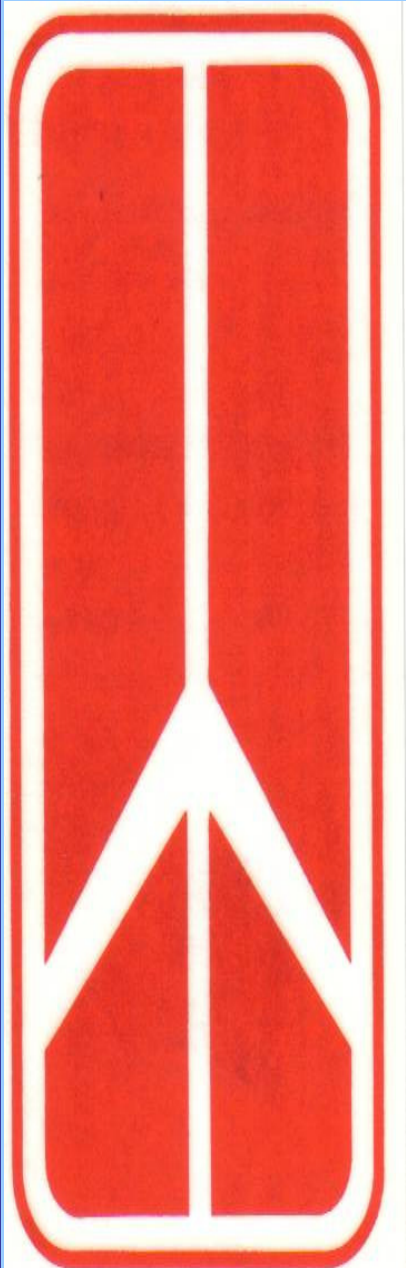


THE PUGET SOUND ROCKET

Newsletter of the Puget Sound Olds Club

An Official Chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America

April 2010



The 2010 OCA Election Ballot...will arrive in your April JWO. It is very important that you exercise your right to vote and postmark your ballot before May 15.

This year the officers of the Executive Committee which consists of the OCA President, Vice President and Treasurer are being challenged for their positions. The bio of each candidate is printed in the JWO with their campaign promises. In addition, Erik Martinson and Jamie Cox are running unopposed for the Pacific Northwest Zone Director positions.

As is the case with most elections, only a small percentage of the Oldsmobile Club of America members choose to vote. In past elections, less than 900 of the 6500 members voted. It would be great if every one of the Puget Sound Olds Club members cast their vote.

For additional information regarding this election, please read the "Between the Bumpers" column on page 3. ***PLEASE VOTE!***

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President's Message

Hi all,

Another month has passed and we have moved into spring. I have been getting my 57 Olds ready for the cruising season; I hope your all doing the same. It's time to check the brakes, change the oil, and check the other fluid levels. Oh, and don't forget to check the tires. It's easy to forget about the age of your tires when you only drive your cars during the summer months and on weekends. If they are over 5 years old you should consider replacing them as they can fail at highway speeds. I expect to see more Olds at the club meetings now that spring is here. Bring your Olds to this month's meeting so we can all see what you have.

Last month's meeting had great attendance, sure was nice to see so many people showing up. We had a great drawing for door prizes, the best I have seen to date. We will have our first morning breakfast meeting and cruise in May. Let's get the word out to everyone and this will be a lot of fun. Erik and Vicki Martinson have made some fun plans for the day. Stay tuned for more information to follow.

Our membership has increased and we are almost up to where we were in 2009. This is great news; now all we have to do is get more members active and participating in club meetings and events. Keep encouraging members you know to come to the meetings and club cruises.

See you all at the meeting; I won't be late this time

Pat Ellwood
President

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:

Information to be considered for submittal in to 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



“BETWEEN THE BUMPERS” ... By Ed Konsmo



2010 OCA Election...This is perhaps the most important column that I have written since becoming your editor in March 2007. There is a move among several members of the OCA to gain control of the Executive Committee which comprises the OCA President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Such control could change how the OCA operates.

