

Sept. 6, 2023

The September meeting was held in Mike's man cave (garage) and had 28 members in attendance. Kevin started the meeting by asking if anyone had brought their money from selling the raffle tickets for the Chevelle. Kevin mentioned that David H. was not here so Kevin had agreed to take care of the money.

David G. gave a treasurer's report. In total we have a little over \$5,000.00 in our account. Russell noticed that it was less than last month and David admitted that was correct. David then went on to explain that we had purchased the grill for our raffle and also purchased the raffle tickets and those two items added up to a little over \$600 spent.

Because David had mentioned the grill then Mike pushed it into the middle of our circle so that all the members could see the grill. We were told that we have 250 copies of the raffle flyers that we can show people when we sell the raffle tickets. The tickets are already bundled in stacks of 100 and the club members were asked to get a bundle and proceed on selling the raffle tickets. The tickets cost \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. The grill will be given away at our Chevelle Regional event next May. Our goal is to try and sell all 2500 raffle tickets. That way we recoup our investment in the grill and get a little money over that to be able to do something else. The tickets are easy to fill out; you just need a name and phone number or a name and email address. Mike suggested that we take the physical grill with us to events where we are selling tickets. That way people can see what they are buying chances for. Mike said he has a trailer if club members would like to haul the trailer to an event. Kevin is planning on taking it to the KC Regionals and selling tickets there. They are also planning to take it to the swap meet this fall.

Kevin then mentioned that KC is being kind enough to allow us to sell the raffle tickets at their Regional event but that we should try to make a good showing from our club at the Regional event in KC. Kevin also mentioned that he had done some calling on hotels for the event and found out that hotels are at a premium that weekend because there is both a Royals game and Chiefs game that weekend. But Kevin found some reasonable hotels that still had rooms left. If you are planning to attend and need help with a hotel, give Kevin a call since he has already done some of the leg work for you!

Kevin then moved into our Regional Event in 2024. Reminder our Regional is scheduled for May 31 and June 1 of 2024. Kevin said the flyer and tickets for the grill are ready to be used. Bob Cox is working on the t-shirt design. Bob said he is looking for someone who can design the t-shirt on vector?. This puts the design onto a file so that the t-shirt company can print the t-shirts. Bob mentioned that the design team gets \$85 per hour to design the t-shirts. So it would be better for the club to have as much done as possible so that the design team doesn't have to do much work. Bob asked if anyone knew of someone that could do this vector design stuff to give him or Kevin a call. Bob did mention that he is looking at using the company US Logo again. Jack suggested that he liked the design that Margaret had on one of her Chevelle t-shirts. This shirt has the front end of the car on the front of the shirt and Jack suggested we could put the back ends of the cars on the back of the shirt. The suggestion was made that if we could get all the fronts of the Chevelle on the front and the backs on the back that it would be a really cool t-shirt that would appeal to a lot of Chevelle owners.

Cheri said she had spoken with Katie and had contacted Haggerty about being a sponsor for our Regional event. Haggerty just needs to know the different levels of sponsorship that are available. Most likely they will sponsor us and may even set up a booth at our event.

The Fish Fry that Gerald Allen had done the previous weekend was mentioned. Gerald's father-in-law had passed out a flyer for a car show at McAdams Park that would be on Sat. Sept. 9. Kevin forgot to bring the flyer to the meeting so watch for information from David G. in an email about this car show.

Mike showed the club a desk lamp that he had incorporated with a tool holder that is going to be auctioned off at our Regional event next spring. Mike asked club members to be thinking of other things that could be auctioned off.

Kevin then mentioned that the merchandise coordinator is a job that needs filled for the Regional event. This person would oversee the goody bags and getting items donated from local businesses to add to the goody bag. We want automotive related type items. We are hoping to have 75-100 cars so therefore we would need 75-100 goody bags. So we need to get at least 100 items from companies. Becky reminded us that we must be careful not to get another automotive parts company involved but just use O'Reilly's as they are our major sponsor of the Regional event. Cheri mentioned that Katie from Haggerty may be able to get us some bags to use for the goody bags. David G. mentioned that we might already have some bags from years past as well.

