



Cruisin' News

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Start 'em Up!

By Clay Seachris
President's message

Our cruising season officially kicked off May 4. In spite of unpredictable weather, we've seen a couple cars out on Wednesdays: Dean and Joyce in the '40 and Jules and Marilyn in their '39. I know we're all eager to get back in the flow as we've already been sharing our little tales of the first starts and first drives of spring. For some, those first starts were followed by a maiden voyage.

As summer approaches, I'll toss some reminders and information into this president's message. Make sure your bag chairs, bug spray, sunscreen and detailing supplies are back in your trunk. If you plan a car club catered picnic in a neighboring town, make sure to try to use that city's local caterers. Diet caffeine-free Coke is the preferred drink and other colas just aren't as popular. If the weather looks questionable on a Wednesday, check your email and the Siouxland Car Council website for alternative locations. Always feel free to call me or Kevin Kappenman, Car Council president, as we'll be scrambling with the cruise hosts trying to decide our options. Club membership directories are printed and distributed to other members for reference around the end of June. The club has a strict privacy policy regarding member's personal information. To keep it social, there are no vendors or peddlers allowed at Siouxland Car Council events. Again, our cruising is social. We're all car enthusiasts, so make sure everyone knows we look forward to seeing all kinds of hotrods and the only thing that matters is if they are safe cars. I'm probably forgetting many other things, but remember our hobby is socially based and fun. Socializing and friendship is our goal, that's what keeps this hobby fun. Start 'em up and let's get rolling.

Thank you for renewing your membership and your participation. The officers started reviewing membership renewals, organizing the membership directory and updating the email contact list to retain only current members. We're always looking for more friends, so let's keep this good thing going. For a color copy of the newsletter, go to our website greatplainsstreetrodders.com.



Gone – Never Forgotten

As far back as he could remember, John Moore has always wanted a '40 Ford coupe. Family always came first, but the idea of having a car someday wasn't forgotten. Twenty-five years ago John found and bought a Ford coupe body. Although it was titled as a '39 Ford, John knew the only real difference between that and a '40 model was the front sheet metal: hood, grill and front fenders. For about 20 years while balancing family life, John searched and collected, as many of us do, enough parts to complete his idea of the '40 Ford coupe with many extra parts to spare. He knew some day it would all come together.

