

# THE TAPPET CLATTER

The logo is a circular emblem with "1967" at the top, "CHEVROLET" in the center, "Our 50th year!" below it, and "2017" at the bottom. The outer ring of the circle contains the text "PUGET SOUND REGION" at the top and "VCCA" at the bottom.

## THE PUGET SOUND REGION VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA

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PS-VCCA Hunters Breakfast Tour  
Photos by Dave Haddock





## 1967 - Puget Sound Region VCCA - 2017



**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 1992 may be registered with the Region.

General meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month, except the 3rd Monday in May, at **Ringdall/Tillicum Middle School Library, 11650 SE 60th St., Bellevue, 98006**, 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://psrvcca.weebly.com/>.

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### Publication Information

The deadline for receiving articles for the Tappet Clatter is normally by the **5th** of the month. The Editor reserves the right to edit material in any way as appropriate for wording, clarity, grammar, punctuation and available space. We can accept most electronic formats and hardcopy.

Email copy to [tappetclatter@outlook.com](mailto:tappetclatter@outlook.com)

### GARAGE NITE

The club had two Garage Nites recently. None are on the schedule for the coming months so how about you having one? They aren't hard to do and if you follow Bill Barker's lead it is a great way to get rid of stuff! Contact Rod or Jerry to set one up.

# **Director's Corner**

## **"From The Running Board"**



Hello Chevy Club Members,

As I write this at 7pm, it is 43 degrees and the prediction is for more of the same temperatures and a chance of rain or snow through the weekend. We are well on our way to the holidays and winter seems to be putting in an early appearance! I am getting out my warmer clothes and blankets. What a glorious summer we had.

Our club trip to Mahogany and Merlot was a great success. We had a beautiful drive over the pass and into Eastern Washington on our way to Lake Chelan. A special thanks goes to Don and Sally and Dave and Diane for providing great food and leading the tour. We had a good time seeing Mike & Kathy Currie's newly restored hydro.

Another thank you goes to Bill Damm for his unique historical presentation in his new garage. We saw vintage items on display from inside and outside his family's farmhouse. Bill, thank you for sharing this with us. Also, special thanks goes to Jim Farris for leading a tour to the Hunters Breakfast in Eastern Washington.

At our coming November meeting we will be nominating and electing our officers for next year. As I write this we have a confirmed nominee for most of the officer positions thanks to the work and commitment of our current officers. Please come to help us finish this important task.

Thank you Donna for caring for our members who have had recent health challenges. You bring bright sunshine into our lives when we need it. To each of you who have had medical needs, we wish you a smooth recovery and look forward to your participation with us in our Chevy activities.

Coming soon is our Christmas Party at the Comstock's. I hope you can come and bring a "white elephant" gift. We will be playing what my cousin, Mary, in Oklahoma calls "Dirty Santa".

Rod

## **"New" Meeting Place**

This year, we will be meeting at the Tillicum Middle School temporary location at Ringdall starting in September. We will be using the library, which is closer to the parking lot and has chairs with backs! There are restrooms in close proximity also. We are hoping this temporary location will work out until the new Tillicum building opens in the fall of 2018 and we can use that facility. Look for the site map showing the location of the library on page 9.

See you there !!

## **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://psrvcca.weebly.com/>  
Willamette Valley Region, VCCA: <http://www.wvrcca.org/>  
Dave Folsom Blog, [www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/](http://www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/)  
Gas stations without ethanol, <http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=WA>



Bill Damm's  
SAFETY CORNER

A little ice,  
A little snow,  
The streets get slick,  
We always know.

Snow really makes  
The streets a mess,  
Covering the lines  
So we have to guess.

Then there's black ice,  
The scary stuff.  
We just can't see it.  
Makes driving rough.

When conditions are bad  
And we're given the test,  
Drive as safe as we can.

**From Ron Henry via Donna  
Onat**

When storing your car or truck for the winter be sure to have a full gas tank to minimize condensation. It is amazing how much water is able to condense in a partially full gas tank which will make the first trip of the touring season a short one.

