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PREZ SEZ...

Dear Friends,

We'll be celebrating the close on 6 years' worth of work effort to establish and ensure sustainability of the MSRA Rod and Custom Scholarship Fund for Montana 2 year college students. Seventy percent of Montana 2 year college students qualify for financial aid AND graduate with over \$20,000 in debt, just so they can earn a living wage. Early on, the founders of MSRA wanted an organization to rally around our hobby while adding an important value back to our communities, statewide. They chose giving scholarships as that legacy. They wanted to make a big difference for Montana kids to stay in Montana and earn a living wage and not to have to leave our hometowns, our state. So, to that end, the last 6 years has been spent ensuring that legacy can live on and on. And this February 4th, at the MSRA membership meeting we will be celebrating just that! We will roll out our sustainable merchandise fundraising model and announce the pilot participants. And perhaps more importantly, we will have a great lunch and some good local beers at the Buffalo Bump in Four Corners, south of Bozeman at 12:30. And then move on to 3 fabulous Four Corner business shop tours! Come join us at the Best Western Grantree in Bozeman MT at 10 AM to hear the gossip and the scoop in person! And as well help pick the MSRA Street Rodder of the Year and find out which students won the Rod and Custom Scholarship this year! Then joins us for an afternoon of socializing and learning some cool new approaches to fabricating leather upholstery, wiring for awesome sound and a few custom rod tricks in all things paint from a custom shop. Questions? Call Elizabeth at 406.579.2996 or email to President@MontanaSRA.org.

Elizabeth Schuyler Scholl

The next meeting will be held Saturday, February 4th at:

10:00-12:00 in the Madison Room of the Best Western Grantee Inn,
1325 North 7th Ave Bozeman MT 59715. Coffee will be served. Rooms are available
under "MSRA" for \$109.00 plus tax and can be booked by calling 406.556.6213
Membership Meeting at 10:00 am

