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The official newsletter of TRI -CHEVY ASSOCIATION, celebrating our 31ST year!!

Sunday, March 16, 2003

Cemeno's Pizza (formerly Aurelio's)

1630 Essington Road, Joliet

Pizza Buffet 1:00 to 3:00

Meeting 3:00 to 4:00

The afternoon will feature a pizza buffet and pop. If you will be attending, please return the coupon below by March 10th along with your check, payable to Tri Chevy Association. The cost is \$5.00 per person for the buffet (Tri-Chevy will be paying the balance of the cost per person).

CEMENO'S PIZZA

March 16, 2003, at 1 PM

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION MARCH 10th

Send a check for \$5.00 per person, payable to Tri Chevy Association, to Barb Koscinski

NAME: _____ TCA # _____

No. of Persons Attending: _____ at \$5.00 each.

Total Amount of Check: \$ _____

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MAILING OF NEWSLETTERS

To keep costs down for our Club, only one newsletter will be mailed to each household address, even if two or more family members have their own Tri Chevy membership numbers. Any extra newsletters will be available at the next month's meeting if you need one. Thank you for your understanding IF YOU WOULD LIKE THE NEWSLETTER E-MAILED TO YOU PLEASE LET SUE KNOW. YOU WILL GET IT ABOUT ONE WEEK EARLIER THAN USUAL. NO "HARD COPY" WILL BE MAILED OUT.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE runs from February through October so the award can be given at the November banquet. Members with perfect attendance will receive a free banquet and a free membership.

The Life & Times of a Co-President

Hi! I would like to introduce myself. My name is Bruce Hetfleisch. As some of you know, Dave Spurck and I were elected to be co-presidents of your Tri-Chevy Association. Relatively new to the Club, I can thank (or blame!) my co-president for my involvement. I met him by chance three years ago when I bought his '70 Chevelle 454; Sue and Steve still have not forgiven me.

My wife, Jeannine (Jean) and I enjoy going to cruise nights and meetings to get together with a great bunch of down-to-earth people who share the same interests in cars that I have had for many years.

I was born and raised on the southwest side of Chicago where I met Jean in our senior year at Bogan High School. We got married in October, 1973, at which time I owned a '72 Monte Carlo (where is it now?) We bought our first house in Burbank in 1976 (had a 1976 Monte Carlo then) and lived there two years. In 1979, we moved to Tinley Park. Our son, Tim, was born on December 31st that same year. That was the good news. The Monte was traded in for a '79 Buick 9-passenger wagon. What was I thinking? Oh well, six more kids brought us to Frankfort, because we outgrew our house in Tinley. We've been in Frankfort 18 years and plan on staying here.

My enthusiasm for classic cars grows as I get older. Aside from the '70 Chevelle, I have owned a '81 Corvette and don't tell anybody, but at one time I owned a '62 Thunderbird! I currently own a '62 Impala SS., which you'll be seeing at cruise nights soon!

I am privileged to be co-president of this association and, hopefully, Dave and I will continue to carry on the traditions that have been a part of our 31-year history.

Thank you, Bruce Hetfleisch

ROUTE 66 RACEWAY NEWS

The drag strip will open with Test and Tune on April 5 and April 12 (both 9 to 5). April 13 and 19 is E.T. Bracket Racing 9 AM. April 22 is Test and Tune at 4 PM. More info: call the Strip at 815-727-RACE. (see brochure in this newsletter)

February Meeting Highlights

We had about 25 people participate in the bowling before the meeting. At the meeting we had about 60 members present. Dave thanked Joel and Pam Ficek and their daughter, Joy, for setting up the meeting at Town and Country Bowling (Joy works there). We had a great time bowling, even though some people had muscle aches the next day. Frank gave the Treasurer's Report on the C.D.'s that we currently have along with an accounting of funds to date in the checking account. Keith reported that everything was proceeding as expected on the Swap Meet. He was giving Frank some money he had received from early registrants. Greg said that letters were going out to sponsors for Goody Bags, etc. for the Car Show.

