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## *A 2010 NEOC Christmas Carol* *"A Rocketing Christmas Eve"*

*'Twas the night before Christmas and in the garage  
there wasn't a trace of a Ford or a Dodge.  
The presents were wrapped and the light were all lit  
so I figured I'd mess with the Olds for a bit,*

*I popped the release and I lifted the hood  
when a deep voice behind me said "LOOKS PRETTY GOOD."  
As you can imagine I turned mighty quick  
and there by the workbench, stood good Ol' Saint Nick!*

*We stood there a bit, not too sure what to say  
then he said with his wit, "TRADE THAT FOR MY SLEIGH?"  
I said "NO WAY SANTA," and started to grin,  
"BUT IF YOU'VE GOT THE TIME, WE COULD GO FOR A SPIN!"  
His round little mouth, all tied up like a bow,  
turned into a smile and he said "HEY! LET'S GO!!!"*

*So as not to disturb all the neighbor's retreat  
We pushed the Olds quietly into the street  
Then, taking our places to drift down the hill,  
I turned on the key and let the clutch spill*

*The sound that erupted took him by surprise  
he liked it a lot... by the look in his eyes.  
With Goodyears a'cryin' and headers aglow  
we headed on out where the hot rodders go*

*Santa's grin widened, as the revs hit his ears.  
With every shift up as I went through the gears.  
Then he yelled, "CAN'T RECALL WHEN I'VE FELT SO ALIVE!"  
So I backed off the gas and said, "WANNA DRIVE?"*

*Ol' Santa was stunned when I gave him the keys  
When he walked past the headlights he shook at the knees!  
The big block exploded with a rumpety sound!  
When he let out the clutch, the torque shook the ground!*

*Powershift into second, and again into third  
I sat there just watching, at a loss for a word.  
Then I heard his exclaim as we blasted from sight  
"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL... IT'S A HELL OF A NIGHT!!!"*

# November Meeting Minutes

## By Larry Gagain

The November meeting was attended by 11 members and held at the home of Mike Barillaro in Kensington.

Meeting came to order at 7:30.

First agenda item was club board elections. As there were no write in votes, the following members are currently running unopposed for these offices;

Glen Morris – President  
Dave Richter – Vice President  
Bill Black – Treasurer  
Larry Gagain – Secretary  
News Letter Editor – open  
Event Coordinator - open

Final approval will be at the Christmas Party

Speaking of the Christmas Party...deadline for meal selections (remember it's a sit down dinner this year) are due by Thanksgiving 11/25. Please send your money and choices to Dave Richter.

Also as a reminder 2011 dues are due by January 1<sup>st</sup> so as long as you are sending the Christmas Party check why not add the \$20 in for the dues.

## Dates to Remember

Nov 4 - NEOC Mtg - Thursday 7 PM  
Mike Barillaro's - Kensington, CT

Dec 4 - NEOC Christmas Party  
Saturday 6 PM - Manchester, CT  
See Details Inside

Dec 25 - Yep, only 85 shopping days left. Best get you list going for the man in the red suit!

Jan - No meeting this month! See you in Feb!

Feb - NEOC Mtg - Saturday 1 PM  
Steve Minore's - Meriden, CT

Post elections, if there Glen Morris is voted in as President then the club address will change from Dave Richter's to Glen's address.

The Club bank account and National's bank account will combine as there is no longer a need to maintain 2 accounts.

There are still issues with the Club roster database... different options were discussed but no action plan developed yet. Anyone familiar with Microsoft Access is asked to offer support as some of the officers are not that familiar with the program.

### 2011 NEOC Show

Mike Barillaro is checking into venues in the Berlin CT area. All other locations will be considered so if you have a suggestion as to where we can host next year's show please let any of the officers know. We are looking at the end of August or early September. Car show committees are now being formed.

No January meeting

February meeting will be at Steve Minore's house in Meriden CT. Please note February's meeting is on a Saturday. The March meeting is TBD. **RR**

## NEOC Elections

November is the time for elections and whether you are looking to vote democrat or republican, your votes in the club will hit home just as hard. We are looking to fill a few offices as some folks that have served in office for a number of years are looking to give others the opportunity. Why not consider helping out and becoming active this year.

We are looking for nominations for the following positions; President, Vice President, Treasurer and News Letter Editor. You can submit nominations of yourself or another active member to Glenn Johnson. **RR**

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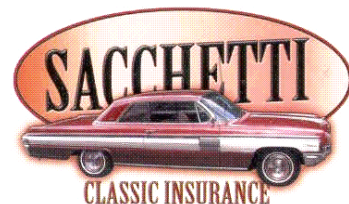
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## 2010 Nationals Merchandise



Amazing what good ideas flow as the adult beverages start to add up. During the picnic we realized we still had some Nationals items and rather than letting them collect dust a suggestion was made to make the items available to the general membership.

Here is a short list of available items and the corresponding prices. Remember, once this is gone, it's gone!

