

# The Dashboard

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## Snyders IGA Car Show, Year 2000 edition

Rain or shine, cars always show up for the Snyder's IGA car show. Here, Patty Gunter braves the elements to walk around the show's new location at NW 23rd and Meridian in a successful effort to sell 50-50 pot tickets. The club and in particular member Jerry Webb, are to be commended for putting on such a successful event in such adverse conditions. Onward to next year.

Photo by **Martha Duerksen**

## Club seems to have turned a corner with its Cruisin' OKC concept

What about the move to expand organizations to include more than '55-'57?

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This article was written in response to a request for thought on where the club has been and where it is headed in the new millennium. Please send your thoughts on this same subject to the

Dashboard by e-mail, snail-mail, carrier pigeon, smoke signal or any other way you can find. Our thanks to Rip for his honesty.

**By Rip Riley**  
COCCC member

As some in the club may know, shows are not my first interest when it comes to cars. I like to drive.

This year's "event" seemed to combine

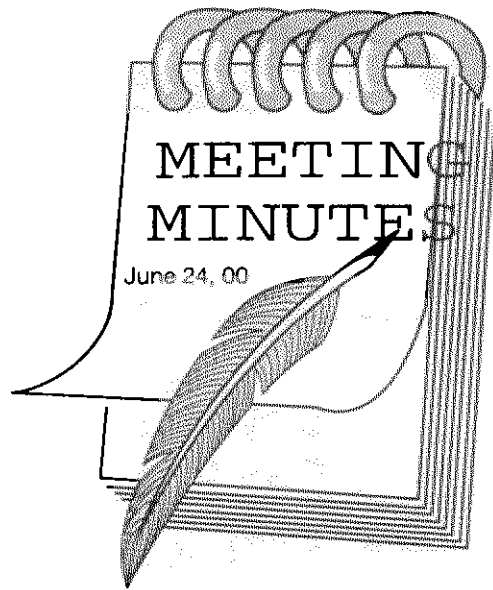
the best of both worlds. A chance to show the cars off, not just as stationary objects, but as cars, rolling down the road.

I hope our annual "Cruisin' OKC" continues to evolve and grow. The inclusion of the other clubs is another plus. I think we may be on to something here.

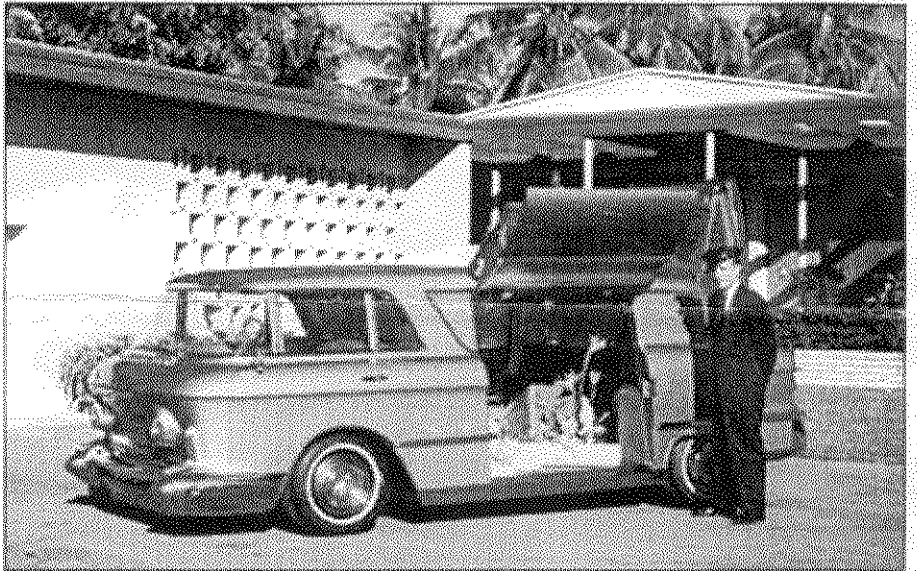
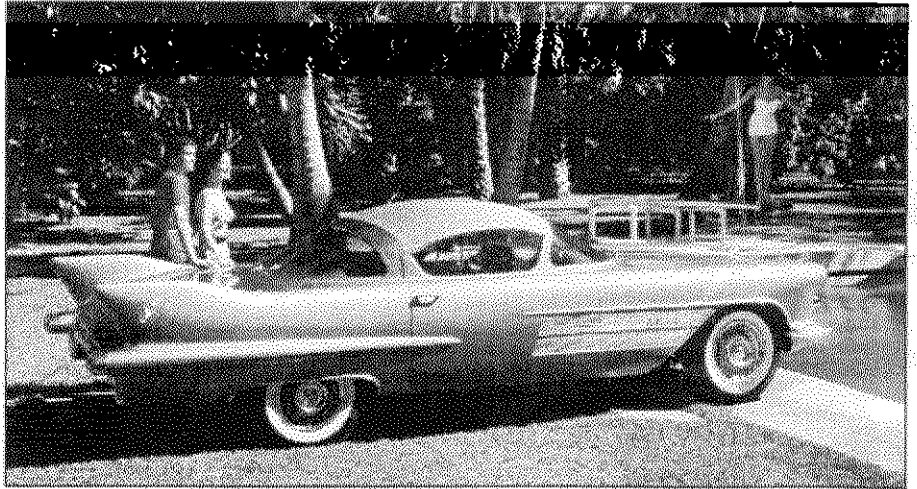
Thanks Rodney!