Dave mentioned to the members about the new position for the Car Show, which is "Car Show Tear Down". This is being added to the sign up sheet. We need eight people to help with this.

Tony Aseves mentioned a car show coming up May 4th at his church in Bolingbrook. He had flyers to pass out at the meeting. There will be a trophy for most "Club Participation" and hopefully we will have our Club well represented. More information on this will be coming next month.

Marty Bilecki mentioned the Route 66 Motor Tour on June 6, 7 and 8. Even though this is our Peotone weekend he mentioned that perhaps some members could do part of the Route 66 event. (See flyer this newsletter).

Dave announced Memorial Day Classic in Iowa over Memorial Day weekend. This will be discussed in more detail next month (see article and flyer in this newsletter).

The March 16th Meeting will be at Cemeno's Pizza. The April Meeting will be at Midwest Street Rods in Plainfield on Saturday, April 12 (our regular weekend is Easter).

Sue mentioned to the group the possibility of e-mailing the newsletters. Many members thought this was a great idea. A sheet was passed around for members to sign up for this. This month's newsletter will be sent by e-mail and hard copy to see how the members like it. If the e-mail system works out o.k., the hard copies to those members will be eliminated (See Page 2 of newsletter). This will save the Club money in mailing and printing costs.

TRI CHEVY WINDOW DECALS

We are trying to locate the original artwork for our Tri Chevy window decals. These are usually given out to new members, but we are down to our last few. No one currently knows who ordered them or what company produced them, so if anyone knows any of the history of the decals, please call one of the Officers.

NEW MEMBERS:

Terrance and Donna Stroner, Tinley Park. Terrance and Donna own a 1957 Bel Air, Ivory and Turquoise. Member #77

Dennis and Alice Miniu. Dennis and Alice own a 1968 Red Camaro and a 1965 Silver Corvette. Member #72

Judy Decker, Member #52. (Car information not available).

Donna Hester, she has a 1955 Nomad. Member #98.

Monica Burman, (wife of TCA Member Michael Burman). Monica and Mike own a 1971 Chevelle. Member #87.

RODNEY'S SWAP MEET UPDATE

SWAP MEET - CAR SHOW June 7/8, 2003

Only THREE months to go before the "Big One" at Peotone. Everything is going great. Vendors are sending in their money and things are looking good for our 31st Event. Help is still needed in a few areas. See the Sign Up Sheets at our meetings or call Greg at 815-462-5010 to sign up. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.

<p>WORKER SHIRTS: The order deadline is April 15th. We will be using the same shirts from last year, so only those <u>new</u> volunteers will need to order a shirt.</p>

NEW POSITION

For our 2003 BIG ONE we have a new position: **CAR SHOW TEAR DOWN**. This will be from 3PM to 5PM. We need help to tear the car show area down by moving tables back to the main building, taking down the flags and pulling out the stakes. We will start after the awards are done. We need EIGHT PEOPLE. Please sign up at the March Meeting if you can help us. For details call Greg at 815-462-5010.

REMINDER: PLEASE READ PAGE 2 REGARDING MAILING OF NEWSLETTERS.

<p>UPCOMING TCA MEETINGS:</p>

<p>April 12: Midwest Street Rods, Plainfield. Time is 11:30 to 2 PM.</p>
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<p>May 17: Miami Subs, Highland, Indiana; eat at 5PM, meeting at 6PM</p>
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<p>June: THE BIG ONE</p>

<p>July/August: Lombard/Polka Dot???</p>
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<p>September 21: Picnic, Will Co. Fairgrounds, Peotone</p>
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<p>October: To be determined.</p>

<p>November 15: Banquet, Holiday Inn, Tinley Park.</p>
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<p>December 7: Christmas Party, Atrium, Will Co. Fairgrounds, Peotone</p>

MORE FROM RODNEY - OVERNIGHTER??

