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SEPTEMBER MEETING WRAP-UP

For those of you who weren't able to attend the club meeting held on September 28th, here is a short summary of the business conducted:

- 1. The club voted to leave the design on the Club T-Shirt transfers exactly like the originals, and to have the club order 50 transfers as the initial order. Cost to the club members will be \$2.50 for each transfer.
- 2. Due to a mix-up at the Boy's Club the Christ-mas Dinner has been re-scheduled for December 12th. The time and place remain the same as before.
- 3. The club voted to have Derald St. John and a committee purchase a used stereo and public address system for the club if the committee thought the price was right.
 4. Our winter meetings will be held at the Amvets
- Club in the 1100 block of West Nichols St. (right behind Gene Wright's Garage) at the normal time.

 5. The club took up a collection and gave it to Serm and Kathy Earnhart in place of a baby shower.

6. The club voted to amend the by-laws to make only the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer exempt from the most dedicated member points race, and also voted to start the point race with the October meeting because of the change.

HOW TO BURY A GOOD IDEA

Wendell Royster handed me this message on a piece of paper the other day and said that if I had room he thought it might be something for the club to think about. Here are "seven ways to bury a good idea";

- 1. It will never work!
- 2. We've never done it that way before!
- 3. We're doing fine without it!
- 4. We can't afford it!
- 5. It's not our responsibility!6. What do we get if we do it?
- 7. Some people won't help so why do it?

CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB HAYRIDE

Except for a little cloudiness and a few sprinkles of rain, the weather couldn't have been better for the Classic Chevy Club of Springfield's annual hayride. The temperature was around 50 degrees and the few raindrops weren't nearly enough to dampen the festivities.

Well over half of our fellow members left the Payless-Cashways parking lot in a caravan to the farm of John Squibb, where we were met by the wagon and taken to the bonfire site. After the bonfire was burning brightly, almost everyone piled back on the wagon for a liesurely trip around the farm.

Several more trips were taken around the farm, with stops in between at the bonfire to roast hotdogs and marshmallows and enjoy other refreshments, or just to visit with each other. We discovered it was Wilma Wright's birthday so we took the opportunity to help her celebrate it.

In spite of all the dust on our cars from the dirt roads and recent dry weather, complicated by the few drops of rain, everyone seemed to have a good time, and those of you who missed it really missed a great evening.

TWIN BRIDGES FUN RUN

A large number of the Classic Chevy Club of Springfield's members got some idea of what it must feel like to be a gypsy the week-end of September 20th and 21st. Twelve families, a total of 30 people, all camped out together Saturday night during the Chevys Limited of Southwest Missouri's fun run at Twin Bridges Recreation Area in Oklahoma.

Several of the members went down early Saturday morning together. Those included Bud Janes, Dave Marek, Bobby Goss, Larry and Anna Robertson, Gene and Wilma Wright, and Kenny Hurley. Jan and Wendell Royster and Claude and Karen Rodrique had gone down even earlier to get a good camp site. Avery and Karen Bradley, Derald and Myrtle St. John, and Tony and Linda Miller joined the group late Saturday evening and Charlie and Helen Hurley and Bill Caldwell and his girlfriend Betty Davis, came down Sunday morning to join the fun.

The members of the Chevys Limited set the run up to be a very laid-back affair so there was very little organized activity, not even a formal show and shine. En stead, everyone who registered was given a sheet with all the classes listed on it and you voted for the car you thought was best in each class. There was a local country and western band at "Jim's Fish-n-stuff", a little general store and resteraunt, whose owner sponsored all the trophies for the event. Mostly though, we all sat a around and relaxed and visited with each other.

The trophies were passed out about 2.00 p.m. on Sunday, with two members bringing home some gold. Jan and Wendell Royster won the best truck trophy and Gene and Wilma Wright won the best sports car award.

All in all it was a great week-end in spite of the dust and wind, and with so many of our club members there, it was almost like a club function. And I must say that,

with all our cars lined up side by side and the club banner displayed, it made quite an impressive site, more impressive than any of the other clubs represented at the run.

It was great to see participation in an event of this sort by such a large portion of our club, because not only do we have a lot of fun and get to know each other better, we demonstrate to all the other area clubs and enthusiasts what an active, high quality club we have here in Springfield.