I just wanted to comment on CCI's decision to combine all Chevies into just "one

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## Fantastic '50s



General Motors Photos

These pictures represent just a taste of the cars GM introduced as dream machines in the 1950s. At top is the 1954 El Camino dream car. At bottom is the 1955 GMC L-Universelle Truck

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** There were no official minutes recorded at the June meeting. Here are Kay Lynn Dragoo's notes on what happened at the meeting.

► Visitors: Aaron Scott from Mathis Bros, Kent Jones from KOMA, Gene & Bun Harris (Mel's parents)

► Rodney presented motion to do Cruisin in 2001 (Somebody 2nd). Motion passed unopposed. Date will be weekend of May 19th. Larry will head the financial part, John will coordinate sites, new chairperson will need to be elected. John read a letter from Hooters offering sponsorship to some of our events. Two other clubs have talked with Larry about coming aboard for next year. Rustyne says we have \$4,300 to split among charities for this year's participating clubs. Rustyne reported that we took in more than we ever had, expenses were less than ever = more money for charities.

► Larry presented everyone there with a small trophy for working the show. Large trophies were given to Aaron for Mathis Bros, Kent for KOMA, Mike Connors for Crossroads, John Dragoo to give to Stockyards, Larry will give one to Mel Cannon for Bricktown's support, Ken Buchanan took the CC Riders, and the trophy for the Corvette Club was accepted.

► July 9 is next meeting and is nomination of officers.

► Ken and Peggy Buchanan arranged for a dining room at Johnnies on NW Expressway for our dinner cruise, and the group convoyed there for burgers, steaks, chocolate pie, etc.

► Larry & Annette drove the black '55 convertible that went through the May 3, 1999 tornado. Their restoration is beautiful.

## 2000: Show concept breaks ground

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big happy family". I used to be a CCI member. I joined because I was interested in Classic Chevis, the '55, '56 & '57s. I liked the technical articles in Classic Chevy World and the fact that it focused on the particular cars that I was interested in.

Then Classic Chevy World was turned into Any Old Chevy World and I saw articles on how to rebuild the steering column in a pickup! They diluted what was a good publication to cut costs and make themselves more profitable, from where I see it. That's a shame.

Another good organization shoots itself

in the foot as a result of a quest to improve their quarterly profit picture.

I called CCI to voice my opinion and was told that the phone staff had actually been instructed by management to poll callers as to their feelings on the new format. After telling him my views, I asked the fellow how the response had been so far and was told, "it's been running pretty strong on the negative side."

I figure any organization that asks what their members think of something and then defies their wishes can do without me. Sorry Mel [Harris, CCI Oklahoma Rep].

# Chevrolet prices '01 Corvette at \$40,475

## PRNewswire

DETROIT — The Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price of Chevrolet's 2001 model year Corvettes will start at \$40,475 (including \$645.00 destination charge) for the Coupe, \$47,000 for the Convertible and \$47,500 for the all-new Z06 hardtop model when they begin arriving in dealer showrooms later this month.

"The Corvette has been America's favorite sports car for 47 years," said Kurt Ritter, Chevrolet general manager. "For 2001, the Corvette lineup delivers more performance, improved agility and added refinement. When you add it all up, it's the most comprehensive price-value relationship in the High Sport segment. And the introduction of the new Z06 offers Corvette buyers the ultimate driving experience."

