

The Steering Wheel July, 2018

Newsletter of the Midwest Antique Auto Club
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An independent group of collectible vehicle enthusiasts.

Dedicated to the preservation of the antique/collectible automobile.

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Meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month. The Board meets at 6:00 p.m. and the general meeting begins at 7:00 during the months of November, January, February and March at PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA, Northwest Corner of 76th & Maple Streets in Omaha. During the summer months of April, May, June, July, August, September and October, there are no inside meetings. In these months we have "Official Car Tours" on the third Sunday of each month. Plus whatever extra tours may please us. There is no meeting in December, that meeting is replaced by our annual Christmas banquet. All vehicles are welcome, any year, make or model, but a drivable collectible/antique vehicle is not a requirement for membership.

The deadline for articles for the Steering Wheel is the last Saturday of the month.

The President's Message



Hello Everyone,

What an interesting car tour in June to the Heron Haven. I would not believe that it is possible to have a Fontenelle Forest type wildlife preserve in the middle of Omaha, let alone at 120th and Maple Street. I was very impressed with the facilities at Herron Haven and would recommend a visit for people who are interested in wildlife and, in particular, birds. Thank you Jim and Cheryl for suggesting this as a tour spot this month. I hope everyone got home before the rain storm hit. Unfortunately, I was at 132nd & Maple when the storm hit and ended up driving home in the deluge. Luckily, my vacuum wipers still work (as long as I don't go up a steep hill). I really needed my wipers on this tour.

As I mentioned at the tour, we will be needin the club's help with setting up cars at the Nebraska Highway 66 Concourse Classic at the SAC Museum. Please let me know if you can help on July 16 or 17 marking the spots for cars at the museum or July 18-20 parking the cars in the museum. We also need women to help with directing traffic on July 18-20 and with passing out information on July 21-22. Please contact me at 402-496-7701 if you are available July 16-20 to help.

Thanks, John & Karen Thurber &

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, July 7 OFFICIAL CLUB TOUR/ACTIVITY

KENNARD, NE — Lorsch Show & Shine Show & Shine (but it doesn't have to shine). Don't need a car. Come & Enjoy. Jack & Susan Lorsch's place is 6755 County Road 25, Kennard NE. Come anytime after 1 pm. We will eat at about 4pm. Food & water is furnished. Bring anything else you want to drink & lawn chairs. Rain date: July 14th. Phone: 402-427-7388.

*Please Note that if you cannot make it to this event, the NE Highway Concourse Classic Show at the SAC Museum on July 21st & 22nd in Ashland is also considered an official event. But, only one will be counted even if you go to both.

July 7th BELLEVUE, NE — "Hot Rods at River Fest", Haworth Park.

Cars, trucks and motorcycles welcome. Registration: 8 a.m. to noon. Show starts at noon. Information: 402-301-8778 or squez007@aol.com

July 21st– 22nd
ASHLAND, NE — Nebraska Highway 66
Concourse Classic.

The SAC Aerospace Museum is again hosting a premier classic automobile show featuring exclusive vintage and collectable cars, and motorcycles. A top quality collection of prestigious vehicles! There is no charge to display a vehicle at this show just the opposite. Those picked to display will be able to bring their vehicle to the museum between Wednesday July 18th and Friday July 20th. The vehicles will be displayed inside the Museum amongst the planes. The building will be secured overnight. On Saturday those displaying cars will be invited to a Banquet (2) people per displayed vehicle). On Sunday three different awards will be presented selection of the vehicles is spectator's choice of the best liked Car, Motorcycle, and Children's favorite. To register your vehicle go to https://sacmuseum.org/highway-66-concourseclassic-registration/.









Those that don't wish to display but would like to be spectators the event is open daily July 21st – 22nd from 9 am to 5 pm. 28210 West Park Highway, Ashland, NE, 68003. Admission: \$6-\$12.

https://sacmuseum.org/event/nebraska-highway-66-concourse-classic

Some have asked me why this show is called the Nebraska 'Highway 66' Concourse Classic. Hey that's an easy answer: Because the SAC Aerospace Museum is on Nebraska State Highway 66 (nothing to do with U.S. Route 66).

August 19th

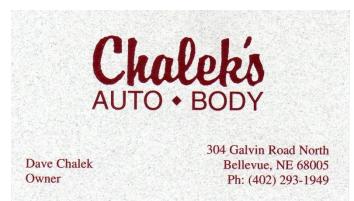
Official Club Tour/Activity

OMAHA, NE — "Wheels at the Fort" Car Show. You may enter your car or just come and see the cars. The crook House will be open to tour, goodwill donations are appreciated. There will be more information in the next newsletter.

