

THE PUGET SOUND ROCKET

Newsletter of the Puget Sound Olds Club

An Official Chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America

JULY 2019



SHINE TIME CAR SHOW

at
State Farm
LeMay
AMERICA'S CAR MUSEUM

On Saturday, June 30, the "Great Race" will finish at LeMay America's Car Museum. This annual race starts this year in Riverside, CA and winds thru California and Oregon and finishes in Tacoma. The last stop the race entrants will make before arriving at the final destination is the LeMay Family Collection in Spanaway.

While Pam and I will not be in town to attend this event, we highly recommend that if you have the day available, venture to downtown Tacoma and take in this event.

You will not be disappointed. You will see cars, and trucks, that you would never believe could travel the 1200 plus miles. It is an amazing feat for some vehicles that are almost 100 years old to make the race... and finish!

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President's Message

PSOC Members,

This month's newsletter is coming to you a little earlier this month as Pam and I will be on the road to Wichita starting on June 21st. It is a long journey and we are hoping that the thunderstorms and tornados (not the Toronados) will have completed their stay in the Midwest. We will have a full report of the Nationals in the August issue of the Puget Sound Rocket.

Hopefully, you are getting your Olds into show condition for the Annual Zone Show on July 13 at the Frances Anderson Center in Edmonds. It would be great to have a large turnout this year.

Pam and I attended the "Convertibles Only" Car Show at the XXX Root Beer Drive-In on June 2 just before the chapter meeting. There were 109 cars in the show. At the show, we met Mr. Cliff the DJ at the show as he was making announcements and playing music. At our BOP Show last year, we received complaints that our sound system did not cover the show field very well. Mr. Cliff's system is outstanding. We consulted his schedule and he had our date for the BOP Show available. At the chapter meeting, we presented the idea of hiring Mr. Cliff for the BOP Show this year. The cost will be divided between the three clubs at the show. The members present approved.

June 16th is Father's Day. If you are still fortunate to have your father with you, perhaps take him to a car show. There is great one in Graham on Father's Day.

Shine up your Olds and bring it to the Zone Show on July 13...

Ed Konsmo

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE NEWSLETTER:

Information to be considered for submittal into the newsletter needs to be received by the 25th of the month. Please send your information as an e-mail or attach it to your e-mail in word document form. If you have problems or questions, call Ed or Pam at 253-845-2288. Please e-mail your submittal to: ekonsmo@msn.com.

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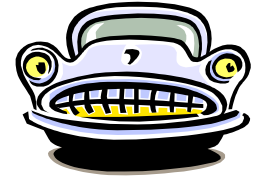
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“BETWEEN THE BUMPERS” ... By Ed



Have you ever wondered??? Why Aren't All Fuel Doors on the Same Side?

In the United States, there are no regulations that specify where a fuel door should be placed. So, car-company engineers can place the door to the gas tank on whichever side offers the easiest packaging, according to Ford spokesman Mark Schirmer

“The placement of the fuel door is mainly a factor of fuel tank design, location and underbody packaging,” Nissan’s Communications Manager Steve Yaeger said. “With all of the structure and components located underneath the vehicle, (engineers) would quickly encounter restrictions in trying to route the filler tube to the same side on every vehicle.

If mechanisms such as a big speaker must be placed on the left side, engineers put the fuel door on the right, says Ford spokesman Mark Schirmer. Fuel door position is not a random choice, but if engineers have a good reason to place fuel doors on the right, that’s where they go.

Quick: Where is your car’s fuel door — on the driver side or passenger side? If you can’t remember the location, don’t be ashamed to look at the little diamond-arrow on your fuel gauge ... BEFORE you pull up to the pump. Americans prefer left-mounted fuel doors, said Schirmer, referencing a Ford study. A driver’s-side fuel door makes it easier for drivers to place the car’s left fender close to fuel pump. Still, fuel door location is typically not part of the buying decision, added Schirmer.

