

Mid America Chevelle Club

October 2011 Newsletter



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General Information

The club is a not-for-profit Kansas corporation, dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of all Chevelles and El Caminos. Ownership of a Chevelle or associated vehicle is not required. Club newsletters which include minutes of meetings, upcoming events, and technical articles are also found on club's website and are forwarded to members. Business meetings are convened on the last Thursday of each month, with the possible exceptions of November and December, for the purpose of discussing and planning future club events. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m., at Superior Chevrolet, 8300 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Merriam, Kansas unless otherwise noted in the newsletter or on the club's website. Members may advertise vehicles/parts for sale, trade, or wanted in the newsletter for no charge. Call the editor (Mike Stites) at 913/485-7368 or email at Michael.stites@sbcglobal.net

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(2010-2011 term)

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Monthly Meeting Agenda

Monthly meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at Superior Chevrolet, 8300 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Merriam, Kansas.

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Reports/Discussion
 - a. Upcoming Events
 - b. Report of Treasurer
 - c. Additional Items
 - d. Car Talk
 - e. Comments/Suggestions
 - f. Adjournment
 - g. Dine out



September 2011 Meeting Minutes

Mid-America Chevelle Club

September 29, 2011

The September, 2011 meeting was called to order by Chair Roger Verstraete at 7:00 p.m. New member, Gordon Gilpin, attended the meeting, and introduced himself. In turn, the attending members introduced themselves. The minutes of the August meeting were approved as presented in the newsletter.

The meeting focused on the 2011 Mid-America Regionals conducted on the past weekend. Mr. Verstraete thanked everyone for their efforts and recognized those who worked at all stations. It was reported the show went well and there were 145 cars participating.

Mr. Verstraete suggested looking at new venues for future shows due to the condition of the Great Mall.

Mr. Byfield suggested looking at increasing classes within the years (examples: stock, modified, etc.)

It was also suggested that next year's fliers include a picture of the 2011 show field.

Overall, the consensus of the attending members was favorable to the Mall site (due to food and restaurant facilities), but look at contingency locations.

Mr. Farley noted there were 25 trailers, another factor that must be considered in venues.

Another note was to include signage to the show field location and to list location of events within the field.

Mr. Hallouer provided the treasurer's report which included the most current listing of the show funds, and club general funds. It was noted there are 58 current members.

Next month's events were reviewed: Fall Color Tour, Lake of the Ozarks, October 21-23; Halloween Party at the Smoot's residence which will include a voluntary Chili Cook-Off, October 29; and Rev-it-Up fundraiser car show at Lawrence, KS on October 8. Future events include: Holiday Party, RC's in Martin City, December 10 at 6:00 p.m.; Bring Your Own Mug, Hill residence, January 27, 2012, (January club meeting); Dinner at Tasso's, February 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Debra S. Gragg, Secretary



September / October Events

September 23 -24 MACC ACES Midwest Regional Car Show

The ACES Regional Chevelle show was hosted by the MACC September 23rd – 24th. The show was a resounding success with over 145 cars on the show field. The weather had a part in the great turn out, however, the club really put a lot of effort into advertising the show and the result was an approximate 30% increase in cars over the 2010 show.



Top and left: We had a great time on the poker run on Friday night.

Below: The show field was packed with Chevelles and El Caminos.





Left: Rick Byfield did a great job of stalling for time as the votes were counted and emceeing the awards presentations.

Below: A great looking '68 Camino and check out all the trailers in the background. We had ~ 25 cars trailered to the show.



Check out the MACC web site for individual car pics from the ACES Regional. Thanks to Mike and Karen Maule (friends of the MACC from northwest Arkansas) for the pictures.



