# Mid America Chevelle Club February 2012 Newsletter





## MACC February 2012 NEWSLETTER



### **CONTENTS**

General Information	
Board Information	
Monthly Meeting Agenda	
January 2012 Meeting Minutes	
Calendar of Upcoming Events	
President's Column	3
New Members / Renewals	
February Events	2
Project Cars	
For Sale	
Current Sponsors	6





#### **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

#### **Board Information**

(2010-2011 term)

Chair:	Roger Verstraete	(913) 207-3374
Co-Chair:	Ed Smoot	(913) 636-2002
At-Large:	Danny McKarnin	(620) 363-1005
Secretary:	Debra Gragg	(913) 782-8776
Treasurer:	Eugene Hallouer	(913) 248-0288
<b>Newsletter Editor:</b>	Mike Stites	(913) 485-7368
<b>Social Events:</b> Rocky	& Shari Hill	(913) 915-1231

#### **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
- 4) Upcoming Events
- 5) Upcoming Events
- 6) Report of Treasurer
- 7) Additional Items
- 8) Car Talk
- 9) Comments/Suggestions
- 10) Adjournment
- 11) Dine out





#### **January 2012 Meeting Minutes**

Mid-America Chevelle Club JANUARY 25, 2012

Members assembled at the Rocky and Shari Hill residence in Prairie Village, Kansas to enjoy soup, cornbread, and desserts as part of the January meeting. There were 27 in attendance.

The official meeting was called to order by Chair Roger Verstraete at 7:40 p.m. The Hill's were thanked for hosting and providing the soup.

A new member, Tally Hobbs, introduced himself to the membership and announced he is the owner of a 1966 Malibu. Introductions were made by attending members of the club.

The minutes as published in the newsletter were accepted. Other items discussed included: t-shirts from the 2011 show – a few are remaining and selling for \$10.00; also reported were a few hats remaining, also available for sale. It was noted there are new business cards on order which include the club's Facebook© affiliation.

The 2011 business year was overviewed and discussion toward 2012 events ensued. Among the potential events noted were: garage tour and spring picnic – May, tour at MC Racing with potential for dyno testing, buffet at area casino, tour at Sheet Metal Apprentice Training Center, and tour of aquarium/Lego Land.

The members were invited to work on Dean Call's car on February 4, 2012 while he is undergoing recovery from surgery. Details on the coordination were provided.

Rick Byfield informed the attendees of an early May car show at Bagnall Dam (Lake of the Ozarks). Discussion about attendance at area car shows was had. It was suggested the attending membership pick a Chevelle at a show and give "gratis" entry into the 2012 fall show.

It was also suggested that a "voluntary" sign-up sheet for meeting visitors be available for later club follow-up.

Members were reminded of the February 10 event at Tasso's Greek Restaurant – those attending were requested to inform the Hill's for final event coordination.

The Treasurer's report was accepted; the 2011 financial report was shared. Treasurer Eugene Hallouer reported currently there are 61 paid memberships.

Mike Murchison reported on his recent trip the Barrett-Jackson car auction in Phoenix. Ron Brightwell updated the members on his El Camino restoration.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Debra S. Gragg, Secretary

#### **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Club Meeting at Superior Chevrolet March 17<sup>th</sup> dine out Marquee Café (Hollywood Casino) @ 6 p.m. May 20<sup>th</sup> Club Picnic – details to follow





#### **President's Column**

I know it has not snowed much this year, but the term "snowball" has a different meaning to a lot of Chevelle owners, especially for me. For the last three winters this term has come into effect for me every time I start working on my car. Three years ago, I installed a different motor in my car for a lot of different reasons. I knew there would be some added expenses to install the engine. However, once the "snowball" started to roll it didn't stop until May of that year. I didn't figure on adding a new exhaust system, radiator, clutch, rebuilding the carburetor, and I know there are too many other things to mention.

Last winter I wanted to upgrade the suspension, so I found a nice suspension kit that would work. I knew it would be a lot of work, but I had all winter to get it done. So, when I got started I found a lot of other things that needed repair too. I didn't figure on finding rust issues under the gas tank, so that led to adding a new gas tank. Taking off all the front suspension parts and repainting them, and again a list of other things that I have all ready forgotten about.

This winter I decided to simply add a new radio and some speakers. No big deal, right? So, Janet bought me a new radio for Christmas (I think she was really tired of listening to only three stations that my radio would pick up). One was 610 AM, the other was KFKF FM, and the last one was a South Korean station that you could not understand what they were talking about. So, one thing lead to another, that lead to two others, that lead to four others, and before I knew it the snowball was so big I was thinking to myself, "What did I get myself into again?"

So far I took the dash out to fix some rust around the front window, and while I was at it I decided I wasn't going to install the dash back with a 42 year-old wiring harness. The dash really needed some attention to look as nice as I wanted. So, the next thing I knew I was ordering a new dash and wiring harness. While I was installing the new dash, I decided I might as well install new gauges and all the other items that go along with it. While I had the carpet out I installed some sound deadening material. The headliner was the original, so it needed replacing as well. As you can see the term "snowball" has a special, or I guess not so special meaning for me. As spring gets closer I have noticed that the "snowball" is starting to melt.

I Hope to see everyone at the meeting Thursday night, we have a lot of new events and club business to talk about.

Roger

#### **New Members / Renewals**

Tally & JoLynn Hobbs Leawood KS 1966 Chevelle Malibu 454 street rod, Tangerine RED. Owned since Sept. 2011 (A gift from his wife!!!!)

#### **February Events**

MACC got together for Valentine's Dinner at Tasso's Greek restaurant on February 10<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Rocky and Shari Hill for arranging this event.





#### **Project Cars**

Several MACC members got together to work on Dean Call's '70 rag top. Dean was recently hospitalized and the Club wanted to surprise Dean with a Saturday morning wrench to install the engine and transmission. Dean is home and recuperating nicely – keep him in your thoughts and prayers.



Left - Readying the Rat for the new home.

Lower Left - Mating up the turbo 400 with the big block.

Lower Right - We know who to blame if Dean has tranny issues.







Right – Motor and tranny about to find their new home.

Lower Left – What's not to like about a '70 rag top with a Rat between the frame rails?

Lower Right – Dan does his thing and makes sure the hood has the proper fit.







Special thanks to Frank Riley for setting up this activity.





#### For Sale

#### For Sale: 1972 Chevelle Convertible





- > 350/350 Turbo / 12 Bolt 2:73 Rear
- > AC, PS, PB,& Tilt steering wheel
- > Functional power top
- ➤ New full factory quarter panels, wheel houses & drop offs
- New floor & trunk pans installed.

\$6500

Build it your way... the following SS parts are also available as additional cost options:

- ➤ 402 or 454 engines &400 TH or Muncie 4spd
- > SS Hood, Bucket seats, console, & shifter
- > Factory tachometer, gauges, and wiring harness, and SS dash housing
- SS wheels, F-41 Sway bars, & boxed arms
- ➤ Bumper Guards Front & Rear
- ➤ Big block steering Shaft
- ➤ Many other new & used parts

Joedy Terrill 913-669-4753

#### **Current Sponsors**





Dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of all stock, modified and custom 1964 - 1987 Chevelles, El Caminos & Sprints



The American Chevelle Enthusiasts Society -(A.C.E.S.)









4880 Merriam Drive Overland Park, KS 66203











If you know of a business with a potential interest in sponsoring the annual ACES Regional please forward the following information to the owner:

CONTACT US @ <a href="http://midamericachevelles.">http://midamericachevelles.</a> com



