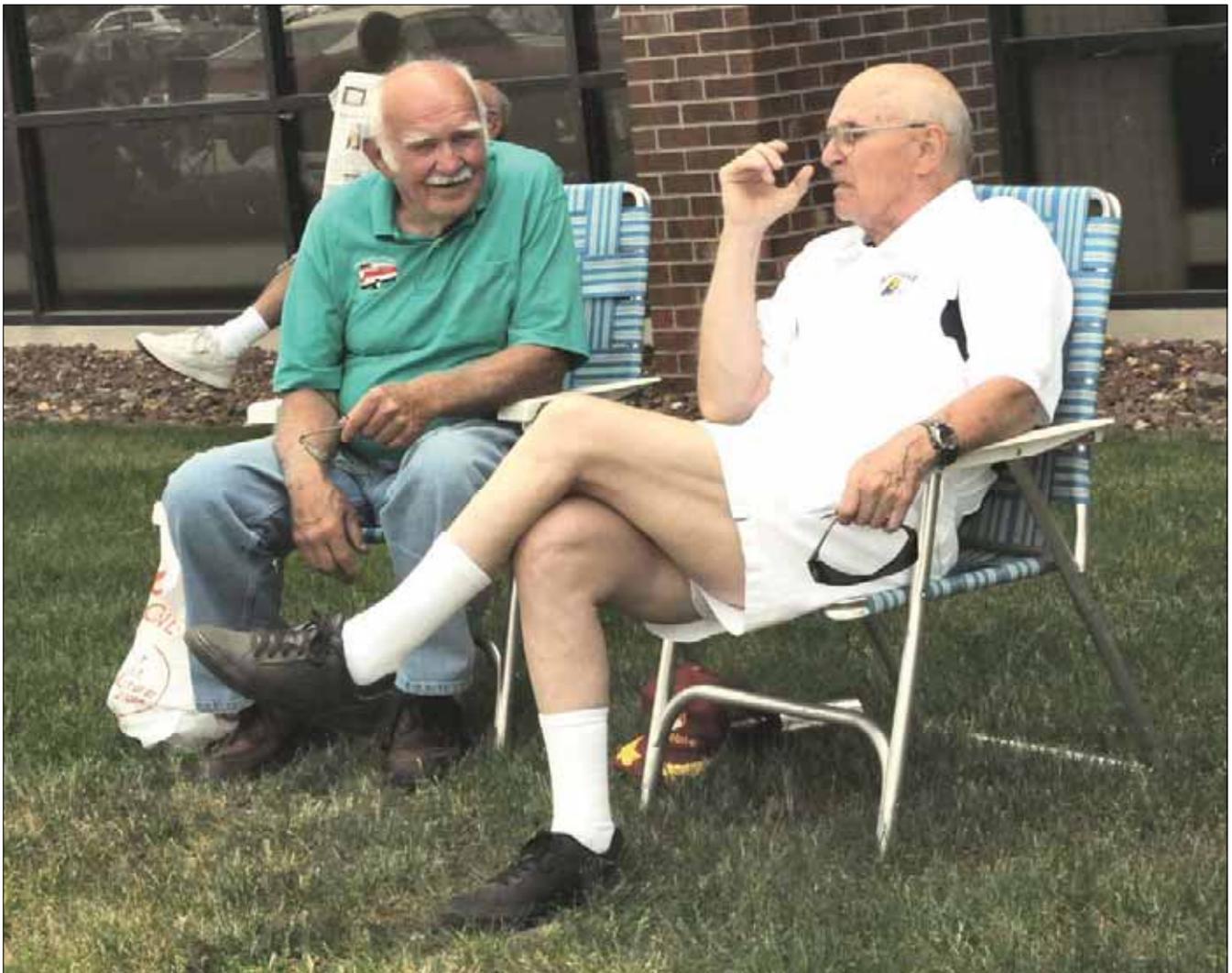




INSIDE.....MORE PICTURES FROM HOMECOMING



**Homecoming is not just about the cars Oldsmobile built.
Above Chapter member and retired Oldsmobile employee, Jim Harsant (right)
reminisces with a member of the Futurliner team.**

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Board members are elected for a one-year period of time at the Annual Banquet Meeting. Officers assume their office beginning January 1st of the subsequent year in which they are elected.

General Club meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month at various locations, but usually at the R. E. Olds Museum in Lansing. Contact Vicki May at the number shown above for more information.

Editor's message.....

