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Rod Schein's Club-Sanctioned Neighborhood Christmas Trains Party

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1967 - Puget Sound Region VCCA - 2016



The Puget Sound Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (PS-VCCA) is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, fun and enjoyment of vintage Chevrolet cars and trucks. Members are not required to own a Chevrolet. Regional membership is open to all Chevrolet enthusiasts who are members of the **Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (VCCA)**. All Chevrolets from 1912 through 1991 may be registered with the Region.

General meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month, except the 3rd Monday in May, at **Tillicum Middle School, 16020 SE 16th St., Bellevue**, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. No meetings are held in June, July, August, and December. You can learn more about the club by visiting the website where you can see color photos of previous tours, parts for sale, wanted, etc., and there is a link to view our monthly newsletter, "The Tappet Clatter."

You can find the PS-VCCA website on the **World Wide Web** at <http://pugetsoundvintagechevrolet.org/>

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Director's Corner

"From The Driver's Seat"



I hope everyone had a good holiday season and as we start 2016, it looks to be a full year for car-related activities. We have our Annual Banquet in January, and our touring season should be starting most likely in March again this year. Like last year, we won't have a monthly business meeting at the school the 4th Monday in January; it's only a couple of days after the Banquet and many members felt they were too close together. So we'll be back at the school in February. I have a couple of items we'll take care of at the Banquet, but I don't want it take time away from Banquet socializing.

Thanks to Mark Shaw for holding the Garage Nite in December; he's making progress on his Camaro and should have it back on the road this spring. If members have ideas for other Garage Nites, please let me know.

This year we have two summer Meet events. The Northwest Mini Meet is going to be held in late June in Medford and the club's National Meet, held once every five years, will be in August at Lake Tahoe. There has never been a National Meet held anywhere in the Northwest and we most likely won't see another one that close to home in many years so if you have any thoughts about attending a National Meet this one would be a good one. And any help or support we can provide to National would be greatly appreciated.

I'm working to confirm some of our more regular activities that happen every year; we'll be having the strawberry shortcake feed, working on confirming a 4th of July picnic, but we still have a few months without an activity. Without a person in the Activities job, I'm asking for everyone's help. If you would like to organize an activity or have an idea for one, please let me know.

See you at the Banquet.

Jim

Web Links Of Interest

Colombia River Region, VCCA: <http://www.vccacolumbiariverregion.org/>

Mt. Rainier Region, VCCA: None

North Cascade Region, VCCA: <http://clubs.hemmings.com/northcascadevcca>

Puget Sound Region, VCCA: <http://pugetsoundvintagechevrolet.org/>

Willamette Valley Region, VCCA: <http://www.wvrvcga.org/>

Dave Folsom Blog, www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/

Gas stations without ethanol, <http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=WA>



Chevrolee Comments...

on repairing, rebuilding, or replacing your Chevrolet engine

I find it interesting to reflect on what caused Chevrolets to be discarded over the years. Why did they go to the wrecking yards?



Up to 1936, the first cause was probably the failure of wood door posts, where leaking fabric roofs greatly accelerated the deterioration process. The second most common cause was probably crankshaft bearing failure. From 1937 on, virtually no wood was used in the bodies, eliminating that cause for failure. With the development of new stamping processes which required different composition of the sheet metal used in bodies, rust seems to have been a greater problem at about this time.

From 1934 – 1938 many cars were discarded when the front wheels slanted out excessively at the bottom when the knee action units became worn. This was due largely to owner neglect for not keeping fluid, which also served as lubricant, in the units. This same problem existed to a lesser extent from 1939 – 1948. Crankshaft failure continued to be common up to 1953, when the use of aluminum pistons, starting in the Powerglide engine, greatly reduced this problem.

From the early 1950's on, automatic transmission failure has sent a large number of cars to the wrecking yard. Rust, of course, has continued to be a problem, which may have become worse in the early 1960's. It is a rare 1962 Chevy II which is not rusted in the quarter panels.

