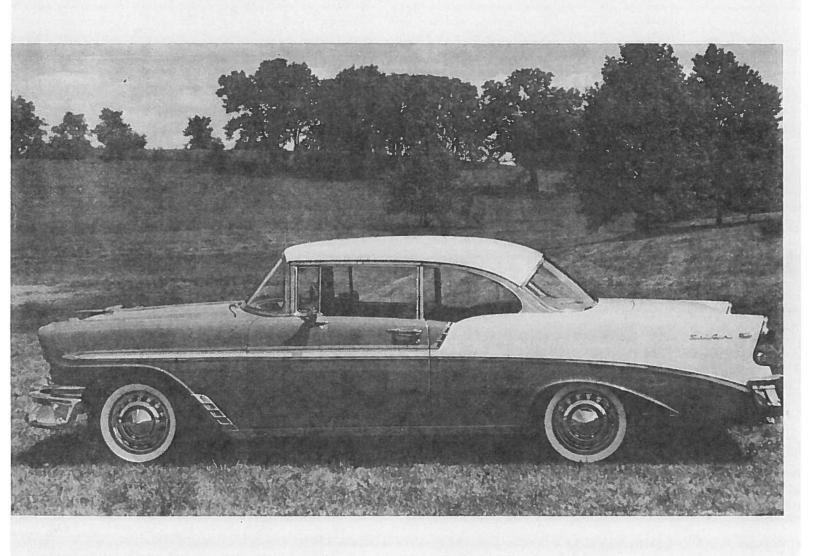
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Member's Comments - Please feel free to write to the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB about anything you think will benefit the club and its members. Address all such correspondence to Attention: Member's Comments.

Articles - Please feel free to send in any articles of the feature or technical category. Articles may be revised by the officers.

Pictures - We invite you to send in photos of your car for the cover car section. Also, please send in resume. We would also like for our files a picture of each member's car for the Member's car section. Please keep a copy of your photo as pictures cannot be returned.

Local Chapter News - We invite the local chapters of the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB to send in articles and/or photos of the events of your club.

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Operating Budget - The CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB DOES NOT PAY its officers salaries or hourly wage earnings at this time. This may become necessary later and we will let each member know if this is required to keep our club going. All money received goes directly into operating the club.

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LOCAL CHAPTERS

Let us say at the beginning of this article, that it is our goal here at CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB headquarters, to have everyone who wants to, to be able to join a local chapter in their area. This can be a reality real soon if we all work together on this fantastic project.

What the Club can do:

- The CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB will send out all the names, addresses and phone numbers of members in a certain city or area, upon the request of a member who wants to start a local chapter in that city or area.
- When the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB officers feel that there are enough members in a certain city or area to start a local chapter, we will publish the name of the area along with the number of members that live in that area -in the hopes that some member will start a local chapter.
- 3. We will write personal letters to members in a certain locale, asking them to start a local chapter because of the interest in that area.

What you, the member can do:

- 1. Use the cherry colored advance membership sheet to reach those owners that you can't talk to in person. You'll receive credit if they join and your area will have another member to count on when the local chapter is organized.
- 2. Use the golden-rod colored advance membership sheet to reach those owners that you are able to talk to in person. Sign them up, and your area will have another member to join the local chapter when it starts.

It is almost impossible to form a local chapter with only 1 or 2 members in your city or area. This is the case now since the club is not even 2 months old yet! But, DON'T DISMAY. With the club and members working together to find more Classic Chevy owners, we are positive that our goal of an opportunity for every member to join a local chapter will become a reality real soon.

We do ask that all local chapter members are regular members of the main CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB, for the continued growth and success of everyone.

(please read the article "Advertise Locally" for another fantastic idea to help your area establish a local chapter)

YOU CAN ADVERTISE LOCALLY!!

Because not everyone reads Hot Rod Magazine or spotted our advertisements, the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB would like to try this experiment which we think will be a great success. We would like you. the member, to run an ad about our club in the largest local newspaper in your area. Mention such things as convention, monthly magazine, parts and local chapter starting soon. Give you phone number and when '55-'56-'57 Chevy owners call, talk them into joining by giving them the complete details of our club. Talk to them in person if you can.