When Gene Crowdis was elected Treasurer in 2004, the OCA treasury records were in shambles and many transactions were recorded on “Post it Notes”. Gene put the records on computer and over the past six years has made over 27,000 entries. Every single receipt or expense is backed up by an entry. Every check now requires two signatures by an OCA officer. The prior administration had the checks signed by someone from a CPA firm. The person challenging Gene wants to spend your OCA dollars for drag racing around the country and not just at OCA Nationals as it is now. He also refers to “irregularities” being eliminated by having term limits. The OCA has never had term limits. Controlling financial transactions properly as we are doing now is what prevents irregularities.

The integrity of your current OCA President, Pat Yancey, has been first and foremost in every single issue that has come before the Executive Committee. Several times in the past four years, Pat could very well have made a decision without consulting any other Board member, but he did not. As your Vice President, I have spent hours on the phone with Pat and Gene going over issues that have come before the Executive Committee. In every single instance, the decision was made with the good of the OCA in mind.

When I took over the chapter compliance process as Vice President, the system was not computerized and very few chapters were 100% compliant. This year, 22 of the 47 chapters were 100% compliant. By letting all of the Chapter membership chairpersons know when their member’s OCA dues were due to be paid by means of a spreadsheet, they have been able to encourage more of their members to become current with their OCA dues and keep their chapter compliant.

The group of OCA members that are challenging the current Executive Committee are also asking for an audit which the OCA current accountant says would cost over \$15,000 of the member’s money. This would not be a prudent way to spend OCA funds. By cost cutting and negotiating cost saving contracts, the current Executive Committee has helped to increase the OCA bottom line by over \$40,000 in the past four years despite a declining number of membership renewals. Since the annual Financial Compilation has shown every year that the records of the OCA are in order, there just is no reasonable explanation for requesting an expensive audit.

When you receive your April JWO, *PLEASE* take out the ballot and vote. Your vote to re-elect the current Executive Committee of Pat Yancey, Gene Crowdis and yours truly will be greatly appreciated. It would be our pleasure to serve you for another four years.

“HERE’S MY RIDE!”... By Hugh Russell

Nearly 20 years ago, I walked into the Seattle City Light office on 100th and Aurora to pay my utility bill. I knew the clerk there as she had waited on me numerous times. She knew that I had several old cars and had walked to the parking lot to admire them occasionally. One time in the course of conversation, she mentioned that the church she attended was helping to settle an estate some woman had left to them. Among items to be sold was a 1963 Olds 98. She asked if I would be interested. I said sure; So, I made arrangements to go to see it that night when she got off work.

I would up paying \$400 for the car and drove it home. It needed clean up and detailing. None of the hub caps were correct ones. They were three different types.

The next year, I got the bumpers re-chromed plus other details. Two years later, the headliner was replaced because it was disintegrating and shed all over the inside of the car like dandruff. The sun visors were done at the same time. Last year, I had a new windshield installed and it improved the appearance of the car tremendously getting rid of the cracks and discoloration.

Also, over a period of time, I had the air cleaner and the valve covers re-chromed. These improvements along with detailing the engine set off the car in appearance. Last year, I took the car to Acme Electric and had the turn signals repaired. They had to take out the entire steering column out to work on it. It took a lot of effort to get the right parts to fix it. The horn circuit had to be wired to a live circuit and not one that turns off when you the ignition is turned off.

At this time the engine should be gone through and hard valve seats put in along with rings, valves and a general overhaul. The car has 165 thousand miles on it. But I am glad that I got the car when I did and took care of the repairs. In addition, I had a re-built transmission installed at Lake City Transmission.

This car is the last model that did not have the retractable seat belts. In the future, I plan to put in a set but for now I do not have the time. Also, this is the last model not to have seat belts in the back seat.

Some people think that I should get a new paint job. However, this one is original. The interior is also is original and in mint condition. It does need some work around the rear window and the front edge of the hood from wear over the years. Otherwise, everything else is in great condition.

If I can help it, the car never gets out in the rain.



LeMay Museum Update

The Puget Sound Olds Club members voted at the January 3rd meeting to become a part of the LeMay Museum. Each month we will bring you information regarding the progress of the Museum.

