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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 sent directly to members and can also be found on the club's website at <http://midamericachevelles.com>. 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 Minsky's Pizza at 7198 Renner Road in Shawnee, Ks. 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. Contact the editor (Kirby Demott) at 913/269-4351 or khdemott@gmail.com.

Board Information

Chair:	Roger Verstraete
Co-Chair:	Brian Findley
Secretary:	Debbie Gragg
Treasurer:	Eugene Hallouer
At Large:	Randy Cummins
At Large:	John Gragg

Newsletter Editor: Kirby Demott



Monthly Meeting Agenda

- 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

You can also renew your dues by Credit / Debit card on the club website at http://www.midamericachevelles.com/members/join_form.html. 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). Please note that a \$2.00 convenience fee will apply when using this option.

Lastly, you can of course still join or renew by Cash or Check by simply getting with Eugene at the monthly meeting.

2023 Meeting Minutes

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB
SUBSTITUTE LOCATION: MINSKY'S PIZZA
September 29, 2023
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Verstraete. Vic Weave, a guest and owner of a 1969 SS 396 was present. Self-introductions followed.

The Minutes, as published in the newsletter, were accepted.

Mr. Demott was thanked for his work on the monthly newsletter.

Mr. Verstraete reported on the post car show results. He noted there was a good turn-out despite the rain. He indicated that decisions and arrangements for next year will need to be made.



Mr. Findley and Mr. Smoot thanked all who helped, and indicated that a one-day, top 25 with specialty awards are what they are envisioning.

Mr. Hallouer informed those present that three new members were gained from the show and overviewed the sales from the show. He noted that currently there are 107 memberships. He also noted there are tee-shirts available.

Mr. Calder overviewed the past events. He spoke about upcoming scheduled events which include; First Friday at the Prouty's, Fall Party, and Christmas party. He added projected events for 2024 which include the World of Wheels for February 2-4, and the Mid-America Regional at Wichita for May 30 – June 1, 2024.

Mr. Cummins spoke about local events: car show at Leavenworth, KS, car show for senior residents at Cedar Lake, Olathe, KS, and Turner Days, Turner, KS.

The drawing was won by Herb Bouyack, he picked a t-shirt for his reward.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Submitted by:

Debra S. Gragg, Secretary

MACC Committees

MACC has several committees in place to help with planning all the activities that take place during the year. The committees and their members are listed below. Committees are always seeking help from the MACC membership. If you see a committee you would like to support, feel free to reach out to any of the committee members, letting them know.

Car show Committee:

Ed Smoot. Chairman
Eugene Hallouer
Mike Stites
Kent Scott
John Gragg
Jon Clark
Tim Cunningham

Car Show flyer, shirts designer:

Lynn Clark

Event staff:

Steve Calder chairman
John Prouty
Russ Peters
Brian Findley



Christmas party staff:

Tim Cunningham
Jeff Long

Charitable committee:

John & Debra Gragg
John Freeman

Facebook administrators:

Roger Verstraete
Ed Smoot
Dean Call

Chevelle and mechanic advise committee:

John Freeman
Jeff Long

Chevelle Appraisal Committee:

Brian Findley
Roger Verstraete
Jeff Long

Events attended by MACC last month

September 30: Rev-It-Up Hot Rod Fest, Lawrence, KS

Ray and Byron represented the MACC well at this event.



MACC October 23 Newsletter
September 30: Warm Springs Ranch, Booneville, MO

A group of 40 MACC members and friends enjoyed a fun outing visiting Warm Springs Ranch, one of the three locations where Budweiser boards, breeds, raises and trains the world-famous Clydesdales. This is home to the east coast, west coast, and central hitches (wagon teams). Highlights of the tour included seeing a month-old foal and getting to stroke the hide of one of the super bowl commercial horses. Some interesting facts learned were:

- Only geldings (castrated male horses) are used to pull the wagons.
- The mares are trained to pull the wagons, but only used for foaling.
- The stallions are always purchased from outside the Budweiser herd to keep the gene pool diverse.
- The geldings can weigh as much as 2,200 lbs.

Prior to touring the ranch, the group enjoyed a nice lunch at The Cove, in Booneville.



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October 5: Cedar Lake Village, Olathe, KS

Cedar Lake Village is a retirement community in southern Johnson County. Multiple club members attended this annual show, put on purely for the enjoyment of the residents and participants. Janet Verstraete's father is one of the lucky residents.



October 6: MACC First Friday, Raymore, MO



A good time was had by everyone who attended this event at the Prouty's home, on a cool but beautiful fall evening. Word quickly spread on social media and soon many neighbors came to check out the cars. This was the last First Friday of the year. No one left hungry!

MACC October 23 Newsletter
October 7: Warrensburg Wheels Car Club
Show, Warrensburg, MO

The “blue crew” was back out in force at this show open to vehicles from 1900 to 1990. This was the 34th time for this event. Roger went home with a Top 25 plaque for his convertible.



October 8: Cars & Carats, Leawood, KS

Cars & Carats was a show sponsored by Diamonds Direct for the benefit of Shadow Buddies. The Shadow Buddies Foundation is a children's charity dedicated to providing support and knowledge to children with severe illnesses and disabilities. Although the show was primarily geared towards exotic cars, Keven Shields showed them what a real car looked like, and took home a second-place award.



October 14: Cops for Tots, Paola, KS

This show was sponsored by the Miami County Sheriff's Department and held at New Century Dodge. The MACC was well represented by Andrew Kelley and Doug Doherty who both came home with awards. Doug received the award for best car from the 1970s. Andrew's '66 was selected Best in Show by the actor Moses Brings Plenty who plays Mo on the show Yellowstone.



