



**OCTOBER 2024**



**MACC ANNUAL CAR SHOW  
AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!**

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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](mailto:khdemott@gmail.com).

**Board Information**

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

**Newsletter Editor:** Kirby Demott



## **Monthly Meeting Agenda**

Call to Order  
Introductions  
Reports/Discussion  
Upcoming Events  
Report of Treasurer  
Additional Items  
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

You can also renew your dues by Credit / Debit card on the club website at [http://www.midamericachevelles.com/members/join\\_form.html](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.

If anyone has any question about when their dues expire or have any trouble paying online contact Eugene at [locoman@everestkc.net](mailto:locoman@everestkc.net)

## **Meeting Minutes**

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB  
Location: MINSKY'S PIZZA 7198 RENNER RD, SHAWNEE KS 66217  
September 26, 2024  
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Verstraete and all were welcomed. No introductions were made as there were no new members or guests present. 19 members attended.

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



Brian Findley noted that plans were in place for our show and asked members who could help with setup be there at 6:00 AM to get started.

Eugene Hallouer provided the Treasurer's report. We have 107 current members.

Kirby Demott won the \$25 drawing.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Randy Cummins, 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:**

Brian Findley, Chairman

Ed Smoot

Eugene Hallouer

Mike Stites

Kent Scott

John Gragg

Jon Clark

Tim Cunningham

#### **Car Show Graphics Designer:**

Lynn Clark

#### **Events Committee:**

Steve Calder chairman

John Prouty

Russ Peters

Brian Findley

Ray Harper

#### **Christmas Party Staff:**

Tim Cunningham

Jeff Long

#### **Charitable Organization Committee:**

John & Debra Gragg

John Freeman



**Facebook Administrators:**

Roger Verstraete

Ed Smoot

Dean Call

**Chevelle Mechanical Advisory Committee:**

John Freeman

Jeff Long

**Chevelle Appraisal Committee:**

Brian Findley

Roger Verstraete

Jeff Long



## **Events attended by MACC last month**

### **September 28: 37<sup>th</sup> MACC Annual Car Show, Olathe, KS**

Our annual car show was held in a new location this year at the Embassy Suites hotel in Olathe. For those of you who are out-of-town members, Olathe is a suburb south of Kansas City. Unlike last year, the weather this time around was almost picture perfect. There were 80 cars registered. Thirty four award plaques were given out, with the best-of-show receiving a custom-made award recognizing the 50-year anniversary of the 1974 Chevelle and the 60-year anniversary of the 1964 Chevelle. John Prouty this award, and several other items that were later auctioned off including a beautiful laser-etched mirror having an image of each year of Chevelle from 1964 through 1972. To see a video of each car at the show follow this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QsEwlsfLBrY>



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A very special Chevelle was at our show this year, a 1965 Z16. (See the cover of this newsletter) For those of you who may not know, only 201 of these cars were ever made. They were the first Chevelle's ever equipped with a big block engine. Besides the 396, there were many other unique parts to these vehicles. Some of these cars were sold to GM executives or celebrities. Dan Blocker, who played the character Hoss on Bonanza, was one of those people. Others were sold to drag racers. This is the first time in the 37-year history of our show that we have been fortunate enough to have one on display. Here are some more photos of what some believe is the holy grail of Chevelles.



MACC Car Show Award Winners

First Name	Last Name	City	State	Auto Info	Award
Steve	Calder	Liberty	Missouri	1972 GMC Sprint	Top 25
Kurt	Lang	Lincoln	Nebraska	1968 Chevrolet Chevelle SS	Top 25
Shannon	Pickworth	Lenexa	Kansas	1972 Chevy Chevelle	Top 25
Ray	Harper	Bonner Springs	Kansas	1968 Chevrolet Chevelle	Top 25



