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# Motor City Rockets

## The Rocket Fuel Newsletter

# Greetings from the President:

#### Committee Volunteers Needed

At our last meeting in February several of you may recall I mentioned my desire to start-up two committees. These committees would serve the BOD in satisfying membership, membership growth and activities for 2014 and beyond. Each committee would have a chairman and be staffed by at least 2-3 club members as volunteers. Each committee would have a charter, purpose and goals. We are still examining this idea but as I am sure you can imagine, it will never work without volunteers. So if you are interested in being on one of these two committees, please send me an email (president@motorcityrockets.co m) with your name and which committee you are interested in joining.

#### MCR Web Site

We recently upgraded the storage space on the MCR web site and have plans in the first quarter of 2014 to complete the upgrades and then upload the dozens of event and activity photos capturing club members enjoying events, activities and

Oldsmobiles over the past few years. Be sure to watch for the new photos and content and as always, if you have ideas or photos, please contact our web master, Brian Lorway at (webmaster@motorcityrockets.com).

#### March Club Event and Meeting

On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we have secured a room at the Sloan Museum in Flint. All MCR members are welcome and admission will be free to MCR members. Lunch will be provided for a small fee. Please check your email box for a communication from Jeff Pregler. You can find the museum here:

http://sloanlongway2.tru-m.com/Sloan-Museum. We have also included the R.E.Olds chapter so it should be a fun event and have good turnout. The meeting will be followed by lunch and then a walking tour of the museum and its exhibits. Don't forget to RSVP to Jeff Pregler

(events@motorcityrockets.com). I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

**Happy Oldsmobiling!** 

**Dave Tucker** 

**MCR President** 

#### Editor's Notes:

As you are reading this, the calendar is still screaming winter but hang on everyone, SPRING is just around the corner. We've certainly earned our stripes these past few months by enduring the snow and the frigid temps. Hopefully dreaming of taking your Olds out of storage and cruising in your classic is getting you through the worst of it.

- ➤ It's never too soon to look ahead to the Nationals. Steve Apking will be compiling a list of all attendees' information that will include name; cell phone #; hotel name; car; days of arrival and departure. This list comes in handy as a contact sheet when caravanning and upon arrival. Send your details to Steve. (s442apking@aol.com)
- Congratulations are in order for James Kryta. There's an article in the March issue of "Muscle Car Review" titled "*Ultimate Olds…a 442 At Its Finest*". It's about the restoration of his 1970 442 W30 convertible. Thanks to Greg Carriere for the tip.
- ➤ Congrats are also in order for Dave and Denise Tucker. Their 1976 Cutlass has been selected for this year's Eyes-On-Design Show and Exhibition Their car will be featured in the Personal Luxury Coupe Class. Way to go, you two.

Next newsletter will go out May 1. Submission deadline: April 28.

## Upcoming MCR Activities

March 22 Sloan Museum

April TBD

May 17 Dust-Off

June 14 Homecoming
July 30-Aug 2 OCA Nationals

August 16 Woodward

September TBD October TBD November TBD

December 6 Christmas Party



Look for e-mails detailing time, place and directions



March Anniversary Wishes
22 Phil & Jill
Woodward



# April Birthday Greetings

8 Paulette Width
14 Phil Woodward/Bob Jones
19 Sonee Lapadot
21 Sharon Hoover
24 Pat Macaluso

## A Rocket Reminder

Don't forget that I want to put together a calendar of our cars for 2015. It may even turn out to be a two year calendar depending on the number of pics I get. I have already heard from Greg and Jack.

I am hoping to get some **REALLY** creative photos. With ALL of the snow, perhaps someone has pulled out their car and built a snowman around it? Or, did you put a bunch of red hearts or flowers on your car for Valentine's Day? March is here. Perhaps you can make your car look like a Leprechaun! I think you get the idea: Be creative!!

I will need all of the pics, either ones you send or ones you want me to take, by Thanksgiving at the very latest. If I change the deadline I will let all of you know. Let's make this a GREAT calendar – after all, we have GREAT cars!