Communication is an important part of our club. It is how we all keep in touch, find out what is happening and become friends. Our group accomplishes this by several different methods. 1. We have monthly meetings held the first Tuesday of each month. Our meetings allow us to take care of business, have guest speakers to inform us and socialize. 2. We have a group of volunteers that make phone calls to remind you of those meetings and let the membership know if there is something immediate we all need to know about. Take time to talk with those callers and let them know when something is happening in your life. 3. The bi-monthly newsletter keeps you up to date on what is happening. 4. The membership application/renewal form allows us to keep our database current so we can wish you a "Happy Birthday" and know when you change or add a car. Each of you can help the Officer/Volunteers by communicating with us in any or all of these ways. Come to a meeting, be friendly to our callers, send in a story for the newsletter and fill out your renewal form completely each year.

Until we meet again, keep those Oldsmobiles on the road, and keep sending me the stories and photos about your Oldsmobile experiences.

Judy Badgley

**Send newsletter articles, classifieds, etc. to Judy Badgley at
djb badgley@gmail.com or 4631 Doane Hwy., Potterville, MI 48876
If you would like to volunteer to do a newsletter issue or 2, let me
know I will gladly help you get your feet wet.**

President's message.....

NO CAMPAIGN FUNDS OR TAX RETURN DISCLOSURE REQUIRED!

This paragraph will serve two purposes:

First, to announce that our annual meeting and banquet will be held November 10th (details later). Mark your calendar now for this fun event.

Second, to ask that you think about who you want to represent the membership as your officers in 2013. Please send nominations (or your name if you want to throw your hat in the ring) to our bylaws coordinator, Troy Collins, for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and OCA Representative, for the election to be held at the annual meeting. The position of Bylaws Coordinator and Membership Coordinator are appointed by the newly elected Board. Remember, If you have someone in mind to nominate, you must get their approval first.

And....as always, thanks for making this a great Chapter!

Enjoy the journey.....

Vicki

NEWSWORTHY CHAPTER "STUFF"

R. E. Olds Chapter Calendar of Events

September-

9 Beekman Car Show
9am-4pm
Lansing, MI
SEE INFO Pg. 4
www.carsandbikesforspecialkids.org

9 South Church Car Show
4pm-6pm
Lansing, MI
SEE INFO Pg.4

30 Ice Cream Social/Car Show
Great Lakes Christian Home
3 PM
Chapter "thank you" to residents
SEE INFO Pg.4

October-

2 Chapter Meeting 7 PM
R. E. Olds Museum
Guest speaker-Olds Engineer
Tom Erb on relations w/NASCAR,
NHRA, etc.

November-

6 **NO MONTHLY MEETING**

10 Annual Chapter Banquet
Reservation Form with details
to be sent by mail

December-

4 Chapter Meeting 7 PM
R. E. Olds Museum
Video of the making of the
commercial for the 1991 Olds 98

2013

Mark your new calendar with these dates

Don't have a 2013 calendar yet.....

The R. E. Olds Museum is selling Olds/REO
calendars with color photos for \$10 plus tax

June-

15 Oldsmobile Homecoming

19-22 National Antique Olds Club
Oldsmobiles 1897-1977
Elmira, NY

July-

24-28 Olds Club Of America
All Oldsmobiles
Springfield, IL



R.E. Olds Merchandise Order Form

Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

JACKET Specs- MADE IN USA, 100% NYLON TASLA, ZIPPER FRONT, SET-IN SLEEVES, FLEECE-LINED COLLAR, MAROON COLOR W/ LOGO EMBROIDERED ON BACK. \$80 each.
Print Name below exactly how you want it to appear on the jacket front.

() Check here if you do NOT want your name embroidered on the jacket front.

Size: check one: _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2X _____ 3X _____ 4X

SHIRT Specs- JERZEES BRAND, 2-BUTTON, 50/50 POLYCOTTON WITH STAIN-RESISTANT FINISH OFFERED IN MEN'S SIZES. QUALITY POLO SHIRT (WHITE OR MAROON) W/ 3" LOGO EMBROIDERED ON TOP LEFT CHEST. \$25 each.

Size: check one: _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2X _____ 3X

Specify color for each size M-maroon W-white

NAME BADGE-The standard name badge has a magnetic attachment, which is not recommended for those who have a pacemaker, so we are offering a pin attachment option at no extra charge. If you want the pin attachment, be sure to specify it on the order form below after each name; otherwise you will receive the magnetic attachment. When ordering, don't forget your spouse, family members and significant other. \$5 each.

Print Name below exactly how you want it to appear on badge(s).

