

With the new year upon us, we reflect back on the events of the past 12 months while looking ahead to what the new year brings.

Our hot rod family lost some great members who will forever be in our hearts. We made great memories through fellowship at our club meetings, getting to know our club members better with social activities, garage and shop tours and of course helping charitable organizations through our fundraising events. Our WVSR Carousel Cruise is one of the premier car shows in the area and the entire club should be very proud of that.

In a time when many car clubs are facing declining membership and internal strife, WVSR is thriving thanks to our officers, committee members, and other club members. I would like to thank all the past and present members who have stepped up to help build our club to be the fun and successful club it is today. The only way for us to continue this great ride is to invite younger members to join and for more of you to come forward to help drive us into the future,

Have a great 2025!

Sincerely - 2025 President - Russ Strohmeyer



#### JANUARY COOKIE SUPPLIERS

Carolyn Walz, Rick Naranen, Tina Stone, Bobette Prowell.

Please consider signing up to bring 2 dozen cookies to the monthly meeting.



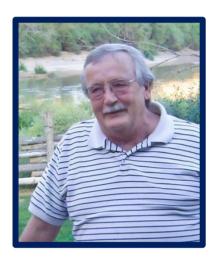
## WVSR Members - Angels Chapter



December has been heartwrenching with the passing of two more of our beloved members.

It is with great sadness that we report the sudden passing of Glen Rader on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Glen was known for his generosity, his kindness, and his smile.

Ron Sowerby passed away peacefully a week later on December 11<sup>th</sup>. If you knew Ron you knew he had a sense of humor, was very kind hearted, and loved all his friends and family.





A Celebration of life for Soren Winslow is scheduled for January 11th from 2-6pm at the B17 Alliance Museum and restoration hanger. 3278 25th St SE, Salem.

Soren requested this to be an upbeat affair with no suits allowed so dress comfortably and tell some jokes in his honor. A memory box will also be available to share memories and stories.

Assistance with parking has been requested since the museum is normally shut down this time of year. If you would like to assist please contact Director Terry Cook at 971-219-8293 (cell) – text may be best.

Soren, Glen, Ron, and all the WVSR members who have gone before them are sorely missed yet never forgotten. We wouldn't be where we are today without them. May God have patience with all the hot-rodding mayhem they are causing amongst the heavens.

### Toy & Gift Delivery to Family Building Blocks



Thank you WVSR club members for your generosity. A multitude of toys, pj's, and winter coats, \$220 cash turned into more needed items, plus a special donation of 20 child size quilts from the Calvary Lutheran Church in Stayton (thank you Carolyn Walz) which was all hand delivered to Family Building Blocks



on Lancaster Ave. with a special appearance of our very own casual Santa – Bill Watson!









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THE BLAIR'S
WAGON WINS
BEST
DECORATED
ONCE AGAIN.
NO ONE GOES
ALL OUT LIKE
THEY DO FOR
THIS EVENT!

A LITTLE RAIN NEVER STOPS A DEDICATED WVSR MEMBER FROM SUPPORTING A GREAT CAUSE, OR TWO! A GREAT TURNOUT BY OUR MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT THE ANNUAL TOY DRIVE HOSTED AT THE STAYTON FIRE DEPT. WHO SERVED UP THEIR USUAL FANTASTIC BREAKFAST!









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HOSTS
WITH THE
MOST!
RUSS &
MARGIE
WITH
STEVE
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(STAYTON
FIRE
DEPT.
CHIEF)

# BUY MY CHROME!



U.S. Crane & Hoist has generously donated funds for a \$500 quarterly drawing in place of the normal 50/50 regardless of how much is collected. This allows the club to donate ALL of the 50/50 funds collected that night to the Marion-Polk Food Share and Toys 4 Joy instead of the usual half! The only catch is the winner must use the winnings for car parts and/or repairs and tell the club what they used it for at the next meeting.

Thank you for your generosity U.S. Crane & Hoist!

### MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

THE 2024 WVSR CHRISTMAS DINNER WAS AWESOME! GREAT CONVERSATIONS, SMILES EVERYWHERE AND AN INCREDIBLE GROUP OF PEOPLE TO SPEND THE EVENING WITH! A HUGE THANK YOU TO TINA FOR MAKING IT A GREAT NIGHT.



The Treasurer spot is vacant with the passing of Ron Sowerby. Although Michele Coffey is filling in as the interim Treasurer and Matt Reed has temporarily backfilled the Secretary position, per WVSR bylaws:

Section 7.12 Vacancies which occur at any time during the year or which exist during the November election shall be filled by nomination and a vote during a member meeting.

If you are interested in either position, please contact Russ and let him know before the club meeting, if you haven't done so already. Be ready to vote at the Jan. club meeting.

### **HOLIDAY SPARKLE CRUISE**

Members of WVSR and Capitol Area Mustang Club of Oregon (CAMC) made it out for the Holiday Sparkle Cruise at Powerland in Brooks. We were a small group but had a great time with awesome people, great food and stories to boot!! Thank you to Matt Reed and Ron Smith for hosting and feeding us!!! Merry Christmas!!



















James and Nataliia recently tied the knot, congratulations to the happy couple as their adventures continue into the new year and beyond!





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Flease keep Linda Rader, Ann Sowerby, and Laurie Winslow in your thoughts and prayers.

Cards were also sent to: Greg and Adriana Fisher — Greg's mother passed away. Jessy Rolfness — Gallbladder surgery.

Please let <u>Lora Bazter-King</u> know of anyone that could use a get well soon card.





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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 <a href="wvsrhq@gmail.com">wvsrhq@gmail.com</a> 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