Jill Woodward mar22pjrc@aol.com

### 62<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL AUTORAMA

Cobo Center

**Detroit MI** 

March 7 12 PM- 10 PM

March 8 9 AM- 10 PM

March 9 10 AM- 8 PM

General Admission: \$19.00

Children 6-12: \$5.00

\*Discount Tickets at O'Reilly Auto Parts



#### March 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Autorama	8 Autorama
9 Daylight Savings Autorama	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 St. Partrick's Day	18	19	20 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Spring	21	* MCR Mtg. Phil & Jill Woodward Annv.
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

"Be sure to check the **MCR Website** calendar for additional details."

An asterisk \* denotes a "club" activity.



# April 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Paulette Width	9	10	11	12
13 Palm Sunday	14 Bob Jones, Phil Woodward	15 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Passover	16	17	18 Good Friday	19 Sonee Lapadot
20 Easter	21 Sharon Hoover	22	23	24 Pat Macaluso	25	26
27	28	29	30			

# February Activity

Our annual bowling meet took place after the MCR February meeting. This is always a fun event and well attended. Even those who chose not to bowl had fun cheering those that did. We have some "amazing bowlers" and how shall I put it some "not so amazing" bowlers but it doesn't matter. The end result is an enjoyable afternoon of friendly competition.

Bowling is not the only competition. We also compete for *Best of Show* in bowling shirts. 2014 winners were Anne Drake and Ed Pashukewich.

Thanks to the following: Pat Macaluso for handling the set up; Suzi Macaluso and Jill Woodward for gifts and prizes: Cindy Klemm for the delicious treats. Enjoy the pics.



Our nature lover



Who said I can't bowl?

## Meeting Minutes

#### **MCR Membership Minutes**

**February 9, 2014** 

Called to order 11:20 AM

#### **Drakeshire Lanes**

- The President, Dave Tucker welcomed everyone to the meeting, luncheon and bowling. He thanked Suzi and Pat Macaluso for hosting the event. Suzi handed out the gifts she and Jill Woodward had made to the members. They had luggage tags (made from the boot of a convertible top for all the participants and "bling" bracelets and Kleenex holders just for the ladies. There were 32 members present.
- The treasurer, Alan Wilcox, reported that the treasury is sound. The membership stands the same as last reported, 102 members, 17 associate members for a total of 119 members.
- Dave then discussed the events for the remainder of the year. He is checking out a visit to the Sloan Museum for March and will let us know what he finds out.
  - ✓ Dust-off is scheduled for Saturday, May 17.
  - ✓ He is working on an agenda for the OCA Nationals in July. The only other definite dates were:
    - ✓ June Homecoming June 14
    - ✓ August Woodward Dream Cruise August 16
    - ✓ December Christmas Party December 6
- Dave then asked members to review the bylaws, to see Barbara Cook for a copy if they needed one, and make suggestions for changes that need to be made. Any changes then would be voted on at the next membership meeting.
- Dave also stated that the space on our web site was full and to double the space it would cost the club from \$10 a month to about \$20. The club voted to do this.
- Also, they asked for club members to submit a list of their cars so that a Roster of Members and what cars they owned could be complied. Barbara Cook offered to compile the list. Alan Wilcox and Steve Apking said they had partial lists they would send to her.
- Jill Woodward asked for members to take and submit pictures of their car/cars to her for the 2015 Calendar. She said for the members to be **CREATIVE!**
- Dave also suggested setting up a couple of committees. An Activities Committee and a Membership Committee were two of the committees suggested. Nothing was decided on this issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Cook

# Does anyone know what this is?

Come to the March meeting to find out.





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#### Throttle Gals Car Care Class

Ladies, is anyone interested?

Throttle Gals is pleased to announce dates and location for their first ever Throttle Gals Car Care Class. Women can learn how to maintain their vehicle in a safe environment! Taught by women, you will learn how to change your oil, check fluids, change/rotate tires and your vehicle's other basic needs! Class will run four (4) weeks on Mondays April 28th, May 5th, May12th, and May 19th from 6-8PM. Price includes all tools, learning materials, your own Throttle Gals shop apron and class instruction (and snacks!). Location: Madison Tire and Auto, on 11 Mile just East of I-75 in Madison Heights. \$50 <a href="http://throttlegals.com">http://throttlegals.com</a>



Thanks to **Sue Pashukewich** for passing this along.

#### MCR SERVICE TEAM

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