



# Bow Tie

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## Director's Notes

As I write this we have another month of big events behind us. I hope all the members who went to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meet made it home safe and brought great memories with them. Please forward your pictures and stories to our Webmaster Dave Denmark at [ddenemark@wi.rr.com](mailto:ddenemark@wi.rr.com), so he can put them on our website.

August is our picnic month. It will be on August 13<sup>th</sup> at Rotary Park in Menomonee Falls. Please let Tom Griepentrog know you are coming so he can put a brat or hamburger on the grill for you.

The following week, August 19-21 is also the Tri-Tour sponsored by the Packerland Region. If you have any questions be sure to give Jamie Kilgas a call at (920)756-3361. It sounds like the Packerland Region has planned another great time.

I hope to see everyone at the picnic.

Your director,

*Mike Mudler*

## ANNUAL PICNIC ROTARY PARK



Come join us in Menomonee Falls for our annual picnic. Please RSVP to Tom Griepentrog at 414-354-2929 to let him know how many are coming.

Please bring along:

- your own place settings
- a dish to pass
- your pride and joy (you decide)

Join us for good food and good company. The festivities start at noon with lunch expected to be served by 1:00 p.m.

Rotary Park is located at N85 W14199 Fond du Lac Avenue between Lilly Road and Main Street in Menomonee Falls.

## ***Don't miss out on the Mobil All Stop Travel Plaza Extravaganza Show***

The date for this year's show is August 6<sup>th</sup>.

- ☆ The show is from 10:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
- ☆ Live music from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- ☆ At 1:30 p.m. there will be raffle drawings, 50/50 raffle drawing, and other give-aways.
- ☆ Thru-out the day will be a trunk swap meet, so bring items to sell.
- ☆ At 2:00 p.m. we will set out on a cruise thru the beautiful Wisconsin hills.

Remember, there is great food at Rock's, Cousins, and A & W. Also, if you want to stay over night, there is a motel right next door.

Mobil All Stop Travel Plaza Extravaganza  
I-90 at Hwy. 60, Lodi, WI 53555  
Saturday, August 6, 2011

No admission charge, no trophies,  
no judging, just a chance to visit with  
new & old friends.

If you have any questions, please call Ralph Cornell at (608) 592-5916 or (608) 669-2379.

## **SUNSHINE**

It is rumored that Ron Ohm is under the weather and therefore was unable to attend the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meet.



The Schneider's continue to recoup.

We hope to see all of them again real soon!

## **Bergstrom Car Show**

We still have a few weeks to get flyers out at some of the local car shows so if you are in need of some, please let me know and we can make arrangements to get them to you. Thank you! Tom Gawronski



**Tri Region Meet  
August 19-21, 2011**

Please contact Jamie Kilgas  
at 920-756-3361 no later  
than August 12<sup>th</sup>  
if you plan to join them.

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In light of 100 years of Chevrolet,  
we thought we would throw a little  
trivia your way.

1. Name 3 of the North American plant facilities in which GM A-Body vehicles were manufactured (there were a total of 6)
2. What year were GM-A Bodies allowed to employ more than 400 cubic inch engines?
3. What body style was the Chevrolet El Camino based on?
4. Was the 1970-72 Monte Carlo officially classified as an "A" Body?

Answers:

1. Fremont CA, Atlanta GA, Baltimore MD, Framingham MA, Kansas City, MO, Oshawa Canada
2. 1970
3. Chevelle Station Wagon
4. The Monte Carlo & Pontiac Grand Prix were both extended variants of the A-body

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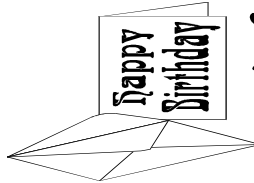
## WI Region VCCA Calendar of Events

August	13	Annual Picnic – Rotary Park	Menomonee Falls
August	19-21	Tri-Tour sponsored by the Packerland Region	Laona, WI
September	18	Bergstrom Classic Show	Milwaukee
October	16	Meeting	McKinley Lodge
November	20	Meeting / Nominations / Pizza	McKinley Lodge
December	11	Meeting / Christmas Party	McKinley Lodge



All indoor meetings are held at McKinley Lodge. McKinley Lodge is located less than one (1) mile north of Capitol Drive on Pilgrim Road. Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. typically on the third Sunday during the months of October, November, December, February, March and April.

