

Wheel Issues

Newsletter of the **Eastern Nebraska/Western Iowa Car Council**

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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 2015

LINCOLN: May 20, July 15, September 16, November 18

OMAHA: June 17, August 19, October 21, December 16

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 April Meeting

Capitol City Ford and Mustang Club	Centennial Model "T" Club
Classy Chassis Car Club – Red Oak	Cornhusker Model "A" Club – Lincoln
Council Bluffs Model A Ford Club	Crossroads Chpt-Buick Club-America
Crossroads Car Club – Plattsmouth	Fremont Antique Car Club, Inc.
Heartland Chevelle Club	Horseless Carriage Club - Omaha
Husker Chapter Studebaker Drivers	Mead Star Dusters
Midwest Antique Auto Club	Midwest Early Corvette Club
Midwest Street Rod Ass'n	Mustang Car Club of Omaha
National Corvette Restorers Society	Nebraska Corvette Assn.
Nebraska Region – AACA	Nifty Fifties Ford Club
Omaha Early Ford V-8 Club	Rebels Auto Club-Lincoln
Slo Rollers Car Club	Street-tiques – Omaha
Vintage Iron Car Club	Viper Owners Assoc-Crossroads of Amer.

-GUESTS -

Nebraska Rod & Custom Assn.
Heartland Modern Mopars
Omaha World Herald
Joslyn Castle
Copper Classics

MEETING MINUTES – April 15, 2015

INTRODUCTIONS

At 7:37 p.m. President Tast called the meeting to order. He asked everyone to sign in on the sign-in sheet being passed around and to also check the Representative List to correct your club's information if needed. Everyone then introduced themselves.

GUESTS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

Paul Swanson, Valerie Koehler and Echo Bronk of the Suburban Newspapers were present at this meeting. Paul talked about the new things they have done in the Car Council book this year. We wanted the cover thicker this year for longer shelf life. In the listings, if it is a Car Council event, they added a little icon to the event designating it as such. It was suggested that the staples be

longer because the center pages come loose. Paul said that they will begin using a thicker paper in the center pages. It was also pointed out that the zip code for the Car Council was wrong. Paul said that they will correct this next year. As for the press run: When they first took over this project, they only ran a couple of thousand books. Now they are printing 10,000 books and are still running out. This year they tried to have clubs buy extras, \$10.00 for 20 books. There were some lukewarm responses to this suggestion. The swap meet gave out 8,000 books by 1:00 p.m. the day of the swap meet. That was the second largest swap meet and the biggest distribution of the books in the history of the swap meets. He will check into the production of 11,000 or 12,000 books next year. Kerri Fox asked whether some of the advertisers could get books for free by paying for advertising in the book. Paul said that they will mail them one book for free if they contact Paul Swanson. Frank Wimmer said that some of the advertisers have quit advertising because they couldn't get copies of the books. Roy Murabito said that part of the problem is the postage costs. One book costs \$2.66 to mail out. Two books cost \$3.14. Paul said that they probably should add into the advertising costs, the cost of mailing one book to each advertiser next year. It was asked if we would be able to get an app on our smart phones with the Car Council book on it. Paul stated that there is already a PDF copy on the website. Paul will work on getting that link to the club earlier in the year for their website. Paul also had an idea of doing a calendar with the events listed on the calendar. It would have advertising and car pictures, room to put your daily events and also the events on the weekend squares. They would run 1,000 of them to start and it would be up to the Car Council to decide how to distribute them. Something to think about.

