

Cruiz'n News

December 2014



Carousel Cruise Sponsor Flash Cruise
Membership Profile: Ray and Heather Bethel
"A" Project
John's Fall Color Tour
Albany Indoor Swap Meet

Marilyn lost her battle with cancer on November 9th. She was a strong person and fought cancer twice head on. She never gave up, even though she was in near constant pain and continued to be a wonderful wife and friend to the end. She really enjoyed being a part of the club. I want to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers and cards, as this is a real difficult time for me. When things happen so fast, you don't have time to think straight. Even though Marilyn is now gone, I will always cherish the memories and all the great times we had together.

Greg



The Willamette Valley Street Rods has lost another long time member of our family. Marilyn Smith passed away Sunday, November 9th.



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| 5 | Jim Walz | |
| 11 | Russ Strohmeier | |
| 14 | Lynn Parsons | |
| 21 | Renny Otjen | |
| 26 | Sharon Palmer | |
| 29 | Cynthia Barthuly, Dee Farrier | |

WVSR General Meeting

November 04, 2014

President - Dave LeCompte presiding.

Called meeting to order @ Pietro's 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Officer Reports

President - Dave LeCompte Officer Election vote to be held tonight. Dave worked to create a solution to our HEARING difficulties during our meetings. The room setup for newsletters, and pamphlets etc. was moved to the back of the room, Members were asked to sit further from the laser tag room, the speakers were repositioned and sound pads were temporarily installed on the arcade room door for our meeting. At the end of the meeting all members were encouraged to sign them. WOW!! The difference was noticeable and by far more pleasant.

Vice President - Mike Vickers

Mike thanked everyone for a fantastic year. He looks forward to getting his car out more this coming year and participating in more of the club cruises.

Secretary- Niccole Geck

Niccole thanked everyone for a fun year of incredible friendships cruises and events. She really enjoyed serving as secretary for the club and wishes the new secretary much success.

Treasurer - Paul Geck

No report. Paul was not in attendance because he was in Atlanta for a work obligation, but he expressed his gratitude to the club for their support. He looks forward to another wonderful year with WVSR as treasurer.

Membership Chairman - Jim Palmquist

Jim reports we are 128 members strong.

New members were introduced and announced: Ed and Gloria Blair, Greg Kreitzburg, James Sorrels, Geronimo Warren, and Niccole Geck introduced Jerry Patterson. Please welcome these new members to WVSR when you see them and introduce yourselves.

Social Chairman - Frank Munz.

*Please reference our famous newsletter for specific information on any and all upcoming events.

Be sure to email our social chairman any new or upcoming events to be included in EVENTS section of our newsletter.

Christmas Party 12/13/14 Sign up for Dinner. Your RSVP is your payment. Seats fill up FAST as Roth's has a very limited space for our dinner. More than half the spaces are already reserved. There will be a \$10.00 gift exchange and presents should be wrapped and noted if it is for a man, woman or either. There will also once again be an ornament-making contest. Bring your interesting creation, as it always is a fun time for members to see your creative designs.

The cruise to Family Building Blocks will be Dec 8, 2014. Please bring an unwrapped toy (see Vicki for toy details as they should be educational) if you don't wish to donate a toy please consider donating cash or a gift card to Fred Meyer for example, so the family may purchase a Christmas dinner for their family.

We will once again meet up for lunch after this FUN and REWARDING event.

Carousel Cruise t-shirts are for sale for \$15.00 each tonight. Contact Niccole and get one now. After tonight please contact Mark at Supervinyl to obtain a shirt.

Newsletter Editor - Ken Parsons

Ken reports he gets regular emails of praise and thanks for our AWESOME newsletter and he really appreciates them all. He may not get a lot of opportunity to respond to them all, but he does read them and genuinely thanks everyone for their emails and support. Be sure to submit your articles and pictures by his posted deadline for inclusion in the monthly newsletter. We all look forward to reading it and sharing smiles with our friends, family and sponsors.