ASH GROVE FALL FESTIVAL

Several members of the Springfield Classic Chevy Club traveled to Ash Grove, Missouri, (our club president, Avery Bradley's, home town) on Saturday, October 4th, to participate in their annual Fall Festival Parade.

Those members who went included Avery Bradley, Jerry Prier, Dave Marek, Bud Janes, Jan and Wendell Royster, and Myrtle St. John.

We all met at Avery's house and then followed him to the starting point of the parade. Since it was his home town. Avery led our part of the parade.

Following the parade we returned to the starting point where we were all given a dash plaque in appreciation of our coming down for the festivities, then we all returned to Avery's house for a little refreshment before we all headed back to Springfield.

MEET YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS

Kenny Hurley is our featured member this month. He has been a member of the Springfield Club since its beginning. He is single, works at Dayco, and his hobbies are, of course, old cars, and racing radio controlled cars.

Kenny is fortunate enough to be a member of a family that is as crazy about old cars as he is. I'm speaking of course about his parents, Charlie and Helen, who are

also members of the Springfield Classic Chevy Club.

I'm sure everyone is familiar with Kenny's little red '55 two-door Belair sedan. By far one of the nicest cars in the club, Kenny has owned the '55 for about three years. He purchased the car from Bob Williams here in Springfield, who had started building the car several years ago, but just never completed it. The car came to Kenny more or less unassembled, but in very good condition. It already had a super nice paint job applied to it when he bought it. The color is, of all things. International Harvestor Tractor Red.

The interior hasn't been done yet, but current plans are for a saddle tan colored velour type of some kind.

Other goodies already in the car now are a 350c.i. 4-bolt main small block motor with a crane cam, headers, and a Holley carb on an Edelbrock intake manifold. The power is passed through a turbo-400 transmission with a shift kit, and sent back to 3.70 gears in a completely chromed, narrowed rear end.

An inch and a half was taken off each side of the rear end housing to accommodate the eight inch centerline wheels and H-60 Goodyear tires. Seven inch centerline wheels dress up the front. Kenny has also adapted front and rear sway bars from a Comaro to the little '55.

Many hours were spent lying underneath the car, both by Kenny and Charlie, cleaning, painting, and hand-rubbing the frame, gas tank, etc. to make the undercarriage as nice as the rest of the car.

Next on the program for Kenny is a '56 Cameo pickup he has purchased to fix up. If it turns out to be half as nice as his '55, it'll be a dandy for sure.

Bob Goss

CLUB TRAILER PROGRESS REPORT

Following a false start on Wednesday, October 1st, because of a mix-up in the availability of a frame for the club trailer project, we finnally got it started on 8th of October, thanks to Avery Bradley's generousity.

Avery donated a motorcycle trailer to the club to use as the basis for our trailer. Following a short planning session, several of the male members of the club started disassembling the frame, cutting the various pieces to shape, and reassembling the pieces to make the new frame. Plans are to work on the body of the trailer when we get together on October 15th, so hopefully it won't be too long till the trailer is finished.

SHADE TREE VIEWS (FROM ASH GROVE)

For those of you who haven't voted on the Mini-Nationals, do it NOW. I intend to bring this up at the last meeting but overlooked it. Remember, they are proposing 3 mini-nationals and 1 national in place of 4 or 5 regionals plus the national convention.

Some of the members have been discussing the possibilities of our club having a "Run in 81", I think it would be great and I'm sure we would get a lot of participation from surrounding clubs. We need to start preparations as soon as possible if we intend to go ahead with it, so be thinking about it!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1. October 26th (Sunday) Club Meeting!!! The monthly club meeting will
 be held at the Amvets club at 1035 W. Nichols (just
 west of Gene Wright's garage) on Sunday, October 26th
 at 4.00 p.m.
- 2. November 8th (Saturday) -We have been asked to participate in the annual Veteran's Day Parade on November 8th at 9.00 a.m. The parade forms near Borbein-Young on East Trafficway. There will be a good meal afterwards at the Church at Division and Washington.

HALLOWEEN PARTY!

All members of the Classic Chevy Club of Spring-field have been invited to a Halloween Party with the Sho-Me Vans Ltd. and the Nostalgia Street Rods Clubs.

