

# MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB

## JULY 2018 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](mailto:findley13703@gmail.com)

## **Board Information**

<b>Chair:</b>	Roger Verstraete
<b>Co-Chair:</b>	Ed Smoot
<b>Secretary:</b>	Debbie Gragg
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Eugene Hallouer
<b>At Large:</b>	Randy Cummings
<b>At Large:</b>	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 30<sup>th</sup>.** 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. 61<sup>st</sup> Street  
Shawnee, KS 66216

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



## **2018 Meeting Minutes**

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB  
HENDRICK CHEVROLET, MERRIAM, KS  
June 28, 2018  
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Verstraete. There were 27 persons present. Member Dana Reel, has a 1967, introduced himself, as well as introductions made by all present.

The minutes were approved as posted in the recent newsletter.

Mr. Verstraete thanked John and Phyllis Prouty for hosting the June event. It was noted all had a great time, and it was good to have barbecue foods instead of cooking burgers and brats.

Mr. Smoot indicated the Paola car show was a good event, and overall a nice day.

Mr. Verstraete indicated a check was received to renew the Yuran's membership, although he is unable to attend most events. The membership supported making Dan an "life-time" member, and returning the dues.

The Christmas Party was discussed, noting it will be hosted at the Hollywood Casino on December 1, 2018, with more details to come. Due to packaging restrictions, all gifts (for the gift exchange game) will need to be in bags which can be easily inspected, and no alcohol included in the packages.

The fall Car Show update was given. Shane is working on the T-shirts, which have three different 1968's on the shirt. Pre-registrations are arriving. A car show committee meeting is scheduled for July 2 at 7:00 or so at the carshow field at Nebraska Furniture Mart. It was also noted Tally Hobbs is being contacted for the music.

Mr. Smoot informed the members of an e-mail from a Ms. Schroeder, wife of a fireman with severe medical issues, asking for any assistance toward the restoration of their 1968 Chevelle. In addition, several fundraisers are being planned, which can also benefit his cause. An e-mail with information will be forwarded to the membership.

All present were informed the Calder's are in the Tetons volunteering at the parklands for six weeks.

Brian Findley overviewed the upcoming events, with overview of some.

All were reminded of the First Friday Cruise on July 6, 2018, hosted at the Gragg's Garage.

John Freeman spoke about the Independence Day Show at Merriam.

Jim Stack informed those present of an event at the Carriage House, in DeSoto, scheduled for July 14.

Mr. Hallouer provided the treasurer's report, adding there are 66 current memberships. He also noted a thank you card was received from the DeMotts regarding the donation at his Father's passing. He also spoke about comparisons of the 2015 show to today's estimates for the September show.



The attendance drawing was held, with Mike Stites name drawn. Mr. Stites donated the \$25.00 back to the club.

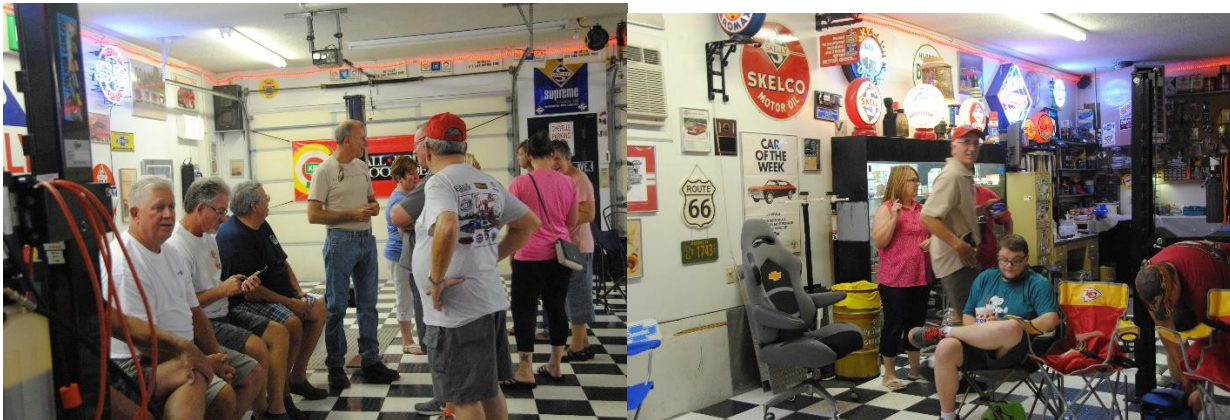
There being no further official business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Immediately following, many cruised and met at Old Shawnee Pizza.

