

WILLAMETTE VALLEY STREET RODS



Cruiz'n News January 2020



Message from the President, Russ Strohmeier



With the new year, we reflect on the events of the past twelve months, while looking ahead to what the new year brings. Our hot rod family lost some monumental members who will forever be in our hearts. We made great memories with fellowship at our club meetings, getting to know our members better at social activities, garage and shop tours, and of course helping charitable organizations through our fund raising events.

The WVSR Carousel Cruise is one of the premier car shows in the area and the entire club should be very proud of that fact. In a time when many car clubs are facing declining membership and lack of participation, WVSR is thriving, thanks to our officers, committee members and the rest of the membership.

I would like to thank all of 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 to continue this great ride is if more members come forward to drive us into the future. Have a GREAT 2020!!!

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*Don't forget the club meeting, Tuesday,
the 7th. Club dues were due 1/1/2020.*



January Birthdays

1 Amy Ayers
5 Fran Gemma
6 Judy Saugstad
10 Jack Lawshe
16 Nancy Starck, James Sorrels, Jr.
17 Gary Farrier
18 Geronimo Warren
19 Mike Starck, Judi Herschbach
21 Nick Hoosier
26 John Woods, Nellie Gates
30 John Stanton, Jerry Bresee

*****Birthdays taken from the club membership roster.**



Dues were due **January 1, 2020**, and need to be paid by February 4, 2020 to avoid a late fee. ***There is no grace period after February 4, 2020. At that time a late fee of \$5.00 will be added. You should have received an emailed invoice from our web person, Garry Pullen already (thank you Garry.) If you pay online there is a \$1.00 charge.***

A couple of tips to help you with your renewal...

Renewals can be submitted **online**, mail or attend Pietro's pizza first Tuesday of the month and pay the current membership chairman, Ron Sowerby, our new Membership Chair. *Don't wait until the last day to renew— with over 119 club members, it gets busy as the January deadline approaches!!!!*

Cookies

Bringing cookies to the meeting this Tuesday
(taken from the sign up list)

January-Judy Courtermine, Don Flammang, Paul

Pfnister and Carolyn Walz

February-Pat Black ,Gene Schuff, John Stanton

March-Brent Lindemann, Linda Rader, Randy Ransom, Delia Wright



The sign up sheet was passed around at the last meeting, and will be going around until we get all of the months filled.

Member Care Report

Submitted by: Ann Sowerby
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This past month cards were sent to the following club members:

Paul Pfnister, Knee Replacement

Victoria Kruljac, Kidney Stones

Cheryl Scott, Knee Replacement

Mike Starck, Hospital stay for stomach problems.

Be sure to reach out to Ann by phone or email if there's someone that we should send a card to. We care about all of our club members and want everyone to know that.

Taken from the Family Building Blocks Facebook page:

*"We had one of our favorite days of the year today(12/4)! **Willamette Valley Street Rods** visited Chelsea's Place to deliver gifts for Hope for the Holidays. Each year, their generosity is topped off with beautifully decorated cars for*



the children in our Therapeutic Classrooms to enjoy while the gifts are being presented. Thank you, Willamette Valley Street Rods! We appreciate you so much!

#hopefortheholidays
#familybuildingblocks
#earlychildhood **#powerofprevention**
#keepingchildrensafe **#reliefnursery:**





Santa Cruise, Stayton Fire Department- Saturday, December 7

It was a cold, wet day but there was a good turnout and everyone had a good time. We won club participation with forty five members present. Ed and Gloria won the "Best Decorated Vehicle" again this year. John Stanton was awarded the "Santa's

Pick" with his beautiful Red 40' Ford Coupe. Nick Hoosier won first place truck with his 48' Divco.







Club webmaster, Carousel Cruise Chair, Garry Pullen volunteered to dye his hair as a fundraiser for the "Toys for Joy" and "Toys for Tots" programs. Garry's co-workers and Willamette Valley Street Rods club members stepped up to the challenge. He donated an extra \$100 to Stayton Fire Dept "Toys for Joy" and \$128 to "Toys for Tots" at his office. Garry said, "and all I had to do was add a little color for a couple weeks." (what a good sport he is!!!)

Club Christmas Party at Roth's





Brent Strohmeier (son of Russ and Margie Strohmeier) of Stayton, OR, died at the age of 20 years as a passenger in an auto accident on September 6, 2001. He was very active in the automotive hobby and loved attending car shows and cruise-ins in his Hugger Orange '69 Chevelle.

Brent enjoyed working on cars and continually strove to learn more and improve his automotive skills. He was a gifted artist and like drawing cars and trucks. His work was featured on car show t-shirts and posters.

Brent believed that classic cars were to be restored, maintained and driven. Not to be neglected, crushed or left to rust away in a field.

We enjoy driving Brent's Hugger Orange '69 Chevelle (he and his dad built) and his V-8 S-10 pickup (he built.)

We started this scholarship program in 2002. Funds for scholarships are raised yearly through sponsorship, donations, t-shirt sales and raffles at our Stro's Wednesday Nite Cruise - In at the Stayton A&W along with the majority of the proceeds from the Stayton SummerFest car show. The Capitol Area Mustang Club and the Cherry City Bombers also donate funds from their car shows toward Brent's Scholarship.

This year we gave 5 scholarships to local graduating high school seniors. We were very proud to award a \$1,000 scholarship to an extremely ambitious young man, Timothy Walz who is a chemistry major and loves working on his car with his grandpa Jim. I'm sure our WVSR club members Jim and Carolyn Walz are also very proud of their grandson, Timothy. [For more information about the scholarship program](#)

If you plan on attending the Show in Albany and haven't registered yet get your registration in ASAP. We have a good chance of winning "Club Participation" with the number of members that we have. Registration fees are \$25 for anyone that belongs to a car club. The club participation is \$500!!! Rollin' Oldies won this last year.....

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