New Members & Ideas Welcome

Meeting Minutes

Sunday, October 2, 2016 Townsend, MT

MSRA Membership Meeting Minutes Sunday, October 2, 2016 Townsend, MT

AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
 2. Signing of membership book. 16 members, 2 guests
 3. Introduction of visitors and the introduction of new members and sponsors.
 4. Approval of last meeting minutes. Motion by Steve S. 2nd Bob D. - approved
 5. Secretary's report and reading of correspondence – Judy Sorg. newsletters mailed to business sponsors, car clubs and non –e-mail members. Welcome letters mailed to 2 new members. Scholarship luncheon at Flathead Valley Community College this month- possible attendance by a Kalispell car club interested in MSRA – Connie to verify.
 6. Treasurer's report, balance in treasury, and accounts payable – Steve Sorg. Motion by Buck C. 2nd Barb S.- approved
 7. Vice President's report of MSRA Picks for 2016 – Connie McCormick. Contacted all MSRA car clubs. 7-8 plaques sent out. MSRA scholarship logo is now included on the plaques which helps raise awareness of the MSRA scholarship program.
 8. Committee reports.
 - a. Scholarship committee – Steve Sorg.
 - i. Amount and number of scholarships to be offered to two year college students for 2016/2017 school year. Current \$ in scholarship fund - \$5302.85. Scholarship \$ in general fund \$509.00 which will be transferred to scholarship fund = \$5811.85. Recommend the transfer of \$2500 from general fund to scholarship fund = \$8311.85 and provide 5 \$1000 scholarships this year. 2016 General acc't. Balance=\$5777.20 - \$2500=\$3277.20 to begin 2017 general acc't. Motion by Stretch to award 4 scholarships vs. 5- 1st – Connie M, 2nd Gary T. passed after brief discussion. Motion by Stretch to move appropriate \$ amount to fund 4 scholarships – 1st-Gary T., 2nd –Buck C.- passed.
 - ii. Helena College scholarship eligibility.-Roger Mudd will send applicant names for the HVTA scholarships from Helena College to Elizabeth by Jan. 1, 2017 to avoid applicant duplications with the HVTA Helena College scholarships and MSRA.
 - b. Fundraising Committee 2016/2017 Fundraising plan Strategy to be brought to Feb. MSRA meeting. Discussion of the following includes
 - i. Business Ads - do businesses want to buy an additional ad in the newsletter which would include an article about their business in the newsletter? Will be discussed by Executive committee
 - ii. Donor categories – Blue Jean Friday (Bozeman Chronicle) application – Judy S. Gallatin Speedway (50/50- Steve S.) Elizabeth will check on legality of 50/50 raffles within 501(c)3 status Pints for Purpose at Bridger Brewing – Executive Committee
 - iii. SWAG – Connie & Elizabeth to meet with Jody of Ryan's Trophy for input. Discussed recognition of businesses' scholarship donation (swag) similar to Helena Valley Timing Assoc. Connie & Elizabeth with get Jody's input on this as well. Both will be brought to Feb. meeting. Roger Mudd to bring the example of the print given by HVTA to businesses for the Feb. meeting.
 - iv. Car Clubs – all MSRA members encouraged to ask any non-MSRA car clubs to join MSRA. Check with car clubs re: having a table at the car shows registration area to sell MSRA swag. Glendive car show may be interested in helping with fundraising.
 - v. Business “asks” Obtain a distribution list from the State Chamber of Commerce for businesses to send an MSRA recruitment letter.
 - vi. Individual and family “asks” Janet B willing to donate any proceeds from her sales at Bozeman garage sales on line. Stretch is interested in membership recruitment. \$250 scholarship donation received from Custom II (Stretch & Ennie).
- Categories for monetary assignment of fundraising
Carburetor, Fuel Injection, Turbo Charger, Nitrous Oxide, Super Charger. Positive feedback from those in attendance. Executive Committee will decide on the monetary break downs for each category.
- Elizabeth** will update the scholarship cover letter, car club and business sponsor renewal letters to include appropriate “ask” verbiage.
- Steve** – calculate the percentage of membership fees that go into the scholarship fund and expenses.
- Old Business. No old business presented.**
9. New Business.
 - a. Operating budget for 2017. Postponed until Feb. 2017 meeting
 - b. Nominations for Rodder of the Year for 2016. Final voting will take place at the February 2017 meeting. Nominations from the floor- Helena Valley Timing Association, Bob Degenhart
 - c. Suggestions for Board Members to replace retiring members (Member at Large Rep.- Max Cederburg, Car Club Rep.-Roger Mudd, Business Sponsor Rep-Gary Taylor). The following members were suggested as replacements – Tom Jackson- Member at Lg., Barb Salerno – Car Club Rep., John Zowada- Bozeman Napa- Business Rep. Final decision will be made at the February 2017 meeting.
 - d. Motion to pay bills falling within established 2016 budget. Motion – Connie, 2nd Janet B.- passed
 - e. Next Meeting date and location – Bozeman Library on Saturday, February 4, 2017.
 10. Announcements.
 11. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

MSRA Treasurer's Report as of 12/31/16

Montana Street Rod Association

Treasurer's report

As of 12/31/2016

Cash in Bank: General fund: \$7145.24 Scholarship Fund: \$8480.85* Total: \$15,626.09

	General	Scholarship
Income YTD:	\$2,825.00	\$3,228.00
MEMBERSHIPS	\$1,200.00	
BUSINESS SPONSORS	\$1,300.00	
CAR CLUB MEMBERSHIPS	\$250.00	
LICENSE PLATES	\$55.00	
PATCHES	\$20.00	
SCHOLARSHIP MERCHANDISE		
Expense YTD	\$1,004.21	\$3,000.00
PRINTING		
POSTAGE	\$192.32	
PLAQUES	\$36.50	
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LICENSE PLATES		
PATCHES		
MISCELLANEOUS	\$775.39	
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ACCOUNTING		
STATE REGISTRATION		
TRANSFER TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND	\$3,178.00	

Expense Transaction Detail since last meeting:

Date	Check #	Amount	Pay To:	Expense
9/29/2016	3084	\$29.92	Judy Sorg	Sept Newsletter mailing
10/21/2016	3085	\$138.04	Judy Sorg	labels, envelopes, blk toner
10/24/2016	3086	\$52.42	Judy Sorg	labels, envelopes, blk toner
10/31/2016	3087	\$47.00	Judy Sorg	postage stamps
12/19/2016	3088	\$19.50	Ryan's Trophies	invoice #9940 year date tags
12/20/2016	3089	\$3,178.00	MSRA Sch acct	tmsfr 2016 sch donations from gen acct to sch acct

A Special thanks to the Missoula Garden City Rod and Customs Car Club for their generous 2017 \$1,000 donation to the MSRA Rod and Custom Scholarship Fund!

Special thanks to Helena Valley Timing Association for pledging another \$500 in 2017 for the Rod and Custom Scholarship Fund!