Website - Garry Pullen

HEY MEMBERS!! There is a PayPal option for members to pay their dues online through our website. There is a fee of one dollar for this convenience due to PayPal cost, but boy does it make it easy to keep current. We appreciate you Garry and the hard work you do online to help us look even cooler than we do in person. Hahaha

Please submit your photos of you and your ride to be included on this site. Our website with additional club information: WVSR.org email WVSRHQ@gmail.com click on it and check it out.

Member at Large - Dayle Langley

No bad news or reports to speak of, but Dayle wanted to thank everyone in our club for a wonderful year and all the good times we have had. She thanked us all for our support in her times of need and She thinks we have a very strong membership and leadership. Dayle looks forward to serving an additional year as Member At Large. We do too Dayle!! You are the

best!!

Member Care - Vicki Champ

Vicki composed and sent cards to these members in November. Sharon Palmer for her hospitalization and knee surgery. Nick Hoosier had hurt his knee and was unable to work due to the injury. We truly hope you both know how much we all care about your health and well being. Get better and keep on hot rodding Sharon and Nick. At the time of this minute composition we sadly had a tragic update to share about our dear member Marilyn Smith. Her cancer had returned and Vicki had sent a card. Greg contacted us to share the very sorrowful news of her passing. Marilyn was such a kind and loving person... well; there just aren't words to describe the sadness we all feel. Our hearts go out to her family and friends.

Historian - Pam Foster

Pam is amazing! She hit it out of the ballpark once again with her joyous birthday wishes to members with November birthdays. If you weren't in attendance, you simply missed out on it because she makes everyone feel wonderfully special and cared for. See our famous newsletter for the birthday details.

A-Team - Jeff Foster

At CJ's Hot Rod Shop Every Thursday evening excluding Thanksgiving from 5:30 pm to?? All members who are interested in helping with the A are welcome to come HELP build it!! It's FUN guys and gals. So get in there and sand or something. Please remember your safety glasses and talent. Lol

The A Team Can Drive is still in effect. The Bottle Drop on Lancaster drive will credit your cans to WVSR account. Please feel free to drop them off there and reference our Willamette Valley Street Rod account. Contact Dayle if you have any further questions. These proceeds go to support our A Project with additional monies in case we need them to buy ice cream for the carousel cruise fund raiser, a roof or something. (Inside joke, is it too soon?)

Scholarship - Don Erickson

no report

Carousel Cruise

Will be in continual planning for next year. Please feel free to ask businesses for their sponsorship as many set their budgets now for next years giving.

We need new volunteers on all levels as the past committee chairs have decided to retire from this event.

NEW BUSINESS:

Officer Election Day

Dave LeCompte: President

Niccole Geck: Vice President

Heather Bethel: Secretary

Paul Geck: Treasurer

Jim Palmquist: Membership Chair

Ken Parsons: Newsletter

Garry Pullen: Website

Dave Cartwright: Social Chair

Dayle Langley: Member at Large

Committee Chair

Linda Spansel: Member Care

Pam Foster: Historian

Lynda Spansel: Christmas Party

Elections were held and only two offices required a vote: Social Chair and Vice President. Chuck Drake removed himself from running and Dave Cartwright was elected Social chair. Brent and Bernadine Lindemann volunteered to count the votes. An EPIC event occurred, there was a tie for Vice President. Mike Vickers and Niccole Geck decided against a beauty pageant or arm wrestling to break the tie. It wasn't anything that had ever occurred before so its solution was not in the Bylaws. It was decided a revote was necessary. Niccole Geck was elected as the new Vice President.

OLD BUSINESS:

Retired Carousel Committee chairman and members Mike Vickers, John Woods and Greg Smith acknowledged our club members for all their work to make this years carousel cruise a successful one. Some recognition photos were given to Chuck Drake, Warren Horne, Dayle Langley and Niccole Geck for their outstanding efforts and contributions. Other photos were to be distributed to our major sponsors that weekend on a flash cruise to their businesses. Pietro's was awarded their photo at the meeting and graciously accepted.