MEMORIAL DAY CLASSIC, May 24, 25 and 26

The Northeast Iowa Classic Chevy Club will sponsor this event. It is open to all 1955 through 1972 Chevys. It is in Cedar Falls, Iowa (only a short 5-1/2 hour drive from the Chicago area). Why not make this a TCA Road Trip for the weekend? I think it would be fun. Show and Shine, Cruisers Class Show, Swap Meet, Saturday Cruise, Banquet, breakfast and Awards. See Rodney (or one of the officers) for a flyer. Dale Anne and I are thinking of going. This will be discussed further at our March Meeting.

AND MORE FROM RODNEY

C.A.R.S. from Detroit, Michigan (one of our big vendors), is offering a 10% discount to TCA Members on all items they sell for 1955 through 1972 Chevys. If you order in advance they will bring it to Peotone (phone 800-521-2941 - days), or you can place an order with them at our event on June 8th. Be sure to mention that you are a TCA Member as this is a great deal for all TCA Members. C.A.R.S. is located in Row GG-1-6 behind the big bleachers.

LOCKPORT CRUISE NIGHT:

Lockport will be starting Cruise Nights on Mondays, beginning the first week in June. They will run for 14 consecutive Mondays from 7 to 9 PM at Central Square and the First Midwest Bank parking lot. Parking will also be along Hamilton Street. A specific car will be featured each week. They will also have a D.J. and prizes.

"CRUISING MANHATTAN"

The town of Manhattan will be sponsoring Cruise Nights/Shows on the first Monday of May, June, July and August. It will be in the Market Place Plaza from 6 PM to 9:M. Rain dates would be the second Monday of the month (see flyer in April newsletter).

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2: Chicagoland Petroleum & Advertising Show, Gas Guys Promotions Inc., Will County Fairgrounds. Big Event. 815-436-4733.

March 9: Corvette Show & Swap Meet at Bill Jacobs Chevrolet, Joliet. 815-436-2980 or 630-530-0027 (see flyer in newsletter).

March 16: Swap Meet by the Peotone Car Club, Will County Fairgrounds; 15th annual event. 708-258-6920.

March 15/16: Chevy Vette Fest, Chicago.

March 15/16: Auto Racing Expo, Exposition Gardens Center in Peoria (free) 800-851-2834.

March 23: Swap Meet, Indy Fairgrounds.

May 17/18: Show and Swap, Boone Co. Fairgrounds, Belvidere, Illinois. Chuck Stull 815-633-4667.

April 26/27: Madison Classics Spring Show, Jefferson, Wisconsin. 608-244-8416. The LARGEST event in the Midwest (see flyer).

May 3: Car Show at Westbrook Church, Lily Cache and Weber Roads, Bolingbrook. \$5 registration fee, looking is free. There is an award for club participation. Time of the show is 11AM to 5PM. TCA Member, Tony Aseves, belongs to Westbrook Church. Let's help support our fellow TCA Member. (Flyer will be in April newsletter)

May 4: Show and Swap Meet, Grayslake, Lake County Fairgrounds, Routes 120 and 45. 847-382-6187.

May 5: Cruisin' Manhattan Car Show.

May 18: Manteno Sportsman's Club Car Show 815-468-8673

May 25: Show and Swap Meet, Sandwich, Illinois 815-246-6791.

May 25: Car Show, Sale, Swap Meet. Fairgrounds in Valparaiso, Indiana. 219-464-9918

June 2: Cruisin Manhattan Car Show.

June 8: Tri-Chevy Swap Show, Car Show and Cars for Sale. 815-478-3633 or 815-462-5010.

June 13-15: Good Guys Event. Indy Raceway Park. Drags, Show, Swap. 925-838-9876.

July 4-6: Good Guys, Des Moines, Iowa, State Fairgrounds. Big event.

July 13-17: Chevy Nomad Club, 33rd Annual Convention. Salt Lake City, Utah. Jan:308-384-2622.

