

The Dashboard

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THIRD TIME IS A CHARM!



Our first classic was bought in December 1985 for \$2300 from a fellow in Wetumka, Oklahoma. I spotted it across the street from Kay Lynn's mom's house, and told the owner I wanted to buy his 1955 Del Ray and would be back the following day with a cashier's check. John David and I did just that. The car only needed a paint job and a lot of TLC. It was turquoise and white with primer showing through at several points. The decision was made to paint it white.

Ownership gave us the opportunity to join a club with people of similar interests. Plus the Del Ray became a great family project. It inspired us to join the OKC Classic Chevy Club, which later became the Central OK Classic Chevy Club, where we met life long friends.

In 1994, I was president of the OKC CCC but the probability was that my job would be moving us, and I resigned my office. We didn't move, but the club went through hard times for a couple of years and finally disbanded. Some of us got to visiting at a Runaways' show in Reeves Park in Norman and decided to put the club back together. We met at the Myers home and wrote a constitution and bylaws that would limit some of the problems of the old club.

In 1987, the '55 Del Ray went to college. We had agreed that son, John, should have the car if he won a scholarship. He did just that – in track and field at the University of Central Oklahoma. Bye, bye '55, and we went on a search for a “new” classic Chevy. Son, John, drove his car throughout college, but we eventually bought it back from him. This time it set for several years in need of a restoration. The first person to work on it ended up in a divorce and we retrieved the car in pieces. Next, Roy Buntin offered to do the metal work, and shortly after he began, he started having heart problems that barely allowed him to work on his own car. Thanks Roy for what you were able to do.

David Reeds and I made a deal on the car. I sold it to him, and after he restored it, I would have the first option of buying it back when he was ready to sell. We made that purchase in October 2004. (If you have not been counting, this is the third time we bought this Classic Chevy.) The Reeds dreamed of owning a larger and fancier motor home. Thanks David for all the time and effort, money and thought you put into the restoration. I wasn't much of a fan of the teal color but must be in the minority because I've taken the '55 Del Ray to three shows and won a first place trophy in the Classic Chevy category at two of them. The most positive comment I hear is, “What is that color, it sure is pretty.”

We have made a few changes to the car with the help of Larry Myers and Curtis Welch, and we couldn't be more proud to have the '55 back in the family. Kay Lynn and I can hardly wait until fall foliage this year to put our car back on the road and head to Branson. My closing thought is old cars are not that much fun without the friends to go with it. Thanks friends for a lifestyle we have enjoyed tremendously.

John & Kay Lynn Dragoo
May 2006

June 11, 2006 Meeting Central Oklahoma Classic Chevy Club

President Mike Smith called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. at Coit's Drive-in. Guests were Harold Parker, Ben Byers, Irene & Tracy Buggs.

A motion was made by Rustyne to accept March and April minutes as in the newsletter. Seconded by Ken Buchanan. Correct date from May 26 to May 13.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted as read.

Old Business: Poker Run was discussed. There will be 5 locations-4 Sonic Drive-In's and last card at Sid's Diner in Moore. The date is June 24. Sign up sheet was passed around. An ad will run in newspaper June 18 - 24.

Drive in movie night was suggested. Guthrie drive in and Winchester Drive In was suggested. Date will be set at a later time, maybe September or when it is cooler.

Rodney presented our President, Mike Smith with his new “brief case”. Ask Mike if he is carrying it to meetings.

