



Bow Tie

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Director's Notes

When I think of the things that memories are made of, the most recent that come to mind is our Fall Tour. I think that those of you who participated with us will agree that there was something for everyone. The weather was great and the colors were spectacular. Memories came flooding back for me since a good part of the trip was the same route I used to travel in my 1952 Chevy pickup "Old Red" up to my classroom in Fond du Lac daily.

I was pleased at our first indoor meeting for the season when three individuals accepted nominations to the Board of Directors. It still is not too late for any one of you to volunteer yourself and make this a good run-off-election.

The November meeting is our annual chili dump which is provided by your Board. You are invited to bring a dessert of your own choosing to share with everyone else. With the weather we've been having, chili sounds pretty good right now. Hope to see you all in November.

Your director,

John Horvath

Fall Tour



The Ohm's, Caspersen's, Swanson's, Horvath's Griepentrog's, Gawronski's, Dave Denmark and the Oliver's joined us for the Fall Tour. Stops at Widmer's Cheese Factory led to many members getting lower MPG for the rest of the trip due to the cheese weighing their vehicles down. This coupled with a stop at Joel's Candy Shop did not help matters much even though the sweets we bought weren't as heavy. The next stop was at an Indian Summer festival that was taking place. Several teepees, Indian and civil war type paraphernalia could be seen. This stop resulted in a lighter purchase, kettle corn, so it did not affect the mpg much. Our last stop, prior to getting dinner at Tommy and Di's, was at Ebert's Greenhouse which was all decked out for Halloween. Thank goodness we did not stop there first as I know we came home with at least 40 lbs. in pumpkins.

Thanks for those that put this tour together. We had a great time!

Nominations and Election

Every November we have the final meeting for nominations for the Board followed by, what we hope, is an election. We do have some members that have stepped forward for the next two years to help lead our Club. We would love to have a few more that would be interested in doing so. If you haven't been on the board before, give it a whirl. There are lots of members to lend support. If you have done it before but not for quite a while, throw your hat back in the ring.

Thanks

Thanks to the members that brought goodies for us to munch on after the October meeting. The treats were fabulous!



Christmas Stockings

Barb Hanson will be taking care of the Christmas stockings for the Chevy children next month. In order for us to ensure that Santa provides them with some lasting joy we need your help. If you plan to bring your children or grandchildren to visit with Santa this year, we ask that you contact Barb ahead of time so that she can plan to work with Santa to provide great gifts.

When calling Barb at 262-538-1927, please provide her with the following information:

CHILDS NAME
GIRL OR BOY
AGE

By doing so, we hope to make this a memorable event. Don't forget to bring your camera!

BOW TIE DEADLINE is November 25th.

Please send any information you have for this issue by then.

Thank you, your Bow Tie Editors

Possible By-Law Change

At the October meeting there was discussion with regards to obtaining members to run for the Board and how, at times, it is difficult to get commitment. One suggestion was to eliminate the Activities Chairperson position and fill it with a committee of non-board members. Gene Caspersen, Tom Gawronski and Bob Swanson were the first to volunteer. There is no limit to the number of volunteers so if you would like to get involved with planning tours and other activities for our Club, there is room for more. We plan to meet at noon prior to the November meeting.

Chili Dump and Dessert

During our November meeting, our Board will provide all the fixings for a chili dump for our members. In the past, this has been a very popular event as the chili has always been delicious.



So please join us on November 17th and don't eat breakfast the morning before the meeting so you have room for lots of chili!

If you would like to bring a dessert to top off the meal, please feel free to do so.

Membership Renewal Time

Don't forget, it is time to renew your membership so that you can enjoy all the benefits of belonging to the Wisconsin Region VCCA.

It is also important that you RENEW ON TIME. This makes things so much easier for our membership secretary.

PLEASE read the directions carefully and complete the renewal form as follows:

1. If there are no changes from last year's renewal, write "**No Changes**" on the form.
2. **GRAB YOUR MOST RECENT COPY of the Generator and Distributor magazine** (this is the magazine that comes from the National VCCA) and cut out or make a copy of the address label. The *date of expiration must show* that you are a current member which means the expiration date must show a date in the future.
3. Locate the box marked "**G & D mailing label here**" on the renewal form and attach the label you removed in step 2.
4. Please return
 - **the form**
 - **a check payable to the WI Region VCCA for \$25** to the address located at the bottom of the form

OR

Return the form and check to me at one of the indoor events prior to December 31st.

Sondra

A few words of wisdom

- ☞ Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and parents will. Stay in touch.
- ☞ Make peace with your past so it won't mess up the present.



Interesting Turkey Day Facts:

The first Thanksgiving was celebrated way back in 1621.

It wasn't until 1941 that Congress made it an official national holiday.

Sarah Josepha Hale, an enormously influential magazine editor, waged a tireless campaign to make Thanksgiving a national holiday (she also authored the classic nursery rhyme "Mary Had a Little Lamb").

Cranberry is one of only three fruits entirely native to North America. Blueberry and the Concord grape are the other two.

Largest pumpkin pie ever baked weighed 2,020 pounds and measured just over 12 feet long. It had 900 pounds of pumpkin, 62 gallons of evaporated milk, 155 dozen eggs, 200 pounds of sugar, 3½ pounds of salt, 7 pounds of cinnamon, 2 pounds of pumpkin spice and 250 pounds of crust.

Macy's parade started in 1924 and the Snoopy balloon has appeared more than any other.

The Detroit Lions played football on Thanksgiving in 1934 in front of 26,000 fans and broadcast on 94 radio stations. They have played every Thanksgiving since except for the years from 1939 through 1944. 1956 was the first year the game was broadcast on television.



WI Region VCCA Calendar of Events

November	17	Meeting and Elections & Chili Dump	McKinley Lodge
December	8	Christmas Party	McKinley Lodge
January	18	Annual Banquet – Venice Club	Brookfield

Rumor has it that some of our members will be impersonating the Righteous Brothers at our Annual Banquet. We are not sure of any truth to this but we are told that there will be entertainment. Please be sure to check your December Bow Tie for more information.



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 October, November, December, February, March and April.

November Birthdays

2nd Bob Hensel

8th Gene Schneider

11th Bob Swanson

22nd Verne Holoubek

28th Phil Trimmerger



25th Jane Caspersen

30th Steve Lemminger

Thank you

Thank you to all the members that sent cards or expressed their condolences in person after hearing of the passing of my dad. Your thoughts and prayers were much appreciated.

The Gawronski's

At the October meeting a question came up as to what year the Nomad ended production. There were several members throwing years out when Gene Schneider stated that the Chevelle had a model called the Nomad. Wikipedia states “Between 1968 and 1972 the names Nomad and Nomad Custom were applied to the lowest-priced Chevelle four-door station wagon model, below the Chevelle Greenbrier, Chevelle Concourse, Chevelle Concourse Estate.” It goes on to say the 1976 Chevy Vega wagon had a Nomad package. They were assembled with unique side window trim and filler panels, tailgate rub strips, vinyl Nomad script identification. Then there was the Chevy Van Nomad. This came in the late 1970s and early 1980s with a trim package for the full size van. It featured five-passenger seating with swiveling captain seats up front, a bench in the middle, and a spacious cargo area in the rear with no quarter windows. It could be had with plaid upholstery and two-tone paint.

So the next time someone says Nomad, ask Chevelle, Vega or Van.