Kelsey Bugjo of the Joslyn Castle Classic Car Show talked about her benefit fund raiser. The car show is on Sunday, July 26th. She is looking for original and restored to original cars to exhibit. Go to their website for more information. There is no fee to register. This is a Non-judged show. There will be a nice picnic lunch at the end of the show. You are also able to tour the castle while you are there. All years and makes of cars are welcome. Even though the show is only from 1-4, entrants can be there as early as 7:30 am. The address is 3902 Davenport Street, Omaha, NE and their website is www.joslyncastlecarclassic.com.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Chuck Garber and seconded by Jim Snyder. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Boyd Ready read the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve the report as presented by Kerry Fox and seconded by Jim McNeil. Motion carried. There were three bills submitted for payment. One from Treasurer Boyd Ready for the mailing of the Council books in the amount of \$72.73, one from Secretary Cindy Wimmer in the amount of \$77.14 for the processing of the March newsletter and one bill from Roy Murabito in the amount of \$10.70 for the mailing of the Council books. Motion to approve payment of these bills by Jim Snyder and seconded by Larry Robb. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Swap Meet

Kerry Fox said that a lot of what he needs to say tonight was also in the March newsletter. He said that there were over 2,700 buyer's cars parked at the Event Center by 9:00 a.m. It was the second largest swap meet at that location. We ran out of vendor spaces. The Lincoln Food Bank received an equivalent of over 2,200 meals from the money and food that they collected at the swap meet. We are charging for parking next year. Kerry is going to try to get traffic control clubs to transition to collections for parking. The Lancaster Event Center has suggested that we help them collect for parking at an upcoming event to see how collections for parking are done. The Lancaster County Fair is an event that we can definitely learn from. The money we collect for parking cars will help in paying for the price increases of the Lancaster Event Center. They are going to try to alleviate some of the parking congestion next year. There were over 170 volunteers from the Car Council Car clubs and Board of Directors that volunteered to work this event this year. **Thank you to everyone that worked this event!**

2015 Paul High Memorial Scholarships

Today is the cut-off date for scholarship applications. Jim Snyder said that if they are post marked by today, that he will accept them. He thinks they have 12 applications right now. Boyd Ready said that we normally give up to 5 scholarships at \$300.00 each for a total of \$1,500.00. There was some discussion on this issue, if we gave more than 5, where would the money come from? That money comes out of the Administration Account of money. Boyd went on to explain about the different accounts and what the Council uses them for. He felt that adding a few more scholarships this year would not hurt the Council financially. Jim Snyder said that we need to look at the scholarship applications first to see if they deserve them. Then we will work on giving more or less. The amount varies every year. They

send information on scholarships out to 105 schools and get 10 – 18 actual scholarship applications back.

NEBRASKA UNICAMERAL NOTES

Alan Tast said that we are getting toward the end of legislative session in Lincoln.

LB31 : Bill was pushed aside.

LB220: Bill approved by governor.

LB498: Bill was vetoed by the governor at the request of the person that sponsored the bill.

LB610: Bill going thru the legislature. Governor says he is going to veto it.

LB53: Bill advanced to the floor.

LB231: Bill went to general floor.

LB581: Bill went to general floor.

LB373: Bill in committee.

LB39: Bill is dead.

A representative from Missouri said that they are trying to add a \$50.00 per vehicle registration paperwork fee to each vehicle that is registered in that state. This bill is in committee right now.

See Legislative Update at the end of this newsletter.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Ron Gillis is on the Council's Insurance Committee. We have been notified of a huge increase by our insurance carrier, Farm Bureau Insurance. We are still holding our checks to pay the insurance company until this is straightened out. The insurance company wants to charge us for all of our members, not just the ones that actually work the swap meet. We need to correct the wording in our bylaws to reflect what we do in our Council. Ron Gillis will recommend the changes and then it will go into the newsletter, go thru the meeting in Lincoln and then needing motions to revise. The changes are as follows:

