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LONE STAR XXIII CLASSIC CHEVY CONVENTION

MAY 13-15, VICTORIA, TX

This is the 23rd Annual version of this great event that is hosted by a Texas Classic Chevy Club each year. This year, the Classic Chevy Club of Victoria has stepped up to host this year's version of this annual event. There will be car show judging with classes for all '55-'57 Chevy cars, trucks and vettes. Classes include Original, Restored, and Modified for each year. Other awards will include Best Paint, Best Interior, Best Engine and Best of Show. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places for each class. There will also be classes for other makes and models for the local cars in attendance. Friday evening there will be free hot dogs, burgers and drinks. The host hotel is the Holiday Inn and the room rate is \$57, police protection in the parking lot will be provided Friday and Saturday nights. Free Plate Lunch on Saturday! This should be a great event and if you are interested in making the trip as a group on Friday, watch the club chat board on the website for details of what, when and where. Driving as a group is a lot of fun and should you run into mechanical problems, help is available. REMEMBER - DACC is the host for Lone Star XXIV next year!

LONE STAR XXIII FAST FACTS

- * HOTEL INFO - Holiday Inn - 2700 Houston Hwy, Victoria 361-575-0251, \$57 room rate (ask for code # 3CCCV)
- * Cars must be entered and classified before 10AM Saturday, Judging will start at approximately 10AM
- * Awards will be presented at 5PM Saturday
- * Need more info - contact Frank Garcia - 361-578-9749



May 20-22

at the

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MOTORPLEX

CAR SHOW, VENDORS, DRAG RACING
- it's all CHEVY and it's ALL WEEKEND!!

MORE INFO AT

www.superchevyshow.com

DACC DYNO CHALLENGE
June 11th, Saturday - 3 Pulls for \$35
Awards for BEST and WORST

More details next month

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May's Spring Cruise to Dublin

The Dallas Area Classic Chevys had a great spring day on May 1st to enjoy as we took to the highway and headed to Dublin, Texas for our Spring Cruise. We had 9 Classic Chevys make the trip to the only Dr Pepper Bottler that makes DP with pure cane sugar and we also took in a tour of the bottling plant and witnessed how they use bottling equipment that dates back over 50 years in some instances. Photos on the web site, be sure and check them out! We will have a summer cruise in July to Lake Texoma to meet with the Ok City Classic Chevy Club so please plan to attend. Half the fun is driving with the group to get there and back!



April's Muscle Car Club Drags

Be sure to check out the action from race #2 of the Texas Muscle Car Club drags on the club website. DACC's first appearance had 6 cars at the event at the Motorplex in Ennis. A little drizzle in the morning did not slow the action down for long as the sun appeared and the racing got underway. Races in June at Thunder Valley in Noble, OK and Denton Dragway are next on the schedule. This is a great series and well organized so plan to attend one of the upcoming races and represent the club! Just tell them your with the Dallas Area Classic Chevys (class code for our club is DC)

WELCOME TO DACC

The newest members to join the club are

#697

Rodney Nevils
PO Box 380572
Duncanville, TX 75138
'56 Corvette race car

#698

Lee and Carol Zak
1305 Chesapeake Dr
Plano, TX 75093
'57 Bel Air Hardtop

#699

Robert and Sandra Baker
5413 Jefferson
Sachse, TX 75048
'57 150 sedan

#700

Robert and Karla Mather
PO Box 428
Bedford, TX 76095
'57 Bel Air sedan

#701

James and Trish Sparrow
1624 Lantern Trail
Frisco, TX 75034
'56 Bel Air hardtop

#702

Sonny and Nancy Poteet
4734 Cornoustie
Pasadena, TX 77505
'55 Bel Air hardtop

#703

Brad and Penny Denney
1221 Winston Drive
Lewisville, TX 75077
'57 Bel Air hardtop

#704

Robert and Sharon Smolik
9617 Prestmont Pl
Frisco, TX 75035
'57 Bel Air hardtop

#705

Joe and Cheryl Moore
7204 Duffield Dr
Dallas, TX 75248
'56 Sedan Delivery



DACC

Member's Pride

Lewis and Susan Reynolds

1955 210 2dr Sedan

Coppell, Texas



From my early days in high school, I have always been infatuated with cars. It seems I have always been pursuing that dream car that I could transform into a truly unique vehicle. After many years of raising kids and sending them through various colleges, I decided to indulge in the



collector car hobby.

About 5 years ago I started the search. Chevy was the goal and I looked at many Camaros, Chevelles, Corvettes and older Classics. I have always loved the '55 Chevy, so I decided that I would narrow my search to that. Three years ago I was attending a Super Chevy Show in Ennis and saw a '55 for sale in the Car Corral.

After a few months of going back and forth on price, I purchased the '55 Chevy that I now drive!

I purchased the car from a broker, so I took his word for what the car had been through. It's not perfect, but it sure is fun to drive and show. It has had a frame off restoration, a 350 crate motor that is bored with a mild cam, holley 4 barrel, headers, Turbo 350 tranny with a shift kit and a B&M shifter. All of this goes



through a Ford 9" rear end with 4:11 gears.

I have had the car for 3 years and continue to add to the unfinished restoration while still driving the car as often as I can.

I have to thank my wife for allowing me to be a 'car nut' and keeping this Classic Chevy alive!