Tell them to send their name, address and check (made out to Doug Moorhead, CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB -- marked "for deposit only" on back) TO YOU! When you are sure you have all the results, send the names, addresses, checks, a clipping of the ad, and a copy of the bill to us at headquarters. Be sure to include your name and number and we will be sure you receive proper credit for getting them to join. AND, we will pay for the ad in this manner if 5 new members join, we will pay you \$5.00 of the ad price; and if 6 new members join we will pay you \$6.00 of the ad price, 7=\$7, 8=\$8, up to the total cost of the ad. In addition to this you will still receive a year's free membership for every 5 new members you help to sign up, YOU win both ways. Even if you only get 1-4 new members to join, and don't get your ad partially or completely paid for, you will be well on your way to earning your next year's membership free -- which is worth \$10 to you.

EXAMPLE AD: 1955,56,57 Chevy Club starting Nationally. Convention, monthly magazine , parts, local chapter in this area soon. Call 863-1263

> Cost: Sunday only \$8.68 Results: 6 new members; (we pay you \$6 plus you receive a years free membership!

(if the results were 0-4 new members, no money is sent, but you only need 5 total new members to get your \$10 next year's membership free!)

Thanks for investing time and money in your CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB.

MEMBER'S INVOLVED

The CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB is happy to present to you William W. Welman. The story that follows comes from the pen of Bill Welman.



Dear Fellow Members,

I recently have become a member, as many of you have, of the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB. I'm sure all of us share with great respect the honor of owning such a classic Chevrolet of the three years '55-'56-'57, no matter what model we may own. The CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB is exclusive in the fact that there has never been a national club such as this organized previously. We wish the very best to the staff of the club in the success of this newly formed auto club.

I have been a Chevrolet owner for a number of years beginning a '39 stovebolt to a '55 hardtop. The business which I am in, derived from a hobby, so to speak, is the glass industry.

We sell glass for any car, primarily classic, antique and special interest cars and pick-ups only at prices that are not of today's inflationary costs. Being a car enthusiast myself, I am well aware of the rip-offs the auto clubs and owners are subject to when it comes to restoring or modifying their cars.

Listed in the <u>Classified Section</u> are the windshields and other glass parts available through Classic Auto Glass. Next issue of the magazine will have additional parts and prices listed that are not listed due to lack of time and space. These prices listed show a 50% reduction off retail prices for CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB members.

With kindest personal regards to you, Doug, and to your staff.

Sincerely,

William W. Welman

Bill Welman

Thanks a lot, Bill. I am sure our members appreciate the 50% discount and will use your duplicate LOF Glass for their cars as junkyard glass of excellent quality is fast disappearing.

W. W. Welman

Hours 4 - Midnight

CLASSIC AUTO GLASS*

Antique - Classic Special Interest Cars



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P.O Box 1 Golden, Colo. 80401 About our club and our magazine . . .

As all of you can imagine, the undertaking of a job like that of the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB is a tremendous one. This is especially so when the funds are low. The officers of the club want the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB to become the best possible club it can be. We hope you all realize that this will take time as well as money. We also hope that you aren't disappointed in our efforts thus far. Patience and hard work by the officers and members will soon achieve the kind of club we feel the owners of '55-'56-'57 Chevys and members of the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB deserve. Let us all work togethter toward the goals we have set for the club in the years ahead.

You may ask, "What can I do out here in Some City, Some State, U.S.A., or Foreign Country?" The best way you can help is by being a faithful member year by year and by recruiting as many owners of Classic Chevys as you can. This will increase our fellowship worldwide and our operating budget. This in turn, will help our club grow better and better every month.

With every member doing his part, the goals listed below will become a reality real soon . . .

- 1. Color cover car
- 2. All color photographs
- 3. Complete color magazine
- 4. Better quality and stronger paper
- 5. Expanded magazine coverage in all areas
- 6. Classics for sale with full color photo
- 7. Local chapters for everyone to join
- 8. Live video-tape convention coverage
- 9. Filmed convention coverage
- O. And a hundred other ideas that we have, that only lack dollars

We welcome your comments and suggestions about anything pertaining to the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB. Please address them to -Attention: Member's Comments.

Doug Moorhead

It just may be that some of you members may need a little more information about the sheets you received with your membership card and decal.