1. _____
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Please send order form along with check or money order to:

R.E. Olds Chapter

() I will pick up at a meeting or

Attn: Judy Badgley

() Please mail merchandise to me

4631 Doane Hwy

Pottersville, MI 48876-8744

Jacket-Medium weight-lined (\$80) _____

Add \$5 for 2X, 3X, 4X _____

Shirt (\$25 each) _____

Add \$2 for 2X _____

Add \$3 for 3X _____

Name Badge - (\$5 each) _____

Add shipping-\$5 per jacket/shirt _____

Add shipping \$1.50 for only name badges _____

TOTAL _____

Make Checks Payable to: R.E. Olds Chapter

CHAPTER MEMBERS INVITED-A FULL DAY OF ACTIVITIES WITH YOUR OLDSMOBILES FAMILY AND FRIENDS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2012

BEEKMAN CENTER CAR SHOW Lansing, MI from Jill Gilbert

Cars and Bikes for Special Kids is one of Lansing's oldest car shows. The show is always held on the Sunday following Labor Day., this year that will be September 9. The show is held on Beekman Center's 58-acre campus, at 2901 Wabash Rd. the car show starts at 9am and goes until 4pm.

The show began in 2000, with 49 cars in attendance. We now have close to 200 entries each year. While some car events in the area have gone by the wayside with our struggling economy our show has remained steady in attendance. I speak well of the community businesses for continuing to donate to our show, as well as the car and bike owners who make sacrifices to support our cause. With that being said let me explain why we hold this event each year.

The money raised at every car and bike show go directly to facilitate two student programs at Marvin E. Beekman Center, a school for handicapped children/young adults, ages 3-26. The Animal Care Education program and Beekman Therapeutic Riding Center receive no school funds from the Lansing School District. In the early years of these programs the school district funded both programs fully. This is no longer possible. Both programs rely totally on donations, fundraisers and revenue from independent horseback riding lessons. Therefore **your contribution and attendance is very important for our continued future.**



Please mark your calendar for Sunday, September 9, 2012. The show officially begins at 9 am. We will have \$5,000 in raffle give a-ways and door prizes. Hayrides, games for kids, swap met, entertainment and food for sale. 18 trophies will be awarded at 4pm. Check our web site: www.carsandbikesforspecialkids.org or contact Chapter member Jill Gilbert, 517-755-5720 or jkggilbert@yahoo.com

SOUTHFEST at SOUTH CHURCH Lansing, MI from Ed Shand

There is a Southfest being held at South Church again this year. If you are tired and hungry after the Beekman Car Show, come for dinner and a "drive in" "as you are car show" on Sunday, September 9th from 4:00 PM – 6:00PM.



It's a family event so you can bring your family (kids and grandkids included). There will be great food. There will be rides and activities for the kids during the event. If you wish to stay, there is a concert beginning at 6:00PM lasting about an hour, featuring the musical talents of the Ball Brothers. The best part is that the entire event is free. This is not a judging car show and you can come and go as you please. Just have a good time. September 9, 2012 4:00 – 6:00 pm, South Church, 5250 Cornerstone Drive, Lansing, MI For more details call Ed Shand at 517-655-4739 or jes@handofshand.com

ICE CREAM SOCIAL And CAR SHOW September 30, 2012

The R. E. Olds Chapter has held its annual banquet at the Great Lakes Christian Home for many years. This facility does not charge us a rental fee for the use of their space.

As a "thank you" to the facilities senior citizens, Chapter members host an ice cream social and mini car show. We serve the residents ice cream and all the "fixin's". Residents enjoy the ice cream AND seeing the Oldsmobiles. It is great to listen to them as they remember the "good old days". Bring your Oldsmobile to 2050 S. Washington Rd., Holt, MI., and maybe even provide a ride for an admiring resident.



Did we mention ICE CREAM????

If you have any questions, contact Jan or Tom Hummer at 517-646-6633 or thehummersnest@sbcglobal.net

HOMECOMING 2012 AND THE WINNERS ARE.....

Everyone that attends the Homecoming show is a winner in some way. You just can't avoid it with everything we have to offer.

The grocery game (Price-Is-Right) is a lot of fun. A selection of groceries is sat on the table. Participants calculate the total cost of the items and write their entry on a slip of paper. The one coming



closest to the cost wins the groceries. This year the cost of groceries was \$65.08. The winner is Al Keryk with a guess of \$62.50. he packed them up and took them home with a smile!

Fusick Automotive always donates 2) \$100 gift certificates. All registrations received by 6-1-12 were entered into a drawing and the lucky winners are.... Rick & Mary Wojewski from Coldwater, MI. and Cathorlene Keeseear from Williamston, MI.

One of our more unusual activities is the annual tattoo contest. This year the winner was Mia Tioli from Lansing, MI with a tattoo of Ransom E. Olds.

The kids judging went very well and everyone involved from the kids, their parents, the helpers, and the car owners had a great time. Lots of winners here but mostly our car hobby wins when we get kids excited about old cars.



Now here are the trophy winners:

1. The Haggerty Operation Ignite Award selected by the youth went to Wayne & Vicki May (our own clown) from Caledonia, MI with their 1968 Cutlass Convertible.