BY-LAWS FOR THE ENWICC ~~JULY 2004~~ APRIL 2015

ARTICLE I

NAME: The name of the Association shall be THE EASTERN NEBRASKA, WESTERN IOWA CAR COUNCIL (ENWICC). Short title of and all references made to "CAR COUNCIL" or "THE COUNCIL" or "COUNCIL" shall have the same effect and meaning as the full name of the organization stated above. The area of interest and influence of the ENWICC is hereby extended to encompass the eastern portion of Nebraska and the western portion of Iowa, by, through, which, and within automotive groups of the same type in other sections or regions of the state may petition for affiliation or membership. This organization shall be strictly non-profit in nature and will operate in the states of Nebraska and Iowa. Funds necessary for its function and operating expenses shall be levied on member clubs as noted below.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE: The purposes of the ENWICC shall be those enumerated below:

1. To serve all member clubs and their individual members in a spirit of cooperation and fraternity and to provide the joint and several interests of the old car and special interest motor vehicles community. To promote good fellowship, pride of ownership in collectible cars, family fun, and enjoyment through participation in events and tours.
2. To encourage the acquisition, restoration, preservation, and maintenance of collectible old and special interest automobiles.
3. To serve as a clearinghouse for historical and technical information beneficial to and required by member clubs.
4. To support sound and protective legislation and regulatory actions and to defend vigorously the rights and privileges of the old car and the special interest auto hobbies to use of public highways, byways, streets; to protect and assure sound licensing provisions in state laws and local ordinances; to preserve the special interest car (tomorrow's antique and classic) from premature destruction and ill-advised disposal; to counter adverse legislative action proposed at the state level and regulatory moves of counties and cities in Iowa and Nebraska.
5. 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.
- ~~6. To negotiate needful reforms and consolidation of insurance protection at the lowest levels for all clubs and their affiliated members.~~
- ~~67.~~ To perform such other promotional and community service programs as will reflect to the credit and success of the automotive hobby.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES: Membership in the ENWICC shall be open to every recognized, nationally sponsored, or local non-profit club operating within the states of Nebraska and Iowa.

Membership shall be accorded antique, classic, vintage, special interest, limited production, discontinued production (i.e. orphan), and other collectible car clubs and/or societies.

1. Classification of Membership: There are two classifications of membership:

- A. ACTIVE - Active member clubs have two appointed voting representatives on the votes and Council and are counted in all quorum counts.
- B. ASSOCIATE - An unaffiliated individual may join the Council by exhibiting an interest in the collective objectives of the Council. Such a member, however, will have no vote in Council matters nor will he/she be counted as part of a quorum.

2. Application for Membership:

- A. Clubs applying for membership in the ENWICC shall be functioning organizations with elected officers and holding scheduled meetings. The names of the present officers and the meeting time and place shall be submitted to the ENWICC Secretary. Club rosters shall not be submitted.
- B. Interested individuals may apply in person by outlining the nature of their interest in the purposes of the Council.

3. Acceptance of Membership: Acceptance of Active and/or Associate Members will be after deliberation by the Council and by the vote of members present at a regular ENWICC monthly meeting. Acceptance will be completed with the payment of dues.

4. Membership Dues: Dues are 25 cents per member per year for each club, with a minimum of a \$10.00 charge for each club. Associate membership dues are \$5.00 per year. These amounts are due on October 1st. Dues are delinquent December 31st each year. Renewal dues are also 25 cents per member, with a minimum of a \$10.00 charge for each club, based on the club's October 1st membership roster. Associate renewals are \$5.00 per year.

5. Club Representatives: Each member club will appoint, nominate, or elect two of its members to serve as its official representatives to the ENWICC. Alternative representatives may be designated to serve in the absence of the representative.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS: The officers of the Council shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, selected from the membership of the member clubs of the Council. The officers will be selected on a calendar-year basis at an election to be held during the March Council meeting. Officers will be installed and will assume their respective duties at the April meeting.

Past presidents and three members elected at the regular election meeting shall serve as an advisory board to aid present officers. The advisory board will serve as (but not limited to) a grievance committee, as an impeachment court, and as a nominating committee to facilitate elections.

