

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB

OCTOBER 2016 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 Hendrick 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 (Brian Findley) at 913/558-1453 or email at findley13703@gmail.com

Board Information

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| Chair: | Roger Verstraete |
| Co-Chair: | Ed Smoot |
| Secretary: | Gordon & Jackie Gilpin |
| Treasurer: | Eugene Hallouer |
| At Large: | Kent Scott |
| At Large: | John Gragg |

Newsletter Editor: Brian Findley

Monthly Meeting Agenda

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

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Introductions
- 3) Reports/Discussion
- 4) Upcoming Events
- 5) Report of Treasurer
- 6) Additional Items
- 7) Adjournment

Dues

Annual club dues (\$35) are to be submitted by April 30th. If you have not renewed your membership by this date there is a three month grace period. You can mail your dues to:

Mid America Chevelle Club
c/o Eugene Hallouer
12318 W. 61st Street
Shawnee, KS 66216

Reminder – Club dues are to be submitted 4/30.



September 2016 Meeting Minutes

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB
HENDRICK CHEVROLET, MERRIAM, KS
September 29, 2016 MINUTES

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Roger Verstraete. 27 members and 1 visitor present.

Motion presented and passed to approve agenda and minutes from August 2016 meeting.

Old business:

Update on car show:

Once the tents were up, the show start went very well. The 1,000 point judging was well received and Roger got several compliments on how well it was run.

Some show facts:

44 MACC members showed 48 cars.

76 car owners were from KC area and showed 81 cars.

50% of cars were from out of town.

160 cars were shown at our show.

Cabela's invited us back anytime we want to come.

New business:

Eugene gave the treasurer's report. We have currently 83 members.

Consensus of the group in attendance was that this was the best show we've ever had.

Fall color tour will be October 14th thru 16th and email instructions will follow.

Halloween party will be relocated this year – more to follow.

Christmas party will be at Hollywood Casino in one room on December 3rd. \$20.00 per person.

Stan Shinker won the drawing tonight, but was not present. Next month the drawing will be for \$35.00. Be present for a chance to win.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jackie Gilpin



Calendar of Upcoming Events

MID AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB FUNCTIONS 2016

“Thanks to everyone who attended the Regional Chevelle Car show hosted by MidAmerica Chevelle Club. The link that follows has pictures of the cars that participated in the poker. Feel free to click on the link to download a picture of your car from the event.

<https://app.box.com/s/w8aa8dwbdcys6ixezlkjpwzxmr9mu7as> “

October 29, 2016 ---Fall party at John Freeman's in Spring Hill Kansas.

When: Saturday, October 29 at 4:30 PM

Where: John Freeman's House
22481 West 239th Street Hillsdale, KS 66083

Hello everyone! Fall is upon us and it is time for our 6th Annual MACC Bonfire and Chili Cook-Off! John Freeman has generously agreed to host this years Fall Party and Chili Cook-Off at his house in Hillsdale. We invite everyone to join us for some good eats and a warm fire. You can come anytime after 4:30pm and we will plan on eating at 6pm.

Please let Roger Verstraete know if you will be participating in the great chili challenge! Contact by phone (913-207-3374) or email **rogerss396@yahoo.com**. We will again be competing for some great prizes and of course, bragging rights!!

We will also need all the fixings that go with chili and yummy desserts. The club will provide plates, bowls, napkins and silverware.

There is plenty of parking. Don't forget your lawn chairs, blankets and favorite beverages!

Also, just a reminder that this is a family friendly event. Please feel free to bring your kids or grandkiddos. We do ask that you leave your 4 legged family members at home for the evening.

Directions: Take 169 South to 223rd Street. Turn right (West) and then a quick left (South) on to Old Kansas City Road. Take Old Kansas City Road to 239th Street and turn right (West). It will be the second driveway on the left.

MACC

December 3 --- MACC Christmas Party at Hollywood Casino near the Kansas Speedway--Evite to be sent
If you have some pictures from club events for 2016 that you would like to be shared during the Christmas Party, please send them to Brian Findley at findley13703@gmail.com. Brian will be creating a slide show to share all the great times the club has had in 2016



October Events

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October 14,15,16---Fall Color Tour, Lake of the Ozarks - Fall Color Tour Lebanon and Osage Beach, MO more info will be coming. Here is what we currently know about the trip. Friday the 14th we are staying in Lebanon, MO at the Munger/Moss Motel 417-532-3111. Saturday the 15th we will be in Osage Beach, MO. There are several motels in the area close to the Quail's Nest Inn 573-348-2834