2. Longest Distance Award went to Bruce Anderson from Drapping Springs, TX who drove 1530 miles in a 2004 Alero GLS.
3. Homecoming Car Show Committee Award went to John Kenneally from Atlanta, GA with a 1966 442.



4. The Founders Award went to Brad Bishop from Flower Mound, TX with a 1977 442



5. The Helen Earley Award went to Chapter member Scott Whittaker from Grand Ledge, MI with a 1963 Cutlass Stationwagon.



6. Best of Show Award went to Harold Gray from Charlotte, MI with a 1929 F29 2-door Sedan



7. For the second year LAFUCU presented a trophy and that went to Mike Payton from Waxahachie, TX with a 1949 Olds 98 Club Sedan.



8. For the first year the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum presented a trophy and it went to Chuck Larson from Union, MI with a 1953 Fiesta Convertible.



Everybody had smiles at Homecoming. Mark your calendar for the 2013 Homecoming show, June 15.

Thanks to Bruce Powelson for these photos of the award winners

OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA 2012 NATIONALS

July 4-7 - Des Moines, Iowa Stories provided by Jan Hummer and Ashley Jones

From Jan's prospective.....

WOW! Did the Iowa Chapter members "know" when they started planning the 2012 National Meet in Des Moines how much an air conditioned building would be needed and appreciated during the days of the car show when the heat index was 110 degrees?

It turned out to be a well organized and very good National Meet with 292 beautiful Oldsmobiles on display inside the spacious convention center. There were at least 2 cars in our Class that were at a national Meet for the first time, so it is good that OCA moves the meet around to a different state each year.



Hummer's beautiful 1957 88

Luckily, most of the swap meet spaces were inside where it was cool. There were even some vendors there for the ladies to shop at while the car guys were, of course, "talking Oldsmobiles".



Tom took his 1957 "couch" with him!

Tom and I attended the Saturday evening banquet, which was a sit down

dinner with the table decorations in red, white and blue. The entrée of roast pork loin or chicken cordon blue was very delicious, and the desserts were really



good also. Following dinner, the Best of Class awards were presented along with many special awards.

At the end of the evening there was a presentation on the 2013 Nationals. That meet will be held at the Crowne Plaza and Holiday Inn Express, July 24th-28th in Springfield, Illinois. Plan

now to attend next summer's OCA National Meet, and we will hope for cooler temperatures.

We had a really enjoyable time looking at the very nicely restored Oldsmobiles. We even got courageous one day and ate lunch at Buzzard Billy's and discovered their food was really good!

We talked with several people from different states. Some of them had attended the Oldsmobile Homecoming and couldn't say enough good about our annual Chapter show!

From Ashley's prospective

The 2012 OCA Nationals was a successful event as both the car show and swap meet turned out extremely well. The air-conditioned building was a cool idea especially during the 100+ temperatures each day of the event.

The car show was held in a cavernous room with plenty of space to spare. In addition there were other rooms for the swap meet and cars for sale.

Quite a number of unusual cars, generally not shown at some of the more recent Nationals were on display on the mezzanine in the building. It was quite a show!!!

The event center was located just a few blocks from downtown and getting to and from the facility was relatively easy, especially since traffic was down due to the 4th of July holiday.

The inside swap meet was held in an adjoining room to the car show. It was



actually a short walk in air-conditioning to the outside car show and swap meet. There were a few diehard vendors (not me) who braved the century-plus heat everyday and also a few car owners that decided to show their cars outside.

The inside swap meet had some vendors catering to the wives, girl friends and daughters of those attending. Not a bad idea!

Deals were found in the swap meet with a pair of "D" heads and the power set-up selling together for \$3500. Other reasonable prices for rust-free sheet metal and other items were found.

I only recognized a few R. E. Olds Chapter members in attendance. Tom & Jan Hummer, and Ken & Marsha Nicholas were there. There were other Michigan Olds owners also in attendance.

The host hotel had excellent accommodations and their restaurant was terrific. The drive to Iowa wasn't bad, about 550 miles and with the price of gas

averaging \$3.19 per gallon, it wasn't too bad on the pocketbook.

In summation, the Iowa Olds Chapter did a very good job in putting on the

show. With the 292 cars in attendance and the inside show, it was very enjoyable. I am looking forward to the next National Meet in Springfield, IL.

Next.... Iola, Wisconsin-2012-that's another story.



Happy Birthday to.....

