

# ***Rocket Rumblings***

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## **NEOC's Annual Christmas Party Dec. 1!**



**Y**es, its that time of year already! Less than one month to the club's annual holiday extravaganza (and less than two months to Christmas!)

Basil & Rosemary have arranged holiday feast fit for a King (even if just King of your own castle). Oh wait, I've just been informed I am only king of the garage (and for some reason, the leaves that need to be picked up also fall under my jurisdiction).

The cost is \$31 for adults and \$7 for young ones (no Mike you are not considered a "young one"). We need to have a head count a few weeks prior to the festivities so please have your reservations (and check) into Dave Richter prior to Thanksgiving (yeah that's only three and a half weeks away!)

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### ***Elaines Restaurant***

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## **Dates to Remember**

November 1 - NEOC Mtg - Thursday at 7 PM  
Mike Barillaro in Kensington, CT

December 1 - NEOC's Christmas Party  
Elaine's Restaurant, Wethersfield, CT

January - NEOC Mtg  
Starting our Saturday Winter meeting schedule  
Watch for details on the meeting location and time in the next Newsletter and on the website.

# October Meeting Notes

By Bill LaPierre

The night of Thursday October 7<sup>th</sup> was a great night for a NEOC meeting. The weather was warm and dry; great for breaking out that rocket powered Olds for a cruise. Great weather wasn't enough to get the masses out as only nine of NEOC's movers and shakers found their way to Charlie Roy's place in East Hartford, CT. Despite the light attendance much was discussed and accomplished.

The first topic of discussion was our recent NEOC show at Schaller Auto World. The consensus was that the show was a success then we moved on to deciding how much of the proceeds should be donated to the Shriners Hospital for Children. \$900 was the agreed upon amount. Thanks to all those who attended and our gracious sponsors!

Steve Minore was not in attendance and asked me to thank everyone for judging and helping out. Dave Richter brought a box of unclaimed trophies and plaques. We eventually sorted out who was to receive them. Apparently, not everyone was present to take possession of the awards. The discussion moved on to the probability of moving the show to the Sturbridge Host Hotel, site of the 2010 Nationals. This is a great way to get familiarized with the site. Glen Morris provided some details and emphasized that it would be great if a bunch of us

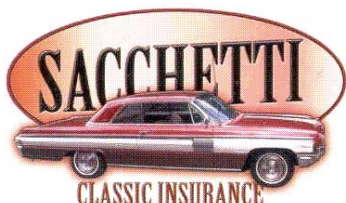
could make more of a weekend out of it by staying in the hotel. This would also help those (most of us) whom would have to drive a significant distance to attend. No need to leave the house at 5 am to get to the show on time! Rooms will be discounted for club members to \$139 per night.

Despite the lingering warm weather it was imperative to discuss the fast approaching Holiday party and meeting in December at Elaine's Restaurant on the Berlin Turnpike. Many thanks to Basil and Rosemary Treco for arranging the festivities, they did a great job.

We had to discuss Drag Day since it was rained out the week before. Unbeknownst to us it would be rained out for good the following week. Figures, we are in the middle of a drought and it seems to only rain on race days! Better luck next year.

We discussed moving meeting dates to the Saturday format for the winter season. This officially starts with the Holiday party in December and will continue until the spring thaw, probably in April. As always, check out the details elsewhere in this newsletter to stay informed. Glen Morris also mentioned (As he put on his Membership Coordinator hat) that a club roster should be printed and distributed to the rank and file by the end of the year.

Thanks to the Roy's for their hospitality. See you in Kensington, CT for the November meeting. **RR**



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## 2007 Christmas Party

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Please remember your raffle gift. This is always a fun time and kids and adults alike scope out the prizes and watch with teary eyed anticipation of getting their number called! The gifts do not need to be extravagant, or for that matter even Oldsmobile or car related. The women and children seem to prefer items not originally coated in grease or semi-flat black.

The food and fun will start around 6:00 pm for cocktails and a bit of friendly chat. At 7:00 pm (or thereabouts) dinner will be served.

This year the menu consists of:

### Appetizers:

Cheese & Cracker Platter

### Dinner Buffet Menu:

Green Salad

Penne Pasta w/ Romano Cheese  
in a Creamy Blush Sauce

Roasted Red Bliss Potato

Vegetable

Chicken Marsala-Chicken Sautéed w/ Mushrooms, Prociutto, Marsala Wine Dem-Glaze

Sirloin Tips Burgundy -NY Sirloin Sliced and Topped  
with Burgundy Brown Sauce

Roast Pork Loin - In a Demi-Glaze

Dessert

Coffee Station

Remember to make your check out to New England Olds Club as I heard Dave still needs more transmission parts and was talking of doing some home remodeling!

See page 7 for If you need any other details please contact Rose or Basil. **RR**



Season's Greetings

## Mark's Cruise Winners

The question is: are NEOC members building nicer and nicer cars or does it just seem that way?

Mark's Cruise in East Granby, CT is held every nice Monday during the cruising season and regularly attracts 400-700 cars at a time. Seems NEOC represented



Bill is all smiles as he accepts the trophy from Mark.

Oldsmobile well this season! President Bill LaPierre's 1966 442 convertible took home the trophy on June 25th and then Gene Miller's 1979 Hurst/ Olds took home the gold on August 27th.



Gene Miller gladly accepting the trophy.

Our hats are off to you guys an a great restoration of your respective cars. All those nights of laying on your back scraping and painting can now be forgotten!

