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Good Turnout for February

Wow! We had 29 folks in attendance at the February meeting, including Chris and Susan Grove, who joined the club that day. That's a good turnout considering there wasn't any food involved this time. Normally we don't attract that many members unless free burgers and hot dogs are to be consumed. It would have been standing room only had some of your "missing in action" officers been present. The Newsletter Editor was excused because she was having a lot of fun at the CCI Convention in Florida. What about the other two? Where were they? Also, a special thanks to those who drove their cars and for those that didn't, well, we appreciate your money.

During the meeting Gloria Escalera made a presentation concerning the possibility of moving our meeting place. She'd done some research about a facility in Moore and I thank her for those efforts. This was done because there has been some complaints about the room we currently use which is relatively small and also quite hot in the summer. Some members were opposed, while others happened to be in favor of this idea. After much consideration, I believe this is something the club as a whole should vote on in the future. Since we joined the club in 92-93 this is the fourth location that's been used for a permanent meeting place. In the past we met monthly at the A & W Root Beer on 89th and S. Western and a paint store owned by Larry and Annette Myers provided a meeting room in downtown Oklahoma City for us. Past members Bill and Marge Washam allowed the club to use M & W Wallpaper on N. MacArthur until the store closed and we now meet at Coits. Trying to find a place that suits everyone is impossible. We have members who live in Edmond, Harrah, Moore, Mustang, Newcastle, Norman, Oklahoma City, Pauls Valley, Perkins and Yukon. I know if we decide to move, the distance you travel will either increase or decrease but everyone should look on the bright side. If you're healthy and the weather is great, what could be better than driving your classic to a club meeting? After all, isn't that what they're for and why you own the car?

I believe this newsletter will be published late in February, so I'll take this opportunity to remind everyone about the new car show that begins on March 4th at the fairgrounds. Those of you committed to displaying your car, please be there early on that Tuesday morning if at all

possible. To the ones not showing your classics, I encourage you to come down and pay us a visit. While there, you can also take a look at the latest offerings from the automakers. .

Get that Chevy detailed because the car show and cruisin' season is getting close. We have the CC Riders Kickoff Dinner on March 29th followed by the Southwest Street Rod Nationals in early April and also a poker run. So don't say you haven't been warned!

Hope all of you, including club officers, can make the next meeting on the 9th of March, 3 pm at Coits. Also, if you haven't paid your dues please do so. We'd hate to drop you from the roster.

One last thing. In the future, all officers, except me of course, not attending club functions will be fined \$100.00 for each absence or plan all future dinner cruises. Their choice!

Mel Harris President COCCC



Joe Whitaker & Larry Myers

CCI's Winter
National's
Car Show
February 7—10,
2008
Kissimmee, FL



Larry & Annette Myers at Welcome Barbeque.

Larry & I left Edmond on Sunday, February 3, 2008 trying to keep ahead of the storms that were being forecasted for our area of the country and the way that we were headed. We spent the first night at Tunica, MS. We have a Garmin GPS that we use for our trips and we have named her "Lucille". Well, I was driving and "Lucille" took us the "fastest way" to our overnight reservation. Little did I know, that "Lucille" would take us in the most unsavory area of West Mississippi. I told Larry to lock the doors and pray that nothing would cause us to have to stop. It was pitch black and not a street light in view. Well, we made it to our hotel without any incident.

The next morning, we decided, after watching the weather, that we needed to head Southeast to keep ahead of the next storms. Well, "Lucille" took us on roads in Eastern Mississippi and Western Alabama that we had never been on. Some of the roads would be good to go on a Fall Foliage tour, if they weren't so far away from home. Needless to say, we made it to our next overnight stop and then on to Kissimmee on Tuesday. We were thankful that the storms that hit the Tennessee area, didn't get to us.

We cleaned the road grime off of the '57 and met up with some of our friends that we have made while attending the "Winter Nationals". We continued to clean up the '57 while visiting with the other attendee's of the show. There was a couple from San Diego, CA that drove their '56 Nomad to the show and we knew them from being members of the Chevrolet Nomad Association. They will win the long distance award.

After going thru tech check on Thursday, we found a place to park the cars. With our friends from San Diego and Pulaski, MS, we were able to park '55, '56 & '57 Nomads in a row. Made for a great looking group. Thursday evening would bring the "Welcome Barbeque" that we enjoy each year.

The weather for the show turned out to be the best that we have had since our first trip down. The temperature was in the high 80's during the day and 60's at night.

There was a company that took newer cars and did modifications to them and made them like a '57 Nomad. See pictures below. They always had people around the cars.

