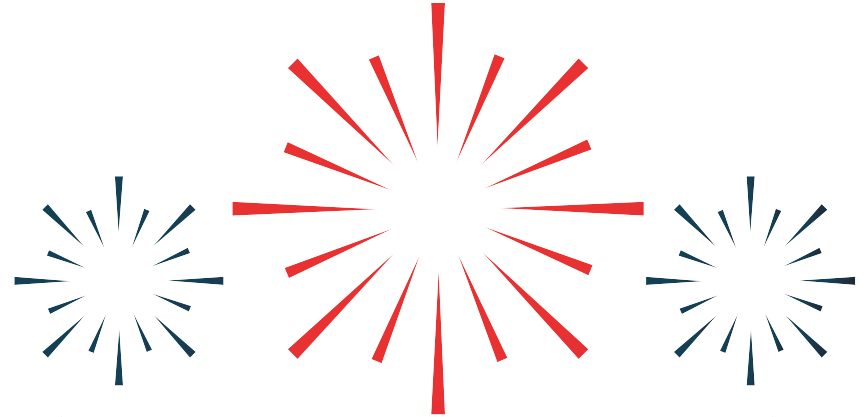




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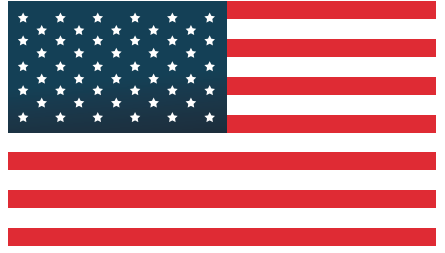
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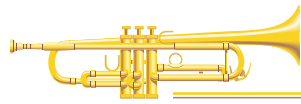
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**PRESIDENT'S TRUMPET** *by Lawrence Dagate*

Friends and fellow members,

A big howdy from your vice-president! I am filling in while Mike and Cindy are doing a little travelling and attending a family reunion. We certainly wish them a safe journey and lots of fun along the way!

It's hard to believe that July is already here. This year is really flying by quickly. As we celebrate 238 years of our country's independence, let us not forget the sacrifices of our fore fathers and military personnel that have made it possible for us to enjoy the freedoms we have today.

These freedoms allow great people to prosper and make life better for everyone. People like Ransom Eli Olds who started as a young boy in his father's blacksmith shop to become a pioneer in the automotive industry. In addition to Oldsmobile and the REO Motor Car Company, did you know that Olds patented the first gasoline powered lawn mower and the first self-propelled riding lawn tractor?

I feel certain that Olds would be pleased with our club and the many events and activities we enjoy while carrying on his legacy.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our July meeting.

Lawrence Dagate  
NTOC Vice-President

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**North Texas Oldsmobile Club Membership Application**

The NTOC is a chapter of the O.C.A. (Oldsmobile Club of America). Each of these organizations is dedicated to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of all Oldsmobile products from 1897 to the present. Ownership of an Oldsmobile is not required for membership in either club. The NTOC general membership meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at a location designated in the club's monthly newsletter "*The Rocket*"



Complete all information and mail with your payment to:

**North Texas Oldsmobile Club**  
**P.O. Box 541, Waxahachie, Texas 75168-0541**

**NEW MEMBERS:** Annual dues are prorated at \$1.50 per month from the month you join until April 1st.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Oldsmobiles Owned: \_\_\_\_\_ **If you prefer, NTOC can forward payment to the OCA.**

**1 Year Membership (April to April) \$18.00**  **NTOC Membership # if renewal** \_\_\_\_\_  
 **2 Year Membership (April to April) \$32.00**  **OCA Membership # if renewal** \_\_\_\_\_

An NTOC member may include a spouse or immediate family member up to age 18 and can be charged no additional membership fee. The family members have access to all club benefits, but only one monthly issue of "The Rocket" is sent per family. Membership fees are not refundable.

