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## THE DIRECTOR'S HEADLIGHT

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### July 2024



Incredible! Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual driving tour and Holden Cruise was again a great gathering of folks and cars. We even had three members and one guest that have never before joined us for this event. If we could get everybody at one event we would blow people away in downtown Holden. Thanks to all that made the trip to our house this year.

A small committee visited a couple of area hotels in search of a 2025 Heartland Regional event space. We believe we can make things happen at the Hilton Garden Inn on Jackson Drive in Independence. Waiting for a contract to be read before anything is signed. I will have more to share at our July meeting. At the June meeting we voted on a June 6 – 8, 2025 time frame. That is a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The car show will be one Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Put this date on your calendar!

I have asked Nikki to work on possible Heartland Regional logos so we can vote on a favorite. We have less than a year to plan, but we can do this.

Our July 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. at Brewbaker's in Belton, MO. This is the same location as our March meeting.



We are heading to the BCA National Meet on July 10<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> and will report back at the July meeting. I have my last Board of Directors' meeting on Friday morning, judging on Saturday morning, plus other activities. I will be ready to come home and rest!

We hope to see you on July 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Brewbaker's!

For the love of Buicks,

*Ricky*

## MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

July	August	September
<p>8<sup>th</sup> – Pam Pirch's BD            17<sup>th</sup> – Kim Short's BD            24<sup>th</sup> – Kathy Littleton's BD</p> 	<p>1<sup>st</sup> – Steven Davis's BD            16<sup>th</sup> – Jeff &amp; Kathy Littleton's anniv.            16<sup>th</sup> – Dave &amp; Dana Madden's anniv.            20<sup>th</sup> – Bob Speiser's BD            28<sup>th</sup> – Stephanie Mellott's BD            29<sup>th</sup> – Joe &amp; Stephanie Mellott's anniv.            30<sup>th</sup> – Steve Smock's BD</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – Marla Eschbacher's BD            10<sup>th</sup> – Tracey Davis's BD            11<sup>th</sup> – Sharon Smock's BD            11<sup>th</sup> – JW Bullock's BD            22<sup>nd</sup> – Kevin Dvorak's BD            25<sup>th</sup> – Roy Everage's BD</p> 

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## Mid-America Chapter Buick Club Meeting Minutes June 7, 2024



The Mid-America Chapter met on the afternoon of June 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:45 p.m. at the home of Ricky & Pam Pirch after taking a driving tour through the country. There were 16 members and two guests present.

### Member news:

- Guests were Shelbi Slater and Keith Marsee ('99 Century).
- New member Patrick Foss attended. Patrick owns a White 1958 Buick Century. Ricky presented him with a Buick mug.
- New members Doug and Kim Short drove their 2001 Corvette. Ricky will get a mug to them.
- We were surprised by Mark Macoubrie driving his 1970 GSX Stage 1. Mark retired on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Secretary notes:

Minutes were in the previous newsletter so Pam did not read them.

### Treasury report:

- No formal treasurer's report given by Don Allen.
- Don did point out that the cost of selling mugs individually and mailing is ridiculous.
- Steve Flick paid his dues.
- Treasury increased by \$14 since the last report in March.

### News:

Activities: Turbo Bob

- Appleton City Car Show is July 13<sup>th</sup>
- Chillicothe, MO is July 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>
- WWI Museum Show is July 14<sup>th</sup>

### Other News:

- Regional meet discussion
  1. Steve Smock talked to a hotel in KS.
  2. Ricky visited The Courtyard by Marriott in Blue Springs but they didn't seem to want to work with us.
  3. Elks Lodge in Blue Springs was mentioned.
  4. Drury Inn off of Little Blue Parkway in Independence – not enough parking lot space.
- Committee volunteers are Marla, Don Allen, Bob T., Steve S. & Laura.
- The group voted to have the meet the first week in June 2025.
- Mary Ann needs members to donate car t-shirts to make the t-shirt quilt for the raffle!!
- The Heartland Region wants people to bring Buick items to the National swap meet to raise money for the Heartland Regional.

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm and the group headed to Holden for Cruise Night.