However, those in Japan, India, the United Kingdom, Australia, Hong Kong, New Zealand and countries in southern Africa drive on the left side of the road and sit on the right side of the car, and it appears they prefer right-mounted fuel doors, given the tendencies of car manufacturers. For at least 25 years, the conventional wisdom among auto writers has been that Europeans like right-side doors. However, when I posed this to my industry cohorts, no car company would speculate if or why that might be true.

Nissan, like most automakers, produces some vehicles with left fuel doors and some with right doors.

Until automakers and regulators come together to develop a universal code or template for the placement of fuel doors (be they for gasoline, electricity or another type of fuel) drivers should pay attention to the location of the doors before they approach a filling or charging station to help avoid potential frustration.

The Allstate Blog By [Mac Demere](#)

MEMBER NOTES & CHAPTER INFO

This page features notes of interest for and about our members. If you have something interesting to report, please send an e-mail to your editor at ekonsmo@msn.com, or call and leave a message, 253-845-2288.

The Puget Sound Olds Chapter has been offered a great opportunity. Our chapter has been invited to bring their “classic” Oldsmobiles to the car show at the finish line of the Great Race on June 30. There will be an estimated 500 cars attending this event. Ann Sweeney, Sales Manager for the LeMay America’s Car Museum, has extended this invitation to our chapter.

Pam and I will be in Wichita, KS attending the Olds Nationals and will not be able to be there. If you plan on participating in this great event (a once in a lifetime opportunity) will you **please call me at 253-576-1128 before June 17th**? You will not only get preferred parking but will be near the finish line. Register for the event at americascarmuseum.org.

If you plan to attend the Zone Show on July 13 at the Frances Anderson Center in Edmonds, please complete the entry form on page 9 and send it to Kathi today.

The Zone Show on July 13 takes the place of a regular chapter meeting in July.

Celebrate a Happy Father’s Day on June 16

CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA PUGET SOUND CHAPTER MINUTES

June 2, 2019

President Ed Konsmo convened the meeting at 1:10 pm. 12 members were present.

Treasurer's Report - Kathi Straw reported that chapter finances are in order.

Meeting minutes – No corrections for the May meeting minutes.

Old Business;

Agenda item: President Ed K. called the Rhodes River Ranch to ask about a donation to the Ranch car show in the memory of Bob Kruse. They were very pleased that the Puget Sound Olds Club would donate \$100 in Bob's memory. Kathi will send a check for \$100 for the car show.

Agenda item: It does not appear that any chapter members will be attending the Great Race that will end at the LeMay's America's Car Museum on June 30.

New Business;

Agenda item; **Zone Show** – Hugh Russell has about 10 buckets ready for the show. We will have the raffle again this year. Ed K. will get Haggerty bags.

Agenda item; **BOP Show** – Ed and Pam attended the Convertible's Only Car Show at the Root Beer XXX just before the chapter meeting. They employed the services of Cliff the DJ. Last year at the BOP Show, there were complaints that the sound system did not cover the whole field. Cliff has an outstanding system and handles all of the announcements. He charges \$350 to do a show. A motion was presented to the members present suggesting that we hire Cliff for the 2019 BOP Show. The motion was approved. The cost will be divided between the three clubs at the show.

We will include a coupon at the BOP Show for \$5 to be used for purchase of food on the day of the show. We consulted Jose (XXX owner) and he approved. At the end of the show, we will redeem the coupons. Kathi will design the coupon.

