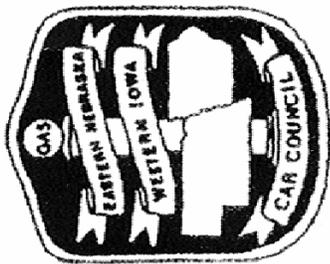




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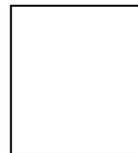
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2013 HOBBYIST OF THE YEAR

Outgoing Treasurer **Gerry Tice** (right) is presented the Car Council's annual award by Jim Snyder in recognition of his 29 years of service to the Council as its Treasurer since 1984. Well done, good and faithful steward.



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Regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month alternating between Omaha and Lincoln. Officers and representatives of member organizations are asked to sign in before the meeting, and guests are always welcome. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM - many arrive early for dinner.

Omaha meetings are held at the Tangier Shrine Temple, 2823 South 84th Street.
Lincoln meetings are held at the Golden Corral, 3940 North 27th Street .

MEETING DATES FOR 2013

OMAHA: **April 17th**, June 19th, August 21st, October 16th, December 18th

LINCOLN: May 15th, July 17th, September 18th, November 20th

If a weather advisory exists for a meeting, it will be canceled and business is carried over to the next month.

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Clubs in Attendance at the March Meeting

Nebraska Region AACA	Chevrolet Classics Club Omaha/CB
Crossroads Chpt Buick Club-America	Classic T-bird Club of Omaha
Cornhusker Early Ford V8 Club-Lincoln	Cornhusker Model “A” Club – Lincoln
Crossroads Car Club-Plattsmouth	Cruis’n Classics – Lincoln
ENWI-Vintage Chevrolet Club of America	Fremont Antique Car Club
Greater Elkhorn Area Rods (GEARZ)	Meadowlark Model “A” Club - Omaha
Midwest Early Corvette Club	Nebraska Corvette Association
Nebraska Rod & Custom Association	NE/IA Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club
Nebraskaland Pontiac/Oakland Club	Nebraskaland Thunderbirds
Nifty Fifties Ford Club	Omaha Region Early Ford V8 Club
Pontiac Owners Association	Rebels Auto Club-Lincoln
Stardusters – Mead	Studebaker Drivers Club-Husker Chpt.
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MEETING MINUTES - March 20, 2013

INTRODUCTIONS

President Chuck Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in Lincoln, NE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jim Snyder motioned, with DJ Hogan seconding, to approve the February minutes. Denny Eaton amended the motion so that the end of the February minutes would correct the date for the March meeting. Minutes were approved as amended.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer’s report was given by Gerry Tice. A motion was made by Roy Murabito and seconded from the floor to accept the report. Motion passed. Bills were presented by Secretary Alan Tast for \$136.48 for printing and mailing of the March newsletter; Roy Murabito also presented a bill for \$19.24 for 2013 Car Council Directory mailings; a motion by Leonard Bouc and seconded by DJ Hogan for payment was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

2013 SWAP MEET IN REVIEW

Swap Meet Co-Chair Boyd Ready provided a review of the just-completed 41st annual Rocky Manginelli Memorial Swap Meet.

Vendor Count/Income Down: Indoor non-reserved vendor sales were down 125 stalls from last year, plus an additional 14 indoor reserved stalls were lost due to construction of a new

concession stand in the Exhibition Hall (8 spaces lost) and reconfiguration of the Multi-Purpose Arena on the north end for vendor truck access (6 stalls lost). In total there were 308 reserved indoor spaces, along with 580 unreserved indoor and outdoor vendor spaces sold.

Profit/Loss: With fewer spaces sold, income was down for 2013. After known expenses and withholding of 25% for the Council's operating fund, \$10,603.43 was left for distribution to member clubs. Increases in vendor space and table rental rates for 2014 were made to offset increases in facility rental rates.