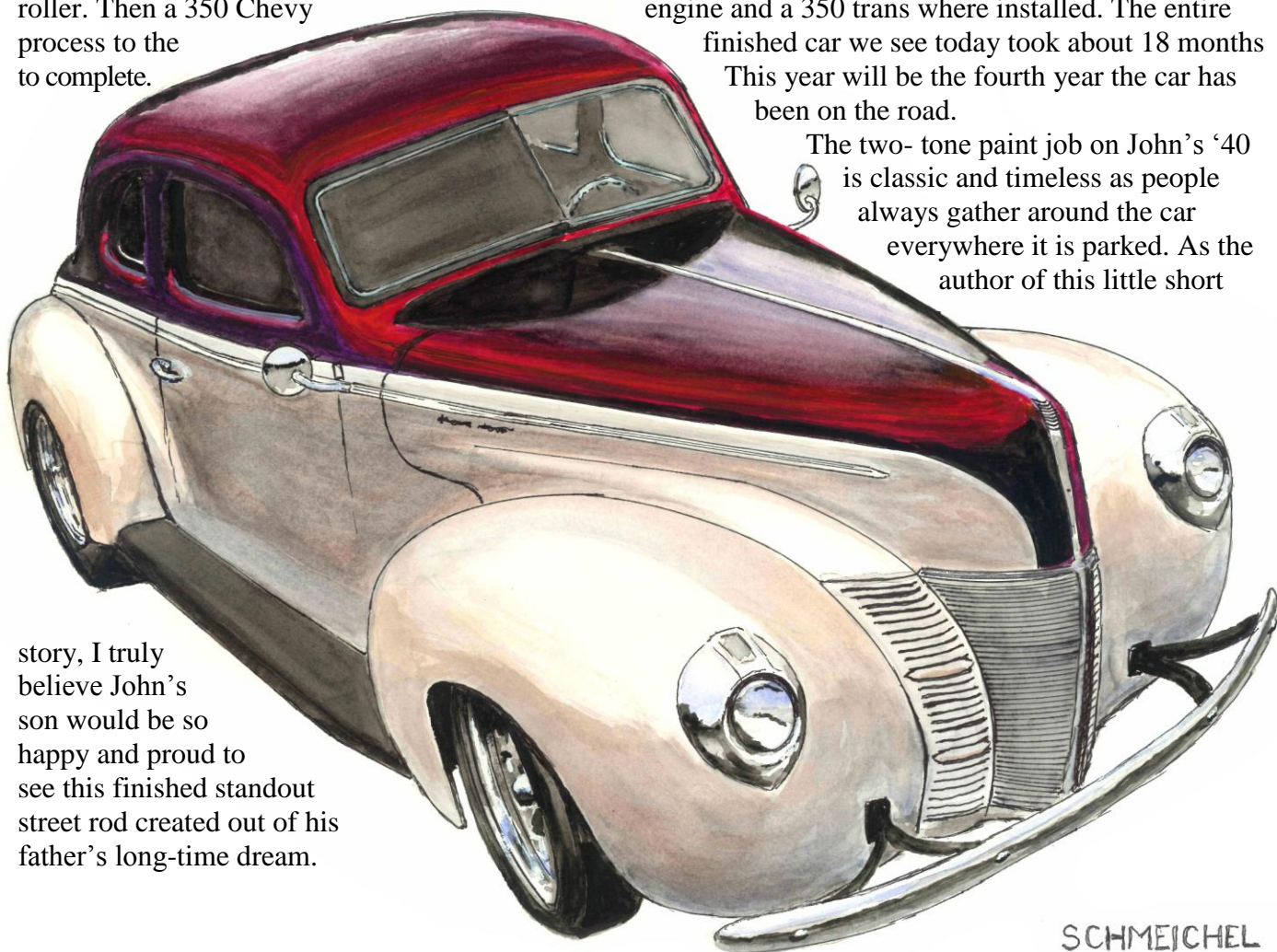
Then about five years ago, tiring of having his garage full of old car parts, John decided it was time to build the car. But he was going to do it with the intent of giving it to his son when finished and wanting him to experience having a '40 Ford coupe street rod. With this idea in his mind, John's son suddenly passed away catching everyone in the Moore family off guard. John, stricken with grief, after a period of time realized he needed to move forward and complete the car as it was intended. He needed a direction to help him move through the depression that was setting in.

So with a very heavy heart, John went to A.J. Nelson in Canton and created a plan to build and finish the car. A Mustang front suspension was installed along with an 8" Mustang rear end to make the car a roller. Then a 350 Chevy engine and a 350 trans were installed. The entire finished car we see today took about 18 months to complete.

This year will be the fourth year the car has been on the road.

The two-tone paint job on John's '40 is classic and timeless as people always gather around the car everywhere it is parked. As the author of this little short

story, I truly believe John's son would be so happy and proud to see this finished standout street rod created out of his father's long-time dream.



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Thanks Given

Thanks to all those who sent cards, well wishes and calls. I thank you very much. It's humbling to be part of such a great group of people. Ron Roe

Thanks Given

Thank you to all our friends who called and sent get-well cards. Your well-wishes and prayers were so thoughtful. I'm still a bit tired, but my energy returns more and more every day. Your friend, Marilyn Haper

Oh, Grandma! ☺

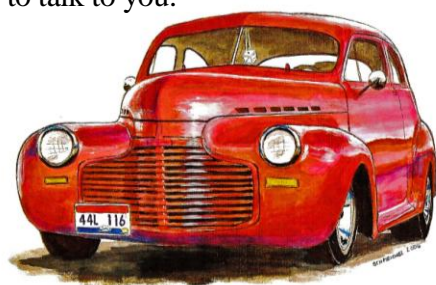
Tony was 9 years old and was staying with his grandmother for a few days.

He'd been playing outside with the other kids, when he came into the house and asked, "Grandma, what's that called when two people sleep in the same bedroom and one is on top of the other?"

She was a little taken aback, but she decided to tell him the truth. "Well, dear, it's called *sexual intercourse*."

"Oh," little Tony said, "OK," and went back outside to play with the other kids.

