

Oct. 7, 2026

The October WACO meeting was held in Mike's garage with about 34 members present. Kevin opened the meeting by asking if anyone had any announcements. No one responded. Kevin then shared two announcements that he had. First, he shared with the club Nancy Koenig's passing. Then he shared that Gary Osman will have kidney surgery at the end of the month.

Kevin then asked for feedback about the member appreciation dinner that was held last month. He asked how everyone liked the building and the food. Most of the club members responded favorably to the party that we had.

Kevin then shared about the two recent open houses that we participated in. One was at the Wichita Burner, and the other was at Inland Truck Parts. Both shows had good club representation and everyone that went had a good time.

David Hime shared how many t-shirts he has left over. He has 1 LG Regional shirt that could be bought. He had a couple of club shirts that members purchased at the meeting. He also had a couple of Hoodies that he had left over. One was purchased by a club member, and I believe that he still has the other one left to sell. (I'm not sure about that last part, he might have sold it as well last night) If you are interested in any of these shirts, please contact David H.

Up Coming Car Shows:

Chester shared that there will be a car show on Maize Rd at Avita. It is a free show with free food and is located at 639 S. Maize Road. It is on Thursday from 4-6 PM. Chester also said there is a show in Goddard on Oct. 17 and one in Clearwater on Saturday.

Kent shared that there is a car show in Galva this weekend as well.

Kevin asked the members to help each other out and share when they will be going to car shows so that club members can join them. If you know that you will be going to a car show, please let either David G. or Kevin know about it so they can let other club members know as well.

Bob & Kevin went to three different car shows last weekend: Peabody, Whitewater, and Hutchinson. They had fun at all three of them.

David J. went to the car show in Kansas City last weekend. He said they had between 95-98 cars show up. He said that he enjoyed the show. He also said there was a swap meet the next day in Independence that he got to go to.

Doug encouraged the members to think about participating in the Hobo Happenings Car Show on Sat. Nov. 21 in Douglass, KS. Doug said that is the last show of the season and that you will see cars there that you have never seen before. They provide free ham and beans and cornbread for everyone and if you get there early enough, they have free doughnuts and coffee as well. Doug passed out some registration cards for anyone that is interested. Be prepared for the weather can be a challenge!

David G & Bob attended the Pontiac Uprising show last weekend. They had a good time and encouraged the club to attend next year.

Pete & Bob attended the Oxford Car Show.

Pete also went to a show at Winfield motors.

David J. shared about a Muscle car and Corvette show that will be held in Chicago at the same time as the Hobo Happenings.

Jack B. says that he has a 1970 Chevelle Race Car that he wants to sell. Please contact Jack for more information!

The last few years our club has participated in the Don Hattan Trunk or Treat in Park City. Kevin said that he has not been contacted by Don Hatten yet, but expects to hear something soon. If you are interested in helping to pass out candy and decorate your car, please contact Kevin and let him put you on his list.

The Hutchinson Swap Meet is this weekend. Set up time is Friday morning beginning at 7 AM. The actual meet hours are Fri: 12-7, Sat: 8-4 and Sunday 8-2. The Swap Meet is all outside this year. We have two 20 x 20 spaces reserved for our club. They should be right next to the paved road in the fairgrounds. The Sunflower Building that used to house some of the swap meet will instead have a flea market in one building and in another building will be some RC cars, planes and things like that to see and buy. Gary's trailer is full of stuff from Bill & Linda Schweers estate sale. Bob will be pulling the club trailer. The weather is supposed to be nice. Bob is asking for anyone that can help to please come and help at our booth. Donations are being encouraged to help Gary with his diesel costs on pulling his trailer to Hutchinson. If you are interested in helping at all please contact Bob!

Kevin said the Kansas Firefighters Museum is asking for our help with the old fire engine that we worked on last year. They are having trouble getting fuel to move through the system. Kevin asked for a morning next week that would work for the club to go and look at the engine. Nothing was decided so Kevin will let the Museum pick which morning works for them.

The WACO Christmas party is coming up on Dec. 5. It will be held at the WSU Metro-plex again. Kevin asked for feedback on the food. He said that WACO could cover the cost of the meat and the club could provide everything else. Kevin also asked for ideas on entertainment.... Such as do we keep playing Bingo or do we want something else. He also asked if the club still wanted to provide gifts for the kids. Most people were silent on everything except the kids' gifts. Most of the club agreed that it was a good idea to provide gifts to kids 12 and under as it brought them a LOT of joy that we enjoy watching! But other than that, there wasn't any feedback. PLEASE contact Kevin if you have an idea of how to make the Christmas party nice for the club!

Show and Tell:

David H. showed us the trophy that he won at Whitewater. It even had his car on the trophy!

Bob & Gretchen just got back from a cruise and Bob showed us the new way that you get into your room. Instead of having a credit card looking card to unlock your door, you now have a coin looking thing on the end of a lanyard that the door can recognize from several feet away.

David G. shared a new hexagon shaped flashlight that he had purchased at Harbor Freight that he really likes. It is rechargeable. It has an LED bulb on it that is very bright. The brightness can be adjusted. It also has a very strong magnet on the back that will hold it in one place for you.

Gary shared that he asked his doctor if he could get his kidney in a jar so that he could bring it to show and tell! His doctor said "NO".

Then Kevin asked a few members to share about their recent trips. Kent talked about going to Las Vegas and then going through Zion, Bryce and the Grand Canyon

David J. talked about going to Montana and going to Glacier National Park. Pete & Stephanie talked about their bus trip that followed the Pacific Coast Highway. It all sounded like great fun.

Meeting adjourned!