



Blown Gasket

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UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

Casper Christmas Parade—Saturday, 11/25/23.

Christmas Party & Dinner—Saturday, 12/16/23, at Ramkota.

New Year's Brunch—Saturday, 1/6/24, at Ramkota.

OCAC Board Meeting—1/9/24, 6:00 p.m., at Perkins.

Regular Monthly Meeting — 1/11/24, at VFW on Bryan Stock Trail, at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Breakfast -- The Sunday breakfast will be at Johnny J's for the month of November, and at the Bull Horn at Yellowstone Garage for December. Arrive at 8:30 a.m. and order by 9:00. Questions: contact John Lanum at 315-4909.

Friday Night Dinner -- The Friday club dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. Call Arvilla Bush at 262-8989 or 265-2468 to confirm attendance.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

JIM ALLTEBAUMER, PAM DOWNES, HARRELL HIATT, LYNNE HOWE, JOHN MIDKIFF, TERESA SEARS,
JOLENE SMITH, KEITH THOMSON, JIM TRANTHAM, ELAINE WALTERS, GARY WAXLER



Submitted by Ken Lantta

OIL CAPITOL AUTO CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2023

Board of Directors:

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| <u>President:</u> | Mark Pitts |
| <u>Vice President:</u> | Chuck Howe |
| <u>Treasurer:</u> | Ken Lantta |
| <u>Secretary:</u> | Jeanine Clark |
| <u>Car Show Committee Chairman:</u> | None |
| <u>Newsletter Editor:</u> | Jerry Russell |
| <u>Webmaster and Social Media:</u> | Mike Kennedy |

All Board Members were present.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ken Lanta gave a report regarding the General Club Account and Car Show Account.

MINUTES: Minutes were accepted as published on the OCAC web site.

BENEVOLENCE: Charles Howe's father passed away. Jerry Barton's significant other, Donna, fell and broke her wrist. She had surgery with plates and screws being put in. Let's keep them in our thoughts.

GUEST SPEAKERS: None

OLD BUSINESS/Unfinished Business:

- The Christmas parade was updated. It will be Saturday, Nov 25th at 6:30 p.m. The theme will be "Christmas in Toyland." Contact Ralph Butler if you would like to join in.
- The Christmas party was discussed. It will be Saturday, December 16th at 6:00 p.m. The doors will open at 3:00 and the die cast cars can be set up at 4:00 p.m. Contact John Lanum with questions about the car show. A crazy gift exchange will be held. Bring a gift, max \$20 by gender of attendee. Deadline for receipt of RSVP and payment is Saturday 12/09/23.
- The New Year's Brunch will be January 6, 2024, at Ramkota. More information will follow.
- Toys for Tots was discussed.
- Mike Kennedy and Ken Lantta gave an update on the g-mail accounts.

NEW BUSINESS:

- An appreciation donation of \$500 for the VFW was voted on and passed.
- Elections were held. No president has been elected for the new year. Mark Pitts will be a sub until a new one is elected. Lynne Howe is the new Secretary, and Ken Lantta stayed on as Treasurer.
- Stan Goodwin discussed an open house at the Elks Club, Friday, November 10th at 6:00 p.m. Membership to join will be \$1. A chicken fried steak dinner and fixings will be served, and a tour will be provided.
- Chuck Howe read the club members birthday list for November and December.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

- ➔ **Sunday Breakfast:** November is at Johnny J's. December will be at Bull Horn Brewery.
- ➔ **Friday Night Dinner:** Please confirm with Arvilla Bush no later than Thursday, 3:00 p.m.

→ **OCAC Board Meeting:** January 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m. at Perkins.

→ Upcoming get togethers: None.

50/50 winner: Diane Butler won \$10.

Next meeting: January 11, 2024, at the VFW, 7:00. p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 7:39 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Jeanine Clark

Date: November 11, 2023

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CASPER CHRISTMAS PARADE

This year's Christmas Parade will be on Saturday, 11/25/23. The parade starts at 6:30 p.m.

The theme is "Christmas in Toyland".

OCAC is registered to participate in the parade. Our entry is for up to 10 vehicles. Participation is for current club members.

The OCAC Parade Captain is Ralph Butler: 307-262-7675 (cell) or rjb1954chevy@charter.net

If you would like to participate in the parade, please contact Ralph. The 10 slots will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

Once the Chamber of Commerce has prepared the packet of information with parade rules, parade route, staging areas, staging times, etc., I will pass it along to Ralph. He will in turn pass the information along to the participants that have signed up with him.

The above information was provided by Ken Lantta.

CHRISTMAS PARTY & DINNER

The 2023 OCAC Christmas Party & Dinner will be on Saturday, 12/16/23.

Details:

-Deadline for receipt of an RSVP and payment is Saturday, 12/09/23

The event is 'Prepaid Only' – no walk-ins the night of the dinner

-Ramkota (Remington Room)

-**Buffet Dinner** at 6:00 p.m. (entrees are roast baron of beef & honey glazed ham)

Early arrival encouraged to socialize prior to dinner

-Cost is \$25 per person (the club pays a significant subsidy to attain this cost)

-Cocktail and wine/beer service is available from Spirits Lounge for individual purchase

-The evening will include a **Die Cast Car Show**

Coordinator is John Lanum (307-315-4909; johnp.lanum@gmail.com)

Volunteer helpers are welcome

Door to the Remington Room open at 4:00 p.m. for set up

Limit of two cars per person entering the contest

Awards ceremony following dinner

-After dinner there will be a **Crazy Gift Exchange**

Coordinators are Dennis & Deanna Day (307-262-6024; 307-262-8802; dayranchero72@gmail.com)

Volunteer helpers are welcome

Max value of gifts - \$20

Gift by gender of the attendee (tables for gifts will be marked 'girls' / 'boys')

Door to Remington Room open at 4:00 p.m. for gift delivery

Membership dues for 2024 can be paid at the event.

Again – **Deadline for receipt of RSVP & payment is Saturday, 12/09/23.**

Ken Lantta provided the above information.

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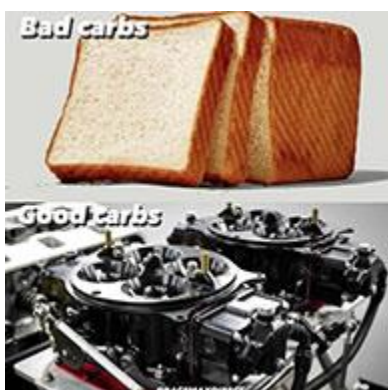
First: There are a number of functions coming up in the next couple of months. There is the Christmas Parade, Christmas Party, and the New Year's Brunch. **All** members are urged to read the details for these events in this Newsletter and contact those in charge to attend. It is that time of year and a good time can be had by all.

Second: As you can see from the meeting minutes, a leader of our group is still needed. Many thanks are extended to the current slate of officers for their service now and in the future. However, they could use some help, so let's get in there and pitch.

Third: A number of members attended the car show in Story, WY, and the show in Sheridan, WY, sponsored by the KARZ Club of Sheridan. It has come to my attention that KARZ is asking its members to attend a meeting and step up to some of the leadership positions within the club. Without officers they cannot maintain their 501C non-profit designation. More information is available on their Facebook site. They are a very good group; I hope that it works out for them. Sound familiar?

Fourth: The holidays are nearly upon us. Some members are fleeing for warmer climes and some of us are settling in next to the fire. Wherever you are, stay close to family and friends and keep those wheels warm and covered. Spring is coming!

J. R. Russell, Editor



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