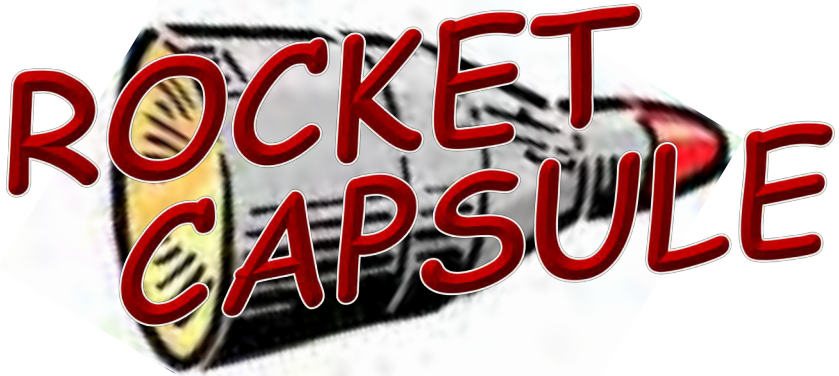




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## President's Note

Hi to all you Oldsmobile lovers,

Have I got great news for you. Our August meeting and picnic is going to be sensational! The meal will be absolutely fabulous!

Entrees: Pulled Pork and/or Chicken

Served with either rolls or buns

Salad: Fresh fruit

Side dishes: Green Beans Amandine

Potato Salad

Desert: New York Style Cheese Cake (Assortment of Cherry, Strawberry, and Chocolate Toppings)

All of this will be catered by HyVee in Altoona. All tableware will be furnished. I will try and figure out something for beverages (non-alcoholic for the park). Only problem I have is finding containers large enough for our group. If you want to bring your own, feel free to do so.

I hope that everyone will keep thinking of the Bob Erickson and his family as he passed away on July 6, 2016. A private service was held for him.

It has been a real busy time since our last meeting. I don't know for sure what all I did, but the time has just flown. Seems like the weeds in the flowers and the lawn grow much faster than I can tend to them, but the weather has been nice (especially here in Polk County: nice rains, sunny days, on and off hot weather (but what can you expect for summers in Iowa). Thank goodness for no violent weather.

I hope to see all of you at the August 13th meeting at Thomas Mitchell Park, Shelter House #1, just south of Old Highway 6 between Mitchellville and Altoona at 11 am. Please drive your Oldsmobiles, so our instructor can teach you how to judge them.

Gary Knutson,  
President

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## Upcoming Meetings

**July** - No meeting due to Nationals.

**August 13** - Club picnic at Thomas Mitchell Park, just off Highway 6, south of Mitchellville, Iowa. Lunch will be catered and paid for by the Club. Hoping we can get members to bring their cars and have Lynn or Bob or someone teach the rest of us how to judge cars.

**September 8** - After the show field and registration booths have been set up, we can discuss items that need to be taken care of for the next three days of Quad States.

**October 22** - TBD

**November 19** - Holiday party. Black stone in Iowa City.



# Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2016

Meeting held at the Isle Casino in Bettendorf. The meeting was called to order at 11:05 am by President Gary Knutson with 11 members in attendance. Present were Vice President Robert Thompson, Secretary Robert Stebbins, and Treasurer Lynn Clark.

- Minutes of the May meeting were read by Robert Stebbins. Gary Knutson noted the date of the last meeting should be changed from March 21st to May 21st. Gary Gleason made a motion to accept the minutes with the change in date, with a second by John Montgomery. The motion passed unanimously.
- Treasurer's report: Club is solvent.
- Ken Mizaur made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, with a second by Vickie Stoltenberg. The motion passed unanimously.