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND ANY OF THESE EVENTS, PLEASE TAKE OUR TCA FLYERS WITH YOU TO PASS OUT TO THE VENDORS AND SHOW CARS. SEE KEITH OR RODNEY FOR FLYERS, OR SEE ONE OF OUR OFFICERS.

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS:

Please let one of Officers know if you will be receiving 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 year awards. Once again we will be giving the option of receiving either a plaque or gift certificate to be given out at the November banquet.

CARS FOR SALE

1956 CHEVY BEL AIR 9 PASS. WAGON	IN STORAGE FOR LAST 18 YEARS. IN PRIMER. NEEDS TO BE RESTORED. ERNIE CHEVY FARM (708) 349-6632***
1939 BUICK	ORIGINAL CAR, NICE. MUST SELL. JIM LOMBARDI 815-476-2826**
1967 CHEVY CAPRICE	2 DR. HARDTOP, RUST FREE, ORIGINAL PAINT, RUNS & DRIVES GREAT. 327 AUTOMATIC, BUCKETS, CONSOLE, JUST NEEDS PAINT AND INTERIOR. \$4,600. DAVE STEINBERG 815-675-6206 OR COOLCARS@RSG.ORG **
1969 CHEVY CAPRICE	2 DR. FACTORY 396, TURBO 400 TRANS, LOADED WITH FACTORY OPTIONS: HIDEAWAY HEADLIGHTS, AIR-CONDITIONING, POWER STEERING, POWER DISK BRAKES, RALLY WHEELS, AM-FM, TILT, 12 BOLT POSI AND MORE. WILL SELL OR PART OUT. \$3,200. DAVE STEINBERG 815-675-6206 OR COOLCARS@RSG.ORG **
1962 CHEVY BEL AIR STATION WAGON	9 PASSENGER, CALIFORNIA CAR, ORIGINAL PAINT. NO ENGINE OR TRANSMISSION. WAS V-8 AUTOMATIC, ELECTRIC REAR WINDOW. EASY CAR TO PUT ON THE ROAD AGAIN; \$3,800. DAVE STEINBERG 815-675-6206 OR COOLCARS@RSG.ORG **