1. Duties of Officers: The duties of Officers shall be those usually recognized and considered incident to the Office.

The President shall conduct each regular and special meeting of the Council, shall maintain order, and serve as public spokesman for the Council.

The Vice President shall serve in the absence of and in the place of the President and shall have responsibility for communicating with member club officials and for maintaining the Council calendar.

The Secretary shall record, maintain, and report the official minutes of meetings, reproduce and distribute these minutes to member clubs if deemed necessary, and shall handle all necessary correspondence with the public and the member clubs. The Secretary shall be custodian of official Council records.

The Treasurer shall collect dues and assessments and make disbursements for essential and approved Council needs. He or she will select a bank for the deposit of Council funds and will maintain books and records of account to reflect all monetary transactions. The accounts will be subject to a year-end audit by a competent disinterested member or audit committee appointed by the President.

2. Term of Office: The term of office for Officers shall be one calendar year. Officers may be re-elected. Each candidate for an office must express a willingness to serve before their name may be placed in nomination for an office. Nominations for office may be made by any representative of a member club in good standing at the February Council meeting either in writing or from the floor. Nominations for office will be seconded by another club representative. In the event no member chooses to run for an office, the Advisory Board will serve as a nominating committee to obtain candidates and will place said candidates in nomination at the March meeting. Before balloting at the March meeting, the floor will be opened for further nominations.

3. Removal or Resignation of Officer/s: Any incumbent officer may be removed from office for malfeasance on charges brought by the Advisory Board for failure to perform his duties well and properly as provided above. The officer charged with malfeasance or non-performance of duty will have the right of appeal and a hearing on the charges made, a presentation of facts, and to legal counsel engaged by and paid for by him/her, if desired. Any officer of the Council may resign his office and surrender his responsibility as an officer at any time by providing the President and the Secretary with written notice of such resignation thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of resignation. The vacancy so created shall be filled by appointment by the President or general election by the representatives of the member clubs.

ARTICLE V

PROCEDURES: The following procedures and policies will be followed:

1. Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month. Changes may be made with the approval of the Council at a preceding meeting. Meetings shall alternate between Lincoln and Omaha sites, with Omaha meetings on even months.

2. Robert's Rules of Order will govern conduct of business meetings of the Council. Should the presiding officer wish to make a partisan position on any given subject, it will be incumbent upon him to step down, appointing a temporary successor pro-tem to succeed him and manage the meeting while he is on the floor.

3. Votes may be by a roll-call vote, either oral or by ballot, at the discretion of the President. Any member club, in good standing, may call for a roll-call vote based on the sign-in sheet.
4. Specific items of day-to-day business will be enacted by a majority vote of members present.
5. Specific items of day-to-day business of the Council may be carried out by a committee if so voted at a normal business meeting. Said committees are to report their actions or findings at the first practical opportunity at a general business meeting.
6. A written guideline known as a General Operating Procedure may be used to direct the conduct of repetitive items of day-to-day Council business. Said General Operating Procedures may be enacted, amended, or deleted by a majority vote of members present at a general business meeting.
7. A copy of the By-Laws will be sent to each member club and will be given to each membership classification at time of joining the Council. A copy of the By-Laws and any written General Operating Procedure will be available at each meeting.

ARTICLE VI

PERSONAL LIABILITY: All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with, or having a claim against the Council or any of its officers for any valid performance or proper commitment shall look only to the funds and/or property possessed by the Council for payment of any debt, damage or damages, judgment or judgments, decree or decrees, or any monies which may otherwise become due and payable from the Treasury of the Council or from its Officers, acting in good faith and honor, so that neither Council Officers, member club representatives of the Council, ~~or the member clubs themselves,~~ present and future, shall be personally, jointly, or severally liable therefore.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS: Amendments to the foregoing By-Laws of the Council may be proposed by the representative of any member club in good standing for consideration and discussion. An amendment will be adopted only with the concurrence of a majority affirmative vote of member clubs present at the meeting. The amendment must be published in the next minutes and must be voted on the second month after publication. Each club will have two votes and may vote by means of its Council representatives or by mail ballot.