Club Shares/Distribution: The lower number of vendor spaces sold and increases in expenses due in part to the Event Center's cost-of-living escalation clause decreased the final amount left for distribution to participating clubs which worked the Meet. The share amount was calculated to be \$153.67 per share. A motion was made by Jim Snyder and seconded by DJ Hogan to round the amount down to \$150/share: the motion was approved. Checks for shares will be distributed starting at the April meeting in Omaha and continue at the May meeting in Lincoln.

Food Bank Donations: Kerry Fox reported that the Food Bank of Lincoln has made at least two calls to thank the Council for its efforts in the donation program. Roger Neeman received word from Cheri Lawrence of the Food Bank of Lincoln shortly after the Meet that tallies of donations to the Food Bank were as follows: 6,002 pounds of food, \$5,131.94 in cash donations. According to Cheri, this will help provide 83,000 meals, the equivalent of feeding 75 families of one single mom and two children in southeast Nebraska for one year. Since the partnership between the Car Council and the Food Bank began in 1992, a total of 99,815 pounds of food and \$97,405 in cash donations have been collected to help needy families in the region. For comparison, Cheri noted that in the first year (1992), 2,768 pounds of food and \$580 in cash donations were received. Monetary donations were down from last year, but food donations were up. Kerry announced that a special commemoration will take place next year to recognize the anticipated crossing of dual milestones of 100,000 pounds of food and \$100,000 in donations since the beginning of the admission donation campaign.

To Catch A Thief: Boyd provided a synopsis of the arrest of a man who was accused of selling stolen merchandise in the Multi-Purpose Arena on Sunday. The alleged perpetrator was in possession of merchandise taken from his previous employer, who was on-hand with documentation that he presented to the Lincoln Police Department's criminal forensics team. Boyd noted that the forensics team spent over an hour gathering evidence, but that everything had been removed from the Event Center by the time the Meet was concluded. The story was carried on Lincoln-area television and radio stations that afternoon, published in the Lincoln Journal-Star and was still being reported by radio stations in Omaha the Wednesday after the Meet.

Lost & Found: Items lost and turned in to building managers or deputy sheriffs were turned over to the Lancaster Event Center manager, including a class ring and a pair of glasses. A new air cleaner assembly that was turned in last year still remains unclaimed. Please direct calls regarding lost or found items to Boyd Ready.

Lack-Of-Complaint Department: Boyd reported that only one phone call was fielded dealing with vendor/spectator issues during the entire weekend, compared to a high of 40 calls during the first year at the Event Center. Several vendors balked at vending inside Pavillion 3 due to the dusty conditions encountered last year and opted to vend either outside or in the heated non-reserved areas. Vendor count inside Pavillion 3 was down significantly compared to previous years.

Job Well Done: Boyd thanked all those who worked on the Meet, noting that there were no problems that he was aware of in the events leading up to, during and following the Meet. He further commented that the pre-Meet walk-through held the Sunday before the Meet was

very helpful in educating people on the layout of the facility and identifying potential problem areas such as the construction of a new concession stand in the Exhibition Hall. Clubs have mastered their jobs to the point that the pre-opening meeting conducted by Boyd at 2:30 am on Sunday was not attended as clubs were already performing their duties.

2014 Swap Meet Contracts: Boyd and Kerry Fox signed contracts with the Event Center earlier in the day for the 2014 Swap Meet. Cost for rental was not announced at the meeting.

Missing Convention Center Property: While not talked about at the March meeting, during the Meet discussion was had about being charged last year by the Event Center for two tables and some folding chairs that were rented by vendors and not returned. Secretary Tast noted that many of the folding chairs and tables were not labeled for the Event Center, and recommended that this be brought up to the Event Center staff prior to next year so that their property was clearly identified.

2014 Swap Meet Leadership Changes: To complete his review, Boyd announced that both Tom Green and he were stepping down from their duties as co-chairs for the Meet, and that in their place Kerry Fox would assume Boyd's duties of managing the Meet with Frank Wimmer taking over Tom's. A third change is that Lori Fox will take on the Collections manager position after having served in assisting with collections for the past several Meets.

