

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB

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Så snart Ni sett Er vid ratten i en Chevrolet förstår Ni varför den är efter år är världens mest köpta bil. Ni njuter av Chevrolet's komfort, smidighet och säkra vägegenskaper, dess otaliga och under sträng kontroll utprovade detaljer och de driftsäkra motorerna som ger fartresurter i absolut toppklass.

Chevrolet-seriens bilar är nu vackrare än någonsin, exklusivt eleganta med stilrena, svepande linjer. Därför är Chevrolet det rätta valet för bilar med höga anspråk.

Stora serier — 1964 tillverkades över 2 mil. Chevrolet-bilar — betyder lågt pris, Chevrolet-serien — IMPALA och BEL AIR, CHEVELLE, CHEVY II, CORVAIR — ger amerikansk komfort till Europeiskt!

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Chevelle — följarens sensation och mest köpta Chevrolet-modell i Sverige, nu ännu mer raffinerat elegant och överlägset komfortabel. En exklusiv bil i "stor mellanklass", rymlig, ekonomisk och lätt att köra. Finns både med 6-cyl. motor på 140 hk och V-8 på 195 hk. Tre alternativa växellådor, varav en helautomatisk. Ni som vill uppleva tjusningen att också till vardags kunna lärdas "direktionskört" skall välja nya Chevelle!



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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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Co-Chair:	Ed Smoot
Secretary:	Debbie Gragg
Treasurer:	Eugene Hallouer
At Large:	Randy Cummings
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.



2019 Meeting Minutes

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB
HENDRICK CHEVROLET, MERRIAM, KS
January 31, 2019
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Verstraete. There were 32 persons present.

Members were informed the insurance payment is in process.

There was a brief update on the September Car Show. The show is scheduled for September 27 and 28; Mr Verstraete adding Nebraska Furniture Mart is excited about having the event located there.

It was noted there is a new sponsor for the show – Midwest Dent Solutions.

Items needed for the World of Wheels Car Show (February 22 – 24) was discussed.

Mr. Calder distributed a listing of yearly event, followed with discussion by members. One of the noted events was potentially traveling to Chicago to attend the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals. It was mentioned that it usually takes one and one-half days to see all. Other items discussed were the Christmas/holiday party, June picnic, and the First Friday cruises.

Mr. Hallouer provided a treasurer's report, which was accepted. He indicated there are currently 85 members.

The membership agreed to send \$100.00 seed funds for the Regional at Springfield, MO.

Members were told there are extra shirts from the 2018 available for purchase.

The minutes, as presented in the newsletter, were approved.

Drawings were completed. Winner of the 2019 calendar was Erich Goeldner; \$25.00 was Darrell Elliott.

Members were also told the Saturday lunches move around, adding the upcoming locations are posted on Facebook.

There being no further official business, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Immediately following, members cruised to Old Shawnee Pizza.

Submitted by:

Debra S. Gragg
Secretary



February events attended by MACC

February 22-24---World of Wheels – See President's Column

Calendar of Upcoming Events 2019

March 23----Aeromotive Inc. tour 7805 Barton Street, Lenexa, KS
Aeromotive develops and manufactures fuel systems.
Meet at 10a.m. Lunch after tour TBD

April 5----First Friday Cruise In—Roger and Janet Verstraete
April 6----Street Car Takeover, Arrowhead Stadium, 10a.m. to 8 p.m.
April 13—Tour Vintage Fabrication 2419 N Old Atherton Rd, Independence, MO
April 27—Twin Peaks Lunch

May 3----First Friday Cruise In—Carriage House Desoto, KS hosted by Jim and Julie
May 5----Cruise the Burg, Louisburg, KS Sunday event
May 10-11--Loafers Car Club Show in Hannibal, Missouri

June 1 ---Club Picnic—John and Phyllis Prouty's Place Raymore, MO
June 7----First Friday Cruise In --John and Debra Gragg
June 8-----Paola Car show Paola, KS
June 15---Twin Peaks Lunch
June 28-29—Midwest Chevelle Regionals, Springfield, MO

