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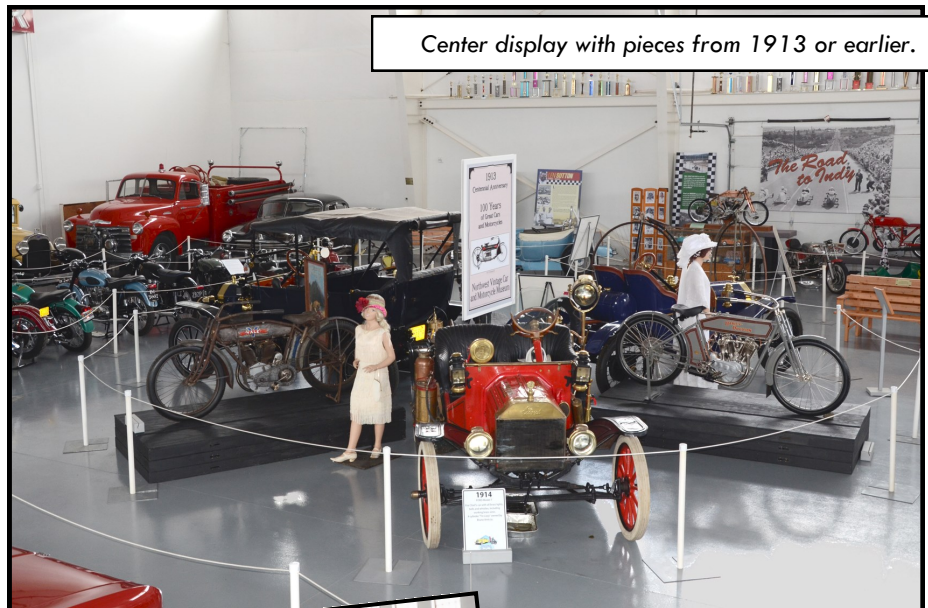
2013 SHOWCASE ROLLS IN!

By Doug Nelson

Photos by Mike Bade

The Museum display committee has several themes this year. First, we are celebrating 100 years of autos and motorcycles in a starburst center display all 1913 or earlier (photo, right). Second, we have four sports cars ready to race — a Corvette, a Porsche, a Corvair coupe and an Austin Healy roadster (photo, below). A third theme honors Jack Hunley, a talented auto restorer who gifted four cars to

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Center display with pieces from 1913 or earlier.



Start your engines! These sports cars are ready to race!

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his two daughters Christina Trollenger and Pat Boyd. These four cars are lined up in a row that is most impressive. They are a 1925 Buick Coupe, a 1931 Buick Coupe, a 1941 Packard Coupe, and a 1930

Cadillac Sedan. Go to our website, nwcarandcycle.com or visit our facebook page to view these and other displays as photographed by our great photo guys Mike Bade, Mike Spady, and Mark Moore.



A nod to Jack Hunley: From the collection of his daughters Christina Trollenger and Pat Boyd.

The “Eyes” Have It

By Doug Nelson



With a hearty nod to the Disney/Pixar movie *Cars*, our very own Hudson Hornet and Eric Braa’s 1953 Chevrolet fire truck were painted to resemble characters from the popular animated children’s flick. Painting was done on June

25 by Laura Nelson, who has watched *Cars* at least nine times with her four-year-old and recommends it highly to grownups.

Your kids, grandkids, and/or great-grandchildren will get a kick out of posing for pictures with these guys!

Letter From the President

By Tom Ruttan

Summer is finally here and this means that the Museum has entered into its busiest time of the year. The displays of vintage cars and motorcycles for the summer of 2013 are complete and already drawing crowds of admirers in the Display Building. Gene Walker, Doug Nelson and the rest of the Display Committee team have put in a lot of hard work and creative energy to put together one of the best displays yet. In addition to the wonderful variety of cars and motorcycles, memorabilia and the new "American Graffiti" drive-in screen, the centerpiece of the display is three 100+ year cars and motorcycles in a star pattern to celebrate the 1913 centennial. Great work by the display committee team! Don't forget to check out the new quilt that will be raffled off and period clothing and collectables by the Ladies of the Museum. We still need to fill some spots in the docent duty schedule for this summer so please step up and help your museum by volunteering some of your time.

