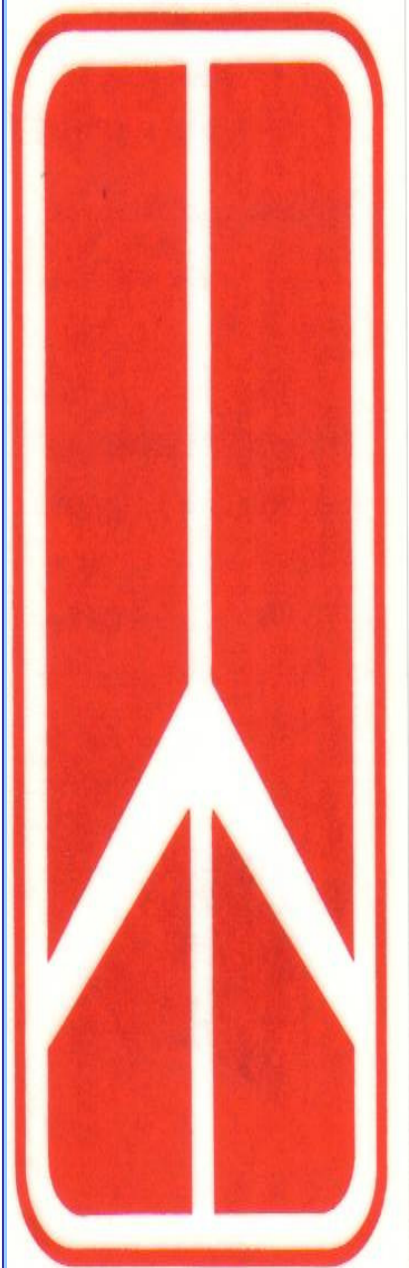


THE PUGET SOUND ROCKET

Newsletter of the Puget Sound Olds Club

An Official Chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America

January 2011



Pictured above are the Christmas gifts for the “Toys for Tots” drive...donated by the members of the Puget Sound Olds Club at the annual chapter Christmas dinner on December 12 at the Poodle Dog restaurant in Fife. As in past years, the toys are dropped off at a fire station for distribution to children who would otherwise not have gifts under their Christmas tree.

This year the turnout was smaller than in past years but the evening was festive and enjoyed by all those who attended. Among attendees were new members, David and Lisa Yonich. We believe that Chapter President Pat would like to explore the idea of moving the Christmas party to another location in 2011 and perhaps make it a potluck dinner. If that happens, would more members attend? Let us know your thoughts.

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President's Message

Hi all,

It sure was great to see you all at the Christmas party, a small but great group of people. Thanks to everyone who brought toys for the kids, the table was full and I am sure that we helped several kids enjoy Christmas morning. I would like some feedback on the Poodle Dogs service and food. I heard that for some of the groups the food was very late and in some cases cold. I will be talking to them about this. Perhaps it's time to rethink the Christmas Party a little. Maybe a community center would be better with catered food and BYOB; just thinking out loud. Any suggestions please let me know.

Your new slate of officers take office in January (same as the old slate) and we will be looking for ideas to increase participation in club activities. One thought is to start having guest speakers at some of the meetings to discuss car restoration, tire care, insurance for collector cars, and other car related information. We for sure are going to do more planned car runs this year. My month is August and it will be an overnight two day run so put it on your calendar now.

It should be a fun trip to Reno this year and I think we will have a nice size caravan. I'll travel in the rear so my exhaust note won't bother anyone and try to keep up,

The January meeting is at the Renton Library, January 9th. Look for the time and directions posted in the newsletter.

See you there,

Pat Ellwood

President

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



The application to attend the 2011 Olds Nationals in Reno is in the January issue of Journey With Olds. Is your car ready? Now that the Holidays are in our rear view mirror, it is time to look ahead and start to get the car ready for the caravan trip to Reno. Have you made a list of items that need to be changed or corrected on your car? You would be amazed at how many points are lost by not taking care of the obvious little items in detailing.