2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS BOOK

Book Distribution: Roy Murabito distributed books to club representatives in attendance. One more distribution will be made at the Omaha meeting for those clubs which were not present at the Lincoln meeting.

Jim Snyder reported that the 6000 copies set aside for handout at the Swap Meet were gone by 1:00 pm the day of the Meet. Roy has distributed an additional 1000 to advertisers and long-time recipients on his mailing list.

On-Line Version: Secretary Tast announced that the entire 2013 book has been placed online, including advertising. To access the Directory/Calendar, people will need to go the Council's website at www.enwicc.com and click on the photo of the cover page of the Directory.

Individual Copies/Availability: Those who still wish a hard copy of the book need to be told that, while quantities remain, they must send \$3.00 to cover postage and handling and mail their request to ENWICC-Book, PO Box 772, Bellevue, NE 68005-0772. Once supplies are exhausted, people will need to go to the Council's website, from which they can print event and club listings.

Suggestions/Comments: Though not brought up at the March meeting, Alan will meet with Paul Swanson from Suburban Newspapers on April 3rd to discuss reaction to the book. Please provide Alan with suggestions and comments prior to April 17th to be passed on to Suburban Newspaper staff for the 2014 edition. (See comments from Suburban Newspapers at the end of this newsletter.)

2013 NEBRASKA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Legislative watchdog David Vollmer presented an updated summary of bills placed into the first session of the 103rd Nebraska Legislature for 2013 and currently in committee, moved on to the floor or presented to the Governor for signature. The last day for submission of bills was January 23rd – of the 655 bills introduced in general, an additional 20 bills of interest to the hobby were piled on top of the 19 previously placed in the hopper. The last scheduled day for the current session of the Unicameral is June 1st. Updates on several bills that have been identified as having the most importance to hobbyists and motorists was provided, including two bills that were previously forwarded to the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee –

LB32 has been presented to and signed by the Governor. This would exclude special-interest license plates from being Year-Of-Manufacture historical plates – this was

carried over from last year's session. A hearing was held on January 28th and the bill moved to the Select file on February 7th.

LB189 is still in committee – this would change non-use of seat belts from a secondary to a primary offense, meaning that a person could be pulled over and cited specifically for not wearing a seat belt (at present in Nebraska you cannot be pulled over for failure to wear one, but can be fined if it is discovered during a traffic stop by an officer that a person was not wearing one). This bill received a hearing on February 11th. Additional details not previously announced include proposals that fines be increased from \$25 to \$100, and that the fine would apply to every person inside the vehicle whom were not wearing a seat belt.

LB 351 is also still in committee. This bill would require “cognitive” tests for drivers over 80 years of age with a written follow-up exam. The bill had a hearing on February 5th which received substantial press coverage and public comment, especially from people who would be immediately affected by its passage.

LB 362 would increase registration fees by \$7 per vehicle to cover the cost of entry into Nebraska state parks and eliminate the annual and daily park entry fees for Nebraska-residents. The bill received a hearing on February 5th and is still in committee.

LB 446 would define flood damage as submersion above the floorboard relative to salvage titles; hearing held February 5th, placed on General File February 14th.

LB 453 would require headlights to be clear or white in color – hearing held February 12th. (This is in response to blue-hued headlights that are currently in use.)

LB 596 would reduce the minimum order for specialty license plates for military associations from 500 pre-paid applications to 150; the bill would also waive the extra fee for Purple Heart plates; hearing date not set at time report was prepared.

LB 378, also introduced this session, would eliminate the \$5 license fee for Pearl Harbor, prisoner of war, disabled veteran, and Purple Heart plates; hearing date not set at time report was prepared.

For current updates on status and copies of specific bills, call 1-800-742-7456 or 402-471-2709, or go to www.nebraskalegislature.gov.

