

May 1, 20224

The May 1 meeting of WACO was held in Mike & Cindy's garage with 28 members present. (Although, I think I may have missed some late arrivals.)

Kevin first introduced John Balmer, friend of David Hime, who is from the Kansas Masonic Foundation. This was who we partnered with to sell the Chevelle tickets. John emphasized that the money collected from these raffles goes back into the communities. The money that we helped raise this time went into the Operation Christmas to help local families that needed help with Christmas. John gave our club \$187.50, the remainder of the money that we earned selling Chevelle tickets. In total our club earned \$525 this year. The car was won by someone near Gurrard, KS. Next year they will have a 1942 Packard Convertible. The ticket sales will be done differently. Everything will be done on-line. You will need to register and then buy your tickets on-line.

The next announcement was the end of the cars and coffee car shows. Several people shared what they knew about the event. Basically WSU had to ask them to leave because some people got carried away and lost control of their cars around spectators.

Kevin asked David G. for a treasurer's report, but David had forgotten to bring the information. Therefore he told the club the money is basically the same as last month. We have brought in a good amount of money and haven't started spending much yet, but that is about to change!

Bob then gave a report on the t-shirts. The t-shirt design is finished. The last of the t-shirt orders will be taken tonight and then the t-shirts will be ordered either tomorrow or Friday. The t-shirts will probably be a break-even type of situation. We are selling the fluorescent shirts at below cost and the plan is to reimburse members who purchase the fluorescent shirts after the regional event is finished.

Kevin reported that the trophies are almost finished, and that Matt is working hard to get them completed.

Kevin reported that we have about 67 pre-registered cars already. In comparison to other years, we are doing extremely well because normally we would only have maybe 25 pre-registered at this time! We have 8 or 9 states represented in the show. Kevin said several people are advertising our show on the internet. He thinks that is what is helping our pre-registration numbers!

Becky gave a report on the raffle baskets. She reported that we have 13 baskets ready to go. But upon checking them, realized that 2 baskets are supposed to be together, so in reality we only have 12 baskets to raffle off. There will be some more raffle items that will be added during the show. Becky thanked all the ladies that helped put the baskets together and made them look so wonderful!

Becky also reported that she has between 9 and 11 ladies that have promised to help with registration duties. Therefore ,Becky will be putting together a sign up sheet that will have shifts of either 2 or 3 hours so that the ladies can choose the time they would prefer to work

and not have to stay at the registration table the entire weekend. Becky said she would contact the ladies once she has her sign-up sheet ready to go.

Kevin then gave a slide show presentation on our preparation for the Regional Show!

- He started by showing the participation that we had at the O'Reilly's open house for the new store in Park City!
- Next, he showed pictures of the WSU campus and the Braeburn Square on the Innovation Campus. He showed the hotel, The Hyatt, where we have the opportunity to reserve hotel rooms. So far, we have 25 registered. Kevin had hoped to have 40 registered. The only hiccup has been that you have to go to our website and get the link for the Hyatt and go online to reserve your hotel room. If you call the hotel directly, they do not know anything about it! That has proved to be a sore spot. The hotel will provide a breakfast buffet for all the guests staying there.
- Kevin then shared how the flyer looked when it was first started and how it ended up looking. Quite a transformation!
- Then he showed the transformation of the artwork for the t-shirts. They look fantastic!
- Next, he showed an aerial map of the area where we will have our show. He showed where the ATM is located and reminded us that we must not block the entrance and exit of the ATM machine. Mike found him a pointer and Kevin continued to share where things will be located on campus. He showed us the flow of cars coming into the show and where the trucks and trailers will be parked. He showed us where registration will be located. Bill & Tammy have graciously donated their 5<sup>th</sup> wheel for us to use as registration headquarters. It will have 2 awnings that we can have our tables under. To one side of the 5<sup>th</sup> wheel, we will have some shelters set up and have the raffle baskets under them. This is also where Mike will be located and will be acting as the DJ for our event.
- David Hime then came up and used the pointer to share where the cars will be parked for the show. The cars will be arranged by years. The North side will hold the '70-'72 models. The south side will have the 1000 point judged cars, the vendors, Dale McIntosh, and the '64's-'69's. The south side will also hold the wagons and El Caminos. David said we have 125-126 spots to park the cars. David expects to have 125 cars on Saturday. This parking configuration may have to be adjusted as the cars come in.
- There will be banners posted on 21<sup>st</sup> street and on Oliver street directing people to the show.
- We have hired Best Security to oversee the security at night. They will be on duty Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night from 11 PM to 7 AM. Kevin is asking if any of the club members would volunteer to help the security guy during those hours, especially since the lot with trucks and trailers is a bit of distance from the show cars. He is especially looking for 1-2 people to help on Friday evening.
- Kevin has contracted with Kansas Mobile Throne to provide 2 handicap accessible port-a-potty's for the show. Not sure where they will be located just yet.
- The Social Tap is where we will be having our Friday night meal. They will serve the meal from 5-7 PM. The menu consists of: a Pizza buffet, a hot pasta dish of some kind, chicken wings, and a salad bar. After 7 PM we will be able to go outside and sit on their deck and enjoy the view and visit until they close The Social Tap at 11 PM.