Show Winners

Show participants voted on the top three (no first, second, ...) cars for each of the following years:

1964	Margaret Mandel	Anthony Caravella	Jim Easterday
1965	Brian Wilson	Daryl Riggs	Dennis Wilbur
1966	Bryan Garrett	Robert Loehr	Anthony Mroz
1967	Kenny Goefferich	Dale Shan	Kelly McKenzie
1968	Les SaVille	Jay Johnson	Ron Raney
1969	Roger Day	Joedy Terrill	Robert Killingsworth
1970	Dan Yuran	Barry Snodgrass	Warren Joerg
1971	Greg Wright	Doug Doherty	Nick Tomeykowski
1972	Ron Downs	Calvin Hayden	Mike Cates
El Camino	Don Bigham	Kevin Adams	Steve Calder
73-87	Jake Long	Buster Brown	

Sponsors Pick (Hinshaw) Brain Garrett

MACC picks:

Best paint - Jon and Cathy Hopkins red 1970

Best engine - Jon Eide original 1970

Best interior - Dave Stuefella white 1966

Club founders pick - Dennis Chistensen original unrestored 1969 SS396

Farthest distance traveled - Fred Mutelsfedt San Antonio, Texas 1972 El Camino

Hard Luck award Logan Lambert 1972 El Camino

Club Participation Heartland Chevelle Club

Fall Color Tour – Lake of the Ozarks

Several members (10 cars) of the MACC trekked down to Lake of the Ozarks where we met up with the Gateway club to tour the area and enjoy the great weather. On the way down to the lake one of the Chevells in the caravan had a mechanical issue. We were in Tipton, Missouri and the guys at the local O'Reilley's put us in contact with a local auto repair shop. Jim's Phillips 66 Service garage helped out by garaging the vehicle for the weekend at no charge. Jim enjoyed having the Chevelle parked out in front of the shop where it generated quite a bit of talk and interest. After the KC group met up with the McKarnin's Danny offered to drive his '67 home, which he had trailered to the lake, and let the KC contingent use his trailer and Mom and Dad's truck to carry the wounded car back to KC. Thanks to Mom and Dad McKarnin and Danny for helping out. Anyway we all enjoyed the Fall Color Tour site seeing activities. We started out Saturday by traveling south to Lebanon, MO where we visited a Route 66 Museum. The Route 66 Museum curator gave a short talk on the history of Route 66 and we toured the museum – lots of interesting stuff and facts. We left the museum and got



on the old road traveling southwest to a great fried chicken restaurant. After lunch we traveled the old road a bit further to a drag race museum. The museum houses several of the Don Garlits dragsters, a Shirley Muldowney rail and a couple jet dragsters campaigned by the "Bushmaster" back in the day. Interesting stuff – things got heated up when the Bushmaster fired up one of his jet powered dragsters. We all had a great time.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

October 27th – MACC Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. Superior Chevrolet

October 29th - Halloween Party at the Smoot's Chili Cook-Off (voluntary) bring a side dish. Band and a bon fire. The fun starts at 6:30 p.m. Please respond to the Smoot's evite or email.

Directions: Exit I-35 at the U.S. 169 exit (Same exit as Great Mall) and travel south through several traffic lights near the highway and past the traffic signal at 175th Street 1 more mile to 183rd Street (no light) and take a right (west). Proceed ~ 1 mile to the Smoot residence on the north side of the road. Ed & Inga's place sits back off the road a bit – look for a white rail fence – drive is on the east end of the property. See map at end of newsletter.

December 10th – MACC Christmas Dinner 6 p.m. @ RCs in Martin City

January 27th – January Club Meeting at the Hill's (bring your own soup mug)

February 11th – Valentine's Dinner At Tasso's 7 p.m.

Vice President's Column

Editor's note: Rumor has it that Ed, as host of the Halloween party, is knee deep in preparation. Ed is a busy dude with kids still in school and his own business to run. We appreciate the time he puts in as the VP. When you thank Ed for hosting the Halloween party be sure to also give Ed a big MACC thank you for the use of the motor home as HQ for the car show.

President's Column

Hello MACC Members,

WOW, what a GREAT car show we had last month! I am still trying to take everything in that happened at the show, and by all accounts from what everyone that was there told me, they had a great time. One of the biggest things that stuck in my mind was when we were handing out all of the awards, the people would come up and say what a great time they had, or what a great show we had put on. That was a great feeling for me. When cars show up with only two hours left in the show and they still want to put their car in the show that is a great sign for upcoming events. It's just like Chuck Hanson said, when these people go home and tell their friends what a great time they had that will only make more people want to come next year. One of the things we can't take credit for was the weather, and it was perfect. If we had weather like that all year long, everyone in the world would want to live in KC.

