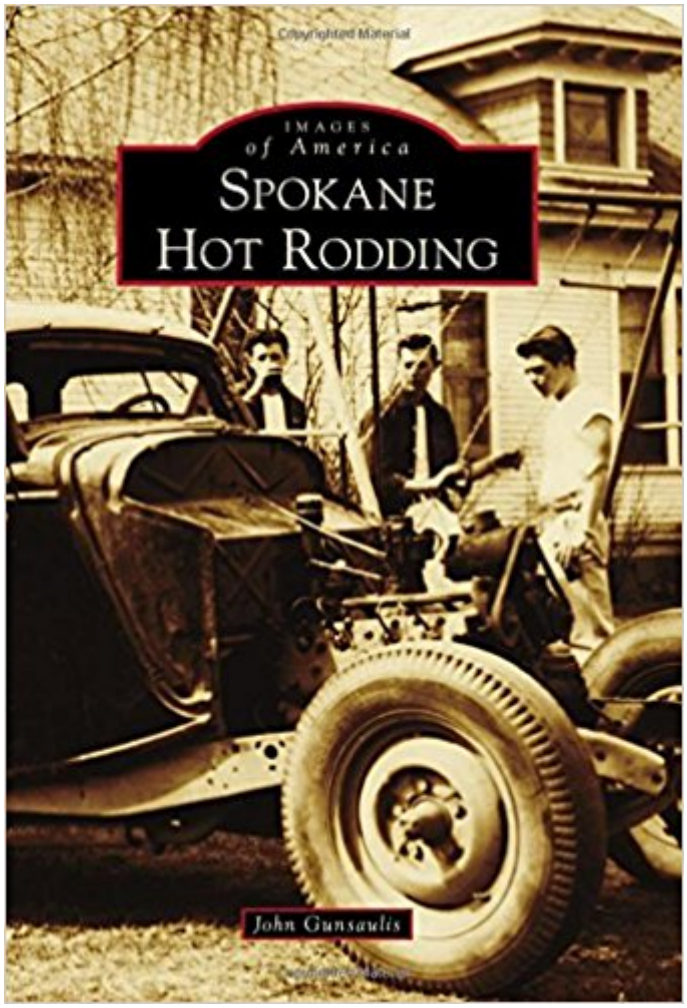
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Synopsis

Spokane, located just 20 miles from the Idaho border, is the largest city in Eastern Washington, and during the 1940s, it became a center point of an evolving postwar hot rod community. Auto sports were expanding at this time from stock car and midget racing to street cars and drag racing. Local car enthusiasts joined together with an influx of military personnel and college students who were just as passionate for hot rodding, and it was during this time that the Spokane hot rodding culture started flourishing. Together, they pushed the boundaries of hot rodding and created lifelong bonds in the process. This book explores that evolution of inland northwest hot rodding from the mid-1940s to the mid-1960s, starting with the jalopy-styled hot rods that began popping up on local streets to the formation of new clubs and organized racing.

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John Gunsaulis is a second-generation Spokane hot rodder and show car devotee. His passion for traditional cars was heavily influenced by local Spokane hot rodders and his father, Richard Ã¢â ¬Å“SpeedyÃ¢â ¬Â• Gunsaulis. Theses images were collected from the scrapbooks and garage walls that spawned his dedication to early hot rods.

What a memory jogger. So much fun to see friends when they were young and not just "young at heart". A wonderful collection gathered by this very talented 2nd generation hotrodder. It has meant

so much to many here in Spokane. Thanks John.

If you are either interested in custom cars, or in a marvelous period of Spokane (and auto) history, this is a wonderful book. Jon Gunsaulis is a national leader in the custom car field...he knows and loves this field....the cars, and the people and Spokane. And That all comes through.

Most of the people were before my time as a teenager, but I did know some of these guys, so it was a great buy.

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