Submitted by:

Debra S. Gragg  
Secretary

### **July events attended by MACC**

July-----6: First Friday Cruise In to John and Debra Gragg's,



July-----14: Guest Club of Mustang Club of Greater KC Cruise Night  
No one attended due to rain.



July-----14: MACC at a benefit breakfast to help a fellow Chevelle owner who is sick, raise money so he can finish his 68 restoration



July-----18: Brookdale Senior Care Facility, independent living, 6101 W 119th Street (between Nall and Lamar on 119th). Nine member attended. A great time was enjoyed by the members and the residents.



July---20-21: Street Machine Nationals, St. Paul, MN. Brian and Sandy Findley are attending. A great events, we are ready to go back next year. We were graciously accepted by the NorthStar Chevelle Club. A great group of car guys with some awesome cars.





## Calendar of Upcoming Events 2018

July-----29: The Great Car Show at WW1 Memorial. Registration is closed.  
[www.thegreatcarshow.com](http://www.thegreatcarshow.com)

August-----3: First Friday Cruise in to Russ and Vickie Peters locate at 20408 S. Cottonwood Dr., Belton, MO. Plan on arriving anytime after 5:00 p.m, eat at 6:00 p.m., stay as long as you like.

August----18: Hot Alma Nights Alma, KS – Email will be sent with information on when and where to meet.



August---26: Cruise the K, Sunday Event registration is now open at <https://www.mlb.com/royals/tickets/specials/cruise-to-the-k>

August---31: Wellsville Car Show Wellsville, KS Friday Event – Email will be sent with information on when and where to meet.

September 6,7,8: Midwest Chevelle Regional Wichita, KS – all the information you need on the show and for registration can be found at <http://midwestchevelles.macswebs.com/mwshows/index.htm>

September ----8: Turkey Creek Car Show, Merriam, KS – all the information you need on the show and for registration can be found at <https://www.merriam.org/459/Turkey-Creek-Car-Motorcycle-Show>

September---15: Ol'Marais River Run Show Ottawa Car Show 15<sup>th</sup> – Registration is open until August 31, 2018, <http://www.olmarais.com/>

September---21,22: MACC Show Nebraska Furniture Lot, Kansas City, KS – See MACC website for addition information. Information also located in the newsletter.

October 5-----:First Friday Cruise In to Randy Cummings Olathe, KS

October 19, 20,21: Fall Color Tour, Lake of the Ozarks

October -----27: MACC Fall Party

November

December-----1: MACC Christmas Party Hollywood Casino at the Speedway Kansas City, KS 6pm

Other Events and Cruise can be added through the year

## **President's Column**

Hi MACC,

Will return next month.

*Roger*

## **Vice-President's Column**

VP's Corner.....with Ed Smoot

Man, summer is getting away from me! I remember watching June creep up on the calendar, thinking how quickly summer would be upon us....and in the blink of an eye, it's just about August!

Although the temps have been through the roof, I (along with help from the guys at our shop) have still managed to make some headway on a couple of things.

First and foremost, we've really been pushing to get the '68 rolling. And when I say "push", that's exactly what we did. Being in the RV industry, summertime is our busy season. In an effort to





get my '68 Malibu into a cruising state of mind, we kind of rushed things a bit. The car is painted now, and I'd say it's a good 5-footer. (A big improvement from my usual 10-footer!) We missed a few dents, and the body work has a few ripples in it, but hey-- this was meant to be a low-buck driver. It's the factory correct color- Butternut Yellow- and shortly will have a black vinyl top on it-- just like the day it was born. So, before you put the laser-eye down the side and feel compelled to point out a spot we missed, trust in the fact that I know...I know. That being said, I still love this car and can't wait to drive it to some club events.