1963 CHEVY BISCAYNE STATION WAGON	6 PASSENGER, CALIFORNIA CAR, NO ENGINE OR TRANSMISSION. WAS V-8 THREE SPEED. WOULD MAKE A GREAT PRO-STREET CAR OR RESTORE TO ORIGINAL. \$3,800. DAVE STEINBERG 815-675-6206 OR COOLCARS@RSG.ORG **
1966 CHEVY MALIBU	2 DOOR CONVERTIBLE. SMALL BLOCK V-8 WITH FACTORY FOUR SPEED, BUCKETS AND CONSOLE. IN STORAGE SINCE 1982. MAROON WITH BLACK TOP AND INTERIOR. CAR WILL REQUIRE FULL RESTORATION AND IS COMPLETE. \$6,500. DAVE STEINBERG 815-675-6206 OR COOLCARS@RSG.ORG **
2003 CORVETTE	ANNIVERSARY CAR (MAROON). NEW. JIM LOMBARDI 815-476-2826.**
2001 YAMAHA MOTORCYCLE	V STAR 650 CLASSIC, 1800 MILES. LIKE NEW CONDITION \$4,850. CALL DAVE FOR DETAILS AT 815-464-2928 OR 708-479-2077.
1963 CHRYSLER NEW YORKER	49,000 ORIGINAL MILES. NEW PAINT, TIRES, EXHAUST SYSTEM, CARPET & MORE. 413 ENGINE. \$5,000 OBO RICK MOORE 815-725-6266*
WANTED	
ANY ILL STATE POLICE ITEMS, PATCHES, DECALS, ETC. RODNEY (815) 478-3633***	
55-57 CHEVY WAGON IN GOOD CONDITION. WALTER (847) 791-4638***	
55-56-57 GENERAL MOTORS AIR CONDITIONING UNITS OR PARTS. N.O.S. PARTS FOR 55-56-57-58-59-60 CHEVYS. JIM SCHNOOR 480-998-4057*	
MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE	
15 ACRES, CITY WATER, 4 BEDROOM HOUSE, 4 STALL GARAGE PLUS 1,600 G.M. CARS, 1955-1980, SOME BRAND "X". LOTS OF 55-56-57 CHEVYS LOCATED IN CASLER, WYOMING. CARS ARE COMPLETE, NOT STRIPPED. THESE ARE IN MY PERSONAL COLLECTION WHICH I HAVE SAVED FOR 40 YEARS. SEE KEITH AT MEETING FOR PICTURES. DON MORGAREIDGE 307-472-5072.*	
100 ISSUES OF N.S.R.A STREET SCENE , 1990 & UP. MINT. \$100 RODNEY (815) 478-3633***	
I JUST RECEIVED A NEW LOAD OF OLDS SHOP MANUALS, 18 BIG BOXES, PROBABLY 200 PLUS MANUALS 1974-1994. ALL GOOD. MUST SELL, \$300 BUYS ALL -- A GREAT INVESTMENT. RODNEY 815-478-3633*	
1963 PONTIAC PAINTING "TESTING WIDE TRACKS ON THE APACHE TRAIL" 28 X 38 IN FRAME BY WM. S. SMITH. VERY RARE ORIGINAL COND. \$550 RODNEY (815) 478-3633***	
PARTING OUT 5-6-7 CHEVYS. MANY NOS PARTS. FENDERS, STAINLESS, HOODS, DOORS, CHROME PARTS. \$50 TO ? CALL WITH NEEDS. MIKE ANDERSON (317) 729-2418***	
CHEVY SERVICE NEWS, SERVICE TECHNICAL BULLETINS, PRODUCT CAMPAIGN BULLETINS. IN ORIGINAL BINDERS, ABOUT 4 INCHES THICK FOR THE FOLLOWING YEARS: 1953-1954-1958-1960-1961-1970-1971-1972-1973-1974-1976-1977. MINT CONDITION. \$55 PER YEAR. RODNEY 815-478-3633**	
PRODUCT DATA BOOK OF SERVICE BULLETINS, TECHNICAL INFORMATION FROM CHEVY ZONE OFFICE, 1973 TO 1992. BINDERS ARE 5 INCHES THICK AND VERY RARE. ALL IN NEW, MINT CONDITION. \$65 EACH. RODNEY 815-478-3633**	
ATTENTION SWAP MEET BUYERS AND SELLERS: BULK SALE: OLDSMOBILE SHOP MANUALS 1974 TO 1993. 225 BOOKS, \$5 EACH BUYS ALL. OWNERS MANUALS: 1000 GM, FORD, MOPAR, FOREIGN, 1980-1999. MOST ARE 1985-1995. ONE DOLLAR EACH BUYS ALL. RODNEY 815-478-3633**	
SALES BROCHURES 1973 TO 2000. ALL MAKES AND MODELS. ALL NEW, 500 TOTAL. ONE DOLLAR EACH BUYS ALL. RODNEY 815-478-3633**	
SHOP MANUAL BUSINESS, 600 GOOD GM SHOP MANUALS , 1940 TO 1999, ALL IN A-1 CONDITION. \$7,000. RODNEY 815-478-3633**	
FOUR BIG TRUCK LOADS OF CHEVY PARTS: MOTORS, HEADS, TRANS, CARBS, MANIFOLDS, HEADERS, COMPLETE 82 CAMARO. LOTS MORE. MUST SELL 708-594-8793.*	
BIG DEALS ON 68-72 CHEVY TRUCK STEERING WHEELS. \$10 EACH. ALSO, FORD AND MOPAR TRUCK AND VAN STEERING WHEELS. \$10 EACH OR 12 FOR \$100. RODNEY 815-478-3633*	