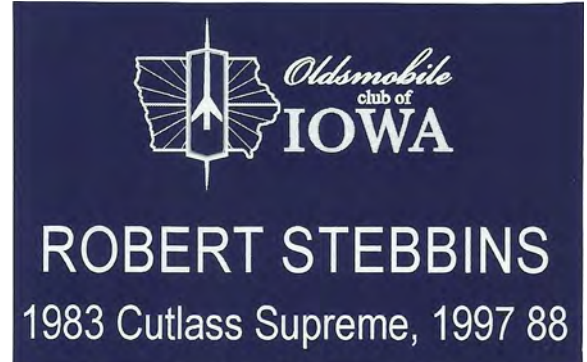
## Old Business

- Gary Gleason gave an update on the status of planning for the 2016 Quad States.
  - ⇒ Photographer:
    - \* For \$100, the photographer will take pictures of all cars at the show. These pictures will be organized by judging class and loaded onto a CD. A DVD of all show cars, or printed photographs of specific cars, will be available for purchase from the photographer.
    - \* Gary Gleason and/or Jerry Dykes will likely be presenting the trophies at the awards banquet. Lynn Clark will be reading of the class winners.
    - \* We will possibly need two different slide shows; one with all the show cars to run in the background during the banquet meal, and another with only the award winning cars to be used during the trophy presentation.
    - \* The photographer may dedicate one month of his annual Oldsmobile calendar to our Quad States show.
  - ⇒ Security:
    - \* Gary needs to check with Leah to find out how much security is offered by the casino, and then we will fill the gaps
    - \* The Nova Club has volunteered to help us with security, therefore, we probably won't need any OCI members to volunteer.
    - \* Leah joined our meeting and said the casino has security cameras outside and a security vehicle that makes one lap around the parking lot approximately every hour. She said the Nova Club hired Per Mar Security to guard their cars overnight.
  - ⇒ Rooms:
    - \* Close to 150 room nights have been booked.
  - ⇒ Golf carts:
    - \* Lynn Clark said the deposit check for the golf carts will go out this week.
  - ⇒ Miscellaneous:
    - \* We are borrowing radios from Steve Duffy for no charge.
    - \* A sample lanyard and nametag for show attendees was passed around.
    - \* Gary will be contacting Fusick about free windshield cards.
    - \* A brief discussion was held about having a DJ play music outside on the show field. It was decided to have no music during the show.
  - ⇒ Trophies and judging:
    - \* Lynn Clark brought up a discussion about award designation on the trophies.
      - ◆ The big trophy plaques will be used for "best of class" only.
      - ◆ The small plaques will be designated "class award" and could possibly be given to two cars per class, depending on the number of entries in each class.
      - ◆ This would result in a total of three trophies per class.
    - \* Lynn stated show only cars will be mixed in the judged cars on the show field.
    - \* Special show awards will include a president's choice and the casino's choice.

- ⇒ Gary will be sending copies of the spreadsheet of registrations to the OCI board.
- ⇒ Robert Stebbins will include a reminder in next the newsletter about how OCI members need to order their Quad States t-shirts:
  - \* T-shirts ordered on the registration form are full price and will be blue in color.
  - \* T-shirts ordered through Connie Mizaur are sold at a discounted price to Club members and will be yellow in color.

### New Business

- Robert Stebbins brought a sample of a possible new design for Club nametags. The sample includes the latest Club logo design that is currently used on the front page of the newsletter and our Club jackets. The member information on the proposed new nametag is similar to that of the past nametags. Cyclone Awards & Engraving in Ames produced the sample. They can produce the nametags with the traditional pin or clip backs for \$6.00 each, or a magnetic back for \$8.00 each. Vickie Stoltenberg made a motion to order new nametags with magnetic backs, with a second by Ken Mizaur. The motion passed. Order forms will be available in the next newsletter.
- Our next meeting will be held on August 13th at the Thomas Mitchell Park, just outside Mitchellville.
  - ⇒ Meet at shelter house number one.
  - ⇒ Lunch will be catered by HyVee and paid for by the Club.
  - ⇒ Please bring your cars for a training session for show judges.
  - ⇒ Camping is available at the park for those that want to stay overnight.
- John Montgomery made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second by LaVonne Gleason. The motion passed unanimously.



Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Stebbins

## Passing of Bob Erickson

It is with great sadness that I (Lynn Clark) have to pass on that one of our founding members, Bob Erickson passed away the morning of July 3rd from congestive heart failure after a short stay in the hospital. Besides being a close personal friend, he was a lover of all things Oldsmobile. I do not know if there will be any services held but I will pass on information when/if I receive it.

Condolences can be sent to his wife Jane and step daughter Sandy at:

Jane Erickson  
2510 54th Street  
Des Moines, Iowa 50310

Obituary:

Bob Erickson, 71, Des Moines, Iowa, died July 3, 2016 in Des Moines. No services are planned following cremation. Survivors include wife Jane, daughter Sandra, and nephew Scott (Michele) Wheeler. Memorials may be directed to the Animal Rescue League of Iowa or the Bidwell-Riverside Center of Des Moines at 1203 Hartford Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50315. (A child development center and food pantry).