Restoration Shop Chosen

Buffalo Restoration, located in Puyallup on Canyon Road near Highway 512 has been chosen as the official restoration shop for the Le May Museum. They recently changed ownership and are seeking to rectify some of the past reputations of the shop. In a conversation with their PR person at the Puyallup Swap Meet, he indicated that they welcome car clubs to come and tour the shop. They are not open on weekends so it would have to be a tour during the week. Perhaps, our chapter could discuss this.

LeMay and City of Tacoma Conclude Deal for Land Transfer

A Major Milestone toward Groundbreaking

In a unanimous vote Tuesday, February 9, the Tacoma City Council approved the final agreement between the LeMay Museum and the City. President & CEO, David Madeira commented that "it's a complex agreement that took a lot of effort for both parties to coordinate. We are very grateful for the City's efforts and their staff's cooperation," said Madeira.

With the land transfer approved, the LeMay Museum is now able to focus on securing the final financing for the project and move forward to a much-anticipated ground breaking targeted for this spring.

LET'S GET PERSONAL



APRIL BIRTHDAYS	
4	Don Wahlstrom
9	Bill Keller
10	Darline Moulton
11	Faye Steik
12	Bob Gaunt
12	Mary Lindholm
12	Jay Secord
12	Caroline Vogel
14	Art Gamash
23	Dann Gadbois
24	Beth Patrick
27	Jeff Vogel
29	Gloria Worland

Happy Birthday to all of the April babies

CALENDAR OF EVENTS of the Puget Sound Chapter

APRIL 3 (SATURDAY) – CHAPTER MEETING
STARTING TIME: 1:00 P.M.

DRIVING
DIRECTIONS ON PAGE 13

UPCOMING CLUB MEETING HOSTS *

April Host – Mary Lindholm

2010 MEETING HOSTS

May	Erik & Vicki Martinson
June	Harry & Bonnie Straw
July	Don & June Wahlstrom
August	No Host - ZONE SHOW
September	Ned Peterson
October	Bill & Judy Iverson
November	Jim & Nina Rogers
December	No Host - Christmas Party

Thanks to all.

*Provide quality gift & refreshments

MEMBER NOTES

This page features notes of interest about and for 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 at 253-845-2288.

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!!

THE APRIL CHAPTER MEETING IS NOT ON THE FIRST SUNDAY THIS MONTH WHICH IS EASTER.

THE MEETING IS ON **SATURDAY, APRIL 3, AT THE MANDARIN BUFFET & GRILL IN REDMOND AT 1:00 PM**

YOU WILL FIND DIRECTIONS ON PAGE 13.

Please greet new members when you see them at our chapter meetings.

National Membership Application

Name _____ Spouse: _____

Home Phone () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cars (please include color): _____

National Dues: One Year's membership (U.S. only)...3rd Class: \$30, One Year's membership (U.S. only)...1st Class: \$40, Two Year membership (U.S. only)...3rd Class: \$55, Two Year membership (U.S. only)...1st Class: \$70. Canada and Mexico...1st Class: \$42, Overseas: One Year...\$60, Associate...\$5. Please make check payable to OCA and mail to Bill Iverson. Please remit U.S. Funds only. Expiration date will be on JWO label. Each member is entitled to one 25-word free ad each month. Name, address and phone, not counted in 25-word count. Allow several weeks for your first *JWO*.

Send to: BILL IVERSON, Membership Chairman
Puget Sound Chapter, OCA
13819 139th Ave SE
Renton, WA. 98059

Signature

Date

Please look at the next page. You will find the Puget Sound Chapter membership form.

Remember that membership in the O.C.A. is a requirement for membership in the Puget Sound Chapter.

There is a seat waiting for you at the April 3 meeting at the Mandarin Buffet and Grill at 1:00 pm.



OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

**Membership in the O.C.A. is a prerequisite for membership
in the Puget Sound Chapter.**

NAME: _____ OCA # _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

_____ Please check here if this is an address change

HOME PHONE: (_____) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BIRTHDAY INFORMATION: MONTH _____ DAY _____

SPOUSE: MONTH _____ DAY _____

\$15.00 Annual dues – Jan. to Dec. – Pro-rated when joining during the year.

