

News to Cruise

March 2021 Rollin' Oldies Newsletter

Dave's Dialog

By Dave Faller

Good morning to the Rollin' Oldies members. I hope that everyone is safe and staying warm. A happy thought is that spring is right around the corner and hopefully, this pandemic is finally on the downhill slopes. We are finally becoming vaccinated which should be a huge improvement. It will be so wonderful to finally return to a somewhat normal life. It will be so terrific to once again go out to a restaurant for a nice meal with your loved ones and having family get together. I've always been an optimistic person and I feel good about what lies ahead.

February was a brutal month for everyone with the ice storm and power outages that we suffered through. Hopefully, everybody has their power restored by now and didn't receive any serious damage to your homes or property. The year of 2020 was one we need to forget and was quite a year with basically no activities occurring. It will be so wonderful to once again get our vehicles out for a drive, start showing our cars in shows, and getting together as a club for meetings and events.

Last month the board met and have decided to still attempt to have our car show in September but we will be watching the rules and guidelines as specified by local and state authorities. We also haven't decided what

kind of show it will be. The board will be meeting again at the end of March and April to make our final decision. We will keep you advised.

It has been a long year for everyone but improvement is on the way. 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

April 6 -- The Rollin' Oldies of Lebanon has been given the go-ahead to have our monthly Club Meeting at the Lebanon American Legion Hall starting April 6th at 7pm. The kitchen will be open for dinner before the meeting. I would like everyone to check with other members to make sure everyone knows.

I have been working on fixing my member list but as of today only 22 members have responded back to me. Please provide your information.

One more thing, our yearly club dues have been due since January. If you are paid up, great. If not please send your money, \$15, to Linda @ PO Box 194, LEBANON, OR 97355.

**ROLLIN' OLDIES BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2021**

The meeting was brought to order by President Dave Faller at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held at Ed and Dottie Andersen's home. He then asked for the minutes of the last Board meeting, being that the last meeting was held in July and that Secretary Lorna Sebastian was not attending, Pro-Tem Dottie Andersen had no past minutes.

The President then asked for the Treasurers report. Linda Meredith gave the financial report.

Vice President Dan Miner had nothing to report.

Cruise Master Tom Hinckley said that there is nothing going on right now, unless you go to the coast.

New Business: Linda Meredith told us what bills needed to be paid yearly. She wanted to make sure the Board agreed for her to pay them. The Board agreed. She said, she thought she should go ahead and pay for the Banners being hung and the River Park rental. On these two, if the Show does not happen we can get all the money back. The Board agreed.

Car Show discussion: A good deal of discussion went on about this. This would not be a Car Show like we are used to, instead of a show we would have it be more of a Cruise-in. No entry fees, no trophy's, no T-shirts and of course no Raffle, but yes on some vendors. It was decided to table this for a later time to see what the State is heading toward.

The next Board meeting will be March 30th, 6:00 PM at Ed and Dottie's again. If we can have a regular meeting it will be April 6th at the American Legion. Being no more discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15.

Signed, Respectfully,
Secretary Pro-Tem Dottie Andersen

Need a Covid-19 Vaccination?

If you don't have your vaccination scheduled, consider using the Safeway pharmacy. Go to their website at

<https://www.safeway.com/pharmacy/covid-19.html>

Donna and I were able to schedule a vaccination just two days out.

Lou Dupuis, Newsletter Editor

Rollin' Oldies Membership Dues are Due

Our \$15 dues for 2021 are (and have been) due. If you have not yet sent your dues, please send them to Linda Meredith, Rollin' Oldies, PO Box 194, Lebanon, OR 97355.

Rollin' Oldies T-shirts

For those that ordered 30-year T-shirts and have yet to pay for them, please contact Linda Meredith at 541-570-1797, so that arrangements can be made for pick-up and payment.

Rollin' Oldies Parade for Jack Davis

Photos by D. J. Freeman



My First Car

By D. J. Freeman

When I was 14 years old, I bought my first car. (No, I didn't have a license at that age in Oregon) The car was a '49 Ford four door for \$5. The engine had been disassembled and was in the trunk. My Step-Father helped me tow it home. I got a set of double open end wrenches from the 88 cent store and started putting the engine back together. (You do remember the 88 cent store, 8,888 items for 88 cents? And double open end wrenches? They came in stack with a clip with a screw hand on the top to hold them all together.)

I didn't know why the engine had been disassembled but all the parts were there

and I put it back together the best I could, old head gaskets and Permatex. There was only one large fan belt so I ran it around the crank, both water pumps and the generator. Then I used some bailing twine to make a fan belt.

I got the car running and Step-Father drove it, (I got to be copilot) to the gas station a mile away. At the gas station I remember there was fear it wouldn't start if it was shut off. The station attendant was busy talking to a Sheriff's Deputy in his patrol car on the other side of the pumps. So, we opened the hood to look like there was a reason we didn't shut it off. What a shock, the carburetor (no air cleaner) was spouting gas like a lawn sprinkler. So, we shut the hood and acted like we were leaving until the Deputy left. Then we got a dollar's worth of gas. A few taps on the carb with a hammer got the float working again, and we headed home.

On the way home my Step-Father mentioned that the oil gauge didn't work. After it was parked at home I never got it to start again. I loved that Ford. I used to sit in it for hours, pretending to drive it. Speed shifting the column shift lever. I still re-member the all of the smells of that Ford. Old interior, the gas, oil and grease. Every time I smell Permatex I remember that car.

One day a guy down the road offered me \$50 for my Ford. What a profit, I sold it. He said he wanted it for the engine. Many years later I thought about all of that and remembered draining the oil out of the engine. It came out in lumps and globes. But I never put any more oil back in the engine. That old flat head ran for over 2 miles with no oil and that was the reason the oil gauge didn't work. I have always wondered about the guy who bought it for the engine. How did that work out?

March Birthdays

Kate Walter	1
Dan Miner	4
Randy Corrigan	14
Betty Weidner	19
Dottie Andersen	24
Neal Hubbard	25
Rodney Gray	30
Karen Grant	30

March Anniversaries

Steve and Lorna Sebastian	3
Robert and Carolyn Phillips	6

April Birthdays

Gale Stogsdill	2
Lori Halsey	8
Bob Weidner	11
Dallas Womack	13
David Faller	24
John Wood	26
Herb Hopper	27
Liza Bosworth	28
Linda Wood	28
Judy Hopper	30

April Anniversaries

Junior and Tammy Barker	25
D J and Cynthia Freeman	27

Rollin' Oldies Officers



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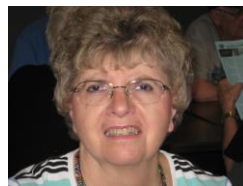
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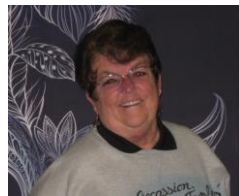
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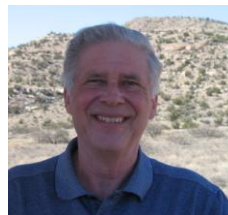
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