Hi everyone,

As your new Social Chairman I will try my best to organize as many events as I can to make our club as fun as possible. If you have an idea for an activity or would like to host a shop tour, please contact me. I think it's good to have lots of ideas to choose from.

Coming up: Santa Cruise, Dec 6, Christmas Dinner, Dec 13, Albany Winter Speed Show, Jan 3

See You Soon--Dave



2014 Calendar

December

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|---|--|
| 6 | Stayton, OR: Santa Cruise, Cruise-In & Breakfast, Stayton Fire Station, 1988 W/ Ida St |
| 7 | Brooks, OR: NWVC&MM Movie Night, Antique Powerland |

The Winter Rod and Speed Show is returning to the Linn County Fair and Expo January 3rd, the first Saturday of the new year. A prize of \$300.00 will be given to the car club with the most entries. We will continue to accept applications until the show is full. To download an application go to: http://www.capracing.com/winter_show.html or call Rich Bailey for further information at 503-370-9164.

Donations for Family Building Blocks

We're collecting toys and pajamas for Family Building Blocks, they have 850 children in their program, they service a total of 2,400 kids. Below is the information for their wish list, for the children and families. We hope that we can help make their Christmas holiday a little brighter.

We're asking our club members to help with Family Building Blocks "Hope for the Holidays." This year their wish list has changed slightly.

They are serving 200 more kids this December so the need is great.

The general wish list for their children and families are:

- An Educational Toy (wooden puzzle, Lego's, baby dolls, art supplies, toy dishes, non-electronic toy truck, car or animals (no commercial licensed toys, such as Disney characters). The ages are infant to 5 years old.....
- Children's Board Books
- Pajamas – size 2T-7
- Each parent's wish is to receive a \$25 gift card (Safeway or Wal-Mart) to help put food on the table this holiday

As in the past, if you'd rather donate money instead of shopping bring it to the meeting, give to Vicki Champ and we will buy toys/pajamas or purchase gift cards for the family.

We will start collecting toys, cash, gift cards and pajamas at the November 4 club meeting at Pietro's, and will collect it through our December meeting. On Monday, December 8, we'll meet in Big Lot's Parking Lot (Lancaster Drive/Sunnyview NE), caravan to FBB at 11am to deliver our gifts to them. Afterwards we will go to lunch as a group. Thank you everyone for always being so generous with your donations for families with small children that are less fortunate than we are.

Any questions contact Vicki Champ/503.910.5952.

Note from the Pres...

Now that it getting colder and wetter its time to move inside to start on all the projects we have set aside all summer . We have had a nice fall and its hard to adjust now. Here one of many ways ; Come to a club meeting, Go to Staytons Firemans Breakfast (rain or shine), then onto Christmas Dinner at Roths and that's just a start for the coming year! So come and get involved and meet new and old friends. I will see you there! Merry Christmas to all!!

Dave LaCompte

And one from our Membership Chairman...

Dues are due!

Dues for the year 2015 should be paid this month. We will accept cash or checks at the December meeting, a family membership is \$25 per year. If you can't make the meeting you can mail your check made out to: WVSR, PO Box 4091 Salem, OR 97302. Dues can also be paid on line at our website, WVSR.org, there is a \$1 surcharge for doing it this way.

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Thank You to Our Sponsors!

Saturday may have been overcast, but the smiles were big as the members of Willamette Valley Street Rods paid a "flash cruise" visit to three of their top sponsors. Over twenty classic cars and some daily drivers made their way around Salem and Keizer presenting the Thank You plaques to the major Carousel Cruise Sponsors.

In addition to their generous check, Al's Trailer Sales, on Portland Rd. in Salem, brought some beautiful trailers to the club's annual Carousel Cruise that was held on this past Labor Day weekend, and Al himself received the award presented to the business as we looked on.