September

- 2 Regent Emard
- 6 Tom Collins
- 13 Wayne Jacobs
- 14 Mike Ross
- 16 Wayne Mason
- Bud Hilliard
- 19 Marsha Nicholas
- 22 Dennis Weglarz
- Sandy Wolf
- Terry Friar
- 24 Ruth Ann Galas
- 25 Randy Thayer
- Tom Hummer
- 27 Deb Shank
- Cheryl Spalding
- Carole Scholten
- 28 Dave Sowder
- Kit Murphy
- 30 Jeff Pregler
- Patrick LeFevre

October

- 1 Dave Lehnen
- 3 David James
- Sheridan Morse
- Ellis Norbeck
- 6 Jim Brehm
- 8 Lori Emmons
- Suzi Adcock
- 9 Harry Emmons
- Dan Mroczka
- Tammy Woodby
- 11 Ashley Jones
- 13 Tom Hacker
- 15 Mike Walters
- 16 Ken Nicholas
- Jim Lyon
- 17 Linda Heminger
- 18 Jamie Cox
- 20 Abel Anzuldua
- 28 Judy Badgley
- 29 Lisa Kleehammer
- Angel LeFevre

Belated Birthday wishes to Julie Wiles whose birthday was June 5 and **OLD** time member Ron Wiles whose birthday was July 10.



Welcome to our New Members.....

- Jack & Kathy Speicher- Dewitt, MI
1951 Super 88, 1964 Cutlass
- Jim & Sheri Wheelock- Eagle, MI
1968 Cutlass
- Larry & Sue Spicknell- Eaton Rapids, MI
1963 Super 88, 1963 Starfire conv.,
1964 Dynamic 88, conv ++++++
- Rick & Lydia Ferrigan- Haslett, MI
1968 Ram Rod 350 Cutlass
- Ed & Lisa Kleehammer- Eaton Rapids, MI
1977 Delta 88
- Bob Whitlatch- Lima, Ohio
1998 Acheiva
- Thomas & Sandra Roe-Los Angeles, CA
1937 F6 4-dr sedan, 1982 98 Regency,
1991 98 Elite, 1994 98 Elite, 2004 Bravada



Rocket Classifieds.....

LEAD: 1975 Delta 88 Royale Convertible, 47K miles. 6-passenger, A+ condition. Cranberry red with black top, stored winters, parade ready. Insured for \$14,000. For more details contact: Clyde Flory, 517-332-0024 or kccrf@comcast.net

1972 Cutlass Supreme-RUST-FREE Nebraska car: 350cid engine, 2-bbl carb, PS, PB, AC. Saddle bronze w/ivory int. Car runs and drives great, 119,000 miles. Straight solid car from the land of NO RUST! \$7500. Badgley's 517-645-7438 or djbadgley@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Man's thirty-year Oldsmobile service ring. Very good condition. Three diamonds and shows no wear on the edges or letters. Not sure of the size, but could be re-sized to fit. \$575.00. Don Cooper - 517-290-7455 or coopsledg@aol.com

CHAPTER MEMBERS ATTENDED.....

4TH OF JULY CAR SHOW - MASON, MI

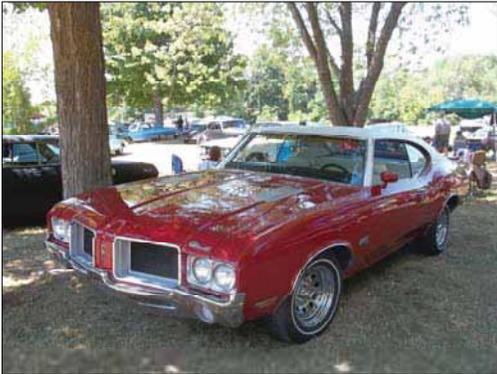
Several Chapter members attended this annual event held in downtown Mason surrounding the county courthouse building and spreading over into several of the nearby streets. It is a great way to celebrate the 4th. The city streets are lined with American flags provided by the VFW and American Legion for the celebration. Organizers giveaway door prizes, and have several food choices. It was a beautiful (hot) day and several Oldsmobiles attended.



Member Tom Collins had a "choice" parking spot on the end with his beautiful black 1967 442. Roger & Ellen Lounds with their 1968 Cutlass convertible and Badgley's with their 1972 Hurst/Olds convertible were parked nearby.

JULY 14 CAR SHOW - GRAND LEDGE

The annual Ledges Car Show is held in Fitzgerald Park in a fantastic shaded setting. Many of our Chapter members take their Oldsmobiles to this show. It was another hot day (was there anything else this summer!) but the cars and car people were there enjoying the day. Jan Hummer took these pictures of some of our Chapter member cars on display.