I've also got a couple of side projects going- one I will talk about here, and one that will have to wait until next month. The one that I can speak about is regarding one of my favorite tow vehicles. Shortly after President Verstraete and I took office way back when, we acquired matching '07 Tahoes. Same color, same drivetrain, but the Prez opted for the light interior, while I got the dark. I will say that Roger seems to have treated his truck with a little more care than I have- while his gets regular washings and oil changes on a schedule, mine really gets little of that. I tend to tow trailers that far exceed what GM thinks the truck should pull, take the truck fishing, long haul to Canada multiple times hauling a payload, and basically just beat on it like a rented mule. And it shows. Earlier this year, I did have to replace the transmission (at 200k)- and at the same time upgraded the exhaust with long tube headers and hi- flow cats. The 5.3 ran pretty good, but I figured that if I am going to continue to lean on this vehicle to tow what should not be towed, I may need a little help. Enter local company Procharger! Made here in KC, this is a belt driven supercharger that mounts on the front of the motor. The install is pretty straightforward- basically removing the belt and re-configuring a couple of accessories to get this thing plumbed in. Mount the intercooler, replace the fuel injectors, and install the supplied tune via the handheld, and voila- Supercharged Tahoe!

I haven't really had a chance to pull with it yet, and the tune still needs a little tweaking, so I'll sure keep y'all posted on how it does.

I will not make this month's meeting- I'll be on a fishing trip back to Canada (can you say Beaumont?) with my boys....the good Lord only knows what I'll find this trip.

Have a great month- hope to see you all soon!

See y'all soon!  
Ed

## **New Members**

### **Brent & Kelly Stegman**

13644 W 129th Place

Olathe, Ks 66062

Cell 816-289-3659

e-mail [ecogreenroof@gmail.com](mailto:ecogreenroof@gmail.com)

Member # 442 good to 4/30/2020

1966 ElCamino (Red) owned 10 months

Interests: Cruising, Car Shows

Found club on Internet, Website.

Bought car in August last year (sat in barn 27 years) has been a Father/Son project.



Mark and Cathy Edmondson

7406 Noland Rd

Shawnee, KS 66216

913-980-4905

Member # 443 good to 4/30/2020

e-mail mark@buykcproperty.com

1970 SS Clone, Black with White stripes. He put a 396 in it from a 1968 pick up. Bought it in 2005 with 60,000 original miles.

Interests: Car Shows

Found out about club from a friend.





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### Mid America Chevelle Club Apparel for Sale

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](mailto:findley13703@gmail.com)

Brian Findley – 913-558-1453

14 inch spare wheel and tire - \$20

Engine wiring harness for 1966, HEI with factory AC - \$100 – still in the original packaging.

Stainless fuel line for 396/350

Compact sub – RetroSound [https://www.crutchfield.com/p\\_068SUB8100/RetroSound-SUB-8100.html](https://www.crutchfield.com/p_068SUB8100/RetroSound-SUB-8100.html) - \$100

Frank Riley, Lenexa, KS 913-638-7596

Muncie Wide Ratio M-20 4 Speed Transmission \$600

Brand New Hurst Competition Plus 4 Speed Shifter \$300

70 Chevelle 4 Speed Transmission Crossmember \$100

(2) 1970 thru 1972 Chevelle Black Bucket Seat Cores w/ seat slides. \$350

For Sale: (4) Real Nice 15 x 7 Corvette Steel Rally Wheels: \$200

For Sale: (4) Nice Corvette Rally Derby Center Caps: \$100

For Sale: (2) Real Nice 15 x 8 Corvette Steel Rally Wheels: \$150

For Sale: (4) Real Nice 15 x 7 Corvette Steel Rally Wheels w/ good Dunlap Qualifier GT Tires: \$300

For Sale: (5) Stock 1970 YA date code 14" Steel SS Wheels: \$200.

For Sale: Rebuilt Never Fired February '70 Date Coded CRT 3963512 Casting 454 Short Block engine: \$1,500

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

I've got both my El Camino's for sale and wanted to see if you would share the links please.

I love them both but I need a better daily driver for going back and forth to school.

Ethan Butler - [ethanbutler1999@gmail.com](mailto:ethanbutler1999@gmail.com)

1976 El Camino with custom paint job

1984 El Camino SS Choo Choo Customs

Ethan Butler 913-213-7097

1970 1/18<sup>th</sup> scale Chevelles and El Caminos for sale, \$20.00 each. Contact John W. Gragg 816-804-4771







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