Officer nominations are to be held at next month's meeting. Please consider running for one of the offices. It is a very rewarding job. August will be the elections.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mel Harris. Annette Myers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Next meeting July 9 at Coit's on N. Penn 3.00pm

Elections coming up. Need officers.
Respectfully Submitted by Kay Welch, Secretary

FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

The next meeting will be held at Coits. @ 4101 N. Penn at 3:00 p.m July 9th. We need to park our cars where there are no menu boards

Thank you Mike

Upcoming Events

July 1, 2006 Yukon, OK Mid America Streetrods 22nd Annual Car Show 7 am Bev (405) 636-4377

July 4, 2006 Bethany Freedom Fest Car Show 9:30 - 12 Eldon Lyon Park

July 8, 2006 Cowpies Rt 66 Cruise-In Yukon, OK 3 pm til close

July 15, 2006 Coit's Drive-in Cruise. 6 pm - 10 pm Hawaiian Shirt Night City Heat Cruisers

July 22, 2006 Mustang, OK All Season Building Supply Poker Run 7 pm

July 22, 2006 Poker Run Sonic I-40 & Choctaw Rd. 5:30 pm til 8 pm CC Riders of Central OK

August 2- 6, 2006 32 Annual International CCI Convention in Springfield, MO Information (800)456-1957 or visit www.classicchevy.com

August 10-12, 2006 1956 Chevy 50th Anniversary Celebration in Detroit, MI Information (321)385-9703 or visit www.classicchevy.com

Sept 16, 2006 23rd Annual Guthrie Road Celebration, Guthrie, OK 8 am - 3 pm Jim (405) 285-0970

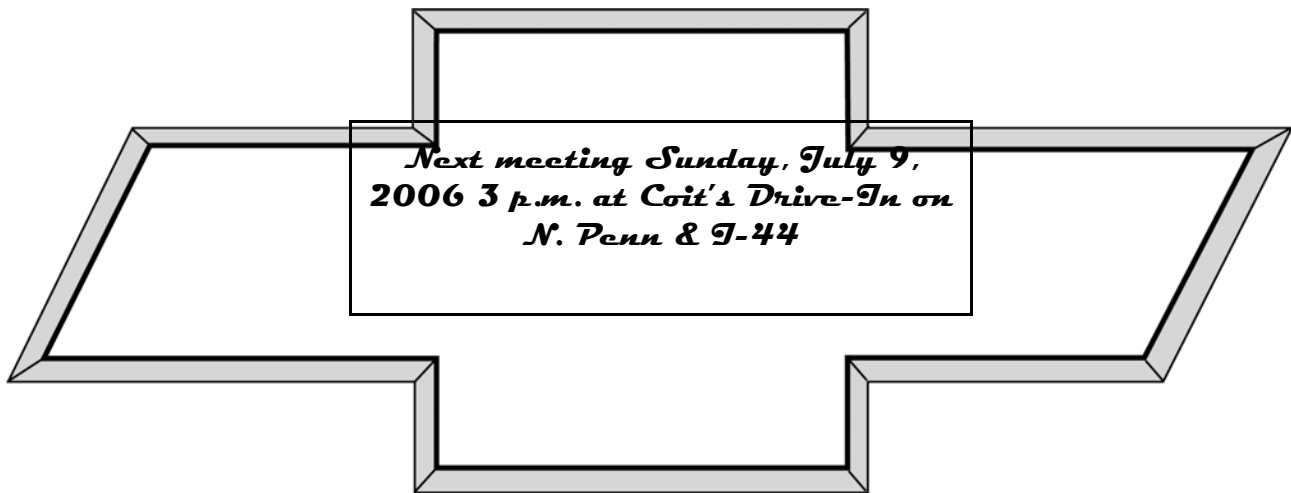
Sept. 30, 2006 Perkins-Tryon Public Schools Car Show Perkins-Tryon High School on Hwy 33 Registration 8 am Trophies at 2 pm Cimarron Starlite Cruisers.

October 1 - 8, 2006 10th Anniversary of "Cruisin The Coast" at the Gulf Coast in Biloxi, MS

October 20 - 22, 2006 Fall Foliage 2006. Branson, MO Hosted by Classic Chevy Club of Springfield, MO Information: Wendell or Jan Royster @ (417)883-6541 Hotel: Quality Inn (417)335-6776



Larry & Annette Myers' 1957 Nomad
True & Sherry Osborn's 1955 Nomad
Vicksburg, MS February 2006



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