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## *YOUR CLUB OFFICERS*



Our officers for 2018 and beyond! President, Rocky Rodenberg; Vice President, Lani Okalani; Treasurer, Laura Louise Rosenfelt, and Secretary, Marcie Odom. Help welcome the new officers aboard and be nice to Rocky!!

## *A MESSAGE FROM ED...*

Hi Everyone,

Sorry this is so late. I thought I had one more week before the first Tuesday of the month and our meeting but alas, it is this Tuesday. I try to get this newsletter out before the meeting, so here goes...a hurried up version. :)

Hope to see everyone at the WWU Car Show this Sunday. YES, THE WEATHER WILL COOPERATE!!



- Next Club Meeting on Tuesday, May 1st at Clarette's. 5:30 for dinner and meeting will start no earlier than 6:45 (no, I didn't pick that silly time!).

- You may notice that we have a new Hub editor. It's me!! Tomas. If you have anything to submit, contact me at

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## MORE CAR FACTS...

### **Big Names in the Automotive Industry**

**Buick, David** A plumbing inventor and manufacturer built his first car in 1900.

**Cadillac, Antoine** Founded the City of Detroit in the 17th century.

**Chevrolet, Louis** A Swiss race car driver and engineer built his first car in 1911 with financing by William Durant.

**Chrysler, Walter** A locomotive mechanic who got into the automobile business in 1912 and publicly displayed his own [my first car](#) at the 1924 NY Auto Show and selling an amazing 32,000 car in his first year.

**Cord, E.L.** As General Manager of Auburn Auto Company he produced some of the most advanced (front-wheel drive, supercharged V8's) and beautiful cars ever under his own name. Unfortunately, they were expensive and came along during the start of the Depression.

**Daimler, Gottlieb** can be considered as the founder of the automobile industry when he formed Daimler Motor Company in 1890.

**Dodge, John & Horace** Their first car came off the assembly line in 1914. Both brothers died within less than a year of each other during the influenza epidemic in 1920.

**Durant, William** A businessman, finance man, and salesman who was a self-made millionaire before ever joining the auto business. He was called on by the owners of the failing Buick Motor Company to help. He soon bought Oldsmobile, Pontiac and Cadillac and formed General Motors. He almost bought Ford, but didn't come up with enough cash to suit Henry. Durant always kept himself stretched thin with his money in stocks and other businesses. He lost everything in the Depression.

**Duryea, Charles & Frank** Built the first successful American automobile and the first to offer a production model for sale to the public.

**Earl, Harley** Designed the **La Salle** in 1927, the beginning of a trend towards lower and wider cars. As head of GM's styling department he invented the tail fin and designed the **Corvette**.

**Ferrari, Enzo** A mechanic, race car driver then race car team owner. His cars dominated racing for many years after WWII.

**Firestone, Harvey** His tires went on the first mass-produced Fords.

**Ford, Henry** In creating the assembly line for automobiles he also created jobs for thousands and affordable cars for millions. What Henry did for automobiles spilled over into other consumer goods.

**Gale, Tom** A Chrysler designer largely responsible for the current crop of Chrysler's design of cab-forward and curved styling on everything from the minivan to the Viper.

**Goodrich, BF** The company started in 1896 has many firsts: First synthetic rubber tire, first tubeless tire, first American-made radial tire, the first space saver spare and the first "run flat" tire.

**Goodyear, Charles** Accidentally discovered the rubber vulcanizing process. He patented the process, but couldn't come up with any practical uses for it and died penniless in 1860. The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company was named after him.

**Honda, Soichiro** After WWII with \$3,300 he started making motorcycles.

**Iacocca, Lee** Responsible for the **Mustang** in the early 1960's and bailing out Chrysler in early 1980's.

**Jellinek, Emile** In 1900, while a [Daimler Motor Works](#) board member, Jellinek convinced Gottlieb Daimler to build a race car and name it after Emile's daughter, **Mercedes**.

**Murphy, Edward** Founded the Pontiac Buggy Company in Pontiac, MI in 1893. At the turn of the century he decided to switch to making "those noisy, smelly, unreliable automobiles."

**Olds, Ransom** His highly successful "**Curved Dash**" runabout put Michigan on the map as a source of motor vehicles. He soon left his namesake company. Later he produced the first gasoline lawn mower.

**Porsche, Ferdinand** A design engineer who never created a car carrying his name. That was left to his son, Ferry, to accomplish.

**Royce, Frederick & Rolls, Charles** Engineer Royce and car dealer Rolls introduced their first car in 1904.

**Sloan, Alfred** Led GM to become the world's largest corporation. Responsible for the idea of yearly styling changes.

**Tucker, Preston** After WWII Tucker designed, built and promoted an innovative car with features, power, and aerodynamic design never before seen and at a very good price. His company folded after building 51 cars.



## MARKET PLACE

1965 Ford F250, 300 ci straight 6. Runs great, asking \$2000. if interested, contact David Eaton at 509 520 8454.



## CRUISERS 2018 SCHEDULE

Meet times are 5:30...unless you decide to come at lunch time and stake out your seat! And usually, there is ice cream afterwards! Del???

**Friday, May 4th - Tiki Teriyaki**

**Friday, May 11th - Arby's**

**Friday, May 18th - KFC/Fast Eddy's/Taco Bell**

**Friday, May 25th - Burger Hut, Milton Freewater**

**Friday, June 1st - Jimmy John's/Pizza Hut**

**Friday, June 8th - Pacific Express, Ash St**

**Friday, June 22nd - Wildhorse Buffet (leaving Sager School at 4:30)**

**Friday, June 29th - To Be Determined**

**Friday, July 6th - Big Cheese Pizza**

**Friday, July 13th - Del Taco**

**Friday, July 20th - The Tux, Prescott (leave 5:30)**

**Friday, July 27th - Pioneer Park. Bring your own dinner and meet at the Band Stand, special treats will be provided.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

Here are some upcoming car shows and stuff...

May 11-12 - Classy Chassy Car Show, Kennewick

May 12 - Spring Fling Show, Pioneer Park

May 12 - Blue Mt CC Cruisin' for Scholarships, BMCC, Pendleton

May 19 - Waitsburg Car Show

May 19 - Harrington Car Show

May 19 - Joker's Casino Car Show, Joker's Casino Richland

May 20 - American Reflections Car Club annual show, Yakima

May 26 - Moses Lake Classic Car Club Show, Moses Lake

May 26 - Echo High School Car Show, Echo, OR

May 27 - Classics on Main St, Ritzville

May 27 - PNW Mustang Club Car Show, Richland

\*\* For more information, check the website for links to these cars shows and more.

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