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#### April 2023

# The Mayflowers roll rain or shine: next tour is Hoover-Minthorn House

#### By Mindy Benfield

The Mayflowers are going to take a tour of the Hoover-Minthorn House Museum in Newberg on Thursday afternoon, April 27, 2023. This is the home where Herbert Hoover lived with his Aunt and Uncle for part of his

# Lots of mud; very few tulips – weather postpones Wooden Shoe Tulip tour

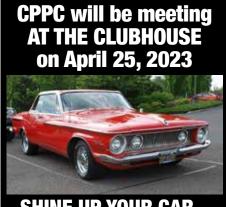
We're all agreed the weather could be better – the Oregon rain should at least be warmer by this time.

But no.

Mike Bade did some negotiating to get CPPC and friends into the Wooden Shoe Tulip Festival (outside of Woodburn on Meridian Road) on April 22, on what was projected to be the peak day for the tulips.

Only one member signed up. Mike cancelled at Wooden Shoe.

On social media, the folks at Wooden Shoe say the Festival will be extended to accommodate the late season. Maybe we'll get another chance?



# SHINE UP YOUR CAR -WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!

childhood (1881-1885). Herbert Hoover was the thirty first President of the United States (1929-1933). The museum is fairly small, but filled with many interesting period pieces.

Before the tour we will meet at 11:30 at the Black Bear Diner just off 99E in

Newberg, for lunch. More information and a sign up sheet will be available at the next general meeting on April 25th. You can also email Mindy at <u>Ben1323@</u> <u>aol.com</u> to sign up, or for more information.

# Groffs' 1958 Plymouth Belvedere Convertible takes Best in Class at 2023 Portland Roadster Show



By Brad Groff, from WPC newsletter

We entered our 1958 Plymouth Belvedere Convertible into this year's Portland Roadster Show last weekend. There were over 500 cars entered into the show this year! Due to COVID, there had not been a Portland Roadster Show for 3 years. The Roadster Show placed our car in the Custom Convertible Classification. I am uncertain how many cars were in that class. Our 1958 Plymouth Belvedere convertible won "Best in Class". This is my wife Jode Groff up at the stage receiving our award.



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#### Membership & Dues:

Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club, Inc. dues are \$25.00 per calendar year Membership runs January 1 through December 31.

Concurrent membership to the National Plymouth Owners Club is required. plymouthbulletin.com/members.htm

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# Minutes of March's membership meeting

From minutes taken by Robin Will

Cascade Pacific Plymouth club met Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at the Clackamas Community Club, 15711 SE 90th Ave., Clackamas, OR.

Fourteen people were in attendance. Robin Will took the minutes.

Vice-President Jake Higginbotham called the meeting to order at 6:55PM and led the membership in the flag salute.

Jake and the membership thanked John Cooper for providing refreshments.

Minutes of the February 28 meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer Dolores Call's financial report was approved as submitted.

Jake asked members to be thinking about ideas for speakers for future club meetings.

Swap Meet coordinator Robin Will announced that he had cancelled his year's club participation in Portland Swap Meet and applied for a refund of space rent paid in advance last year. Not enough people were available to fill the work schedule and handle load-in and load-out.

Jake Higginbotham announced that he had also abandoned plans to sell at Portland Swap Meet.

John Cooper announced that the next cruise-in meeting would be Monday, May 8 at 10:00AM in Clackamette Park.

Joanne Dixon summarized fundrasising efforts for the cruise-in: to date there are eleven sponsors, with room for 29. Donations of \$350 have gone direct to the scholarship fund. In addition, she has 131 raffles, ten items for the ever-popular silent auction, and 24 items for goodie bags.

Dues update: 25 members had yet to renew their dues as of March 22.

Members are reminded that club meetings will begin at 6:00PM beginning in April.

Member care: Stephanie Willis is at home in a wheelchair, getting a lot of help and recovering from her car crash.

Robin Will thanked Gary Rusher, D. J. Freeman, Mike Bade, Mindy Benfield, and Phil Hall for their contributions to the March newsletter. He noted that 800-1000 people per month visit CascadePacificPlymouth.org, most of them heading straight to tech articles or the goldmine of information in Scott Whiteman's articles in the "History of Plymouth" pages.

Mindy Benfield reviewed the Mayflowers' tour of Mt. Angel, and revealed the next Mayflower tour would go to the Hoover-Minthorn House in Newberg on April 28, with details to be announced.

Jake Higginbotham reported on the Portland Roadster Show. He was impressed with the organization and the caliber of the cars, and said his own 1949 Plymouth business couple missed out on a trophy to a car that had an upholstered trunk.

