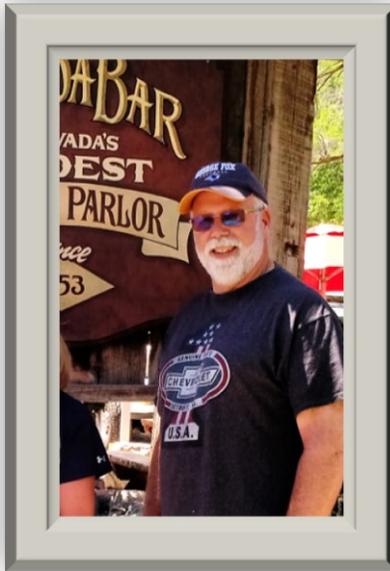




The 50's Cruise car show has come and gone along with its own brand of weather. I would like to thank all of our club members who volunteered to help and showed up knowing what we were in for. Friday morning set-up was done with pleasant conditions and early Saturday wasn't really bad until 10:30 or 11:00am. We decided to speed things up and get our participants out of the rain early and our members helped greatly in getting everything done. Everyone who stayed during the take-down and reloading of club property was soaking wet, but hung in there and we got out of there by 1:30pm. We unloaded the truck Sunday morning and again we had a good turnout of members. Everything was wet and we turned the Jordan's shop into a mini homeless village of tents drying out. I hope someone got a picture of it. Burt is working on the financial end and will report to the club when he is done. Once again, I can't thank all of you enough for your help.



Something else that came up during our planning and at the show were some new ideas about things we could do differently. These changes were presented by some of our newer members and they were used with great success. So don't be afraid to approach the club if you have any new ideas.

In other club news the 1964 Buick Riviera that was donated by Jerry and Judy Lencioni was sold a couple weeks ago. It was purchased by two brothers who were looking for a car to fix up for their father. We had several members who helped on this project. The crew who de-moused the trunk, interior and exhaust system, the Jordan's for storing it, and Fred Mestrich for his time spent getting it running and re-building the carburetors. This was dedicated to our educational outreach program and will help provide shop tools and supplies to the facility.

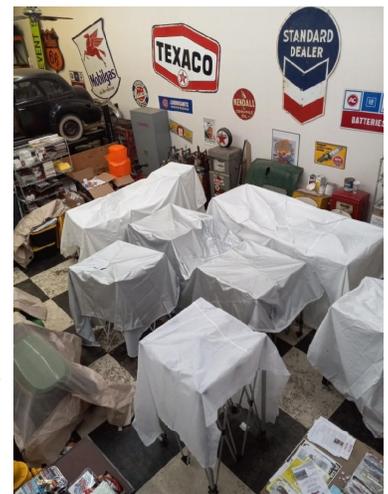
Another item to be looked into is the availability of club jackets. Vice President Jim Purdy has located several suppliers and we will be trying to get some sample jackets in various sizes so members can see them and try them on. This will probably be discussed at our June 16th meeting.

In car show news, the Warrenton Fire Department said the 4th of July Bar-B-Que and parade will be going on, but weren't sure if the car show in the city park is happening. I will look into it and send an email out when that is hap-

pening. Another show that we have traditionally attended is in Clatskanie, the last Saturday of June, 9am, \$20 registration fee. If we want to park together, we need to arrive together. Watch your email for more information.

A reminder for everyone, our June 16th meeting is being held at Nicki Andrews and Dick Pedersen's shop at 7pm in Ocean Park Wash., 17810 Sandridge Rd. Hope to see you there! Our July meeting will be at Ann and Fred Mestrich's on July 21, and our August 18 meeting at Cindy and Burt Young's.

One other thing I have forgotten to mention is that Charlie Clayton will be chairing our next swap meet in March 2023. Fred is taking a break from chairing this event but will work on the committee. Thank you Fred and we all are ready to help Charlie. See you around, Doug



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May 19, 2022

President Doug Gillies called the May meeting of the Lower Columbia Classic Car club to order at 7:00 pm. President Doug Gillies introduced Vice President Jim Purdy and Secretary Nicki Andrews. Treasurer Burt Young was absent.

Visitors - Doug Haserot

Fred Mestrich made a motion to accept the minutes of the April meeting as printed in the Backfire. Motion seconded and passed.

Financial report - President Doug Gillies read the club financial report. He also reported that the club made a profit of \$7,534 from the recent Swap Meet.

Committee reports:

Membership - Diane Matthews reported that we have a new member.

Sunshine - Linda Uphoff reported sending out get well cards to members.

