

Capital Carriages Car Club

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Helena Chapter of the Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club, Inc.

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Capital Carriages Calendar:

Club Events: Car Runs:

November 14th (Tuesday – Applebees 1:00 PM)

November 21st (Tuesday – Smith's East Helena 1:00 PM)

General Meeting:

November 12th (Sunday) – Family Roots 12:30 PM

Other Events:

None for November

As stated in the last newsletter, September was dues month. These are not officially overdue until December first but we need to receive them in time to remit the state club's share prior to that date. The state club is continuing with the \$30 per single, or couple, rate so we will have one rate of \$39 for the year. We are not asking members that have already sent a payment at a lower rate to send in an additional payment. If you have not already paid, the dues should be mailed to Capital Carriages, Sharon Burrows treasurer at 19 S Benton Ave 59601, questions call her at 442-4845. On a related subject the state club would like each member to complete a roster update on the form included in the Times as the last page. They will use this information to create a new, updated, roster for the club. These can be provided to Sharon, either at the next meeting, or mailed to her address.

I was given the task of finding a new location for our next meeting. As you can see from the above calendar I have not been successful. The other restaurants I contacted were not willing to let us reserve a large table in an exclusive area suitable for a meeting. They are too busy at that time on Sundays and at least one closes from 2:00 to 4:00 like Family Roots so they don't want a large group running against their close. We need to discuss this further at our November meeting. It won't be a big problem until we restart our meetings in early March but we need to address it now.

I attended the Helena Oktoberfest car show. Fortunately, the weather cooperated with a beautiful day. I enjoyed the many original cars and pickups at the show along with the hot rods. I actually ran into (neither of

us are injured) a high school classmate for the first time since graduation. He, a very talented automobile restorer, attends almost all of the car shows with a car or two on display, but we have both changed so much neither one of us recognized the other. His first question was “what happened to the red hair?” (something I have heard once or twice). This was followed by “I would never have recognized you”. I responded by what “happened to your very blonde hair?”. Apparently, I never recognized him either since I have seen him many times without doing so. We only met because he was talking to a fellow classmate that I did recognize.

Both of our car runs were fun last month. We did have an issue with Chubbies because they do not serve food until 5:00 PM on Tuesdays. Drinks were available from the bar so we sat and visited until they served food. They do start earlier on the weekends. Unfortunately, at least one member arrived at 4:00, not noting that the time was moved to 4:30 in the last newsletter, and did not wait for the rest of us to arrive. We will have our Christmas party/meeting in December. I am still working on a location.

One pickup collector displayed his collection of old trucks at the Helena Octoberfest. I thought these were pretty cool so they are included with this month’s newsletter.



I personally don't know how he drove them all there by himself that morning but sure enjoyed seeing them!

See you at the next meeting!