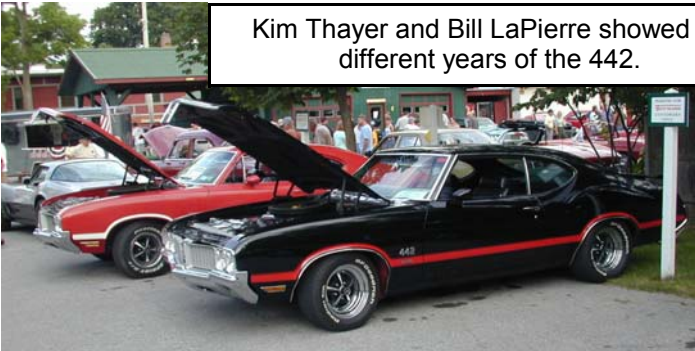
Now its time to get under there with the can of wax and touchup brush! Congratulations to you both! **RR**

## Hemming's Cruise

Here are a few more memories of the cruise up to Hemmings for their Thursday night cruise. I was amazed to see as many cars from CT as I did (not including NEOC). I understand we were one of the largest, if not the largest, they have had show up! **RR**



Kim Thayer and Bill LaPierre showed off different years of the 442.



Now here is a couple of nice Oldsmobile musclecars! :)



The DJ kept everyone entertained as well as on their toes with trivia. The food tent was busy all night.



Lots of new friends were met and the bonds between old friends strengthened.

## Membership renewal

NEOC MEMBERSHIP,

Well, another great Olds year has almost passed us by. So what does that mean? Time to hibernate the Olds? Time to buy Christmas presents? Time to file your tax return? Heck No! It's time to renew your NEOC membership.

Please renew as early as possible and also make sure that your dues with OCA are up to date.

You can fill out the renewal application in this newsletter or go to our website, [www.neolds.com](http://www.neolds.com), click on "join" and then "NEOC application page 2" to get a copy to fill out and send to our club address.

THANKS for your early renewal.

*Glen Morris*  
*NEOC Membership Coordinator*



While there were no Oldsmobile's in the collection, the museum/garage was very

Oldsmobile muscle was everywhere!





# NEW ENGLAND OLDSMOBILE CLUB

## Membership Application and Renewal Form

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Annual dues are \$20.00. Dues expire on December 31.

Please make personal checks or money orders payable to: New England Oldsmobile Club.

Mail completed form and check to: **New England Oldsmobile Club**  
**372 Batchelor Street**  
**Granby, Ma. 01033**

Questions? Contact Glen Morris, Membership Coordinator @ 203-269-4365  
or e-mail [GMorris@aol.com](mailto:GMorris@aol.com) or check our website at [www.NEOLDS.com](http://www.NEOLDS.com)

Ownership of an Oldsmobile is NOT required to join our club. Any year or type of Oldsmobile is welcome in our ranks.

**New England Oldsmobile Club c/o  
Dave Richter  
372 Batchelor Street  
Granby, MA 01033**

# Directions To The Next Couple of Meetings

The **November meeting** will be hosted by Mike Barillaro in Kensington, CT on **Thursday Nov. 1st.**

Mike Barillaro  
228 Lower Lane, Kensington, CT 06037  
**860-828-3812**

## **Directions:**

**From Hartford and the north:** I-91 South to exit 22N (Route 9 North). Follow Route 9 North for 2.5 miles. Take Exit 22. At Bottom of ramp (there will be a Saturn Dealer to your left), take a left onto Frontage Rd. Follow Frontage Rd to the end (approx 2/10 mi). At traffic light take left onto Webster Square Rd. Follow Webster Square Rd to the end (approx 3/10 mi). Take right onto Mill St. Follow Mill St (becomes Farmington Ave) for 4/10 mi, to second traffic light. Take left onto Lower Lane. Follow Lower Lane for 4/10 mi. #228 will be white house on the right.

**From the south:** take I-91 North to Exit 22N-S for Route 9 North then proceed as above.

**From the East:** take I-84 West to I-91 South and proceed as above.

**From the West:** Take I-84 East to Exit 39A for Route 9 South. Follow Route 9 South for 7 ½ Miles to Exit 23 (Christian Lane). Take right onto Christian Lane and proceed to the second traffic light (1/2 Mi). Take a left onto Farmington Ave. Follow Farmington Ave for 3/10 mi. to first traffic light and take right onto Lower Lane. Follow Lower Lane for 4/10 mile. #228 will be white house on the right.

In **December** we will not have a separate meeting as any business to be taken care of will be handled at the Christmas Party on **Saturday December 1st.**

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## **Directions:**

### **From the North and East of Hartford;**

From I-91 Southbound, take Exit 28 for US-5/CT-15/Berlin Turnpike. Stay on US-5/CT-15/Berlin Tpke for approximately 3.75 mi to 1841.

### **From Waterbury and West;**

Take I-84 to Exit 34 CT-72/CT-9 for New Britain for 2.8 mi. Merge onto CT-9 (North) for 1.9 mi. to Exit 29 CT-175/Cedar Street. Take CT-175/Cedar St. for 2.8 mi, to US-5/CT-15 (North). Go 0.3 mi on US-5/CT-15 to 1841.

# Rocket Classifieds

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Email: [Jim70442w30@aol.com](mailto:Jim70442w30@aol.com)

Snail mail: Jim Schmitz 860-379-5221  
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I would like to borrow National Show Meet Program Booklets for the following Oldsmobile National Shows;

- Texas in 1999
- Lansing in 2002
- Minnesota in 2004
- Texas in 2006

Please contact: Don Jack (203) 375-6138  
[dbjack@aol.com](mailto:dbjack@aol.com)

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