Despite all of this, it is truly amazing how many miles some Chevrolets have gone. In the 1930's 100,000 miles was a goal which was not achieved too often. Today of course, we have better roads with less dust, better lubricants, and until recently, better fuels. Many cars today reach 200,000 miles or considerably more before camshaft, valve guide, or piston failures take their toll.

Next month – we will investigate some of the causes of crankshaft failure.

Written Feb. 1988

Lee Folsom (Feb. 14, 1927 – Sept. 10, 2015)

2016 Activities

February	22	PS-VCCA Club Meeting at Tillicum Middle School
March	28	PS-VCCA Club Meeting at Tillicum Middle School
April	25	PS-VCCA Club Meeting at Tillicum Middle School
May	23	PS-VCCA Club Meeting at Tillicum Middle School
June	27	PS-VCCA Club Meeting at Tillicum Middle School

Bill Damm's SAFETY CORNER

A brand new year
Has just begun.
It's time to do
What needs to be done-

Like income tax,
Maybe roof repair,
And clean the yard
To show we care.

Detail the Chevy
Down to the letter
So it will be ready
When the weather gets better.

Warmer weather
Is what we lack;
Stay patient and safe
'Til spring comes back.

Wishing you all
Good luck and cheer
With all the best for
A Happy New Year!!

From Al Howe:

This is a list of activities planned for our monthly meetings:

2016

January - Banquet
February - Part 3 of National Parks Highway System
March -
April - Auction
May -
June - Strawberry Social
July - 4th of July Picnic
Aug - Dinner at the "XXX Drive In"

As you can see we have some open meeting dates. I hope to have some slide shows of summer activities like the 4 cyl and 6 cyl tours but we still need some other ideas.

Some demonstrations like Bob Stamnes and Don Comstock did would be ideal but we could use other activities also.

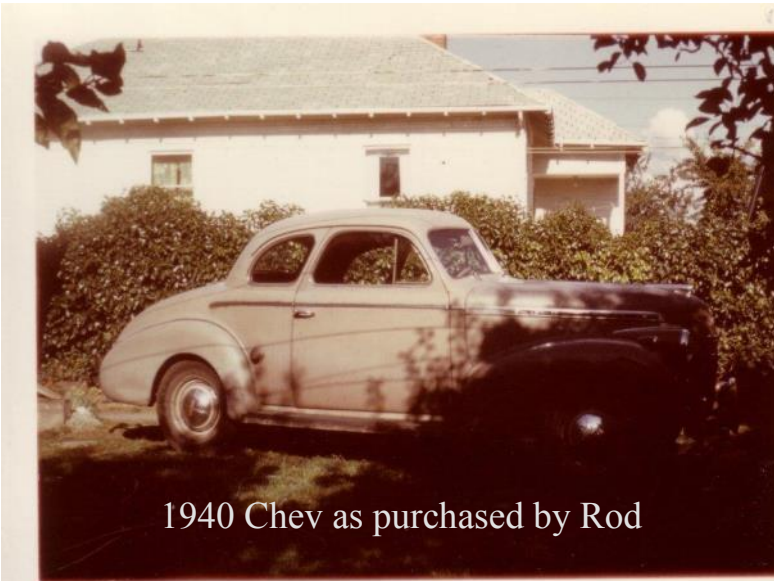
Give me a call or drop me an email and I will see what I can do.

Thanks!

JANUARY GARAGE NITE

No Garage Nite is scheduled for January.

Editor's Note: Due to space limitations the following pictures were not able to be published in last month's Tappet Clatter with the article on Rod Shein and Bill Damm's cars.