## NEW MEMBERS

**Evan Cottrell**  
**Hurst TX 76054**  
**1966 98 Convrt**

**Geoffrey Hall**  
**Austin TX 78735**  
**1998 Eighty Eight**

## FOR SALE/WANTED

- 1965 F-85 Flat Top Wagon
- 1965 F85 2dr Post
- 1967 Cutlass 330-4 with Jetaway transmission ready to install. \$750.00
- 1968 Cutlass wire wheel caps \$50.00
- 1964-1967 Cutlass parts.
- 1967 400 Unleaded heads \$350.00
- 1967 330 Unleaded heads \$350.00
- 1964-1966 330 Engine block \$125.00
- 1966-1967 330 Engine block \$125.00
- 1991 Custom Cruiser White / Blue leather 151,123 Miles. This car was built in June 2006 for the cost of \$37,900.00
- 2002 Corvette LS-1 with custom built 700 R4. 3" Exhaust system, custom sound system, custom wheels. The car has a little over 12,700 miles on the update. I have all the paper work.
- 1991 1992 Oldsmobile Custom Cruiser parts Front & Rear Bumper Covers, Side Body Trim, Front, Center & Third Blue Cloth Seats, Complete 5.0 engine and 4L60E Transmission, Frame. Vista Glass, Rear Side Windows Complete, Drivers Door, Passanger Front & Rear Door, Tail Lamps. Call for your needs.
- 1983 Delta 88 2 DR. Power Window System Complete \$125.00
- I am looking for a 1967 Cutlass Supreme 2dr HT, 1967 442 HT, 1965 Vista Cruiser

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**Richard Hirsch - 1-512-924-9490**  
**hirschmotors@gmail.com**

**1935 Oldsmobile F-35 2 door Touring Coupe.** Original flat head six engine with three speed. Original color Hollywood Green. The car runs and drives, many of you have ridden in it. Has new wide whitewall tires on the original rims. This is the only year Oldsmobile used "suicide" doors on the front of its cars. Car has the optional right tail light, trunk light (that still works), optional right windshield wiper, and still has the original and rarely seen radio antennas which are mounted under the running boards. New gas tank and fresh Stromberg carburetor. Brakes just redone also. \$9900. Interesting trades considered.

**Keith Sauls 210-286-5702**

## NTOC MEETING

*July 2014*

**Date:** Sunday, July 13th, 2014

**Time:** Meeting starts at 2:00 pm (come early for lunch)

**Place:** Sonny Bryan's Barbecue

1251 W. Campbell Road, Richardson, TX 75080

Phone: 972-664-9494



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# MEETING MINUTES

by Gene Crowdis

## June Monthly Meeting

The June 2014 NTOC monthly meeting was held on Sunday, June 8 at the El Fenix Restaurant on Skillman in Dallas. Mike opened the meeting at 2:00 and welcomed everyone. There were 30 members and no guests present.

Mike announced that Dave Huggins had passed away on June 5 and his services were to be held in Lindale, TX on Wednesday June 11. Members were asked to remember the Huggins family and to pray for them in this time of loss.

## Treasurer's Report

Cindy gave the treasurer's report and we continue to be financially sound. Cindy stated that several members had still not renewed their membership, but that she was going to finalize the roster and send it out with the current paid membership list. Cindy said that she has received \$75.00 from the proceeds of the 2014 Zone Show. This was above the money collected for the Helping Hands Fund.

## Helping Hands Fund

Cindy reported that we have over \$2311.61 in the Helping Hands Fund. As was decided at the May club meeting, the opportunity to participate in the Helping Hands collection is done through voluntary contributions to the fund by placing the money in the pail located on a table in the meeting room.