I have made an offer to hold a "mini" judging clinic to look over chapter member's cars. If any members would like to have a critique of their car to make any corrections, I would be pleased to oblige. Perhaps we could meet on a Saturday at Griot's Garage in Tacoma for an impromptu judging session. They have a great meeting area for car clubs and also sell the supplies that help in the detailing of your car. From a judge's point of view, learning what needs to be corrected could add to your judging sheet score. Send me an e-mail or call me and if there is enough interest, we will schedule a day.

If you are planning to attend the 2011 Nationals, it would be a good idea to call the hotel and make your reservation soon. I am not sure if there is a limit of the number of \$69 rooms that are available, but it would be a shame to find that they are sold out if you waited too long. I do know that there a quite a few of the up-grade rooms at \$99 a night. You might even consider treating yourself and your spouse to one of the \$99 rooms. We stayed in one last August and they are fantastic.

In conversations with members of the B.C. Olds Club, it is apparent that there will be a large number of Oldsmobiles from Canada heading south to Reno. I am sure that we will be discussing routes to take to Reno in the coming months. Typically, there is a group that leaves early and takes in the scenery, slow and easy. Then there are the few that leave late and "put the hammer down". Your editor has been in that group before, or sometimes all alone and trying to catch up. (That happened in 1997 on the way to the 100th Anniversary in Lansing). It really doesn't make any difference which group you choose as long as you make the trip. It appears that the 2012, 2013, and 2014 Nationals will be in the Midwest, so this will be your only chance for a short trip; so....filler' up!

PSOC Christmas Dinner photos....No "Here's my Ride" this month.



“Vicki, I am not sure about that.”
Erik, Derald, Ed S. and Vicki



“Pat, let me check my number...”



New members, David and Lisa Yonich



Sharon, Judy, Bob & Mary deep in conversation



Now this is how you listen intently!



Members loading the “Toys for Tots” gifts.

LeMay Museum Update

The Puget Sound Olds Club members voted at the January 2010 meeting to become a part of the LeMay Museum. Each month we will bring you information regarding the progress of the Museum.

Happy Holidays from LeMay-AMERICA'S CAR MUSEUM!



2010 was a Very Good Year for LeMay – America’s Car Museum... for a Number of Reasons

2010 was a breakthrough year for LeMay – America’s Car Museum (ACM). Construction began at the Tacoma, Wash. facility in June and will be completed by fall 2011, fundraising reached record levels and plans are already being developed for the grand opening.

Here’s a 2010 “by-the-numbers” recap:

\$60 million. Money raised to-date to construct the Museum.

501(c) (3). ACM is a non-profit charitable organization.

\$9.5 million. Fund raising target for the current “Race to the Finish” campaign, which is for exhibitory, operating, education and car collection funding. **\$34 million.** Estimated annual economic impact on the Tacoma area. **(Update continued on page 6)**

- 165,000 sq-ft.** Size of the Museum. **4.** Museum floors.
- 175.** Average amount of vehicles that will be displayed each day at ACM.
- 3.5 acres.** Size of the ACM show field, which will host an annual car show with about 300 vehicles.
- 391,590 sq-ft. (9 acres).** Dimensions of the entire ACM campus.
- 7,900 cubic yards.** The amount of concrete in the building (not including site concrete).
- 7.9 million.** People that will annually drive by ACM along Interstate 5, the dominant roadway between Tacoma and other parts of Puget Sound.
- 100,000.** Number of school children expected to visit the Museum (and its accompanying library/education center) each year. Note: The ACM education center is currently building curriculum for 3rd – 12th graders.
- 3,500.** In the mid-1990s, the cars, motorcycles and trucks in the collection of founders Harold and **Nancy LeMay** – the largest privately owned collection in the world.
- 425,000.** Projected number of ACM annual visitors who will learn and be entertained about the role cars have played in our heritage.
- 30.** People on the ACM board of directors.
Complete list at <http://www.lemaymuseum.org/page.php?id=66>
- 200.** Volunteers required to support the new Museum's operations.
- 150.** Workers per-day (at peak) on the Museum construction site.
- \$50.** Annual cost of ACM membership.
- 2,400.** ACM charter members – from 41 states and 4 countries.
- 199,638.** Tacoma residents (based on 2009 Census Bureau stats).
- 4.2 million.** Residents in the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue metro area, which ranks 15th in total population among U.S. markets.
- 14 million.** Annual visitors to the region.
- 26.** Miles separating Seattle and Tacoma.
- 25.** Miles separating Olympia (the Washington state capital) and Tacoma.
- 1,939.** Miles separating Detroit and Tacoma.