Member News

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! Jerry Vincentini has requested help for the "Nebraska Highway 66 Concourse Classic Show" in Ashland, NE for the registration & placement of participating automobiles. Does not matter if young or old, or male or female. It takes a lot of helping hands to put on these events. Volunteers are needed for marking the spaces for the cars (Monday, July 16th), for registration (July 18, 19, & 20), and for bringing the cars into the hangars for placement. ** Please call or Jerry/Connie Vincentini (402) 676-9684 or President John Thurber (402) 496-7701 to get on board and for more information. At this time we would like to thank Cheryl Cushman, Elizabeth Van Doorn, Esther Miller, John Thurber, Ed Hedegaard, Ken Foote, Ed Anderson, Clif Ellis, Howard Hunter, Tom Johnson, Frank VanDoorn, Jim Cushman, Max Meier, and Dave Miller. These folks have already signed up to volunteer their time so if you haven't and can, come aboard!

The tour on June 17th (Father's Day) was a big hit. The Ranger (a strictly volunteer position) gave an excellent pin point presentation that was very interesting and informative. He talked about the different species of birds at the site and the history of the property. He hopes we come back earlier next year when it is cooler and the birds are migrating.









They have a mile of walking trails for those who wished to venture out that day. Everything was 100% indoors so the heat was no issue. The club would like to thank Cheryl & Jim Cushman for finding this gem in the city and setting it up.

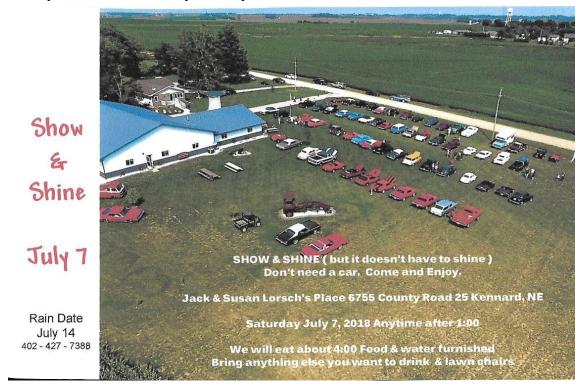
Those present at the June 17th Official Activity at Huron Haven were: .Ed & Sandy Anderson ('99 Prowler),

Delmar & Barbara Bunch (modern), Cheryl & Jim Cushman ('39 Buick), Joyce & Clif Ellis ('49 Chevy), Ken & Dixie Foote (with Donna, Dale, Michelle, Jayden, David, & Dracen)('91 Olds & modern), Dale Freyer(modern), Marj & Monte Frost(modern), Ed & Janet Hedegaard (with Katie, Julie & friend, Anthony Nidreno)('70 suburban), Tom & Gloria Kannas (modern), Max Meier (modern), Jim Peterson('07 GMC Truck), John & Karen Thurber('47 Chevy), Frank & Elizabeth Van Doorn('41 Studebaker), and Jerry & Connie Vincentini (Votle?).

Hats were worn by: Sandy Anderson, Barb Bunch, Joyce Ellis, Dixie Foote, Donna Foote, Marj Frost, Janet Hedegaard, & Elizabeth Van Doorn. REMINDER FOR THE LADIES: Hats need to be worn for more than 2 minutes and at the time of the check in. This way we can see the wonderful hats being shown. It really does not count if they are sitting on the seat of the car unless there is a 90 mile an hour wind. Thanks Split Pot of \$30.50 was won by Mr. Ed Hedegaard!!!

We were saddened to hear about the loss of long time member Joseph "Conrad" Frolio (Jan. 29, 1938-May 11, 2018). Joseph was known as "Joe" to some folks and "Conrad" to others. He was born and raised in Omaha and went to Tech High School. He was a veteran from the Korean War serving in the Navy and was aboard the first nuclear submarine. After his service he went to the Capitol Beauty School in Omaha. He was the owner of and operated several beauty salons in Omaha. He also worked as a Reserve Douglas County Sheriff. Joseph "Conrad" also owned the bar and grill "Frolio's Nightstick" for law enforcement to enjoy. He was also very active in the Shriner's Motorcycle Unit, the Sons of Italy, and the Italian American Society. He moved to California for some years doing hair and makeup for celebrities then returned to Omaha. He then worked at OPS Transportation as a driver and aide.

Joseph was diagnosed with bladder cancer last summer and was having chemotherapy treatments. He is survived by his children: Shelli, Charlene, Shawna, and Steve and their families. A visitation was held on June 14th at the Westlawn Hillcrest Funeral Home. A Celebration of Life was held June 15th at the Omaha National Cemetery that was followed by Military Honors.



Jim and Terri Miller's Anniversary Party (and Jim's Retirement Party) was well attended. Janna Miller did a fantastic job on making this a surprise for them. They were definitely surprised! She had a lot a wonderful food, drink, an art deco cake and a German chocolate cake for guests to enjoy while they mingled.



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