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MINNESOTA'S '64 - '87 CHEVELLE AND EL CAMINO CLUB

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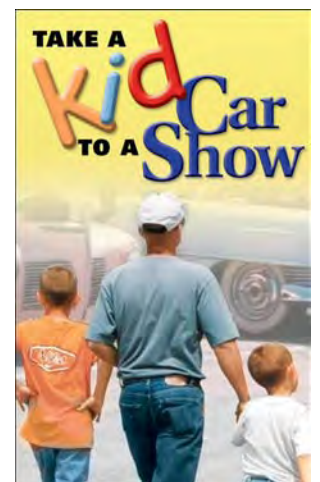
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Every winter I have an image of what the upcoming summer will bring. Balancing out home projects, summer breaks and vacation time, car shows, cruises, and somehow fitting regular employment in there makes for an interesting balancing act over the past few years. This year I made a few changes. Since my work is close to home again and stable, it was easier to focus on the winter car projects. Boy am I glad I didn't put them off until nicer weather. Now I can enjoy driving. There's something about a visual change in your car's appearance that just makes you like driving it a little more. Whether its wheels and tires, paint, or maybe suspension modifications that change its stance, being able to enjoy your classic car is key. With the weather catching up, we've already been able to enjoy shows, cruises, racing, and the brunt of summer is just starting. I'm looking forward to putting on more miles this year and just enjoying the ride. Are you heading out for a cruise this weekend? Pick up the phone, send an e-mail, or post on the website. Want to cook more than your tires? You could have a car show right in your driveway with some club members, and of course if you're stuck on a project or need a hand you have a whole club full of members who might be able to help out. Enjoy the summer, it will be over too quick.

UPCOMING EVENT:



Car Craft Summer Nationals
July 22-24
Minnesota State Fairgrounds



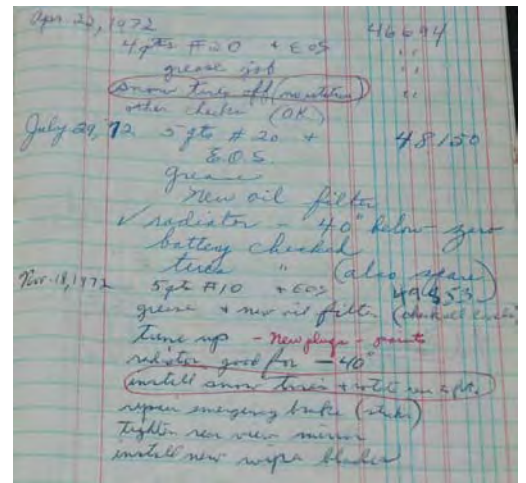
(Watch our website for details on pre-show staging and details on show parking)

They're still out there:

We've all heard of the guy out there who's mom bought a cool car new, drove it until she couldn't anymore, and then parked it until it gets passed down. How many times do you just keep quiet and think to yourself, Uh-huh. Yeah, right. Shhuurrre. Well this is one of them, but it's for real. Club member Chris P has been looking for a 66 Chevelle for a while, and when he read about an original 66 300 Deluxe, he jumped on it. He wasn't disappointed. It's real and an original numbers matching 283 car with "three on the tree".



The year was 1965; December 9th to be exact, when a 50 year old woman named Edna walked into Main Motors in Anoka, MN and purchased a 1966 Chevelle 300 Deluxe. The man who sold her the car was Lee Carlson who still owns Main Motors. Edna was a particular person who obviously loved her car very much. She kept detailed records of its service and kept the receipts for parts as well as the original brochure, original protection plan and warranty pamphlet and even the accessory booklet. Oh yeah, the protecto-plate is there and the original keys still have the key code stamped on them too. Edna drove from her home in Becker to Anoka every day for work, and since her son Glenn was a mechanic at Main it received consistent maintenance.



Some milestones were noted, like its 60,000 mile tune up on 12/5/74. On October 2nd, 1985 the entry reads "the speedometer has been reset to 1 mile. Edna's last entry was at 114,409 miles on 4/2/95. There are only 115,724 on it now. Over its life, this car has taken on some age spots in the fenders and some surface places, but it hasn't had any plastic surgery or facelifts. In other words: the car never got any wrinkles. Like they say, you're only as young as your insides. If that's the case, this car is about 2. The interior looks almost new,



maybe it's because Edna kept thick seat covers on both the front and back its whole life. How well did she take care of it? There was a box in the trunk which still had the original spark plugs, radiator hoses, and a can of GM's Anti Valve-Recession additive. Yep, real lead additive. Not one of those plastic bottles, but a *can* of the good GM stuff. There's still a F78-14 spare in the trunk too. The side markers were added at her request in 1968. Now, the question would be if it still runs. Yep,

and even though it has received new brake lines, there's still some question whether you want to trust anything without a thorough inspection. Chris did take it out for a spin after unloading



his trailer, but he's going to hold off until he can be sure it's safe.