July 5----First Friday Cruise In—Ed and Inga Smoot
July 13—Evel Knievel Museum/Historic Harley Davidson Museum, Topeka, KS
July 18-21—Street Machine Nationals, St. Paul, MN

August 2---First Friday Cruise In-Rick and Kelly Byfield
August 17---Alma, KS Car Show
August 24---Twin Peaks Lunch
August 30---Wellsville Car Show, Wellsville, KS

September 6-----First Friday Cruise In
September 8-----Shawnee Car Show Sunday Event
September 14---Merriam Car Show
September 14----KCI Cruise/Menards Chevy Show 12200 N Ambassador Dr
KC, MO 3p.m. -8p.m.
September 21---Ottawa Car Show
September 27-28—MACC Chevelle Show

October 4----First Friday Cruise In
October 10-12----National El Camino Owners Association 60th Anniversary Show
Arlington, TX—Sorry El Caminos/Sprints only
October 18-20----Fall Color Tour-Osage Beach, MO
October 26-----MACC Fall Party

November 22-24----Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals---Rosemont, IL (Chicago)



December 6-----MACC Christmas Party---Friday Event

Other car shows and events can be added during the year. Let Steve Calder or Roger Verstraete know.

President's Column

Hi MACC,

This has been one long winter and with it snowing every 3 to 4 days the prospects for everyone getting to World of Wheels Car show was not good this year. Our members have been going for the last 6 years. There has never been too many problems getting there and making it home without driving on wet streets or through some snow. Last week on Tuesday afternoon and through Wednesday morning, snow was coming down and we were all thinking about cancelling our trip to Bartle Hall. But the weather warmed up some and the snow melted on the streets. By Thursday morning, the streets were clear enough to make it downtown without much problem. We were able to get all our cars cleaned up and ready by Thursday afternoon and then we were ready to show our cars.



By Friday afternoon World of Wheels was ready to open and Bartle was filling up with spectators wanting to see this year's collection of cars, bikes and celebrities that come to sign autographs. My favorite TV car show 'Bitchin Rides' and its owner Dave Kindig was there on Sunday.



As usual, there were some outstanding cars there and almost all the restoration shops had a car there to show off their talents. One of our newest members, Joel Breyfogle, saw his beautiful '67 finished for the first time outside of the restoration shop. They had just completed it in time for this year's World of Wheels car show. Joel said he has owned this car since he was 14 and is just now getting the chance to have it restored. I took a video of Joel's car and I posted it on our Facebook page if you want to see more of this outstanding Chevelle.



As usual, Saturday is the big day at World of Wheels. This year's crowd was the biggest I've seen since I've been going. The weather was cold and rainy and I guess people just wanted to get out of the house and look at cars. The place was just packed with people and we had people standing around our cars all day long. Many were asking questions about our cars or just sharing their stories about the Chevelles they once owned. We were one of the few booths passing out candy and all the kids must have sensed it, because we almost ran out by Saturday afternoon. Saturday afternoon is award time and we all went down to see what our club members have won. As usual, we won our share. We had two firsts, four seconds, one third, and two participation awards for the classes we were in. Sunday is specialties awards, and Joel won one of the best paint awards.



Here is a group photo of all of us Sunday afternoon.



Here are two pictures of the best of show winner.



Here is are old friend from Topeka, Kansas, Gary McArdle's car, 'Bad to the Chrome'



This was my third year of taking my Convertible down to World of Wheels and I was one of the lucky ones to win first place in custom convertibles. This could not have happened if it wasn't for all the talented people who helped me work on my car.



I want to thank Steve Calder for setting this all up again and all of our members who put their cars in this year's World of Wheels show. We signed up three new members there and three others who are sending in their membership applications in the mail. All in all, it was a great time and I really enjoyed seeing all my friends, relatives and fellow sheet metal workers that came down to say hi and look at our cars. If you think you are interested in going down next year, please let us know early so we can get your name on the list.

That's all the time I have for this month. Hope to see everyone at the meeting this Thursday night.