The party is November 1st, 1980. It will be held at Jack's Car Clean, 1700 E. Trafficway (next to Stengers). It starts at 7.30 p.m. and the cost is \$5.00 per couple.

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ROCKAWAY BEACH FALL CRAFTS FESTIVAL

The temperature was in the 60's and 70's, the sun shown brightly between the scattered white clouds, the trees were showing all their beautiful fall colors, and thirteen good-looking Classic Chevy's travelled down one of Missouri's scenic highways through the Ozark Mountain Lakes Country. Sounds beautiful, doesn't it?

That was the scene on Saturday, October 18th, when a large contengent from the Classic Chevy Club of Springfield travelled to Rockaway Beach, Missouri, to participate in their Annual Fall Crafts Festival and Parade. Jamie Whitney, Jerry and Berneice Prier, Larry and Anna Robertson, Gene and Wilma Wright, Bobby Goss, Bud Janes, Charlie and Helen Hurley, Avery Bradley, Jan and Wendell Royster, Dennis Martin, Dave Marek, Karl and Shirley Close, and Derald and Myrtle St. John were all included in that group, and believe me, it made a very impressive sight with all those cars in a row.

Following the short parade which also included a small group of street rods from Springfield, we all parked our cars and enjoyed the small carnival on the lakeshore, complete with handmade gift items and some pretty good food. There was also a band playing some

good country and rock-and-roll music.

There were a lot of spectators viewing the festivities, and several very nice comments were heard from them as our classics passed along the parade route, and everyone concerned seemed very pleased with the showing we made at Rockaway Beach.

OCTOBER MEETING WRAP-UP

For those of you who weren't able to attend the club meeting held on October 26th, here is a short summary of the business:

1. The club recieved thank you notes from Sherm and Kathy Earnhart for the baby gift, and from the Parkview High School Cabinet for our participation in their 25th Homecoming festivities.

2. Club transfers are now available for purchase from Karen Bradley, club treasurer. These are almost identical to the original design and the cost is \$2.50 each.

3. A motion was passed to buy a national club binder for the Classic Chevy World that is now being sent to each local chapter.

4. The club voted to buy the meat for our club Christmas Dinner out of the club treasury. We also voted to charge \$1.00 for each adult (over 16) for the Christmas Dinner to help defray the cost of renting the Boy's Club.

5. Dave Marek and Larry Robertson were authorized to spend up to \$100 to have some pennants made with our club emblem to display on our radio antennas for parades and shows. Members would then repay the club for their individual pennants.

6. We voted to continue the practice of making up a Christmas Basket for a needy family. Each member is to bring either a \$2.00 cash donation or two canned food items to the Christmas Dinner.

7. Shirley reminded the club about the upcoming CCA point drive. The participants remain basically the same as last year with a few additions. There is an article on the CCA drive later in the newsletter.

MEET YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS

One of the most active members of the Springfield Classic Chevy Club is also the owner of one of the nicest cars in the club. Larry Robertson, his wife Anna, and their son Kelly, and their '56 Nomad can be found taking part in most of the club's activities.

Larry is a Springfield, Mo. native and a graduate of Hillcrest High School. He married Anna Jeffryes, who is a graduate of Central High School, in 1971. Their son

Kelly was born in February of 1977.

He has worked for Dayco Corporation for nine years. seven years in the plant and two years in the research facility. He is now a research technician with the Auto Aftermarket Research Group. Anna is employed as a Radiological Technologist.

Larry's hobbies, in addition to old cars, include bowling, golf, and tennis, and in his own words, he's an "amateur wine taster". Anna's hobbies include reading

and crocheting.

Larry's first classic was a '57 hardtop which he bought after high school graduation and kept for three years until he entered the Army in 1967. He bought a '41 Chevy street rod in 1975, and two years later sold it and bought the Nomad from an elderly gentleman in Joplin who had four Nomads and one Safari.

The Nomad was in fair condition when he bought it, and it was drivable. Larry took it all apart and cleaned and sanded everything, installed a new 300 horse 327, and had it painted red and white by Hammer's Auto Works. He then drove it for a year with an unfinished interior before he had it redone in the original pattern, except for the rolled-and-pleated inserts.

