



Cruisin' News

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Gloomy Skies Don't Slow Us

By Clay Seachris

President's message

November is known for skies turning gloomy and long summer days changing to unpredictable, temperamental weather. These gloomy days are the times when it's great to be surrounded by friends laughing and enjoying each others company. Most hotrods are in storage already, so the weather doesn't dampen our gatherings. Wednesday evening attendance is strong and going well. We've also had some other successful social gatherings, so if you have "get together" ideas, please share them.

Recently we took advantage of the private room at the Dutch Inn. Everyone shared thoughts and discussed club history, club budgeting, the Siouxland Car Council, summer cruising and additional options for having fun this winter. A number of the founding members shared stories from 25 years ago, and transitioned to how happy and proud they currently are regarding our friendships and activities. Private rooms are always convenient for visiting in small groups or asking questions as a whole.

The Wine Tasting Party in October was limited to the first 25 people, which filled the first night the sign-up was available. The group had lasagna, salad and tiramisu followed by a tour of the new addition and tasting a variety of wines. Strawbale Winery owner Don South remarked that people who enjoy sweet wines have a refined palate. Whether you like dry or sweet wine, it was a fun evening.

A recent cruise to Levene's for a surprise grand opening of Lucky's Garage was a huge hit, also. Thank you to Vicky Levene for inviting us and Ken for not kicking us out for showing up unannounced.

The Christmas Party is December 4. Gary and Audrey Jorgenson, and Terry and Sandy Peterson are selling catered meal tickets, so get your tickets now. Ticket purchases determine serving quantities for Tony's Catering. Back by popular demand, the meal will be the same as last year. The gift exchange is also back by popular demand for a fun night opening and exchanging gifts. Get your tickets now.

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First Dream

Growing up in eastern Iowa in the late 60's was a very memorable and impressionable time for Jerry Miller. He was 15 going on 16 the first time he saw a new, yellow 1969 Boss 302 Mustang drive by on the street. As he stood there watching the shape of the car with its stripes and the sound of the exhaust, he had no idea the car would grow on him. As time went by, he yearned to just drive one to see what it was like, but being a young kid at the time he knew it would probably never happen.

A year later, he saw the same yellow Boss 302 in a used car lot with a new engine that was replaced under warranty. Approaching his dad about the car, his dad's response was that the car was abused and beat by the previous owner and wasn't worth having. So with that, Jerry put having a Boss 302 out of his mind until later in life.

In 1985, he found his dream car in the Argus Leader for the price of a new car in 1969, which wasn't too bad by today's prices. It wasn't yellow but was a much rarer green color with a repaint job. Everything about the car was correct, and after waiting 15 years, Jerry couldn't allow his dream to slip away. Without hesitating, Jerry took out a loan for the car and brought it home, which wasn't agreed to by his wife and later added to a divorce picture. Jerry was able to hang onto the Boss 302.

As time went on, he met and later married Robin. During the early stages of their marriage, a stranger out of the clear blue offered Jerry \$10,000 for the Boss as it was. Robin, knowing how important the Boss was to Jerry, told him not to sell it. During the next few years, the Boss took a backseat to other needs.

While doing a routine oil change in 2007, antifreeze was noticed in the oil. Knowing that everything in the car was correct and wanting to retain all the matching numbers, Jerry chose to have Scott Sehr rebuild the engine to original factory specs. Once completed and dyno-tuned before reinstallation, the original quoted cost of \$3,500 to rebuild the engine, as with most car-related projects, wound up costing a little more than anticipated. Luckily, understanding the value and importance of this rare car, Robin helped pay for the rebuild of the engine.

Jerry and Robin enjoy the car together on a regular basis, when schedules permit. The only thing Jerry still wishes to do on the car is to strip the paint, do body work and repaint it to its better-than-new glory. But, he realizes that it will be sometime in the future with Robin's blessings. Good things are worth waiting for.



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Thanksgiving Thoughts

Thanksgiving dinners take eighteen hours to prepare. They are consumed in twelve minutes. Half-times take twelve minutes. This is not coincidence. ~Erma Bombeck

Nothing is more honorable than a grateful heart. ~Seneca

None is more impoverished than the one who has no gratitude. Gratitude is a currency that we can mint for ourselves, and spend without fear of bankruptcy. ~Fred De Witt Van Amburgh

Gratitude is the sign of noble souls. ~Aesop

Philanthropists

Here's something to consider as other people and businesses schedule events that compete with our traditional Wednesday evening cruises.

By attending the Siouxland Car Council's summer cruise events, you generate charitable income. Cruise destination donations from meals go to a charitable account. Net income from that philanthropy is then granted to local children's organizations.

