

# *Wheel Issues*

Newsletter of the Eastern Nebraska – Western Iowa Car Council

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## **Clubs in Attendance at the February Meeting**

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| AACA-Nebraska Region                    | Centennial Model "T" Club             |
| Chevrolet Classics Club Omaha/Co.Bluffs | Classic Thunderbird Club of Omaha     |
| Classy Chassis Car Club-Red Oak         | Council Bluffs Model "A" Club         |
| Cornhusker Corvette Club                | Cornhusker Early Ford V8 Club-Lincoln |
| Cornhusker Model "A" Club-Lincoln       | Crossroads Chpt Buick Club-America    |
| Crossroads Car Club-Plattsmouth         | Cruis'n Classics – Lincoln            |
| Fremont Antique Car Club, Inc.          | Heartland Chevelle Club               |
| Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club            | Meadowlark Model "A" Club             |
| Midwest Antique Auto Club               | Midwest Early Corvette Club           |
| Midwest Cruisers                        | Midwest Street Rod Assn.-Omaha        |
| Nebraska Corvette Assn.                 | Nebraskaland Pontiac/Oakland          |
| Nifty Fifties Ford Club                 | Omaha Region Early Ford V8 Club       |
| Pontiac Owners Assn.                    | Rebels Auto Club-Lincoln              |
| Stardusters-Mead/Yutan                  | StreetTiques – Omaha                  |
| Studebaker Drivers Club-Husker Chpt.    | The Slo Rollers of NW MO              |
| Vintage Iron Car Club                   |                                       |

GUESTS - Nebraska Rod & Custom Assn.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

President Chuck Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM in Omaha, NE.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Kerry Fox motioned, with a second by Larry Robb, to approve the January minutes as printed. Motion passed.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's report was given by Boyd Ready and accepted after a motion made by DJ Hogan and seconded by Leonard Bouc to approve. Bills were presented by Secretary Alan Tast for \$170.54 for printing and mailing of the February minutes; a motion was made by DJ Hogan and seconded by Jim Snyder to pay the bills. Motion passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **2014 ROCKY MANGINELLI SWAP MEET**

**Lancaster Event Center Changes:** A new manager for the Event Center was announced earlier in the week – Amy Dickerson from York, Nebraska has a MBA, worked for Hewlett-Packard and Black and Decker. Her resume emphasized a specialty in Marketing and Event Strategies. Swap Meet Co-chairs Kerry Fox and Frank Wimmer will meet with her after the Swap Meet to discuss what her future plans are and how they will affect future Swap Meets.

**Equipment:** Kerry reported that Kawasaki “Mules,” porta-potties and signs have been arranged for the weekend. Six new radios, along with new flashlights and safety vests, have been purchased for use by crews. Equipment and signage is being warehoused by Boyd at his workshop in Lincoln.

**Early Worker Passes:** Laurie Fox has early-worker passes for those not attending the Pre-Swap Meet Walk-Through.

**Flyers/Promotion:** Kerry and others have been posting flyers for the Swap Meet in Lincoln area businesses to help promote the event. People are encouraged to take flyers with them after the meeting and ask businesses to place them on bulletin boards, in windows, etc.

**Pre-Sold Spaces:** Jim Snyder reported that one space was still available in the Multi-Purpose Arena (MPA) out of over 300 reserved indoor spaces available. Unreserved spaces inside and outside can yield up to 700 additional stalls. Fewer spaces will be available in the Expo Hall due to the new concession stand which was under construction during last year’s Swap Meet.

**Pre-Swap Meet Walk-Through:** Due to the changes in parking lots east of Amy Countryman Pavilion and other factors, Kerry has decided that there will be a need for a pre-meet walk-through. This will be held on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, starting at 1:00 pm outside of Expo Hall/Pavilion 3.

**Food Bank Milestone:** Stories regarding the Swap Meet and the donation milestones will run in the “Neighborhood Extra” section of the Lincoln Journal-Star and in Omaha World-Herald’s “In Gear” section. Roger Neeman has made contact with Alex from the Food Bank of Lincoln to make sure enough people were on hand from the Food Bank for collections on Sunday. Based on previous history, swap meet contributions to the Food Bank will exceed \$100,000 and 100,000 pounds of food this year. Boyd Ready will help with signs for the entrances to the Swap Meet to thank our “customers” for their donations to the Food Bank.

**Attendance Estimates:** Brief discussion was held regarding attendance estimates to be published in the press. Past swap meets at State Fair Park were estimated to draw up to 15,000 people: the Event Center staff estimated 20,000 for the first meet held there, with others speculating that up to 30,000 may be a more-accurate number.

### **COUNCIL OFFICER ELECTIONS IN MARCH**

No new nominations for the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer were made for 2014-2015. At the January meeting, Boyd Ready volunteered to be Treasurer again, and Chuck Roberts volunteered to be President again and nominated Roy Murabito to continue as Vice President. Roy Murabito announced that he would like to step down as Vice President, provided a nominee/replacement is willing to step forward. Nominations will continue to be accepted at the March meeting in Lincoln, with voting at the close of nominations at the March meeting and installation of new officers at the April meeting in Omaha.

### **2014 PAUL HIGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Nifty Fifties Ford Club has made a \$100 donation to the Scholarship Fund, according to Treasurer Ready. Boyd proposed distributing this evenly to the scholarships to be awarded for 2014 – no additional action taken. The Scholarship Committee will meet prior to the April meeting to review applications and make their award announcements at the April meeting.