Website - no report

Swap Meet - Fred Mestrich reported on our profit. Charlie Clayton has indicated interest in helping Fred with next year's swap meet.

50's Cruise - Steve Jordan reported that the t-shirts are scheduled to be shipped next Monday. 150 dash plaques are here and 50 more have been ordered. The trophies are done except for the plaques. The sponsor plaques are being worked on. Dorothy Gillies is working on the sign-up sheet for Saturday. We discussed the setting up of the field. The Port Lite Cafe at the north end will be opened. We have 30 car preregistered. Ads have been submitted to the newspapers. Some of the expenses that have already been paid are \$275 for rental of the grounds and \$350 for the port-a-potties. Members will be meeting Friday June 3rd at the Pig N Pancake in Astoria at 8:00 for breakfast before going to Camp Reila to set-up for the show. Setup will begin at 10:00 am.

Old Business:

If you drop off any club mailings at the presort store please be sure to let them know that it is for the club. We have an account there.

There will be a group going to the Tillamook car show June 21st. They will meet at Costco and leave at 7:00am.

New Business:

Someone needs to check with Educational Outreach to see what they need.

Fred Mestrich has some welding helmets to be donated to the welding school.

We were reminded of the ice cream social in July at Mike and Diane Matthews home in Rosburg.

The next club meeting will be June 16th at Nicki Andrews and Dick Pedersen's home in Long Beach.

The July meeting will be at Fred and Ann Mestrich's and the August meeting will be at Burt and Cindi Young's.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

The drawing was won by Nicki Andrews.

Nicki Andrews
Secretary

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FROM THE BACK SEAT "THE GAL'S PAGE"

HELPFUL HINTS

DUST CEILING FAN BLADES: Place old pillowcase over one of ceiling blades and slowly pull off pillowcase.

EXTRACT SALT FROM SOUP: Cut a few potatoes into large chunks. Toss into hot soup pot still on stove. When potato starts to soften in about 10 minutes, remove potatoes and excess salt they have absorbed.

RAKING LEAVES: Save all the bending and extra trips. Rake leaves onto old plastic tablecloth or tarp, gather 4 corners, and drag tablecloth to designated leaf receptacle.

KEEP STORED PAINT FRESH: Stretch sheet of premium plastic wrap over top of paint can before tightly replacing lid. Be sure to label can identifying room, etc.

CLEAN BBQ GRILLS EASILY: Remove and place grill racks in garbage bag. Spray oven cleaner on the racks and close bag. The next day, open the bag, *make sure to keep your face away from the fumes*. All that burned on gunk should wipe right off.

NEEDLE FREE CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL: Place a large garbage bag over top of tree & pull down. If tree doesn't fit in one bag, use another bag from bottom and pull up. You can quickly remove tree without trail of needles through house.

TREAT CHAPPED HANDS: Rub thick layer of petroleum jelly on hands & place in a plastic bag. The jelly & bodies warmth will help make hands supple in about 15 minutes.

CLEAN GAS STOVE BURNERS: If your burners are not firing on all jets & you see an interrupted circle of blue when you turn on the burner, poke a pipe cleaner through the little vents. This cleans the burner & allows it to work more efficiently.

HANG A LARGE GARBAGE BAG IN YOUR CLOTHES

CLOSET: The next time you find something you want to give to a donation, just throw it in the bag, not back on the hanger or into a drawer.

PROTECT WASHING DELICATES IN WASHING MACHINE:

Place in pillowcase & close w/string or rubber band before washing.

SAFETY PIN HOLDER: Thread safety pins onto a pipe cleaner through the bottom loop of each pin for easy use.

PUFFY MORNING EYES: Apply slices of raw, cold potatoes to your peepers to make puffiness go away.

CLEAN A CHANDELIER: Hook end of umbrella on fixture to catch any dust or drips.

KEEP NAIL POLISH FRESH & EASY TO USE: Store polish in refrigerator. Keep together in a little square plastic container. Shaking a polish bottle to mix color can cause bubbles. Always roll bottle between your palms. Wipe inside threads of nail polish bottle & cap with a cotton swab dipped in polish remover before closing. It will open more easily.

LABEL POISON CONTAINERS: To prevent someone from grabbing a poison container in haste. Use dark RED or other easily visible nail polish to mark container with an unmistakable X on the label as well as the lid or spout.