## NTOC Zone Show for 2015

Mike said he had talked with Joe Munoz about the 2015 NTOC Zone Show location and asked about returning to Granbury at the same location we had this year. Mike said that Joe thought that would be a good idea and would allow him some time to work with different locations in Addison to prepare for the 2016 Zone Show. Members present voted to hold the 2015 Zone Show in Granbury once again. Bob Kaman has talked with the Hilton Garden Inn and the rates for 2015 will be the same as this year. A vote was taken to determine the preferred weekend for the event. April 17 & 18, 2015 was approved. Mark your calendars now to attend. As usual we will be looking for volunteers to help with all of the jobs that need to be done.

## State Fair Display

We sent in the request form to Kelly Pound requesting one of the following Saturday car corral dates. We agreed on September 27, October 4, or October 18. As soon as we have information approving our request we will send out a notice to develop a list of members who want to display their cars in the car corral at the State Fair.

## November Fredericksburg Get-together for 2014 St for Oct. 31-Nov.1 Weekend

What can I add? The Fredericksburg trip is planned, advertised, fun arranged, all by

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## FOR SALE/WANTED

To all NTOC members, recently member Bob Brannan donated to the Club, some Oldsmobile press release kits. These will be sold on a 1st come 1st serve basis. All proceeds will be donated to the club for the club itself or our helping hands yearly fund. Below is a list of what I have. All are very reasonably price at \$30.00 each (yes that's cheap)! Get them while we got them.

I will be bringing them to the next club meeting.or call **Chris Dreiling at 972-245-1292**

- 1962 full line up - Qty. 5
- 1962 Station wagons - Qty. 1
- 1964 Full line up - Qty. 6
- 1965 Full line up - Qty.2
- 1969 Full line up - Qty. 7
- 1972 Full line up - Qty. 7
- 1973 Full line up - Qty. 1
- 1985 Indianapolis 500 - Qty. 1
- 1988 Indianapolis 500 pace car - Qty. 1



Anything that does not sell will be placed on Ebay in a few months.

**Service Manuals** for years '35,'38,'40,'42,'43,'49,'52,'58 thru 65,'69,'73,'75, and later models, also '73-'75,'78 Service Guild Binders, also have some sales brochures, dealer sales books, owners manuals all in excellent condition. Other Oldsmobile memorabilia and some die cast models, 1/64, 1/25th and 1/18 scale. Call or e-mail with your wants and needs! –

**Bill Szelag, Bastrop, TX, 512 985-6502**

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## FOR SALE/WANTED

**1970- 80- 90 Numerous Service manuals**, Technical Bulletin Binders/serv. guild issues and technical training manuals for almost all car mechanical components. Call for needs & pricing 214-583-7277.

**1968-70 Toronado parts**, including dash cluster assy, wiring harness, rear window defroster w/wiring harness & all components, many small parts for interior. No sheet metal or bumpers.

**1970-75 2-Original 4bbl intake manifolds**, part#s 407567 and 412753.

**WANTED:** 1-wheel cover/cap for my N24 option aluminum wheels on the '90 Custom Cruiser, photo available.

Call 214-583-7277 or email [oldstoro@sbcglobal.net](mailto:oldstoro@sbcglobal.net) for needs and/or pricing.

**John Bock - 214-583-7277 or email [oldstoro@sbcglobal.net](mailto:oldstoro@sbcglobal.net)**

## MEETING MINUTES (CONTINUED)

Denise Camba. It turns out now that we will not be having "lunch as usual" at the Full Moon B&B. Denise Camba is working on a different location for lunch on Saturday and a cruise route that may take us into a different part of the hill country. The Saturday evening meal/raffle is still on schedule as before. (Denise is looking for a different caterer to see what is available.) Sunday morning you are on your own to have breakfast and then head back home. Many of our group who attended last year were asking about the program at the Rock Box Theater. Denise has the program for that Friday evening. It will be a Country and Western Music Program. Tickets will be \$25.00 plus \$2.00 Tax per person.

Remember to dress in clothes that match the era of your car. Look now to find clothes, hats, shoes, (Sandals if they are your thing)? You haven't been looking? Why not?