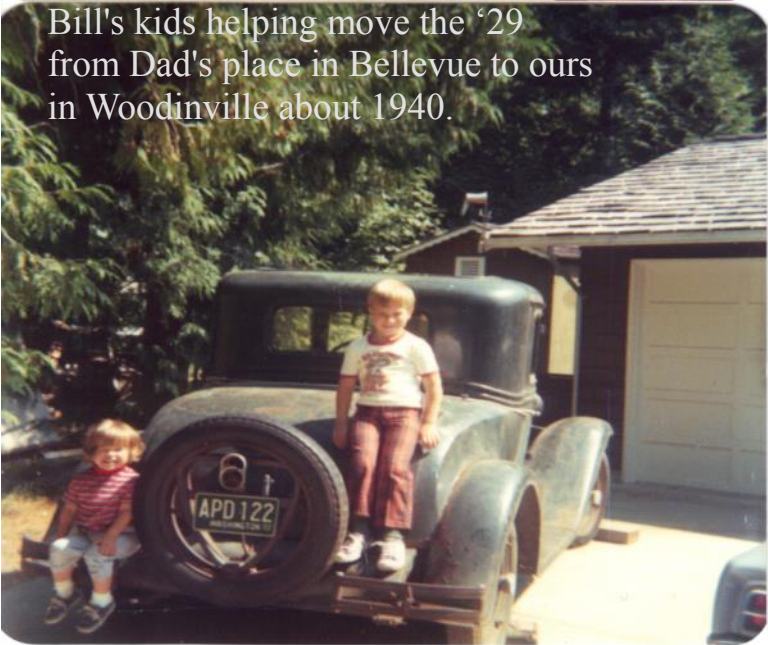
1940 Chev as purchased by Rod



Ida Rupert and her 1940 Chevrolet



Bill's kids helping move the '29 from Dad's place in Bellevue to ours in Woodinville about 1940.



SUMMER 1962	
CHEV	EXPENSES
\$ 15.92	- Clutch
3.02	- Spark Plugs
0.10	- Bolts
.63	- Spark Plug Feet
1.89	- Glow Plug & Valve
1.90	- Valve & Basket Cover
3.41	- Sash & Brake
.61	- Spark Plug
15.04	- METAL
3.00	- PARTS (NR. 40)
21.60	- WELDING
8.22	- THINNER, PRIMER, PLASTIC
.61	- SANDING DISKS
1.82	- FENDER FELT
16.65	- LACQUER & THINNER
5.52	- SANDING DISKS
6.24	- METALLIC
21.20	- THINNER
9.41	- WHITE WALLS & RUBBING COMPOUND
1.00	- TINT
\$ 95.89	

February Celebrations

ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis and Gerri Johnson 2/14
Jim Lewis & Linda Wheeler 2/14
Tony & Dee Zimmerman 2/15
George and Phyllis Kowats 2/22

BIRTHDAYS

Wally Martin 2/1
Don Boltz 2/1
Bill Barker 2/1
Kathy Currie 2/4

PS-VCCA 2016 Meeting Treats

February:	Al Howe	June:	Strawberry Shortcake Event
March:	Ralf Luche	September:	Glenn & Judy Landguth
April:	Dave Haddock	October:	Bob & MG Stamnes
May:	No one signed up	November:	George & Barbara Reich

True or False? The 1953 Corvette came in white, red and black.



PS-VCCA November Meeting

Pictures by Glenn Landguth



From the Glove Box



From the Glove Box is devoted to sharing technical information, technical problems and solutions to problems related to the restoration and preservation of vintage Chevrolets. Please share your knowledge, experiences and recommendations with your fellow members.

Call the Glove Box Coordinator, Bob Stamnes, via email rstamnes@yahoo.com with your information.

G&D Index of Technical Articles, Early 1970s to late 1990s.

I started with desire to get rid of my G&Ds due to space. Then I thought I should go through them to pull out articles that apply to what I am doing on my cars or specific to my cars. Once I got started, my thoughts went to how much time I am spending looking at nearly every page but not documenting the strictly technical articles (documenting only those that apply to my cars only.) So I started documenting all real technical articles in a G&D Index. So here is the index. It is not perfect and may not be complete for your purposes, but it is a start. It includes most months from early 1970s through late 1990s.

If you believe this effort is valuable to you and/or to our hobby, and are willing to extract this type of data from a few months of G&D, please contact me to coordinate our efforts. I have most publications, but I am limited on time to go further with this project.