2010 Oldsmobile Nationals  
40th Anniversary Collector  
Edition Show Magazine \$7



2010 Olds Nationals Show  
Plaques \$10

2010 Oldsmobile Nation-  
als cookbook \$7  
(Christmas is coming!)



All include shipping and  
handling. Limited quantities available. Contact:  
Glen Morris 203-269-4365 or [gmorris01@aol.com](mailto:gmorris01@aol.com).

Thanks,  
Glen

## 2011 NEOC Car Show

Yes, you read that right! The goofballs who just spent over 3 years planning the last car show are looking to do it again. I wonder if that means we like it or are just sadistic?

It's not too early to start thinking about our car show for 2011. Yes, we will have a show next year as discussed at the October meeting. We also discussed a new venue and possibly a new format for the show.

This will be the 15<sup>th</sup> all Olds car show sponsored by our club (if you include the 2010 Nationals). We are "Olds" pros at this now! And there is no shortage of needed supplies for another show. We have lots of left over items from the Nationals and will be able to put them to good use.

So, we need to find a new location and are open for suggestions. Some of the suggestions from the October meeting were to have it in a large business area, a school location, and a local or state park that may have a play area for children.

Does anyone have any ideas? We would need a location for at least 100-120 cars, plus room for a few vendors and food.

Obviously the location would have a dramatic affect on the amenities provided so keep this in mind as you consider possible locations.

We also discussed the possibility of having a different method of judging the cars, one of which is the peer judging format which would ease the burden of judging. Again, we are open to any and all suggestions to try to make this a relaxing and fun show for all attending as well as those running it.

Please join us at a future meeting and offer your suggestions or contact any NEOC officer with your thoughts or suggestions. We will be discussing this at the next several meetings to try to determine the location and format as soon as possible.



## A Political Message for You

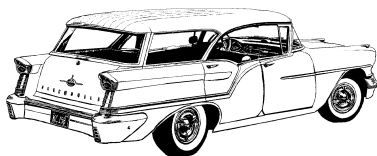
NEOC Members,

I have decided to toss my hat into the NEOC Presidential ring for the upcoming election. I have been asked by several members several times to do this. Now that the pressure of the 2010 Nationals is behind us, I have a little more time for this. Recent changes at work may also open more time for me to support this also, so the time is right for me personally.

If elected, I hope to continue the momentum this club displayed in supporting the 2010 Nationals. We may all be expressing a sigh of relief but we must continue forward.

If you are willing to share your energy going forward, please support me.

**I am Glen Morris,  
and I approve this message**



## NEW ENGLAND OLDSMOBILE CLUB

### NEOC MEMBERSHIP

Okay all, it's that time of the year again. Time to renew your NEOC dues which expire December 31st of each year.

Please print a copy of the application form from our web site or use the one in this newsletter, fill it out and send it with your dues to the club address. Because our database software is a bit old and outdated, we are in the process of creating a new one. Please take the time to fill out a new application as this will insure that everyone's information is up to date.

As stated in years past, we require that you are also a member of the OCA in order to maintain your membership with NEOC. So, check your due date for OCA while you're at it. We review this compliance once a year in the December-January time frame with the Vice President of the OCA. This coincides with our dues also.

So, send your dues in today. And don't forget the NEOC annual Christmas party also. Save a stamp and send your dues and Christmas party money at the same time!

**Glen Morris**  
**NEOC Membership Coordinator**

## This will make you hungry!

**By Bill Black**

**H**ow do you get to the heart of an Olds man? Someone's ex-wife might say, "With a kitchen knife, right through his chest." Well, that's not very nice. The real answer is, "through his stomach". And what's the best way to accomplish that? That's by making some of the great recipes in the 2010 Oldsmobile National cookbook. Due to the diligent effort of our Cookbook Chairperson, Patti LaPierre, we are fortunate to have our own cookbook with 150 great recipes gathered from NEOC, GMO members and our Olds friends.

No other cookbook will contain recipes like VISTA CRUISER EGGPLANT CASSEROLE, or W-31 RICE WITH TART CHERRIES. How about F-85 CHOCOLATE PUDDING CAKE. Man, I'm getting hungry just thinking about SMOKE N' MIRRORS PULLED PORK.

So you're probably saying, "Hey, I already bought a cookbook at the Nationals." Well that's great; now we're looking to promote sales in another way. When you go to Earl Bancroft's place of business, Riley & Scranton Automotive Service Center, Inc., in Glastonbury, you'll find some of our cookbooks on the counter. Earl has agreed to keep a stock of cookbooks and sell them to willing customers. You too can help if you have a business where books can be displayed. How about that special customer or family member? Why not give them a cookbook. They make great souvenirs from the 2010 Olds Nationals, and for just \$5 each, they are a great quality gift. If you would like to help your club by selling cookbooks at your business, call me at (203) 457-1459 or email [dragonflyfarm@att.net](mailto:dragonflyfarm@att.net).

Thanks. I think I'll go now and make a CUTLASS SUPREME COCONUT CREAM PIE.