The water also contributes to rust out of the bottom of the tank. And then again, who knows how much gas will cost next year.

**DUES ARE DUE !**

September is our renewal month, since our year begins in October. I am finding your checks in my mailbox daily and do appreciate your timeliness. We will run your same photo in the Roster, unless you let us know that you would like a different one. Thanks, everyone!

Donna

**ANNOUNCEMENT!**

Program for our November meeting:

We will show fun-packed slides from this year's tours including the famous four-cylinder tour.

Al Howe

**Spring Hanger Bolts**

Do you have leaf springs on your car or truck?

If so, when was the last time that you pulled the bolts out of the spring hangers? When I pulled the bolts from my 1957 pickup I found that they were worn to a dangerous condition as shown below.



Food for thought.

Mike Currie

## Directions to Comstocks

From **I-405** going south, exit to **WA-167 (Kent / Auburn)**.

1. Continue on **WA-167** for about 19 miles.
2. Exit **WA-167** via ramp on right to "**WA-410 E to Sumner / Yakima**". It curves around under 167.

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For the remainder of the directions, please use the emailed copy of the TC or use the address from our membership roster. [ We value member privacy :) ]

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From Bob Stannes:

Today's Seattle Times NW Arts and Life section had an article on "The Shop" which is a very interesting idea and adventure, potentially. It is a place where they have tools, a lift, a restaurant, etc. for car owners as well as renting space to store your car. This might be a very interesting tour or Garage Nite for the club.

It is a club of sorts.

Founders pay \$2000 membership fee and then \$250 per month and a "Standard" registration is \$500 and then another \$150 per month. Storage is another \$200 per month, and the card room, meeting rooms, wash bay or car lift can be reserved for a fee. Not certain if these come with the Founders membership.

There are reduced prices for having work done here and folks are available to assist car enthusiasts with problems.

There are expensive and less expensive Chev's here. May be somewhat of a social club.

Thought it might be of interest to club members for curiosity sake to store a car or for support on working on your car.

## December Celebrations

### ANNIVERSARIES

Sheila and Philip Christensen 4  
Sallie and Don Comstock 23

### BIRTHDAYS

Dennis Johnson 2  
Dave Miller 9  
Judy Landguth 10  
Don Comstock 18  
Myron Gabelein 25

## 2017 Activities

November 27 PS-VCCA Club Meeting-*Ringdall/Tillicum Middle School Library*

December 2 Christmas Party at Comstock's. **11AM with our meal at noon followed by the gift exchange and getting everyone on their way home before dark. Directions to Comstocks on Page 5.**

### **Directions to Ringdall/Tillicum Middle School**

#### **11650 SE 60th St, Bellevue**

Traveling 405 from either the north or south, take exit 10 and head east to 119th St (should be the first stop light east of 405). From I-90 take the 405 South Exit and immediately stay to the right, getting off at the Coal Creek Parkway exit. (Note: you'll never actually merge onto 405.) Turn left under the freeway and take a right at the light on 119th. Go up the hill, passing through a couple of stop signs and turn right on SE 60th. The shopping center will be on your left. Follow SE 60th and Ringdall will be on your right. The meeting place for monthly PSVCCA meetings will be at Tillicum/Ringdall School Library (not the cafeteria).

### **Treats for 2017/18 meetings:**

Nov - Barkers  
Feb - Jones      Mar - Campbells  
April - Olsons      May - Howes

## JANUARY BANQUET NEWS FLASH

Golden Steer Steak & Rib House  
23826 104<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98031  
Sunday, January 21, 2018

Due to scheduling problems with the Golden Steer Restaurant we had to change the date of the banquet to Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. Happy hour begins at 3P.M. with dinner at 4P.M. followed by the January meeting and installation of officers. It was decided by the members at the October general meeting to start the banquet earlier to take advantage of the daylight. Meal choices and prices are similar to previous years. Please see the attached reservation form. The club will again be able to offset a portion of the cost of your meal. Please download the form below, complete it and mail with your check payable to PSVCCA to: Diane Haddock 17012 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155. **The deadline for us to receive your reservation is January 13, 2018.**

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### January 21, 2018 Annual PS-VCCA Banquet Registration Form

Prime Rib, 8 oz.	\$21
Salmon Fillet, 8 oz.	\$20
Chicken Dijon 10 oz.	\$20

Vegetarian or special meal requirements are available by contacting Sallie Comstock by December 31, 2017.

