  
We miss your  
contagious  
smile and spirit.

Mark Starck  
Ann Sowerby  
Carolyn Walz

If you know of a member feeling ill, having surgery, or just needs a big WVSR air hug. Please send a note to Ann Sowerby so she can send them a card while we collectively wish them well.





WILLAMETTE VALLEY STREET RODS



for providing HOPE this Holiday season!



Family Building Blocks



## 2024 Winter Rod and Speed Show

The ice storm cleared up just in time to venture out for a great show and swap meet at the Albany Expo Center. There was a good amount of first time seen – at least by me – such as Carson's truck. Sadly only a few WVSR members were able to make it so another club won the \$500 participation prize.



The wife and I had a booth set up at the swap meet, as did the Flamming's. We went home with about half of what we took making a little more space in the garage.

We saw lots of members come through as spectators but hope we'll have a chance at the \$500 club participation cash award at next year's show. The hardest part is predicting the weather and then getting the car home after dark. Plan on headlight upgrades or setting up a caravan so everyone gets home safe and we can show up as the best club in the Valley!

Photos & Article by Garry Pullen

## SPEEDSTER PROGRAM NEEDS YOUR HELP



The club donates \$1,000 annually to the NW Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museums Speedster program who pass on valuable automotive focused skills to students in the area. Mechanics, fabrication, body, paint, upholstery, and all the other things it takes to restore a vehicle from the ground up. This year the top need is a 48" Pan & Box Brake that come in at roughly \$1650 after shipping is added. What we are hoping is that a member has, or knows of one, sitting in someone's shop collecting dust and taking up space which could be donated, or possibly purchased for less than a new one. This will be presented at the regular

club meeting also so please reach out to an office or email [wvsrhq@gmail.com](mailto:wvsrhq@gmail.com) with any information you have. A response is requested by Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> in order to make other arrangements if a good used one is not available. Even if you don't have a Pan & Box Brake you can still help out. To help cover the difference in cost of a new one or to supplement our donation for the program to acquire other items on their list please consider making your own donation. This can be done via our webpage at [wvsr.org](http://wvsr.org), (click on the donate button next to the Speedster Program info) or speak to an officer at a club meeting.

### OREGON'S WAR ON CARS

An article was forwarded to me and other members may find it an interesting read.

Click [HERE](#) to read article.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**10: Mild To Wild Motorsports Swap Meet, Oregon State Fairgrounds. [Fb Page](#)**  
**22 - 25: Portland International Auto Show. [Website](#)**

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Split bench seat out of a 1969 two door Nova. Needs to be reupholstered but not in bad shape. Frame is good. Located in West Salem. Make an offer, need to get it out of the garage. Contact Rob Booth at [robbooth6@gmail.com](mailto:robbooth6@gmail.com)



67-72 C/K 10 Hood Good Condition  
Call Garry  
503-507-5333



68 GTO with, Mid 70's 400 V8, TH 350, all glass in place, very little rust. Asking \$10,500, OBO. More pics on FB market place add - Call Mike Prowell at 503-930-4658.



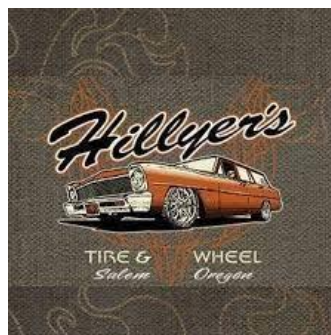
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### ***Editor's Note:***

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

***Thank You!***

***Garry Pullen***