John Gross and his 1971 442



Jim Harsant's 1941 98 Convertible



Hummer's 1933 Oldsmobile Roadster

RAFFLE CAR



A familiar site at the car shows this season has been the red 1967 Cutlass convertible raffle car from the R. E. Olds Museum. This major fundraiser for the Museum has been seen at nearly all of the car shows. Chapter members have been helping by taking the car and selling tickets to raise needed funds to

operate the museum. If you haven't bought your tickets, use the form inserted with this newsletter and buy yours now. This beautiful car could be your ride in 2013! The photo at the right was taken at the Ledges Car Show and shows the Museum Raffle car and Chapter member Mike Walters selling a ticket on the car while showing his 1905 Curved Dash Olds at the same time.



AND STILL MORE SHOWS ATTENDED

JUNE 20-23, 2012 NATIONAL ANTIQUE OLDS CLUB IN COLUMBUS, INDIANA

Several of the R. E. Olds Chapter members are also members of the National Antique Olds Club. This club serves Oldsmobile enthusiasts with Oldsmobiles at least 35 years old. That means 1897 to 1977. Each year another model year is added. The national meet this year was held in Columbus, IN just south of Indianapolis. They featured both driving tours and bus tours. About 200 beautiful Oldsmobiles were on display throughout the 4-day event. Hineman's were vendors in the swap meet.



Max & Jo Hineman's 1952 98



Badgley's 57 98 / Brian & Joyce Ford's 60 88



Tom & Jan Hummer's 61 88

Congratulations to Hummer's and Ford's who both had their cars judged and won 1st Place Awards.

JULY 28 – R. E. OLDS MUSEUM CAR CAPITAL SHOW – LANSING, MI

Ashley Jones reports..... What a day! Mostly thanks to Mother Nature for predicting a picture perfect day. The nice temperatures helped entice 154 cars, trucks and motorcycle owners to bring them to Lou Adado Riverfront Park. The annual show is a fundraiser for the R. E. Olds Transportation Museum and it was the second year at this location. The general feeling of those that attended was that this is a very favorable location: on grass, with shade trees and adjacent to the Grand River.



In addition to the 154 vehicles (total up from last year), the Museum had a number of its cars on site providing rides and Jim Walkinshaw was also providing rides in his Curved Dash Olds. The photo on the left below shows Chapter member Ken Lovell giving rides in a REO.

A good showing of Chapter members with their Oldsmobiles was greatly appreciated. More than 50 volunteers helped with the show throughout the day, several of them also being Chapter members. It was a profitable day for the Museum both with the number of attendees and the sale of their merchandise. We could use more help for the 2013 Car Capital celebration. This is a yearlong planning event. If you would like to help, give the Museum a call at 517-372-0529.



OUR CHAPTER HAS LOST A FRIEND

Longtime member, Joe Pohl, passed away on August 1, 2012, at the age of 84. Joe served in the Army Air Corp and graduated from General Motors Institute. He retired from Oldsmobile in Lansing after 42 years of service. He and Barb were married for 62 years and had 3 daughters and 3 sons.

Joe and Barb joined the Chapter in November of 1987. Joe was not the kind of guy to sit and let someone else do the work. He served as Member-At-Large from 1993-1994; President from 1995-1997; Treasurer 2002-2004; and Membership Chairman 2005-2007. He was always a willing volunteer at Homecoming during those years as well.



Joe was very proud of the Oldsmobiles he owned. His 1966 Toronado was invited to participate in the prestigious “Eyes on Design” Classic Car show. In September of 2011, he was invited to bring the Toronado to Auburn to represent the American built Front-Wheel-Drive car at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg event. His was the only non-ACD to participate.

Joe and Barb also enjoyed getting their 1969 Cutlass convertible out for parades and Chapter functions. This year, as well as other years, they were both regulars at the Annual Memorial Day Parade and Chapter Picnic in Dimondale.

Joe will be missed by those of us who looked forward to hearing his opinions and his wonderful sense of humor, both of which he shared generously.

R. E. Olds Chapter Archives..... from Dave Violetta

One of our Chapter’s best-kept secrets is the Chapter history files (or archives) maintained in a file cabinet in the corner of the R. E. Olds Transportation Museum’s lunch/break room.

This collection of Chapter history contains copies of our newsletter, starting with the first 1985 issue and is complete through the current issues. Other items on file are the meeting minutes, financial records, copies of the bylaws, newspaper articles, Chapter correspondence and other related items.



The Homecoming Car Show section not only contains the related paperwork but also a t-shirt from each year. We are missing some of the early shirts (1993-1995) and could use some upgrades on other early years.

At the beginning of the year, the Chapter Secretary and treasurer submit their respective comprehensive files from the previous year.

The current 4-drawer file cabinet is packed full and is NOT as well organized, as I would like. We could use another 4-drawer lockable cabinet. Take a look around and see if you have one to spare. Also, if you have any Chapter related material that you think may be a good addition or upgrade to our archives, please give me a call at 517-669-9246.