Make checks payable to Puget Sound Chapter, O.C.A. and mail to:

**Bill Iverson, P.S.C. Membership Chairman
13819 139th Ave. S.E.
Renton, WA 98059**

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

1) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

2) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

3) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

4) YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

MEETING MINUTES

OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA PUGET SOUND CHAPTER March 7, 2010

MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Pat Elwood, president.

Minutes of the February meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Kathi Straw – report approved.

Membership – Bill Iverson – We currently have 70 members.

Zone Report – Erik Martinson – Erik reported that nominations for open OCA elected positions have been received. In the next JWO biographies will be printed. He stated that Ken Pilidis had decided not to continue as the other Zone Director for this region, but that Jamie Cox (lives in North Samich, B.C.) has been nominated and agreed to run for the opening to replace Ken. In next month's newsletter ballots will be available. Erik offered to bring ballots to the next meeting for the membership's convenience.

Ed K. stressed the importance of voting as all but one of the Executive Board members are running opposed so it won't be a single person per spot on the ballot. There are also several Zone Director positions throughout the country that are being contested as well.

Ad in Nationals Program – Pam Konsmo – Pam brought the PSOC ad that will appear in the program for Nationals this year.

Cruises – Pat Elwood – Ed Straw has a possible location for the April meeting. It is tentative at this time, but Ed S. will communicate the outcome to the newsletter "staff". An alternate location will be secured – everyone needs to check the newsletter to see where we will be holding the April meeting.

May 2 Meeting – Pat thanked Erik & Vickie for taking on the responsibility of organizing the first 2010 "outing" for the club. It will take place the first Sunday in May. We will all meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Performance Grill in Auburn. Directions will be provided. The specifics are being worked on at this time...it will be a surprise destination once we leave the Performance Grill.

June 6 Meeting – Keith and Jeanette Bingham will host the meeting at their home in Covington.

July Meeting - June & Don are working on a July meeting/run. More to come.

Name Tags - Kathi Straw - Kathi will check on name tags. President Pat advised he will check too.

Hugh Russell suggested that before cruising season begins it would be a good idea to get together and check out our cars to prevent possible breakdowns before a cruise; help one another.

Erik Martinson advised anyone selling a car to be sure and sign the bottom of the title (copy it for yourself) and mail it right away to the Dept. of Licensing. If you don't any fees that might be accumulated by the new owner could be your responsibility. Be cautious.

Raffle Results

Puget Sound Oldsmobile Club – April 2010

Quality Gift/Meeting Hosts – Ed and Erma Booth
Quality Gift – Mechanics Seat – Jim Rogers
\$25 – Bob Carpenter
Mystery Envelope – Nina Rogers
Garden Rake – Ed Booth
Shop towels – Harry Straw
Thermometer – June Wahlstrom
Fruit Delights – Ken Thompson
Bungee Cords – Hugh Russell
Tire Shine – Faye Steik
Fast Orange Cleaner – Harry Straw

Super Flush - Don Wahlstrom
Wheel & Tire Cleaner – Bill Iverson
Interior Auto Freshener – Erma Booth
Girl Scout Cookies – Ed Booth, Harry Straw
and Don Wahlstrom
Battery Charger – Bob Carpenter
Car Upholstery Wipes – Howard VonPressentin
Quick Glass Cleaner – Ed Konsmo
Funnels – Erik Martinson
Terminal Set – Ed Konsmo
Cougar Mug – Howard Von Pressentin