Look for more photos of this month's feature car on our website. Click on the Feature Cars link to see this and past feature cars



55 Chevy 50th Anniversary SPOTLIGHT

1955 was a memorable year for those who love the '55 Chevy, but did you know that the following events took place in 1955.....

1/12/55 - Kristie Alley (actress) born ...

1/14/55 - in New York City the first Rock n Roll concert is produced by Alan Freed..

1/18/55 - Kevin Costner (actor) born ...

1/19/55 - The Scrabble board game debuts...

3/5/55 - Elvis Presley makes his first TV appearance on the 'Louisiana Hayride' ...

3/19/55 - Bruce Willis (actor) born ...

3/28/55 - Reba McEntire (singer) born...

4/15/55 - Ray Kroc started McDonalds food chain...

4/18/55 - Albert Einstein (german physicist) dies ...



6/11/55 - On the Le Mans racetrack, three cars crash into the spectator's grandstand - 70 dead, over 100 injured...

7/2/55 - Lawrence Welk debuted his show that ran until 1982

7/9/55 - Bill Haley and the Coments 'Rock Around The Clock' becomes the first Rock N Roll single to reach number one on the charts...

7/17/55 - Disneyland opens in Anaheim, CA...

8/4/55 - Billy Bob Thornton (actor) born...

8/27/55 - The first edition of the Guinness Book of Records is released...

9/3/55 - 'Yellow Rose of Texas' by Mitch Miller starts the first of five weeks at Number 1 on the charts...

9/30/55 - James Dean is killed in an automobile accident near Pasa Robles, California

10/28/55 - Bill Gates (Microsoft CEO) born ...

10/30/55 - Tim Flock wins the NASCAR championship at the Orange Speedway in Hillsboro, NC. Flock finished the season ahead of second place Buck Baker and third place Lee Petty

11/4/55 - Cy Young (baseball) dies...

11/20/55 - Calvin Rice won the first NHRA National Championship Drag Races in Arizona after the finals were rained out on Labor Day in Great Bend, Kansas

12/1/55 - Rosa Parks arrested for not giving up her seat on city bus in Alabama...

12/31/55 - General Motors becomes the first American corporation to make sales of over one billions dollars in a year...



Chevrolet's red-hot hill-flatteners!



DALLAS AREA CLASSIC CHEVYS 2005 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February 11-13 * Dallas Autorama, Market Hall - Dallas, TX

March 4-6 * Ft Worth Rod and Custom Show, Will Rogers Complex, Ft Worth, TX

March 12 Saturday 2PM * DACC Membership Meeting, 1st Quarter Meeting and 55-57 Chevy Show at Reliable Chevrolet, Richardson, TX

April 10 Sunday * DACC Drag Racing, Tx Muscle Car Club Challenge, Texas Motorplex, Ennis, TX -more info at www.tmccc.org

May 1 Sunday * DACC Spring Cruise, Dr Pepper Tour, Dublin, TX

May 13-15 * Lone Star XXIV Classic Chevy Convention, Victoria, TX

June 11 Saturday * 11AM - DACC Dyno Challenge and 2nd Quarter Meeting, Speedtek, Hwy 121 @ Carson in Haltom City, TX

July 10 Sunday * DACC Summer Cruise, Pelican's Landing at Lake Texoma, meet with the Ok City Classic Chevy Club

August 20 Saturday * DACC Show Event, Christian Classic Cruisers, Haltom City, TX

September 17 Saturday * DACC 3rd Quarter Meeting and Classic Chevy Show, Reliable Chevrolet, Richardson

October 8 Saturday Night * DACC Drive In Movie Night, Brazos Drive In, Granbury, TX

October 21-23 Fri-Sun * 12th Classic Chevy Fall Foliage Tour, Wagoner, OK hosted by CCC of Okla

November 13 Sunday * DACC 4th Quarter Meeting and Annual Elections, TBD

December 11 Saturday Night * DACC Christmas Party, Dean and Audrey Schmidt's home in Plano

Make sure we have your email address!

So that each week you will receive the DACC email that details the weekends local car shows, swap meets and last minute news about our club. With so many local parking lot car shows each weekend, it's hard to decide which or where to go. Please use the chat board on the website to post where you are going and maybe some of your fellow DACC members will attend the show with you! Special thanks to *John Rush Photography* and *Sharkey Nelson's Lost in the 50's Limo Service* for their support of this weekly email!

DACC Membership Dues...

DUES are coming up for renewal for many members over the next several months.... Please pay you dues promptly so that we may continue to have this great organization for our Chevys! Remember the dues are \$25 per year and payment should be sent to the club PO Box. Your continued support is appreciated! If your not sure of when your dues are up, simply look at your mailing label for the newsletter and in the top right corner is the month and year your membership is to expire. We don't want to lose you as a member so please pay up promptly!

Texas Muscle Car Club Challenge Drag Racing Series

Race #5

June 5th at Thunder Valley Raceway
in Noble, OK (1/4 mile)

Race #6

June 26th at Denton Dragway
in Denton, TX (1/8 mile)

More info at www.TMCCC.org

Members can run in these events representing DACC so make plans to attend! Our Club designation is DC.
SPECIAL NOTE : DACC will have a special TEST N TUNE night at Denton's 1/8 mile track on Friday night June 17th! This will allow DACC members to run their cars for \$15 to get ready for the June 26th TMCCC event at Denton Dragway!





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