One of the most exciting developments this spring has been to bring in Mark Moore as the new webmaster. Mark comes to us with great credibility as the webmaster for Antique Powerland's and the Truck Museum's websites in addition to other club websites he supports. He has hit the ground running and has added a lot of features to the new website. It will have all the latest dates and information for the Museum's activities on an ongoing basis. You can now use this website as a reliable source of information for what is happening at your museum. Mark is also planning to add a link to PayPal so that you will be able to renew your membership, make a donation, buy a paver brick and purchase museum items for sale.

Look for this feature to come to the website soon. We also plan to sell items on Ebay and have a link from the website to the "for sale" items. One important change that has been made is that the new website address is www.nwcarandcycle.com, which is almost the same, but changes from ".org" to ".com". Please make this change to your browser favorites. Welcome aboard Mark!

June is the time to renew your museum membership. A strong, viable membership is key to the health and growth of the Museum, so it is critically important that you renew as soon as possible. We have sent out reminders to you by either email or postal mail so act on it quickly. If you have let your membership lapse or know someone who has, this is a good time to come back. Individual memberships are \$48, family memberships are \$60 and club renewals are \$300. This is also a good time to consider an additional donation to the Museum by buying a paver stone or making a contribution to the building or other museum fund.

As you probably know, we have a busy schedule for the Museum this summer. The All-Corner's Car & Motorcycle Show was held on Saturday, June 29 and hopefully you found time to attend that event. Looking to the future, the Museum Swap Meet, Car & Motorcycle show will be held Saturday, July 20 and the Great Oregon Steam-up is scheduled for the weekends of July 27 & 28 and August 3 & 4. Check the Museum website (remember, it ends in ".com" now!) for more information.

All the best,
Tom Ruttan



Find us on **facebook** !



"Like" us to get event reminders, fun facts, and photos.

We also welcome your photos and news of other events.
(Search for *Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum*, or follow the link on our website, www.nwcarandcycle.com)

In Memoriam: E. Michael "Mike" Ricks

May 16, 1947 - May 6, 2013



A service to celebrate Mike's life was held June 1, 2013 at the Turner Tabernacle in Turner, Oregon. Mike was a member of the Museum and loved to display his 1953 Chevy Pickup and his 1968 Dodge Cornet 500 Coupe which he ordered new from the factory. Mike and wife Sharon were early supporters of the Museum and have a truss and a bench named in their honor as "Step Forward" donors.

Mike was a valuable contributor to agriculture in Oregon, specifically the Christmas tree industry. Mike was a well-respected teacher of Ag related classes at Chemeketa Community College for over 25 years.

An avid outdoorsman, Mike loved fishing and often guided friends and family on trips into wilderness areas that were inhabited by bears and other wild game.

Mike is survived by his wife Sharon, son Brady, daughters Caryn and Dena and a large and extended family.

Also Noted in Passing

Compiled by Doug Nelson

Edward Elmer Taylor died May 14, 2013. Ed and his wife Carol were active in the Capitol Area Mustang Club and together displayed their Mustang convertible on our show field on numerous occasions. Ed and Carol helped restore the wooden windows in our Museum Display Building. Ed worked in construction and in retirement as a self-employed general contractor in the Salem area.

Joan D. Austin, wife of Museum Member Ken Austin, passed away in her sleep on June 5, 2013 at their Newberg home. Joan and Ken were married 59 years. Joan Austin was co-owner and co-Chair of the Board for A-dec Inc., the largest privately-owned dental equipment manufacturing company in the United States. Joan and family recently built her vision and dream, The Allison Inn and Spa in Newberg, Oregon

James Jefferson Walton passed on March 24, 2013. A member of the Museum, Jeff was a long-time aficionado of classic cars. He owned a classic Austin Healey roadster with his son Jeff. Jeff attended Salem Public schools and the University of Oregon. After graduation he became an officer in the U. S. Air Force. In professional life, Jeff was a real estate salesman, a commercial broker and a property manager. Jeff is survived by his wife Phyllis, his sister Elisabeth Walton Potter, three children, four stepchildren, and five step grandchildren.