INTERNET SOURCES FOR YOUR OLDS PARTS

kelseytire.com Reproduction tires for collector cars
www.coker.com Reproduction tires for collector cars
www.smsautofabrics.com Fabrics for all American cars from the 40's-90's, plus a little more
www.accmats.com Auto Custom Carpets
www.opgi.com/indexnewasp Original Parts Group - specializing in classic GM "A" Body restoration parts
www.supercarsunlimited.com Restoration parts for your cutlass/442/hurst olds/vista cruiser
www.442.com Buy and sell cars and parts plus helpful technical information
www.yearone.com Reproduction and Restoration parts
www.drdecal.com Restoration decals & literature
www.fusick.com New & reproduction parts
www.thepartsplaceinc.com Restoration parts
www.autosunvisors.com Restore or buy replacement sun visors
www.partsvoice.com 138 million OEM parts
www.oldcarnetwork.com New & reproduction parts
www.stencilsandstripes.com Reproduction paint stencils, stripes, and decals
www.window-sticker.com Window Sticker Reproductions
www.oldsgmail.com Information on Oldsmobile G-Body cars (1978-1988)
www.oldsmbility.com Information on 1967 A-Body cars
<http://www.oldsclub.org/OldsmobileMailList.htm> Olds discussion forum

WHERE TO GO...CAR SHOWS and SWAP MEETS

APRIL 8-11 PORTLAND, OR; PIR Automotive Swap Meet

Portland International Raceway, 1940 N. Victory Blvd, Portland, OR 97217;
7:00 am – 5:00 pm Thurs, 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Fri, 7:00 am – 6:00 pm Sat,
8:00 am – 1:00 pm Sun; Adm. Fee - \$5 per day; Portland International Raceway,
503-307-5420; twobauers@msn.com; www.portlandraceway.com

APRIL 9-11 PORTLAND, OR; Portland Swap Meet

Exposition Center, 2060 N Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97217; 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
Friday; 7:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday; 8:00 am – 1:00 pm Sunday; Adm Fee \$5 day;
6 Portland Area Car Clubs, 503-678-2100; pdxswap@aol.com

APRIL 16-18 PORTLAND, OR; 54th Annual Portland Roadster Show

Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE MLK Blvd, Portland, OR 97232;
Friday 2:00 pm-10:00 pm; Sat. 10:00 am- 10:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am – 7:00 pm;
Adm. Fee - \$15; Reg Fee - \$50; Multnomah Hot Rod Council, 503-232-4567;
prs@mhrc.org; www.portlandroadstershow.com

APRIL 17 MOUNT VERNON, WA; 29th Mount Vernon Auto & Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet

Skagit County Fairgrounds, 1410 Virginia Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98273
8:00 am – 4:00 pm; Adm Free; Vendor Fee - \$25 (early) North Cascade
Street Rod Assn. & Washington Vintage Motorcyclists, 360-421-1407

APRIL 24 WARRENTON, OR; 50's Cruise Reunion

Camp Rilea, 91204 Oregon Road, Warrenton, OR 97304; 9:00 am – 4:00 pm;
Adm. Fee - \$2; Reg. Fee - \$15; Lower Columbia Classics Club & Beach Barons
503-440-0381, 360-665-3565

APRIL 24-25 PORT TOWNSEND, WA; 10th Annual Jeffco Expo

Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 4907 Landes St, Port Townsend, WA 98368
9:00 am – 5:00 pm each day; Adm. Fee - \$6; Reg. Fee - \$12; (one day pre-reg)
Jefferson County Fair Assn. 360-385-1013; jeffcofairgrounds@olypen.com;
www.jeffcofairgrounds.com

APRIL 25 TENINO, WA; Spring Coming Out Potluck

Tenino High School, 500 West 2nd Avenue, Tenino, WA 98589; 10:00 am –
3:00 pm; Adm. Free, No Reg Fee; Centralia-Chehalis Vintage Auto Club,
360-273-6961; www.ccvac.com

Future cruise-ins to attend:

CRUISE IN LOCATIONS WILL BE LISTED IN THE MAY NEWSLETTER

Driving Directions to the Mandarin Buffet & Grill FOR THE CHAPTER MEETING – Saturday - April 3, 2010

Mandarin Buffet & Grill  19 Reviews
14850 NE 24th St, Redmond, WA 98052
(425) 885-3888

