

REBELS AUTO CLUB



Lincoln, Ne

REBELS AUTO CLUB NEWSLETTER

July, 2018

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, July 10
Big Red Keno on West O
Dinner 6:00 pm, Meeting at 7:00 pm

LADIES NIGHT: Wednesday, July 18
Parkers Smokehouse 8341 O St
Meeting and Dinner at 6:00 pm

GENERAL MEETING: Wednesday, July 25
Waverly Keno Trackside Bar & Grill, Waverly, NE
Dinner 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Meeting at 7:30 pm

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PRESIDENT'S GARAGE



Hello My **REBELS** Family, and welcome to the July 2018 Edition of the President's Garage.

First and foremost, I want to thank everyone that helped prepare for and work at the Car Show. It was a great success, and I believe we had about 138 Cars, Trucks, and Motorcycles attend the show. With the exception of a few cars that overheated and had coolant spills that needed attention, the show ran very smoothly. Portions of the **REBELS Car Show** are going to be aired on a local cable access show called Lincoln Live. As soon as the air date, and other information is available, I'll pass it on to the club.

We should be thinking about planning for next years show, and what new ideas we can come up with to enhance next year's show. For example: Valve Cover Races, Air Cleaner Lid Toss, Pin Up Girl Contest, and maybe some different vendors, like a Pin-striper etc. These can all be things that set us apart from other shows and bring in revenue, that we can put back into our community.

Something thing that was brought up as a suggestion was to have a larger committee to plan, acquire Goodie Bag, donations *for* the Goody Bags, and also a place to store the all the Donations. These are things that need to be put into the works now, so we have time to explore all the possibilities. This Committee needs to have meetings every month and be comprised of at least everyone that has been involved with Sponsors, and Donations in the past. I would like to see at least 5 more other members being a part of this committee to ensure that our show continues to grow and be known as THE Premier Car Show to attend in Lincoln.

The success of our Club rests on the shoulders of every member, from the President, to the longest active Members, as well as our newest Members. We need to attract NEW Members, so we can continue to grow as a club. The way to do that is to promote the **REBELS Car Club** everywhere we can. Another way is to invite people to a meeting so they can see what a great club we have, as well as all the great things we do for the community.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

Steve Lewis, President

REBELS Auto Club

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT



Hello **REBELS!**

Here is a quick recap of **REBELS Auto Club** Meetings for July:

- The next **General Meeting** is July 26th at Waverly Keno Trackside Bar & Grill, in Waverly, NE
- The next **Ladies Night** is July 18th at Parkers Smokehouse on O Street
- The next **Executive Board Meeting** is July 10th at Big Red Keno on West O Street

And, don't forget to put September 3 through 10 on your calendar. Those are the days for the **SCCA Nationals** (Cone Races). The Rebels need all the help we can get, so if you haven't signed up to help out, call Gary Weyers. SCCA has become one of the biggest events we participate in.

Finally, a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that participated in planning and carrying out the **REBELS Car Show**. The Event went very well, and the REBELS Members were recognized once again for helping to making it a success. People just cannot believe how we come together to hold this event year after year. THANKS AGAIN!!!

And no, my son Shawn's car is not ready for the SCCA quite yet. Maybe next week??? But, thanks for asking!

Well, that's all for now,

Jim McNeil, Vice President
REBELS Auto Club

REBELS "CAR OF THE MONTH"



Jim Jensen's 1914 Model T

Jim bought this car in 1964 from **Hank Amendy** in Syracuse, NE. At the time, Hank was 104, and his wife was 103! Jim initially thought the asking price was too high. But, he went back a year later and completed the purchase, giving Hank \$100 down and taking the headlights. He came back the following week with the rest of the money and picked up the car. Somehow the Journal Star found out and did an article with a headline "RARE FIND."

The car is all original, including the seats, top, side curtains, dash and wooden wheels. It has a rare Ruckstell Two Speed Axle and Warford auxiliary transmission with four additional speeds forward and two in reverse. The combination allows choice of overdrive, underdrive and direct gearing. Jim says it can really get up to a pretty good speed on the highway!

Jim's Dad helped in the cars restoration, by general cleaning, replacing some rotted and discolored wood, re-staining the wood wheels and painting.

Later, Jim drove the car to Pikes Peak, but it broke down in Denver. After a quick repair, he continued on to Colorado Springs and then up Pikes Peak. About 100 yards from the top, due to the gravity feed fuel system, it ran out of gas. This was due to the gas tank being higher than the engine. So, Jim just turned the car around and backed up the rest of the way. With the gas tank now LOWER than the engine, there was enough gas to feed the engine.