Choose an entrée and a dessert for each person

Name	Prime Rib	Salmon	Chicken	Carrot Cake	Choc. Cake
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Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check Payable to PS-VCCA

Registration Forms must be returned to Diane Haddock by January 13, 2017



## HAPPY THANKSGIVING

FROM THE TAPPET CLATTER STAFF



**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, or email [rstamnes@yahoo.com](mailto:rstamnes@yahoo.com) with your information.

## Radiator Debris, Axle Seals and Sun Power

### Radiator Cleaning

Dick Olson was tending to his 50's Chevrolet when he realized the bottom of his radiator was packed with foreign material. Dick warns that others may find the same thing. This blocked part of the radiator, reducing the radiator's ability to cool the engine. So check the bottom of your radiator for debris to ensure maximum cooling.

### Axle Seals for 1920's and 1930's Chevrolets

These cars had felt where you would expect an axle seal on the rear axles. This often lead to leakage. Lewis McFadden came up with a solution to prevent the rear end oil from reaching the brakes. He uses NAPA axle seal number 13418 (or CRW11R) and embeds it in a black gasket making silicon, like NAPA Black RTV Silicone Rubber Auto Sealant. The embedded seal is bolted in place for a couple of days to ensure the seal is centered on the axle and the sealant solidified. Lewis has had these on his car since 2002 without an issue.

I had installed sealed bearings on my '26 hoping this would eliminate the gear end lube from reaching the brakes. When I recently pulled my brake drums, I found some, not much, but enough, oil so I will be taking this extra step of using NAPA seals.

### Solar Destruction

I noticed the upholstery in my '26, which was marine grade naugahyde had a small melted spot on it. I surmised that this was the result of a chemical like nail polish remover. Then one sunny day when the car was sitting in our driveway with the top down, I noticed a multicolored spot on the upholstery like it was refracted from somewhere. It was a hot spot. It took awhile but I found that it was refracted from my rear view mirror that had beveled edges. This can be very destructive, so be careful when your top is down that you are not getting a refracted beam onto your upholstery that can melt it, or possibly even cause a fire. It is like the old trick of starting a piece of paper on fire with a magnifying glass.

### And finally, Bob says.....

I just received flyer from Costco that Battery Tender, battery charger and maintainer, 3 amp will go on sale for \$30 with Instant Savings on November 17th to 22nd. Works on 6 Volt and 12 Volt systems. 'Tis the season. I see what appears to be the same thing on Amazon for \$52.