All this success could not have happened if it wasn't for all the members and their families stepping up and doing the hard work it took to put this event on. It started Friday morning when we showed up at the Mall and found out that they had a circus on the lot that we used the week before, and didn't clean up the mess they left. Of course, everyone took charge and cleaned it up and two



hours later we were ready for cars to start coming in. And come in they did, we had over 90 cars show up Friday and about 25 of these cars came in on trailers from out of town. We even had to expand the trailer area Friday afternoon. The Friday night cruise was another big hit. Mike Stites led the way and he had a great route picked out. Everyone enjoyed the scenery West of Olathe, taking them by one of the nicest water falls in the KC area, and driving through some beautiful residential areas. This also was the second year for the Friday night cookout after the cruise. The three chefs Ed, Tom, and Dave did another great job! We served over 150 people. Again, I want to thank everyone that brought food and/or helped serve the food. It was a big hit! The object of the cookout is not to make money, but to show appreciation for everyone coming to the show and grow relationships with other Chevelle owners like ourselves. We did make enough to pay for all the food and had a little leftover to pay for some other expenses that occurred from putting on this event.

Saturday was another great day and it just flew by for me! I could not believe how many people were there looking at cars. Everyone seemed to have a great time and enjoyed themselves. All of this could not have happened if it was not for all the hard work the club did in promoting the show. We got some free advertising on the radio and I can't tell how many people that I know came up to me in the following weeks that heard about it on the radio. As of last count, we had 142 cars there, our biggest show ever. This year we really worked hard in the KC and surrounding areas in getting the word out about the show and it paid off big time.

I have been to three Chevelle car shows this year and the quality of Chevells at our show was almost unbelievable. I have seen some nice cars this summer, but I don't think I saw as many nice Chevells in one place this year. Chevell A Bration has some unbelievable cars there, but that is a national car show, our show is just one of several ACES regional shows. Most of our cars come from the Mid West area of the country.

As president of the club, I'm really proud of everybody and appreciate your efforts that were put forth to put this event on. Special thanks goes out to Sheila Brightwell for stepping up and taking over the registration desk. As many of you know, John and Debra were out of town the weekend of the show and Sheila volunteered to take over and she and all of the staff worked really hard to make everyone that showed up feel welcomed and appreciated. Also, I would like to thank Chuck Hanson from ACES for showing up. Everyone enjoyed seeing him and his wife LaRae. Thanks to Ed Smoot for letting us use his RV again for the command center. Without his RV this would be a lot harder to do. A special shout out goes to the guys that ran security at night, that makes for a long day when you do that. The club wants to also thank Dave and Tammy Wagner for getting the door prizes this year. Dave took this job over and he did an outstanding job getting door prizes. We had so many we could not give them all away. All the extra prizes will be given away at the Christmas party.

This year's car show by all accounts was a huge success, brought on by all the efforts and success of the nine previous car shows the club has held. Without the efforts and planning that went on during those earlier car shows, our success would not have happened. Every year we should learn from our success and work on the things that need improving, and by doing that our car show should keep growing and getting better. Our club is growing, and as of last week we have 60 total members in the club. Eugene told me last week that is the most paid members we have had in a long while. People are finding out about the club and our members and want to be a part of this organization. Again, thanks everyone for supporting the club.

Roger



New Members / Renewals

Renewals:

Pete Lee
David & Lisa Jamis
Michael & Nicole Graves
Jeff, Ginger & Jake Long
Ron Lemon
Kirby Demott
Logan Lambert
Patricia Eggers
Dan Yuran

New Members: *Please Welcome our Newest Members.....*

Rob & Connie Pearce #343 Wellsville, KS El Camino 454 SS Blue with White Stripes
Glenn Brown #344 Olathe KS 68 Malibu SS clone multi colored & 68 SS396 Primer
Kevin Ray #345 Creighton MO 65 SS L79 has owned since 1975
Richard Bosworth #346 Baldwin City KS 66 SS Blue has owned since 1979
Gordon & Jackie Gilpin #348 Leawood KS 71 SS maroon & white Bought April 2011
Doug & Debbie Doherty #349 1971 2 door hardtop red, has owned for 7 years

And last but not least.....

James Hinshaw #347 Elon, NC



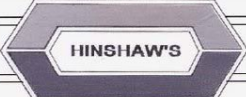
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Map to Halloween Party