The Zone Show on July 13th at Frances Anderson Center in Edmonds will take the place of a July Chapter meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2 pm



***Happy Birthday
to our Chapter Members
and Their Spouses
JULY***

7	Greg Hinton	Mt. Vernon, WA
11	Steven Chester	Kirkland, WA
12	Pam Konsmo	Puyallup, WA
16	Robin McClelland	Montlake Terrace, WA
17	Tom Cathcart	Redmond, WA
21	Frank Tolliver	Graham, WA
21	LaVerne Gadbois	Edmonds, WA
21	Phil McClelland	Montlake Terrace, WA

CHAPTER MEETING HOSTS*

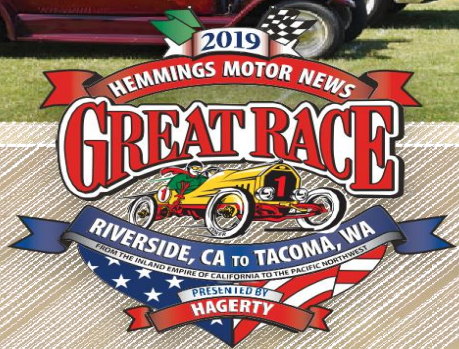
JULY – ZONE SHOW
AUGUST – RR RANCH SHOW
SEPTEMBER – BOP SHOW
OCTOBER – Hugh Russell
NOVEMBER – Jim & Nina Rogers
DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS DINNER

***Meeting host provides snacks for the meeting**

Swap Meets and Shows in July

The swap meets and shows are selected based on convenient locations.

- JULY 4 Auburn, WA; Auburn 4th of July Car Show**
Les Gove Park, 910 Ninth St. SE, Auburn, WA 98002; 11 am – 4pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$10; City of Auburn; 253-931-3052; events@auburnwa.gov; <http://auburnwa.gov/events> (We have been to this show – it's a great show)
- JULY 5 Covington, WA; Friday Night Cruise-In**
Wal-Mart Parking Lot, 17432 SE 270th Pl. Covington, WA 98042; 4pm – 8pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$2; Maple Valley Street Rats; 253-797-7071; thebeeknees11@yahoo.com; <http://www.maplevalleystrats.com>
This cruise-in is also held on July 12, 19, and 26. If you live in the Kent, Auburn or Maple Valley area, this is a great cruise-in. Been there!
- JULY 6 Tacoma, WA; Caffeine & Gasoline**
Griot's Garage, 3333 S. 38th St. Tacoma, WA 98409; 8am – 10 am; Adm. Free No Reg Fee; Griot's Garage Store & Events Center; 800-345-5789; customerservice@griotsgarage.com
- JULY 7 Renton, WA; Return to Renton Car Show & Cruise-In**
Plazza Park, 3rd & Burnett, Renton, WA 98057; 8 am – 4 pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$25; Vendor Fee - \$250; Return to Renton; 425-432-7515; RTRCarShow@gmail.com; <https://returntorenton.com/>
- JULY 13 Edmonds, WA; 34th Annual Oldsmobile Car Show & Picnic**
Frances Anderson Center, 700 Main St. Edmonds, WA 98029; 10 am – 2 pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$20; Vendors Free; Puget Sound Olds Club; 425-485-3093; ekstraw@comcast.net; <http://pugetsoundoldsclub.org>; **This is OUR show – please put it on your must go calendar!**
- JULY 20 Auburn, WA; 7th Annual Car Show 4 Kids**
Emerald Downs north parking lot, 2300 Ron Crockett Dr. Auburn, WA 98001; 9 am – 4 pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$20; Vendor Fee - \$25; Car Show 4 Kids; 253-735-8974; Carshow4kids@comcast.net; <http://www.facebook.com/carshow4kids>
- JULY 21 Tacoma, WA; South Sound 442 Show**
Griot's Garage, 3333 S 38th St Tacoma, WA 98409; 10am – 3pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$15; South Sound 442 Club of Tacoma; 253-847-0737; cmcollect@yahoo.com
- JULY 26-28 Puyallup, WA; Goodguys 32nd Pacific NW Nationals**
Washington State Fair Events Center, SW 9th & Meridian, Puyallup, WA 98371; 8am – 5 pm Each day; Call for Adm. Fee; Call for Reg. Fee; Goodguys Rod & Custom Assn. 925-838-9876; info@good-guys.com; <https://www.good-guys.com>
(Your editor has registered and will be showing the '50 Town Sedan)



SHINE TIME CAR SHOW

at



AMERICA'S CAR MUSEUM

SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019 | 9 am - 5 pm

Open to all makes and models of collector cars and motorcycles.