There were around 300 cars at the show and as always, there were outstanding cars. The swap meet was visited by most of the men at the show. They don't have much of interest to us ladies at the swap meet, but where the show is held is called "Old Town" and it is made up of little shops with a variety of shopping available to those ladies who want to shop.

Show & shine judging was held on Saturday with the awards ceremony held on Sunday morning. We scored a 978 and won 3rd place in "Custom Senior". There were quite a few great looking cars and there was a 999 point car. Watch for the pictures in an upcoming CCI magazine.

After the awards were over, we headed for home. We told "Lucille" to get home the "fastest way". After making a couple of stops, one in Clermont, FL and one in Jackson, MS and a couple of nights on the road, we were home. We drove the '57 Nomad 2700 + miles on this trip. Annette Myers



AL State Rep, David Castle & MS State Rep, Ed Robertson cutting up.

2008 HHR Panel made to look like '57 Nomad.

Larry checking out the HHR/Nomad.

Dinner Cruise February 23, 2008

Members met at Tri-City's Braum's store for the monthly dinner cruise led by Prez Mel and 1st lady Rustyne. We were led on highways, turnpike and roads to end up at Lino's in Mustang. The restaurant was ready for this group of crazy COCCC members. After eating our selections,

member Tracy Bugg, treated us all to a Gelato cake. Thanks A lot Tracy, it was good!!!

Members got caught up on their gossip and joke telling. Members driving their classics were Tracy Bugg & Larry & Annette Myers. Other members drove their everyday Cars. What a bummer!!

Members in attendance: Tracy Bugg, Rodney & Martha Duerksen, Rudy & Gloria Escalera, Mel & Rustyne Harris, Tom & Teresa Linn, Larry & Annette Myers, True & Sherry Osborn, David & Linda Reeds, Mike & Carole Smith.

15th Annual

Classic Chevy Fall Foliage Tour October 24-26, 2008

at Denison, Texas

Sponsored by Dallas Area Classic Chevys Check our web site for event updates:

www.DallasClassicChevy.com

Lodging at:

Comfort Inn & Suites 801 Hwy 75 N Denison, TX 75020 (903) 464-0340

Located on the NW quadrant of US 75 & Pottsboro Rd. at exit 69

Event room rate: \$75.00 (King or Double) Mention "Chevy Fall Cruise LCAN rate" when reserving room for this rate. We were unable to reserve a block of rooms, so make your reservations early. For more information call Bill or Diane Preston (972) 691-4968, (405) 412-0502 or (405) 615-3856.

Tentative Schedule of events:

Friday:

Arrive early and tour Denison on your own: Old downtown Denison Antique Shops (6).

Art Galleries (10) and Art Studios (7)

Pres. Eisenhower's Birthplace (state historic site) Fishing and Boating on Lake Texoma

Cruise to evening meal at 7 pm

Social gathering at the motel afterwards.

Saturday:

Cruise thru the Texas side of Lake Texoma

Lunch stop during cruise

Cruise to evening meal

Evening social gathering at the motel

(Bring your favorite game and a \$5 door prize per person)

Sunday

Head for home or tour Denison on your own

Car Show Bonus

Kustom Kemps of America (KKOA) 11th Annual "Blast with the Past" Car Show will also be held Oct 24-26 at nearby Loy Lake

Park in Dennison. 80-100 cars of all types on display.



MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2008

Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m. by President Mel Harris. Mel led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Minutes from February were approved as read in the Dashboard. Motion made by Kay Welch, seconded and passed.
- Mel asked for members who did not drive their classic cars to the meeting and those who did not wear the Chevy emblem to pay a fine of .50 each to Peggy Buchanan.
- Peggy Buchanan gave a treasurer report. Motion to except by Kay Welch, seconded and passed.
- Visitors: Chris and Susan Grove, they own a 1955 210 Post Pro Street. They are new members as of today. Welcome them at our March meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

If you plan on showing your classic car at the New Car Show and did not sign your name on the list please call Rodney Duerksen. Cars will show rain or shine. You will be given a pass to enter the show which includes five building. New Car Show, Crafts Building at the OKC Fair grounds. March 4 - 9, 2008. Enter cars on March 4th throughout the day. March 9th between 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. you can pick up your car.

Southwest National Street Rods, April 4-6, 2008 at OKC Fairgrounds. We will need about 4 to 5 guys to help at the gates. Martha is in charge of hospitality. If you would like to help in this area please call Martha Duerksen.