A few minutes later he came back in and said angrily, "Grandma, it *isn't* called sexual intercourse. It's called bunk beds. And Jimmy's mom wants to talk to you."



Car Council History

The first Wheels For Charity car show was held on October 4, 1986, at Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge. It was for the benefit of Niki and April Krog, who had been badly burned on July 4, 1985, in a fireworks accident. Along with many sponsors, donations and hard work of many, the car show was able to have 150 participants and hundreds of spectators. Through these efforts, Wheels For Charity was able to raise over \$1,200 for the benefit of the Krog sisters.

Today, as a result of the first car show, the Siouxland Car Council, now a 501(c)(3), with participating car clubs, including the Great Plains Street Rodders, hosts Wednesday night cruises and other special events to raise funds for specific children and/or children's charities. Since the first car show, the Siouxland Car Council, has given more than \$150,000 to children's charities such as the Children's Inn, Ronald McDonald House, Children's Home Society, Salvation Army, the Shriner's Transportation Fund and YWCA to name a few, along with children who have specific needs. All of the proceeds raised, STAY in the Sioux Empire area.

The Car Council's website is a great place to check for all kinds of local and national cruises, shows and events. Please refer this site to your friends and event promoters.

SiouxlandCarCouncil.info



May Birthdays

Gary Ballenger	2
Cheryl Van Noort	5
Ron Heemstra	23
Gerry Phillips	24
Audrey Jorgenson	27
Roxie Edbright	28
Candi Hanson	30
Darla Schmuck	30

May Anniversaries

Brad & Darla Goebel	4
Kent & Terri Reilly	9
Mike & Sheila Miller	17
Ken & Barb Buchanan	27

June Birthdays

Sarah Stokes	6
Deb Geyer	9
Ruby Johnson	12
Jason Jellis	13
Grace Lee	13
Brad Goebel	16
Larry Golden	19
Mike Paulson	20
Mary Ramstad	21
Denny Heidebrink	22

June Anniversaries

Brian & Grace Lee	4
Mike & Lori Paulson	4
Ron & Lynn Hammerschmidt	10
Clay & Susan Seachris	10
Gary & Audrey Jorgenson	11
Larry & Kris Golden	12
Jeff & Jean Knowlton	13
Melvin & Dorothy Holmbeck	18
Bill & Judy Miller	22



Our Summer Cruising

We Have Nice Rear Ends



Great Plains Street Rodders' Enjoying a Picnic



Cruising Schedule, Our Part

Check out the Siouxland Council summer schedule listed below for the Wednesday evening cruises. If you are looking for opportunities to get involved, the Great Plains Street Rodders will need help with the ice cream social at Children's Home Society on June 29 and the poker run on July 13. Let Clay know if you are interested in helping.

Car Council Schedule

Every May we join with everyone attending the Wednesday Night Cruises coordinated as a member club of the Siouxland Car Council. Schedule on

siouxlandcouncil.info

Verify dates before attending

May 14 – Papik's Spring Rally

May 14-15 – Bubba's Spring Fling, Watertown

May 15 – Harrisburg Car Hops

May 18 – 212 The Boiling Pt.

May 21 – Nitrogen Filler Day

May 25 – ABS Car Show.

May 28 – Spomer Classics

June 1 – Sherman Park

June 3-5 – Buffalo Days

June 3-4 – Run to the River

June 8 – Koch's Race Shop

June 11 – Harrisburg Car Show

June 12 – Brookings Show-n-shine

June 12 – Sioux Empire Ford Show

June 15 – Executive Touch

June 17 – Teapot Days Show

June 17-19 – Back to the Fifties

June 22 – Handy Man

Raffle Car Drawing

June 26 – Blast from the Past

June 29 – Ice Cream Social
Children's Home Society hosted by Great Plains Street Rodders

July 1-3 – Heartland Nationals
Des Moines, IA

July 6 – Lincoln County
Cruisers host night

July 8-10 – B.H. Rod Run

July 10 – Cruise to the Farm

July 13 – Poker Run hosted by
Great Plains Street Rodders

July 13 – Hot Summer Nights

July 12-16 – Corvette Classic

July 20 – VA Car Show

July 22 – Humboldt Mayor's
Motorcade

July 23 – Humboldt Car Show

July 23 – Canton Cruise Night

July 24 – Canton Area Car
Show

July 27 – Wall Lake Picnic
Sioux Empire Ford Club

August 3 – Empire Pontiac
hosts at Luxury Automall
August 6 – Classic Excitement
Poker Run