- Kevin then shared some of the other raffle and door prizes that we have to give out at the show. These include a bubble gum machine filled with hot wheels cars; some nice bar stools, 2 air compressors, a drone with a camera, various model cars, ceiling heater, air purifier, some nice, donated pictures of cars, and a flag sign. Kevin is trying to make a Chevy Plaque with some Hot Wheels Cars that were left over. He showed us an example of what he is trying to do. He also shared that Inland Truck Parts donated an aluminum drive shaft to us. The winner will be able to get it custom made for his car as Inland Truck Parts has multiple locations. He also said we have a posi-unit for a 12 bolt GM rear end with a 3 series carrier. (I think I listed that correctly?!!!) We also have some shop rags that Matt made that have the regional artwork on them that have been put into the goody bags. Lori is also making some Chevrolet cookies that will be given out. Then Kevin showed a couple of ideas that he had seen that would be great if someone could figure out how to make them. One was taking an old fire extinguisher and cutting it with either a laser cutter or a plasma cutter to make a really cool toilet paper holder. Another idea: WD 40 Beer?! Kevin also said that Mike had made a couple of items that will be added to the raffle items. So we have quite a nice collection of stuff to raffle off.
- Kevin then showed what the Poker run would look like. We will leave WSU and drive by the Original Pizza Hut that is on the WSU campus. We will drive to the Charles Koch Arena and have a photo opp with WU Shock. Then we will drive to the O'Reilly's location in Park City. From there we will drive to the Lion's club park in Park City. From there we will drive to Don Hatten Chevrolet. The plan is to leave at 3:30 for the Poker Run and be back by 5:30. Detailed instructions will be in the registration packet that all participants will receive. Steve Castaneda will be taking pictures all weekend and there will be some other people also helping with pictures so that we can show these pictures at the awards ceremony.
- The awards ceremony will be at 6 PM in the Marcus Welcome Center. This is a brand-new building. We will have the option of having rows of chairs or round tables and chairs in the room. We will also have a screen to be able to show pictures of all the events over the 2 days of the show.
- Kevin showed an example of the plaques that will be given to the sponsors as a Thank you for their donations and help. These are being made by Matt.
- Saturday night after the awards ceremony, Fuzzy's Taco will provide 2 taco's per registered person. The club is paying for this perk.
- After the taco's we will need lots of help to take down the shelters, tables and all the other stuff we used all weekend. Any cars left will also need to be moved to the south side for security, so they are not scattered all over the place!
- Kevin mentioned that you should check the VisitWichita.com web-site as they are doing some advertising for our show.

That was the end of the slide show presentation.

Kevin then reminded the club members that we would need lots of help to pull this off successfully. He is asking people to be there at 7:30 AM or earlier on Friday and Saturday to help. Registration starts at 8AM each day. The majority of parking will be done in the 7:30 to noon time frame. We may need someone to help with the trailer parking so that they are lined up and not just scattered around the parking lot.

Kevin is still working on trying to get coffee and doughnuts for staff and registered people for Friday and Saturday morning. We will be doing set up on Thursday afternoon. If you can help, please call, text, or email Kevin and find out for sure where he needs you to help or what time he needs you to be there.

The Vendors that will be at the show are::

A tire and Wheel Place

Interior Upholstery Shop

Harry Hynes Hospice- they will be raffling off 2 quilts, one of which has pictures of club members cars!

Let's Roll Coatings

Meeting adjourned!