As a member of the Great Plains Street Rodders, you are affiliated with the Siouxland Car Council, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, and are a council member with the ability to direct and coordinate greater philanthropic good. Of course a main objective is cruise planning.

Christmas Party

Our Christmas Party is Saturday, December 4 at the Sioux Valley Energy Building. The social starts at 5:00 p.m. The catered dinner buffet is at 6:00 p.m. followed by the gift exchange game. To play the gift exchange, bring a gender-specific gift that costs less than \$20. Tony's is catering: bacon-wrapped chicken breasts, roast beef, au gratin potatoes, glazed carrots, salad, rolls, peach crisp, ice cream, coffee, soda and water.

Catered-meal tickets are on sale now. See Gary Jorgenson or Terry Peterson to get your \$10 meal ticket. Last year we had 74 people at the party.



Holiday Giving Event

All Great Plains Streetrodders are invited to the charitable gift presentations to be held on Saturday, December 4. We will meet at Driveline Service at 9 a.m.

The Siouxland Car Council will give gifts to Children's Inn, The Banquet, the Shriner's transportation fund and the Salvation Army's Angel Tree.

(Since 1986, the Siouxland Car Council has granted more than \$150,000 to children's charities in the Sioux Falls area.)

November Anniversaries

Rich & Glenna Burns	4
Dale and Joyce Aurit	5
Doug & Norma Krouse	14
Denny & Betty Heidebrink	16
Gerry & LeAnne Phillips	30

November Birthdays

Susan Seachris	1
Clay Seachris	2
Dean Gough	11
Rich Burns	15
Gloria Crews	17
Don Mertens	21
Doug Van Noort	22
Dwight Johnson	28
Darwin Sletten	29
Keith Schmuck	29

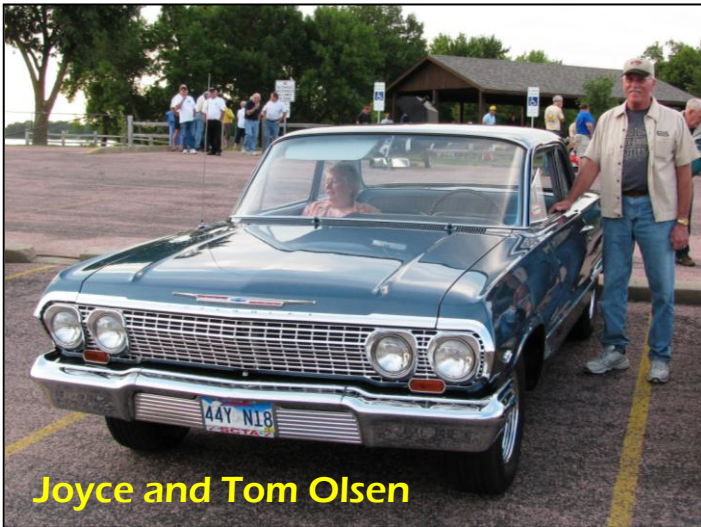
December Birthdays

Ron Hammerschmidt	2
Bill Miller	3
Lana Bowers	7
Paige Stokes	10
Gary Ebright	11
Dorothy Holmbeck	13
Vince Jones	13
Cathy Walker	13
Barb Schriever	17
Terri Reilly	19
Julie Hansen	20
LeAnne Phillips	20
Helen Jensen	21
Josie Bowers	24
Roger Corkill	24
Craig Nussbaum	28
Ellen Van Noort	30
Chris Johnson	31

December Anniversaries

Morris & Beth Fick	1
Mark & Lana Bowers	19
Glenn & Cathy Walker	19
Eric & Patt Anderson	20
Bill & Lana Kullander	20
Owen & Carlotta McKittrick	28