Show off your collector vehicle at the Car Show and enter to win an award or come as a spectator and check out the vehicles on display.

REGULAR

SPECTATOR ENTRY

REGISTRATION - \$25

FREE

Car show registration includes one adult admission to America's Car Museum.

Does not include admission

OFFICIAL FINISH OF THE 2019 GREAT RACE

Great Race finishes at LeMay - America's Car Museum: 1:30 - 3:30 pm

FOODTRUCKS | BEER GARDEN | VENDORS

Visit americascarmuseum.org to register your vehicle and for more information.

America's Car Museum | 2702 East D Street | Tacoma, WA 98421

OLDSMOBILE CAR SHOW

34th Annual Pacific Northwest Zone Show & Picnic
Hosted by the Puget Sound Chapter, Oldsmobile Club of America



Saturday July 13 2019 10:00am-2:00pm

*****Frances Anderson Center*****

***** 700 Main St Edmonds WA 98020 *****

Dash Plaques Trophies Peoples Choice Awards Raffle Prize

Entry Fee \$20

Please make check payable to: Puget Sound Chapter OCA
P.O. Box 82042 Kenmore WA 98028

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Email address _____

Phone _____

Car: Year _____ Body & Model _____

Attending Picnic: Yes ___ No ___ How many _____

For further information contact Ed or Kathi Straw 425.485-3093 ekstraw@comcast.net

Pugetsoundoldsclub.org

FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS REQUIRED WITH YOUR CAR

AUGUST 3RD, 2019

CAR SHOW at

Rhodes River Ranch

In Loving Memory of Bob Kruse, Car Show Chairman 2013-2018

New Chairman *Ben Sebastian 'Gentle Ben' 360.403.7727*

Registration at 8 am | Show time 9 am - 2 pm

PRIZES AT 2 PM



*\$30 Registration for car and driver
Includes a free lunch ticket for show registrants
Passenger & attendee lunch price \$20.00*

Do you have a car that is as unique as our location? Bring it here!
Join us at the base of the mountains, eat a fabulous lunch, enjoy an adult beverage, sit back and enjoy your day while the horses run and play. There is truly nothing like it!

Lawn chairs a must. Smiles and relaxation available for free.

**22016 Entsminger Rd
Arlington WA 98223**

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2019 ENTRY APPLICATION
CAR SHOW AT RHODES RIVER RANCH
Saturday August 3rd, 2019 – Registration open 8 AM – 9 AM
Show from 9 AM – 2PM | Prizes at 2 PM

YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION (please print clearly)

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Vehicle Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

REGISTRATION - One form per vehicle

Car Club Affiliation: _____

Vehicle Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Registration - \$30.00 Per Car and Driver (Includes ONE Lunch Ticket for Driver)

Additional Passenger Lunch Ticket - \$20.00 Per Person

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

REQUIRED WAIVER OF LIABILITY, RELEASE, AND PAYMENT INFORMATION

On behalf of the entire group participating in the 2019 Car Show at Rhodes River Ranch, I assume all risk of bodily injury, property damage, and personal damage that may occur by participating in the Car Show at Rhodes River Ranch and, for myself/ourselves, their heirs, executors, and administrators, do hereby forever waive and release any and all claims against and agree to hold harmless Rhodes River Ranch, RRH Catering (DBA The Restaurant at Rhodes River Ranch), the Committee, sponsors and volunteers and the city of Arlington with their respective officers, employees, agents representatives, volunteers, successors or assigns and any kind from any and all claims which may be made for any cause whatsoever arising as a result of participation. Further, I hereby consent to allow my picture or likeness to appear in any official document, new release, sponsor advertisement and/or television and radio coverage of the events within or as part of the Car Show at Rhodes River Ranch, and grant permission to use and/or publish photographic portraits, or pictures video tape or film of me in which I may be included in whole, part, composite or reproductions thereof in black and white and/or color or otherwise made through any media now known, for art, advertising trade or any other similar lawful purposes whatsoever, including the publicity and promotion of this event itself, excluding commercial use of or by marketing sponsors.