Construction Progress on the new Museum

As most of you know, LeMay is "truckin" along on the construction of the new Museum facility. Being ahead of schedule; the foundation has been poured, the retaining walls are up and the overall structure is coming together!

LET'S GET PERSONAL

We would like to welcome new members David and Lisa Yonich to the Puget Sound Olds Club. They drive a 1975 Delta 88 Royale convertible.

**When you see new members at our meetings,
please greet them and introduce yourself.**



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS	
8	Charles O'Donnell
9	Shirley Repp
16	Mike Patrick
21	Sharon Gaunt
24	Leonard Barlow
25	Ed Konsmo

Happy Birthday to all of the January babies

CALENDAR OF EVENTS of the Puget Sound Chapter

January 9th Chapter Meeting
1 P.M. at the Renton Library

Directions to the January
Meeting are on page 10

UPCOMING CLUB MEETING HOSTS *

2011 MEETING HOSTS

January	Mary Lindholm	July	Zone Show - no host
February	Hugh Russell	August	Pat & Jane Ellwood
March	Ed & Erma Booth	September	Bill & Judy Iverson
April	Ed & Kathi Straw	October	Fred & Faye Steik
May	Harry Straw	November	Jim & Nina Rogers
June	Don & June Wahlstrom	December	Christmas Party - no host

Thank you all.

*Provide quality gift & refreshments

MEMBER NOTES AND CHAPTER INFO

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.

With sadness we were notified of the passing of long-time Chapter member, Arnold "Don" DeMello. Don was born on March 2, 1925 and passed away on Dec. 15 at the age of 85.

Don is survived by his wife, Ardelle; daughters, Debbie DeMello, Sharon (Tom) Stanford; son, Robert DeMello; grandson, David Stanford; half-brother, David DeMello and a half-sister, Shirley Breslin.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 2 pm at Evergreen-Washelli Chapel, 11111 Aurora Ave. North, Seattle, WA 98133. 206-362-5200

IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR CHAPTER DUES!

Please complete the renewal form on page 9.

February 1st is the date that our chapter must be OCA compliant. If your OCA dues are to be paid in December or January, please be sure to send them in ASAP. For the past several years our chapter has been one of the 100% compliant chapters. Let's be one for 2011.

There is a seat waiting for you, Sunday Jan. 9, at the Renton Library

OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

2011 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 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

MINUTES OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

There are no meeting minutes for December – we partied instead.

What a great time we had at the Christmas party, held at the Poodle Dog again this year.

A big thank you to all that were involved in the planning of this event.

We met several new people, visited with lots of current members and there were even some members that came that haven't attended meetings for a long time. What a wonderful evening.

The January meeting will be held at the RENTON LIBRARY which is located at 100 Mill Ave. S in downtown Renton. Directions below:

Traveling from the north on I-405;

At **Exit 4**, take ramp **right** for **Sunset Blvd. NE** toward **Enumclaw/Renton**; bear **right** onto **SR-900/Sunset Blvd N** for 0.7 mi; turn **left** to stay on **SR-900/Mill Ave. S**; arrive at **100 Mill Ave S**.