Anna	Hallouer	Shawnee	Kansas	1967 Chevrolet Malibu - Marina Blue	Top 25
Francis	Richmond	Lewistown	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle - Black Cherry	Top 25
Kali	Gray	Olathe	Kansas	1964 Chevrolet El Camino	Top 25
Joedy	Terrill	Olathe	Kansas	1972 Chevrolet Chevelle	Top 25
John	Prouty	Raymore	Missouri	1966 Chevrolet Chevelle Malibu Convertible	Top 25
Shawn	Edwards	Spring Hill	Kansas	1964 Chevy Chevelle SS Convertible	Top 25
Harold	Owens	Kearney	Missouri	1965 Chevrolet El Camino	Top 25
Kevin	Duncan	Independence	Missouri	1966 Chevelle	Top 25
Chuck	Doyle	Kansas City	Missouri	1967 Chevrolet Chevelle	Top 25
David	Jamis	Wichita	Kansas	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 454	Top 25
Jeff	Long	Shawnee	Kansas	1969 Chevrolet SS 396 Convertible	Top 25
Larry	McMullen	Blue Springs	Missouri	1967 Chevrolet Malibu Convertible	Top 25
John	Holmgren	Basehor	Kansas	1965 Chevrolet Chevelle	Top 25
Greg	Wright	Hannibal	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle	Top 25
Mike	McMillen	Frankford	Missouri	1968 Chevrolet Chevelle SS	Top 25
Larry	Sparks	New London	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet El Camino	Top 25
Margie	Shifman	Belton	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet El Camino	Top 25
Boyd	Barrett	Vandalia	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 396	Top 25
Ron	Raney	Palmyra	Missouri	1969 Chevrolet Malibu Convertible	Top 25
Cole	Baxter	Harrington	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle	Top 25
Kelly	Parr	Paola	Kansas	1967 Chevrolet Chevelle SS	Top 25
Doug	Doherty	PAOLA	Kansas	1971 Chevrolet Chevelle	Best Paint
Kirby	Demott	Olathe	Kansas	1972 Chevrolet Heavy Chevy	Best of Show
Rick	Byfield	Edgerton	Kansas	1971 Chevrolet Chevelle	Embassy Suites
Dan	Pulcini	Olathe	Kansas	1971 Chevrolet El Camino	Best Engine
Ashlynn	Needham	Grain Valley	Missouri	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 454	Deal Call's Pick
Ed	Heinisch	Topeka	Kansas	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle	Accurate Insurance
Ken	Sims	De Soto	Kansas	1969 Chevy Chevelle	Aquatic Bliss Pools



Mike	Seeler	Leavenworth	Kansas	1966 Chevrolet Chevelle	Midwestern Mechanical
Russ	Alexander	Louisiana	Missouri	1967 Chevrolet SS 396	Best Interior

**October 3: Cedar Lake Village, Olathe, KS**

This show was the 4<sup>th</sup> time for this event at the Cedar Lake Village Retirement & Assisted Living Facility. Several members attended. Joe Stack gave his Chevelle a break and drove his '40 Ford instead. The residents really enjoyed looking at all the cars.



### October 5: Providence Medical Center Car Show, Kansas City, KS

Several MACC members participated in this local show.



### October 5: Kelce Car Jam 24, Kansas City, MO

Our own Shannon Pickworth was invited to show his beautiful '72 convertible at this year's Kelce Car Jam. This an event Travis Kelce sponsors to benefit Operation Breakthrough here in Kansas City. Operation Breakthrough is an early education center and social service facility that serves over 700 children. Some of the students in this program helped build an all-electric '69 Chevelle that they are currently raffling off. If you want a chance to win the car you can go here to enter: <https://operationbreakthrough.org/events/69-chevelle-car-raffle>





OPERATION Breakthrough

## '69 Chevelle Car Raffle

NOW you have the chance to WIN this beautiful '69 Chevelle all electric car transformed with the help of our students.



RAFFLE BEGINS: October 5, 2024  
RAFFLE ENDS: December 9 at 6:00 PM  
RAFFLE DRAWING: December 10, 2024 at Noon on Facebook Live







**October 12: Warrensburg Wheels Car Show, Warrensburg, MO**

This year was the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this show put on by the Warrensburg Wheels Car Club. There were over 300 cars on display, six MACC members included. Once again John Prouty brought home the gold with his '66 convertible being voted one of the top 35.