Members reviewed the tour to SMS Fabrics on March 3. D.J. Freeman said he tried to stump them with a request for something he remembered from childhood (fabric from a 1956 Ford Ranch Wagon), but they had the material on hand.

Door prizes were won by Jake Higginbotham, Dave Benfield, and Minday Benfield. Jake Higginbotham won the 50/50 jackpot.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30PM, with members welcome to stick around for Jake's presentation on his air museum visit. However, the electronics could not be made to work, and Jake's presentation will be re-scheduled.

# Please note the change in meeting time!

After some discussion at the February meeting, we decided to try moving our membership meeting time to 6:00PM.

That's an hour earlier than we usually begin.

We thought maybe it would be a little easier to get through traffic, and we hoped that getting out an hour earlier on a weeknight would be beneficial.

Board members will welcome your feedback.

#### Hello to my CPPC friends.

I have 7 framed Hot August Nights posters I would like to be rid of. Please let me know if you might want them, all or whatever. Thanks, Joanne Dixon, 360-608-6171

# The Steering Column, A Message from the President

The rainy snowy weather continues in the Northwest and is keeping our



cars inside. The weather also shortened my recent road trip through the western states. Despite the weather we have had several very interesting activities.

We visited SMS Fabrics and saw rolls of fabrics stacked floor to ceiling for almost every type and model of car from the late 30's to around the 80's, and if it wasn't in stock they could manufacture it along with door panels that looked better than the original. Other

# Tulip season extended – we can visit Wooden Shoe on Saturday, May 6

Mike Bade reports: "I contacted Wooden Shoe and they would give us the Discount Codes to go on Satuday, May 6th. Hopefully it will be dryer and warmer by then. We'll include HACO and the Chrysler Club and Studebaker Clubs. "

# Early '30s Plymouth parts being given away at Gary Rusher's place!

Cleaning out my shop!

30 Plymouth engines: 233257 Complete with flywheel, U243631 Complete with bell housing, flywheel and starter

U227832 Good block and crank, U232411 Good block and bell housing

33 Plymouth transmission complete with parking brake - non freewheeling

Various 30 transmissions - disassembled

30 frame complete with front and rear axles and backing plates, springs and steering gear with wheel

Cylinder head for PC, cylinder head marked for PE/PF

Trunion type drive shafts with u-joints Rear tire carrier for 30

Rear tire carrier for late 30's

f you can use it come and get it.

Gary Rusher, Wilsonville, OR, 503-939-9320 activities included the Sandy, Oregon Historical Museum, we also visited Mt. Angle Abbey, founded in 1882.

Thank you Mindy for planning such interesting tours. Unfortunately, one activity we missed this year was the Portland swap meet. This has been a major activity for several years and a money maker for the Club. Planning is continuing on the Cruise-In scheduled for June 17. John Cooper is doing an excellent job of coordinating all the fine details and Donna, Joanne and Pam have been actively recruiting sponsors. Thank you to all those involved in the planning process to make this event a success.

Another thing I am working on is exchanging newsletters with other regions. I will be sharing these with you via email, it should be interesting to see what the other regions are doing and maybe exchange ideas.

Good weather is bound to arrive, thanks for listening.

Jim



# <u>April, 2023</u>

- April 27 (Thursday) Mayflower Tour, Hoover-Minthorn House Museum in Newberg. Story on page 1, sign up at April 25 club meeting.
- **April 23 (Sunday)** The Corvallis Auto Swap Meet and 'Dust 'em Off' Car Show is Sunday at 7am, Benton County Fairgrounds.

# <u>May, 2023</u>

- May 6 (Saturday) Wooden Shoe Tulip Festival Rescheduling due to a late season in the tulip fields. Deep discount on admission if you drive your old car. Mike Bade will supply details via email blast.
- May (tbd) Mayflower Tour, Crystal Springs Rhododendron Gardens in Portland

May 13 (Saturday) - \*Portland Transmission Car Show - TBA

**May 20 (Saturday)** – \*Bridge Tour of Marion County & the Oregon Gardens - Silverton, OR - Host: Randy Ealy

## <u>June, 2023</u>

## June 17 (Saturday) – \*Down by the Riverside Cruise-In - Clackamette Park, Oregon City, OR

## July, 2023

July (tbd) - Luscher Farms in Lake Oswego

**July (TBA)** – \*Senior Center - Sunnyside Road - Clackamas, OR -Host: Jim Wheat

July 16th (Sunday) – \*Woodburn Drags - Mopar Nationals Weekend - Host: Dave Benfield or Mark Childs

# August, 2023

August (tbd) – Mayflowers: Vancouver Waterfront and Officer's Row

August 5 (Saturday) – \*Gladstone Car Show - Gladstone, OR

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## June 17 comes faster than you think – sign up now to work at our car show

#### By John Cooper

If you are planning to be at our car show on June 17th then this message is for you. We still have some areas where helpers are wanted and if you haven't been to a meeting, you haven't had an opportunity to let us know you are planning to help.