In no specific order, we cruised the towns and waved at onlookers as the club cars made their presence known. When we pulled into Capitol Chevrolet, we got quite a bit of attention! All the salesmen and customers came out to enjoy the occasion, and drool over their favorite ride. Mike again presented the club appreciation award to the Capitol Chevrolet representative as the club members drooled over the new Chevy Camaro parked just feet away.

With all the business taken care of, Mike suggested we all cruise back to Keizer and get some lunch at the Sonic Drive-In on River Rd. The ride over was fun, seeing all the motorists watch our flash cruise roll through town. Bet we were a sight at that! As everyone ordered and visited, we determined to get together more often, do more flash cruises so everyone could fit in on at least one day or the other. Jim Woodrey wore the hat he had shown at the meeting, surprised he wore it home after Mike saw it! Heather, the new club secretary and her husband, seemed to enjoy the day. Heather said it was just what she was looking for. Yours truly got something to eat finally, and cruised back to Salem as the sun shone and the music played oldies (loud of course).

The remaining awards will be presented by the club member that first contacted the sponsor, because not all were available today. Hopefully all our sponsors will be on board next year as we look forward to good weather and a good show at the 24th Annual Carousel Cruise. See you there?

Respectfully,

Dayle Langley, WVSR Member-at-Large





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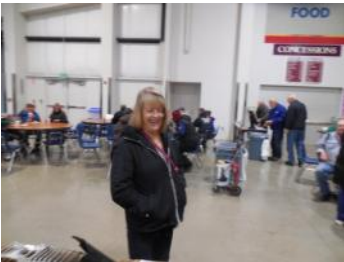
ALBANY INDOOR SWAPMEET

WVSR members enjoyed a good time at the Albany Swap Meet at the Expo in Albany. Each of the large expo buildings were filled with vendors, parts, and cars for sale. This is one of the most exciting events of the year, and the turnout is huge despite the frigid temperatures.

Hunting car parts for your obsolete project can be daunting, and some folks get pretty creative!. One guy had a sign that read "Do you speak Studebaker?" and another "looking for parts to a 60 Chrysler". Just like hunters looking for big game, these hunters have their own "swap meet" gear. Some pushed fold out carts and did not seem to care that they were actually laundry or shopping carts, others go the extra mile and pull a Radio Flyer, of course being "car guys", they have to customize them. WVSR's newsletter editor, Ken Parsons, added an oil pan to his red wagon, making it hold more. In addition, he mounted his two folding chairs to the sides, because if you have ever been to the swap meets, you know there are very few places to sit down. Another guy added a rack to the back for longer items, others simply pulled red wagons with wooden boxes to sit on!

The Albany Swap Meet is really the rehearsal for the big one in April. Every year, Portland International Raceway has a swap meet that is renown! People come from all over the Western states to find their treasures! Mike Vickers usually has a vendor spot up there, and I know all the WVSR car guys can't wait for the event. So, mark your calendar, and maybe we will see you up there Don't forget your wagon and bottle of water!

Dayle Langley Photos





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"A" Project

1. New member, Ray, fitting the last roof filler strip.
2. Another new member, Glen, sanding on one of the rear fenders.
3. Frank doing some hammer and dolly work on a front fender.
4. Dave doing some dolly, hammer work and welding the newly installed filler strip on the roof.
5. Close- up of the work just done by Dave, with help from John.
6. Warren working on a running board.
7. Wow! A front fender with primer! (Still needs some work...)
8. Ken sanding on a fender that Jeff just put a sanding guide coat on.
9. John doing a little dolly and hammer work on a rear fender.

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December Newsletter Deadline

The latest I can accept articles, pictures, classified adds, or anything else you would like to see in the November Issue of Cruiz'n News will be December 20th, 9 a.m. If there is an event on that day that you will attend and would cover for the newsletter, let me know ahead of time and I can save some space for it.

Ken Parsons, Newsletter Editor

WVSR Website help needed

Can you type? Can you cut and paste? Highlight and delete text? Well, if you can answer yes to those questions, Congratulations, you qualify to work on the website. Now the question is who is willing to step up and volunteer to assist with keeping the website updated? Keeping it simple, I just need help with the Upcoming Events page. It is really easy to learn. Send me an email at wvsrhq@gmail.com with any questions and we'll get you set up and started.