October 21: Cars in the Park, Lenexa, KS



Cars in the Park is typically the last major of the car show season in this part of the Midwest. It is a benefit for the Special Olympics. At least six club members showed their cars. Roger's convertible was voted the number one car in attendance from the 70's. The awards given out at this show are always top notch.



October 21: Fall Party, Hillsdale, KS



John Freeman again hosted the Fall Party at his beautiful home and property located in rural Hillsdale. John has put on this event for many years, and it just seems to get better each time. The weather could not have been any better. Invitees typically include the MACC, City of Merriam employees, and many friends and loyal customers of Midwest Mechanical. One of the highlights this year was getting to see John's new building that was recently erected. This is where he plans to move much of his equipment from Midwest Mechanical in the future. Prior to the food being set out, several MACC members came out early to shoot skeet, or fish in one of the two well-stocked ponds. The food included ribs, brisket, burnt ends, chili, and many side dishes and desserts. Speaking on behalf of everyone there, it was delicious.

Calendar of Upcoming Events 2023

November 18-19 – Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals (MCACN), Rosemont, IL

December 2—MACC Christmas Party -- Thompsons Barn Lenexa (reserved)

2024

February 2-4—World of Wheels Show Bartle Hall Kansas City

Move in date would be January 31 or February 1.

More info look up World of Wheels 2024 KC.

All registrations are on line only so please contact

Steve Calder 816-547-1206 cell/text or sjc52@aol.com

if you have any questions or want to put your car in the show with the club. Need to know by December 3rd.

So far we have four: Calder, Needham, Findley and Verstraete.

May 31-June 1—37th Annual Midwest Chevelle Regional Car Show

Wichita State University Braeburn Square, 21st Street and
Oliver, Wichita, KS

The events planning group will be meeting in early January to set up some events for 2024. If you have a cruise, car show, cruise night, tour etc. that you think would be a good club event please let one of the committee members or club officers know. Any feedback on events is welcome as we want to encourage more club members to participate.

Steve Calder Events Coordinator

Russ Peters

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MACC Ladies Column

Stay tuned for more information in future newsletters.

President's Column

Hi MACC,

Well car season is coming to an end and by all accounts this has been a very entertaining season for everyone who has come out to our club events. Our Friday night cruise nights have been well attended and the food and desserts this year have been out of site. MACC has attended a lot of car shows for charities and we have done our small part in helping out the KC community.



Earlier in the month, we attended the Cedar Lake Retirement Center car show which is always a big hit with the residents. Last but not least, we were able to have another successful car show. I must admit, it was a difficult car show because of the weather but even with the two rainstorms that blew through in the morning we still had 85 cars in attendance. Want to thank everyone who came out and supported the club. None of these events would have happened if it wasn't for all the dedicated club members and club sponsors. I want to thank everyone who helped in any small way to make it all happen this year. As of last count, we have 109 members and I believe that breaks the record for club membership. The Mid-America Chevelle Club is considered one of the biggest Chevelle clubs in the country.

Our last club event of the year is our annual Christmas party on December 2nd at the Thompson Barn in Lenexa, Kansas. This is our biggest club function of the year and the most attended event of the year. We will be discussing the details at this month's meeting. More details will come out in an email later about the Christmas Party. This will also be our last club meeting of the year. Thursday at Minsky's Pizza, 7198 Renner Road at 7pm.

Roger

Vice-President's Column

Hello MACC,

I would like to start by saying "Thank You" to all our club members for another great car season. An additional "Thank You" to all the committees that help with keeping us growing and having fun.

We had a great season of activities and ended the year with a successful car show, considering mother nature tried to wash us out.

Remember, the year doesn't officially end until after the Christmas Party on December 2, 2023. Be sure to put this on your calendar, it is a great time.

The off season is a great time for projects. If you start a project, please consider sharing your experience with your project by submitting an article for the newsletter. It doesn't have to be a long article, just something short and sweet (pictures help take up space, lol.) that details the good and bad of completion.

I am planning to put in a Digital Dakota dash, along with getting the AC working in our 1971. I also plan to take pictures and document the experience. These two projects will be a first for me. Looking forward to the challenge.

This will be our last article for this year.

Looking forward to a great 2024.

Your VP,
Brian Findley



New Members

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Member# 525

1979 ElCamino White/Maroon owned since 2013. Dad owned in 1990's and sold it. After he passed, I had a chance to purchase from 2nd owner and it was exactly the same - not changed any, so it has been in the family 20 plus years.

Looking forward to car shows and cruises.

Nick and Kristin Weaver

5148 Parish Drive

Roeland Park, KS 66205

Cell # 816-686-5525

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Member# 526

1969 Chevelle SS, Yellow/Black owned 6 years.

Interests: Cruising, Tech Info, Tours

Lives near Jon Clark. Excited to learn more about the car.

Shannon and Cindy Pickworth

9624 McCormack Dr.

Lenexa, KS 66227

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Member# 527

972 Chevelle Convertible, Red. Recently completed frame-off restoration.

Interests: Cruising, Car Shows, Parties

Member's Corner

Tell the story about how you came to love Chevelles or even share some experience with your projects.

All are welcome.



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Mid-America Chevelle Club Apparel for Sale

Mid America Chevelle Club Apparel, and prior Car Show Shirts, can be purchased at Club Meetings. Limited sizes and colors are available.



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 khdemott@gmail.com

Eric Riley has the following items he would like to sell. If interested give him a call at 816-679-1346

- 71 & 72 Chevelle front turn/parking lamps
- 1986 Chevy El Camino 305/700R4, Clear coat coming off. Rebuilt title, needs tires.



- 14x7 1969/70 Chevelle Wheels 5/02 and 5/06 YA date codes. Restored.



- 1980's Malibu / ElCamino S10 center caps for 14" Rally Wheels p/n 14009835



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