

THE PUGET SOUND ROCKET

Newsletter of the Puget Sound Olds Club

An Official Chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America

December 2007



Last month we brought you the great news about the recent acquisition of the '53 Fiesta by fellow Olds collector, Dave Sutton. A few weeks ago, Dave Butler and I had the privilege of viewing the Fiesta in Dave Sutton's garage. (Not the one pictured above) It was stunning even in the primer coat that had been applied during the process of an amateur restoration attempt.

The Fiesta has and will always be a very '50's car. Only 458 were produced, all in Lansing, and 16 of those were exported. In 1973 it was believed that only 8 still existed. By 1975 Hank Parker and other Olds members had accounted for 18 Fiestas. In 1976, Hank Pinckney (co-founder of the OCA) and Ralph Sandmeyer (Dr. Fiesta) through the help of other OCA members had located a total of 27 vehicles. At the present time, there are only 30 Fiestas with confirmed ownership.

Of all of the Fiestas built, there is only one known to exist that is still in the same family and completely original. It is owned by Larry Schefcik of Alliance, Nebraska and was purchased new by his father Eugene in 1953.

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President's Message

Hi to you all:

The Holidays are here! Christmas is my favorite holiday of the year. Everyone seems to be so happy. I think it's a "magical time" of the year. Mostly, I love looking at all the Christmas trees and homes all decorated for the season.

The annual holiday dinner is December 8 in Northgate at Marie Callenders. Ed and Kathi Straw have completed all of the arrangements. Once again we will have a great time! Please don't miss it.

We will again be collecting new unwrapped toys for the forgotten children. For some of these children, these toys will be the only ones that they will receive. Jim and I feel strongly about giving to these children. We spend several days with a large group of people wrapping gifts. It is a very rewarding experience.

We are looking forward to seeing members from the B. C. Olds Chapter at the holiday dinner. It was great to meet all of them at the Fall Rally in Lake Chelan this fall.

See you at the Christmas party.

Thank you all.

NINA

SAD NEWS...

The Olds family lost a great ally on November 16 when John Rock former GM Vice President and General Manager of Oldsmobile died. John was known for his candor and no-nonsense style. He served as Olds GM from May 1992 until early 1997. According to former Olds Public Relations Director Gus Buenz, who worked with Rock for many years, John was in every sense a unique individual. "He was his own man and many thought that if he had his way, Oldsmobile would still be a brand."

Messages of condolence can be sent to Bonnie Rock at: 28069 Cascade Rd., Hot Springs, SD 57747

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.

Puget Sound Oldsmobile Club – December 2007



"BETWEEN THE BUMPERS" ... By Ed Konsmo



2007 is coming to a close in less than 30 days. It has been a great year for the car hobby on many fronts. As your Editor, I would like to use this space this month to "toss" a couple of thoughts your way.

As you consider what you are planning to do in 2008, I would like to throw out a challenge to you. Attendance at the monthly meetings of the Puget Sound Olds Chapter over the past year has declined to less than 15 members. According to the latest membership roster, there are about 35 individuals or families who live in the King, Snohomish and Pierce Counties. Most of the meetings this year have been held at the Redmond or Lake Hills Library, very centrally located sites.

Here is the challenge! If you live within 30 or so miles of the meeting location, and you have not attended a meeting in recent months, would you make an effort to attend some of the meetings in 2008? If you do not attend meetings because the time, or the day does not work for your schedule, what would you prefer? In the past, other meeting days and times have been discussed. This is your club and your voice as a member is important. Your participation is needed to assure the life of the chapter.

During the past year, the subject of cruising in our Oldsmobiles "in lieu" of a structured meeting has surfaced several times. There has not yet been a definite plan put before the chapter. If you have any thoughts or recommendations regarding this idea, or the time and day of the chapter meeting, would you please take a few moments and send them to us at ekonsmo@msn.com? Your ideas will be presented to the membership at the next meeting for discussion.