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### Birthdays this Month



5<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Ohm                      7<sup>th</sup> Joan Kastenzholz

7<sup>th</sup> Mike Mudler                      26<sup>th</sup> John Horvath

The deadline for the September Bow Tie will be August 26<sup>th</sup>. Please send any information you have for this issue by then.

*Thank you  
...from your Bow Tie Editors*

### AUGUST 6 - 7

**MADISON CLASSICS  
SUMMER ELKHORN  
WALWORTH COUNTY  
FAIRGROUNDS**

### AUGUST 13

**WINGZ & WHEELZ  
CAR & PLANE SHOW  
\$10 ADVANCE**

[WWW.WINGZNWHEELZ.COM](http://WWW.WINGZNWHEELZ.COM)

4746 South Columbia Drive  
Janesville  
Hwy 51 between Janesville  
and Beloit.

### AUGUST 14

**WAUKESHA OLD CAR  
CLUB SHOW AT  
FRAME PARK  
8:00 AM – 3:30 PM  
\$10 PRE-REGISTRATION  
WWW.WAUKESHAOLDCAR  
CLUB.ORG**

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meet

The Meet has come and gone but will long be remembered. Some memories will be in pictures and others can be seen on the internet. Check out these websites for news casts, Flint's website and YouTube. Even if you were unable to attend, you are able to enjoy some of the show.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WkSJ6VWYeU8>

<http://www.abc12.com/video?clipId=6074534&topVideoCatNo=210517&autoStart=true>

(enter CHEVY in the box that states "enter search phrase"). There are several to look at.



[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H\\_15vRVUoyU&feature=related](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H_15vRVUoyU&feature=related)

<http://www.wnem.com/video?autoStart=true&topVideoCatNo=default&clipId=6078700>

Here are some facts with regards to the show:

- ☆ It was HOT! Temperatures were in the 90's for virtually the entire week.
- ☆ Over 500 collector vehicles
- ☆ 1625 people registered for the Meet
- ☆ Attendees were from 43 states and 7 countries (89 of the 340 international members from a total of 29 countries were in attendance)
- ☆ 17 Wisconsin Region families attended
- ☆ Awards went to...

Casperson's	1962 Impala	Jones'	1979 Malibu
Gawronski's	1967 Chevelle	Oberdorf's	1984 Monte Carlo
Hanson's	1934 Master	Romppainen's	1954 Bel Air Convertible

Many attended tours of the GM Heritage Center, GM Proving Grounds and the Truck Assembly Plant and parked on the Bricks of Saginaw Street, some of which were a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. We saw the Sloan and Buick museums, both of which had several Chevrolet vehicles and memorabilia.

With any show this size, there are bound to be some mishaps. We experienced some direction issues when we were on the plaque tour which resulted in us waving to several members as they traveled in the opposite direction. Several members experienced problems while getting to and getting back home.

- Sondra Ferguson had a wheel cover let loose while on the expressway and had to retrieve it from the cattails. You are a brave woman, Sondra!
- Zack Pearson experienced two flat tires, both on the same tire. (Yes, they were at two different times.)
- John Romppainen locked his keys in his car and, only after he had several members try their keys to no avail, they ultimately used a coat hanger to open it. To John's dismay after this all occurred, he remembered his wife had a spare key!
- Oberdorf's and Griepentrog's air conditioning in their vehicles stopped working. Vicki and Darlene were not happy.
- Oberdorf's headliner came down from the force of the wind from the open windows because their air conditioning was not working.
- Gawronski's power steering pump ran dry and it is suspected that their throw-out bearing will need to be replaced as the screeching could be heard by many.
- On the way home many members looked forward to taking the Lake Express Ferry only to find out that their voyage had been cancelled due to technical difficulties. Nobody enjoys driving through Chicago, especially in their vintage Chevy's!

It is hopeful that the conversations and friendships that were made while attending will be cherished and long remembered and the vehicle/trip issues will be quickly forgotten. We were sorry that the Ohm's and the Schneider's were unable to attend this event as it was not the same without them.