Clearly Print Name _____ Signature _____

Checks made out and mailed to:

The Restaurant at Rhodes River Ranch
22016 Entsminger Rd
Arlington, WA, 98223

For Questions Call:

Ben Sebastian "Gentle Ben"
Ph. (360) 403-7727
Ph. (360) 474-8313 Option 3

OFFICE USE ONLY: Entry Received: _____ Entered: _____ Dash Tag: _____

BUICK **OLDSMOBILE** **PONTIAC**

6th ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Hosted by the Puget Sound Chapter, Oldsmobile Club of America



September 1, 2019

9:00 AM-3:00PM

XXX ROOTBEER DRIVE-IN

98 NE GILMAN BLVD

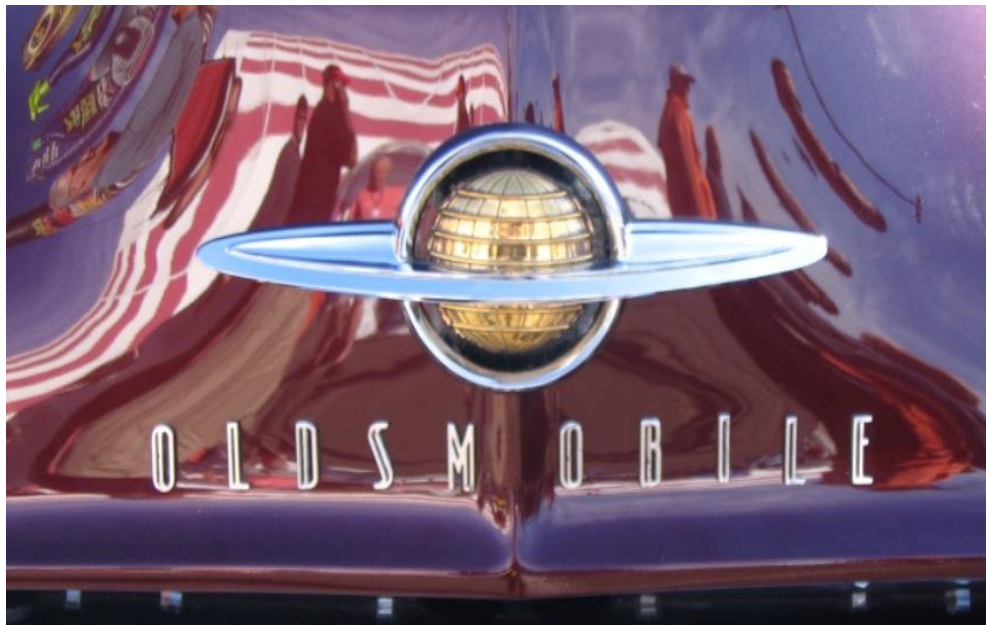
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\$20 ENTRY FEE



Future Oldsmobile National Meets

- 2019** **June 26-30** **Wichita, KS; Hosted by the OCA
Hyatt Regency Wichita**
- 2020** **July 28-Aug 2** **Murfreesboro, TN
Hosted by the OCA at the Embassy Suites**
- 2021** **To be announced**



***** OCA News *****

The OCA Board of Directors voted during the week of Dec. 9 to hold the 2020 OCA National Meet in Murfreesboro, TN at the Embassy Suites, July 28-Aug 2. Murfreesboro is south east of Nashville.