The cherry colored sheet contains of (cut into thirds) advanced membership hand-outs that can be used to help sign up a '55-'56-'57 Chevy owner that you couldn't find to sign up in person. The CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB officers have found that even handing this to a classic owner at a red light, or placing it under the wipers of a parked classic can bring more members into our club.

The goldenrod colored sheet contains 6 advanced membership blanks that can be used to fill in the names and addresses of new members that you help to enroll in person. Of course this is the best way-talking to classic owners and enthusiasts in person. This personal touch will not only gain new members for the club, but will create a bond of friendship that will be felt throughout the club.

Let us know when you need more of either color of the advanced membership hand-outs and we will send them to you.

Don't forget to fill in your name and member number to insure that you will be given credit for finding these new members. REMEMBER, for every 5 new members that you find you will be given another year's membership FREE! CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB Members Unite! and help us find those owners who desire the fellowship of an international club dedicated to the preservation and betterment of our Classic Chevys. Thank you.

CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

I guess my dad is responsible for getting me involved with '55-'56-'57 Chevys. Almost as long as I can remember he has owned a '55 or '56 Chevy. Just this year, I bought the last one he owned and parted it out, as 12 salty Michigan winters took their deadly cancerous toll.

Having owned many '55-'56-'57 Chevys, I hoped I could join a car club even as a teenager in the 60's. As you know, there were no clubs for Chevys of those years back then. Several years ago, the Nomad club was organized, but as badly as I wanted to join, I didn't own a Nomad. About that time the idea struck me, "Why not start a club for all the series of '55-'56-'57 Chevrolets?" I was in college at the time so the idea was shoved back into my mind for the lack of time and money. Upon graduating from college (in my '57 409-425), I still wanted to join or start a club. I was so desperate to join the Nomad club that I almost towed a rust-free Nomad shell from California over the mountains back to Michigan with my '55 sedan. My wife talked me out of t, so I finally bought a Nomad close to Michigan and joined the Nomad club. It was OK being member #2337, but I still longed to start a club for all series of '55-'56-'57 Chevys.

In talking things over with my brother ken, and letting my best friend Dan Howell in on the idea, we pulled together our own classics, as well as our ideas, experience and money - - and the CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB was underway.



COVER CAR

I purchased my '56 Bel Air Sport Coupe back in February, 1967, for \$700. It was in fairly good original condition with 25,000 actual miles on it. The chrome was good except for the back bumper which I replaced with a new one. The interior was very good but the front seat driver's side was torn so at that time I replaced it with a seat cover. The front carpet was rough so I replaced it with a hard to find new carpet.

The interior was completely repainted and 2 years later (1969), the exterior got a complete professional lacquer job. The engine has never been touched except for tune-ups and the clock now registers 50,000.

During the 7 years I've owned it I have purchased new wheel covers, door edge guards, mirror, door handle guards, body sill moulding, accessory fender and ornament chrome, bumper guards and chromed exhaust extensions.

Just recently I found complete tail light assemblies and replaced the old pitted ones. Then, just <u>last week</u> I found the original seat material (at \$100 for 2 yards) and haven't had the time to upholster the seats back to factory original. When the job is done, the car will be 100% original restored.

I would be afraid to guess how much I have in it all together. Just last week I did a complete brake job (wheel cylinders, master cylinder, and shoes) as I want my Chevy to be all ready for the trip to the National Convention this next summer.

Don Kerby # Paris, Kentucky



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Classified Advertising is free to members, both For Sale and Wanted. must be in our hands no later than the 15th of the month or they will be placed in the next issue. Please don't ask us to automatically repeat an ad more than one month. Send a postcard or letter of any changes or re-runs. Thank-you.