ARTICLE VIII

CONSTITUTION: The use and operation of these By-Laws for governing the Car Council is considered to be sufficient government and direction as to obviate the need for a collateral constitution. Hence, with the adoption of these By-Laws, there is no constitution for the Council.

ARTICLE IX

DISSOLUTION: In the event of dissolution of the Council, the Council's assets shall be distributed equally to the non-profit member clubs remaining in the Council at the time of the dissolution.

This will help to reduce our costs with the insurance companies. Ron was asked if these changes could do harm to the Council. He said that this wouldn't harm the Council and could actually help the Council. He was asking for each club's number of members and their insurance carriers this past week because our insurance company wanted to know whether these clubs already had their own insurance or whether we were insuring them. This will bring our numbers down and thus reduce our costs.

Alan Tast talked to Dave Volmer about the coverage that we currently have. He also asked Ron Gillis what the current insurance covers. Ron said it covers the swap meet, our monthly meetings and our board of directors. This is the first insurance audit that had a difference in the numbers than previously stated by the Council.

There will be a discussion at our next meeting in Lincoln and then motions made and voted on in Omaha at the June meeting.

Jim Snyder said that to his knowledge, we have never had an insurance claim. Boyd Ready has provided the Car Council's policy to the Shriners in order to use their facility in Omaha for our meetings the remainder of this year. Ron Gillis said that we are in the process of revising our mission statement to reflect the changes to our bylaws.

Car Council Books for 2015

Council books are all gone as of tonight. But you can go to our website, www.enwicc.com for the 2015 directory.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a write up of the ENWICC in the April 23rd, 2015 issue of the Old Cars Weekly. Alan Tast then proceeded to read this article to the group.
See article at the end of this newsletter.

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

April 10. A member of the Car Council gave this information. Don and Millie's at 144th & Harrison Street, Omaha, NE on Fridays, 5:00 until close. Reduced price meals, trophy night, two wounded warrior shows for free meals. They will continue thru the end of the year. This past week they had to turn away cars. See Page 44 in the Car Council Book for more information.

May 2nd is the Rod and Custom Open House in Herman, Ne at D & A Automotive

May 31 is the 11th year of the Tangier Show and Shine. \$15.00 preregistration and trophies presented at 3:00 p.m.

June 6th and 7th – NRCA Tour Nebraska being held out of Lincoln, NE this year. Over 400 classic cars expected at this event. Registration deadline is May 15th. These cars will drive 300 miles on Saturday and 300 miles on Sunday thru south eastern Nebraska. They will have a cruise night on Friday at Culver's north, a costume party and band on Saturday night and on Sunday night will have a party at Speedway Motors Museum of American Speed. For more information contact Frank and Cindy Wimmer or Rod Phelps all of Lincoln at (402) 890-6408.

June 14th – Boyd and Sandy Ready's 40th wedding anniversary party. From 1:00 -4:00 p.m. at Speedway Motors Museum of American Speed. First 200 people eat cake and free touring of the museum to all who attend. Address is 599 Oak Creek Drive, Lincoln, NE.

June 27th – at the Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln NE – Good Guys is partnering up with Speedway Motors to bring a one day car show to the Pinnacle Bank Arena. You can preregister thru the Good Guys web site or pay for your registration the day of the event at the gate.

NEW CLUB JOINING THE COUNCIL

Kevin Liewer, President of the Heartland Modern MoPar Car Club petitioned to have his club join the Car Council. Motion to approve by Jim Snyder and seconded by Boyd Ready. Motion carried.

(Note: The Copper Classics Car Club was also at this meeting hoping to join, but the meeting ran too long and they had to leave. Hopefully they will return at the May 20th meeting in Lincoln in order to request membership approval at that time).