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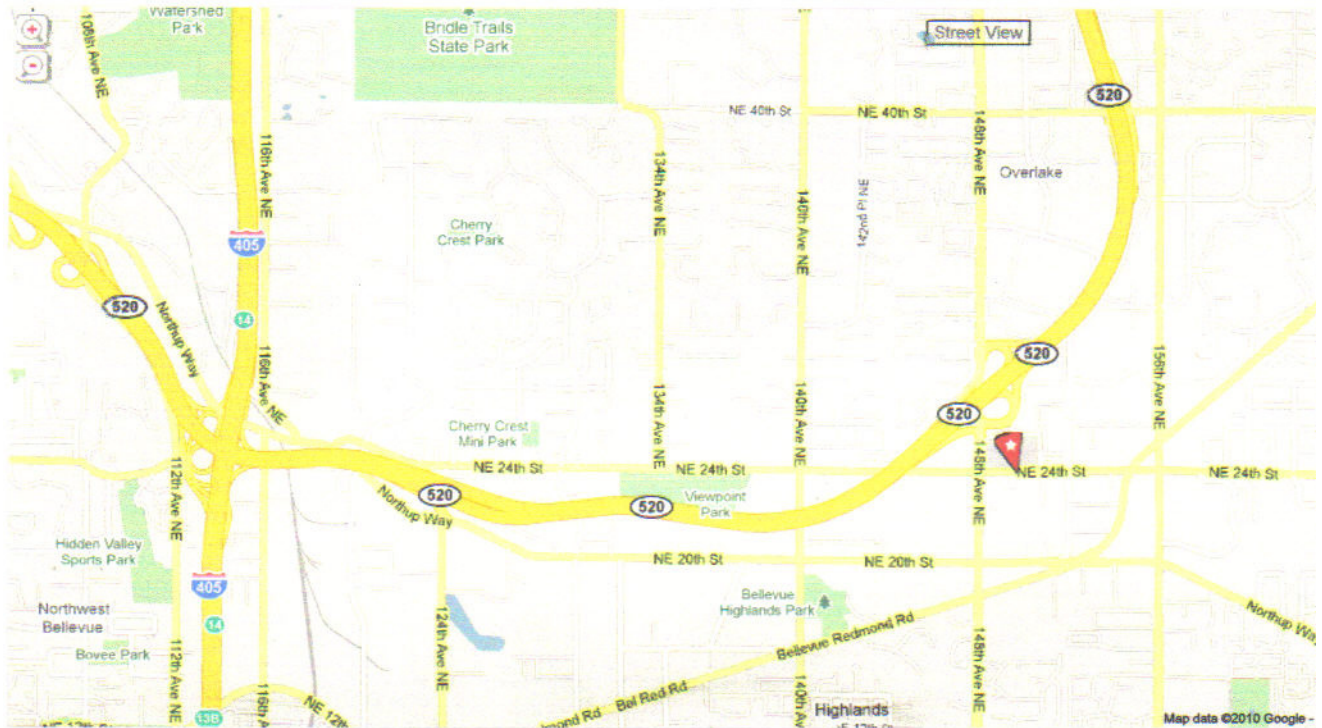
Start Address (e.g. 123 Main St.)

Swap Start/End

End: Mandarin Buffet & Grill

14850 NE 24th St, Redmond, WA 98052

Get Directions



1. Take Exit 14 on Hwy 405 to Hwy 520 East toward Redmond.
2. Take the 148th Ave NE South exit
3. Merge onto 148th Ave NE
4. Turn left at 24th St - The Mandarin Buffet & Grill is on your left.