The first time he showed the Nomad after installing the new interior was in Tulsa, Oklahoma and he won a second place trophy. It has also been entered in the last two central regional conventions, taking second place in his class at Manhattan, Kansas in 1979 and third place at the Ozarks Country Regional held here in 1980.

Larry joined the Springfield Club in 1977 and was elected president in August, 1978. In 1980 he served as assistant event director for our regional convention. He is also a member of the National Nomad Club. One of the

things that Larry is proud of is the fact that membership in the Springfield club doubled during the year he served as president.

CCA POINT DRIVE

The new CCA point drive booklets will be available at the Christmas Dinner according to Shirley Close. Also, if anyone has anything to turn in, please bring it to the Christmas Dinner if possible because we don't have a regular meeting in December. Any receipts dated April through December must be turned in during January.

Here is a list of the definite sponsors for this year: Empire Printing, Busy Bee, Coke, Plaza Shoes, Foremost, Solo Markets, Heritage Cafeterias, Midwest Rug and Carpeterian (they have merged), Pennypower, Montgomery Ward, Boyles Corned Beef, Vanda Beauty (cosmetics), Maaco Auto Painting, Levy-Wolf, and Mom's Ice Cream.

Some probable sponsors include: Skaggs, Sims-Kimball, H and R Block, and the Diamond Shoppe. A complete list of all the sponsors and all the other information you might need will be in the booklets that Shirley will have at the Christmas Dinner. She will probably have more information at the club meeting on November 23d.

CLUB BANNERS

The new Classic Chevy Club of Springfield, Mo. Banners should be available at the November club meeting.

The banners, which are made to fit over the radio antennaes of your car, are nine by twelve inces in size, and are gold with black lettering and trim. They are printed on both sides so it makes no difference which side of the car you put it on. The cost to club members is \$1.50 each.

In addition to displaying these banners on our antennas at the different functions our members attend, they make a nice addition to a wall display.

4.

BEACH BOYS - HOUSE OF SOUND SHOW

Friday, November the 14th, 1980, proved to be a very special day for most of the members of the Classic Chevy Club of Springfield, Missouri. We were a large part of a giant promotional event sponsored by the House of Sound and Pioneer Stereo Equipment, featuring one of the greatest rock-and-roll bands of all time, The Beach Boys.

About three weeks earlier, at a regular monthly meeting, Charlie Hurley announced that he had been contacted by the advertising manager for the House of Sound about the possibility of the local Classic Chevy Club taking part in their festivities. Of course, the response

by the club members was very enthusiastic.

During subsequent meetings between the organizers of the event and a committee from the club, headed by Bill Huyett and including Avery Bradley, Charlie Hurley, and Larry Robertson, we found that we would play a larger part in the event than just showing our cars. Not only would our cars be judged and voted on by the public, with beautiful trophies presented for first, second, and third place, but we would also receive specially designed T-shirts printed specifically for the Classic Chevy Club members. In addition, we would receive eight free tickets to the Beach Boy's concert that night and would be eligible for a Pioneer auto stereo sound system valued at \$400, and a vacation for two in Florida to be given away.

Despite a serious lackof cooperation by the Southwest Missouri weather, which turned from a two-week stretch of Indian Summer weather with temperatures from 10 to 20 degrees above normal, to a miserable, rainy, cold November day, the turnout Friday afternoon was tremendous. Twenty-two of our beautiful Classic Chevy's were on hand to dress up the festivities. In fact, the response was so great that even though the event sponsors had been briefed as to how many of us would be there, it caused quite a bit of disorganization.

Those members who showed at the "Beach Bash", as it was billed, included Jamie Whitney, Bill and Jeanie Huyett, Jan and Wendell Royster, Dave Marek, Bud Janes, Gene and Wilma Wright, Larry Robertson, Larry and Cindy Clark, Kenny Hurley, Charlie Hurley, Avery and Karen Bradley.

Shirley Close, Kenny and Paula Fly, Michael and Janet Hamlet, Bobby Goss, Derald and Myrtle St. John, Pat Sears, Bill Caldwell, Dennis Martin, Greg Sweet, and Ralph and Kay Phillips.

After the festivities had gotten underway, three members, Avery and Karen Bradley, Shirley Close, and Bud Janes took their classics to the airport to meetthe Beach Boy's flight. Again the weather proved very uncooperative by delaying their flight's departure from St.Louis, which caused some last-minute plan changes.