Members and Cars



Joyce and Tom Olsen



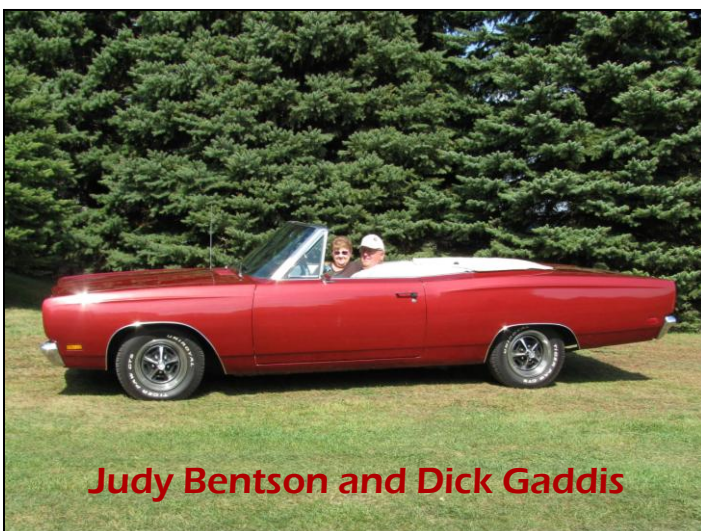
Nancy Snyder



**Terry and
Nancy Jellis**



Vince Jones



Judy Bentson and Dick Gaddis



**Joyce
and Dale Aurit**

Meet-n-Eat Schedule

Every October Great Plains Street Rodders transition to a supper social club. Please join us. Many of these gatherings have special group rates.

Schedule is also posted on
greatplainsstreetrodders.com

Nov. 17 – Spaghetti Social

Sioux Valley Energy Bldg,
108 N. Heritage Rd., Brandon
\$3.00 Homemade Spaghetti,
Salad, Bread and Ice cream
(Please bring own drinks)

Nov. 24 – CiCi's

5007 S Louise Ave, SF
Pasta, Pizza, Salad Bar
Drinks are included
All-u-can-eat Buffet, \$5.99

Dec. 1 – Roll'n Pin

3015 W Russell St, SF
All-u-can-eat Buffet, \$7.99
Menu items available also

Dec. 4 – Christmas Party

Sioux Valley Energy Bldg
Catered Meal \$10 tickets
Gift Exchange

Dec. 8 – Hy-Vee Deli

3000 S Minnesota Ave, SF
Huge variety of foods

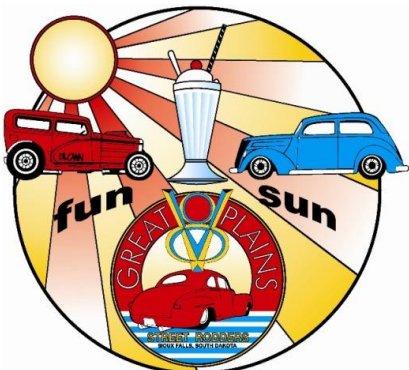
Dec. 15 – Denny's Restaurant

4001 E. 10th Street, SF
Regular menu items

Dec. 22 – To Be Announced

Dec. 29 – Royal Fork Buffet

4610 W. Empire Place, SF
All-u-can-eat Buffet, \$10.99



Vintage Great Plains Streetrodders
Logo – Circa 1985

Our Friends at the Barrett-Jackson Auction



The South Dakota crew posed for a picture at the Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction in Las Vegas held in September. Jim DeBoer, Nancy Snyder, Ken Levene, Crystal Michaels and Randy Ludwig worked various jobs at the auction. Nancy and Ken drove cars, Jim was in charge of keys and Crystal checked in vehicles. Randy has been working at the auctions for over 20 years. Jayne DeBoer is not in this photo – she's behind the camera. ☺

Recipe

Soft Ginger Cookies

Ingredients:

¾ cup butter
1 egg
1 cup sugar
¼ cup light molasses
2 cups flour
2 tsp baking soda
¼ tsp salt
1 tsp ginger
1 tsp cinnamon

Cream together the butter, sugar, egg and molasses. Add dry ingredients. Roll into balls and roll in sugar. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes.

Classified Ads

(FREE to All Members)



FOR SALE – Branson Vacation Holiday Condo Package

“Ozark Mountain Christmas” – a beautiful place to see. Lots of holiday performers and shows. Dec. 24, 2010-Jan.2, 2011 Wyndham Branson at the Meadows, 1075sq.ft. condo 1 bedroom deluxe-A. Up to 4 people occupancy. Private condo, full kitchen, washer/dryer, whirlpool, balcony/deck. Concierge has tickets available for shows to America's Country Music Show Capital. Resort has indoor pool, exercise equipment and many other amenities. View warmth in a half-day's drive. wyndhamvacationresorts.com Only \$800 for 9 nights. Call Pamela 371-8814 (Clay's Sister)

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.

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

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

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.

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

FOR SALE – Tripower setup for small block chevy. 2gc carbs, chrome linkage, polished fuel log & lines. Includes air cleaners & progressive linkage. Show ready. \$1075.00 with new intake, \$775.00 without. Call Ike (507) 920 6134 or email dorike@iw.net

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

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 – 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. Contact Brian, 605-498-0178

FOR SALE – Ford shop manual for 1952-1953-1954 passenger cars. **1976 Ford Torino Elite** two-door hardtop, 351 c.i., auto transmission. Contact Ken Buchanan.

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 Call Mike Miller 360-8546

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