August 7 – Classic Excitement
Car and Truck Show

August 10 – Grand Falls Casino,
Larchwood, IA

August 12-14 – Dam Rod Run,
Pierre, SD

August 12-14 – Old Iron Rod Run,
Okobojo, IA



Classified Ads

(FREE to All Members)



FOR SALE – 1927 all steel Ford coupe. \$15,500 Originally built 1959-60. 232 ci Studebaker w/ 3 spd. Upgraded to discs 2006. 16x10 American rears, Hallcraft wires on front, 54 Olds rear Call Dwight 371-5898

WANTED – 1937 Ford 2dr Sedan project. On budget so less expensive the better. Just body and frame.

Call Kirk 376-2927 or email krklee@gmail.com

FOR SALE – GM 12 Bolt Rear-End, complete, non-posi unit. This rear-end came out of a '72 Monte Carlo SS, so it has the extra SS side brackets, hose and 4 links with it. This rear-end is direct factory 12 bolt fit for '68 - 72 Chevelle, '70 Buick Special, '70 - 72 Grand Prix, '70 - 72 Monte Carlo, '71 - 72 Sprint (G.M.) and a '70 - 72 Tempest. These GM rear-end are getting very hard to find anymore. Asking \$500.00. Call 351-6263 Larry G.

WANTED – '66 - 67 Nova parts car, 2-door 4- door or wagon, and any parts for a '66 - 67 Nova. Call Larry 351-6263.

WANTED – 1974 Nova, Ventura, Omega or Buick Apollo dashpad. Need positraction unit for '74 Nova. Call Eric (712) 380 4969.

FOR SALE – 2002 Lincoln Continental. Contact Don at deltadon79@hotmail.com

FOR SALE – NOS 1966 Chevelle rear bumper, still in GMs factory rubberized wrap. I've seen them listed on E-Bay in the \$450-\$500 range. The first \$375.00 cash will own it. Call Jerry at 368-2418 for more details.

FOR SALE – Rocker panel side trim, stainless steel for 1948-52 Chevy, driver's side. Only \$10! Call 498-0178 or email bg4given@gmail.com

FOR SALE – Ford shop manual for 1952-1953-1954 passenger cars. Call Ken

FOR SALE – Book full of pictures of old cars, new, entitled "For The Love of Cars." Local cars are among the many photos. Special price of \$22 (retails for \$28.99), tax included, for members of the Great Plains Streetrodders. Brian, email bg4given@gmail.com

FOR SALE – 1995 Ford Mustang coupe, 3.8 V-6 needing work with 2nd V-6 available that has factory replaced heads; body & interior good condition; make an offer. Call 605-759-5315.

FOR SALE – 1957 Chevy Chassis. Call Ron 332-4543

FOR SALE – 1976 Ford Torino Elite two-door hardtop, 351 c.i., auto transmission. Call Ken Buchanan 605 212-2821
FOR SALE – 3:92 gears for Ford 9 inch rear-end (excellent condition), Chrome 2-wire alternator for 1974 thru 1984 Ford 302 (New in box). Call Bill 605 366-1158

FOR SALE – 1952 Packard parts, including a grill, trim pieces, windows and more. Call Gary Ebright at 339-4571.

FOR SALE – Complete 396 CI Chevrolet Big Block date coded L-1-5 (Dec-1-65), Holley 600 CFM double-pumper carb, Edelbrock Performer 2-O aluminum intake, GM HEI distributor, 8.5 mm ignition wires, strong performance hydraulic cam, fuel pump, needs valve guide seals, \$2000 pair of John Deere lawn tractor wheels sand blasted painted JD yellow 12"x12" for 400 series tractor, \$60.00; snow mobile trailer axle with springs and tounge,\$50.00; pair of trailer tires & wheels, bias ply 205/75x14 spoked wheels 5x4 1/2" bolt pattern \$30.00
Call Mike Miller 360-8546

WANTED – Classified ads
If you are a member of the club, it's free and it can help you sell something, or find something. Email your classified ad or just reply to
president@greatplainsstreetrodders.com