After they finally arrived in Springfield, the Beach Boys Band, which includes Dennis, Brian, and Carl Wilson, Al Jardine, and Mike Love, as well as members of their warm-up band, Off Broadway, and several members of their travelling troupe spotted our classics and chatted a few minutes with their owners. Due to their late arrival, most of the group went on to their hotel to get readdy for the concert, but Mike Love decided to ride back to the House of Sound in Karl and Shirley Close's '56. A member of the Off Broadway band rode with Avery and Karen Bradley in their '56.

While at the airport, Dennis Wilson, the Beach Boy drummer, made Bud Janes an offer on his original '55 Sedan Delivery, and when Bud told him it wasn't for sale Dennis jokingly said that if he couldn't buy it he wasn't going to ride in it. When Bud showed him the original six-cylinder motor, Dennis explained that he thought it needed a god *409" under the hood.

After a trip across town during rush-hour traffic they arrived back at the House of Sound to be greeted by a large croud of fans who turned out in spite of the weather. Mike Love greeted everyone and made a joke or two about having a "Beach Bash"in such cold weather. He was then presented a plaque from the House of Sound, and Bill Huyett presented Mike with a framed certificate making the entire Beach Boys Band honorary members of the Classic Chevy Club of Springfield, Mo. Mike then signed autographs for several minutes before leaving in Avery and Karen's '56 hardtop to return to the hotel.

Just before the festivities ended the members who showed their classics drew numbers for the four pairs of tickets, which were won by Jamie Whitney, Larry and Cindy Clark, Greg Sweet and Bruce Caldwell. Then the trophies

were presented, with first place going to Gene and wilma Wright for their *57 Corvette, second place to Bobby Goss for his *56 two-door sedan, and third place to Derald and Myrtle St. John for their *57 four-door hardtop. Charlie Hurley received an extra T-shirt for finishing fourth with his *57 sedan delivery.

The staff at the House of Sound seemed extremely pleased with the turnout of our beautiful classic Chevy's, as well as the public's response to their promotion, and the club members, who are always happy to display their cars, also seemed pleased with the event, especially those who won trophies or tickets. Later that night a large portion of the club topped off the day by attending the Beach Boys Concert which was, as expected, simply tremendous.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

Although the Springfield, Mo, Christmas Parade was held early this year, the weather was still very much like winter. Temperatures in the 30's and lots of clouds and dampness tried really hard to make it feel like Christmas time.

Most of the high school bands and drum and bugle corps from throughout Southwest Missouri were in attendance, along with many civic, fraternal, and special interest orginizations.

The Classic Chevy Club of Springfield, Mo., had a good-looking contengent in the parade which included Avery and Karen Bradley's '56 hardtop, Jan and Wendell Royster's '55 Cameo, Derald and Myrtle St.John's '57 four-door hardtop, and Karl and Shirley Close's '56 sedan.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sherm and Kathy Earnhart on the birth of their first child, Ashley Dawn, born at 12:42 a.m. on October 29th. Ashley weighed 7lbs, 2ozs, and baby and mother are doing great, but we're not so sure about Sherm.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Saturday night, November 1st, may have proved to be a milestone in Springfield car club circles. A Van club a street rod club, and a Classic Chevy club got together for a Halloween party, and from everything I have heard it was a huge success.

The Sho-me Van Club of Springfield was the originator of the bash, held at Jack's Car Clean, owned by Jack Rinker, a member of both the Springfield Classic Chevy Club and the Nostalgia Rods. They invited the members of the Springfield Classic Chevy's and the Nostalgia Rods to join them in their Halloween celebration.

Members of the Classic Chevy Club who attended included Gene and Wilma Wright, Bud Janes, Avery and Karen Bradley, Dennis and Mary Martin, Jerry and Berneice Prier, Jack and Betty Rinker, John Thomas, Ralph and Kay Phillips, and Butch Caron.

In addition to all the great music and refreshments, the big event of the evening was the best costume competition. Third place went to Jackie Rinker and David Bogner, dressed as the Blues Brothers, second place went to Debbie Bogner made up as a pregnant nun, and first place, with a prize of \$25, went to Gene Wright in one of the most realistic gorilla costumes you will ever see.