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DRIVING TOUR

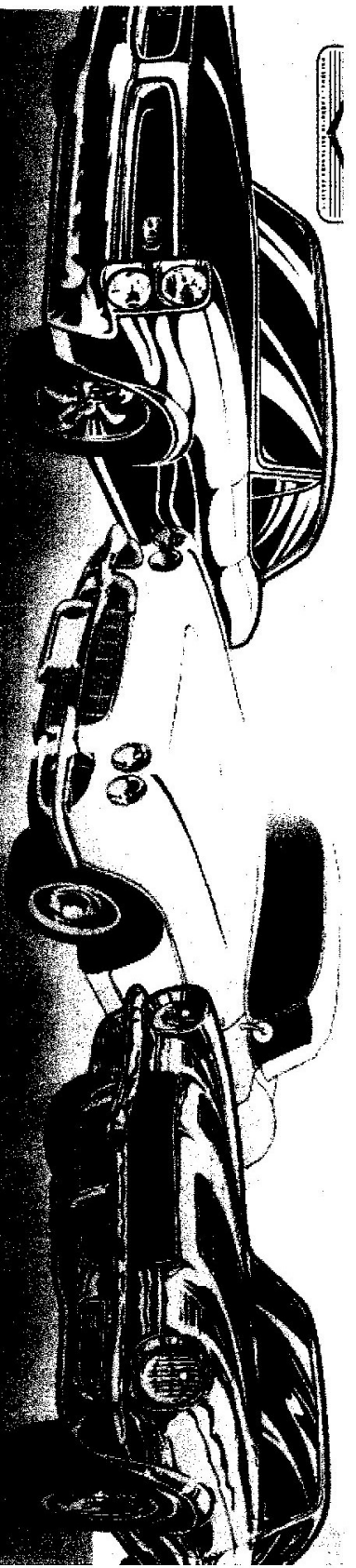
Photos by Pam Pirch



# HOLDEN CRUISE NIGHT

Photos by Laura Bullock & Kim Short





CLASSIC CARS BY MONTROSE CLASSICS

SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2024

# 4TH ALL GM & CHEVROLET SHOW

Proceeds to Children's Mercy Hospitals

**EARLY CAR ENTRY FEE: \$25 .... DAY OF EVENT FEE: \$35**

(RAIN OR SHINE)

**SWAP MEET SPACES 45 X 30: \$50**

(3 STANDARD PARKING SPACES)

**GENERAL ADMISSION FOR CAR SHOW AND SWAP MEET: \$5**

Proceeds to Children's Mercy Hospitals

VEHICLE OWNER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

GM MAKE \_\_\_\_\_

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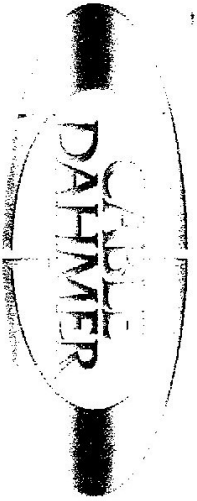
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Submit Payment to:

Kansas City Chapter NCRS - % Jim Curtis  
4328 Hideaway Drive, Lee's Summit, MO 64064

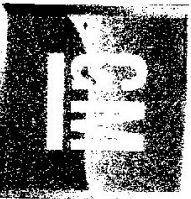
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JimCurtis52@gmail.com



CHEVROLET

Performance



Proceeds to Children's Mercy Hospitals

# “BUILT TO PERFORM”

Sponsored by Lone Jack Booster Club

**All proceeds benefit the Lone Jack C-6 Athletics**

Open car, truck and motorcycle show: All are welcome



**Sunday, August 11, 2024**

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

(Registration & breakfast begins at 8:30 am)

**Lone Jack High School – Back Lot**

313 S. Bynum Road: Lone Jack, MO 64070

Pre-Registration: \$15.00 per vehicle by July 15, 2024

After July 15, 2024: \$20.00

Rain or Shine event: No Refunds

**FOOD: MUSIC: DOOR PRIZES ALL DAY: 50/50 POT: CRAFT BOOTHS**

“Top 25 Favorites” - “Athletes Choice Award” – “Gary Mike Taylor Memorial Award”

Welcome gift for first 30 entrants – Dash Plaques – and More Awards

**NO BURN OUTS PLEASE**

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First and Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Year, Make, Model of Vehicle \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Checks Payable to: Lone Jack Booster Club: P.O. Box 313: Lone Jack, MO 64070**