DAB SOME NAIL POLISH TO: Tighten loose screws, smooth wood hangers, make needle threading easier, keep ribbons from fraying

TAKE CARE WITH NAIL POLISH REMOVER CONTAINING "ACETONE" (CHECK LABEL) All nail polish removers are flammable and potentially hazardous if inhaled for a long time; use in well ventilated area away from flames. Work carefully as they can damage synthetic fabrics, wood finishes, and plastic surfaces. Also, can cause dry skin & brittle nails.

REMOVE OVEN RESIDUE: When self-cleaning oven is finished cleaning, you don't need to waste a roll of paper towels to remove ash like residue. Clean it up with a few sheets of moistened crumpled newspaper.

DRY "WET" SHOES: Stuff w/dry balled up newspaper to prevent long term damage.

UNSCREW BROKEN LIGHTBULB: (*Make sure you're wearing protective gloves and the power is off!*) Wad up several sheets of newspaper, press paper over bulb, turn it counter-clockwise. The bulb should loosen up enough to remove from the socket. Wrap it in the paper and toss it into the garbage.

PROTECT WINDOWS WHEN PAINTING: Don't bother with buying thick masking or carpenter tape. Simply wet several long strips of newspaper and place them on the glass alongside the wood you are painting. The newspaper will easily adhere to the surface, keep paint off glass or frames, and is much easier to remove than tape.

PROVIDED BY SHERRIE KELLEY

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BY JIM WOOD

This month's story involved some interstate travel. Steve Jordan and I made a trip over to Ocean Park, Wa. to meet a guy with an interesting story. His story reminded me how much we love our special vehicles. We spend a lot of time and money to restore and maintain our vehicles.

We become very attached to our classic cars on kind of a personal level. Sometimes we even give them names like they are part of the family. God forbid anything might happen to them. This is a story about club member Mike Thorton and his love, loss and hope. Mike has been a Porsche lover all his life. His dream was to own a perfect

1964 356C model. I don't know a lot about this car except that it was the precursor to the 911 Porsche that most of us have heard of. He finally found one about thirty seven years ago that needed complete restoration. He put his heart and soul into the project. After all that time and effort Mike finally had a perfect Concourse correct 1964 Porsche 356C. He entered this car in a show competition in California for 356C Porsches and garnered 3rd place prize out of 50 entrants. It was absolutely perfect and Mike had achieved his goal with the car he loved. Now it's time to enjoy this car and start driving it. He got to enjoy his pride and joy for two years before tragedy struck. Mike and his wife were driving his dream car to another meet in



California with another couple with the same model Porsche. Mike had come to an unexpected stop on the highway but the folks behind him couldn't get stopped in time. They drove their classic Porsche into the rear of Mike's at about 40mph. This actually destroyed both cars. Mike and his wife were not seriously injured. The couple behind them had to be life-flighted to a hospital with serious injuries. They are okay now. If you could count a broken heart as an injury, count Mike as seriously injured. All that time, love and energy gone in a flash. Fortunately for Mike he had the appropriate insurance to cover the financial loss. This all

happened last September and Mike found a 356C for sale in Sacramento that was in very good condition. To the average guy this car was in great shape and good enough to drive and show. But not for Mike. He had a perfect 356C and this one was going to be perfect also. I guess having a good one isn't the same when you've had a perfect one. He keeps his wrecked Porsche in the corner of the shop. He has used some of the salvaged parts on his new project. He still can't quite get rid of it. A lot of love went into that

car. Some guys you just can't keep down. We are all protective of our cars. Keep that insurance at the proper level and hope you never need it.

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Historical and/or Hysterical Pictures

Of LCCC Club Members, Friends, and Family

(ps: send in pictures of your fun times to The Backfire Editor and see them posted here to share with everyone!)



JUNE 4 2022 EARLY MORNING SET-UP



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Anyway, I am asking **400.00** or **OBO 503-791-3804** Ask for Bill

UP-COMING GAL'S PAGE ARTICLES

June — Sherrie Kelley July—Valerie Purdy August—Lorraine Berard September—
Gail Penuel October—Kay Murders November—Dorothy Gillies

Get well to; **Ken Uphoff, Cindy & burt Young, Steve & Judy Jordan, Ralph Jackson, Dorothy Gillies, Ross & Patty Getchell, Fred Mestrich, Robi Nelson**

Well Wishes, Sending good wishes to all of you who I don't know about. Please let me know so I can send you a card if you need one. I think we can all use a little pick me up sometimes. Thanks Linda Uphoff (my phone number is listed in your roster)

BRINGING GOODIES 2022

March-Diane M, April-Patty, May— Oliver, June-Niki, July-Anne, August-Burt, September-Dorothy G, October-Sherri K, Nov.-Linda U, Dec.-Christmas Party

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