

## August 2018 Cruiz'n News

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Club meetings are the first Tuesday of every month. At 7 pm (6 pm dinner and visiting). Pietros Pizza

**Hawthorn & Market Street** 



WVSR President & DJ Russ Strohmeyer keeps his cool in the DJ booth during the Stray Angel's Show and Shine at River Forks Park during Grafitti Weekend in Roseburg July 7th.

Editor Photo



## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

| _  |                              |
|----|------------------------------|
| 1  | Kathy Schuette               |
| 2  | Jerry Keppinger              |
| 3  | Jack Moore                   |
| 4  | Ron Hostetler                |
| 6  | Rich Wright                  |
| 9  | Margie Strohmeyer            |
| 10 |                              |
| 11 |                              |
| 12 |                              |
| 14 | Judy Bazniak                 |
| 15 | Laura Lamoureux Glenn Wilson |
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| 20 | Warren Horne                 |
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| 23 |                              |
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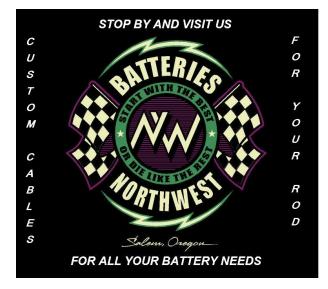
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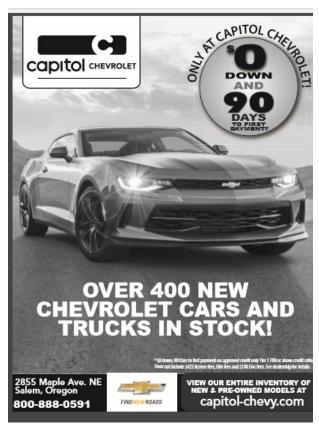
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### **Road Trip To LaGrande**

After having such a good time last year, the Schuette's and the Palmer's decided to again attend the 'Grande Ronde-A-View' car show in La Grande, Oregon last weekend-July 20 thru 22, 2018. The Palmer's drove their '52 Chevrolet and we trailered our '58 Chevrolet convertible.

Our normal routine is to stop at McDonald's I-84 exit 17; stop for fuel @ The Dalles; have a picnic lunch at the Boardman Rest Area; then on to the Sandman Motel, LaGrande, Oregon.

Our planned McDonalds stop was foiled as they were closed for remodeling so we had to maneuver our way over to the nearby truck stop. We picked up some snacks and looked at some of the trinkets offered to the truckers. We then left and were on our way again. Around MP 115, the Palmer's were beside us-pointing that were should pull over. After pulling over we could see the driver side rear trailer tire had lost half its tread! There was still air in the tire but no tread! Now changing a tire along I-84 is quite a challenge-not a feat for the timid!!

In order to get outside the fog line, we had to pull over far enough that the passenger side wheels of the trailer ended up on a fairly steep, downward dirt slope. Since our trailer is two axle, I place a driveway oil change ramp under the good tire, then move the trailer forward or backward, to lift the bad tire off the ground high enough to be able to remove it. Because the passenger side wheels of the trailer and truck were off the shoulder, I had to put the truck into 4-wheel drive to get enough traction to back the trailer up onto the ramp. Palmer's parked their car behind us with their flasher's on. This was to warn traffic as we were changing the tire on the traffic side of the trailer; all this while traffic was whizzing by a 70 MPH-and less than 10 feet away! Despite all this, we were able to complete the tire change and be on our way again.

Now we still have approximately 160 miles to go-and no spare tire should we (heaven forbid) get another flat! So after fueling up at The Dalles, and lunch at the Boardman Rest Area, we stopped at the Pendleton Les Schwab where we had a new spare tire mounted. \$133.00 and 20 minutes later, we were once again on our way. We got to LaGrande around 3:00 PM and checked into our motel room. That evening we went to a nearby park where we picked up our registration packet and BBQ.