The reason I say that the party might be the start of something is that plans are allready being tentatevely made for a New Years Eve party to be held with the same clubs involved.

SHADE TREE VIEWS (FROM ASH GROVE)

About the only things I have to mention this month are to keep the ideas for a fun run in 1981 in mind, as we need to start preparations now if we are going to have a successful one.

One other thing to be thinking about before the meeting is the possibility of having a New Years Eve party similar to the Halloween Party put on by the Sho-me Vans. That was a great party and anyone who missed it missed a really good time.

See you all at the meeting!

VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

Saturday morning, November 8th, was bright, sunny, and unseasonably warm, almost perfect weather for the annual Veteran's Day Parade. Many local civic orginizations, bands, drum and bugle corps, as well as car clubs, joined together to help our American Veterans celebrate the one day a year set aside to honor them.

Avery and Karen Bradley, Jan and Wendell Royster, Dave Marek, Derald and Myrtle St. John, Larry Clark, Gene Wright, and Bud Janes all represented the Classic Chevy Club of Springfield, Mo. in the festivities.

Many people stood along the side of the road as the parade moved west on Trafficway from Sherman, then south on Kimbrough, west on St.Louis, around the "Tuning Fork" to Booneville, then north to Commercial, and east to Benton where the parade ended. Following the parade the participants were invited to a large picnic style dinner at a church near the end of the parade route.

CLUB TRAILER UPDATE

The frame portion of the club trailer is now nearly complete, lacking only some final welding and some grinding and painting to make it ready for the wooden sides, tailgate and top.

Most of the material to finish the trailer has been gathered, with several sheets of plywood donated by Derald St. John, angle iron donated by Dave Marek, and the initial frame donation by Avery Bradley.

In addition to the materials, a lot of elbow grease has been donated by Karl Close, Tony Miller, Pat Sears, Bud Janes, Kenny Hurley, Bobby Goss, Jack Rinker, Jerry Prier, Dennis Martin, Larry Robertson, Larry Smith, and Gene Wright. Gene also donated the place to do the work. (If I have forgotten anyone, please excuse the ommission and let me know.)

By next spring we should have a bright, shiny, new trailer to help identify our club at any of the many functions we participate in.

GOOD POTATOES

Here is a recipe for a Potatoe Casserole given to me by Myrtle St. John to include in the newsletter. I have a couple of other recipes on file to use bu I could use a few more if any of you have a favorite recipe you would like to share.

1 cup crushed corn flakes

½ cup oleo

l can cream of chicken soup

3 tablespoons onion flakes

2 cups sour cream

2 cup cheddar cheese

2 teaspoons salt

pepper to taste

Boil 6 or 7 potatoes with jackets for 20 minutes, cool, peel, and grate. Mix ingredients with potatoes. Put in 9" x 15" greased pan. Melt two tablespoons oleo, add 1 cup crushed corn flakes and put over top of the casserole. Refrigorate over night or at least 6 hours. Allow to come to room temperature, then bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees.

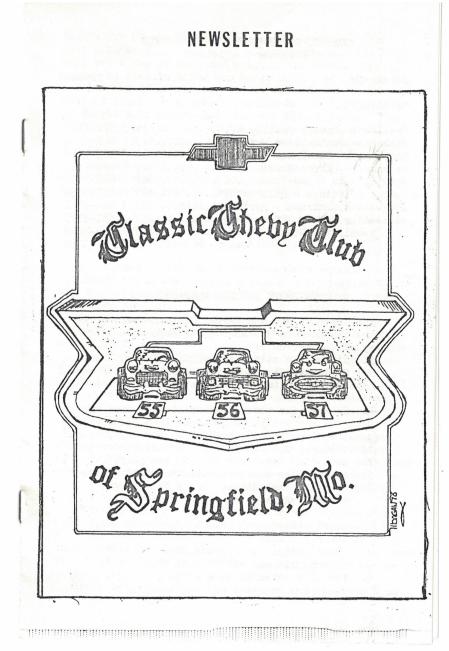
UPCOMING EVENTS

November 23d (Sunday afternoon) Monthly Club Meeting, held at the Amvets club
1035 W. Nichols (just west of Gene Wright's garage)
Starting time is 4:00 p.m.