**Contact Becky Wilson at 816-806-0636 with any questions, donations, or sponsorships**

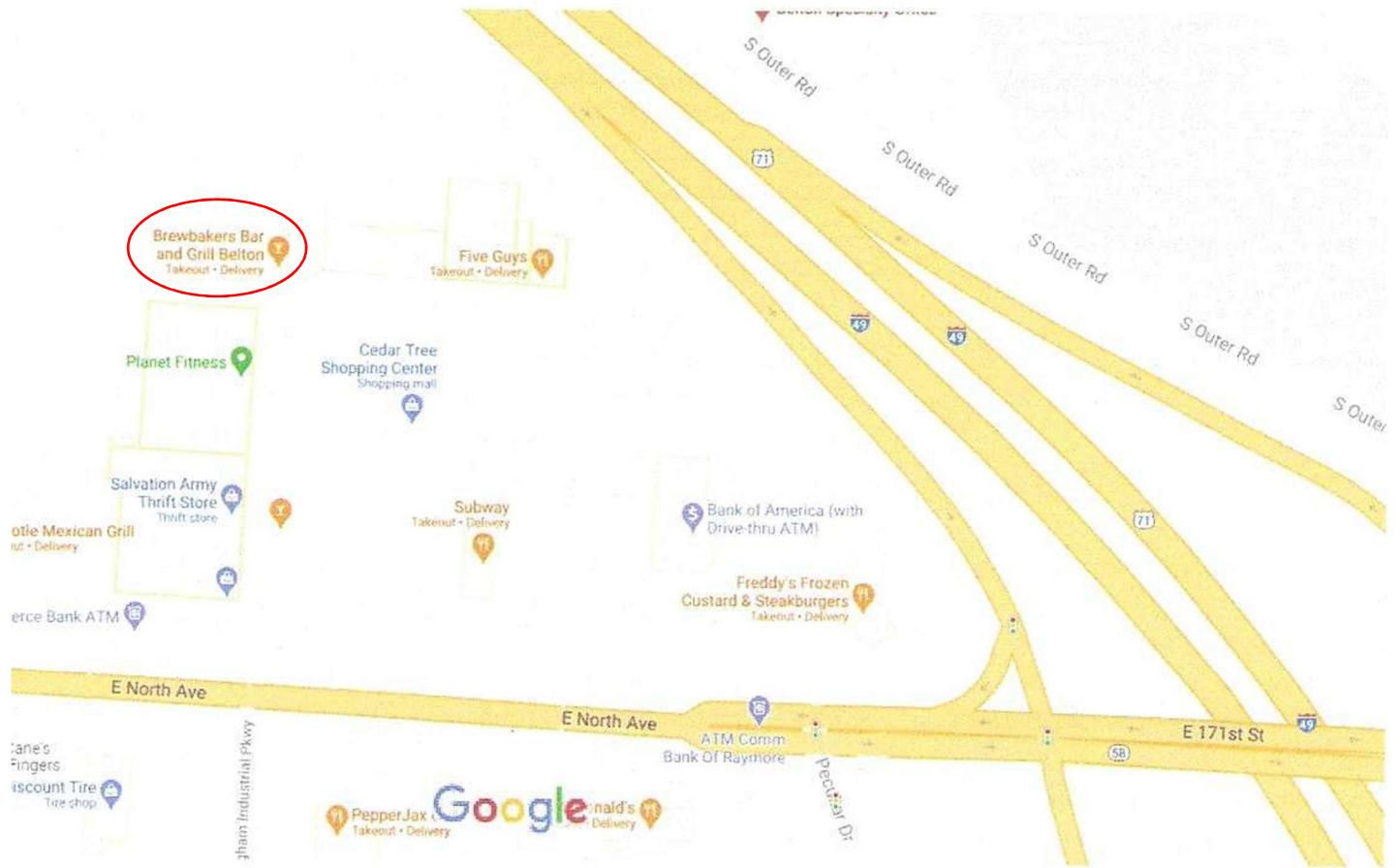
To participate in this event, I hereby release and discharge the organizer, committee members, Lone Jack C-6 school district, and all people connected with the management or involvement of this event from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses or claims to my vehicle, its occupants and myself and assume full responsibility for any risk and personal injury or property damage relating to this event. I give Lone Jack Booster Club authorization to photograph my vehicle and keep all photos to use without compensation.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\$15.00 by July 15, 2024: \$20.00 after July 15, 2024: Rain or Shine: No Refunds**



## DIRECTIONS TO OUR JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> MEETING



**Brewbaker's Bar and Grill** is located in the Cedar Tree Shopping Center.

The address is 140 Cedar Tree Square, Belton, MO 64012

Exit off I-49 south at 171<sup>st</sup> Street.

Turn right at the top of the ramp onto E. 171<sup>st</sup> St/58 HWY/E North Ave.

At the first stop light, turn right onto Powell Parkway.

Turn left on Cunningham Industrial Parkway into the Cedar Tree Shopping Center.

Your destination will be on the right side in the corner of the shopping center.

We hope you will join us on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 p.m.