Roger

Vice-President's Column

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

Those of you that know me pretty well have figured out by now that I have several hobbies- and most of them are car related. Chevelle progress this month has not exactly been noteworthy, so here's an update on a couple of other things that I've been working on. It's pretty widely known that I love pretty much all cars if they are considered cool and/or powerful. At my shop, we've built plenty of Vettes, a few Vipers, and even the occasional Porsche, Oldsmobile, or whatever. I just like to tinker with all these different things and see what they are all about. So, if the Mighty Bow Tie is all that interests you, that's cool- but you may want to stop reading now.

Rally Car! I had a column last fall that detailed my involvement in the Show Me Rally- a multi state road race that I've decided to put on my calendar every year. I like to change it up a bit from season to season, and this year we are putting together a car for this event that is going to be a blast!...or end us up in jail- not sure which yet.

About a month ago I bought a couple of retired black and white police cruisers on the popular auction site Purple Wave. I've decided to keep one of these for fun, and chose the newer of the bunch to start working on. This car is a 2015 Dodge Charger Pursuit. It's got a 5.7 Hemi in it, and gets around pretty good. I had an extra set of new Challenger 20" wheels laying around, so I threw those on it, and it improved the looks quite a bit. We improved the stance a little further with some new Eibach lowering springs and made it sound a bunch better with a budget exhaust system from Summit racing. After all that work, it was time to get it out and see if this thing would do doughnuts. Plenty of power, but much to my dismay I found out that starting in 2015, they put open differentials in these cars. What the heck? I couldn't believe that a police pursuit package was a one-legger. So, on to the mighty eBay I went, and found a take-out Hellcat third member that was a limited slip with the same ratio. Was a super-easy swap, and now this thing will do a proper burnout. We'll keep tweaking on it and add some HP under the hood over the next few months. We have until August to get it wrapped up and race ready, so check back for updates or watch my Facebook page if you are into that kind of thing.



Another thing that I may have not mentioned in any previous column was all the work that we did last season on my wife's car. She has a 2010 Dodge Challenger that she loves. This car suits her perfectly- factory Furious Fuchsia (read: pink) paint, a big trunk for those shopping trips, and a Hemi under the hood so she can get through traffic with ease. This has really been a great car, but it had some bad luck befall it.



While waiting for a traffic light to change, her light turned green and she started to pull forward when a lady on her way to pick up her kids in a brand-new Lexus SUV ran the light and smashed the front bumper up pretty good. What a drag! While working with said lady's insurance over the next couple of weeks, tragedy struck again- and this time it could have been much worse.

While headed south out of Olathe on 169 highway, someone in front of her had just left Home Depot with a brand new roll around toolbox in the bed of his truck. You know the kind--one of the really nice big ones with a 3" thick butcher block top on it as a work surface. This gentleman wasn't aware that the top of his new toolbox wasn't bolted on, so when he got up to 65 plus miles per hour, this thing decided it wanted out of the back of the truck. This 80 lb slab of wood took flight up in the air like a feather in the wind...and came down right on my wife's car. Hit the hood, smashed out the windshield, and creased the roof on it's way out. Could have killed her! Thankfully she was ok- not a scratch, but the car sure needed some help. Another insurance claim with a different company, and by the time the dust settled on all of the adjuster's laptops, we had enough to get it fixed up. We did the work ourselves, and ended up fixing all of the door dings and re-painting the entire car, changing up the stripe package, and I also used this downtime to get some fresh powder coat on the wheels and upgrade the tune and exhaust for her. Thankfully, she loves her car more than ever, so fingers crossed that it's done for a while.



The last thing that I've been working on the last couple of days is still top-secret, so you'll have to tune in at a later date for more info on it. I'll give you a hint: this ride has two doors, fat rear tires, and reportedly makes 707 hp from the factory- I can't wait!

Hope to see you all at the meeting!

Ed

New Members

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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

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 - \$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

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: (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

1976 El Camino with custom paint job

1984 El Camino SS Choo Choo Customs

Ethan Butler 913-213-7097

1965-1967 BB Holley intake – Ron Brightwell - \$80.00



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



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