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Snyder made a motion to adjourn. Monty Frost seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

7:30 p.m. on May 20th, 2015 in Lincoln, NE

ENWICC Legislative Update (David Vollmer, 4-14-15, 63rd legislative day)

1. This year will be the First Session of the 104th Nebraska Legislature (Long Session - 90 legislative days, scheduled adjournment June 5th). A total of 655 new bills have submitted since the January 7th opening day plus 8 requested by the governor. The asterisks flag bills considered to have most Council interest. **Bold face text flags changes since the previous report.** 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 last opportunity for floor debate and amendments. "F. R." = Final Reading, the bill is in final form, with amendments incorporated, to be presented to the governor for signature. Bills with an emergency clause (suffix "e") take effect immediately if a date isn't specifically stated, otherwise nonemergency bills take effect 90 days after the Unicameral adjourns.
2. The following are vehicle related bills that are ready to be or have been sent to the Governor. These are bills that have had committee hearings, have been considered and approved by the full legislature, and forwarded to the Governor for approval or rejection.
 - * a. **LB31.** Introduced by Sen. Dave Bloomfield of Hoskins. Helmet requirements for motorcycles and mopeds would be eliminated. Assigned to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee Jan 12th. Hearing Feb 9th. To G F Mar 9th with amendment. **Priority bill. Motion to shut off debate failed, unlikely to be rescheduled this session.**
 - b. **LB45.** Introduced by Sen. Colby Coash of Lincoln. Special provisions for vehicle used in movie making would be eliminated. Signed by the Governor March 12th.
 - c. **LB94.** Introduced by Sen. Jim Smith of Papillion, chairman of the Printed certificates of title with liens noted will be issued for nonresidents. Approved by the Governor March 5th.
 - d. **LB95.** Introduced by Sen. Smith. Regulations pertaining to electric -powered bicycles would be added. Approved by the Governor Feb 26th.
 - e. **LB122.** Introduced by Sen. Paul Schumacher of Columbus. Conditions of use of ATVs and utility-type vehicles on roadways is defined. (Also introduced in 2014) Approved by the Governor Mar 12th.
 - f. **LB181.** Introduced by Sen. Smith. Rotating and flashing lights would be allowed on public utility vehicles. (Similar to LB954 of 2014 session). Approved by the Governor Mar 12th.
 - * g. **LB220.** Introduced by Sen. Smith. Provide for special license plates to commemorate Nebraska's 150th Sesquicentennial and allocate fees to historical uses. Approved by the Governor Feb 26th.
 - h. **LB305e.** Introduced by Sen. David Schnoor of Scribner. The veterans aid fund would be expanded to include transportation expenses. Approved by the Governor March 5th.
 - i. **LB312.** Procedures for highway construction contracts would be revised. Approved by the Governor March 5th.
 - j. **LB313.** Update references to federal motor vehicle regulations. Approved by the Governor March 12th.
 - k. **LB498.** Introduced by Sen. Galen Hadley of Kearney. Collection of sales tax on ATVs and UTVs to be by retailers to minimize missed revenue. **Priority bill. Vetted April 13th per request of introducer due to structural flaw (retroactive registration).**
 - l. **LB610.** Introduced by Sen. Smith. Increased fuel excise taxes would be phased in through 2019. Revenue Comm. Hearing Mar 6th. To G F Mar 12th. **Preparing for F R vote.**
 - * m. **LB641.** Introduced by Sen. Garrett. Persons operating wheel chairs or bicycles would have the same rights as pedestrians. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 10th. To G F Mar 9th with amd. **Preparing for F R vote.**
3. The following are vehicle related bills that have been advanced to the floor. These are bills that have heard by their respective committees and received majority vote to move to the floor for consideration by the full legislature.
 - a. **LB47.** Introduced by Sen. Dan Watermeier of Syracuse. Individuals identified as organ donors would still be identified as donors even if licenses were expired, suspended, or revoked. Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 8th. Hearing Jan 26th. To G F Mar 10th with amendment. Designated a priority bill by the speaker.
 - * b. **LB53.** Introduced by Sen. Jim Scheer of Norfolk. Vehicles manufactured without provisions for two plates and not specifically exempted from the requirement for two plates could display one if a decal is applied to the drivers side of the windshield and a \$100 fee is paid. (This is separate from the Special Interest Plate authorized by LB216 passed in the 2012 session). Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 8th. Hearing Feb 3rd. To G F Mar 2nd.
 - c. **LB97.** Introduced by Sen. Smith. The \$5 fee for Pearl Harbor and disabled vets would be eliminated. Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 8th. Hearing Jan 20th. To G F Feb 23rd.
 - * d. **LB231.** Introduced by Sen. Smith. Provide for regulation, operation, and licensing of autocycles (3-wheel, enclosed motorcycle type vehicles). T & T Committee, Jan 15th. Hearing Feb 2nd. To G F Feb 23rd.
 - e. **LB275.** Introduced by Sen. Curt Friesen of Henderson. Penalties for operating a motor vehicle during a revocation period would be stiffened. Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 15th. Hearing Jan 27th. To G F Feb 23rd.
 - f. **LB278.** Introduced by Sen. Ken Haar of Malcolm. Exempt motor vehicle washing and waxing services from sales and use taxes. (Similar to LB 282 of 2014 session.) Revenue Committee, Jan 15th. Hearing Feb 6th. **To G F Apr 13th.**