President's Column

Hi MACC,

As this car season is coming to a close, I have been looking back at all the events and places our club has gone to this year. We went to a lot of car shows, cruises, Historic Sites in Missouri, and even went to the drive-in together. Some of the highlights for me were, World of Wheels Car Show in February where 8 members had their car entered. That was the first time I have ever entered my car and hopefully I will have my convertible done by the time next year's show comes around so I can enter it. Revisiting the Missouri State Penitentiary in Jefferson City, Missouri in May was another favorite. That was the second time for me and Janet to go there, and we love learning about the history of our area and all the stories that have come out of the prison. Our club picnic at John and Phyllis Prouty's place in Raymore where we had a great turnout and the weather could have not been better. Then in August, Hot Alma Nights in Alma, Kansas. This old little town at the base of the Flint Hills turns into a huge car show and then a party later in the evening. It just amazes me how many cars that seem to come out of nowhere to fill this town with old cars. And the highlight for me was our car show, the 29th Annual Midwest Regional Car Show. Maybe it was because of all the planning the car show committee did the last two years, and how everything just kind of fell into place during the show. Our new location at Cabela's was great and the layout worked out perfect too. The weather was a little warm but the nice breeze during the day kept everyone cool in the shade. When the weather is nice usually you get a good turnout and this year we had a record turnout, 160 of the nicest Chevelles from the Midwest were there at the Legends.

Looking at all the numbers for the car show and where everyone came from, it was almost a 50/50 split from in town to out of town guests. There were 44 club members there with a total of 48 cars. Queen City Chevelle club from Springfield had 8 club members, Wichita Chevelle Club had 7 club members, Heartland Chevelle Club had 6 club members. Our newest Chevelle Club from Hannibal, the Loafers, had 11 club members there. We had 33 cars that were from Missouri, 19 out of Kansas, 8 out of Nebraska, 7 out of Iowa, 3 out of Illinois, and 1 out of Oklahoma. We had David Palmer out of Pearland, Texas. David had a 1968 300 Deluxe Chevelle that was so nice and very rare. Our long distance winner was Michael Merlo from Boca Raton, Florida. Michael had a beautiful 1969 SS396 convertible that won the Dean Call pick, and scored a 995 on the 1,000 point judging. Then there was Wayne and Vicki Finger from Powhatan KS, with their 1968 Chevelle. This car won best of show, and the Cabela's pick. This has to be one of the most unbelievable Chevelles in the country. This car looks like Chip Foose or David Kindig had designed and built this car.

With this being the first year that I have been involved with the club doing 1,000 point judging, I have to admit we planned for this more than any phase of the car show. With Kent Scott and his crew, and with the help of Ken Lee and his staff of judges from the Antique Automobile Club of America KC Regional Chapter it was a huge success. We had 17 cars go through the judging and they were very professional and all the feedback I got was great. This is a hard process to do because everyone thinks they have a perfect car or don't feel they got a fair report on their car. These guys are professional judges and I think they did a great job and I want to thank them for all their effort and time.

Like at every car show we put on, we get comments good and bad. I welcome these, that is how you get better. For the most part everyone was very positive and loved having it at Cabela's. I heard from several first-time participants that it was one of the best car shows they have ever been



to, and how well it was run and how friendly everyone was. That is a huge complement for our club and all of our members that were there and worked the car show. I kept getting asked when next year's car show will be, and I just told everyone that it is yet to be determined. I really want to thank everyone on the car show committee for all their time, effort, and commitment to the club. Also, I wanted to thank everyone that helped out during the show. This could not have been the success it was without everyone's help. Our goal from the beginning was to set the standard for all upcoming Regional's, and I think we surpassed that.

The 2016 Fall Color Tour was October 14-16th, and everyone had another great time. We got to tour many areas of route 66 that are still open and tour the scenic areas of Missouri. In total we drove 165 miles Saturday and stopped at several different places. One of the most unique places was called the Elbow Inn. This is now a BBQ and bar type establishment. As you can tell by the name, it is a small bar. It was originally the Munger Moss Motel on Route 66 and was built in the 1920's. When they changed the routing of Route 66 in the 1940's the hotel struggled to stay opened, and was sold and turned into a bar. Munger Moss Hotel relocated in Lebanon, MO and that is where we stayed Friday night. It was built in the 1940's and is still decorated in the same theme of the 1940's.

This year's Fall Party is going to be at a different location. Ed's house is being remodeled and won't be done in time for the party. John Freeman, owner of Midwestern Mechanical, has generously agreed to host this year's party and chili cook-off at his house in Hillsdale. We invite everyone to join us for some good eats and a warm fire. You can come any time after 4:30 and we will plan on eating at 6pm. If you have a good chili recipe and would like to compete in the contest please respond to the evite that we have sent you. First place will receive a \$50.00 gift card and second and third will be a \$25.00 gift card. If you don't want to compete in the cook-off, then you can bring a dessert or garnishes/sides that go with chili. Directions and other details are in the evite that was sent. If you have any questions on what to bring or need directions you can call me at 913-207-3374.

Our last event of the year will be our Christmas party on December 3rd at Hollywood Casino. We have made arrangements with them to go through the buffet line, and they have a special room for us that will hold up to 110 guests. Since this year's car show made a profit, the dinner will be free for all members. More details will be coming out later. Like the last few years, we will be having a White Elephant gift exchange. If you want to participate in this please bring a gift. It can be a new, old, or a re-gift of your choosing, or even some nice Chevelle parts. Please no motors or transmissions, that might be a little much. Make sure you save that date, this is a lot of fun and you don't want to miss it!

I hope to see everyone at our last two events of the year. We also have a meeting this Thursday night at Hendrick's Chevrolet at 7pm.