R.E. Olds Chapter General Session Meeting June 5, 2012

President, Vicki May called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. There were 27 present at the meeting. There were no guests present.

President’s Report: Vicki welcomed and thanked the members for attending. Those

present introduced themselves and shared items of interest with the membership.

Board Meeting Items: There was no Board meeting this month and therefore no items to bring forth to the membership.

Vice President’s Report: Chris Heminger: Thanked members for going to grand Haven Manor for their mini car show. Eva Cooper received a card in the mail from them, thanking the club for attending the event. On June 7th there will be a Classic Car drive in at Lowe’s in Lansing, the article is in the State Journal paper. The Hot Rod Power tour in

Muskegon had nearly 10,000 cars this past weekend.

Secretaries Report: Ed Shand read the minutes of the general session meeting for May 2012 to the membership and opened for discussion. Bill Adcock motioned to accept the minutes as read. Mike Ross seconded the motion. The membership approved the motion.

Newsletter Report: Judy Badgley, Thank you Don Cooper for distributing the past newsletter. The next newsletter will be released in July. We still need some more

articles and they will be used for future releases.

Membership Chairman Report: Don Cooper reported: There are still 37 people not renewed their membership. Don will send post cards to those that have not renewed.

OCA Chapter Representative Report: Eva Cooper reported on the Compliance Report: There has been no communication from OCA this month.

Old Business: 1. Homecoming: As of June 5th there are 330 show cars registered. Last year at this time there were 280 show cars registered. We have 67 vendors reserving 140 swap meet spaces. There are 15 cars for sale. For the Friday night Dimondale event there are 91 cars registered and 201 people indicating attendance. For the Saturday Eaton Rapids event there are 76 cars and 169 people planning on attending. Don reported, everything is going well. The Homecoming Committee will be packaging the shirts on Wednesday June 13th at Cooper's at 6:30 pm. Steve Zaban has been in contact with television station WLNS 6 located at 2820 E. Saginaw, Lansing (near Frandor). They have invited us to bring our Oldsmobiles to their station and they will do about 4 interviews about our Oldsmobiles during the time slot of 5 a.m. and 7 a.m. on Thursday, June 14. Steve would like 2-4 more Oldsmobiles for this. Steve Zaban is looking for Oldsmobile items of interest for the auction.

New Business: 1. July 28th is the Car Capitol Car Show at the Adado Park. The show is sponsored by the museum. We need judges for the show. See Jerry Garfield is you are willing to help. 2. The OCA nationals show in DeMoines made some modifications to the amount of gas that can be in the tank. It went from 1 gallon to no more than 1/4th tank. 3. Museum update: The museum is being updated with lighting and cases are being lighted. There are some models of engines that will be displayed. All of them run. They just amazing little engines. 4. August 25th Saturday, 28th Street Show. 5. Bob Shorman showed the proposed mural for the museum to the museum board. They are looking into having some local artist help with the painting. 6. Willis has some building blocks from the Oldsmobile plant. He is offering them to the museum.

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jim Brehm and supported by Jim Harsant. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted: Ed. Shand, Secretary.

**R.E. Olds Chapter
General Session Meeting
July 3, 2012**

President, Vicki May called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM. There were 25 present at the meeting. There were no guests present.

President's Report: Vicki welcomed and thanked the members for attending. We all introduced ourselves and those having items of interest presented them to the group. Thank you Judy for arranging and facilitating the Hagerty kids judging activity at Homecoming. Thank you all that assisted with Homecoming show. It was truly the best one ever.

Board Meeting Items: Club financials we are in great shape. The final numbers from the Homecoming show are still in development as we have some outstanding invoices still coming in.

Vice President's Report: Chris Heminger reported Tom Erb will be coming back and make another presentation late on this year. Judy Badgley has a DVD filming of the restoration of the Futurliner. We'll view it at the August General Session Meeting. Bruce Powelson commented that the trailer parking worked real well for the show.

Secretaries Report: The minutes of the general session meeting for June 5, 2012 were presented to the membership and opened for discussion. Troy Collins motioned to accept the minutes as read. Ken Nicholas seconded the motion. The membership approved the motion.

Newsletter Report: Judy Badgley reported that she is waiting for the centerfold of Homecoming pictures for the newsletter. The newsletter should be mailed out next Monday. Judy suggested that as members attend various car shows they take a picture of Oldsmobiles and send it to Judy for the newsletter.

Membership Chairman Report: Don Cooper reported: The Chapter added six new members. Larry Spicknell, Eaton Rapids, Numerous 63-63 88's, Jim Wheelock, eagle, MI, 1968 Cutlass, Bob Whitlatch, Lima, OH, 1998 Acheiva, Rick Ferrigan, Haslett, MI, 1968 Ram Rod 350, Ed Kleehammer, Eaton Rapids, 1977 Delta 88, Jack Speicher, Dewitt, MI 1951 Super 88. We have 19 members that didn't renew their membership. Follow-up cards were sent to those delinquent. They will receive the next issue of the magazine and be dropped from the registry at the end of July.