**October 19: Cars in the Park, Lenexa, KS**



This show is held in Shawnee Mission Park and put on by the Johnson County Park and Recreation Department. It is a benefit for the Special Olympics. A record number of 169 cars were at the show this year. There were at least six MACC members in attendance. Roger Verstraete's '74 (huh??) SS Chevelle convertible was voted the best car from the 70's. Roger's cousin Jerry took home the plaque for the best Corvette with his '63 split window.







### October 19: MACC Fall Party, Spring Hill, KS

John Freeman once again hosted the annual fall party at his beautiful estate in the country. This year John was also celebrating his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Those who arrived early got to participate in fishing and shooting clay pigeons. For the meal there were BBQ ribs, burnt ends, burritos and multiple concoctions of chili. There were also many delicious side dishes and desserts.

Throughout the night everyone enjoyed listening to the band KC Bones. They played a lot of Grateful Dead, rock and roll, and Country/Western. Jason, one of the members, previously played with Tom Petty and Hanson earlier in his career. He is one of the few left-handed guitar players you will ever see.

We also got to see the future home of Midwestern Mechanical Specialties, which is nearly complete!





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### October 26: MACC Fall Color Tour to Fort Riley, KS

Scenic country roads and unusual Halloween decorations were some of the amenities enjoyed by the participants of this annual fall tradition on a beautiful autumn day. Five members of the MACC drove their vintage vehicles. While on the base, the club toured the Calvary and Infantry museums, in addition to viewing the many limestone buildings during the drive. A car tour is not complete without a good meal, and this one was no different. Moe's BBQ in St. George, KS (a few miles east of Manhattan) served up some tasty ribs, burnt ends, catfish, southern-style chicken and many delicious and unique sides.











## Calendar of Upcoming Events 2024

November		
22-23	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals	Rosemont, IL Contact Kirby Demott
December		
5-7	Mecum Auction	KC Convention Center
14	MACC Christmas Party	Thompsons Barn Lenexa, KS-More info to come.

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 Russ Peters  
 Brian Findley  
 John Prouty  
 Ray Harper



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Steve will be stepping down as Events Coordinator at the end of 2024. Anyone else interested in taking this on contact Steve or Roger.

Thanks for your support over the last ten years.

Steve Calder

## **President's Column**

Hi MACC,

With the car show season coming to a quick end, one of the biggest things I've noticed this year is how well attended car shows have been. It's impossible to go to every one of them, but the main ones I've gone to have set records in attendance this year. The Shawnee Car show for example had over 400 cars, the Merriam car show had over 300 cars, and last week several of us went down to the Warrensburg car show and they had around 300 cars there. The weather has been great and that alone is one huge factor in the increase in attendance.

As a club, we tried to attend different car shows this year. We wanted to see how well they are run, and how they do their awards. One of the new car shows we attended this year was the Leavenworth car show. They had their show in a city park under some huge trees and there was plenty of shade to sit under. The Leavenworth Cruisers car club puts this show on and the biggest thing I saw was how they picked the award winners. First of all, they separate club member's cars from the non-club member's cars. It's a participant judge show so what you do is you pick your top 5 favorite members cars, and then pick your top favorite 5 non-member cars. This eliminates anyone from saying only your club members win the awards. This is not the only car club that does this. The Corvette Club's car show is the same way. Club members are in one class, and non-club members are in another.

Another way to judge a car show is to have some judges go out and pick their favorite cars. This is open to criticism because people think the judges pick all their buddies' cars to win and in some cases this is true.

Two weeks ago, when we went to the Warrensburg car show, they gave out the top 35 awards and then they gave out another 35 sponsor awards. There were 2 groups of judges picking out the winners. I was watching these guys, and they were just walking around and if a car caught their eye it was picked. I don't consider this a judged car show.