Membership Profile: Ray and Heather Bethel

If you have not met Heather and Ray yet, you are in for a treat! Heather is outgoing, Ray a bit more quiet, but both are very friendly. They looked for a car club online, and chose Willamette Valley Street Rods, and I am truly glad they did!

Ray is retired from a successful catering and food truck business, and Heather says he is "an excellent chef and loves to cook"! Heather is with the Oregon Army National Guard and serves as a traffic manager. Thank you for your service Heather!

Speaking of service, although Heather and Ray have been in the club since August, Heather has already volunteered to be the club secretary. They have been enjoying some of the activities of the club, including the Sponsor's thank you cruise, and the Albany Swap Meet. The couple have a 1928 Model A Street Rod, and a 1963 Dodge Custom 880. They are anxiously awaiting the return of the Model A from the upholstery shop, and I can't wait to see it either. White, leather upholstery will look very cool in that green Model A!



Basically newlyweds (March 2007), the Bethel's look forward to retirement time to pursue their hobby of "classic cars". Looks like they are off to a good start. Heather looks forward to 2018 as her liberation day!

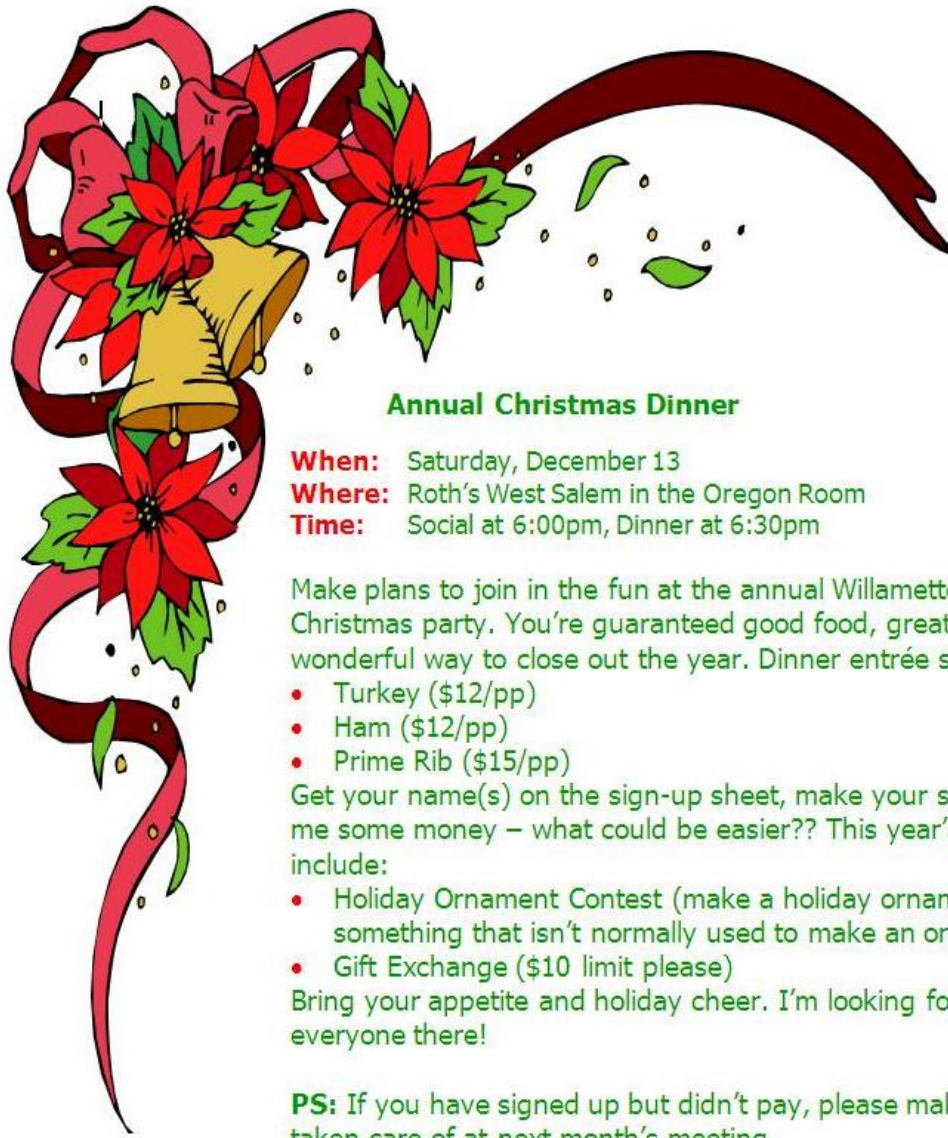


When I asked what their most embarrassing moment was, this was the reply:

"We travelled to our first car show (Albany) before we had the driver's seat moved back so that Ray (who is obviously much taller than me) could sit in the driver's seat with the door CLOSED and drive. This was my first time driving the car, so I was a bit nervous about it. Just as the sun was coming up, as we were travelling the country road between Hwy22 and Independence, we noticed another car coming behind us that was obviously travelling at a higher rate of speed. (I was doing about 5 miles under the speed limit, which was an improvement from when we first left our house in West Salem). Ray said not to worry about it, and to just let them pass. Well, you can imagine our embarrassment when we found out that we had just been passed by one of those fine Smart Cars!"

Please greet and get to know these really nice people who have chosen us as their car club family.