Roger



Vice-President's Column

VP's Corner....with Ed Smoot

Happy Halloween, MACC! October is always a little bittersweet for me. The leaves are turning, but the weather is cooling off and our car cruising days are numbered. October also means that we have just wrapped another Mid-America Chevelle Show. This year was great as usual- with on minor setback for me...on a personal level.

As most of you know, I've kind of been dubbed "head of security" for our shows. I bring the camper, set up shop, and stay up way too late watching over the show field and cars. Thankfully, we've got a great group of volunteers that help with this task, and that really takes a load off. This year, I decided to head up a day early, to make sure that we didn't have any transient parkers that would hamper show setup the following day. Thankfully, I did, because truck drivers reaaaallly wanted to park right where we would be doing the 1000 point judging.

My mishap came earlier in the night, on my final trip up to Cabela's. I'd already made a couple successful trips up to our spot with no issues. The last run, however, was just me and my '72 Wagon, and it was getting late. I came off of 435, drove around the loop, and BANG!- I hit a pretty good sized pothole on my right hand side. No big deal, that stuff happens. Car still drove fine, steered fine, so I just headed on in and parked.

Well, after running off the 2nd or 3rd Cletus Snow impersonator that night, I decided I may as well stay up a bit and wipe my car down. That's when I saw it...two huge dents in my right side rims. These dents were lipped out so far that I couldn't believe that they still held air. Oh well, not much I could do now, except limp that behemoth home and deal with it after the show.



Once back home, I started calling around. I pulled the wheels off- (I got both the front and rear with the hole, because I'm good like that), and sent pics to a company locally that felt like they could fix them. Sent many pics, of all different angles, because they were a pretty good distance for me, and didn't want to waste the trip. Every response I got was that yes, they could fix them, and make them look like new. I had the tires taken off, and ran the wheels clear out to Blue Springs, MO from Paola, Ks. only to find out that they were unrepairable. Sheesh.

Now the search began. I had bought these wheels a few years ago off the back of a truck at a car show in Tennessee from a guy that called himself "The Wheel Wizard". He and I lost touch shortly thereafter, (I'm assuming as soon as my check cleared), and he was like dust in the wind. I did my due diligence and knuckled down on the internet until I found a match. I've been asked many times over the years who made those wheels, and I finally have an answer to give the next person that asks: Vision Wheels makes them, and they are Muscle Car series 142 Legend 5. And, oddly enough, sold through Discount Tire. So, a few days later, I was back in business like nothing ever happened- and gained a couple pretty spiffy hose hangers for the shop for my troubles!



Hope to see everyone at the meeting and the Fall Party!
Ed

New Members

When you have the opportunity, please welcome MACC's newest members John Freeman from Merriam, KS and Joel Weiss from Basehor, KS.

John is interested in Cruising, Car Shows, Tech Info, Tours, Parties, Other.

John Owns Midwest Mechanical Specialties in Merriam and has done work on a number of members cars including mine. John is also one of our club sponsors. You may remember him, he has attended our last 2 club meeting and I believe has volunteered to host this years Halloween party. Oh yea, he owns a 1982 Pontiac G.P. (body change) since 1988, Diesel. (at least its a GM product)

Joel Weiss has a 1966 Malibu convertible, owned 2 yrs and is interest in Cruising, Cars Shows & Parties.

Also take a minute and welcome back Shawn & Stacy from Spring Hill, KS. Shawn and Stacy were member from 2007-2008.

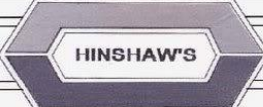
Shawn and Stacy own a 1964 Malibu SS Convertible that they have owned for 30+ years. They are interested in Car Shows. Found out about club with show flier. He is glad to be back.

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Here is a list of club apparel that is available for club members. This will be available at this month club meeting. We sell all of our club apparel at cost to club members.

Flexfit hats. Sizes (S-Med), (Large - XL) Colors, black, tan, white, red, navy. \$12.00



Hanes Beefy-t shirt. Sizes Large, XL, 2XL. Color Navy, Red, White \$12.00



All weather hooded wind breaker. Sizes come in Large, XL, 2XL Navy



Mid America Chevelle Club Members Parts for Sale



If you have any car parts you would like to sell email your list of parts to findley13703@gmail.com

Brian Findley – 913-558-1453

14 inch spare wheel and tire - \$20

Stainless steel fuel line for 396/350, still in the package - \$15

Frank Riley – 913-638-7596

Frank has 3 cars for sale – Should you be interest, please contact Frank at the number provided or at taz66215@yahoo.com

1970 Chevelle SS - 402, Turbo 400, 3:73 Posi



1967 Malibu 2 DR Hardtop - 350 4bbl, 700R4



1967 Chevy II Nova 2 DR Hardtop - 305 4bbl, Turbo 350



Tom Meier from Lawrence, KS at 785-979-9920 have the following items for sale.

1967 El Camino (It is a driver, not a show car) – 327, turbo 350, 3:73 10 Bolt Posi, Power disc front.

- 1- 283, 3pd on the column
- 2- Parts El Camino