2. December 12th (Friday night) -

Annual Christmas Dinner. Held at the Boys Club at 720 S. Park. Time is 7:00 till 10:00 p.m. Cost is \$1.00 per adult. Each member is to bring his own silverware and plate. Also, don't forget to bring either a \$2.00 cash donation or two canned food items for the Christmas Basket for a needy family.

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NOVEMBER MEETING WRAP-UP

For those of you who weren't able to attend the club meeting held on November 23rd, here is a short summary of the business:

- 1. Six people said they would be in the Nixa, Mo. Christmas Parade on December 13th, and Wendell Royster agreed to carry Santa Claus in the back of his Cameo.
- 2. Banners for the antenna of your car or your wall are now available to members at \$1.50 each.
- 3. The club voted to have a fun run in 1981, and to include the Classics Ltd. in our preparations. The tentative dates for the run are July 3, 4, and
- 5. A committee was designated to start preparations for the run, including:

Wendell Royster Dave Marek Jack Rinker Dennis Martin Gene Wright Jerry Prier

4. The club voted to have a New Years Eve party at

Jack"s Car Clean, 1700 E. Chestnut Expressway. The cost will be \$3.00 per membership to attend. The Club will buy a keg of beer and provide the music. Each member is also to bring one large bottle of Coke or 7up and one bag of munchies. Guests are welcome at the same cost of \$3.00 per couple. The Sho-Me Van Club and the Nostalgia Rods Street Rod Club are also invited. The music will be the same as the Halloween party.

5. Larry Robertson is to head a committee including Claude Rodrique, Greg Sweet, and Dave Marek to revamp the present point system to make it more fair to everyone. This system will be put in effect at the start of

the next points race in September 1981.

MEET YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS

Our member of the month this month is actually a couple of the nicest people I know. I'm speaking of our club president and his wife, our treasurer, Avery and Karen Bradley.

Avery and Karen joined our club shortly after the National Convention was held in Memphis about two and a half years ago.

Avery works for Empire Electric Co. and Karen helps things tick at the Commerce Bank of Willard.

It is unusual to hear of a couple whose hobbies are exactly the same, but this is one of those cases, because Avery and Karen both enjoy cars very much, as well as trap shooting and bowling.

Speaking of cars, Avery probably has more than your average used car lot, and most all of them are Classic Chevys. Of course most of them are just parts cars, but even so, Avery and Karen do have one of the nicest \$56 Chevys around, and a \$57 Nomad that's in the working stages that probably "won't be no slouch either".

The *56, which was bought a little before the Memphis Convention from another club member, Kerry Wrinkle, is a BelAir 2-door hardtop that has been restored to original condition. Even though Kerry owned the car he never titled it so Avery is actually the second owner on the title.

Kerry originally did the bodywork and two-tone blue

paint job on the car which turned out beautiful. But sometimes even beautiful things fail to escape mother nature's wrath as was the case when Avery and Karen attended the CCCI Convention this year in Cherry Hill.

As most of you know, the car was gravel blasted, compliments of a New Jersey windstorm and the gravel from the top of the Cherry Hill Hyatt Hotel. This, of course, meant a whole new paint job, which was performed by Dave McHenry of Buffaloe, Mo., and now the car looks as good as new.

Options on the °56 include factory air conditioning, contenental kit, wire hubcaps, wonderbar radio, and a power-pac 265 engine among other things.

Avery has had an interest in Classic Chevys for about five years now and this interest is what has led to his many parts cars. One car in particular, a *57 Sedan Delivery, was obtained from as far away as Alabama on a trip with Gene Wright.

One of the things Avery is pleased about is thefact that he has been able to furnish cars to four or five of our club members when they were looking for a classic to

One of the things our club is pleased about is that Avery is our club president and Karen is our club treasurer, and that's a hard combination to beat.

NIXA CHRISTMAS PARADE

So far this fall we have been extreemly lucky in that we have had some fantastic weather for a lot of the activities we have participated in. Saturday, December 13th was no exception. The early morning was cool, crisp and clear, and the temperature kept rising as the time crept along toward time for the Nixa, Mo., Christmas Parade.

