

MACC APRIL 2020 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

Chair:	Roger Verstraete
Co-Chair:	Ed Smoot
Secretary:	Debbie Gragg
Treasurer:	Eugene Hallouer
At Large:	Randy Cummins
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

<u>Annual club dues (\$35) are to be submitted by April 30th.</u> 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 and be sure to keep you email address up-to-date so you don't miss club communications. Online credit card payment for dues is now available at http://www.midamericachevelles.com/members/join_form.html





2020 Meeting Minutes

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB HENDRICK CHEVROLET, MERRIAM, KS February 27, 2020 MINUTES

Will return when meeting start back.

Special Annoucement

MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP AND DUES RENEWAL IS NOW AVALIABLE ONLINE!

In the past we have had some requests from current members that they would like to renew their annual dues by Credit / Debit card. After some discussion at the last club meeting it was decided to make online New Membership and Club Dues renewal available (a \$2.00 convenience fee will apply). You can now renew your dues by Credit / Debit card on the club website at www.MidAmericaChevelles.com or get with me at the Club Meetings. When you renew online you can also use the form to make any updates or changes to your Membership info. (if you don't know your membership number that's OK). Of course, you can still join or renew by Cash or Check as in the past, but a third option is now available.

Eugene Treasure

Events attended by MACC

No events attended in April

Calendar of Upcoming Events 2020

May events cancelled/postponed. June events will be determined in May

May 1---First Friday Cruise In ---Moved to August 7th. See below.

May 2---Cancelled

- May 8-9---Loafers Car Show, Hannibal, MO Friday/Saturday Moved to September 18-19 see below
- May 15----Friday event---Tour Whiteman Air Force Base Knob Noster, MO EVENT CANCELLED by Whiteman AFB.
- June 5---First Friday Cruise In—Hosted by Steve and Lori Calder 9825 Clarksboro Dr E Liberty, MO
- June 6---Olathe Police Foundation Benefit Show, Olathe South High School 1640 E 151st St Olathe, KS
- June 13---Paola Heartland Show Paola, KS
- June 20----Club picnic—John and Phyllis Prouty 1400 Kurzweil Rd Raymore, MO
- June 21 or 22 TBD returning June 27-28 join Rick and Kelly Byfield on a trip to

Kentucky to see the Abraham Lincoln historic byway and anything else we can. If interested contact Rick Byfield at flywheel72@hotmail.com





July 3 or 4—Goodguys Show Iowa State Fair Grounds Des Moines. Travel up and back same day. Need to see what day.

July 10-----First Friday Cruise In hosted by Rick and Kelly Byfield, 19410 Edgerton Rd, Edgerton, KS

July 23-26----Street Machine Nationals, St. Paul, MN—Brian Findley is going. Contact Brian if you want to attend.

July 25-----Twin Peaks Lunch

August 7---First Friday Cruise in---Your Classic Ride 2711 Warwick Trfy, KC MO Hosted by Jon/Lynn Clark

August 8---Columbia Car Show Columbia, MO

- August 15---Alma Car Show Alma, KS
- August 28---Wellsville Car Show Wellsville, KS Friday

September 4----First Friday Cruise In OPEN

September 12---Turkey Creek Car Show Merriam, KS

September 13---Wheels and Dreams Car Show Shawnee, KS

September 18-19—Loafers Car Show Hannibal, MO Friday/Saturday

September 19---Old Marais River Run Show Ottawa, KS

September 25-26---Midwest Chevelle Regionals Nebraska Furniture Mart Parking lot KC, KS

October16-17 ---Fall Color Tour—More info to follow. October 24??---Fall Party

December 5---MACC Christmas Party—Thompsons Barn Lenexa NOTE: Saturday Event

Any other cruise night, show or event can be added during the year. Just let Steve Calder or any of the club officers know at $\underline{sjc52@aol.com}$ or 816-547-1206 cell or text.

MACC Ladies Column

MACC Ladies - Attention

A couple years ago, several of the ladies of the club suggested doing events together outside of car related functions. Well, we are finally coming close to accomplishing this action. A Facebook page (private) was created. Taking the list of those who signed up for this function, Lana Stites and Debra Gragg invited ladies with either Facebook accounts or e-mails in January, 2020.

We had 14 ladies respond, which is a great start! However, Lana and I are unable to determine if all those interested received the invitation via e-mail addresses. If you are interested in receiving an invitation to join the Facebook page, or can provide a good e-mail, please contact Lana Stites at Lstites80@gmail.com; or Debra Gragg at dgragg@gmail.com or text 816-223-2634 for the invite. This is open to ladies associated – spouses, mothers, daughters, nieces, girlfriends, etc.





Our first event is to solicit recommendations for quarterly events. It will be hosted at Charleston's Restaurant at Ward Parkway on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 12:30 p.m. Come prepared with some ideas and look forward to fun things to come.

President's Column

Hi MACC,

I sincerely hope everyone is staying healthy during this crazy time our country is going through. All we can do is what the health officials tell us to do so we can get through this. Hopefully, this will end very soon. We have cancelled the April meeting and will continue to monitor what our health officials are saying. We will decide on upcoming events when we feel it's safe for group gatherings. There have been a lot of car shows cancelled so far for the month of May. Some of these shows were club events that we had on our club calendar. Hopefully, by June the car shows will open up and we can start having our club events. We are watching what other Chevelle car shows across the country are doing. So far, the Peach State Chevelle Car show has been cancelled and this week the Mid Atlantic Chevelle car show will make a decision on whether to have their show. The Northern Chevelle Car show in Cleveland Ohio has their show planned for July 31 and August 1st. This is the biggest Chevelle car show in the country and last year they had 225 cars.

