



The Steering Wheel

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Meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month. The Board meets at 2:30 p.m. and the general meeting begins at 3:00 p.m. 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,

I am really, really happy right now. The car that started me on my old car passion just started for the first time since 1972. My father purchased my cousin's '47 Chevrolet Convertible in 1972 after my cousin threw a rod in the original 216 c.i. engine. Since that time, the car has moved to 5 locations and three homes and has been partially torn apart since 1973. It is really the reason I drive a '47 Chevy instead of something else. In 2010, the engine was rebuilt by Charlie's in Blair. We finally had all the body rust removed in Precision Auto Body in Des Moines in 2017 and installed the engine last December. What a journey! I really appreciate Ed Hedegaard's help and assistance. I can't tell

you the number of times I have called Ed with questions about the reassembly and engine. I also want to thank my brothers, Mark and Scot, for working with me and my father on this project. The never ending project finally has a little light at the end of the tunnel.

I hope you had a chance to visit Fort Omaha in August for the Vintage Wheels at the Fort. This year had an especially good group of cars and the weather was fantastic. I appreciate the work of the Meadowlark

Model "A" Car Club in putting on this neat car show.

The weather is cooling off so I hope you take advantage of the nice weather and visit a few car shows. See you in September.

John & Karen Thurber

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 15th (Sunday)

The Official September event for the club is going to be a tour to the Elmwood Park Grotto by the UNO Campus to see the gardens in the park. We will meet at 1pm at the Victory Church parking lot, 56th & Sorensen Parkway (southwest corner of the intersection) in Omaha and leave at 1:30pm for our tour. Members please bring a favorite potluck dish. Singles please chips or cookies. You may want to bring along chairs. The Club will provide the main dish and water. ☼

September 22nd (Sunday) Sunridge Village Retirement Community is having their second annual classic car show for their residents. This will be from 12:00pm – 2:00pm. They are hoping to have 20-25 older classic cars of different eras and styles dating in the range of 1900 to 1960s. The address is 13410 Blondo St. in Omaha. If interested in participating, PLEASE CALL Debi Rose/Tricia Metz at (402) 926-9616 or 402-496-0116 ASAP. PARKING SPACES ARE LIMITED SO THEY MUST HAVE CONFIRMATION ON ANY CARS THAT CAN PARTICIPATE WELL IN ADVANCE and THEY CANNOT ACCEPT LATE ARRIVALS due to the parking lot access. Car owners must have cars parked by 11:15am. Hot dogs will be provided for all car owners and their guests.

Member News

We had two acceptable activities that counted as tours this month. One was to Ed Hedegaard's Birthday Bash on the 17th and the other was to the "Wheels at the Fort" Car Show on the 18th. There was no Split-Pot at either of these events.

Those who were present at Ed's Birthday Bash were: Ed & Sandy Anderson, Daryl & Linda Baker, Delmar Bunch, Roger Bunch, Chuck & Lola Christensen, Jim & Cheryl Cushman, Clif & Joyce Ellis, Ken, Dixie, Donna, & Jaydon Foote, Monte Frost, Janet, Ed, Skyla, Katie & Julie Hedegaard (Hosts), Howard & Joan Hunter, Tom & Gloria Kannas, Dave & Tucker Lyon, and John & Karen Thurber.

Those who were present at the "Wheels at the Fort" Car Show were: Tome Beiriger (1929 Ford), Chuck & Lola Christensen ('56 Ford), Jim & Cheryl Cushman ('39 Buick), Clif & Joyce Ellis ('51 Chevy Bel Air), Ken, Dixie & Donna Foote ('49 Packard), Monte Frost ('50 Jeepster), Ed, Janet, Skyla, Katie & Julie Hedegaard ('59 Jaguar), Howard & Joan Hunter ('55 Packard), Max Meier ('63 Lincoln), Charles & Mickey Moriarty (modern), Jim Peterson ('51 Chevy Convertible), Gene Schneiderman ('58 Cameo Pick-Up), John & Karen Thurber ('47 Fleetline Chevy), Frank & Elizabeth VanDoorn ('62 GT Hawk), Jerry & Connie Frances Vincentini ('52 Chevy), and Richard & Pat Zuber ('56 Nomad).

We would like to welcome back Mr. Tony Vodicka of Bellevue, NE. He was a prior member a few years ago and has rejoined the club this year. He has several vehicles: '26 Chevy Roadster, '27 Chevy Roadster, '31 Chevy Pick-up, '56 Chevy V8 Hardtop, and a '57 Chevy V8 Fordor.

Barbara Bunch is recuperating from heart surgery. Delmar has requested a card shower for her. She is at: Bethany Lutheran Home, c/o Barbara Bunch, Rm # 230, 7 Elliott St., Council Bluffs, IA, 51503.

The next Board Meeting is at Ed Hedegaard's at 6pm, September 3 (Tuesday). Members are welcome. He is providing food, if you come you may want to contribute.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET: Saturday, December 14th. More information will be in the October Newsletter.

REMINDER: THE STEERING WHEEL IS IN NEED OF NEWSLETTER EDITORS FOR NEXT YEAR ❁

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