Dayle Langley, WVSR Member-at-Large



Annual Christmas Dinner

When: Saturday, December 13
Where: Roth's West Salem in the Oregon Room
Time: Social at 6:00pm, Dinner at 6:30pm

Make plans to join in the fun at the annual Willamette Valley Street Rods Christmas party. You're guaranteed good food, great company, and a wonderful way to close out the year. Dinner entrée selections include:

- Turkey (\$12/pp)
- Ham (\$12/pp)
- Prime Rib (\$15/pp)

Get your name(s) on the sign-up sheet, make your selection(s) and give me some money – what could be easier?? This year's festivities will include:

- Holiday Ornament Contest (make a holiday ornament out of something that isn't normally used to make an ornament)
- Gift Exchange (\$10 limit please)

Bring your appetite and holiday cheer. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there!

PS: If you have signed up but didn't pay, please make sure to get that taken care of at next month's meeting.



General Meeting Minutes continued:

AUTO JEOPARDY hosted by Dave LeCompte

A great game of Automotive jeopardy was played tonight and there were several questions that even stumped the lot of us. It was a load of fun and it made me realize how those deer in the headlights contestants on Jeopardy feel...a bit inadequate. Thankfully our WVSR group is smarter than this gal and pulled in quite a number of correct answers. FUN game Dave!!! Mr. Hot Rod Raffle man, Jim Schuette, sold \$90.00 of 50/50 tickets. The \$45.00 SUPER LUCKY WINNER: Hot Rodder, Mark Scott. NICE!! The next Officers Meeting is Tuesday, NOV 25th - 6:00 p.m. for dinner meeting at 7:00 @ Elmer's. The next WVSR General Meeting is Tuesday, Dec 2nd - 6:00 p.m. social hour 7:00 meeting @ Pietro's

Adjourned

Fall Color Tour

On Saturday, November 1, a group of fifteen WVSR member families went on a Fall Color Tour in Marion County. We started at K-Mart in Salem at about 10:30 AM. Using only back roads, the cruise went through Turner and Aumsville, to Stayton, stopping to pick up a couple more members. We drove through Lyons, Mill City, and Gates. Crossing Highway 22, we climbed up and down Gates Hill and took the North Fork Road to the Ginger Bread House for lunch. After lunch, we drove back towards Salem on Fern Ridge Road to end the tour.