PARTS FOR SALE	PARTS FOR SALE	CLASSICS FOR SALE
Auto Glass for '55-'56-'57		
Clear Tint	Clear Tint	
2 Door Hardtop Series	2 Door Station Wg. Nomad	
W512 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	W512 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	1956 Convertible, new chrome, paint,
(55,55) 55,65	W396 " (55,56) 60.00 65.00	top, etc. 283, Powerglide, Louisiana
2019T Door Vent 3.50 4.00 4027T Door Window 18.00 20.00	2019T Door Vent 3.75 4.25	car, looks and drives like new, \$1800
2018T Rear Quarter 18.00 20.00	4026T Front Door 18.00 20.00	Firm.
B397 Back Glass 50.00 52.00	4023T Rr. Qtr. Sliding 22.00 28.00	Paul Jacobs, Jr.
D337 Dack Glass 30.00 32.00	Q403 Rr.Qtr. Rt-Curved 46.00 48.00	4408 N. Harris Hill Rd.
Convertible Series	Q404 Rr.Qtr. Lt-Curved 46.00 48.00	Williamsville, N.Y. 14221
W512 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	B405 End Gate NOT AVAILABLE	
W396 " (55.56) 60.00 65.00	4 Door Station Wagon	1957 4-Door Station Wagon, (complete)
2019T Door Vent 3.50 4.00	W513 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	Bel Air, 6 cyl., 235 Powerglide, p.s.,
4027T Door Window 22.00 28.00	W394 " (55,56) 60.00 65.00	p.b., radio and
2016T Rear Quarter 18.00 20.00	2017T Door Vent 3.50 4.00	1957 4-Door Sedan, (complete) 210,
,	4025T Front Door 18.00 20.00	6 cyl., 235, Powerglide. Both cars
2 Dr Sedan & Club Coupe	4020T Rear Door 22.00 28.00	can be driven home. Whole or will
W513 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	Q399 Rr. Qtr. Rt-Curved46.00 48.00	sell as parts.
W394 " (55,56) 60.00 65.00	Q400 Rr. Qtr. Lt-Curved46.00 48.00	Pete Rehn
2017 Door Vent 3.50 4.00	B398 Back End Glass 30.00 32.00	Shushan, N.Y. 12873
4022T Door Window 22.00 28.00		
4028T Rear Quarter 18.00 20.00	4 Door Hardtop (56,57 only)	
B395 Back Glass 52.00 56.00	W512 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	
	W396 " (56) 60.00 65.00	PARTS WANTED
2 Dr 150 Series	2019T Door Vent 3.50 4.00	
Same as Sedan Series except	2071T Front Door 22.00 28.00	
4018T Rear Quarter 18.00 20.00	4071T Rear Door 22.00 28.00	Four full wheel covers and
	B445 Back Glass 60.00 63.00	
4 Door Sedan Series		rear bumperetts for a 1957
W513 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00 W394 " (55,56) 60.00 65.00	All glass is to be prepaid! Money	Pete Rehn
W394 " (55,56) 60.00 65.00 2017T Door Vent 3.50 4.00	orders, Certified Checks, Bank-	Shushan, N.Y. 12873
4025T Front Door 22.00 28.00	Americard, Master Charge, accepted ONLY. Prices include insurance.	
4024T Rear Door 22.00 28.00	All glass is shipped Air Freight	
2020T Rear Quarter Sta 4.50 5.00	unless otherwise requested. Include	All side moulding chrome
B395 Back Glass 52.00 56.00	your Account # and phone # with	
2000 2000 02200	your order. Colorado residents add	for a '55 Bel Air hardtop.
2 Door Station Wagon	35% sales tax.	Steve Faith
W513 Windshield (57) 60.00 65.00	20 00200 0000	2036 W. Walnut 3-A
W394 " (55,56) 60.00 65.00	Bill Welman, P.O. Box 1 , Golden,	Blomington, Ind. 47401
2017T Door Vent 3.50 4.00	Colorado 80401 303-238-6206	Ph Ph. 334-2898
4022T Front Door 22.00 28.00	(call after 6:00pm Denver time)	
4019T Rr. Qtr. Sta(150)18.00 20.00		
Q401 Rr.Qtr.Rt-Curved 46.00 48.00		
4021T Rr. Qtr. (210) 19.00 21.00	REMEMBER!	1 1
Q402 Rr. Qtr.Lt-Curved 46.00 48.00	TOTALIDEN.	1

NOTE: Members with expiration dates of October 1975: You will be sent a new card with an expiration date of November 1975 due to the late publication of the magazine.

Please include your member number with all correspondence.

When signing up new members - don't forget to send in YOUR name and number to insure that you will receive proper credit.

MEMBER'S PRIDE



Craig LePage #67 Idaho Falls, Idaho



Dick Phillips #30 Watauga, Tennessee



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Fred A. Lamond #31 Valley Stream, New York



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Mike Rose #34 Andausia, Alabama