2013 COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS UPDATE/DEADLINE

Vice President Murabito announced eight applications for the 2013 Council Scholarship program has been received. The deadline for submittal of applications is April 15th – submitted applications will be presented to the Council at the April 17th meeting in Omaha. Additional applications are still available for schools which have not yet received them – to obtain a copy, please contact Roy directly. The Council in the past has provided scholarships of up to \$500 for graduating high school seniors seeking to continue their education in automotive technology at trade schools, community colleges or universities. Boyd and Gerry added that \$3534.49 was being added to the Scholarship fund as part of the proceeds from the Swap Meet. Jim Snyder noted that last year 15 applications were received in total.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF 2013-2014 COUNCIL OFFICERS

The previously-announced slate of officers for the 2013-2014 term was introduced to attendees. Speaking on behalf of the Advisory Committee, Vice President Murabito opened the floor for additional nominations for Council offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer – with none made from the floor, nominations were closed. With exception of Treasurer Gerry Tice, who has indicated that the time has come for him to step down as the Council's treasurer, the present group of officers had agreed to be retained. Jim

Snyder nominated past Council president and current Swap Meet chairman Boyd Ready at the February meeting for the Treasurer position, which Boyd accepted. A unanimous voice vote for the proposed slate of officers was recorded; terms will begin at the April meeting.

COUNCIL OFFICER E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Secretary Tast announced that webmaster Mike Parks has set up e-mail addresses for use by Council officers on the server used by the Council for its website. Addresses for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and others as may be needed will be accessible by those currently holding positions from their home computer or handheld portable device (i.e. ‘smart phone’). Mike was not present to provide more details – these will be given to office-holders individually when they are made available.

COUNCIL BY-LAW REVIEW

No discussion on this topic was conducted at the March meeting. Jim Snyder distributed copies of the current Council By-Laws at the February meeting to those in attendance. The Advisory Council of past presidents had previously been tasked with review of the By-Laws and to present their recommendations at the April meeting for updates or revisions to be presented to the Council for consideration.

COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIP FOR FACILITY USE

At the January meeting, Treasurer Tice proposed that dues for the Tangier Shrine’s Vintage Iron and Corvette clubs be regarded as complimentary in exchange for use of the meeting room that Tangier Shrine allows us to use in Omaha. The matter was again tabled at the March meeting due to time constraints.

NEW BUSINESS

“HOBBYIST OF THE YEAR” AWARD PRESENTED TO GERRY TICE

With a rousing round of applause from attendees, Jim Snyder presented outgoing Treasurer Gerry Tice with the 27th Annual “Hobbyist of the Year” award from the Council in recognition of his 29 years of service to the Council as its Treasurer. Gerry gave a few remarks upon receiving the plaque, reflecting on the past three decades and his involvement with all that has transpired over that period of time.

NATIONAL COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

Secretary Tast announced that a nationwide effort was being conducted by the Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association (SEMA) to hold events on Friday, July 12th or during the month of July to commemorate National Collector Car Appreciation Day. Activities are being recognized on SEMA’s website that are being held during that weekend: in Nebraska this will include the Nebraska Ford Clubs’ All-Ford Show being held at Anderson Ford in Lincoln at the I-80/27th Street Interchange, according to Gene Hanshaw from the Cornhusker Model “A” Club. All clubs and members are being encouraged to participate in this effort – flyers and additional information are provided at the end of this newsletter.

Alan asked if anyone had information on how to contact legislatures in Nebraska and Iowa to obtain proclamations from the states for the day. Suggestions were offered for contacts, which Alan will attempt to make over the next few weeks.

If your club is planning on an event in conjunction with National Car Appreciation, please let the Secretary know and we will post these on the Council’s website as well as list them in newsletters leading up to the July 12th event.

PAST EVENTS

CHILI FEED FUNDRAISER AFTER SWAP MEET

The fund raiser for Ethan Tepley held on March 3rd raised \$12,000. Ethan is a young boy who is in need of colon reconstruction: a few benefit car shows have been held on his behalf in Lincoln over the past couple of years. Ethan's surgery went well, but complications have resulted in him returning to Kansas City for follow-up attention. The funds raised helped support his family's travel and stay in Kansas City for his surgery. Members of the Rebels Auto Club of Lincoln are presently working on a '48 Chevy that they hope to have ready for display at this year's O'Reilly's Super Cruise on Memorial Day weekend in Lincoln.