We were up at 7:00AM the next morning and headed out for the car show (5 minutes away) where they block off 6 blocks-or so-of the downtown streets. Cars were then parked in the middle of the street-two rows wide and parallel with the curb line. This allows people to pass by and see the cars easier from both sides of the street, and eliminates the closeness you have with diagonal parking at the curb. By 10:00 AM, 151 cars were registered for the show.

During the day there were games we could participate in: a fan belt toss and remote car game (you turn your back to the direction the car is going, hold the control and try to get as close as you can to a line 20 feet or so away without looking). Not as easy as you would think! None us won anything playing the games!

The award ceremony was at 3:00PM and was well organized. The Palmers won the 'Best' in the '50-'54 year class; and the Schuette's won 'Host Club Choice'!

After the award ceremony was over, there was a 50 mile poker run through the country which then ended up at a steak/chicken dinner at the local senior center. Cash awards were given for the best poker hands.

After dinner, there was a downtown cruise where if your car number was on a marking board as you drove by, you won \$10 cash! New numbers were added every 15 minutes or so. None of us won any cash. Also, various sponsors were along the cruise route and handed out plaques to cars they liked. The Schuette's happen to get one of these!

7:00AM Sunday morning-after breakfast-we were on our way, stopping at the Pendleton Wildhorse Casino for fuel; The Dalles for fuel and lunch with it being the last stop on the way back to Salem.

We were just cruising along when-around MP 115-the Palmer's were alongside us-pointing for us to pull over. You've got to be kidding-another flat tire-this time on the passenger side! So we managed to slow down and eventually pull over onto the shoulder. Now picture this-we're pulling a 102 inch wide trailer and pulling over onto a 10 foot wide shoulder-edged with a guard rail!! This leave us less than 18" between the tires and guardrail in which to work!!. Meanwhile, the traffic is very heavy and passing by the driver's side of the vehicles at 70 MPH. Even with our flashing lights, nobody is slowing down as they pass us! So we manage to set the lift ramp under the good tire; I manage to safely get back into the truck. Looking in the mirror, I see John signaling to start backing up. I did so-apparently too much though-as the good tire backed over the top of the ramp-pinning the flat tire and rim against the protruding ramp slope!! Now what-we can't move either way as the ramp keeps sliding!! Since I also carry a hydraulic jack, I had to get it out, maneuver myself under the edge of the trailer-all the while constricted within a less than 18" wide space. About this time an Oregon State Trooper shows up, assesses our predicament-and lets us know what a dangerous situation we're in-traffic wise. So he parks his SUV behind the Palmer's Chevy, puts on his flashers and sets out some orange cones. He also had Sharon get out of their car and stand behind the guard rail as he felt it was too dangerous for her to be sitting in the '52 during all this.

So then, the Trooper goes to his car, puts on his gloves and comes back to assist. With his help, we managed to jack the axle up enough to pull the flat tire off the hub. We then backed up onto the ramp againthis time very carefully-and were able to successfully installed the spare tire. By this time, we were all hot and covered in sweat-it's 85 degrees out-but the task was completed. We thanked Oregon State Trooper Justin Hay very much for his help and traffic protection during this incident. After spending an hour changing this tire, we were once again on our way.

Now we still have a good 120 miles to go; it's Sunday and no tire stores are open; my wife Kathy, was a nervous wreck. Honestly, I think all of us were a little concerned, hoping we would make it the rest of the way home without another incident!

Traffic from Troutdale to Wilsonville was very heavy but we made it through it without any problems and were home by 3:00PM.

I guarantee you, this was a trip the Palmer's and us will not forget! By the way, thanks to John and Sharon Palmer for allowing us to share our experience!



















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Rust O Rama Salem

**Ken Parsons Photos** 







Please remember to bring your Silent Auction and Raffle items to the August Meeting!

Purple shirts are available (polo style) Contact Bill Watson

Flyers are available at the meeting for those attending August shows.

Posters will be available to club members after the Carousel Cruise.

Thank you everyone who has volunteered to help! V

**WVSR** 













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