Second Annual All-Club Rendezvous Provides Fun, Fellowship, and Friends

By Ed Weber



Visitors take advantage of the shade and good conversation at the All-Club Rendezvous.

Photo by Mark Moore

The 2nd Annual All Club Rendezvous happened on a warm, but not too hot, June 29. Forty cars and a few motorcycles

were there and by all accounts their owners had a great time relaxing on the grass and under the shade trees. The Brooks Historical Society

members made available breakfast and lunch, along with plenty of ice water and cool pop. Our museum was open for tours with this season's display in place.

The general consensus by those in attendance was that our relaxed atmosphere with no judging or trophies was a welcome change from the usual pressure of some car shows. Besides Salem and Keizer, many other towns such as Jefferson, Corvallis, Albany, Newberg, Silverton, Mt. Angel and the Portland area were represented.

Old friends were reunited and new ones made. Plans will soon be under way for 2014 and beyond, with the concept of making this a signature event at the Museum and Antique Powerland. A wide variety of vehicles were present including coupes, convertibles, roadsters, t-buckets, rat rods, custom cars and even a 1936 Chev school bus. Something for almost everyone!



Member Walt Prichard and his wife Luree enjoy the day with their dog and 1914 Saxon.

Photo by Ed Weber

A Visit from Langlitz Leathers

By Tom Ruttan

We were privileged to host Dave Hansen and his daughter Judy Langlitz Hansen on Saturday April 27 to tell the story of a family business that is now in the hands of the 3rd generation.

Dave Hansen is married to Jackie Langlitz, and together they ran the business for nearly three decades. In the last couple of years Judy has taken over the



Judy Langlitz Hansen



Dave Hansen

Dave then filled in with anecdotes and stories of his years of running the business. Dave was introduced to Langlitz jackets when he bought a used one in a Tigard motorcycle shop. He started going over to the Langlitz shop after buying the used jacket, met Jackie, and they got married. The rest, as they say, is history.

For a longer review of their presentation, complete with anecdotes and details, visit www.nwcarandcycle.com.

reins of Langlitz Leathers and now manages the business.

Judy started the presentation by describing the history of the business, what it is like now and talked about the details of the current product line.

Be on our Crew:

It's Time to Renew!

By Doug Nelson

Dues statements were sent out early in June and payments have been coming in, albeit slowly. Think of your dues as an investment in the Museum rather than an obligation. There is no paid staff and all work at the Museum is volunteer effort by a relatively small number of folks. Money is spent only on essentials like insurance, utilities, maintenance, and promotion. Insurance is our single largest expense, running around \$5,000 per year. At \$48.00 per year for membership, it takes 104 members to pay just the annual insurance bill! The Board of Directors does not want to increase the amount of your dues so the only answer is to have more dues paying members. Pass this newsletter on to a friend when you're done and help us attract more members! Vehicle donations are also an important component of museum finances. We have several cars and two Farmall tractors that have been donated and these need to be sold. That will be addressed at our upcoming swap meet on July 20, 2013. Thank you to those members who have made a financial investment in the Museum this year and years past. Forms have been mailed, but if yours is lost amid your copies of *Road and Track*, you can go to our website (www.nwcarandcycle.com) and print one out from there or use the one on the right.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Name _____
Spouse _____
Address _____

Phone _____
Email _____

() I would like to receive all correspondence via email

Membership level:

_____ Individual (\$48)
_____ Family (\$60)
_____ Club (\$500/first year; \$300 yearly thereafter)
_____ Operational Sustaining Membership (\$1,000
in cash or material goods)

Other donations I can make:

\$_____ Building fund: future expansion planned is the two-floor entrance to the museum, which will have a display area on the first floor, and administrative offices and the Fern Hellie Library on the second floor.

\$_____ Fern Hellie Library fund: as noted above, this will be included in the Museum's future expansion.

\$_____ Speedster Program: mentors working with students from Roberts High School to create a Speedster and learn the automotive trade.