Traveling from the south (on I-5);

At **Exit 154**, take ramp **right** for **I-405 North** toward **Bellevue/Renton**; at **Exit 4**, take ramp **right** for **SR-169 South** toward **Bronson Way**; turn **right** onto **SR-169/SE Maple Valley Hwy**; bear **left** onto **SR-900/Bronson Way N** for 0.3 mi; turn **left** to stay on **SR-900/Mill Ave. S**.

WHERE TO GO...CAR SHOWS and SWAP MEETS

JAN 15 ALBANY, OR; Winter Rod & Speed Show

Linn County Fair & Exposition Center, 3700 Knox Butte Rd., Albany, OR 97321; 9am-8pm; Adm. Fee - \$7; Reg. Fee - \$35; Night of Fire, 4826 Chan Street, Salem, OR 97306; 503-370-9164;

www.capracing.com/winter_show.html

JAN 16 CANBY, OR; Canby Auto Swap Meet

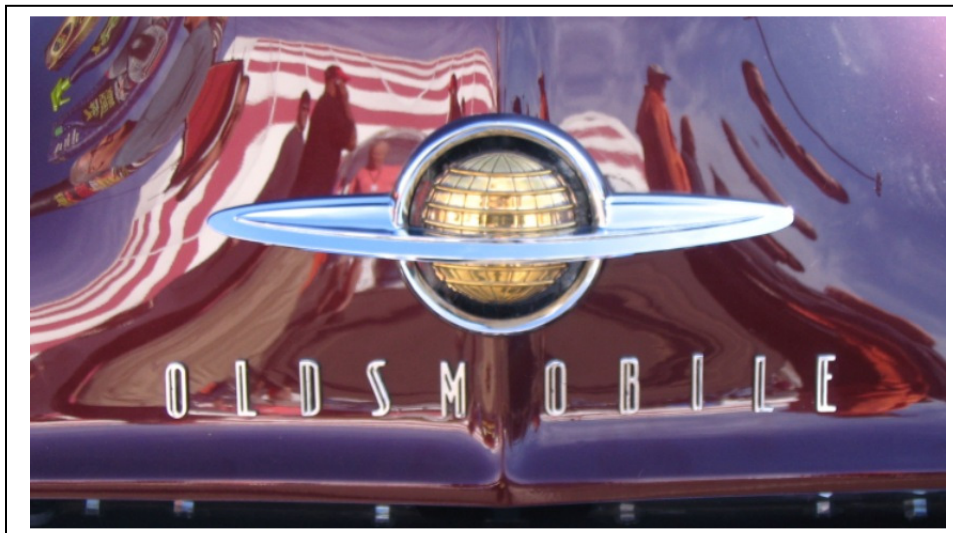
Clackamas County Event Center, 694 NE 4th Ave, Canby, OR 97013; 8am-2pm; Adm. Fee \$5; Reg. Fee - \$20-\$30; Clackamas County Event Center; 503-266-1136; ccf@canby.com;

JAN 27-30 PORTLAND, OR; Portland Auto Show

Oregon Convention Center, 77 NE MLK Blvd, Portland, OR 97232; 10am-10pm, Thurs, Fri, Sat; 10am-7pm Sun; Adm. Fee -\$10 (Seniors \$9) 781-237-5533; www.portlandautoshow.com

Future Oldsmobile National Meets

- 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
- 2013 - Site to be determined – stay tuned for announcement.



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 25th of the month to ekonsmo@msn.com.