- g. **LB311.** Introduced by T & T Comm, Jan 16th. Provisions related to commercial learners permits would be revised. To G F Mar 12th with amendment.
- h. **LB428.** Introduced by Sen. Tommy Garrett of Bellevue. An exemption from motor vehicle taxation would be provided for disabled veterans. Revenue Comm, Jan 20th. Hearing Feb 27th. To G F Mar 10th with amd.
- i. **LB460.** Introduced by Sen. Jeremy Nordquist of Omaha. Vehicle services (charter buses, limousines, pedal-pub) that allow alcohol consumption would require liquor licenses. General Affairs Comm. Hearing Feb 2nd. To G F Feb 23rd (amended to apply only to pedal-pubs).
- j. **LB474.** Introduced by Sen. Ernie Chambers of Omaha. Provides for mountain lion protection plates. T & T Comm, Jan 20th. Hearing Feb 23rd. To G F Feb 23rd with amd.
- k. **LB570.** Introduced by Sen. Brasch. Expands restrictions on golf carts to include operators license and liability insurance. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 10th. To G F Feb 24th.
- * l. **LB581.** Introduced by Sen. Nordquist. Use of clean-burning fuels would be promoted. Natural Resources Comm. Hearing Mar 11th. To G F Mar 23rd with amd.
- * m. **LB642.** Introduced by Sen. Garrett. Full name and proof of identity would be required for registration and titling. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 3rd. To G F Feb 23rd with amd.