**Setup:** Gates will open at 7 a.m. We would love to see as many members there as possible at 6:30. We have tents to put up, tables to organize and general setup assignments.

**Raffle Area:** Stephanie Willis has run this area like a well-oiled machine, but she may need a break this year due to her December accident. The

# Reproduction floor mats for Mopar, 1935-1940 made from original tooling

FROM THE POC FACEBOOK PAGE – I recently bought the tooling for making reproduction front floor mats for Chrysler products from 1935 to 1940. I will begin making these mats in the near future. If you are interested let me know. Howie Taylor 262-370-6321

# Bob Westphal finds local source for wiper motor repair

#### By Bob Westphal

Ever since I've owned my '65 Barracuda the wipe motor has given me trouble. The wiper motor would pop the circuit breaker after a couple swipes. Being caught in the rain was troublesome. Over the years I've searched high and low for replacement motor without success. I found a few sources for rebuilding these motors that were charging over \$500. Two weeks ago I had some free time and decided to search eBay again for a possible remedy to my problem. To my surprise there is an add for wiper motor rebuild by David Bass in Salem, Oregon. David will rebuild your wiper motor for \$279 plus the shipping cost to his address. I contacted David and sent him my wiper motor on a Tuesday. The next Wednesday I had a completely rebuilt wiper motor in my hands. If you need his services, give him a call at 503-5510453.

good news is that she is mending well. So, volunteer here. Don't worry, you won't be standing around. It's a busy area all day and lots of fun.

Auction Area: Joanne Dixon has all the ins and outs of the auction. She can us helpers during the day and especially at check-out time when folks are picking up their winning bids.

**Judging:** Need some keen eyes to look over the cars and pick the best of the best. We have 29 awards to give out. Gary Rusher will give you detailed instructions. This is only a couple hours of commitment.

**Registration:** Donna Bade and Pam Ealy run this area. It takes a village to handle the masses at the beginning. Let us know if this sounds like your cup of tea!

**Donut and coffee sales:** We will have Starbucks coffee and donuts on sale in the morning. We sell out every year. We can use a couple money handlers in this area during the morning hours until we are sold out.

**Take Down:** The more the merrier. Everyone is thrilled to go home at the end of the day. Stick around to help us box up everything back in the trailer. You will be so appreciated!

Email, text or call John Cooper - the chair of the car show committee and keeper of the duty rosters - to let him know if you can be counted on this year. Cell: 503-313-9628 coopjw49@comcast.net

# Vendor update – good news about the Lions Club burger booth and the pie wagon ...

I have gotten confirmation from Jim Jensen with the Lions that they will be there doing the burger thing for the Show and will get the food license. Also made contact with Jenny Loney for Willamette United Methodist, she is passing on the Pie Wagon to Laura Davis. I spoke with Ms. Davis, she will arrange the Pie Wagon to be at the Show with sweets and drinks. Both will be arriving between 10:30 and 10:45 and ready to serve about 11. I'll send more updates as they're available and hope you all will do the same. Thanks



# Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club Technical Committee 2023

The committee meets the 4th Wednesday of each month, and other times as they are needed, gladly making house calls where necessary. Call Randy Ealy at 503-864-8111 if you need assistance.

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POC is gearing up for a good time in Kalamazoo this summer – follow progress on the national website!

# Old-car trivial pursuits – where did they get those bumpers?

CPPC member D.J. Freeman stays busy at car events in the mid-Willamette Valley - Corvallis, Albany and Salem are all within an easy drive from his Philomath home. He generously shares pictures with us.

D.J.'s most recent activity was a poker run in Salem, where he got a chance to photograph this handsome baby blue '38 Plymouth P6 Business Coupe (you can see D.J.'s own '38 in the background.

D.J. wrote, "On the 15th I helped man/woman the Silverton check point of the Salem Cherry Blossom Poker Run. While there I was surprised to see a '38 Plymouth P6 Business Coupe show up. These people drove up from Myrtle Creek to run in the poker run. (The check point is across the street by the white car.) Those bumpers look pretty sturdy, where have I seen those before? D. J."