\$_____ Endowment fund: an investment fund in which the principal is not used - the interest earned can be used for ongoing operations.

\$_____ Paver stones: let visitors see your support of the Museum by placing your name or memorial on the bricks in front of the museum. Two sizes to choose from: 6" x 12" is \$125; 12" x 12" is \$250. Net proceeds from this benefit the building fund. **Please complete the form on the right for this purchase.**

\$_____ Operating fund: used for all overhead expenses

TOTAL DUE: \$ _____

Optional: Paver Stone Order

\$125 stone: 6" x 12" size
3 lines maximum, sixteen characters per line
including the spaces between words.

\$250 stone: 12" x 12" size
6 lines maximum, sixteen characters per line
including the spaces between words.

For the \$125 stone, stop here

Optional: donate a vehicle or other related memorabilia that the Museum could sell to raise funds. I would like to donate...

Optional: I/we would be willing to share the following for rotating display purposes (Please describe the car, truck, motorcycle or related collectible)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

The Northwest Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your donations are tax deductible to the extent provided by law.

Please send a copy of this page & payment to:

Northwest Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum
P.O. Box 15
Salem, OR 97308-0015

Update for the Ladies - It's Raffle Time Again!

By Joanne Blain

Photos by Mike Bade



Raffle Tickets on sale now!
Come by any weekend to purchase yours.
Drawing is August 4.

The Ladies of the Museum have again put together another beautiful quilt which is being raffled off. Tickets are \$1/each or 6 for \$5 and can be purchased at the Museum any weekend throughout June and July, 2013 and during weekends of Steam-Up, July 27-28 & Aug. 3-4

The drawing for the winner will be held at the end of the last day of Steam-Up, August 4. This year's quilt was sewn by Linda Anderson, Joanne Blain, Rosemary Bostwick, Kathy Butler, Cookie Feskens, and Lucy Harrison. Thanks to all for a great job.

The Ladies' Corner is currently displaying accessory items and items from a child's playroom. You'll want to be sure and check it out when you visit the Museum.



Accessories are this year's theme.

Thank you to all those who donated or loaned us items for this year's display.

Volunteer of the Quarter: Mike Bade

By Doug Nelson

If you've been to the Museum, or our website (don't forget, it is now www.nwcarandcycle.com), our new facebook page, or even read this newsletter, then you have seen Mike's work. Mike is a former graphics teacher who brings his experience and talents to the Museum. His photographs are displayed in the summer showcase articles here, as well as on the website. He also led the design efforts for the new *American Graffiti* Brooks Vue Drive-In "screen" on display at the Museum, as well as the 1913 centennial display information. We are lucky to have you on our team, Mike!



Mike Bade (far right) and the drive-in crew.

Our Annual Swap Meet & Show is Coming July 20!

The annual Swap Meet & Show will be on Saturday, July 20, from 8am to 3pm at the Museum grounds at Antique Powerland. There will be live music from blues band Francine West and the High Speed Wobblers, as well as door prizes, a raffle, and trophies. Visit the 12 other museums on the Powerland grounds while you are there!

Swap Meet Info

- Swap spaces: 10' x 20' or 15' x 15' for \$25.00
- Commercial vendors: 10' x 10' for \$25.00 or 10' x 20' for \$50.00
- Vintage cars and motorcycles, vehicles and parts only (20 years and older)
- No non-car or non-motorcycle items
- 300 spaces available on a first-come first-served basis

Show Info

- Vintage cars and motorcycles only
- No charge to display your vehicle

Bring them all — bright and shiny, old and crusty, big and small. There will be categories for American, British, European, Asian, Race & Competition, Mini Bikes, Scooters, Motocross and Trail Bikes. Do not forget race bikes and memorabilia!

For More Information

- Motorcycles:
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Tom Ruttan 503-638-1746
- Cars:
Don Peterson 503-246-6939
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- Visit our website, www.nwcarandcycle.com

General Admission to Antique Powerland is \$5.00, kids 12 and under free. Free parking.

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The Toy Box

By Chip Hellie

Talk about being the envy of the neighborhood, how cool would you have been to have these 3 race cars to play with back in 1930!

