



Oil Capitol Auto Club

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Upcoming Club Activities

Friday Night Dinner, Contact Arvilla Bush, 262-8989 (cell) or 265-2468 (home).

Sunday Morning Breakfast, we order at 8:00 a.m.

Sept. – Perkins; Oct. – Denny's; Nov. – Yellowstone Garage

Regular Monthly Meeting, 10/14/20, 7:00 p.m., at Z's Classics

Wednesday Night Cruise, every Wednesday evening except monthly meeting nights. Cruises will continue through October 7; see OCAC website for cruise schedule/leader, or to volunteer to lead a cruise.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

DEAN BLEVINS, LIZ BLEVINS, JIM BRUSAW, CATHI KNIGHT, KEN LANTTA, MARK MILLIKEN, ANITA NEUBAUER, RENE RICKABAUGH, JERRY RUSSELL, BAMBI STOLTE, MICHAEL UTECH

BENEVOLENCE

Pat Potter is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on September 15.

Past club member, Bill Ritthaler, passed away at age 79.

Oil Capitol Auto Club General Membership Meeting Minutes September 09, 2020

Board of Directors:

President:

Mark Pitts

Vice President:

Mike Johnson

Treasurer:

Ken Lantta

Secretary:

John Gudgeon

Car Show Committee Chairman:

Jerry Barton

Newsletter Editor:

Jerry Russell - Absent

Webmaster and Social Media:

Mike Kennedy

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:00 P.M. By President Mark Pitts

TREASURERS REPORT: Ken Lantta – OCAC Treasurer

The General Club Account and the Car Show Account were discussed. Current members: 74 regular members, 51 family memberships

MINUTES: Accepted as published on the OCAC Website.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

State Veteran's Museum Fire Truck project - Mark Milliken

Mark Milliken reported that the truck cab has been painted and mounted along with the dash being installed, thanks to Doug Walters, Jerry Russell & Mike Johnson's efforts. The seat has been recovered & installed by Sam Parsons Upholstery. The truck is now in "roller" status with new tires installed and mounted. The truck is currently on display at Z's Classics. Work will continue with the wiring and preparing and painting the remaining parts: fenders, hood, running boards, bumpers and the hose bed.

The truck will be displayed on Tuesday, Sept. 15, in the parking lot of the Clarion hotel at a ceremony to dedicate a new bridge near the hotel. The event - Leonard L. Robinson Memorial Bridge Dedication -- starts at 5:00 PM, with Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon and other dignitaries representing WYDOT, Casper Mayor, Evansville Mayor & others.

****No other committees had reports.**

OLD BUSINESS: Club Christmas Party has been scheduled/reserved for December 16th at the Ramkota hotel. The New Year's brunch will be Saturday, January 2nd, also at the Ramkota. Final details will be forthcoming, vis a vis Covid 19 protocols for the events.

NEW BUSINESS: Member Jerry Barton motioned to resume the club's Friday dinners; seconded by John Lanum. The motion was approved by voice vote by members present. Club member Arvilla Bush volunteered to coordinate with the restaurants. Please email or call Arvilla to RSVP for the dinners going forward. The first dinner will be Friday, Sept. 18th. Also, the Sunday breakfasts have resumed.

Guest Ray Parnell announced the Wyoming Food for Thought Organization will have a fundraising car show on October 10th at the east side Ridley's parking lot. Registration will be from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M; show will run from 10:00 to 2:00 P.M. Registration fee will be \$25 – or equivalent food donations of food (ready to eat snack type foods for the children).

Mike Kennedy – OCAC Webmaster, reported that he has an old club laptop that needs to be disposed of; members present voted to auction off the unit at the club meeting. Mike has wiped the unit of any club records. Auction winner was club member Jerry Barton.

WEDNESDAY CRUISES: OCAC weekly cruises will continue through October 7th; see OCAC website for cruise schedule/leader, or to volunteer to lead a cruise.

TRIP REPORTS: Stan Goodwin

Stan Goodwin reported attending the 2020 Sturgis Mustang rally on Labor Day weekend (Sept. 3 – 6th). The show was attended by OCAC Club members Stan & Judy Goodwin, Mike Kennedy, Mark Milliken, John Lanum & Arvilla Bush.

50/50 Raffle; \$15.00 raised.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:36 P.M.

John Gudgeon – OCAC Secretary

Wyoming Veteran's Memorial Museum

1942 Chevrolet Fire Truck Project Update

Period Ending 9/8/2020

Mark Milliken

Volunteer Hours: 54

Weekly Highlights:

- Over the past week, Doug Walters, Jerry Russell, and Mike Johnson completed the paint and body work on the cab. The cab had significantly more sheet metal damage than originally thought. The team worked straight through the week and weekend to get the body work completed prior to the Sept. 8 WYDOT ceremony (postponed to Sept. 15).
- The team is assembling ancillary components to the chassis and cab.
- Sam Parsons completed the seat reconstruction with authentic army brown upholstery.
- The chassis was transported to Z's Classics, where the cab was mounted to the frame on Sept. 7.
- Jerry Russell continues preparing body parts for paint.
- Electrical system planning is continuing.

Looking ahead:

- Transport cab and chassis to the WYDOT ceremony at I-25 and N. Center St. on Sept. 15.



Cab and chassis in Z's Classics shop.

Installing the core support brace.

Doug Walters takes the honor of being the first person to sit behind the wheel of the restored truck.

Sturgis Mustang Show

Stan & Judy Goodwin, Mike Kennedy, Arvilla Bush, Jerry Barton, John Lanum and Mark Milliken attended the Labor Day weekend all Mustang show in Sturgis, SD.