HI-LINE CRUZ'N ASSOCIATION

31st Annual Rod Run

June 9, 10 & 11th, 2017

Havre, MT

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD AT THE
GREAT NORTHERN FAIRGROUNDS



Presenting



AGENDA

Friday, June 9th

Registration: 5 pm – 9 pm
Eats: 6:30 pm-7:30 pm

Saturday, June 10th

Registration: 9 am – 1 pm
Show 'N Shine: 11 am – 2 pm
Poker Run: 2 pm – 4 pm
Pitch Fork
Fondue 6 pm until ???
Awards & Dancing to "Blind Luck" at
the Activity Building

PRICES

Before June 1, 2015

\$45 per Couple (US FUNDS)
\$35 per Single (US FUNDS)
\$50 per Family (US FUNDS)
*Family includes 2 adults and
any children under 21. Age
21 and older are considered
adults and pay the \$35

After June 1, 2016

\$50 per Couple (US FUNDS)
\$40 per Single (US FUNDS)
\$55 per Family (US FUNDS)

**NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 1 PM SATURDAY!
YOU WILL NOT BE ADMITTED TO THE EVENING DINNER IF YOU WERE NOT
REGISTERED BY 1 PM SATURDAY! PLEASE DO NOT ASK!**

ROOMS HAVE BEEN BLOCKED under Hi-Line Cruz'n Rod Run at all of the listed hotels. **IT IS IMPARATIVE THAT YOU CALL AND MAKE RESERVATIONS BEFORE MAY 10th, 2017 AS THAT IS THE DATE THE HOTELS REMOVE THE IR BLOCKS.**

- Super 8 Hotel – (Ph. 406-265-1411) 15 single queen rooms for \$66.47 per night. No doubles available.
- Townhouse Inn – (Ph. 406-265-6711) 15 double queen rooms for \$108.00 plus tax per night.
- AmericInn Lodge – (Ph. 406-395-5000) 10 double queen rooms for \$95.91 per night plus tax.
5 single king rooms for \$104.77 per night plus tax.
- Best Western Plus Havre Inn & Suites – (Ph. 406-265-2888) 5 king rooms for \$125.99 plus tax per night
5 dbl. queen size rooms for \$131.39 plus tax per night
- Siesta Hotel – Ph. (406-265-5863) 5 double queen in the \$80 plus tax range
9 single queen rooms in the \$70 plus tax per night price range

For more information, contact Barb Salerno at 406-265-3163 or gitgo@bresnan.net or Kirsti Cederberg at 406-379-2387 or maxc@ttc-cmc.net

HI-LINE CRUZ'N ASSOCIATION ANNUAL ROD RUN

NAME _____ # in Party _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____ EMAIL: _____

YEAR OF VEHICLE _____ MAKE _____

MODEL _____

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Signature

_____ Date _____

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Garden City Rods and Customs

Note: It has been our experience that additional donations will be made during the year. This listing will be continually updated and published in each newsletter as that occurs.

2017 Rod and Custom Scholarships

2017 Rod and Custom Scholarships-4, \$1,000 Awards!

Many thanks to the MSRA members, business sponsors and car clubs that have made this legacy of MSRA program possible! We are happy to announce that our program has grown this year to award 4, \$1,000 scholarships to financially deserving 2 year Montana college students. We received 10 qualified applicants this year! As interest grows, and the needs of our Montana students continues, we are thankful to our members who have donated to make this program possible. Some of your membership dues are automatically allocated as well as additional dollars raised. The 2017 winners will be announced at the February 4th MSRA Membership meeting!

Join us for fun and the full scoop at next MSRA membership meeting, celebrating scholarship success a new merchandise program and a great lunch and 3 super shop tours! It all starts, Saturday February 4th, 2017 at the Best Western GranTree, South 7th at the I90 exit, Bozeman from 10:00-Noon. Then out to the Buffalo Bump Pizza and beer joint with the reserved silo room in Four Corners, south of Bozeman for socializing and 3 local business tours. It will be a fun day for one and all. Join us!

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Got Scoop?

Share your photos of your street rod adventures and car club events with the MSRA membership by submitting your pictures and stories for newsletter and web site placements! Send to President@MontanaSRA.org today! Got a new car? Send us your pictures! How's that project coming?

Send us a picture and project summary to share with others in the MSRA; you know everyone wants to know what you have been doing all winter! Or call Elizabeth at 406.579.2996 for further details.

'32 Road trip to the Deuces Car Show in Victoria BC, July 2016!