CLASSIFIEDS

Classified ads are free, unlimited words, within reason. Ads will ONLY run for three consecutive months unless renewal is requested. Please submit your classified advertisement in electronic format by the 20th of the month to ekonsmo@msn.com.

FOR SALE:

1940 60 Convertible – Frame off resto. New top. Yellow w/red leather; \$40,000 - Paul Leoine 250-826-0243 (1)

1957 98 2 door – 90% restored. New upholstery on the way. \$30,000 obo. Call Chris Nelson 206-915-4773 (1)

1963 Cutlass Conv. – Okay condition, runs great. \$14,000 – Call Bruce Lyle 360-799-1717(1)

1978 Olds 98 Luxury Sedan – All power options; only 86,800 miles; 455 ci, 360 HP; Asking \$10,000; Call Robert F Chlipala, 148 141st Place NE, Bellevue, WA 98007; 425-747-8712 (1)

1985 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme Brougham 5.0L V8 4BBL Coupe 2D 49,444 ORIGINAL miles - runs great! Car has always been in the same family. Free AutoCheck Vehicle History Report Interested? Please email oldsmobilecutlass85@gmail.com Car located in Indianola, WA (1)

NEEDS and LEADS:

NEED - Intake Manifold for 4-barrel 394 motor. Call Jim Long 360-893-8293 (1)

NEED - Power Antenna and the name of a Wonder Bar radio repair person. Call Ed Booth; 253-752-6158 (1)

NEED – 1936 – 6 Cylinder engine parts – 213 CI; Frank Geyer 206-949-9087 (1)

NEED -1941 98 – Rear axle shaft; Call Ralph 253-222-5098; TacomaRain@gmail.com (1)

LEAD – 1955 88 – Fender skirts – E-mail Russ at m13rj@hotmail.com if interested (1)

LEAD - 1955 parts cars; 98 4 dr h.t., 55 88 2 dr h.t., 88 4dr sedan. Have 52/53 303 motor plus three 55 324 motors with 4bbl manifolds. All blocks good rebuild candidates. Don Monroe 253-566-8488. Tacoma WA. End of season prices. (1)

LEAD -1968 Cutlass Convertible 442 (clone). Has 350 block and power glide automatic. New interior kit ready to install. Paint is fantastic, just cut and polished. Runs and drives, just needs interior installed and dash/ electrical put back together. Low mileage. \$16,740 as is (interior parts included) or \$23,500 finished with interior completely installed and finished. Call Jim 206-406-1313. Located in Gig Harbor, WA. (1)

LEAD -1977 Olds, donate for parts; complete and was running when parked. would like to find a new home for it. Bumpers (re-chromed) and trim in good shape. Located in Ballard area - (206) 782 - 9217 (1)

NEED – OCA and PSOC chapter member. Looking for a '70- '72 442, W30, W31 or SX convertible or hardtop, any condition. The more original and documented, the better. Prefer numbers matching car. I would like to be the next caretaker of your prized Olds. Looking for any NOS parts or parts collection for these cars. Call John Bumb at 314-713-3444 or email johnbumb@charter.net (1)

Call my any time

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ADS: We will run your ad for another month. If you have sold the car or item listed, please send an e-mail to ekonsmo@msn.com and let us know and we will remove the ad. The same applies if you find the item you are looking for, let us know.



OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA
PUGET SOUND CHAPTER
2019 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE: _____

Check here if this is an address change

HOME PHONE: (____) _____ CELL PHONE:(____) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BIRTHDAY MONTH _____ DAY _____

SPOUSE MONTH _____ DAY _____

\$20.00 annual dues payable. Please make checks payable to Puget Sound Chapter and mail to:

Kathi Straw
PSOC Membership Chairperson
P.O. Box 82042
Kenmore, WA 98028

Please assist us in updating our roster by listing your current Oldsmobile(s) below:

1) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

2) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

3) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

4) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

Please print this form and mail to Kathi

The Parting shot...



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