### Bastrop Veterans Day Show is Return Option

Bill Szelag notified us that the BAC (Bastrop Area Cruisers) are working with the Bastrop merchants again to hold a Veterans' Day car show and city event. Begin thinking about returning to Bastrop. We haven't been there since the fire.

### Report on Autos in the Park

Coopers Aerobics Center Annual Autos in the Park was held on June 1 with 8 Oldsmobiles on display. Attending were Bill Hudson who won "Best 50's Car" with his Matt Snyder's '55 Olds, John Bock, '55 Convertible, Lance Hall, newly painted 442 H/t, Mike Payton, '67 modified 442, John Liconte, '92 Trofeo (Huggins car), Kendall Workman, '85 Cutlass, and two non-members, a Toronado and a '77 Cutlass. (Both very nice cars and drivers.) Tim Allen on Mondello (Tennessee) dropped by to look and talk with the Oldsmobile owners. Thank you James Crawford for coordinating the Tim Allen visit.

### Opportunity for NTOC Cruises

Mike Bunzel announced that he has scheduled a cruise through part of North Texas for Saturday June 14. The cruise would start in Sherman and use back country roads to Bonham and Greyson Count returning to Sherman. Opportunities to see some of the area driven by Bonnie & Clyde during their outlaw years, one lane bridges, and unique buildings in the small towns along the way. Several members indicated they were interested in going on the cruise.

### Club Spirit Items

No discussion of club spirit items was held.

### Tech Talk

James Crawford reminded us to watch Craig's listing for Oldsmobile Parts, new, used or re-manufacture. He recommended searching Craig's List "All" not just local.

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## MEETING MINUTES (CONTINUED)

A discussion was held about rebuilding Quadrajt Carburetor. Way too technical for the NTOC Secretary. Something about 600/650 and/or 750/800/840, smooth parts, parts with a bump, contact Shawn Murphy - Quadrajt parts.com.

Jean and Frank Turner are looking for a recommendation for a painter for their '63 Starfire. (Jean says it needs a paint job!!)

Terry Borgmann wants to know where to get his windows tinted. Any recommendations?

Mike Payton read a letter to the club into the Meeting Minutes. He requested that the letter be included in the Meeting Minutes. They follow here.

*I have given much thought to the recent developments within the OCA. I first considered demitting my membership but have come to believe that would only be running away from the problem, and I have come to know a great many individuals in the OCA who I would rather remain associated with.*

*Instead, I have decided on the following actions to emphasize my opposition to what is going on within the club.*

*I consider the disposition of the last election to be contrary to the bylaws of the OCA. Therefore, I do not accept and will not recognize any individual who may be appointed by Jerry Wilson, for since he is not the legitimate OCA president, anyone he might appoint is equally not qualified.*

*It should be understood that these are my opinions and mine alone. The NTOC is not in any part responsible for this statement and I reserve my right to my own opinion.*

*I understand that there may be those who may disagree with me, and that this may create some controversy with the NTOC. Due to that, I am willing to, at the pleasure of the membership, resign as president of the NTOC. Whether or not you decide to allow me to continue my term, I will still remain an active member of the NTOC as I have been for more than 15 years, and my good feelings for my fellow members will not diminish one iota.*

*The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men should do nothing.*

After reading his letter Mike said that he would resign as NTOC President if the club members wanted him to resign. The members present gave Mike a vote of confidence and said they did not want his resignation.

The meeting closed at 3:40 P.M.

