

# News to Cruise

## June 2021 Rollin' Oldies Newsletter

### Dave's Dialog

By Dave Faller

Good morning to the Rollin' Oldies members. I hope that everyone is staying safe and the majority are becoming vaccinated. This is the only way we are going to defeat this pandemic and once again return to our normal lives. It is terrific to once again go out to a restaurant for a nice meal with your loved ones and having family get-togethers. We've done this several times already and it's wonderful. I've always been an optimistic person and I feel good about what lies ahead. We have to maintain positive thoughts so please, obey the rules & guidelines and get vaccinated.

Last week 11 Rollin' Oldies members had their cars entered in the Cars for Queens Car Show, held at River Park in Lebanon. It was a great show and I heard there were 74 cars registered. Not bad for a show that was just started a month ago or so. It was fun to get our rides out on a beautiful spring day but was kinda weird having a show where the Rollin' Oldies have their show and not having to do anything, just enjoy the show, and we did.

Last month the board met and decided to recommend to the members that we cancel this year's Rollin' Oldies Car Show in September. At our June general membership meeting, the vote was overwhelming in favor of cancelling our show. So, onto the 2022 show. I can't wait!!!

Speaking of our June General Meeting, I was impressed and very excited to see so many members in attendance. The count I heard was 54 in attendance and we had a few guests as well. I think we surprised the staff at the Legion. They were not ready for a large turnout. Hopefully we can duplicate that at our next meeting.

Events are starting to return for us and Tom will have a nice report for our info. I'm looking forward to getting the old gal out of the garage for events, and I'm sure the members are as well. In fact, I did that today. It has been a long year for everyone but improvement is on the way. It's just slower than I would prefer, but it is improving. I will plan to provide a write up monthly for our newsletter.

CRUISE – ON & STAY SAFE

### Cruises, Shows, and Activities

By Cruise Master, Tom Hinckley

#### June

June 09 - Jefferson Cafe Cruise-In, 5pm-8pm

June 18 - Albany Mennonite Village would like the Rollin Oldies and others to parade through their complex starting a 10am. I need someone to lead the group through the Village. Remember Waverly / Columbus is closed just south of the Mennonite Village, so plan your trip accordingly.

June 19 - Farmington Square, Hot Rods & Hot Dogs Car Show & BBQ, 2730 Bailey Ln, Eugene, 11am-3pm. Support Alzheimer's Association, RSVP to 541-349-7902

June 19 – Father’s Day Car Show, Beckenridge Vineyard, Dallas, 11am-4pm. Rock and roll band 5-9pm.

June 20 - South Albany Community Church, Classic Car Show, 2418 Geary St SE, Albany, 8am-1pm

June 20 - Hope Church, Albany, Father’s Day Car Show, 2pm-5:30pm

June 23 - Jefferson Cafe Cruise-In, 5pm-8pm

June 26 - Sweet Home Sweet Ride Car Show, 7am-3pm, \$20 pre-register, \$25 day of show

### **July**

July 03 – Beachcomber’s Days Car Show, Waldport, 9am-3pm, \$25

July 17 – Central Lane County Car Show, Eugene Masonic Lodge, 2777 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Eugene, 8am-4pm, \$25 with \$5 discount for military.

### **Socks**

The Rollin' Oldies and the Street Masters are collecting NEW socks, gloves and knit caps for adults and kids again at every meeting this year.

### **ROLLIN' OLDIES GENERAL MEETING JUNE 1, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Faller. The Pledge Allegiance was recited and the birthdays and anniversaries were celebrated with song.

Wayne Grant introduced his granddaughter who was here visiting him.

Marland Rice invited us again regarding the car show at the American Legion on August 14th.

There was 54 members in attendance this evening.

The minutes from our last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer gave her report and said all bills were paid.

Ted and Esther Hillary were acknowledge for their twenty five years with the club.

Vice President Dan Miner brought up the Board members discussed the idea of not having a Car Show again this year. It was brought up and voted on. The vote passed and the club will not have a car show until 2022.

Tom, the Cruise master brought a bunch of fliers for the many Car Shows that are beginning to happen. Also he sends out emails on any changes. If you do not get these emails, please contact him. He also said a list of all the shows can be found online. Thank you to the members who participated at the school celebrating the retirement of twelve teachers.

Verle, our Sargent at arms announce we made the most money on our drawing today.

It was voted and passed that we would contribute money to purchase two trophies for Sweet home.

Dottie has been busy with the phone tree.

Lou Dupuis, the newsletter editor requested that if you are not getting the letter by email or by mail please contact him.

We have a new member. His name is Russell Fyke. He has a 53 Plymouth.

Louie White won a Loyalty choice trophy this past month.

We are looking for a new Historian since because of personal circumstances John Wood can no longer fulfill that job. Dottie said she would look after it while we look for a new person.

Jan Wetzel won the attendance award for today.