Pam and I would like to take this opportunity to thank for your support this year as we have undertaken the task of publishing your newsletter. It has been quite a journey and a lot of fun. The "Here's My Ride" feature in the newsletter has been a pleasure to print. To feature your car in the newsletter, just send us a photo or two by e-mail plus a description about the car or how you obtained it. At this time, we still need a member's car for the January issue.

Important House Keeping Items:

We are approaching the annual OCA membership compliance check. If you have OCA dues with a December or January expiration (it is on the cover of your JWO), please send in your renewal during December. The "magic" compliance date is February 1. Sending in your dues early assures that they will be credited in time. Last year the Puget Sound Chapter was one of eight chapters that achieved 100% compliance. As your OCA Vice President, I would like to congratulate all of you for making your chapter one of the eight!

You will also find your annual chapter membership renewal form in this newsletter. If you cannot attend the holiday dinner or attend the January meeting, would you please take a moment to print the form, complete it and send it to Bill Iverson, our membership chairman?

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your Editors



“My Father’s Oldsmobile”

My father and I have been Olds fanatics for as long as I can remember. I first fell in love with Oldsmobile as a kid; it was my dad’s 1962 Starfire convertible with its 345hp 394 that made me a life long fan. Between us we have owned close to thirty different Oldsmobiles. Currently we own three between us, he has a 1996 Aurora and I have a 1962 88 hardtop and a 1938 F-38 touring sedan. I hold the original titles to both cars including the protect-o-plate.

The '38 Olds was originally purchased by Thomas Pratta in Missoula Montana. It served his family as a daily driver until 1968 at which time it was sequestered to the side of his garage. In the spring of 1992 my father stumbled upon it and quickly snapped it up for a mere \$2500. It then became what I call a box car, for the next twelve years it sat in his garage and collected boxes on its roof and fenders. Five years ago my dad convinced me to drag it back to Seattle and “do something with it.”

After many hours of contemplation, concept drawings and sketching details I settled on leaving the car basically stock in appearance but using an updated drive train. Being a true to heart Olds guy, it was important to me to leave as much of the car Oldsmobile as I could. Hundreds of hours went into making the new Olds parts work with the original chassis. It now sports a very reliable 403 crate motor, turbo 350 and W-27 differential. I even went so far as to use an Omega rack and pinion set-up for my steering. It features air ride suspension, a triangulated 4-link rear, digital gauges and a leather interior among other things.

I debuted the car in May of 2006 and have since added over 5000 miles to the odometer. I have attended more than forty events with it including the Seattle Roadster Show and it has been featured in various street rod magazines. My proudest moment though, would be the afternoon at the NW zone Olds meet when I received “Best of Show” honors. They are a great bunch of individuals and went out of their way to welcome me into their circle.

I have now taken on the restoration of my father’s '62 Olds and expect to finish it sometime in the next few years. It too will stay true to the Oldsmobile lineage.

LET'S GET PERSONAL



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dave Butler	December 4
Murray Moulton	December 6
Ken Thompson	December 8
Jean Bridges	December 8
Walter Wilson	December 11
Ann Nilsson	December 22
Erik Martinson	December 28
Joyce Cox	December 29
Larry Weyand	December 30
Ardelle Demello	December 31

Happy Birthday to all!!!

CLASSIFIEDS

Classified ads are free to Puget Sound Olds Club members, 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.

FOR SALE

- **Steel Wheels** from 1964 Olds "88" these are 14" that fit old size 8:00/14 tires (used once for snow tires). \$25.00. Call Gerry evenings 425 747-3798 **(3)**
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- **Five (5) Full Wheel Hub Caps**, (style P01) for 1967 Cutlass, good condition, \$20.00, all five, Bill Iverson, 425-271-0195, billiver@aol.com **(2)**
- **1967 Olds 98 Convertible**. Red/white top. First Place 2005 Nationals \$10,000 Bill Iverson, 425-271-0195, billiver@aol.com **(2)**