# New PS-VCCA meeting location

Google Maps

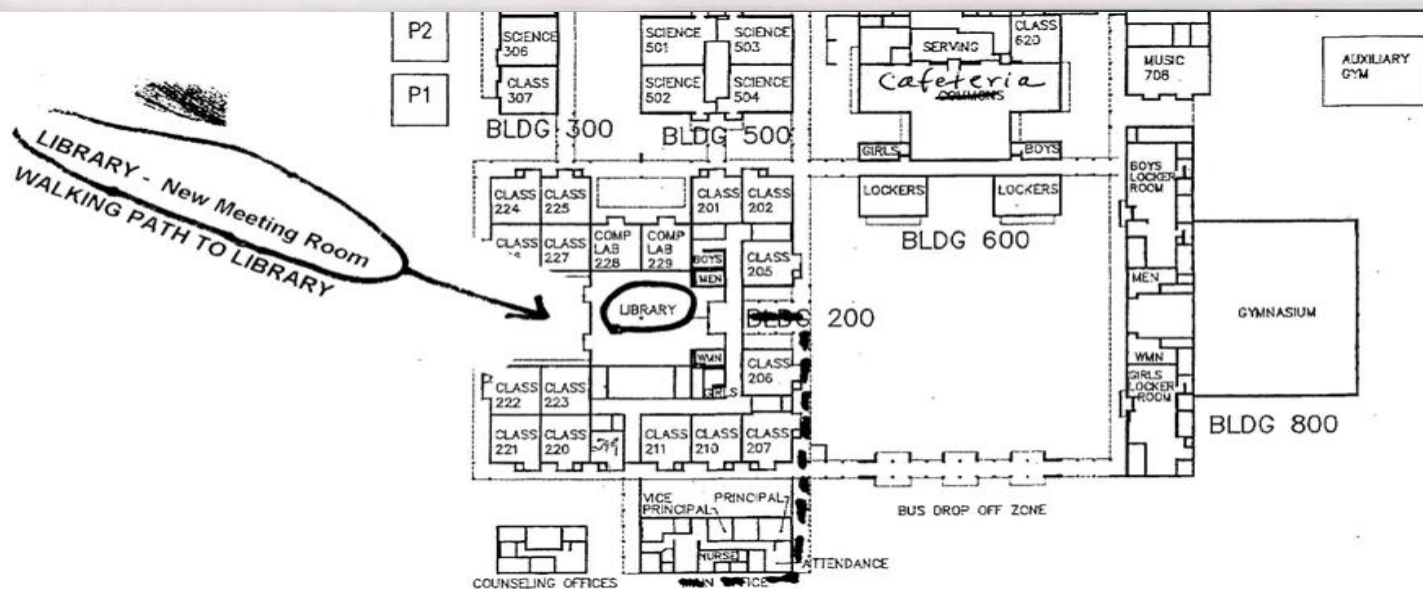


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Directions to Meeting: Ringdall address is 11650 SE 60th St, Bellevue. Traveling 405 from either the north or south, take exit 10 and head east to 119th St (should be the first stop light east of 405). From I-90 take the 405 South Exit and immediately stay to the right, getting off at the Coal Creek Parkway exit. (Note: you'll never actually merge onto 405.) Turn left under the freeway and take a right at the light on 119th. Go up the hill, passing through a couple of stop signs and turn right on SE 60th. The shopping center will be on your left. Follow SE 60th and Ringdall will be on your right.

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WALKING PATH TO LIBRARY - - - - -



Best Parking Area

Walking Path - - - - -

## Puget Sound Region VCCA General Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2017

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at Ringdall Middle School at 7:26 by Director Rod Schein. Twenty eight members were present. Ed Laster was greeted as a newer member we haven't seen in a while.

Minutes: Minutes from the September General Meeting were approved as written in the Tappet Clatter.

Treasury: Sallie Comstock has deposited the checks for renewals and has paid the outstanding bills. We ordered new decals and Don scored on about 150 mailing tubes for free.

Membership: Renewals are still coming in at this time. At this point Donna is waiting on 26 more renewals. Some checks are in the mail. George Eadie in Hansville and Jim Martoza in Stockton, CA aren't renewing because of inability to participate because of distance.

Newsletter Related: Jerry Brownell can print our newsletters for free in color at any King County Library. Everyone with a library card is allowed 75 pages of B/W or 25 pages of color copies each week for free.

Upcoming Elections: Almost everyone at the meeting has held an office and are the ones who have kept the club rolling. Rod Schein reminded everyone that Director, Assistant Director, and Activities Coordinator positions are going to be open. They can be shared as some have been this year. Next month nominations will be closed. If you can help with any of these jobs please let Rod know ASAP.

Activities: The Monroe Swap Meet was the same weekend as the M&M Tour. The Mahogany and Merlot trip to Lake Chelan was a great success with dry weather, roaring hydroplanes, classic mahogany runabouts and cars along with delicious food prepared by Sallie Comstock and Diane Haddock. The tour over Hwy 2 was beautiful with fall leaves starting to turn. Saturday was very windy but all the boats ran on Sunday.