Carol Hood is still requesting the members to bring in gloves, socks and hats so that we can beat the Street masters.

For next month meeting bring in a model car. We will have an in house member's car show. There will be activities that evening. Come and have fun.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02.

Respectfully submitted Secretary Lorna Sebastian

### Car of the Month

#### Verle and Carol Steele's 1966 Ford Thunderbird Town Landau (BluJay)



Carol and I bought BluJay in 1985. We drove it around for a couple years and then it was parked for quite a spell. Our girls were getting older and we were doing a lot of camping and riding and play-days with our horse club.

BluJay did not get too much attention during those years. In 1995, I had to find new employment because the plywood plant I had worked in since 1963 was closed due to the timber industry layoffs and closures. BluJay was still in the barn. There just no time to play with her.

Shortly after I took new employment in Salem, my administrative assistant and I were talking about old cars. She said her husband was a body and fender man. I told her about BluJay. Her husband was a body repairman.

I talked with him and he said he would be glad to come down to my shop in Brownsville and work on BluJay. (He lived in Jefferson.) Starting around 1998, this worked out well for a while. BluJay was getting her skin primed and cleaned, and her body was getting toned up. In the meantime I had also purchased a 2nd '66 T-Bird for parts. The car was complete, but the motor would not run.

Around 2001-2002, BluJay was ready for her final paint. The body guy said he would like to take both T-Birds up to Jefferson so he could use a paint shop up there to finish the paint, utilize the best parts from each bird for BluJay.

Beginning in early 2001, I was frequently gone from home with my work with dislocated workers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Northern California.

BluJay became something forgotten. You know, out of sight, out of mind. When things slowed down around 2003-2004, one day I asked my assistant about BluJay. During this time she and her husband had divorced. She said she would contact him.

A year went by. Finally found out he had taken her to a shop for the paint, but never paid the shop. By the time I found out where she was, I was one week away from the shop selling her for the paint charge. As you can imagine, there were some pretty heated exchanges between me and the shop. I still had the title, and the shop still had a lien against the car. I had to pay for a paint job that I had already paid for. She was one week away from me losing her.

She sat in my shop until 2011. My 50th class reunion was coming up in 2012, and my buddy Ron said we should get BluJay ready for the reunion.

He helped me get her running again. I took her down to Donny's in Brownsville and he repainted her and put her back together just in time for the reunion. She still needed a lot more TLC, but she was running.

BluJay has the original 390 engine. The steering and front end have been rebuilt by

Snyder and Son. We added a Holley 650 double-pump, and installed a custom-built exhaust with wireless, electric exhaust dumps, and air shocks on rear. The wheels are from the '60's era. The interior is original except for the carpet. A little worn, but so am I.

### **Lebanon School District Retirement Celebration Photos by D.J. Freeman**



The Lebanon School District had twelve staff members retiring this school year. On June 1 they were celebrated with a parade around the High School grounds. Members of the Rollin' Oldies participated in the parade.



**For Sale**  
**1949 Ford Two-door Sedan**



Paul Hurst, a member of the Enduring A's Model A Ford Club, is selling a nice 40 Ford sedan. Details : stock flat head & trans. New fuel tank , pump, & line. New complete front end rebuild with dropped axle. New brakes, lines, & master cylinder. New 12 volt conversion, with led lights & turn signals. New dual exhaust system with Fenton headers. New aftermarket heater & defroster. New rear suspension rebuild & shocks. Remainder of the car is an older restoration. \$ 20,900 541-409-1489

**June Birthdays**

Carolyn Phillips	1
Patricia Hemelstrand	7
Floyd McMillan	12
Dale Porter	14

**June Anniversaries**

Randy and Sheree Corrigan	3
Dennis and Liza Bosworth	8
Rodney and Nora Slupe	8
Leon and Roberta Walter	15
Ruth and Don Hammer	19
Jack and Pat Hemelstrand	22
Verle and Carol Steele	26
Neal and Kitty Hubbard	29

**July Birthdays**

Al Boedigheimer	1
Leon Walter	2
Tammy Barker	5
Sheree Corrigan	6
Lorna Sebastian	14
Dave Krumwiede	16
Rhonda Liles	17
Mike Halsey	20
Richard Thoma	30

**July Anniversaries**

Dave and Susan Krumwiede	6
Loyd and Toni McMillen	15
Phyllis and Will Smith	18
John and Linda Wood	20
Mike and Sheila Peterson	23
Ted and Esther Hillary	25

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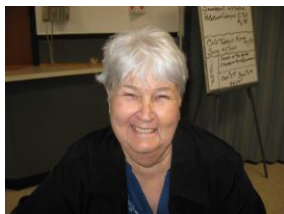
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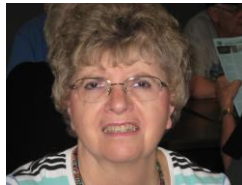
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