Jim occasionally shows this rare 1914 Model T at several local car shows.

"REBELS REMINDER"



Be sure and save your "Pop Top Tabs" for the Ronald McDonald House.

Help support the Ronald McDonald House of Lincoln by collecting those little tabs you pull to open soda, soup or other aluminum cans. Bring your **Pop Tops** to the next meeting, and give to Margaret or Lydell Otley.

HELP MAINTAIN THIS REBELS TRADITION!

REBELS MEETING MINUTES



June General Meeting Minutes June 20th, 2018 at Pioneers Park

There were 43 members and guests attending.

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Lewis at 7:30pm

DJ Loren from Shower Tunes talked about the music for the show on Sunday. He will be playing disco, 50's 60's 70's music. The door prizes are a little different this year. They are bagged and participants will have in their goody bags a letter a, b, or c and they can choose a bag when their letter is called. He will also be giving more information on the sponsors this year. There is one grand prize of a grinder that all participants are eligible to win. Must be present to win.

Margaret Otley gave the secretary's report. She said that ladies night will be July 18th at Parkers Smoke House, 6pm. The newsletter deadline is July 1st. Please get any articles, photos etc. to Gary Willey by that date. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the secretary's report.

Treasurer Jana Wood was not able to attend the meeting.

Coordinator Gary Weyers said he did not have anything new, it would all be in the newsletter. He said there will be Cars and Coffee at Speedway on Saturday. He also needs volunteers for the registration tent for the SAE cone races. See Gary Weyers for more information or if you would like to volunteer. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the coordinator's report.

Dean Shotsman said Muscle Car Concept on Cornhusker Hwy is having their 3rd annual car show on July 28th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Otley, Secretary
REBELS Auto Club

REBELS HUMOR



An elderly REBELS Club member and his wife were sitting in the living room and he said to her, "Just so you know, I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug."

So, she got up, unplugged the TV and threw out all of his beer!

AND...

Three Arkansas Rednecks were working on the Bell South tower - Steve, Bruce and Jed. Steve falls off and is killed instantly.

As the ambulance takes the body away, Bruce says, "Someone should go and tell his wife."

Jed says, "OK, I'm pretty good at that sensitive stuff, I'll do it." An hour later, he comes back carrying a case of Budweiser.

Bruce says, "Where did you get that, Jed?"

"Steve's wife gave it to me," Jed replies.

"That's unbelievable, you told the lady her husband was dead and she gave you a case of beer?"

"Well not exactly," Jed says. "When she answered the door, I said to her, 'You must be Steve's widow'. She said, 'No, I'm not a widow.'" And I said, "I'll bet you a case of Budweiser you are."

COORDINATOR REPORT



Hi **REBELS**...

There are no nursing lined up at this time but there are **PLENTY** of car shows to go to.

(* Multiple shows on these days)

Wednesday July 4th in Seward NE is their Annual Car Truck and Motorcycle Show with registration starting at 7:00 am to 10:00 am.

Friday July 6th in Ceresco NE is Ceresco Days All-Ford Product Show and Shine in the park starting at 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

* **Sunday July 8th** has two shows, starting in Lincoln is the Parts Store Show and Shine located at 2137 Cornhusker Hwy with registration starting at 10:00 am to noon. Also on **Sunday July 8th** in Brainard NE is the 17th Annual Pride and Performance show with registration starting at 8:00 am to noon.

Friday July 13th through Sunday July 15th is the MCA Pony Express 2018 National Mustang show at the Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln.

* **Saturday July 14th** has two shows, starting in Fremont NE with the Cruisers On Main Street Fremont Car Truck and Bike Show starting at 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Also on **Saturday July 14th** in Claytonia NE is their 125th Sesquicentennial Celebration Car Show with registration starting at 9:00 am to noon.

Sunday July 15th at H&H Chevrolet located at 84th and L streets in Omaha is the 21st Annual H&H All-Chevy Show. Registration starting at 9:00 am to noon.

In Kearney NE on July 17th through Sunday July 22nd is the Cruise Nite Weekend.

Wednesday July 18th at Wilderness Ridge Golf Course located in Lincoln at 1800 Wilderness Woods Place is Vinnie's 8th Annual Classic Car Show.

