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## Multnomah Hot Rod Council



# 2013 Portland Roadster Show a Hit!

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The 57th edition of the Portland Roadster Show is now in our rear view mirror, and we can all look back with pride at its success. As MHRC President Mike Itel and Show Director Duane Caseday can proudly proclaim in their travels, we are the only "all volunteer" show of its kind, and one of the best in the country.



This years show proved great entertainment to nearly 32,000 attendees. Treating them to great vendor displays, and 13 ISCA point cars! While there were a few glitches, they were not apparent to those from the paid gate, and that's what is most important.

With record attendance, and rave reviews from our attendees, our vendors, sponsors and exhibitors, we can only continue to improve.

The sponsors and volunteers who helped make the show happen, are too many to name here. You know who you all are, and please know all that you contributed was very much appreciated! Onward and upward to the 58th Portland Roadster Show in 2014.



## Conn & Preskey Hall of Fame Inductees for 2013

Mike Conn and Keith Preskey were recognized at this years Portland Roadster Show with the ultimate honor. Both were named to the Portland Roadster Show Hall of Fame as Honorary Members for 2013.



Conn, a past President of the Multnomah Hot Rod Council and current President of the Northwest Lowriders, has been fixture in the hot rod community since the late 60's, and is a graduate of Parkrose High School. Conn is well respected in both the hobby and the community, and the response to his being announced was loudly applauded during the PRS awards ceremony. Mike and members of his family can be found volunteering at almost every MHRC event.

Keith Preskey is the founder and current Sgt. At Arms of the Pharaohs Street Rodders. An icon of the hot rod community since the fifties, Keith is lovingly known as the "Jay Leno of Gresham" for his extensive car collection. Keith was recognized for not only his contributions to the MHRC and the PRS, but for his contributions and involvement with the PRS High School Challenge, and as a generous supporter of the automotive programs at Gresham HS, the Sabin Schellenberg Skills Center, and athletic programs at his alma mater Franklin High School.

What is truly special about both of these gentlemen is that they are both local boys who made good! Congratulations to both, and we are honored to know and honor you both.

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## From Your Multnomah Hot Rod Council President -

*Mike Itel*



*Where has this past year gone since the last Portland Roadster Show in 2012. This year's show for 2013 was another huge success and by all comments received this show was a step above last year's 2012 show in all areas. In the words of John D' Agostino, George Barris and Jimmy Shine this year's Legends of Kustoms celebrity guests: This Year's Portland Roadster Show is a "World Class Show". There are many individuals behind the scenes lead by Duane Caseday Show Chairman in directing the Portland Roadster Show to another successful year. I want to thank our major sponsors: Les Schwab, Speeds Towing, Weston Kia, Fast Specialties, NAPA Auto parts, Johnny Law Motors and Industrial Finishes for your support of the 2013 Portland Roadster Show.*

*This year's show had over 400 cars and 100 vendors plus the three Legends of Kustoms, (George Barris, John D' Agostino, Jimmy Shine) and Candy Clark from American Graffiti plus Tow Mater for the kids. In addition we were honored to have four special ladies who are title holders, Miss Oregon 2012: Nichole Mead, Miss Washington 2012: Mandy Schendel, Miss Cascade 2012: Ameer Erbele, and Miss Clark County 2013: Alicia Cooper.*

*The quality of cars on display reached a new level as stated by the ISCA judges.*

*The Kustom Kulture Hall display of cars organized by the Driven Dead Car Club was a huge success and brought a new perspective to the Portland Roadster Show. The Awards Ceremony started earlier on Sunday and want to Thank Duke Edwards (The Voice of the Roadster Show) for being my Co-Master of Ceremonies again this year. The Awards Ceremony opened with Caroline McGown Miss Oregon 2011 singing our National Anthem with our American Flag on display.*

*Miss Oregon, Miss Washington and Miss Cascade assisted with the presenting of awards and posed for pictures with our proud winners.*

*There were some special moments at the Awards Ceremony when Bob and Marlene Miller were honored with a special Award for their 50th year of being part of the MHRC and Portland Roadster Show, Enrique Scanlon was honored with the Dee Wescott Award and Debbie Scanlon receiving the Award for her late husband. This year there were no vehicles nominated for the Hall of Fame but there were two special individuals nominated and inducted for 2013 as Honorary members, Keith Preskey and Mike Conn were both recognized for their years of service to the MHRC and PRS, and the contributions to the hot rod community as a whole. There are many individuals to thank starting with our Show Chairman, Duane Caseday and the MHRC Executive Board: Bob Miller, Marlene Miller, Joyce Johnson, David Jochen, and*

*Jack Daggett. A special Thanks to Ginny Caseday for registration and floor design.*

*Thank You to Larry Anderson and Donna Bukovi for coordinating the volunteers at the show and to Mike and Pat Conn for their continued support. To the Awards team: Brandon Kumm, Mike Nettleingham, David Jochen, Pat Vichas, Linda Maffeo for their efforts in presenting the Awards Program, and to the late Enrique Scanlon for all that he had done, he will be missed. Thank you to David Jochen from PDX Car Culture for once again being our official show photographer and providing the great photos used in the Awards Ceremony.*

*The souvenir booth was a hit again this year and a special "thank you" goes to Jodi Ross for managing the booth and the volunteers. Also, a special thank you to Julie Fleck and the Miss Three Rivers ladies who sold this year's souvenir programs and DVD's.*

*There were many volunteers that contributed in many ways that helped make this year's 2013 Portland Roadster Show a "World Class Show" and one of the best in the country and a heartfelt Thank You to everyone and for your continued support of the Multnomah Hot Rod Council and The Portland Roadster Show.*

*Mike*

# Bob & Marlene Miller Honored for 50 Years with the Multnomah Hot Rod Council & the Portland Roadster Show



Bob & Marlene Miller were honored at this years Portland Roadster Show for 50 years of service and participation with both the Multnomah Hot Rod Council and the Portland Roadster Show.

