

# Rebels Auto Club driven to give back

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Rebels Auto Club president

In the fall of 1955, 30 young men gathered to

form an auto club which they named the Rebels of Lincoln. Today the Rebels Auto Club is one of the largest car clubs in Lincoln, with over 150 members.

In April 1960, the Rebels received national recognition in *Hot Rod Magazine* by being featured as the "Club of the Month."

Today the Rebels Auto Club is still going strong. They held their 14th annual car show in Pioneers Park in June with over 130 cars participating. Members attend nearly all the local car shows and Good Guys

and Good Guys car shows in Des Moines and Kansas City. They have been involved in raising

money by volunteering for the Rocky Maginelli Swap Meet, the National SOLO and SCCA Cone Races.

The Rebels still give back to the community. Last month, the club gave \$500 each to the Food Bank of Lincoln, People's City Mission, Clinic with a Heart and \$200 to the Southeast Nebraska Cancer Center.

The Rebels put together packages for our troops several times a year and each year give \$500 scholarships to Southeast Community College students at the Milford and Lincoln campuses. Scholarships are generally given to students in the Automotive and Auto Body Technology programs. This year the Rebels



**Rebels Auto Club, represented by Club President Cary Peterson, presented \$500 donations to Clinic with a Heart Executive Director Teresa Harms and Food Bank of Lincoln Executive Director Scott Young. The club will celebrate Grandparents day on Sunday in Pioneers Park by giving rides in member's cars. COURTESY PHOTOS**

will be able to offer four scholarships - two each to the Lincoln and Milford campuses.

This is a great time to be a part of the Rebels organization. One of the main reasons that drew me to the club was their "giving" nature. We hope to be able to continue his tradition every year. Another advantage is the networking of its members. With our experience, we will help you find parts, cars and technical help.

The Rebels new website [www.rebelsautoclub.com](http://www.rebelsautoclub.com) was developed by Gary Willey, a club member. It includes all the club events, car club photos, club newsletter, a classified ad section and a club membership application form.

The Rebels Auto Club is open to owners of all cars and trucks of any year, including people who just love cars. Check us out online.