FOR SALE

- **1963 98 Sport Sedan.** Near mint condition, extra parts included. \$2,500. Call Hugh (206) 524-2785 (3)
- **1966 Olds Convertible** - Indigo Blue Metallic, 425 V8. Disc brakes on front, new top and back glass, after market air. Rally wheels. Asking \$13,500. (**Reduced Price**) Call Harold at 360-458-7386 (2)
- **1966 Toronados; \$6000 and \$8000; Call Garry Hart at 360-624-0885 (2)**
- **1967 Toronados; \$2500 each; Call Garry Hart at 360-624-0885 (2)**
- **1968 Toronado; \$4000; Call Garry Hart at 360-624-0885 (2)**
- **1969 Toronado; \$2500; Call Garry Hart at 360-624-0885 (2)**
- **1973 Delta Royale 2-dr. H.T.** nice, low miles. \$2,800 or best offer. Call Don (253) 752-8920 (3)
- **Bucket Seats (Black):** Excellent original condition. Out of '64 Olds 442. \$650.00 Call Ned (425) 316-3200 (3)
- **Hub Caps '64 Cutlass.** Nice original condition. Needs painting. \$100.00. Call Ned (425) 316-3200 (3)
- **Rally Wheels (Black):** 14"x7" w/beauty rings, bezels, center caps and P215/70\$-14 tires. Nice driver set. \$500.00. Call Ned (425) 316-3200 (3)
- **4 Vogue Custom Towing Tires; \$300; Call Ken Thompson 206-930-1741; kenester37@yahoo.com (2)**
- **Tires** – Four 215/75-15 tires, no rims. \$100.00. Call Ed Booth (253) 752-6158 (3)
- **Tire** – One BF Goodrich tire. G78-15 NEW \$25.00. Call Howard (206) 782-1393 (3)
- **Miscellaneous items:** '64 Cutlass radio \$25.00; '69 starter & alternator \$10.00 each or \$15.00 for both; '64 Cutlass steering wheel (black) cracked \$20.00. Call Ned (425) 316-3200 (3)
- **1950 Olds 88 4 door** – Parting out, lots of good parts; call Colin at 360-966-0373 (3)

- **The following cars/items are offered for sale by Jon White. Call 425-508-4382; 10am – 10 pm.**
1960 Super 88 2 dr hdt has rust; ran when parked, \$950; **1955 Starfire Conv.** rusty but loaded, \$7500; **1963 Starfire Conv.** Partially restored; rebuilt 394, drivable; \$4500; **Six 1963 Olds** for parts, 88's, 98's and Starfires, call for prices; **1978-87 Cutlass** console w/floor shift, dk.blue \$150; **1973-77 Cutlass** driveline/axles \$50 each; **1965 Cutlass** grille, \$50; **1973 Omega** header panel, \$50; **2.8L, 3.1L, 3.3L and 3.8L V6 engines,** \$250 each w/warranty; **1995 98 SC 3800 V6,** runs, \$450; **1973 Delta 88** Header panel w/headlights, \$100. (3)

LEADS:

- **1957 '98 Olds parts for sale.** Ed Booth (253) 752-6158 (3)
- **1955/56 Engines/transmissions for sale plus doors and chrome pieces:** Located in Buckley; Call Dick @ 253-405-9832 (2)
- **1956 324 cu.in. V8 with Jetaway Trans.** Rollin Whited; 360-240-9342; jrwhited@comcast.net (3)
- **1968 442 Convertible, nice.** Call Rick Neet 509-891-1963 (3)
- **1937 Rear Axle Assy. FREE** Call Wayne Wilcox 206-243-4168 (3)
- **1971 350 Engine incl. carb \$50; Billet under drive pulleys \$80;** Call Jerry Ward 360-387-7066 (3)

NEEDS:

- **Need both axles for '65 Cutlass.** Call Erik (425) 228-4422, or cell (206) 714-6395 (3)
- **1952 88 2-door post right door** and rear quarter panel/tin (253)223-2466 or TBridges46@live.com (2)
- **1966 98 Rear differential parts.** New or used gears and pins for whole differential. Gear ratio is 3.08, number of gear teeth is 40:13. Code letters are QM. vlkostura@telus.net; Vic Kostura (3)
- **1954/55 Steering gear part #s 564356/357** Chip Starr 503-320-7391; dynamic881961@yahoo.com (3)

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 need to contact us if you wish to renew the ad for following issues.

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www.coker.com Reproduction tires for collector cars

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www.oldsmbility.com Information on 1967 A-Body cars

<http://www.oldsclub.org/OldsmobileMailList.htm> Olds discussion forum

"A PARTING SHOT"



REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE A KID AND MADE THE BELL RING?