Ten of your fellow members, including Bobby Goss, Avery Bradley, Larry Clark, Greg Sweet, Dave Marek, Bud Janes, Larry Robertson, Gene Wright, Derald and Myrtle St.John, and Wendell Royster, travelled to Nixa to represent the club in the parade. It was also the first time we had the opportunity to display our new club banners and they really looked great.

Nixa is a small town and the parade route is short which is nice for those of us who have to use a clutch, but the number and enthusiasm of the spectators is as great as any parade around. Many nice comments were heard both during and after the parade, but I don't think many of the younger spectators noticed Wendell Royster's '55 Cameo, not with the Jolly Fat Man himself riding in the back of it.

CLUB CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Lots and lots of good food, quite a bit of good comradery, much good Christmas Cheer, and a couple of nice good deeds all add up to a very successful 1980 Christmas Banquet for the Springfield Classic Chevy Club.

Nearly 50 of your fellow club members gathered to help dispose of two large tables overflowing with food. The club bought several large hams which were cooked by some of the ladies in the club, and each member who came to the dinner brought two dishes each, which made for a great selection of food, and all of it was delicious.

The best part of the festivities was all the donations of food, canned goods, money, and clothes which are to be given to a needy family. This year it is a young pregnant lady whose husband deserted her and her other small child. We hope we might make this Christmas just a little better for her and her family.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM FLORIDA

Mike Compton, Local Chapter Director for the CCCI in Orlando, Florida, and friend of many of our local club members who have had the opportunity to get to know him through several regional conventions, including the one we hosted last year, sent Christmas greetings to all of us recently in a letter to our club.

Here is a short portion of the letter. "Holiday Greetings. Hope that these winter months find your families well and your classics tucked away in the garage.

Seems that the winter months tend to be those of rebuilding, repainting, or maybe just a lttle more cleaning and detailing. I am hoping to get home myself over the holidays to work on one or two of my own. (Maybe you'll see one in Dearborn 81.)"

He went on to explain some of the things he wants to accomplish in the coming year, and gave a rundown on the dates for the Mini-Nats which are: June 1 to 4, New Orleans, Louisiana; June 29 to July 2, Albequerque, New Mexico; August 3 to 6, International Convention in Dearborn, Michigan; and August 17 to 20, the Kansas Mini-Nationals.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 24th (Sunday afternoon) Monthly club meeting, held at the Amvets
 club, 1035 W. Nichols (just west of Gene Wright's
 garage). Starting time is 4:00 p.m.

2. December 31st (Wednesday night)
New Years Eve Party. Held at Jack's Car

Clean-up. 1700 E. Chestnut Expressway (just west
of Glenstone). The club is buying a keg of beer an
and providing the music (a disc jockey with all
types of music, including oldies). The cost is
\$3.00 per membership, and each member is to bring
one two-liter hottle of Coke or 7up and one bag of
munchies (also BYOB). Guests are welcome at the
same \$3.00 per couple and the Sho-Me Vans and
Nostalgia Rods members are also invited.

NEW CLUB MEMBER

I am happy to announce that Bill and Leesa Pemdleton have a new baby boy, born December 11th at St. John's Hospital. Patrick Joseph Pendleton was born at 4:37 a.m. and weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

Both Leesa and the new baby are doing fine, and Bill seems to be recovering slowly.

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BEEF BURGUNDY RECIPE

Here is a delicious sounding main dish recipe from Jeannie Huyett:

2-3 pounds of lean stew meat

1 can Cross & Blackwell French Onion soup

1 can Cream of Mushroom soup

No salt or pepper

Brown beef in butter, drain off butter, place beef and both soups in crock pot. Cook mixture at low setting for 10 to 12 hours, or on high setting for 6 to 8 hours. (Or you can bake it in the oven for 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours.) Add 1 cup of burgundy during the last hour or two. Add 1 can of mushrooms (optional). Serve over rice or noodles.

SHADE TREE VIEWS (FROM ASH GROVE)

I would just like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 1981. I hope it will be another great year for our club and everyone that is in it.

I also hope to see most of you at our New Years Eve party at Jack Rinker's shop because I think it is going to be lots of fun and I'm really looking forward to it.

Avery

SEASON'S GREETINGS

I would like to add my wishes for a Happy Holiday Season for everyone. I think we have one of the best clubs in the country, and I know we have some of the best people in the country as members, and I hope each and every one of you has a super 1981.

Dave

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