In August, I attended the Camaro car show in Riverside, Mo. I wanted to check out their venue and Anna and Eugene had their 2018 Camaro entered in this year's show. I know one of the guys



that helps run their car show and wanted to see how they judge their cars. Camaro and Corvette car shows are completely different than most shows. Take for example the Camaro car show, you have a large range of cars to judge, starting with the years 1966 through 2002, and then the Camaro was reintroduced in 2010. In the early models you need to have a stock and modified class. The newer generation Camaro is mostly in the stock class. So, as you can see, there would be a lot of classes to judge. Here is how they do it. They use a software program called Car Show Pro. After watching the Camaro Club use it, I can see the big advantage in using it. What they do is have 2-man crews go out and judge each car and they break it down into 5 categories per car. Body and paint, interior, wheels and tires, engine compartment and overall appearance. This takes about 3-5 minutes per car. One person judges each of the categories and gives it a number and the other member of the crew puts that number in a handheld tablet using the Car Show Pro hardware. After they are done and on to the next car, the Car Show Pro stores the information of each car and at the end it will spit out the results of each class. The judges can also change a car from a stock to a modified class if the car they're judging has too many changes to be in a stock class. I can see a lot of advantages in using this program if used correctly.

The Mid-America Chevelle Car show has changed the way we do awards since Covid. We used to vote for the top 3 per year, but doing this has its issues. If there are only two 1964 Chevilles both cars win an award, but we have one award left over that is not used. Then if we have thirty 1970's show up, only 3 win an award and that's not fair either. Now we just have a top 25 class, and it doesn't matter what year or model the car is. The top 25 are participant judged by the people who are registered for the show. The sponsor awards are picked by the sponsors if they are there, and if not a club representative pick for them. The specialties awards are picked by our club judging crew.

So, what is the best way to judge the car show winners? I used to think participant judged shows were the best way, but I see a lot of "I'll vote for you if you vote for me" stuff going on. If a large group comes together, you can bet they're voting for everyone in their group. If someone sees someone they know or a relative at the same show you can bet their number is on their voting ballot. Therefore, I'm not a fan of participant judged shows any more. If you have judges that know their stuff and are not partial to anyone that could be a good solution but finding people like that is not easy. If Car Show Pro is used in the right way it could be the way to go in the future, if the guys judging the cars know what they are doing.

Last thing about picking award winners. There is no way you can make everyone happy, it's impossible. Take for example a car show with over 300 cars in attendance. I don't know how you can judge that many cars in a few hours and be completely fair. There just isn't enough time or judges to do it right.

On to some club news. First, I want to thank John Freeman for hosting the Fall Party this year. It was a great time like usual and this year John had a great band for everyone to listen to. Thanks again John.

The next event coming up is our annual Christmas party that will again be held at the Thompson Barn on December 14<sup>th</sup>. This year we moved the date back one week because by the time I got there on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, the first weekend was already booked for the first weekend. I will



send out an email after we work out the details at this month's meeting. This also will be the last club meeting of the year; **Wednesday, October 30th** at Minsky's. No club meetings are held during the months of November and December, as we take a break for the holidays. We will start back up on January 30<sup>th</sup> 2025.

Well, that's it for this month and I guess for 2024 also. If I don't see you at the Christmas party, I hope everyone has a great Holiday season.

Roger

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

Brian is taking a break this month. We look forward to his column returning in our next newsletter.

### **New Members**

Frank Fortin  
1366 Broadcloth St. Apt. 303  
Fort Mill, SC 29715  
e-mail: fbfortin@gmail.com  
Member #539  
1969 Tuxedo Black with White Soft Top, L-78  
1969 Garnet Red, Code 52, L-35, Matching Nos.  
1969 Garnet Red, Code 52-B, L-34, Matching Nos.  
Interests: Tech Info

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Littleton, CO 80123  
e-mail: rkgkcat2@yahoo.com  
Member #540  
Home Phone: 303-904-2816  
Cell Phone: 720-971-4921  
1967 Bolero Red/black vinyl top, SS 396/325hp, Matching Nos., frame off restoration in 2010  
Interests: Car Shows

Jeremy and Tina Tillotson  
1310 Mission Dr.  
Raymore, MO 64083  
e-mail: jmtfett@yahoo.com  
Member #541  
Cell Phone: 816-441-2003  
1969 Fathom Green, SS  
Interests: Cruising, Car Shows, Tech Info.