LEADS

- **'65 Dynamic 88 4 dr**, 80K Good parts car, back seat missing, call Charles 206 243-7234 **(3)**
- **Lots of Rare Oldsmobile hubcaps** – Ed Booth has contact information for these hubcaps, he has seen them. They are located in Minnesota, please call or e-mail Ed at 253 752-6158 edanderm@aol.com for details. **(3)**
- **'57 Olds Super 88 Holiday 4dr Hardtop** – Asking \$12,000 – If interested, Ed Konsmo has photos. Call Paul Curtindale, 206-853-0959 (cell) or 425-413-8740 **(2)**

IMPORTANT NOTICE: There is a number at the end of each listing to indicate 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 have it run again the following month. Just e-mail or call us. Thank you.

IF YOU SELL YOUR ADVERTISED ITEM PLEASE NOTIFY ED AT ekonsmo@msn.com

CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS - Mark your calendar

<p>December 8, 2007 Holiday Dinner – Marie Callendar's (Northgate Mall area) 4:30 p.m.</p>	
<p>Sunday, January 6, 2008 Monthly chapter meeting – 1:00 p.m. Renton Library</p>	

MEETING MINUTES ... November 2007

MINUTES

November 4, 2007

Meeting called to order by Nina Rogers, president.

Minutes of the October meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Kathi Straw – report approved.

Annual Christmas Donations – It was agreed to make the following donations of \$50 each to the following charities: Salvation Army, Make-A-Wish, Forgotten Children's Fund, Northwest Harvest, Union Gospel Mission.

Election of Officers – The current slate of officers were nominated and approved to continue. Installation of officers will take place in February.

Holiday Party – Saturday, December 8, 4:30 p.m., at Marie Callender's near Northgate Mall. Cost: \$20 per person. A flyer giving details of the party will be sent next week to allow time to send in payment and dinner choice. Please send payment and dinner choice to Kathi by December 1.

* Members will bring unwrapped toys to be donated to the Forgotten Children's Fund.

*We will have our traditional gift exchange.

XXX – Erik Martinson – Saturday, June 28 was selected. Erik will contact XXX and the Buick and Pontiac clubs. Details of the get-together will be determined. Our July club meeting will be held on that date.

Zone Car Show – Pete Salazar – Pete encouraged more member attendance and participation in our monthly meetings to plan and prepare and suggested more of the men help with the activities at the show store and stage to allow the women to be able to meet and greet the participants on the field.

No December Meeting

Next meeting Sunday, January 6, 2008, Redmond Library

Raffle Results:

Quality Gift/Meeting Hosts – Jim and Nina Rogers

Quality Gift – Travel Bag – Bill Iverson

Washer fluid – Pam Konsmo

Rain-X De-icer – Erik Martinson

Motion detector light – Ed Straw

Injection cleaner, gas treatment – Bill Iverson

Mini-duster – Nina

Afghan – Bill Iverson

Detail brushes, dash duster – Don Wahlstrom

Lead substitute, octane booster – Mary Lindholm



Puget Sound Oldsmobile Club



ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER

Where: Marie Callenders Restaurant
9538 1st Ave. NE (Northgate Area)
Seattle, WA Phone: 206 526-5785

When: Saturday, December 8

Time: 4:00 p.m. Social Hour
5:00 p.m. Dinner - No Host Bar

Price: \$20.00 per person (club will pay the balance).

Please indicate number attending ___ and return this form BY
DECEMBER 1 with your entrée selection and check to:

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- Top Sirloin Steak
- Fresh Lemon Pepper Salmon
- Artichoke Mushroom Chicken

All dinners include: Caesar Salad, Corn Bread, Chef's Veggies, Coffee, Tea or
Soda AND Dessert

Dinners must be paid for by Dec. 1 and remember to indicate the number
attending.

