



**MEETINGS**

**Club Meeting – 2/4**  
**7:00 PM – All Welcome**  
**Pietro's Pizza in Salem**  
**6:00 PM Food & Conversation**

**Officer Meeting 2/25**  
**6:00 PM – Members Only**  
**All Good Things - Aumsville**

*Member Message*

*WE NEED EACH OTHER*

*A few members have voiced some concerns recently, and while addressing issues is important, let's also keep things in perspective. Constructive feedback is always welcome, should be directed anonymously to our Member At Large Mel Myers, or to a club officer. Keep in mind that dwelling on the same problems month after month and not saying anything only holds us back. Instead of focusing on what's wrong, let's work together to find solutions so we can continue enjoying what this club is really about—cars and helping others in need.*

*We often emphasize that without our members, there would be no club—and that's absolutely true! But it's also important to recognize the dedication of those who organize meetings, plan cruises, and lend a helping hand when needed. This club thrives because of all of us, working together. It's a shared effort—we need each other! At the heart of it all, our passion for cars and our commitment to giving back should always come first. Let's keep that spirit alive as we move forward into a fantastic 2025!*

*Sincerely - Anonymous WVSR Member*



## FEBRUARY COOKIE SUPPLIERS

Jack Carriger, Brad Chandler, Sharon Munz, Paul Pfinister

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

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Thank you, Michele Coffey and Matt Reed for stepping up as the new Treasurer and Secretary! Your efforts are noticed and appreciated.

I know its early but if you have a desire to serve as an officer or chair, please talk to the person who currently fills the position you are considering. They will happily answer questions and show you the ropes before next years nomination and election period.

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## BUY MY CHROME!



Save those 50/50 tickets for the big \$500 quarterly drawing at the March club meeting. The club will donate all of the 50/50 funds collected that night, instead of 1/2, to the Marion-Polk Food Share and Toys 4 Joy! The only catch is the winner must use the winnings for car parts and/or repairs and report back on what they used it for at the next meeting.

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

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## WVSR MEET A MEMBER

**"You meet the nicest people in a hot rod"!**

Meet long time club members Jeff and Pam Foster. They reside in Keizer and have been members since 1992! They own CJs Hot Rod Shop and do very nice custom work. Their first baby is a beautiful 32 Ford Roadster powered by a Buick 401 Nailhead with 6 deuces and backed with a T5 manual trans. Awesome car. Jeff had built this car for a customer in 2006, got it back in 2013 and you see the finished product in the pictures! Their second baby is a near perfect 1965 El Camino powered by a 350



and also backed with a T5 manual. Jeff had started on this build, ended up selling it and 10 years later bought it back! Crazy how two cars left but found their way home!

Say hello to Jeff and Pam next time you see them, they are both awesome people and would love to meet more of the newer club members.



Submitted by Tony Darcy

## WVSR ANGEL CHAPTER



With a heavy heart we sadly report the sudden passing of Ed Blair. Described fondly as a character, fun to talk to, and a sweet and wonderful man. He has been a part of the hot-rodding scene and WVSR for a long time. Always the first to show up to support a car show and show off that little red 57 delivery with loud pipes! His presence will be greatly missed. Rest In Peace Ed.



*Please keep Gloria Blair in your thoughts & prayers.*

*Wishing Vicki Champ get well soon.*

# Winter Rod & Speed Show

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The Winter Rod & Speed Show kicked off on Friday night with some Rockin-n-Rollin amongst the cool vintage iron at the show. As usual there were lots of cool hot rods plus some, shall we say, unique rides as well. Always entertaining with a chance of finding a needed part at the swap meet this is definitely a good start to the new year and one heck of a way to kick off car show season for 2025.





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## Community Outreach: Supporting Our Local Charities

Through our Community Outreach Programs (COPs), Willamette Valley Street Rods (WVSR) is proud to give back to the community by supporting local non-profit organizations with donations of time, toys, food, and funds.

### Supporting Families:

Family Building Blocks is dedicated to preventing child abuse and neglect by providing therapeutic classes for children, home visits, parenting education, and more. Their efforts lead to:

- Fewer children in the child welfare system
- Reduced foster-care placements
- Support for over 1,100 babies, toddlers, and preschoolers each year

WVSR has supported Family Building Blocks since 2002. Along with our annual monetary donation, our members collect and deliver new clothes and toys for children just before Christmas.

Learn more at [FamilyBuildingBlocks.org](http://FamilyBuildingBlocks.org).

### Honoring Our Heroes

Honoring Heroes is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting U.S. veterans, active-duty military, and their families. They host the annual **Prison Break Poker Run**, with 100% of proceeds going toward veteran assistance. The funds raised are used to purchase, pick up donations, provide and even move furniture, clothing, and household items for veterans transitioning into permanent housing. Giving veterans a hand up not a hand out. More information can be found at

[honoringheroes.us](http://honoringheroes.us).

## Investing in Youth: The Speedster Program

WVSR proudly supports the **NW Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum Speedster Program**, which teaches high school students' valuable automotive history and repair skills. Our annual donation of \$1,000 helps fund supplies and equipment for these aspiring young mechanics. Learn more on the [Speedster Program page](#).

## How We Choose Our Charities

WVSR members vote on organizations to support based on the following criteria:

1. Must be a non-profit organization
2. Must support the local community
3. Must staff an information booth at our annual event
4. Must allocate a low percentage of donations to salaries and administrative costs

## Annual Contributions Breakdown

Our donations come from the net proceeds of our **Carousel Cruise**, funds are distributed as follows:

- **Family Building Blocks:** 60%
- **Honoring Heroes:** 40%
- **Marion Polk Food Share & Toys for Joy:** 25% each from the monthly 50/50 raffle.

WVSR is honored to support these incredible organizations and make a meaningful impact in our community.



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For more information call Rod & Sandy: 971-304-6562



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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!**

