

January 19th, 2008 Holiday Dinner and Meeting

A marathon meeting was held (2 3/4 hours) and notes will be issued soon. Important issues to pay attention to in the next newsletter.

November 17, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Attending: Roy & Lori Bauler & Elizabeth, Jerry Covington, Dale Gilmour, Jeff & Roxy Grady, Denny Johnson, Alvy & Denise Kennedy, Dave & Ilene Loutsch, Bill McDowell, Loren & Cheryl Peterson, Denny Posckany and Dan Tucker.

~Mini-Nats: Jeff reported June 6 & 7th (Fri & Sat) are the dates for the Mini-Nats we are hosting in 2008

(Power Tour will be in Ames on Wednesday 6/11/08) and he will work on the contact with The Marriott. After much discussion, it was voted to not provide a dinner on Friday night; instead the club will provide a map of surrounding eating establishments with encouragement to attend one of those for dinner. A raffle will take place on Friday evening. Saturday would be dedicated to judging until noon and awards in early afternoon. Everyone is encouraged to start as soon as possible to collect door prizes so we have a lot and a wide variety. Keep this event in mind when you encounter holiday specials. Thank you, Jim and Cheryl Utrecht for your generous contribution to assist with door prizes!! Denny J has 2 huge coolers for water that we can utilize. Roy & Lori will talk to a close relative (works at Sam's) to see what they could possibly donate. Please update the club (with any donations or possible donations) at future meetings. Jeff will contact Al W. about a trophy for the chapter pick.

~Calendars: Bill and Jeff have put in a lot of effort and hours into this project. They passed around the results of their work...and it looked great!! It is a nice wire bound calendar with great pictures of club members' Novas. There are 2-3 club cars displayed for each month. We discussed listing car shows, cruises, events and chapter meetings to assist you with planning. The cost will be around \$12.00. Be sure to order your calendar today by contacting either Bill or Jeff... or you could go to the website and click on "contact us". Order your calendars today (before Dec 8) and let us know how many you want and if you want to pick it up at the January meeting or have it mailed to you.

~Chapter Meeting Dates: January 19, March 15, May 17, May 31 (parking lot of The Marriott), August 9, September 20 and November 15, 2008.

~Nova 2008 Cruise: Roy and Lori are planning a cruise on August 23 & 24 for only 15 Novas...contact Roy to get your name on the list and for more tentative information.

~**Business Cards:** We have less than 100...cost to re-order 500 are \$69.95, 250 are \$59.95. It was decided to order more so several people could continue handing them out to interested people.

~**Website:** We have a counter on the website to determine number of "hits" and there were over 300 in October. With this in mind, please submit pictures/updates of your Nova project. Kevin has more pictures to post; Bill has new capabilities to add verbiage. The membership form will be added for new members to complete and submit with their membership.

~**Chapter merchandise:** Koozies and Clings are given to new members. It was decided to sell left-over previous event shirts for \$5.00, extra koozies for \$2.00 and \$1.00 for clings.

~**Holiday Party:** The Brick Haus (basement) in Amana is reserved for Saturday, January 19th at 4:00 for our meeting and election. It would be nice to see as many members as possible for this event. **RSVP to Ilene or the website (under Contact Us) by January 12, 2008.** Your \$10.00 yearly membership can be paid at this meeting. If you want to see a change in the chapter or newsletter, now would be your yearly opportunity to make that change!!

~**Tidbits:**

-Enjoyed the article in the September and October Nova Times about the "Jungle Jim" Nova.

-The suggestion was made to make an effort to have group pictures taken during club events to post on the website to display the variety of functions we participate in, the fun we have and also to possibly use for 2009 calendar.

-Roy and Lori provided highlights from the SEMA event they attended in Las Vegas the end of October.

~**Next meeting:** Saturday, January 19, 2008 at The Brick Haus Restaurant (basement) located at 728 47th Ave in Amana (1-800-622-3471) at 4:00. There are several German shops to wander and shop in prior to the meeting at 4:00.

Membership Reasons to Celebrate

Happy Birthday to Loren Peterson on November 23, Karen and Ryan Wheeler on November 25, Cheryl Utrecht on December 6, Ed Trenkamp on December 15, Dennis Eudaley on December 22, Ilene Loutsch on December 28, Brenda Elsamiller on January 11 and Steve Gogel on January 14.

Happy Anniversary to Dennis and Donna Eudaley on December 26.