The show included a poker run through the black hills from Sturgis to Custer and back. We cruised back through the "pig tails," what beautiful country. Traffic was heavy due to the long weekend but was tolerable. The show on Saturday was, I think, less attended than years past. Hard to estimate the number but was well attended in spite of the virus.

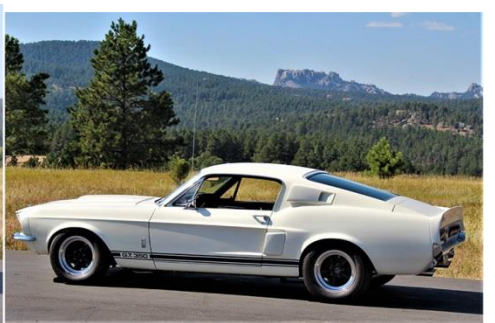
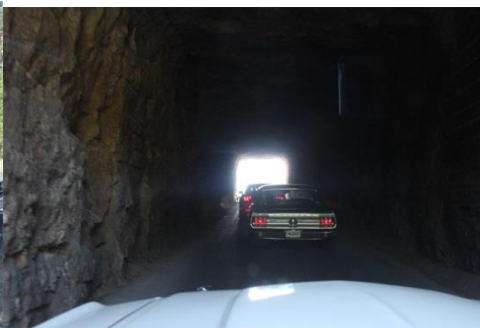
Stan and Judy received an award for their Mustang convertible in spite of having some muffler dragging problems. John Lanum assisted with a wire coat hanger. Mark's car was exhibiting a rattle under the hood. Final inspection indicated that the pulley on the crank was loose and was held in place by only one bolt. Quick tighten and off to the show. Mark had to walk to the local parts store to get replacements for the missing bolts. It was a very good thing that the only bolt holding the pulley did not come out. Bad things would have happened.

The award ceremony was much less crowded than in years past, and the program was over before 10:00.

John, Jerry and I played golf on Sunday. Good break from the routine. Arvilla got partially lost in Gillette on the way back, but found her way with no problem.

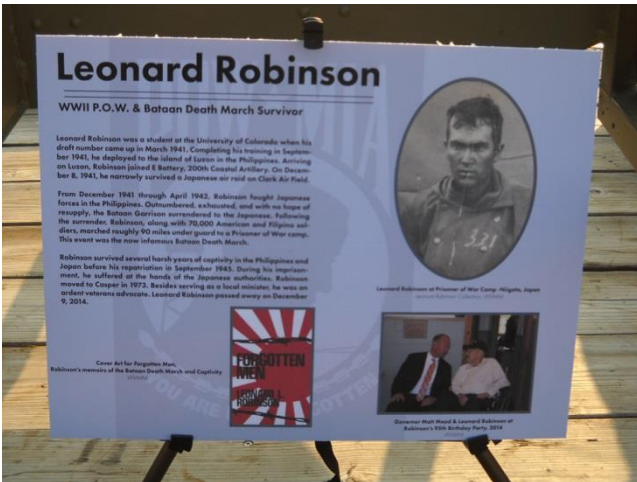
Mike Kennedy

Sturgis Mustang Show



Leonard L. Robinson Bridge Dedication

On September 15, 2020, the dedication ceremony was held at Interstate Park, which is basically at North Center Street and Interstate 25. The bridge was dedicated to Dr. Leonard L. Robinson for his service to our country in World War II in the Philippines and Japan. Unfortunately, Dr. Robinson became a participant in the Bataan Death March and endured three and one-half years as a POW in Japan--a very interesting tale of courage and fortitude. The OCAC fire truck crew was invited to attend the dedication as guests of the Wyoming Veterans Museum, who also took part in the dedication. Speakers included Shane Vincent (former Guard of the Unknowns), Governor Mark Gordon, Speaker Steve Harshmann, WYDOT Director Reiner and Pamela Robinson. Refreshments were served, and the fire truck was on display; donations were secured for its further restoration. Thanks are due Indian Ice, Dave Calar, DK Hauling, and Clarion Inn. The following are a few photos of the event.



FOR SALE

Aug 31, 2020

Dear,

Jerry Russell or Mike Kennedy I
have a list of cars & trucks for sale.

Will put in next month Blown Sashet
letter and on your web sight. For 4 month

Here are the list... 1948 car 2 Door Ford

\$ 3500.00 1964 car 4 Door Ford

Prices \$ 3500.00 1955 picket 3/4 ton chev

\$ 4000.00 1926 model T

\$ 8000.00 1953 5 window 1/2 ton

pickup is show ready.

I will paid for add.!

Thank you

Harrell Heath

P.S. My phone # 1 307-234-4502

CLASSIC CLUES

Question: In what year did the "double-R" Rolls Royce badge change from red to black?

Answer: 1933

UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting, 10/12/20.

Regular Monthly Meeting, 10/14/20, 7:00 p.m., at Z's Classics.

Fall Festival Car Show, 9/26/20, Edgemont, SD.

Hot Rods for Hatcheries Cruise, 10/3/20, Spearfish, SD.

Main Street Square Cruiser Car Show & Street Fair, 10/3/20, Rapid City, SD.

Food for Thought Octoberfest Car Show, 10/10/20, Casper, WY. Questions contact Ray Parnell, 258-9009.

OCAC Club Christmas Party, 12/16/20, Ramkota Hotel.

New Year's Brunch, 1/2/21, Ramkota Hotel.