# Quad States T-Shirt Reminder

We are asking all OCI members attending the 2016 Quad States to purchase and wear yellow event T-shirts. The yellow T-shirts will differentiate us from the other show attendees. This will make it easy for anyone needing assistance to locate an OCI member quickly.

Yellow T-shirts are available for purchase at a discounted price from Connie Mizaur by use of the attached order form. A V-neck shirt is available for the ladies. The deadline to order is August 8th.

If any OCI member wishes to order a blue event T-shirt, please do so on the Quad States registration form. Blue T-shirts will be sold at full price.

## Can You Name this OCI Member?



This is your Vice President, Robert Thompson!

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# Events Calendar

NEW!

**July 31, 2016**—1st Annual Haverhill Days Car & Motorcycle Show. Downtown Haverhill, Iowa. Registration 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. \$15.00 entry fee. 50/50 drawing, door prizes, T-shirts, and dash plaques. Prizes given at 4:00 pm for Best Ford, Best Chevy, Best Mopar, Best Motorcycle, Best Truck, Best Unfinished, Best of Show, Peoples Choice, and Best Streetrod. For more information look up "Haverhill Days" on Facebook under events.

**August 13, September 10, and October 8, 2016**—Cars and Coffee. The second Saturday of each month at Karl Performance, 5927 NE Industry Drive, Des Moines, Iowa. 7:00 am to 10:00 am. Come join us for free donuts and coffee and tour our state of the art facility. All makes and models welcome. Cars and Coffee dyno special: 3 pulls for \$75. Only 6 spots available; first come first serve. After the first six spots, rate is \$100 for 3 pulls if time allows. Last pull is at noon. Call 888-771-5574 or visit [www.karlperformance.com/page/Cars\\_and\\_Coffee/](http://www.karlperformance.com/page/Cars_and_Coffee/) for more information.

NEW!

**August 21, 2016**—Perry Cruise Car Show. Downtown Perry, Iowa. 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Car owners registered will receive free food & drink, plus prizes for best of show! Live music. For more information call 515-465-4601 or email [perrychamber@perryia.org](mailto:perrychamber@perryia.org).

**August 27, 2016**—Cruise for Kids 2016. Cedar Falls Motorsports Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Proceeds go to Make-a-Wish of Iowa. Visit our Facebook page at [HarleysNHotrods](https://www.facebook.com/HarleysNHotrods) for more information.

**August 28, 2016**—16th Annual Cruise to the Carousel Car Show. Presented by the Rollin Relics Car Club. Heritage Carousel, Union Park, East 9th and Thompson, Des Moines, Iowa. Pre-registration is \$15 until August 12. Special \$100 drawing for all pre-registered cars. Registration day of show 9:00 am to noon for \$20. Voting noon to 1:30 pm. Awards at 3:30 pm. Dash plaques for first 150 only. Food, door prizes, auction, and 50/50 drawings. Call Wendell Saunders at 515-988-6902 or Linda Albaugh at 515-967-9174 for more information.

**September 8-10, 2016**—2016 Quad States 36th Car Show & Swap Meet. Isle of Capri Casino/Hotel, 1777 Isle Parkway, Bettendorf, Iowa. Hosted by the Oldsmobile Club of Iowa. All Oldsmobiles welcome! OCA membership is not required to attend the show or to have your car judged. Hotel reservations may be placed now at 1-800-THE-ISLE (1-800-843-4753). Mention the Olds car show for a discounted room rate of \$114.95/night for standard king or double queen. Includes two Calypso's Breakfast Buffet coupons for each day, plus \$10 free Isle Play per person over 21! Contact co-chairs Jerry Dykes at 563-505-7788 or [msgjerry@q.com](mailto:msgjerry@q.com) or Gary Gleason at 563-386-4649 or [ggleason@aol.com](mailto:ggleason@aol.com) for more information.

**September 16-17, 2016**—Fall 2016 Auto Parts Swap Meet. Entire 3 block grass area north of the race track, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa. Visit [www.desmoinesautopartsswapmeet.com](http://www.desmoinesautopartsswapmeet.com) for more information.

NEW!