Sorg's, Scholl/Degenhardt and Stredwick's!

Montana Movies, Montana Cars, and Trucks!

Hollywood made it to Montana again filming the upcoming movie "Wildlife". MSRA President, Elizabeth Schuyler Scholl and ranch dog, Sugar Snow, made it into the "extra" set to film outside the Yellowstone truck stop and café in this 1960's classic drama and coming of age movie. Christine Shulman, of Big Timber, is the Hollywood go-to for Montana Vehicles of various ages. To sign up for future movies made in Montana and join in the fun and behind the camera scene, contact her at # 406.930.0647 to get on her inventory list and get ready for you and your vehicles famous cinema future! Stay tuned for "Wildlife" with "Misty" the 1956 Ford 250, 4 on the floor and other local Montana street rods and classics in a movie theater near you!



MSRA Car Show awards will again be available for your show statewide!

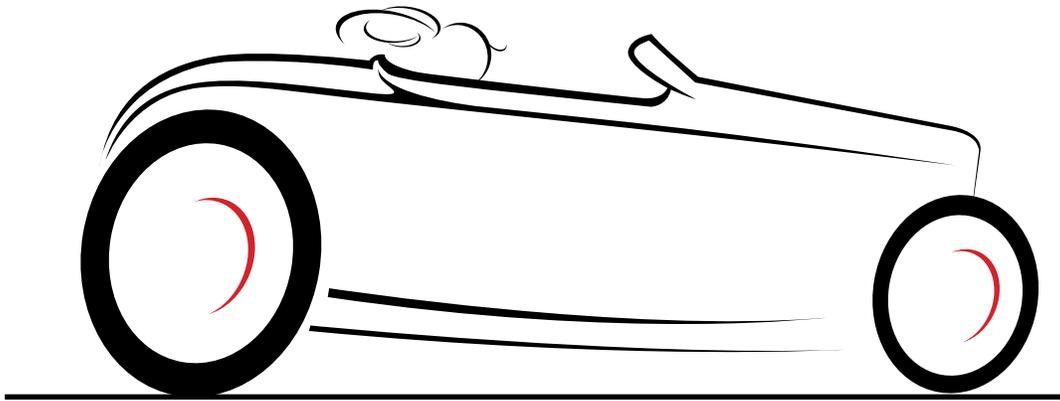
Call Elizabeth to order your personalized MSRA Award Car Show plaque today and let's recognize those rods that distinguish themselves.

2015 Street Rod of the Year Winner

The 2015 Street Rod of the Year Winner
is Terry Oksa!

Who will be 2016's MSRA Street Rodder of the Year?

Come to the February 4th meeting to vote
or email your vote or nomination to
President@MontanaSRA.org today!



Great Falls Custom Car Show Anniversary April 20-23 2017 Montana Expo Park

to be held in the 4 seasons arena

- Previous year winners invited first
- Let me know if you are a previous year winner.
- If you wish to submit for entry please email a photo & contact information. email michaelstorrusten@yahoo.com

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- Vendors Spaces Are Available

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How to make a sheet metal template using masking tape

This works best if it's an odd shape and you don't have both hands available... or you're a little shaky haha...

1. Cover hole you're wanting make template for with masking tape. I like blue. It's pretty.
2. Setup drop light behind the panel you just taped up.
3. Turn off the lights in your shop.
4. Highlight edges of now illuminated masking tape.
5. Remove your masterpiece carefully.
6. Place masterpiece directly on sheet metal.
7. Trim off excess tape.
8. Cut your patch!

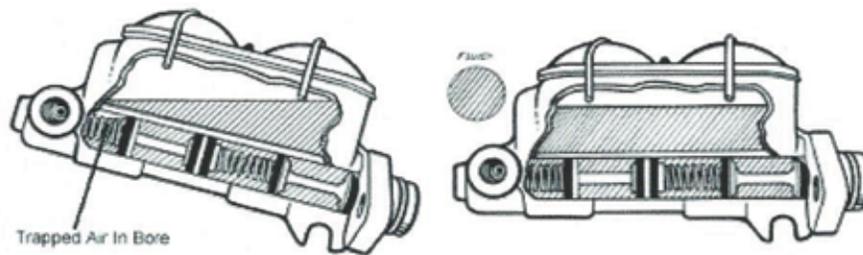
WELL MANNERED INSULTS TO USE ON YOUR WORST ENEMY

- May the chocolate chips in your cookies always turn out to be raisins.
- May both sides of your pillow be warm.
- May you always get up from your computer with your headphones still attached.
- May your life be as pleasant as you are.
- May your chair produce a sound similar to passing gas, but only once, so that you cannot reproduce it to prove that it was just the chair.
- May your five-year-old neighbor have their violin lessons during all of your hangovers.
- May you have your laptop charge all night without noticing the chord isn't plugged in the wall.
- May you always step in a wet spot after putting on fresh socks.
- May your tea be too hot when you receive it, and too cold by the time you remember it's there.
- May your cookie always be slightly too large to fit inside your glass of milk
- May the pin of the bathroom stall never reach the lock to close the door.
- May all your Facebook invites be game invites.