Vintage Air Part 3

Last month I was giving you an update on my Vintage Air project when I ran into a problem being able to close my hood. There was so much play in the hood hinges I decided to have them rebuilt. Last Saturday, Eugene and my grandson came over and helped me reinstall the hood and adjust the alignment so the hood would close. I have never claimed to be a body and paint guy, but adjusting the hood is usually not that hard. We did run into some alignment issues with the hinges being rebuilt and all the play taken out of them. I believe in the past, my car had some front end damage and not everything lines up like it should. Eugene and I were able to get it closed but it's not where it should be for sure. I'm still going to do some adjustments and work on some more alignment issues.

As usual Willie with Wilson Antique Auto Parts did an outstanding job rebuilding the hinges and adding new springs. He was able to get rid of all the play from side to side.









Next step is taking my car down to Midwestern mechanical to charge the system.

Well that is it for this month. I know everyone would like to get together and see each other and in due time I'm sure we will.

Roger

Vice-President's Column

How y'all doing? Hope all of the MACC family is doing well and hanging in there. Like a lot of folks, I've recently found some additional spare time as of late. One would think that this would be a great time to work on some car- related projects...

But not me.

As many of you may know, I am in the process of getting our current home ready to sell, as well as working towards breaking ground on our new place. There very well could be a period in between where we may indeed be homeless! As a temporary solution, we will more than likely be staying in our RV (shocker, I know). To make things a little more home-like, I felt that it would be nice to get the RV under cover and somewhat protected from the elements.

After searching around for a while online, I found something that would just fit the bill! My solution includes lockable, secure storage, as well as protection from the elements.

You start with (2) 40' storage containers, and space them 40' apart in the middle. I had a couple of storage containers dropped on our new plot of land, leveled out and spaced properly. Then, we built a pad in between the two containers so we start with nice clean gravel to move in with. Just to make the containers more aesthetically pleasing, we painted the containers a sky blue color, so the temporary "home" site would be a little more bright and cheery.



Next came the fun part, and was what we did last weekend. I had ordered a truss/ fabric roof kit off eBay, and the seller delivered it in a huge steel crate. We broke the crate open, and then the fun started. Imagine a super-sized erector set, on steroids. After emptying the contents of the crate and organizing the pieces/ parts, we soon realized that one key part of the kit was noticeably absent- the instructions! Thankfully, after clicking around on our phones for a bit, we found some fairly detailed prints of a kit similar to ours. Once we started assembling, we





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quickly found that this kit was much bigger in person that we originally thought. A quick run to our local rental yard, and we rented some of the biggest equipment they had. I'm glad we did, as there was no way this would have been possible without it. One long, hard day (and a wicked sunburn later), and we had the "skeleton" of the roof structure up and mounted to the top of the storage containers.



The next day, thankfully the wind was still, as pulling the tarp over the skeleton gets pretty dicey with any breeze at all. A fresh crew of helpers, and a lot of grunting, groaning, and pulling later, we had the tarp up and over the skeleton and secure. The rest of the day was spent adjusting, tightening, and ratcheting the tarp down. I've got to say- once this thing was up and completed, it's pretty impressive! 25' to the center rafter, it's nice and open, and the white color reflects a lot of light so that it doesn't feel dark and gloomy in there. Now, just add the RV, a picnic table, and a few decorations, and I believe we could call this a "home base" for as long as we need to. The nice part about using the storage containers is that they double as storage and workshops for whatever I need to be working on during this process.





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A big shout out to my friends, family, and employees that helped put this deal together. It was back breaking work at a fast pace, and everyone powered through and got it done. Could not have done it without them, and I sure owe them one.

Hope to see everyone soon, and get back to the car hobby--- it's not near as hard on the 'ol back!

Ed

New Members

Kyle Thomas McCollum 6425 W. 72nd St. Overland Park, KS 66204 913-226-5242 1964 Malibu SS, 1967 El Camino kylemccollum1@gmail.com Member # 468





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Mid America Chevelle Club Apparel for Sale

Here for a short time are some addition Club Show shirts, get yours while the supply last. In addition, be ready to order you very own plaque with your name and membership number.

2019 Show shirt sizes still available to purchase at the meeting:

- 3 Medium
- 1 Large
- 2 XLarge
- 1 2XL
- 1 3XL
- 1 Medium 2018 show shirt

Cost of the shirts are \$15 for M, L & XL, \$18 for 2XL & 3XL, and \$5 for last year's shirt.

If anyone is interested and have not already purchased a Club Membership Plaque the last time to purchase one will be at the October club meeting. Eugene will be the meeting to accept payment so Roger can turn in the order the following week. We plan to hand them out at the Christmas Party or arrangements can be made with Rogers to pick it up when they are ready.

Here is a list of club appeal that is available for club members. This well be available at this month club meeting. We sell all of our club appeal 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

Engine wiring harness for 1966, HEI with factory AC - 100 - 100 - 100 still in the original packaging. Stainless fuel line for 396/350

Compact sub – RetroSound <u>https://www.crutchfield.com/p_068SUB8100/RetroSound-SUB-8100.html - \$100</u>

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.

Don Hosek

Looking for the upper tailgate molding for a 1976 El Camino. This molding covers the pinch weld on the top of the tailgate. For sale: '73 - '77 El Camino NOS wheel opening moldings, complete set of four \$950.00; Reconditioned set of four also available \$750.00 Please call Don Hosek at 515-975-7800.

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





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



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