Future Oldsmobile National Meets

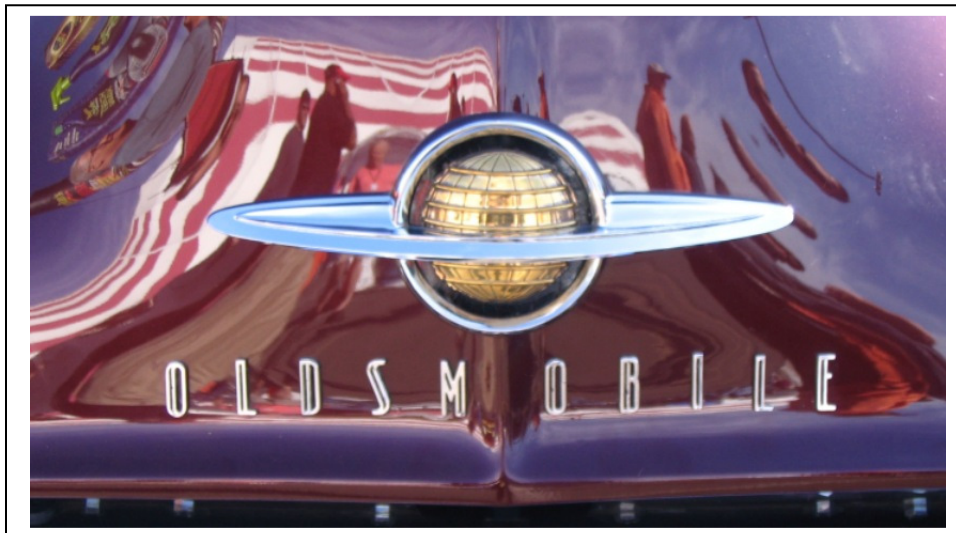
2010 - July 21 – 25; Sturbridge, MA; Sturbridge Hotel; Hosted by the New England Olds Club.

Host hotel reservations: 800-582-3232
www.sturbridgehosthotel.com

2011 - July 27 – 31; Reno, NV; Grand Sierra Resort and Casino; Hosted by the Nor Cal Olds Club.

Host hotel reservations: 800-501-2651
www.grandsierraresort.com

2012 - July 4 – 7; Des Moines, IA; Iowa Events Center (The first Indoor Nationals ever); Hosted by the Olds Club of Iowa



CLASSIFIEDS

Classified ads are free, unlimited words within reason. They will run for three consecutive months. Please submit your classified advertisement in electronic format by the 25th of the month to ekonsmo@msn.com.

**These have been updated for April
FOR SALE**

1956 98 Holiday 2-door w/Continental Kit, Red/Black. A #3 car. Call if interested. Dave Butler (425)737-5745 or (360) 668-6846 (2)

1974 Delta 88 4dr HT - 45,000 miles, original family owned, dad passed away in 1985 & car has been stored inside since. Asking \$3,500 OBO. HydraMatic, V8 – Ray Hackbarth, (253) 841-3620 (2)

Tires – Four 215/75-15 tires, no rims. \$100.00. Call Ed Booth (253) 752-6158 (1)

Tire – One BF Goodrich tire. G78-15 NEW \$25.00. Call Howard (206) 782-1393 (3)

Tires – Four Custom Touring Vogue, 205/75-14. Used. \$300.00 call Ken (206) 930-1741 (1)

Tires – Five 225/75R-14 wide white walls, less than 2,000 miles. \$400.00 call Pat (425) 672-7664 (2)

LEADS:

1957 Olds parts for sale. Ed Booth (253) 752-6158 (1)

1961 Olds 88 4-door – ran well and worked fine, but has been sitting outside for about 15 years. Make an offer. Ron Haave (253) 847-6236 (3)

1972 Olds Cutlass F-85 2-Door Coupe, 350 Rocket, Stock, \$4,500 Call Todd 360-490-8050 tntstellermast@q.com (2)

Olds 12 Bolt Posi, 61”wide, no upper mount \$250.00 Call Rob (360) 825-8707 (1)

NEEDS:

1952 88 2-door post right door and rear quarter panel. /tin (253)223-2466 or TBridges46@live.com (2)

Hood ornament for 1975 Buick, and **air cleaner**. Call Hugh Russell (206) 524-2785 (3)

Rocker molding passenger side for 1962 Jetfire or Cutlass. Harry Straw (425) 778-2354 (3)

Need both axles for '65 Cutlass. Call Erik (425) 228-4422, or cell (206) 714-6395 (3)

'51 A Body 88 rear rocker spears. Call Darin Puryear (253) 279-2713 (1)

Rock guards for 41 Olds 4-door. Call Vern (253) 318-1418

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ADS: A number at the end of each listing indicates how many months the ad has already run. If you have a **THREE** after your ad, you will need to contact us if you wish to Renew the ad.

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