The Christmas party will be at Comstock's on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11AM with our meal at noon followed by the gift exchange and getting everyone on their way home before dark.

Our January Banquet will likely be Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. Arrive for happy hour at 3PM, dinner at 4PM and meeting, awards and introduction of new officers to follow.

Glove Box: Bob Stamnes is encouraging any ideas for articles or feedback for the published articles.

National News: Our G&D Newsletter, Kate Sullivan has quit. A new person is coming in with a combined November/December magazine.

Break & Refreshments: Jim and Sue Seiber brought a wonderful batch of homemade pumpkin cookies and Trick or Treat bags filled with mini candy bars. The table decoration was a Frankenstein Jack-o-lantern with Chevy car parts.

Program: Al showed us the successful and not so successful ways to remove rust from parts. Sandblasting seemed the best and a battery powered electrolysis process didn't seem to work at all.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by a rusty Don Comstock for Diane Haddock.

## 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](mailto:tappetclatter@outlook.com) when your listing no longer needs to be published.

### FOR SALE



**1931 5 Window Coupe** for sale. Price Negotiable.

Bob Gordon

**1931 parts**, included are engine, transmission, clutch assembly, bell housing, two axles with bearings, four new tubes and liners 4.75x5.00x19, new firewall pad, '31 light bar with headlight buckets, one car headlight bucket with reflector, two '31 truck headlight buckets, one original 1931 owner's manual in excellent condition, and several used gauges, carb parts and gas-kets.

**1936 parts** include four 17 inch 5-lug wire wheels with a 6-3/4 in. center opening to fit 1935-36 standard, two 17 inch 5-lug wire wheels with a 5 in. center opening and two 1936 sedan rear doors.  
Phil Christensen, philip082@centurytel.net

**1938 Rolling chassis.** Engine (235), transmission, rear end and tires. \$500 or offer. Mike Currie

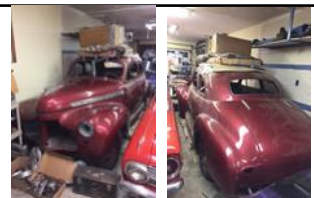
**1936—39 Speedometer.** Nice face, rim has slight bump. \$25 or best club offer takes it. Money from this will go back to the club. Picture available upon request. Bob Stamnes, rstamnes@yahoo.com,

**New Bow Saddle Brackets** for resting your top on when down, 5/8 " hole. \$12. Regularly \$24. Top Hold Down Straps, New. Come with all hardware a Model A/T needs. \$16. I paid \$32.60 +. I found these work very well on my '26 touring but I have duplicates.



**1941 Chevrolet Special Deluxe 5 passenger Coupe** for sale – belongs to new member in Vancouver, WA – Been in storage years from Eastern Oregon. Very solid – to be installed new Hampton Interior – all parts and trim available – Engine was good and odometer says 58,000. \$7,500. Red paint needs buffed - email Stan at stantemperly@gmail.com or deacon51@juno.com

(ad courtesy of Dave Gowan)



**1957 1/2 ton 3-speed transmission.** \$75. 1931 3-speed transmission. \$75. Dick Olson, email: Rolson82@comcast.net

**20" MAGS and Radial Tires.** Four each. These are six-lug wheels. \$500.  
Email: JerryYoder@hotmail.com

### WANTED

**66-67 Chevy Nova or Chevelle SS.** Level 2 or 3. Engine- Big block or small. Color- preference is blue but open to other colors. Air Conditioning- prefer to have it for Arizona, possibly. Prefer a car that is driveable on a daily basis, I don't think it will just sit in the garage. David O'Brien, dkob131@aol.com.

**One 4:75 X 19 inch** Whitewall tire in good condition. Dick Olson, email: Rolson82@comcast.net.

### FREE

**235 and 216 engines** - as they say, "Ran When Parked". There are no starters, fuel pumps or carburetors. Don Comstock, chevgyuy2@centurylink.net