Thanks

Bob Stamnes

rstamnes@yahoo.com"

<u>Car Year</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>G&D Issue where found</u>
1913-25	Early AC Spark Plugs,	September, 1993
1913-17	Serial No Info,	November, 1977
1913-42	Chevrolet Specifications,	May, 1977
1914-71	Engine Numbers/location,	May, 1990
1915-37	Spark Plugs,	October, 1993
1916-28	Chevrolet Model Serial Nos, Plant Id, etc,	February, 1977
1917	Production Figures, Serial Nos.	April, 1993
1917	V-8 Model D-5 Touring Specs,	December, 1977
1917-57	Casting Numbers,	June, 1977
1918-1965	Truck Engine Prefix No Info.	September, 1992
1920-28	Model and Serial Identification,	March, 1998
1920-28	Replacing Throw-out Bearing with Ball Bearing,	January, 1998
1925	Exhaust System,	October, 1983
1925	Sectional View of 25 Transmission,	July, 1979
1925-26	Service News,	January, 1976
1925	Service Series K, Auto Digest,	August, 1976
1925-54	Tune up Specifications,	April, 1977
1926	Escutcheon Plate Touring Door Handle,	July, 1991
1927	Johnson Overdrives,	August, 1997
1927	November 1927 Service News,	October, 1975
1928	Service News, Jan. DUCO Color Specs, Bumpers, Acces,	November, 1976
1927-28	Marvel, Chevrolet Tappet Silencer,	July, 1981
1928	Service News (Jan.), Series AB Four Wheel Brakes, etc.,	September, 1976
1928	Service News (Feb/Mar) Bendix Drive Parts/Piston Pin,	January 1977
1928	Service News (Apr/May), Lower Conv Top,	February 1977
1928	Service News (Apr/May), Clutch, Cork Pan Gasket etc	February 1977
1928	Fisher Body Service Bulletin,	July 1981
1928-29	Brake Service Bulletin,	July, 1990

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1928-29	AB, AC Brakes,	June 1985
1929	Chevrolet Saloon Details,	January 1982
1929-30	Two door and Four door sedans Details,	March 1981
1929-31	Experiment w Transmission Bearings,	April, 1992
1929-32	Starter Switch Insulators,	April, 1987
1929-32	Assembling Spark Plug Wires,	February, 1987
1929-33	Head Gaskets, Repro or NOS,	September, 1989
1929-33	Universal Jt Ball Packing,	August 1986
1929-33	Torque Tube Seal, except CC,	September 1985
1929-33	Universal Jt. Ball Packing,	June 1986
1929-34	Improving Water Pump Efficiency,	October, 1987
1929-34	Parts Numbers,	September 1982
1929-36	Restoration Tip Water Pump Baffle Plate,	January, 1987
1929-62	Chevrolet Electrical Systems/Inst Volt Regulator,	May 1977
1930	Highway gears,	February, 1992
1930-32	Reconditioning Delco-lovejoy Shock Absorbers,	December, 1992
1930-31	Brake Adjustment and Construction,	June 1985
1930-32	Wood Replacement,	February, 1988
1931	Service News, Why Lamp Bulbs Burn Out,	
	June 1931 Coach Test Rpt w/ Mech Characteristics,	November 1982
1931	Specifications,	July 1978
1931-32	Luggage Carrier,	December 1983
1932	New Eng Ideas,	October 1992
1932	Firewall Fastener Specs,	July 1986
1932	Distributors,	July 1983
1932	Brake Service Bulletin,	June 1979
1932	Garnish Moulding Chart,	May 1981
1932	Carb,	October 1975
1932	Part I, Features of the Deluxe Special Sedan,	August 1981
1932	Part II, Features of the Deluxe Special Sedan,	September 1981
1932	UM Superheterodyne Auto Radio Receiver (Part I),	January 1990
1932	UM Superheterodyne Auto Radio Receiver, (Part II),	February, 1990
1932	Coach Test Report w/ Mechanical Characteristics,	December 1982
1932	Rumble Seat Conversion,	July 1978
1932-33	Radio Antennas,	August, 1980
1932-33	Brake Adjustment and Construction,	July, 1985
1932	Accessories,	November, 1979
1933	Fiber timing Gear Replacement,	January, 1998
1933	Idle Talk, More on Carbs,	August, 1997(Idle Talk-a series each month)
1933	Idle Talk, Identifying the models of W-1 Carbs,	June, 1997
1933	Idle Talk, W-1 Carbs,	July 1997
1933	Std Coach Test Rpt w/Perf and Mech Characteristics,	February 1983
1933	Specs,	April 1978
1933	Delco-Remy Service Manual,	June 1976
1933-34	Radio Model 600153,	February, 1988
1933-36	Carbs, Downdraft,	November 1975
1934	Std Coach Test Rpt w/ Mech and Perf Characteristics,	April 1983
1934	Carb,	December 1975
1934	Deluxe Radio,	December, 1988
1934	Single Unit Radio Set 600566,	July, 1987