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

Signature Date

PUGET SOUND CHAPTER OCA

Local Membership Application

OCA Membership Number: _____ Birthday (Day / Month): _____ Spouse B.D.(Day / Month) _____

Home Phone () _____ Cell Phone () _____

Name _____ E-mail Address _____

Spouse _____ Children _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cars (please include color): _____

Where did you hear about our club? _____

Please make separate check payable to Puget Sound Chapter OCA and mail to Bill Iverson. Local dues \$15/Yr., run from January to December and are prorated at \$1.25/Mo. (for new members only). Local club renewal date is January 1st. **National membership is required for chapter membership.** Cars participating in club functions must carry insurance. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for your first newsletter.

Send to: BILL IVERSON, Membership Chairman
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Signature Date

OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

2008 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE

OCA# _____

(MEMBERSHIP IN THE O.C.A. IS A PREREQUISITE FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE PUGET SOUND CHAPTER).

NAME: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
____ Check here if this is an address change

HOME PHONE: (____) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BIRTHDAY MONTH _____ DAY _____

SPOUSE MONTH _____ DAY _____

\$15.00 ANNUAL DUES PAYABLE BY DECEMBER

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

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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 _____

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Please print this form and mail to Bill Iverson before December 31, 2007

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www.olds mobility.com Information on 1967 A-Body cars
<http://www.oldsclub.org/OldsmobileMailList.htm> Olds discussion forum

UPCOMING CLUB MEETING HOSTS *

Jan. '08 - Mary Lindholm
Feb. '08 - Ed and Kathi Straw
Mar. '08 - Don and June Wahlstrom
April '08 - Pam and Ed Konsmo
May '08 - Vicki and Erik Martinson
June '08 - **Still open for a volunteer**
July '08 - **Still open for a volunteer**
Sept '08 - Bill and Judy Iverson
Oct '08 - **Still open for a volunteer**

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WHERE TO GO?? WHAT TO DO??

**December 2 – ISSAQUAH, WA; XXX JINGLE BELL CRUZ TOYS FOR TOTS;
XXX Drive Inn; 425-392-1266**

It appears that Swap Meets, Car Shows and Auctions are over for 2007.

All that remains to do is: **Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**



F.Y.I.

FUTURE OCA NATIONALS MEET DATES:

Listed below are future national meet dates:

- **2008 Nationals** are **Re-scheduled** for July 29-August 3, 2008 in Detroit, Michigan
- **2009 Nationals** are scheduled for July 22 – 26, 2009 at the Seven Springs Resort, near Pittsburg, PA

The Puget Sound Rocket is the voice of the local chapter of the OCA. Views expressed herein may, or may not be those of the Puget Sound Olds Club. For membership, contact Membership Chairman, Bill Iverson. Please direct needs, leads to the Editor. Contributions are welcome. No payment is made for articles. Material submitted will be considered as an assignment of all rights.

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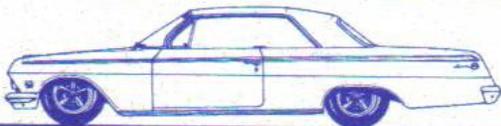
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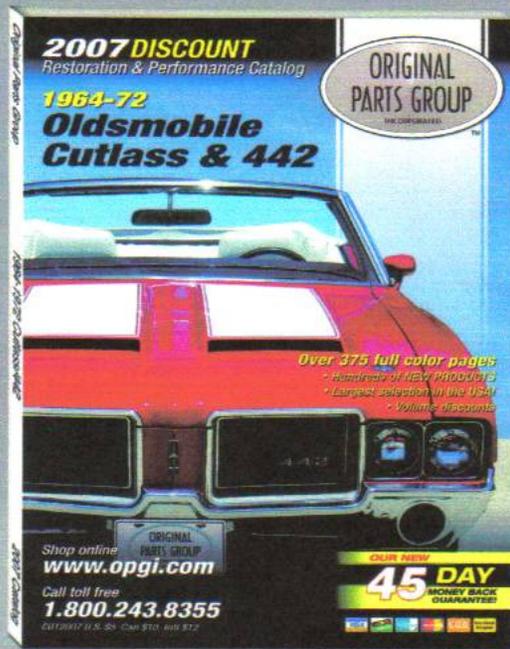
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