Sunday July 22nd is the Cook Car Show in Cook NE with registration starting at 8:30 am. Also on July 22nd is the Annual Stir-up Days Car Show in Ashland NE with registration starting at 9:00 am to noon.

* **Sunday July 29th** is a big day, starting with Dwight NE's 26th Annual Car Show being held during their Czech Festival with registration starting at 9:00 am to noon. Another car show on **July 29th** is the Gretna Days Car Show with registration starting at 9:00 am to noon. Also on **July 29th** in Louisville is their 14th Annual Last Hot Sunday In July Auto/Truck Show-n-Shine with registration starting at 9:00 am to 11:00 am. And one more car show on **July 29th** is the Cruis'n Classics Auto Show at 1050 Saltillo Road (near Rod's Power Sports) registration starting at 8 am to 11 am.

Saturday August 4th in Lincoln is the in MOTION Auto Care Show & Shine located at 131 Russwood Parkway (next to Don and Millie's) registration starting at 8:30 am and the from 10 am to 2 pm. Proceeds benefit the Back Pack Program of the Lincoln Area Food Bank.

* **Sunday August 5th has two shows:** In Bellwood NE is their Annual Car, Truck, Cycle and Tractor Show. This show is sponsored by the Bellwood American Legion. Registration starts at 9 am to 1 pm. **Sunday August 5th** is also the Lancaster County Super Fair Show & Shine Car Show at Lancaster Events Center. Registration from 9 am to 11 am.

Saturday August 11th in Sprague NE is the Traditions 5th Annual Car Show with registration at 8 am to noon.

Saturday August 18th in Greenwood NE is their 2nd Annual Greenwood Days Car Show with registration at 8 am to 10 am. 's

Saturday August 28th is also Hallam NE 6th Annual All Vehicle Car Show with registration at 8 am to 10 am.

* **Sunday August 19th** is another big day, beginning with in Lincoln with the All-Corvette Show at the West Gate Bank Center at 6003 Old Cheney. Registration starts at 8 am to 11 am. **Sunday August 19th** in Lincoln is also the 6th Annual Pontiac Show & Shine at Restore a Muscle Car Their location is 2 miles north of I-80 exit 405 on Nebraska Highway 77, East side. And finally, **Sunday August 19th** is still another car show on in Malcolm NE; their car and tractor show will be in the city park. Registration starts at 9 am to noon.

Gary Weyers, Event Coordinator

REBELS Auto Club

REBELS 2018 CAR SHOW



The 2018 REBELS Car Show was held in Pioneer Park on Sunday, June 24. We have photos of the trophy assembly, Goodie Bag Stuffing and all the cars as they entered the show. Many thanks to **Gladys Buss** for taking the hundreds of photos. Great job Gladys!

[View Photos Here...](#)

It was a good show and blessed again with good weather. How Nebraska weather changes. We have one good day and its the day of the show. Lucky us! The car show is reserved already for next year with the bill being paid the following Monday after the show.

My thanks also goes out to **Craig Foster** for his help along the way. Our weekly meetings kept me current as what needed to be done. Another thank you goes out to **Don Shea** and **Doug Weber** for the many hours and lots of driving to get all the gifts for the bag giveaways. And one more thankyou to **Leslie Simons** for putting the bags together. Over 135 bags in total!

LoLo's did a great job with the food and got good responses from both **REBELS** Members and the car show families.

There are very few issues that needed to be addressed. The A B C gift sacks were also a success. Many people thought that was great. Another thing many people liked, was the golf car pickup and returning them to their cars. "Super", one person said.

But now, I am looking forward to next year and a new person taking over the duties of Car Show Coordinator.

Jim Jensen, 2018 Car Show Coordinator

REBELS Auto Club

4TH OF JULY - REMEMBERING THE FOUNDERS

Here's hoping everyone had a happy and safe 4th of July weekend. It is the time we remember the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence.

Have a "Safe" July 4th!



Thanks to all who have served our great nation!

Five of the signers were captured by the British, and tortured as traitors before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured. Nine fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War. All signed, and pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

What kind of men were they? Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants. Nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated, but they signed the **Declaration of Independence** knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

- **Carter Braxton** of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts and died in rags.
- **Thomas McKeam** was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.
- Vandals or soldiers looted properties of **Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton**.
- At the battle of Yorktown, **Thomas Nelson, Jr.**, noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged **General George Washington** to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.
- **Francis Lewis** had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months.
- **John Hart** was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished.

So, hopefully you took a few minutes while enjoying the 4th of July holiday and silently thanked these Patriots.

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