OCA Chapter Representative Report: Eva Cooper reported: There was no new information to report.

Bylaws Report: Troy Collins reported there was no new information at this time.

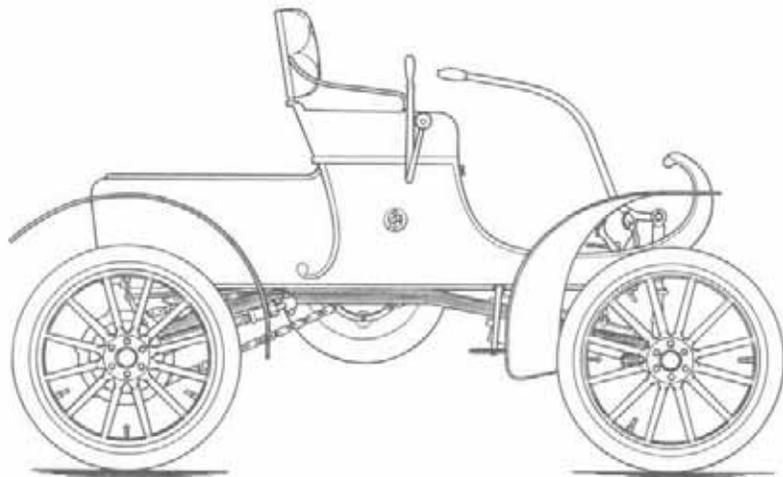
Old Business: 1. Homecoming: Ken-Thanks to all those that helped with the Homecoming show. It was a tremendous success. (*Editor's note-figures of attendance were reported in the last newsletter*) Registration lists were pre-printed for all participants who attended the 2010 and 2011 Homecoming show. This aided with the gate registration process, as the participant did not have to fill out a form for registration. Fifty-three names were selected from this list. It also helped the registration workers making it easier to register a car. Those registering at the gate received an envelope with a blank dash card for them to fill out after registering, a dash plaque (until the quantity ran out), and the door prize ticket and game cards. The

envelope packets were sequentially numbered so a rolling count of the show cars could be maintained throughout the day. We added 156 new people and cars to the database (first time participants) during the Pre-registration and at the gate. Individuals registering at the gate have been added to the database. There were 7 pre-registered participants that ordered shirts and did not attend the show or neglected to pick up their shirts. As a courtesy to them they were sent a letter advising them that we will ship the shirt for a cost of \$5.00 if they desire it to be shipped. Two shirts were already shipped and two were picked up at my house. The remaining people have not responded at this time. There were 94 cars and 209 people signed up for the Friday evening activity at Dimondale and it appeared as though 65 to 70 cars actually attended. Some of those signed up did not leave from the site and went directly to Dimondale and also did not park in the show area. There were 79 cars and 175 people signed up for the Eaton Rapids event at Miller Farms. When making any commitment for the event we should assume that only 70% of those registering will actually attend. Jerry Garfield stated that a profit of about \$2,000.00 was made for the show. Although we had a very successful show Don and Eva were missed terribly with all of the hard work that they do for the show. There were no golf carts for the show. This won't happen again. The PA system too loud. EMT needs to park near the field. They were somehow in the rear area and when we needed them twice it was difficult for them to respond. The Boy Scouts made over \$500.00 selling water at the show. The trailer parking had 16 trailers and the parking was good use of the lot. Brad Bishop and his daughter rode in Jim's Walkinshaw car. They were thrilled and it was a highlight for both of them. The Futurliner was a great attraction and the people bring it to the show were great people to work with. Next year we need a new feature attraction? Any suggestions contact Ken Nicholas. We received one report from an OCA officer, it was this was the second best Olds show ever, the first was centennial Oldsmobile show in Lansing. September 18th is the next Homecoming meeting. Steve Zaban had an excellent advertising campaign: The Detroit Free Press and good coverage from Channel 6. Radio did a good job. **Museum Update:** None **New Business:** 1. August 12th the Chapter picnic at museum. 2. Bob Shorman reported on the status of the Mural for museum, there is a meeting scheduled on 10th of July. A couple of painters were contacted and perhaps grants can be secured for completing the project. The museum will apply for grants by September. 3. A.A.R.M. 4th Annual car and truck show September 8, 10-3 at the Leslie Fall festival. Downtown Leslie. **Motion to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn the meeting Mike Ross was made by and supported by Bruce Powelson. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted: Ed. Shand, Secretary.

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