WORLD OF WHEELS AT CENTURY LINK CENTER

The International Show Car Association's (ISCA) 54th annual World of Wheels show was held at Omaha's Century Link Center over the weekend of March 16-18. Several people gave their comments on the turnout, noting that many of the big-name "trophy hunters" were absent this year and thus allowed for more local competition. Several Council-member clubs helped put on the show as well as participated. One major point not brought to attention during the meeting was that on display was a heavily modified '40 Ford coupe name "Checkered Past," owned by Ron and Deb Cizek from Omaha and built in part by Cal Automotive Creations, also of Omaha, which had been selected as the recipient of the "Ridler Award" at the Detroit Motorama a few weeks earlier. It is rumored that up to \$1 million was spent in its construction. The "Ridler" award is considered one of the most-prestigious and coveted awards in the custom show car world, ranking up there with the Oakland Roadster Show's "Most Beautiful Roadster" award.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Shows, Swap Meets and Auctions Promoted at the Meeting

Please withhold discussion of your upcoming event until this comes up in the Agenda

JOSLYN CASTLE SHOW

Jim Snyder encouraged people to check out the inside back cover of the Directory for information on this year's show at Joslyn Castle (the cover photo was taken at last year's show – Ed.).

For additional events, please consult your copy of the 2013 ENWICC Car Council Book or visit <http://www.enwicc.com> and click on the cover photo of the book.

ADJOURNMENT

With no additional business, a motion by Chuck Garber and seconded by DJ Hogan to adjourn was made and seconded: the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be in Omaha on Wednesday, April 17, starting at 7:30 pm.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues are 25 cents per member per year for each club, with a minimum charge of \$10.00 for each club. Dues are due October 1st and are delinquent **December 31st**. If not yet made, bring payment to the March meeting in Lincoln, or mail dues to:
ENWICC Dues, P.O. Box 772, Bellevue, NE 68005-0772.

Each club is entitled to receive two copies of the Wheel Issues newsletter. It is the responsibility of each club to inform us of any changes in the mailing information.

You can submit changes in writing by mailing them to:

Secretary, ENWICC, PO Box 772, Bellevue, NE 68005-0772,

or at the next meeting of the Eastern Nebraska Western Iowa Car Council.

GET “WHEEL ISSUES” BY E-MAIL AND HELP US SAVE \$\$\$

It costs the Car Council to print and mail on average \$1.50/newsletter for each one sent. Help us lower our expenses and get your copy of “Wheel Issues” by e-mail. Please provide your e-mail address to the Secretary at the next Council meeting or send a message to Secretary@enwicc.com to receive it directly.

HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

GOLDEN CORRAL MEETING POLICY FOR USE OF ROOM REMINDER

Prior to the November meeting, the manager of the Golden Corral brought to the attention of Vice President Roy Murabito that his staff have reported instances of meeting attendees not paying for food taken from the buffet lines. We are allowed to use the meeting room for free *provided that meeting attendees purchase meals*. If there are future instances of people not paying for meals or other items consumed (coffee, pop, etc.), we run the risk of losing our present Lincoln meeting location. **Please** do not abuse or jeopardize our current arrangement with Golden Corral.

COUNCIL BY-LAWS – CURRENT EDITION AVAILABILITY

The Council’s Board of Directors, which is comprised of past presidents, has been tasked to review the current By-Laws prior to the April meeting and provide their recommendation for potential revisions if needed.

A copy of the most-current revision of the By-Laws, which was made in 2004 and does include the current dues policy, is available. Those wishing a copy of this are asked to contact the Secretary to obtain one.

LINCOLN MEETING ROOM REMINDERS

The meeting room at the Golden Corral in Lincoln is to be configured to place the Council’s officers against the north wall in an effort to improve communication during the meeting. **Please help us by holding tables on the north center side of the room open for officers.** Please also remember that the meeting room is provided gratis in exchange for purchasing meals prior to the meeting – those who choose not to buy dinner are reminded to refrain from ‘sampling the goods.’ Thank you for your cooperation.

