

The Washington Cruisers Car Club

November 2017

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Christmas Party

The Washington Cruisers will be having our Christmas Party Saturday, December 2nd, 2017, 4 – 9 pm, with dinner at 5:00 pm, at Thomas Presbyterian Church Christian Center. The Center is located at 1068 Linden Rd, Eighty Four, PA 15330. Directions to Church: Take Rt. 19 to Waterdam Rd. in McMurray. Follow Waterdam Rd. 2.3 miles then the road turns into Thomas Rd., on slight bend. Follow Thomas Rd. approx. 1 mile. Make a slight right onto Linden Rd. Thomas Church Christian Center will be on your left. **Please enter through the front door.** The cost per person of the catered buffet dinner is \$18.00. The buffet consists of:

Breaded Chicken	Green Beans
Roast Beef/ Gravy	Salad
Baked Cod	Rolls/Butter
Parsley Potatoes	Coffee, Tea, Lemonade & Water

Members are permitted to bring guests; they will pay the same as members. We ask that each Family bring a Dessert. Don't forget the Chinese Grab Bag! If you wish to participate, bring a wrapped gift with an actual value of NO LESS than \$20.00! This means you spent at least \$20.00. Bring a gift you would not mind receiving if you ended up with it!! Please NO gag gifts! Please return the form at the end of the newsletter NO later than Wednesday, November 22nd, 2017. Due to the party being catered, NO exceptions after this date!!! **NO ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED IN THOMAS CHRISTIAN CENTER FACILITY**

Welcome new members

Rob & Kimberly Perez and their 1971 Ford Mustang.
Douglas & Karen Meighen and their 1966 Ford Mustang & 1965 Austin Healey 3000 MKIII.
Lloyd Durbin & Dea Spencer and their 1968 Dodge Dart.

Membership Dues

January is only a few months away. Now is the time to send in your 2018 dues. As always, the dues for current returning members are only \$20.00. Look for the form at the end of the newsletter. Dues MUST be paid by January 31st, 2018. After that dues are \$25.00!!

Annual Membership Meeting

The annual meeting is scheduled for Monday January 8th, 2018 at 7 pm. We are planning to hold the meeting at Panera in Washington. We are still looking for a few board members to fill vacant positions. If this is something you would be interested in, contact any board member. More information about the meeting will be in the next newsletter.

Hawthorne Woods Cruise

Sunday, Sept. 10th was a beautiful day in the Washington Cruisers' neighborhood. It was a perfect day for a small cruise at the Hawthorne Woods Assisted Living facility. Invited cruisers arrived right on time, and parked their rides with plenty of space between vehicles to allow the residents ample room to view the classics and visit and chat with the cruisers. Some of us ate dinner with the residents outside, picnic style, (the food was delicious), and talked cars. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to bring and show your vehicles. We all had a good time.

Transitions Cruise

As you may remember late August was wet, and that put the kibosh on the cruise we had planned for the Transitions Health Care facility in Washington....so then we tried a couple of dates in September that didn't work out either. And don't you know it, third time was the charm...our selection of October 14th was a perfect day for a cruise! The weather was reminiscent of mid-September, with warm sunshine, a **delightful** breeze and gentle temperatures. We had a nice turn out for this invitation only cruise, (as space is limited), and many of the residents were out and about looking at the cars, and telling 'remember when' stories. There were hot dogs on the grill for the cruisers and we heard many comments that the **well done** hot dogs were especially delicious. Plans are already being made for next year, as this activity is especially enjoyed by the residents, and it is our pleasure to help provide a good time. See you next year!

Trunk or Treat and scary things

This year for our last cruise, we decided to try something different. We designated the cruise a "Trunk or Treat" cruise – a chance to focus on the children as well as the cars. The idea was for attendees to bring their children so that they could pick candy out of the trunk or back of the cruise cars and have a good time while the adults got to look at the cars as well. We also had a \$25.00 gift card for an adult having a costume on and registering at the cruise table. The attendance wasn't as high as we had hoped, but the attendees did turn out and bought a lot of tickets, as well as donations to help us finish out the year on a high note. We plan on doing this again next year with better promotion on Facebook – stay tuned for more details.

Back by Popular Demand

Because many of you requested it, we are happy to announce that the first Washington Cruisers Meet, Greet and Eat breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017. By now you know the drill...but in case you don't remember, are new to the club or just didn't make any of the breakfasts last year, we hope you will join us. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Eat' n Park, located at 320 Oak Spring Rd, in Washington, PA 15301. No registration is necessary; just tell the host/hostess that you are with the Washington Cruisers and they will see you get to the right place in the restaurant. Order from the menu, or have the buffet, the choice is yours. The breakfast gatherings are open to all members and their guests. Here is the schedule for the rest of the Washington Cruisers Saturday breakfasts: Dec. 16, 2017, Jan. 20, Feb. 3, Feb. 17, Mar. 3, Mar. 17, Apr. 7, and Apr. 21, 2018.

More Young Helpers

Giving a shout out to **Grace, Harley** and a couple of other young folks (sorry I can't remember your names) who were kind enough to help us with pulling the winning tickets for drawings at our last cruises for the year. We are really glad that these young folks stepped up to help, (with their parents' permission, of course). Thank you!

Board Members needed

It's that time of year again – the holidays roll around and no one is thinking about the club and how the board gets everything done, and who is doing it. The club has been down on the number of board members for the last few years now, and it makes it tough on the board members to make sure we have all of the events we have, that everything is in place, and working the events to ensure all goes well and everyone has a good time. We could use a few new board members to help with the club functions and operations – we meet the second Monday of every month and go over the club's business. We would like to have new board members for new ideas as well as to help with normal club functions. All club members are welcome to attend any meeting – this would be a good opportunity to come out and see if being on the board is something you would like to do. Our next meeting is November 13th, and we meet at the Panera Bread at Trinity Point Plaza starting at 7:00 until adjourned. Come on out to our next meeting and see how the club runs behind the scenes!

Ideas for the Club

The club board is always looking for ideas for events for the members to attend. Ideas for new events do not have to come only from the board – club members are also allowed to suggest ideas for new events at any time. If you have an idea for an event, you can contact one of the board members with your idea, or come to the annual club meeting and present it there. All ideas are reviewed and voted on by the board for consideration, and those that are approved will be evaluated where it would fit into our schedule. If you have a suggestion, present it to us – we would love to hear from you.

Happy Holidays from the Washington Cruisers!

Calendar of Events

December

Dec. 2nd, 2017.....Washington Cruisers Christmas Party, Thomas Church Christian Center, Eighty Four, PA, 4 – 9 PM, 5 pm dinner.

2018 Cruises/Shows/Events

January

Jan. 8th, 2017..... Washington Cruisers Annual Membership Meeting. 7pm, Panera’s in Washington

March

Mar.3rd, 2018.... Winter Swap Meet, Marietta Oh, Washington County Fairgrounds. Info 740-538-0023

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Membership Dues \$20.00 (by Jan. 31st, 2018)

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ADDRESS_____

Phone _____

How would you like to receive your newsletter via home address or email? _____

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Eighty Four, Pa. 15330

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**Washington Cruisers
Christmas Party
Dec. 2nd, 2017**

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TOTAL # OF ADULTS AT \$18.00 EACH _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

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Return this form by Wednesday Nov. 22nd, 2017. **NO EXCEPTIONS**, due to the food being catered.