Greg and Barbie White

7934 Bell Rd.

Shawnee, KS 66217

e-mail: [gwrods@aol.com](mailto:gwrods@aol.com)

Member #74 – Greg was a member previously and has now rejoined with a new car

Phone: 913-938-0599

1970 Black, SS 454

Wes and Elaine Auldridge

506 Sunset Blvd.

Knob Noster, MO 65336

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

Member #542

Cell Phone: 682-384-5576

1972 Malibu, family owned, barn kept, all original with 62,000 miles

Interests: Cruising, Car Shows, Tech Info, Tours, Parties, Other

### **Member's Corner**

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

### **Sponsors**





**Aquatic Bliss  
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Tim Cunningham  
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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 Parts for Sale**

If you have any car parts you would like to sell, email your list of parts to [khdemott@gmail.com](mailto:khdemott@gmail.com)

Kirby Demott has the following parts for sale. Will not ship. Contact at [khdemott@gmail.com](mailto:khdemott@gmail.com).

New 1970 Convertible 3/8" stainless steel fuel line from tank to fuel pump. \$50



1971-72 Hardtop stainless steel brake line from front combination valve to rear axle. \$30





New 1971-72 Hardtop stainless steel 4-piece vent line set. \$70



Four 15x7 five spoke wheels. Never installed since professionally painted. Stainless trim rings in fair condition. \$300



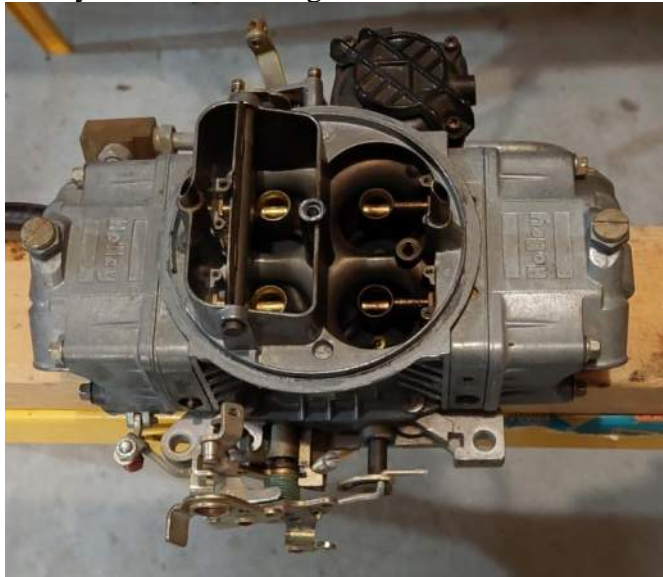
Dick Luman has the following parts he would like to sell. If you are interested in any of them you can contact him at 913-481-6552 or [dluman@lumancpa.com](mailto:dluman@lumancpa.com)

World Products Sportsman II cast iron cylinder heads for small block Chevrolet. The heads have been disassembled, cleaned, ported, polished, and are ready to go (except for springs to match your camshaft). Includes all roller rocker arms and locking adjuster nuts. All that is needed are springs to match your camshaft. \$1,400 OBO

SBC MSD HEI distributor, complete with plug wires and looms, and MSD ignition control box. \$400 or OBO



Holley 770 Street Avenger carburetor. \$300 OBO



SBC headers need refinishing. \$100 (These came off his 1979 El Camino with a 400 small block).



John Gragg has the following items for sale. If you are interested in them, contact John at 816-804-4771.

Numerous cans of R12 for sale. \$25.00 per can.



Richmond 12 bolt 3.08 ring and pinion. \$150.00

