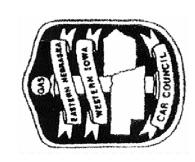
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Regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month alternating between Omaha and Lincoln. Officers and representatives of member organizations are asked to sign in before the meeting, and guests are always welcome. Meetings begin at 7:30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

Omaha meetings are held at the Tangier Shrine Temple, on the east side of 84th Street, south of Center Street. Lincoln meetings are held at the Golden Corral, 3940 North 27th Street.

MEETING DATES FOR 2013

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

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

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 May Meeting

AACA-Nebraska Region
Crossroads Chpt Buick Club-America
Cornhusker Model "A" Club – Lincoln
Cruis'n Classics – Lincoln
Nebraska Corvette Association
Omaha Region Early Ford V8 Club
The Slo Rollers of NW MO

Classic T-bird Club of Omaha
Cornhusker Early Ford V8 Club-Lincoln
Crossrods Car Club-Plattsmouth
Midwest Early Corvette Club
Nifty Fifties Ford Club
Rebels Auto Club-Lincoln

MEETING MINUTES - May 15, 2013

INTRODUCTIONS

In absence of the President, Vice President Roy Murabito called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM in Lincoln, NE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Larry Robb motioned, with DJ Hogan seconding, to approve the April minutes as written. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given by Boyd Ready. Bills were presented by Secretary Alan Tast for \$144.79 for printing and mailing of the May newsletter; a motion was made by Jim Snyder and seconded by DJ Hogan to pay the bills. Motion passed.

2013 SWAP MEET UPDATE

Payouts from the 2013 Swap Meet still need to be collected by Cornhusker Corvette Club, Nebraskaland Thunderbirds and the Omaha VW Club – contact Boyd for arrangements.

OLD BUSINESS

2013 FALL FOLIAGE TOUR SHELTER HOUSE RENTAL FEE

Tom Knierim from the Slo Rollers discussed arrangements made for rental of the shelter house at Waubonsie Sate Park for the 2013 Fall Foliage Tour on the first Sunday of October. The Slo Rollers have paid the reservation fee for the shelter, totaling \$166.50 – Knierim was present to request reimbursment. Approval for rental of the shelter house had been previously made; Treasurer Ready send a check to the Slo Rollers for the amount requested.

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. Four more bills have advanced to the Governor for signature – LBs 154, 158, 223 and 549. LBs 93, 378and 396 have moved to the floor of the Unicameral; 12 remaining bills that the Council has been watching which are in committee probably won't reach the floor for the 2013 session. The last scheduled day for the current session of the Unicameral is June 1st.

A full list of bills and their status as of May 15th is provided elsewhere in this newsletter. 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 AND 2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS BOOKS

Following discussion on information provided at the April meeting by Paul Swanson of Suburban Newspapers, a motion was made by DJ Hogan and seconded by Kerry Fox for a proposed change in book size from 5-3/4" x 8-1/2" to 6-1/2" x 10". The change will allow for reduced printing costs and larger ads. Swanson stated previously that this change could allow the Council to increase printing of the book from 9000 to 10,000 copies without raising the cost of printing by reducing the number of pages needed for the same content, and would allow for more color printing opportunities, although there are more events being submitted for inclusion and more ads sold each year. Secretary Tast will contact Suburban Newspapers to proceed with the change. Roy Murabito noted that the change in size will require a change in mailing envelope size for those requesting a hard copy via the postal system.

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.

2013 PAUL HIGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, Jim Snyder announced the five recipients of the 2013 Paul High Memorial Scholarships. Selected recipients are:

1. Brady Sayers	Canyon, Texas	Southeast Community College - Milford		
2. Jennifer Helgoth	Friend, Nebraska	Southeast Community College - Milford		
3. Justin Morton	Fremont, Nebraska	Southeast Community College - Milford		
4. Jose Hernandez	Omaha, Nebraska	Iowa Western Community College		
Connor Mogel	York, Nebraska	Southeast Community College - Milford		
A motion to increase the scholarship awards from \$300 to \$325, thanks to a donation of \$125				
from one of the Council member clubs (which requested to remain anonymous), was made				
by Snyder and seconded by Chuck Garber – motion was approved. Scholarships are provided				
for graduating high school seniors seeking to continue their education in automotive				
technology at trade schools, community colleges or universities, double the amount to a \$600				
scholarship if the candidate will attend McPherson College's Automotive Restoration				
Program in McPherson, Kansas.				