That question produced a flurry of searching, both on D.J's part and the part of your editor, who loves this kind of challenge.

We're both old enough to have seen these bumpers on the cars where they originated – and we're both old enough to have forgotten where and when.

D.J. came up with the answer and supporting photo first –they're from a 1937 DeSoto.







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Pam Ealy has taken over the role of coordinator for CPPC's Member Care. Please keep her up to date about members who need cards, letters, e-mails or phone calls. Contact Pam at 503-864-8111 or via email at prealy@gmail.com. You may also relay messages directly to your newsletter editor: robin@robinwill.com

Stephanie Willis is home in a wheelchair, still recovering from the car crash last December that injured her legs and set her up for multiple surgeries and lots of rehab. Address and phone number are in the club roster, for members who would like to get in touch..

Terry Byrnes is still recovering from his March 15th total knee replacement surgery, and is hoping to be able to drive in another month.

# NUTS & BOLTS: Board meeting highlights

From minutes taken by Robin Will

The board of directors of Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club met on April 11, 2023, at Elmer's Restaurant in Clackamas, Oregon.

Present were Joanne Dixon, guest Lisa Conner, Dolores Call, Jake Higginbotham, and Robin Will. Mike Bade attended by phone. Robin Will took the minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 11:51AM.

Minutes of the March 14, 2023 board meeting were approved as published in the club newsletter.

Treasurer Dolores Call's financial report was approved as submitted. There was general discussion about members' dues, and it was noted that expenses for June's car show were starting to come in. CPPC doesn't publish our bank balance, but the club remains in good financial condition and any board member can supply details.

Guest speaker for the April 25 membership meeting will be Jake Higginbotham, who, due to equipment failures, didn't get to make his presentation on his visit to an aircraft museum in Southern California last month.

Cruise-in Committee: Joanne Dixon reported 121 raffles, six items in goodie bags, and donations from Finn's Auto Restoration which will likely go to silent auction or direct to the scholarship fund. Next cruise-in meeting will be in Clackamette Park on Monday, May 8 at 10:00AM. John Cooper reported that business license concerns were taken care of, that food sales (hamburgers, pies) were assured; and that event insurance had been covered.

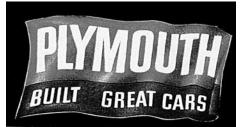
Joanne Dixon reported that Rob Peterson had signaled his availability as DJ for the cruise-in.

Joanne reported that a fire in a building associated with Gregg's Roofing in Camas, WA, which formerly belonged to Allen and Sharon Tiffany, had destroyed the building and the Tiffany's 1937 Chrysler Royal that was stored there.

The board unanimously voted to decline a request from Pam Fleming, new membership secretary of Plymouth Owners Club, for a full CPPC club roster, in the interests of member privacy.

Mike suggested that Robin include the WPC and Studebaker clubs in the invitation to the Wooden Shoe Tulip Festival on April 21 (*Robin didn't do it* before the event was cancelled due to weather!). No harm, no foul.

The meeting was adjourned as 12:53PM.



# The things that can hold up a restoration . . .

#### By Robin Will

I know the man only as Zak. He lives in the San Diego area.

A friend of a friend suggested he contact CPPC for help, and he used the email link on our website.

Zak has a super-rare 1937 Plymouth Westchester PT-50 woody – it was the only year the station wagon was built on the light-truck platform – and he needed hinges for the wagon's hood.

Here are parts something like what Zak needed. Let's hope they work for him.



# MAY BIRTHDAYS

Rosemary Wheeler	4
Eric Lindquist	4
Dennis Mack	4
Kris Nachand	5
Dave Surmon	9
Jeff Jolly	9
Laroy Smith	9
Diane Parker	18
Ruth DeSantis	21
Vicki Williams	21
Randy Ealy	27
Yvonne Westphal	28
Jim Wheat	29

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# Restoration,

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In a sensible world, Plymouth might have used the same hood hinges they put on the '37 passenger car –but no.

I circulated his request to a couple of CPPC members and put a WANTED ad on our website, to no avail, but Zak stayed in touch, sending pictures of his project as it progressed, and sharing his search for the only bits he couldn't locate – the hood hinges.

On April 3, Zak wrote, "After fighting with 85 yr old worn hood and hinge parts with no replacements available for over a month, called a Texas Hot Rod shop. Anyway, they sent out sample pieces of the 1932 Ford hinge material and brackets that maybe be used on 1930's Plymouth's/ Dodges. Yahoo, finished the hood install yesterday and only thing left is the head lights."