**September 17, 2016**—Old Car Cruisin' Car Show. Lowe's Home Improvement, 3820 44th Avenue Drive, Moline, Illinois. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Registration fee is \$12 through August 19th, and \$15 after this date. Dash plaques to the first 50 cars. Door prizes, 50/50, etc.

NEW!

**September 25, 2016**—The All Oldsmobile Fun Show & Swap Meet. Museum of Transportation, 3015 Barrett Station Road, Saint Louis, Missouri. Hosted by The Archway Olds Club. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Prizes and music. Any condition of Oldsmobile welcome. Display \$10, judged cars \$15, and double swap space \$25. For more information contact Gene Bossaller at 314-246-2109 or [grbossaller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:grbossaller@sbcglobal.net), or Bruce Stocker at 314-458-3869 or [stockers2@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stockers2@sbcglobal.net).

NEW!

**October 2, 2016**—The Annual Pumpkin Patch Car & Bike Show. Presented by The Quad Cities Gear Heads. Buffalo Pumpkin Patch, 1500 Front Street, Buffalo, Iowa. All makes and models welcome. Participants judge the show. Registration 8:00 am to noon, show & shine noon to 2:00 pm. \$10 registration fee. Free to spectators. Dash plaques for the first 50 rides. 50-50 raffle, door prizes, food vendor, and music. Bring the kids! Pick pumpkins from the huge pumpkin patch, hay rack rides, get lunch, check out the straw castle, and more. 20+ unique car part trophies awarded including best in show, best motorcycle, farmers pick, best special interest, etc. Rain date October 9, 2016.

**NEW!**

**October 8-9, 2016**—Scenic Drive Festival. Villages of Van Buren County, Iowa. Part of Iowa's largest arts, crafts, antiques, and flea market event. For more information call 800-868-7822, email [info@villagesofvanburen.com](mailto:info@villagesofvanburen.com), or visit <http://villagesofvanburen.com/info-request.html>.

**November 26-27, 2016**—Fall SuperSwap 2016. 30th Annual All Ford Swap Meet. Ohio Expo Center/State Fair, next to Interstate 71, exit at 17th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Call Terry at 740-607-1451, Kevin at 614-265-9095 evenings, Hood at 614-276-4916, or visit [fallsuperswap.com](http://fallsuperswap.com) for more information.

**November 27, 2016**—Freeman's Super Sunday Indy. Indiana State Fairgrounds—West Pavilion, 1202 East 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Adults \$7, children under 12 free. All make and model event. All indoors. Call Bailey Billman at 317-296-0336 or visit [www.supersundayindy.com](http://www.supersundayindy.com) for more information.

## Rockets & Parts

**WANTED**—Flywheel cover for a 1970 455. Contact Doug at 319-431-5903. (06/16)

**FOR SALE**—1991 Delta 88 Royale. Four door sedan with reliable 3.8 V6 engine, four speed automatic (OD) transmission on the column, power steering and disc brakes, cruise control, tilt wheel, factory air conditioning (new compressor in late '14 - with new 134a coolant), tinted glass, AM/FM stereo with cassette player and dual rear speakers (about three years old). Manual windows. Split front bench seat with armrest and recliners. Tan cloth upholstery and headliner with no rips or tears. Body is a golden bronze and is in exceedingly good condition. All windows, doors, hood, and trunk work well. Wire wheel covers. All lights work. Tires are in excellent condition, two-three years old; good spare tire. Lane-changer feature. Original owner's manual. Engine has had ignition parts and wiring work in last three months. Brake and fuel line work December '15. Engine serviced and up to date with oil-filter changes. Four new Monroe 'quick-struts' (shocks and springs) February '16. Although an older design, this car is attractive and looks good. Mileage as of February 4, 2016 is 128,971 original miles. Has exceeded 30 mpg in travel; uses regular grade gas. Believed to be accident free. I know this car from new as I got it for my mother; I've had it for 12 years. In climate-controlled storage 11 months/year while son was working in Japan last 4 years, only driven estimated total of 1,000 miles when he was home. Always non-smoker. Because of the excellent condition, I am asking \$5,000. Contact Nicholas Essinger at 937-335-1724, leave message and I'll call back. (04/16)



**WANTED**—Rear window for a 1954 Super 88 (four door). Contact Lynn Knutson at 515-460-6167. (04/16)