HOLIDAY DONATION THANK-YOU RECEIVED FROM "SEWING FOR BABIES"

VP Murabito read a "Thank You" card sent on behalf of "Sewing for Babies" by Kathryn Murtaugh and Sandy Ready (wife of Council treasurer Boyd Ready) for a donation made to them by the Council as part of its Christmas 2012 donations.

NEW BUSINESS

SEARCH FOR 1913-ERA VEHICLES FOR LINCOLN HIGHWAY CEREMONY

VP Murabito read a letter from the Nebraska State Historical Society requesting cars dating from the 1913 era for display during a ceremony dedicating a portion of the Old Lincoln Highway on Saturday, June 29th at 1 pm east of Elkhorn between 180th-192nd Streets. The Historical Society is requesting that owners with cars willing to participate be registered with them by May 31st by contacting Jackie Sojico at 402-471-4417 or email Jacqueline.sojico@nebraska.gov with name, telephone number, email/mailing address, and a short description of the car.

TEENAGER'S CAR SET ON FIRE IN LINCOLN – ASSISTANCE WANTED

Boyd Ready read a letter from Lincoln area enthusiast Marv Wiens asking to discuss a recent incident, which was reported in the Lincoln Journal-Star, about how a high schooler's 1996 Firebird was stolen and destroyed after it was set on fire. Wiens asked for the Council to take the lead in finding a replacement car for the young man. With no representatives from Pontiac-affiliated clubs present, VP Murabito recommended that the person be directed to Craig's List or Ebay as part of his search, and that those interested in assisting contact Marv directly for more details.

NATIONAL COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

Secretary Tast repeated information from previous meetings 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 and Iowa.

All clubs and members are being encouraged to participate in this effort – additional information is provided at the end of this newsletter. 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. The only event known to date will include the Nebraska Ford Clubs' All-Ford Show being held at Anderson Ford in Lincoln at the I-80/27th Street Interchange.

ETHAN TEPLEY UPDATE

Jim McNeil from the Rebels of Lincoln provided an update on the health of and efforts to finish a 1948 Chevrolet coupe street rod for Ethan Tepley of Lincoln, around whom "Cruisin' For A Cure" has been organized the past five years. An operation scheduled for May 8th has been pushed back into June, while work continues to have the car presentable in time for the O'Reilly Hot Rod Nationals Memorial Day weekend event – Jim estimates it to be 85% complete. Donations of labor and materials have been coming in, and an education fund has been established at Union Bank. According to Kerry Fox, \$25,000 has been donated to cancer charities as a result of the shows.

PAST EVENTS LINCOLN BEREAN CHURCH CAR SHOW

DJ Hogan reported that the 7th Annual Berean Car Show held on Saturday, May 11 in Lincoln at the Berean Church drew over 220 cars.

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

LINCOLN HIGHWAY CENTENNIAL

Jim Snyder reminded all of the Lincoln Highway Centennial drive to Kearney at the end of June-beginning of July in celebration of the Lincoln Highway's 100th anniversary. Twin tours will commence from both coasts on June 22, 2013, with 400 cars coming from New York City and San Francisco. The trip across America will travel on the 1913 alignments of the Lincoln Highway (including the original stretch of brick-paved road that is preserved near Elkhorn, Nebraska) and will arrive in Kearney on June 30, 2013, with the Lincoln Highway Association's annual conference continuing in Kearney through July 5th. For more information, go to http://www.lincolnhighwayassoc.org/, email: tour@lincolnhighwayassoc.org or call Rosemary Rubin at (330) 418-3980

O'REILLY HOT ROD NATIONALS

The O'Reilly Hot Rod Nationals returns to Lancaster Event Center on Memorial Day weekend, May 25th-26th. Prior to this, Jim McNeil from the Rebels announced that a Friday night Sock Hop/Karaoke/BBQ party will be held at 1948 SW 5th Street, starting at 7 pm.

OTHER EVENTS

Husker Chapter-Studebaker Driver's Club will hold their Orphan Car Show at Bushwackers in Ralston on May 19...A weekly cruise night will be held on Saturdays from May through October in Council Bluffs at the Arbys on 33rd and Broadway and hosted by Council Bluffs Street Cars (not a Council member) – for info call 402-709-8043 or email cruiznlow@aol.com ...The Tangier Shrine will have their spring show at 84th and Center in Omaha on Sunday, June 2, and present 16 trophies..the Slo Rollers will hold a free show in Tarkio, Missouri on June 8th...The All MoPar show that was to be held in Grand Island on June 15th has been cancelled, according to Liz Gerberding via e-mail...The Rebels of Lincoln will hold their annual show in Pioneers Park on June 24th – the event last year awarded approximately \$7200 in merchandise to participants and revenues generated were donated area charities.