Here we have 3 wonderful original painted cast iron racers from the roaring 20's up to 1930.

My favorite, the red winged car, was made by The Champion Hardware Co. of Geneva Ohio. Not much is known about this rare toy or about the obscure company who produced it. Champion started business in 1877 and started in by building a large factory. They sold \$30,000 worth of household and garden items, tools, games and toys their first year. In 1910 they purchased the "old" General Motors building and by 1913 they had their own iron foundry where they produced even more building hardware along with cast iron toys. Nearly 90 employees got their



pink slips in 1957 and all the tooling and materials were sold off.

The orange car is an old Hubley. It housed a V8 and is patterned on a landspeed record type car. Hubley made a larger version of this with 12 cylinders. It was a pull toy and red flames would shoot out the exhaust stacks when pulled. This is the smaller 6-3/4" version. This is an original toy and if you ever wanted one like it, be very careful as there are many reproductions of this toy. Most of the reproductions have metal wheels and the toy just won't look right. That, and they are usually priced around \$50.00. This should tell you enough whether it's the real deal.

The green #3 racer is the earliest. From its four wheel drive ride height, it's typical of the racers from 1912-16. I'd guess it was made around 1925. It's unmarked as to its maker but I suspect it's made by Kenton. It sports a nickel driver. I believe it should have also been fitted with nickel plated cast iron wheels originally, but it's still a wonderful piece.

What a great trio and thank you to Doug for giving them to me.

Don't miss it! Our website has changed:
www.nwcarandcycle.com



In this postcard found at an antique shop in Sisters, early race cars pair off for a road race. Notice open cockpit on homemade cut down bodies and riding mechanic. The racer on the left appears to be a Model T Ford circa 1915 similar to our speedsters built by our high school students and mentors today.

The Poetry Corner

Heaven Scent

By Martin Doerfler

The minute they're opened you can tell
that dark mysterious musty smell
as comfortable as greasy jeans
the aroma of old magazines
once two bits now a five or more
but worth it for the tribal lore
in *Hot Rod - Hop Up and Speed Age*
our history on every page
Rod and Custom - Road and Track
old magazines in smelly stacks
some might find that smell repellant
to auto-philes it's pure Chanel-ent
like wet mohair and gasoline
the perfume of old magazines

Call for Submissions: What is your Vintage Buddy?

By Laura Nelson

My father just visited the Museum for the first time this April. He's an airplane nut above all, but he has a fondness for anything mechanical from his era. So when he saw the Sky Chief pump at the Texaco Station that was his same age, he felt compelled to pose for a photo. This got me thinking — how many of you could (and would) submit pictures of yourselves with a piece of history from the year you were born? Email your photos (with description) to me at nelsonducks@gmail.com and look for it in a future issue of *The Messenger*. And I promise, I'll keep an eye out for a 1972 Gremlin for my own personal submission!



Two vintage models together: Newsletter gal Laura Nelson's father, a 1936 Graham Hicks of La Grande, poses with a 1936 Sky Chief pump at the Texaco Station on the Museum grounds.



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Museum is at Antique Powerland, off
Brooklake Road, west of 1-5.

1-5 Exit 263, Brooks

10 minutes north of Salem
30 minutes south of Portland

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

JULY

Museum open weekends 9am to 4pm.

8 - Education Committee Meeting, Chalet, 2 pm

19 - Swap meet setup, 10am to 6pm

20 - Swap meet/car and motorcycle show, 8 am to 4 pm

THIS IS A CORRECTION FROM PREVIOUS NEWSLETTER - SWAP MEET NOT ON JULY 7

27 & 28 - Powerland Steam-up, Car display on showfield 9am to 3 pm

AUGUST

Museum open weekends 9am to 4pm.

3 & 4 - Powerland Steam-up, Car display on showfield 9am to 3 pm

24 - Truck Show at Powerland

SEPTEMBER

Museum open weekends 9am to 4pm.

MEMBER/BOARD MEETINGS are the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6:30 PM at the Texaco Service
Station on the Powerland grounds. Everyone is welcome!