PLEASE STAND AND SPEAK UP!!

Due to the open layout and large size of the meeting room in Omaha, as well as the configuration of the meeting room in Lincoln, it is difficult for many attendees to hear conversations and discussion during the meeting. PLEASE stand and speak up for the benefit of attendees and the Secretary so

that accurate notes can be obtained. It would also be appreciated if non-related conversations be kept at a minimum during the business portion of the meeting as a courtesy to attendees.

AGENDA ORDER – NO EVENT DISCUSSION BEFORE IT’S TIME, PLEASE
Representatives are reminded that meetings of the Council follow an established agenda as follows
(* - When Required):

Opening/Introductions - President

Guests Addressing/Presenting to the Council

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Treasurer’s Report - Treasurer

Old Business (Items carried over from previous meetings)

New Business (Items new to the agenda not previously discussed, **excluding** events discussion/promotion)

Past Events (Discussion of recently-held events)

Upcoming Events (Promotion/Discussion of upcoming events)

***New Clubs** wishing to join the Council*

Adjournment - President

NEW AGENDA ITEMS: If you have an item that should be included in the Agenda for the next meeting, please notify the Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting by calling the President or emailing president@enwicc.com to arrange for its addition.

EVENTS DISCUSSION: Discussion of past and upcoming events is to be held **following close of New Business** as the last items before adjournment. Please help meetings proceed in a more-orderly fashion by withholding discussion of events until that portion of the agenda is opened by the President or presiding officer.

CAR COUNCIL DIRECTORY UPDATE

I wanted to thank the Car Council members for their support of the 2013 Car Council Directory. This is this 6th year that Suburban Newspapers has published the directory.

Since Suburban Newspapers began publishing the Directory in 2008, it has improved in numerous ways.

Listing of improvements includes:

- Printing quality
- 7,000 copies to 9,000 copies
- Added Index of Advertisers
- Added glossy color pages
- Entire publication is digitized and available on car council website

We have opportunity to increase the size of the Directory from 5 ¾" x 8 ½" to 6" x 10 ½"

Moving to larger size will offer these benefits:

- Room for car related information such as "how to register your car, buying & selling collectible cars, scholarships, etc." (This type of information will enhance the directory so it can become a year-round resource).
- Increase quantity from 9,000 copies to 10,000.
- Larger type size to make event listings & advertising more easily readable.
- Larger ad space for all advertisers.
- Minimum advertising price increase.

AND THE BEST PART--- THE PUBLICATION WILL STILL FIT YOUR GLOVE BOX!

Sincerely, Paul Swanson, Suburban Newspapers



“COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY” IS ON JULY 12, 2013

Have You Scheduled Your Celebration Yet?

“[Collector Car Appreciation Day](#)” will be here sooner than you think! The SEMA Action Network (SAN) is maintaining and publicizing a list of scheduled events to commemorate America’s time-tested love affair with the automobile: semaSAN.com/CCAD. Individuals, car clubs and business owners interested in publicizing events can submit the details here: <http://fs23.formsite.com/andreac/form5/index.html>. If you are unable to celebrate on Friday, July 12th, SAN encourages events to be scheduled throughout the month of July. As many of you are aware, the date marks the fourth commemoration in what has become an annual event to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society. The SAN is again working to secure a U.S. Congressional resolution to recognize the day’s national significance.

In previous years, the U.S. Senate helped launch national [Collector Car Appreciation Day](#) by passing resolutions at the SAN’s request. As a result, thousands of Americans have gathered at car cruises, parades and other events to celebrate our nation’s automotive heritage. By taking part in these events around the country, these automotive enthusiasts and related businesses ensured that their passion was honored and recognized.

Don’t be left behind. Schedule your celebration today! For questions, contact SAN Director Colby Martin at 909/978-6721 or san@sema.org. You may also [download the official logo and flyer](#) from the homepage and help promote this special day.