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 DJ Hogan to adjourn was made and seconded by Boyd Ready: the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be in Omaha on Wednesday, June 19, starting at 7:30 pm.

ENWICC Legislative Update

(David Vollmer, 5-15-13, Day 78)

1. This year will be the First Session of the 103rd Nebraska Legislature (Long Session - 90 legislative days, adjourns June 5th). The final day for bill introduction was January 23rd, a total of 655 have been submitted. The asterisks flag bills considered to have most Council interest. "G. F." = General File, the first stage after majority committee vote moves a bill to the floor, "S. F." = Select File, the final floor vote before being sent to the governor for signature. Bold face text flags changes since the previous report. Bills passed with an emergency clause take effect immediately after the Governor signs if a date isn't specifically stated; otherwise nonemergency bills take effect 90 days after the Unicameral adjourns.

2. The following bills have been approved (signed) by the Governor.

- a. LB30. Changes distribution of fees for notation of liens and duplicate titles (to correspond with language of LB276, 2005). Signed by the Governor on February 15th.with an emergency clause
- * b. LB32. Excludes the special interest license plates (LB216 passed last year) from being year of manufacture historical plates. Approved by the Governor March 7th.
- c. LB35. Updates references to various federal provisions related to motor vehicles. Signed by the Governor on Feb 19th.
- d. LB117. Permits for overweight vehicles can be obtained for longer periods and more frequently. Approved by the Governor Mar 20th.
- e. LB133. Individuals using loaner vehicles will be responsible for insurance rather than a dealer. Signed by the Governor April 3rd.
- f. LB154. Utility's service vehicles will be added to the list requiring drivers to pull over for. Signed by Gov May 7th.
- g. LB158. Extends the period for mandatory use of ignition interlock devices when license has been revoked to one year minimum. Designated a priority bill by the T & T Comm. Signed by the Governor on April 24th with an emergency clause.
- h. **LB164.** Licensed motor vehicle dealers can auction excess inventory without an auction license. Signed by Gov Mar 7th.
- i. LB165. Manufacturers' repair warranties to dealers will be extended to include tire repair and replacement. Signed Mar 20th.
- j. **LB207.** Shifts more registration power from county treasurers to the state Dept of Motor Vehicles, revises distribution of fees. Approved by Gov Mar 7th.
- k. LB223. Increases allowable dimensions to be classified as a "utility-type" vehicle. Approved by Governor May 7th
 - 1. LB250. Revises provisions related to trip permits for fleet operators.
- m. **LB316**. Liability insurance coverage can't be reduced if the injured party is also the policy holder. Signed by the Governor April 3rd.
- n. **LB398**. Owners of overloaded vehicles can now be cited whether or not actually operating the vehicle. Signed by Gov Mar 20th.
- o. LB549 Extends the scrap tire recycling program from 2014 expiration to 2019. Approved by the Governor May 7th.

3. The following bills have been moved out of committee onto the floor.

- a. LB93. Introduced by Sen. Dubas.of Fullerton It would identify veteran status on drivers' licenses and state ID cards. Hearing, Mar 4th. Designated a priority bill by the T & T Comm. To G. F. Mar 28th; moved from G. F. April 29th with amendments that added portions of LB 378, 383, and 596.
- b. LB174. Introduced by Sen. Heath Mello, Omaha. Trucks hauling livestock would be responsible for spillage of livestock waste in cities. T & T Comm. To G F Feb 14th.
- c. LB251. Introduced by Sen. Tom Hansen of N Platte. Changes fees for rental vehicles. Hearing by the Revenue Comm. March 14th. To G. F. Apr 2nd.
- * d. LB362. Introduced by Sen. Bill Avery of Lincoln. Vehicle registration fees would be increased \$7.00 for Nebraska residents to replace the current per vehicle fees/ permits at state parks.

Nonresidents would still pay an entry fee. Hearing held February 7th before the Natural Resources Committee which designated it a priority bill on Mar 14th. To G. F. Mar 19th, 9 amendments pending.