I'm sharing Zak's pictures of the project. I'm requesting pics of the finished car, and I'll be inviting him to a CPPC meeting when he can make it up this way.





FOR SALE 2 Plymouth 6 Cylinder Flathead Engines. These are most likely 1940 - 1946 should be the same engine. 6 Bolt Flywheel - has intake, exhaust. - Located: Ariel, Washington. Good foundation for a rebuild. For more details call, Don Ryan. 360-606-4229 or 360-225-6026



I am looking to sell my '65' Barracuda Project. Car has no major rust, and comes with a 1970 slant 6 motor. Asking price is \$4,100 OBO. I believe it has all of the necessary trim to finish as well as several duplicate parts. I also have 4 back windows that will go with this sale. color is Gold on Gold. Push button automatic car. I can be reached at the contact info below. Clark Taylor (360) 921-4636, Clarktaylor@Msn.com

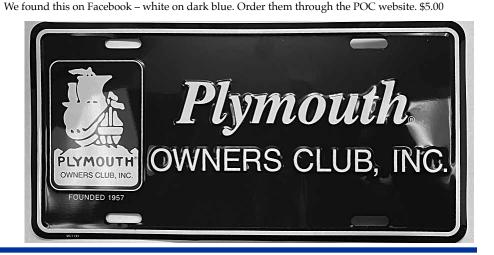
- **I'm lookin for a set of running boards** for a 1941 Plymouth sedan delivery. Allan Howard, a270bar@gmail.com
- 1937 plymouth 2dr sedan parts rear axle complete \$100 front seat good condition \$150 heater\$30 6volt horn \$20 I'm located outside of Salt Lake City Utah call John or text 801 864 6479
- For sale NOS Deck Lid, 1936, fits trunk back sedan, fits Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, DeSoto. \$400, you must pick it up, West Chester, PA. Carmen Dannunzio, 484-886-6115.



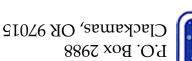
- To all my car collecting, junk yard cruising, needle in a haystack friends out there: looking for a trunk lid for a 1967-1969 Plymouth Barracuda Notchback or convertible Any help would be greatly appreciated. Randy Wells, randy@rasnw.com
- Wanted: 1937-1941 mech parts, P4-P12, engine (original), trans 3 on floor '73, 1941 3 speed on column and small mech parts, 47-41 Plymouth. Want body parts (sheet metal) 1937-41 hoods, front/rear fenders, deck lids, doors, bumpers. Want original jacks & tools, '37-'41. Want factory literature, -'37-'41. Carmen Dannunzio, 484-886-6115.



Plymouth 218 CL.23" block. Bob Hanson, Chandler AZ, 602-809-8424 (See pic)



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on CascadePacificPlymouth.org. \$9,000 OBO. Jake, 503-678-1712.



For sale – 1942 Plymouth P14C Town Sedan

staff car, very rare, fanatical nut-and-bolt

restoration, from Bill Call's collection. As is/where is, \$40,000. Located in Clacka-

mas, OR. Todd Call, tcall23403@mac.com,

503-799-5154.



- FOR SALE, 1932 Plymouth P B: I have rebuilt the engine. Also the brakes have been rebuilt. She runs great. All original. My price is \$ 11,000 cdn . With the American dollar being worth more than the Canadian dollar, this is something to consider. jbaileymed@hotmail.com
- We want to keep old stuff in circulation, so advertising of Plymouth-related goods and services is free on a noncommercial basis. CPPC membership not required. Ads are published on a space-available basis, and edited ruthlessly to fit. Everything here is duplicated or expanded on Cascade-

PacificPlymouth.org. Please remem-

ber to tell us when your stuff sells, so

we can pull your ad. Contact the edi-

tor, robin@robinwill.com with your

words and pictures.

For sale - (3) 1938 Plymouth steel wheels for sale 17.5" x 5" - great shape - \$200 (pictures on website) Clark Taylor - (360) 921-4636

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Wanted - 1938 Plymouth Passenger side Headlight bucket. (will take drivers also if you have). Clark Taylor - (360) 921-4636

1949 Plymouth P-17 Car Parts for Sale (Note:

all parts listed are used take-offs.) Complete front bench seat (blk leather) \$200.

Gas tank with sending unit, holding staps (no rust) \$150.

Contact Jake Higginbotham. 503-678-1712



Vintage Magazines! Approx 70 issues of Popular Science, Popular Mechanix, Mechanix Illustrated + others. 1930s thru 1950s. \$75 for all! Pickup in Hillsboro. ALL MONEY GOES TO CPPC!!! Email Dan Davis: dandavis1981@ya-



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