



February 14, 2018

Good Morning all you Curry County Cruisers:

Happy Valentine's Day to you all.

We held our monthly club meeting this past Sunday at the Ocean Winds Apartments, and there was a pretty good turnout. We were pleased to introduce two new members to the club.

I would like to introduce our two new members:

Kathryn Bernhardt from Brookings joined our club. She has a 2000 Mustang Convertible.

Charley Braught, also from Brookings, who has a 2010 Lexus and a 2012 Toyota Highlander.

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!!

Tina Lake was absent from the meeting so the February birthdays were not read off, however two members in attendance have February birthdays. Happy Birthday to Darin Torrance and Linnay Plumlee.

Roger Mitchell gave the **Treasurer's report** and also gave us the update on this years **Christmas Banquet**. The Christmas Banquet will be held at the Chetco Activity Center on Thursday, December 13, 2018. We booked the facility and will be mailing in the deposit this week. We will have more details about the Christmas Banquet this coming winter.



Roger also reminded all those present that membership dues are now due. We still have some members who have not renewed their membership for 2018. Even though there are many members who do not participate in many of our activities, I feel that being a member of the Curry County Cruisers is well worth the membership dues of **\$25.00** per year. The **Curry County Cruisers** have an excellent reputation in the community, and we are well known for our involvement in community activities and for our generous donations to local charities and non profits in Curry County. **We donated over \$8,300.00 in 2017, and have donated over \$44,000.00 since 2010.** That is something we can all be proud of. You can mail your membership dues in to:

**Curry County Cruisers
PO Box 1863
Brookings, OR. 97415**

Wednesday Night Get Togethers for 2018: The club has decided to do something different this summer in regards to our Wednesday Night Get Togethers, this year we will hold our Wednesday Night events at different locations each month. We feel that we can support more businesses that support us this way. To date we have agreed to hold our events at the following locations:

May: Misty Mountain Tap Haus in Harbor

June: Wild River Pizza in Harbor

July: *To Be Announced*

August: Chetco Brewery in Brookings (on Railroad Ave)

September: Misty Mountain Tap Haus

As in the past years, the hours will be from 7:00 pm until approximately 9:00 pm. (It seems as though most arrive around 6:30 pm and leave around 8:30 pm) We will again ask for either a \$2.00 donation per car or a donation of two non-perishable food items that will be donated to the food bank. For the past 4 years, we have donated over 4000 pounds of food to the food bank with these donations.

It was agreed by those present at the meeting that we should approach Les Schwab Tire Center in Brookings to see if we can meet there during the month of July. I will contact them in the next few days.



ROAD TRIP

Club Activities: At the January club meeting there were several suggestions from Club Members for places to go to on one day road trips this coming summer. I would ask that those of you who have suggestions as to destinations to help out by also finding out more about these destinations in regards to dates and times that they are open, are they prepared to handle large groups with or without prior notice, activities or tours that they may offer, etc. This will help me or other club members set up these road trips or club outings. It would be nice if one or two Club Members would volunteer to head up an Activities Committee to help organize these activities. Road trips and Club outings are always fun and enjoyable. We can do more of these types of activities if we have more help organizing them.

Event Planning Meetings: We held our first Event Planning Meeting on February 1st at the Ocean Winds Apartments. We got a lot accomplished at the first meeting, and we will be having our next meeting this Thursday, February 15th at the Ocean Winds Apartments. Hours for the meetings are from 6:30 until around 8:00 pm. All club members are encouraged to participate in these meetings. The meetings are for planning and organizing our **Annual Azalea Festival Car Show**.

In addition to selecting committees at our last meeting, we also agreed to make a change in the classes this year. Because we have such a hard time getting young people to participate in the car show, we will drop the **Young Adult (under 21) award** and replace it with a **Street/Strip class** which will include Pro Street cars, Gassers, Race Cars and non street legal cars.

We will also sell coffee and donuts in the morning at the show. We will ask for donations instead of posting a price, and we are making some changes to the Registration form to make it easier to fill out and hopefully help eliminate people from registering their cars in the wrong class.

We also agreed to look for a new webmaster to help us make modifications to our website, primarily to make on line registration available and also to offer payment on line by accepting credit cards. Roger Mitchell and Curtis are working on this.



2018 Sponsorship Drive: I had a signup sheet at the meeting for members to sign up to call on various businesses and individuals who have sponsored trophy's or raffle prizes last year. **I was very disappointed** in the response that I got at the meeting. We are all proud to be able to make generous donations to various organizations in our community, but we cannot do so if we do not have a successful Sponsorship Drive. We donated over \$8300 last year, and we certainly did not generate those funds from profits from the Azalea Festival Car Show. **We all need to participate in the Sponsorship Drive to make it successful.**

I will bring the signup sheet to the Event Planning Meetings as well as to the March meeting. **Hopefully our club members will step up and participate in the Sponsorship Drive.** We need to have commitments or Sponsors at least 4-6 weeks prior to the Azalea Festival Car Show so that we can get the sponsors names on the awards.

Those of you who called on businesses or individuals last year, I would ask that you call on those businesses or individuals again this year. Club members can sponsor awards as well.

50/50 Raffle was won by Nick Orcutt. He won \$21.00 and a nice Route 66 Blanket. Congratulations Nick!



I hope to see many of you tomorrow night at the Event Planning meeting.

Regards:

Jim Haggerty

President

Curry County Cruisers