- e. LB393. Introduced by Sen. Dave Bloomfield of Hoskins. Protective helmets would not be mandatory for motorcyclists 21 and over if eye protection (eyeglasses, etc) were used; under 21, helmets would still be mandatory. T & T Committee. Hearing Mar 5th, designated a priority bill Mar 15th. To G. F. Mar 21st.
- f. LB399. Introduced by Sen. Dubas. Recognized public safety and crime prevention organizations would be allowed to use flashing amber lights on their vehicles. Hearing held February 12th by the T & T Comm.. Moved to G. F. Feb 20th.
- g. LB446. Introduced by Sen. Avery. Flood damage is defined as submersion above the floorboard relative to salvage titles. Hearing held February 5th by the T & T Comm.. Placed on General File February 14th with amendments.
- 4. The following bills have had hearings, but are still held in committee. As there are 12 legislative days remaining, it is unlikely these bills will reach the floor, at least in this session.
- a.. LB80. Introduced by Sen. Paul Schumacher of Columbus. It raises financial responsibility minimums related to uninsured motorists. It has been referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee. The hearing was on Feb 11th.
- b. LB84 & 85. Also introduced by Sen. Schumacher. These bills would authorize small utility type vehicles (ATVs, etc) to enter intersections, cross highways, etc per local traffic regulations. LB 85 was heard Feb 12th by the T & T Committee, indefinitely postponed Mar 28th. LB 84 hearing Mar 18th.
- c. LB118. Sen. John Harms. Texting while driving would be a primary rather than secondary offense. Referred to the T & T Comm.. Hearing Feb 4th; in executive session Mar 25th, the committee failed to advance the bill to the floor.
- d. LB181. Introduced by Sen. Bill Avery, Lincoln. Motorcycles could not carry passengers under eight years of age.. Referred to the T & T Comm. Hearing Mar 5th;
- * e. LB189. Introduced by Sen. Harms. Not using seat belts would be changed from a secondary offense to a primary, one point assessed against driving record, fine raised to \$100, applicable to back seat passengers also. Referred to the T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 11th; executive session Mar 25th, failed to move bill to the floor.
- f. LB249. Introduced by Sen. Dubas Redefines commercial motor vehicle provisions to exempt farm vehicles. Hearing held by the T & T Comm. on January 28th.
- g. LB258. Introduced by Sen. Kate Sullivan of Cedar Rapids Prohibits use of "interactive" wireless devices by school bus drivers. Hearing by the T & T Comm. Feb 26th.
- h. LB282. Introduced by Sen. Pete Pirsch of Omaha Exempts vehicle washing and waxing from sales taxes. Hearing March 15th by the Revenue Comm.
- * 1. LB351. Introduced by Sen. Harms. Requires "cognitive" tests for drivers 80 and up and a followup written test if impairment is indicated. Hearing February 5th by the T & T Comm. Mar 25th, did not advance.
- i. **LB378**. Introduced by Sen. Jim Smith of Papillion. The additional \$5.00 license fee would be eliminated for Pearl Harbor, prisoner of war, disabled veteran, and Purple Heart plates. Referred to the T & T Committee, hearing Mar 4th.
- j. LB445. Introduced by Sen. Russ Karpisek of Wilber. Fees from the sale of vehicle records would be increased to fund an updated titling and registration computer system. Hearing held February 5th by the T & T Comm.
- k. LB453. Introduced by Sen. Karpisek. Requires headlights to be clear or white in color. Hearing held February 12th by the T & T Comm..
- * 1. LB596. Introduced by Sen. Scott Price of Bellevue. Reduces the minimum quantity of prepaid applications for specialty license plates from military associations to 150 from 500. The extra fee for Purple Heart plates would be eliminated. Hearing Mar 4th by the T & T Comm..
- m. **LB624**. Introduced by Sen. Pirsch. A fee up to \$15.00 is specifically authorized for copies of accident reports. Hearing held February 5th by the T & T Comm.. Indefinitely postponed Mar 27th.
- n. LB649. Introduced by Sen. Karpisek. Penalties would be changed for operating a motor vehicle during revocation and tampering with ignition interlocks. Hearing February 26th by the T & T Comm. Indefinitely postponed Mar 27th.
- o. LB650. Introduced by Sen. Karpisek. Asphalt crack filler trailers would be include in the definition of trailer relative to registration requirements. Referred to the T & T Committee, hearing date March 18th. Indefinitely postponed Mar 27th.
- 5. For status and copies of specific bills, call (800)-742-7456 or (402)-471-2709. A subscription to "Unicameral Update" is available by mail, with a time lag of a week plus. Alternately, for essentially current status, the web address is www.nebraskalegislature.gov.



"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 <u>Collector Car Appreciation Day</u> 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.

ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Boyd Ready has received a request from a representative for the road racing facility in Hastings, Nebraska to address the Council at its June meeting in Omaha. Per Council policy, guests wishing to address the Council will be placed on the agenda between introductions and approval of previous minutes.

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 May 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.

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