Safe driving wherever you go.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Gene Crowdis  
NTOC Secretary

## Un-Needed Things!!

*by JuJu Nance*

It is amazing that there are tools, etc., for use in a kitchen that replaces what we have been using for years, or at least I have! A recent issue of "Chefs" brought up some of my pet peeves: (1) air popcorn popper that uses no oil or butter – my ages old heavy pot pops great & besides the oil & butter is what makes it good – then there is always microwave popcorn; (2) hamburger press or meatball shapers - what happened to forming them with your hands? I receive great pride in the fact that I can form them uniformly; and there is also the meatball baker; (3) electric tea kettle/hot water heater and an electric wok; (4) special serrated knife (short & fat) to cut tomatoes and transfer them to a plate; (5) rice maker – a pan w/2 cups boiling water, 1 cup rice & 1 tablespoon of butter cooked on low for 20 minutes makes perfect rice (recipe on package) but brown rice takes longer; (6) egg/strawberry slicer – a small knife will do the same trick & you can use the tip to take out the strawberry stem, but they have something special for this too; (7) fork w/ridges to twist spaghetti – my dinner forks have been doing the twist quite well, thank you; (8) vegetable chopper (a round thing that you put the onion, etc. in, cover and push chopper down on-once again why not a knife?); (9) acrylic egg carton – now you have to take the eggs out of the perfectly good carton they came in and put them in another carton – time wasted; (8) slicer for same thickness of vegetables-in a salad who is going to notice! Even if you are steaming or using in a pasta, etc, Julia Child is not in the kitchen!; (10) scoop to lift boiled eggs from pan to where ever-a large slotted spoon in your utensil drawer does the same thing. Why didn't they think of a special spoon to put the eggs in the pan in the first place? Then there is the special equipment to even boil the eggs; (11) AND MY LEAST FAVORITE the automatic ice tea maker, not only does this thing use the equivalent of 2/3 trays of ice, people will still fill the glass completely up w/ice & there goes your ice supply! AND I don't think you can make our infamous Texas Sweet Tea!

Follow my lead & rid your kitchen of these unnecessary items, THEN you can free up a whole shelf in a cupboard and use it for important things – a heated bun warmer, special pan to cook asparagus or pasta, huge dispenser w/tap for water w/lemon or any beverage (who needs 2/3 gallons of something?), beer glasses w/symbol of upside down beer bottle; ice trays w/shapes of spades, hearts, diamonds & clubs for your bridge parties; and a bread maker that makes the dough and cooks the bread all-in-one (but then who makes bread anymore-not talking about cinnamon, nut, cranberry or pumpkin).

Bon appetite, JuJu Nance

## OLDSMOBILE REUNION

**October 31-November 2, 2014**  
**Fredericksburg, Texas**

Information for hotel room reservations listed below.

The rooms are held under "TX Olds Club 2014".

We are organizing the following activities for the weekend:

- **event for Friday night (possibly RockBox again),**
- **lunch on Saturday • cruise on Saturday afternoon**
- **costume contest, auction and dinner on Saturday evening**

More info to follow soon about these events!

Denise Camba - [aggie8486@att.net](mailto:aggie8486@att.net) or 317.997.4957

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**Reservations:** Individuals are responsible for contacting the hotel directly for reservations. Individuals must secure reservation with a major credit card at time of booking. Individuals must book direct with the property. Group rate will not be honored for on line reservations. Payment: Individual pay with Credit Card or Cash.



## Where to go? What to do?

I joined the North Texas Olds Club in 1988 and I didn't own an Oldsmobile. Just knew I wanted to buy one. So I went to the "source" of all Oldsmobile knowledge; the local Olds Club. Surely someone would know where I could find the car I was looking for – 1968 442 Convertible, 4 speed. Oooops, not like Mustangs, they were not to be found on every corner. My friend from work, Ken Freeman, of the Freeman Olds family would surely be able to help me find what I was looking for. Oh, yes we found one, (only one) '68 Convertible, four speed, but Ken said we could find a better one. Oooops again.