May 10, 2008 Guthrie Show. Was called the Brown Bag, but has been renamed State Run.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gloria introduced the idea of becoming members of the Moore Chamber of Commerce. In the past there has been talk about finding a new meeting location. This would provide us with a meeting room furnished with tables, chairs, restrooms and a kitchen. This would cost the club \$120.00 a year. Mel suggest that we have a meeting in Moore before making a decision. He asked members for their opinion. Some members declined the idea due to driving to far.

The Buchanan's are building a funeral home to be completed and opened in June. Peggy has offered the use of the fellowship room. It seats 40 to 50 people and has plenty of parking. There would be no cost to the club. If anyone has other suggestions please share at next meeting.

Fall Foliage at Denison, Texas. In the past we have had as many as 35 to 45 couples attend this event. So if you plan on going please call and make your reservation.

Dinner Cruise...calling committee will call with information.

Next meeting March 9, 2008 at 3 p.m. at Coit's

Mel asked for a show of hands from those who were celebrating a birthday or anniversary.

Information For You...was given by Curtis Welch on Buffing stainless steel and safety of your hands.

Door Prize Winner......David Reeds

50/50 winner (\$16.)......Mel Harris....He donated his winning's to the club. Thank you Mel

Meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m. Attended: 28

Gloria Escalera, Secretary

'57 Nomad getting judged during show & shine at CCI's Winter Nationals, Kissimmee, FL February 2008



Note from President Mel Harris:

** This will be the 11th year of Poker Runs being held in Mustang at All Season building Supply. Please be sure to keep the dates in mind when planning your weekend activities. Dates are listed in the Upcoming Events page.

Central OK Classic Chevy Club website: www.55-57chevys.com

YOUR DUES ARE DUE THIS MONTH. AFTER MARCH 31, 2008, YOU WILL NO LONGER RECEIVE THIS PUBLICATION. PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECKS PAYABLE TO C.O.C.C.C. AND SEND THEM TO PEGGY BUCHANAN, THE TREASURER, AT THE ADDRESS ON THIS PUBLICATION.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 4—5, 2008 Cars go in for the new car show at the State Fair Grounds

March 6—9, 2008 Automobile Dealer's New Car Show at the State Fair Grounds

March 9, 2008 COCCC meeting held at 3 p.m. at Coit's on N. Penn and I-44

March 27-29, 2008 Duncan, Ok, Swap Meet

March 28 & 29, 2008 Big River Classics Presents 9th Annual Show & Shine for 1955, 1956, & 1957 Chevrolets, Battlefield Inn - Vicksburg, Ms (601) 638-5811 or (800) 359-9363 www.bigriverclassics.com

March 29, 2008 CC Riders Pot Luck Kick Off Dance 6-11 p.m. Am. Legion, 5000 S.E. 24th St, Del City. \$20 couple, \$15 single, \$5 child (15 & Under)

April 3—6, 2008 SW Streetrod Nationals at the State Fair Grounds.

April 5, 2008 Poker Run 5:30 p.m. All Season Building Supply, Mustang, OK

April 18-20, 2008 Memory Road Classic Car Show, Ft. Worth Texas Motor Speedway, I-35W & Hwy. 114 *Go to www.memoryroadclassiccarshow.com* for complete information. Contact Scott Buzzell (972)-347-5052

May 2 & 3, 2008 Lone Star Classic Chevy Show in West, Texas 13 mi North of Waco. The hotel is small and there's only one, so if you're coming, make reservations early!! They're including 55-72 Chevys and there's no judging. Hotel is the Czech Inn, (254) 826-0900, www.czechinnofwaco.com, Lone Star rate is \$79. Entry is \$30. Hosted by the Heart of Texas Classic Chevy Club of Waco. Contacts are Richard Hykel, President (254-913-3070, & Mary Degner 254-756-4637

May 10, 2008 OHRA State Run, Guthrie, OK Mineral Wells Park

May 10, 2008 Poker Run 5:30 p.m. All Season Building Supply, Mustang, OK

June 7, 2008 Poker Run 5:30 p.m. All Season Building Supply, Mustang, OK "the Big Kahuna Hot Rod Luau" with free food.

June 19—22, 2008 Western Nationals, Albuquerque, NM Route 66 Casino Hotel 1-866-711-7829 for reservations. www.classicchevy.com for pdf entry form.

July 20 – 24, 2008 20th Annual Chevrolet Nomad Association Convention at the Holiday Inn Charleston House, Charleston, West Virginia. Reservations: (304)-344-4092

September 13, 2008 Poker Run 5:30 p.m. All Season Building Supply, Mustang, OK

October 24 – 26, 2008 Fall Foliage at Denison, Texas with the hosts being Dallas Area Classic Chevy Club. See flyer in this issue



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