Master Cylinder Test

Note that this test of the master cylinder requires a complete re-bleeding of the system since the brake lines are removed from the master to perform this test. This is why we include this test during the bench bleeding process. However, just because you have performed the test during bench bleeding does not mean that that air has not entered the master cylinder since then. Should air enter the master cylinder at any time after bench bleeding, the master cylinder **MUST** be removed from the vehicle and bench bled again. A number of things can cause air to enter the master cylinder:

- If the fluid levels drop too low during the bleeding process.
- If the master cylinder was left sitting for too long after the bench bleeding before having the lines installed.
- Mishandling of the master cylinder such as if it were dropped or jarred excessively.



1. Remove the brake lines from the master cylinder ports.
2. Block off the master cylinder brake line ports using the correct size inverted flare plugs or bolts with the appropriate thread size for the ports on your master cylinder. Dual port master cylinders that have ports on both sides need to have all four ports plugged. The protruding cone of the inverted flare seat in the master cylinder port is made of a soft material that can easily be deformed if over tightened. If using bolts, be sure to just snug the bolts so as not to damage the cone seal surface. This cone mates with the inverted flare (expanded mouth opening) of the brake lines. If you have the ability, you can also drill a point into the end of the bolt to help prevent this from occurring. Most GM master cylinders use 9/16-18 threads for the front ports and 1/2-20 threads for the rear ports. Most Ford master cylinders use 3/8-24 threads for the front ports and 7/16-24 threads for the rear ports.
3. Apply constant pressure to the pedal, the pedal should be firm, hard and should not drop over time.
4. If the pedal is squishy there may be air in the master cylinder. Bench bleed the master according to the instructions above and test again.
5. If the pedal is firm and then drops over time under constant pressure, the master cylinder should be replaced.

TIPS 'N TRICKS

Ever have a difficult time getting parking brake cables out of backing plates? Use a small hose clamp and wrap it around those 3 or 4 little prongy things and tighten. When there's smushed in far enough, push them through the hole then remove the clamp and the cable comes right out.

When you cut bolts or studs down, run a file around the cut end to chamfer the thread.

Another tip made easier and cheaper with digital cameras. Take zillions of photos before you take anything apart. You'll thank yourself weeks later when you can't remember exactly which way things went back in.

You can sometimes draw the outline of a part on a piece of cardboard, then press the bolts into the outline so you remember where each one went.

If you want to get bearing races out easily, weld a bead on the face where the bearing ran. The race will literally fall out. Saves a lot of work.

To remove a pilot bushing in a crank, hold a grease gun tightly against the hole in the bushing. Pump it full of grease, the grease will push the bushing out.

To make it easier to install a transmission take two extra long bolts and cut the heads off. Then screw them into the block or bell housing and use as a pilot to guide the transmission into place. They support the tranny and make things a lot easier.

Use never seize on anything you want to get apart especially where two dissimilar metals are in contact with one another.

In tight hard to reach places, I tape the heads of screws to a screwdriver. After the screw is started, just pull back and the screw will separate from the tape.

Cut the square end off of a cheap extension. Chuck it up in a cordless drill and you have made a quick power tool to run up bolts. Won't tighten 'em but it saves wrenchin!

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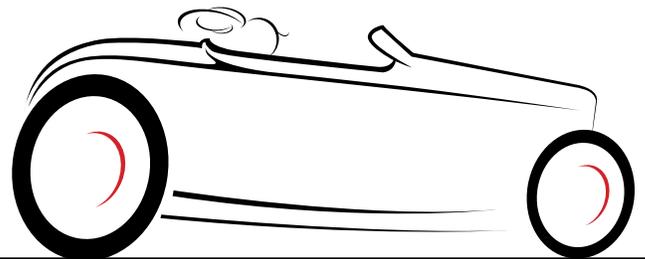
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