Over the 26 years of being in the NTOC I have learned several valuable lessons. They are of some importance. You can get some real help from members by asking about problems with your car, or about what options the car came with from the factory, BUT when you ask for 1) a good mechanic, 2) an upholstery shop, or 3) where to get your car painted the lesson I have learned is that members will always say this guy did a good job for **ME**, but you are on your own to work out your deal with these three items. 1) Mechanics fix one car with a problem, rebuild an engine, and find out your problem wasn't as bad as you thought. You are happy!! Not so with the next fella'. 2) Upholstery is an art, using kits from Legendary or PUI or custom Upholstery, it is your responsibility to work with the shop, not the friend who had a really great experience before you. The guy who worked on your car quit!!! 3) Paint jobs take years and they always cost more than you expected. And when you get a scratch the guy can't blend the color to match your 4-year old special color. Painters seem to work on your car when they don't have anything else to do.

What I am trying to get across is that for me, I am responsible for what I have done to my car, so when you ask for a recommendation I will always caution that my experience was good, but I really can't promise the same results for you. One exception may be Jeff at Plano transmission. He has never let me down when I made a recommendation.

## *Bastrop Area Cruisers*

The Bastrop Area Cruisers will again be involved with putting on the Bastrop Downtown car show again in 2014. Preliminary info and dates included in the link below. More details to follow. It will be Saturday Nov. 9th for 2014.

Bastrop Downtown Business Alliance

Veteran's Day Car Show

<http://bastropdba.org/vets.html>

- *Bill Szlag*

## June Cruise ~ June 14, 2014

by JuJu Nance

**Mike Bunzel** orchestrated our cruise through northern Texas and southern Oklahoma with some great twists and turns. We met in Sherman; Bob Kaman in his '68 442 convert (Mike joined Bob), Kendall Workman's '85 Cutlass, Aron's '68 Silver Bullet and Juju's '94 Lovey Dovey (Melodee joined Juju). About 10:30 we headed east on Hwy 82/56 through Bells, Savoy, Ector to Bonham. On the way to Bonham signs of interest; the Pink City Water Supply (never found Pink City) and in Savoy (about 1000 people) there was the Savoy Housing Authority! On the way to Bonham we passed Sam Rayburn's home and the museum. At Bonham we turned north on Hwy 78, crossing the Red River, where several people were wheeling around on their ATV's.

We drove to Achille and stopped at the Quik Mart to buy Mary Lou some coconut candy. According to Mike the one-lane bridge was down Hwy 91, and after a turn down a road (which turned into gravel) it was decided this was the wrong road! Where are you taking us today, huh, Poppa Fox? Back to Hwy 78 and about 8 miles away we found the other road (no number, etc.) and off we were winding through a great tree covered road, with green fields and pastures. At last we arrived at the bridge called Carpenter's Bluff Bridge, waited for our turn and drove across the Red River into Texas. The bridge was built by the Missouri, Oklahoma, Gulf Line in 1910 as a toll bridge for trains with a side lane for wagons, horses and pedestrians. In the late 1960's it was renovated for cars and became a free bridge. The bridge has many cross supports and a little rusty looking, but with a charm of its own. The view going from north to south across the bridge was really pretty, even though the Red River was not full. Did anyone have a camera? Aron took one, but you can go online and see great views!

Once across the bridge was a VERY small community of Carpenter's Bluff (named after an old ferryman) with a general store and motorcycles parked around and some club with military vehicles. Off we sped on Hwy 120 to Denison (where we drove on brick roads!) to see Gen. Eisenhower's birthplace and statue. Kendall thought it very appropriate that we were there 70 years after D-Day!

*Carpenters Bluff Bridge (see below)*

We are now headed to our final destination "Loose Wheels". This place has eccentric décor, but good food. Our waiter, Blake, had some interesting things to say. He had just graduated from Grayson County College and was now a certified Emergency Medicine Technician excited about the area of airlift, which Bob gave him kudo's for.

All along our cruise we passed through lovely country, spotting farms, herds of cows, horses of all kinds, a few McMansions and a field with gnarly trees that Melodee wished she could do in charcoals! The day was cloudy and cool (at least for Texas and June), so it made for a great Oldsmobile cruising day! Thank you Mike for designing our route and letting us enjoy the wonderful country side. For those of you who did not make the cruise, you need to go on the next one!! YES!!