### **2014 CAR COUNCIL DIRECTORY**

Secretary Tast took a few minutes to update all on the production of the 2014 Directory. Calling attention to the rapid turn-around time needed for review and approval/correction of proofs, an appeal was made to obtain email addresses from every Council-member club in order to process last-minute reviews/proof copies for the 2015 cycle. (See elsewhere in this Newsletter for details related to distribution of books to Council-member clubs.) Roger Neeman asked for a round of applause to recognize Alan’s efforts in getting not only club listings but also event listings sorted out.

## **NEBRASKA UNICAMERAL IN SHORT SESSION**

Dave Vollmer updated everyone on bills of interest carried over from last year's 90-day session of the Nebraska Unicameral and new ones thrown into the hopper for the short 60-day session. A listing of bills is included elsewhere in this newsletter. The 60-day session is scheduled to end on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **NEW BUSINESS (NO NEW BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD)**

### **PAST EVENTS (NO EVENTS REPORTED)**

### **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*  
Monte Frost called attention to a display of antique cars currently on display at the Durham Museum in Omaha as well as a motorcycle show to be held on Saturday.

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no additional business, President Roberts called for adjournment of the meeting at 8:20 pm.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will held be in Lincoln on Wednesday, March 19, starting at 7:30 pm.

### **AFTER-MEETING NOTES**

#### **SWAP MEET HELD DESPITE RECORD COLD SPELL**

Record-breaking subzero cold temperatures did put a damper on this year's turnout. Unheated unreserved spaces were down from 600 to 150, while there were some indoor vendor no-shows due to snow storms in Kansas, Missouri, the Dakotas and Minnesota. Donations to the Food Bank of Lincoln did bring in enough cash and food to take totals over the \$100,000/100,000 pound goal. Detailed discussion and debriefing will occur at the March meeting in Lincoln.

### **2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS BOOKS**

**Requests for Print Copies:** All are reminded of the Council's policy that initial distribution will take place at the Swap Meet on Sunday, with copies held back for Council member clubs to be disbursed at the March and April Council meetings. Any books remaining after the set-asides for advertisers and member clubs will be available until supplies are exhausted. For those requesting them, the Council requires \$3.00 for each book to cover postage and handling. Requests for books must include payment and a return mailing address, and must be mailed to: ENWICC - 2014 Directory, P.O. 772, Bellevue, NE 68005-0772.

## CAR COUNCIL WEBSITE HOST/ADMINISTRATOR WANTED

Mike Parks, the Car Council's current website administrator and host, has announced that he is in the process of transitioning into a new job which will require transfer out of the area. He will also be terminating his server connection which means that the Council will need to find a new host. Regretfully it may also mean that the Council will have to pay for hosting, as Mike has been doing this for gratis since he has been maintaining the website at [www.enwicc.com](http://www.enwicc.com).

During the Swap Meet on Sunday, Jim Snyder and Alan Tast visited with Roger Bratt of the US Highway 6 Tourist Association regarding the website. Roger has expressed interest in hosting and administering the Council's website. Roger has offered to speak to the Council at the beginning of the March meeting in Lincoln and answer questions. If there are others interested in hosting and/or administering/maintaining the Council's website, please attend the March meeting to be part of the discussion.

## 2014 COUNCIL DUES

A number of clubs are reminded that 2014 Council dues are delinquent as of December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please remind your clubs that dues are 25 cents/member (minimum \$10/club) for the year. Checks may be made out to ENWICC – 2014 Dues. Clubs delinquent after December 31<sup>st</sup> may pay their dues at the February meeting or mail them to the Treasurer (see inside of cover page for mailing address).

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> and are delinquent **December 31<sup>st</sup>**. If not yet made, bring payment to the March meeting in Lincoln, or mail dues to the Treasurer.

**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 to receive it directly.

## HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

### GOLDEN CORRAL MEETING POLICY FOR USE OF ROOM REMINDER

Prior to the November 2012 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

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 west wall in an effort to improve communication during the meeting. **Please help us by holding tables on the west center side of the room open for officers.** Thank you for your cooperation.

## PLEASE STAND AND SPEAK UP!!

Due to the open layout and large size of the Crescent 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):

1. **Opening/Introductions** - President
- 2.\* **Guests Addressing/Presenting to the Council\***
3. **Approval of Minutes** of Last Meeting
4. **Treasurer's Report** - Treasurer
5. **Old Business** (Items carried over from previous meetings)
6. **New Business** (Items new to the agenda not previously discussed, **excluding** events discussion/promotion)
7. **Past Events** (Discussion of recently-held events)
8. **Upcoming Events** (Promotion/Discussion of upcoming events)
- 9.\* **New Clubs** wishing to join the Council\*
10. **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](mailto: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.

## ENWICC'S MISSION

To serve all member clubs and their individual members in a spirit of cooperation and fraternity.

To encourage the acquisition, restoration, preservation, and maintenance of collectible old and special interest automobiles.

To serve as a clearing house for historical and technical information beneficial to and required by member clubs.

To support sound and protective legislation and regulatory actions. To defend vigorously the rights and privileges of the old car and the special interest hobbies to use of the public highways, byways, and streets. To protect and assure sound licensing provisions in State Laws and local ordinances.

To publicize our hobby: to bring favorable public reaction to bear upon the hobby, and to make legislative authorities and the general public aware of the existence of the hobby and the intrinsic value of preserving a part of automotive history.

To negotiate needful reforms and consolidation of insurance protection at the lowest levels for all clubs and their affiliated members.

To perform such other promotional and community service programs as will reflect to the credit and success of the automotive hobby

## **Legislature #1**

## Legislature #2

## **Legislature #3**