Bill Black

# NEW ENGLAND OLDSMOBILE CLUB

## 2010 Christmas party

Well, Fall has arrived and it's time to start making plans for the upcoming Holiday season. Once again our hard working party committee of Basil and Rosemary have been able to secure the first Saturday in December for our annual party. This year we have a location change to Manchester in a little different type of environment as we will be headed to a sit down meal as opposed to the buffet style. What this means is that you will need to pick your entrée when you make your reservations (similar to the Nationals Banquet). We will also be starting just a tad later than previous years. Don't forget, we will be having our annual raffle as well, so please bring a gift! This is just as popular with the kids and the ladies as it is with the guys. Gifts do not need to be Oldsmobile or even automotive related, so if something grabs your eye, why not pick it up for the raffle? By the way, if your gift IS Olds related, don't worry, I am sure SOMEONE would appreciate it!

Please get your selections to Dave Richter as soon as possible. We need to know your selections by Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> (the day after Thanksgiving). **RR**

Our party this year will be held at;

### **The Adams Mill Restaurant**

165 Adams Street  
Manchester, CT 06042  
860-646-4039

[www.theadamsmill.com](http://www.theadamsmill.com)

Date: Saturday December 4, 2010

Time: Cocktails at 7:00 pm in the bar area (upstairs)

Dinner at 8:00 pm (downstairs, but don't worry... they have heat!)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Children Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

### Meal Selections;

**ADULTS (over 12)** - All dinner selections need to be pre-ordered. The 4 entrées that are available are:

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#### **1 - Chicken Teriyaki**

Boneless breast, marinated & grilled, topped with a Teriyaki glaze and a fresh pineapple salsa. Served with rice pilaf.

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#### **2 - Fresh Salmon Filet**

Oven roasted with honey mustard sauce. Served with rice pilaf.

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#### **3 - Baked Stuffed Shrimp**

Four jumbo shrimp stuffed with seafood dressing and served with rice pilaf.

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#### **4 - Prime Rib of Beef**

A 12 oz prime rib served with garlic mashed potato.

All Adult dinners Include; baby greens house garden salad, dinner rolls, coffee (reg or decaf), tea and Carrot Cake for dessert. Price per person is \$30 All children's entrees served with a choice of carrot sticks, apple sticks, garlic mashed, fries or rice pilaf. Children's menu items (for those under 12) can either be pre-ordered or ordered at the restaurant at the time of the party.

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French Bread Style Cheese Pizza

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Penne Pasta, Meatballs and Red Sauce or Butter

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Fresh Breaded Chicken Tenders

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Mini Cheese Burgers

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Cheese Quesadilla

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Grilled Cheese

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Kraft Mac'n cheese

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Honey Mustard Salmon

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Herb Chicken Breast, grilled

☐

Prime Rib of Beef



# NEW ENGLAND OLDSMOBILE CLUB

## Membership Application and Renewal Form

☐ New

☐ Renewal

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Check here only if you want your newsletter mailed USPS. Otherwise the newsletter will be in electronic format and available on line monthly in Adobe Acrobat format, allowing easy viewing, downloading and printing in full color.

Oldsmobile Club of America (OCA) membership is **mandatory**. If not a member, you can log onto the OCA website and apply on line at **[http://www.oldsclub.org/joinOCA\\_2.htm](http://www.oldsclub.org/joinOCA_2.htm)** Non compliance with this requirement can result in forfeiture of N.E.O.C. dues.

OCA member # \_\_\_\_\_ and expiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Oldsmobiles owned:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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.



# Directions To The Next Meeting

The **Christmas Party** will be on **Saturday December 4th**, at;

**The Adams Mill Restaurant** 860-646-4039

165 Adams Street, Manchester, CT 06042

[www.theadamsmill.com](http://www.theadamsmill.com)

**From points North:** I-91 South to Exit 39A which is I-291 (East). After 3.7 miles get off on Exit 5 for Tolland Turnpike. At the end of the ramp, turn LEFT (North-East) onto Tolland Turnpike for 1.1 miles. Take a RIGHT (South) onto Adams Street for about 0.4 mile to the restaurant.

**From points South & West:** Take I-84 East to Exit 62. Go to Buckland Street and turn RIGHT (South) for about 0.3 mi. Continue onto Adams Street, for 0.4 mi, the restaurant will be on your left.

**From Sturbridge and points East:** Take I-84 West to Exit 60-62. At the end of the ramp, turn RIGHT (East) onto Pleasant Valley Road. After about 1/8 mi, turn RIGHT (South) onto Buckland Street. Follow Buckland for approximately 0.3 mi and continue onto Adams for 0.5 mi to the restaurant (on your left).

## Rocket Classifieds

Club members are entitled to ONE free ad per issue. There is no charge for members. Insert a photograph for better results. Please submit ads by the 15th of the month. Email submissions are preferred, but snail mail is fine. If you need photos scanned and returned, please include a SASE..

### ***To submit a classified ad:***

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

Snail mail: Jim Schmitz 860-379-5221  
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### **For Sale: Rear Axle**

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