John Stanton Photos



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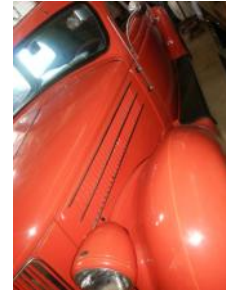
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Contact Ken Parsons at 503-362-5498 or kparsons1270@comcast.net

Classified Ads will remain active for 3 issues, then must be resubmitted

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1936 Ford Sedan, all steel, good floors, Mustang II front-end, 8" Ford rear-end, Chevy sm blk 350 trans. Needs upholstery, engine overhaul, and general clean-up. \$15k. Call Larry 503-409-3232 10/14



1963 FALCON

FOR SALE \$15,000.00

CONTACT JIM WOODRY

503 390 5855

READY FOR CRUIS'N

10/14

82 Lincoln Rearend with Disc Brakes \$100.
Power Glide Trans, Alum, \$100.

Jeff Foster 503 588-1932 day or 503 393-3143 Eves
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Beautiful house for rent in Stayton.

About 1800 square feet of living space.

Four bedrooms
Two full bathrooms
Formal dining room
Inside utility
Nice master suite with walk in closet
Double garage with opener and keyless entry pad
New carpet
Kitchen has built-in microwave and dishwasher
Gas heat, range, water heater, and fireplace
Air conditioning

Lots of storage
Great location, next to a park, close to schools, hospital and shopping
Easy access to Hwy 22
Covered front porch
Fenced back yard with patio
Nicely landscaped for easy maintenance
Address: 699 Meadowbrook Lane Stayton
\$1300 per month, \$1000 deposit

Sorry, no smoking and no pets
Call to see.....503-767-3476

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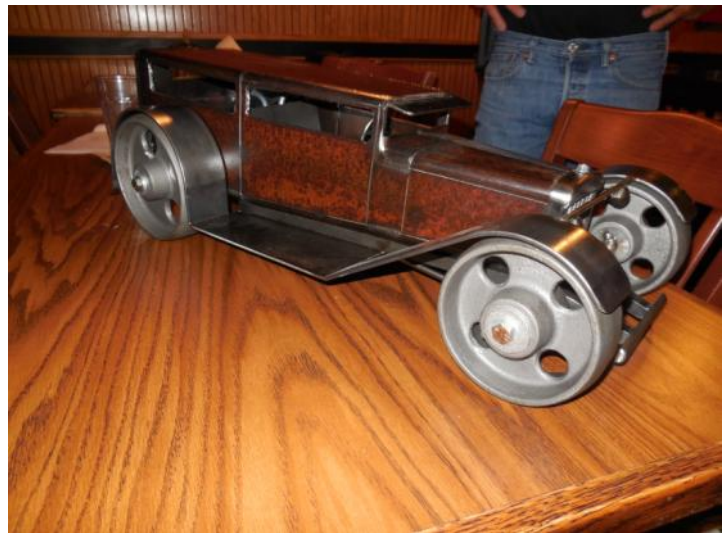
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INDEPENDENCE OREGON AIRPARK HOME/HANGAR FOR SALE: 2 story 2,184 sq ft, 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath home with attached 2,106 sq ft 2 car garage with pull down door to separate from the hangar/shop which includes a floor mount car hoist, lots of shelving storage and plumbed air. Asking \$295,000. Call 503-838-6465 for additional information or appointment to see.



Odds 'n' Ends

Bill Watson, on right in first picture, at the October Meeting. He amazed all of us with his Model A Sedan!!!! It weighed about 65 lbs. Beautiful workmanship. His hobby is creating these beautiful works of art!





New WVSR Club Members

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Member Owned Businesses

As you can see from their ads in the newsletter, many of our members own their own businesses and you are all encouraged to support them. If you own a business and want to be listed on the WVSR website, please send an email that includes basic information about your business, ie: name, type of business, website, and contact info, to Garry Pullen at wvsrhq@gmail.com.

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Next Meeting January 6th @ 7pm

Pietro's Pizza on Hawthorne

Come early for dinner and social time