Kevin then mentioned coozies! He asked Matt to share what he has been doing. Matt and his wife, Jeri, have started a printing business. He showed the club some examples of what they can make. He had a license plate that had the club logo on it. Those license plates he could sell at the Regionals for \$10 and custom make them for the client. The \$10 price would cover his costs and even give a little back to our car club. Matt also showed some examples of key chains that he has made and magnets as well. Matt said the key chains could have any photo on them that people wanted. The key chains would sell for \$5.00. The magnets would sell for \$5.00 also. He will be making some coozies for the Regionals too! Someone suggested that Matt could make the magnets that we would use as dash plaques for our event. David G. then shared what happened at Springfield with dash plaques. David shared that the Springfield group didn't want to make dash plaques so they didn't. But one club member knew that the out of towners enjoyed receiving dash plaques. So he took it upon himself to get some made. Then he passed them out to the out of town guests. No one in the Springfield group received any of these dash plaques that he had made! Matt also showed us some wind spinners that he is making as well. So lots of good resources that we can use Matt and his business for our event.

Kevin then talked about having some raffle items for our event. Kevin said he does a lot of looking on Facebook market place. He found a rolling doctor's stool that he purchased. Then he had it reupholstered with the Chevy emblem on top. He suggested that the rest of the club could be watching for items that can be cleaned up and made nice that can be donated to our auction items. Kevin said he would like to have between 15-20 items to either auction off or raffle off. Mick complained that at a car show in Hutchinson that he attended that it took them 40 minutes to pass out all the raffle items. Mick said it was too long and boring. Mick also mentioned that at Caldwell for the 50/50 pot that they just put initials on the money and didn't pass out any tickets. He said it went much faster that way.

Steve then mentioned that at the Erin is Hope Car show that they have a table full of like items, they pull a raffle ticket and the winner comes up and chooses what he wants. Then they draw the next ticket and they come and draw. Steve said it only took about 15 minutes to get through the items there. So lots of ideas were shared. Kevin did mention that if you are going to donate something be sure that it will fit easily into a Chevelle.

Kevin asked the club to be thinking about other companies that can sponsor us. We are working on Haggerty's but would like to have more. If they sponsor us they will get their name on our flyers and other things. David is working on the sponsorship levels and what the company will receive at each level. Someone mentioned Stardust upholstery. The old man has retired and the son is taking over and moving to Mosley & Harry. Kevin also mentioned that if you think of a company but don't feel comfortable discussing them sponsoring us then pass the company name on to Kevin or David G. and they will contact the company.

Kevin then thanked us for listening so patiently to the lady from WSU last month.

Kevin asked Doug to share a joke. But I will not write it down; instead you need to come to a meeting to hear the jokes in person!

Steve mentioned two car shows that he likes to go to. One is at the VA or Robert Dole Medical Center. It will be on Sunday from 9AM-Noon. There is a \$25 registration fee. The VA patients are the judges. The awards are given out at 1PM. Another show that he supports is the Passageways Car Show. He said it is another one that supports Veterans!

Matt asked for help for a friend who inherited 3 cars from her dad. She wants to get them drivable and was looking for help in finding a shop to help her with these cars. The cars are in Newton. David G. suggested Warren's automotive in Kechi.

Show and Tell started next:

David Jamis- told how his father was a Mobile dealer and had a book with all the service bulletins for cars in the 1950's and 1960's. Told how the center caps are different from the factory vs. buying a replacement one. But you should have been there to learn the difference!

Anthony passed around some laser cut items that he has been learning to make at work.

John took Gary to OKC to buy a ratchet type jack. They then went on to explain why they wanted one. You should have been there! It was a good learning experience!

David G. showed his smoke machine that he can use to check for leaks in the Evac systems of vehicles. You should have been here!!!

The club thanked Mike & Cindy for the use of their garage!!!

Meeting adjourned to enjoy treats!!!