4. The following are bills that have had public hearings, but remain in committee.

- a. **LB38.** Introduced by Sen. Rick Koloski of Omaha. Penalties for motor vehicle homicide would be changed and penalties would be added for serious injury to vulnerable road users (pedestrians, workers, bicyclists etc.). Assigned to Judiciary Comm Jan 12th. Hearing Jan 20th.
- b. **LB120.** Introduced by Sen. Paul Schumacher of Columbus. License plates off uninsured vehicles could be seized with citation serving as a temporary license (10-day). Assigned to Judiciary Comm Jan 12th. Hearing Jan 28th.
- c. **LB248.** Introduced by Sen. Kate Sullivan of Cedar Rapids. Use of interactive wireless devices by school bus drivers would be prohibited. T & T Committee, Jan 15th. Hearing Feb 23rd.
- d. **LB316.** Introduced by Sen. Bill Kintner of Papillion. Prohibits Neb from joining certain interstate compacts and sharing information related to red light cameras and speed cameras. Judiciary Comm, Jan 16th. Hearing Feb 19th.
- * e. **LB373.** Introduced by Sen. Robert Hilkemann of Omaha. Requires individual seat belts on school buses. T & T Comm, Jan 16th. Hearing Feb 23rd.
- f. **LB391.** Introduced by Sen. Sue Crawford of Bellevue. An additional collection fee of ½ of one percent could be withheld by the county treasurer from vehicle sales tax revenue in excess of \$3000 per month. Revenue Comm, Jan 20th. Hearing Feb 27th.
- g. **LB517.** Introduced by Sen. Merv Riepe of Ralston. Use of any type of wireless communication device while driving would be prohibited. T & T Comm, hearing Feb 23rd.
- h. **LB568.** Introduced by Sen. Lydia Brasch of Bancroft. Administrative license revocation for DWI would be separated from criminal type prosecutions. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 17th.
- i. **LB587.** Introduced by Sen. John McCollister of Omaha. Motor vehicle tax schedules would list passenger cars as a separate category with slightly lower rates. Revenue Comm. Hearing Mar 18th.
- j. **LB624.** Introduced by Sen. Tyson Larson of O'Neill. Per axle weight restrictions for agricultural vehicles would be changed to total gross vehicle weight restrictions. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 3rd.
- k. **LB626.** Introduced by Sen. Kathy Campbell of Lincoln. Motor vehicle fees and taxes and their distribution would be changed. T & T Comm. Hearing Mar 9th.

5. The following bill will probably not receive further consideration this session.

- a. **LB39.** Introduced by Sen. Koloski. Regulations pertaining to operation of bicycles and passing bicycles would be changed. Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 12th. Hearing Jan 20th. Indefinitely postponed Feb 27th.

6. 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.

7. Notes on the legislative process and citizen input.

- a. The first 10 legislative days are designated for bill introduction by individual senators. Each senator is allowed up to 10 introductions, one of which can be designated a priority bill. Committees can select two, the speaker can select 25.
- b. Committees can hold, indefinitely postpone, or advance bills. The chairman manages the process within committees, the speaker when or if a bill reaches the floor.
- c. In person testimony at the public hearings has a great impact on the fate of a given bill. Letters, emails, and even phone calls to the committee can be effective if submitted in advance to be part of the hearing record. Communications received before the committee acts on the bill will generally still be considered in committee deliberations. When, or if, a bill reaches the floor, communication should be with individual senators.

Clipped by Gerald Perschbacher, LL.D.

Nebraska/Iowa Council working hard for the hobby

W*heel Issues* is a publication that seems to have many strengths going for it, if a recent edition is a good gauge. It is the newsletter of the Eastern Nebraska/Western Iowa Car Council (PO Box 5838, Lincoln, NE 68505; www.enwicc). Alan Tast serves as president.

Sixty clubs are involved, including clubs dedicated to Model T and Model A Fords, Studebakers, Corvettes, Thunderbirds, VWs, Chevrolets, early V-8 Fords, rods, plus Hudsons and regions of the AACA.

The council meets the third Wednesday of each month with sites alternating between the Nebraska cities of Omaha and Lincoln. From the aspect of monitoring legislation, the idea of the council is marvelous and offers a real advantage over areas where individual clubs hope for the best when it comes to knowing what laws and ordinances are in consideration on various governmental levels.

But the council does more. There are committee chairs for a major swap meet, memorial scholarships, web presence and the compilation of a Car Council directory. The council has four officers: president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. The council also presents its Hobbyist of the Year Award.

"Each club is entitled to receive two copies of the *Wheel Issues* newsletter," the council says. It is then implied that clubs will inform their memberships.

By M.J. Frumkin

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 mailing information. You can submit changes in writing by mailing them to:
Secretary, ENWICC, PO Box 5838, Lincoln, NE 68505,
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 \$2.00/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 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.