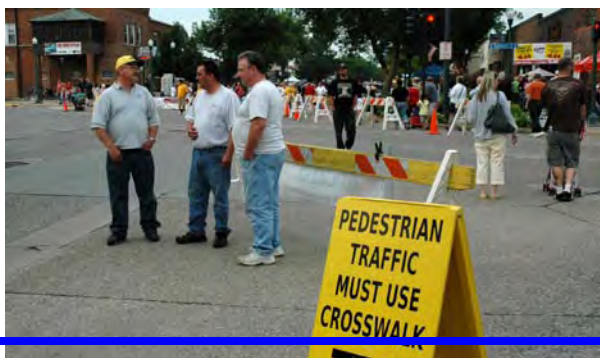
**Club Night
at North St
Paul:**

This year's club night at North St Paul was a great success.

Not only

was the weather good and the area packed full, we had a great turn out. Tony offered his place as a meeting point before and it was pretty cool to see a bunch of our cars roll in together. Filling up our space were 14 GM muscle cars including 11 Chevelles, one El Camino, Mitch's 67 Camaro, and Steve's 67 Impala. Mike K made it out with his beautiful blue car and we were able to put a face to his name. We had 1 membership renew (thanks Scott), and 2 new members join: Bryce and Tim.

Welcome guys, glad to have you!



Keeping the pedestrians safe in exchange for prime parking space. Good Trade!



1975 EFFICIENCY, 1965 FUN.

Every Chevelle gives you '75 efficiency.

Now for some '65 fun!

Chevelle Laguna Type S-3. The mid-sized sport coupe by Chevrolet.

Some of the good old times. In a brand new package.

Get yourself a 'Guna and you get yourself this:

Chevelle room.

That's room for six, friends or family, plus sports gear, business aids, whatever.

Chevelle response.

Here's response that isn't just engine-deep and straight ahead.

S-3 brings out the driver in you. It is a car to be driven, to be

maintained, to be thoroughly enjoyed.

Variable-ratio power steering, steel-belted radials, Full Coil radial-



torped suspension, front and rear stabilizers are all standard.

Chevelle economy.

The Chevrolet Efficiency System gives Laguna's standard 350 2 V8 better gas mileage this year than last. Plus longer recommended

service intervals, fewer and simpler tune-ups, no need for points or ignition condenser, ever, and plugs that should last 22,500 miles.

A look of your own.

The big look again is the new Laguna. Notice the front end, aerodynamically styled. Those lowered coach windows, Rally wheels and dual sport mirrors are standard. And you can add more of the stuff of which dreams are made—body stripping, sport roof, 4-spoke steering wheel, wived



trucks, center console—all just waiting to make Laguna all your own.

Laguna Type S-3. Some '75 efficiency. Some '65 fun.

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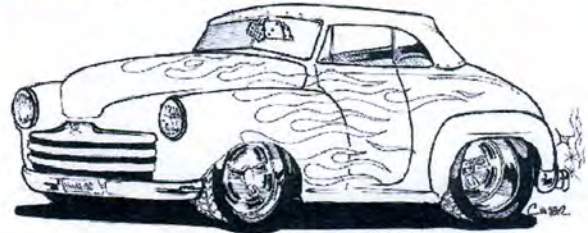
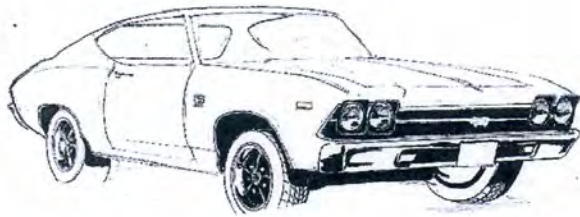
Councils announced July 8, 2011 as "Collector Car Appreciation Day." The date marks the second commemoration in what will become an annual event to celebrate and raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society.



Have a safe 4th of July and

Independence Day weekend!





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7501 Highway 65 NE
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Sunday August 7th.

10AM – 3PM

Open to all years and models of cars and trucks

Top 21 Show

Trophies awarded by participant votes.

Music provided by “Tunes to Go”

Admission \$10.00 (admits car, driver and 1 passenger) Spectators \$2.00 - under 12 – FREE.