Bob & Marlene were destined to be a "hot rod couple", having met while cruising SW Broadway 52 years ago, the day that Marlene got her drivers license. Even though Marlene was in a 55 Ford, and Bob in a buddy's Olds, it didn't take Bob long to bring Marlene over, trading in her 55 pink & white Ford for a 57 Chevy 2 door hardtop.

Marrying in 1962, their enthusiasm for cars didn't wane, even while raising 3 children. Their participation in the



MHRC and the Portland Roadster Show started shortly after in 1963 as members of the Road Knights. It was that same year that they purchased their beloved 57 Chevy Nomad which was their everyday car. That "everyday" car", just made its 24th appearance

in this years Portland Roadster Show. A quick review of Roadster Show history cannot find a single vehicle that has made more appearances than

this great car, that has been through a number of paint jobs and modifications. In fact in 1966, soon after entering the car into the PRS, Marlene headed to the hospital to deliver their daughter Jilene! She returned back to the show that Sunday in time to see it take Best in Class in that years show! The car has seen many states, traveling to various Nomad events, and taken

home a lot of "Long Distance Awards", as well as Best in Class, Best Engine, and Best Paint.

Over the years along with the Nomad, Bob & Marlene have shown a 56 Chevy Convertible, a 55 Chevy Nomad, a 64 Corvette,

a 38 Chevy, a 48 Chevy, and a 65 Buick. For a total of 37 showings in the 57 years of the Portland Roadster Show.

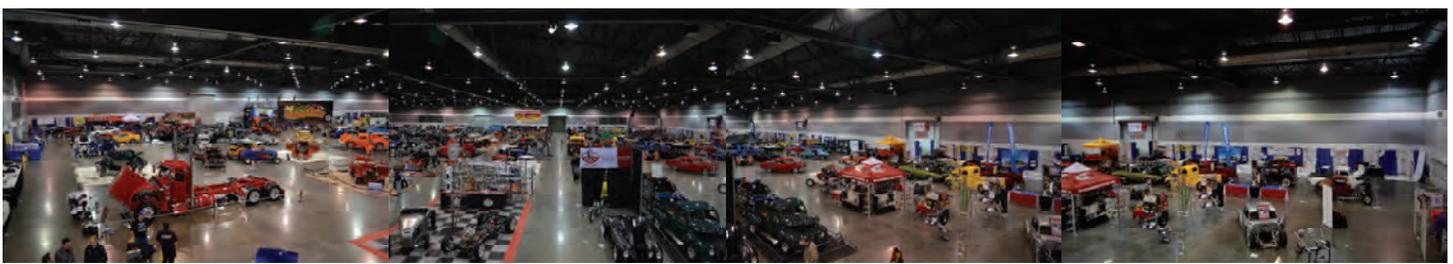
But it isn't the cars that make Bob & Marlene special. It's the people that they are. Tireless volunteers who give so much of themselves for the enjoyment of others, and support of the hobby, the MHRC and the Portland Roadster Show. Along with both being on the MHRC Board, they can still be found each year working hard at the Road Knight's



Cruise-In at Jim Dandy's, and the Nomads Cruise-In at the Les Schwab in Estacada.

It's the kind of people that they are, that make us honor and appreciate them. Our hobby is stronger because of people like Bob & Marlene, and we should all be working to try to emulate them, and equal their level of commitment. Thank you Bob & Marlene for all you do, and how about 50 more years!

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Events Calendar courtesy of: [www.PDXCarCulture.Com](http://www.PDXCarCulture.Com)

Visit their site for a complete calendar of all of our local auto related events.

<p><b>April 16</b>                  MHRC Meeting 7:00                  Stark St. Pizza                  92nd &amp; Stark</p>	<p><b>April 27-28</b>                  Bend Roadster Show                  Riverview Convention Center                  \$10.00 Under 16 free</p>
<p><b>April 27th</b>                  5th Annual Classic Car Show                  Eastport Plaza                  \$10.00 Entry</p>	<p><b>May 4</b>                  Suburban Auto Group Car Show                  Hwy 26 in Sandy                  \$15.00 Entry</p>
<p><b>May 11</b>                  Portland Transmission Spring Classic                  1016 SE Hawthorne                  Free event</p>	<p><b>May 11</b>                  Papa's Toys Open House                  495 N. Holladay St. Cornelius                  Donations to Doernbechers appreciated</p>
<p><b>May 18</b>                  Clarks True-Value Car Show &amp; Customer Appreciation BBQ                  8460 SW Nyberg Rd Tualatin                  Free Show</p>	<p><b>May 19</b>                  Happy Days Cruise                  The Bomber Milwaukie                  \$15.00 Entry</p>
<p><b>May 21</b>                  MHRC Meeting 7:00                  Stark St. Pizza                  92nd &amp; Stark</p>	<p><b>May 25</b>                  Rt 99W Car Show                  Evergreen Air Museum                  \$20.00</p>