To be continued next month.

TAPPET CLATTER *Classifieds*

Ads will be posted for a minimum of three months (longer on a space-available basis). Please notify the Tappet Clatter Editor at tappetclatter@outlook.com when your listing no longer needs to be published.

FOR SALE

1927-8 Chev Parts for sale. Make an offer. Bob Godfrey is anxious to get rid of the parts.
Contact Bob Godfrey, 360-568-7547. 830 Pine Ave, Snohomish, WA

1932 Chevrolet (modified). Sale or trade. Contact Lance Kes-singer for details. 425-823-2263.



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1931 Chevrolet Sports Coupe, older restoration. Original engine and drive train. Hampton Coach interior is in good condition. Runs and drives very well. Comes with a large collection of extra parts. Radiator and water pump were replaced in 2014. \$12,500 Phil Christensen 509-636-2163



1963 Corvair Greenbriar 6-Door Van. Runs and drives and stops! Eastern Washington van. A little rust and a few dents but otherwise very solid. Good tires and lots of spare parts. A bargain at \$2,500! Contact Mike Currie 206-755-0137

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1948 Chevrolet Fleetline Aerosedan, Restored about 15 years ago with only 3,000 miles since. Always garaged, Hampton Coach interior, original rebuilt 216 ci engine, options include Guide foglamps, six lug 15 in. wheels, backup light, and windshield washer. All reasonable offers considered.

Janice Dynes 425-827-9954

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1947-1971 Locking gas cap for sale \$8 to club members. Manufacturer: FoMoCo No. C20Z-9030-A Appears to be the same as one listed on Ebay at 400393915956 which fits 1958-63 Chev cars. Key included. Chrome plated. 1947-1971 Chev Trucks
Contact Bob Stamnes, rstamnes@yahoo.com

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WANTED

1930 Passenger Radiator Gary Barquist 509-636-2133

6/15

1941 Chevrolet speedometer. I'm needing to replace or have repaired/rebuilt the non-working speedometer of my 1941 Chevrolet Special Deluxe coupe. Suggestions would certainly be appreciated. David Holiday, Gold Bar WA davterr13@comcast.net

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Life is a 'stage'!

David Gowan, Area #3 Director

Some pictures tell the whole story. This is truly what VCCA is about! Yeah, it was staged but how better can one tell the story of Chevrolet enthusiasts doing their thing? Nick Nicholson requested this pose for the cover of a 2016 Calendar he developed for the club. Dave Whiteley took the shot. Columbia River Region members were checking out a recently purchased 1953 210 Deluxe Coupe.

What fun it was to see if the original carburetor was used, if it had an add-on oil filter and was the engine color close to original. Nick who led our NW Meet tours in August unexpectedly passed away on November 22nd. We'll sure miss him and his contagious smile and greeting, "Happy Tuesday" or whatever day it was. Life goes on, even if some of it is staged!