Continually evolving and improving over time, the standard 5.7-liter LS1 V8 of the Coupe and Convertible provide five more horsepower and increased torque for '01 while also delivering higher fuel economy ratings for most models. Performance enthusiasts opting for the Z06 — based on the former Hardtop model — will have 385 horsepower available to them from its new 5.7-liter LS6 V8.

"The Coupe and Convertible will continue to account for the bulk of Corvette sales," noted Jim Campbell, Corvette brand manager. "Our new Z06, however, will have great appeal for the extreme performance enthusiast. It's simply the quickest, best handling production Corvette ever."

Nearly 1.2-million Corvettes have been sold since the marque was introduced in 1953. Throughout its existence it has remained true to its sporty two-seater heritage. "Inclusion of a more sophisticated Active Handling system as a standard feature along with improved com-



General Motors Photo

This photo was used to promote the light weight of Chevrolet's 1953 Corvette.

fort and convenience provide additional luster to an already respected product line," noted Campbell.

Corvette's value story for 2001 includes a host of standard features that are either unavailable or extra-cost options on many of its competitors. They include Second-Generation Active Handling stability control system; traction control system; Bose speaker and amplifier system; daytime running lamps and retractable headlamps. Among the available Corvette features not offered on most competitive makes in its class are magnesium wheels; one-piece translucent removable roof panel and head-up instrumentation display.

Corvettes are built exclusively at GM's Bowling Green, Ky. manufacturing facility. Located directly across from the plant is the National Corvette Museum, a non-profit foun-

tion created by Corvette customers and enthusiasts to preserve the past, present and future heritage of "America's Performance Icon."

General Motors (NYSE: GM), the world's largest vehicle manufacturer, designs, builds and markets cars and trucks worldwide. In 1999, GM earned \$5.6 billion on sales of \$176.6 billion. It employs about 388,000 people globally.

GM is investing aggressively in high technology and e-business within its global automotive operations and through such initiatives as e-GM, GM BuyPower, OnStar and its Hughes Electronics Corp. (NYSE: GMH) subsidiary.

GM also operates one of the world's largest and most successful financial institutions, GMAC.

More information on General Motors can be found at <http://www.gm.com>

## Available features

► **Preferred Equipment Group 1SB** (N/A on Z06). Coupe \$1,639, Convertible \$1,769. Includes dual zone air conditioning, fog lamps, luggage shade and parcel net (n/a on Convertible), memory package, adjustable sport bucket seat, power passenger seat. Twilight sentinel and electrochromic inside and left-hand outside rear view mirrors also included on Convertible.

► **Preferred Equipment Group 1SC** (N/A on Z06). Coupe \$2,544, Convertible \$2,494. Includes Preferred Equipment Group 1 features plus twilight sentinel, electrochromic inside and left-hand outside rear view mirrors, head-up display, power telescoping steering column with manual tilt.

► **Selective Real Time Damping.** (F45; n/a on Z06) \$1,695.

► **Performance Handling Package.** (Z51; n/a with F45 or on Z06) \$350

► **3.15 Performance Axle Ratio** (n/a on Z06) \$300.

► **6-Speed Manual Transmission** (std. on Z06) \$815.

► **Magnesium Wheels** (n/a on Z06) \$2,000.

► **High-Polished Aluminum Wheels** (n/a on Z06) \$895

► **Delco Electronically-Tuned AM/FM Stereo Radio w/Seek-Scan, \$100.** Matic Tone Control, Compact Disc Player, Digital Clock, Theft Lock and Speed Compensated Volume (std. on Z06)

► **Remote Compact 12-Disc CD Changer** \$600

► **Roof Package** \$1,100 (Coupe only; includes std. solid panel and transparent panel)

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## **Next meeting:**

2 p.m., Sunday, July 9, A&W Drive-In at 89th and South Western in Oklahoma City. Drive your classic for a mini car show in the parking lot.

**Sunday, 2 p.m.  
July 9**

# Important things to know

► Linda Bahr was involved in a auto accident on June 26th. She was in Shawnee Regional hospital with four broken ribs, a punctured left lung, her left hip badly bruised and other bruises all over her body. Her husband reported she was to return home Sunday July 2. We wish you a full and speedy recovery Linda.

► If you took pictures at the Bowtie convention in Tulsa please try to send the Dashboard a few snaps in time for inclusion in the August issue. E-mailed JPEGS 4-inch by 200 dpi are perfect but I can make do with anything. Also, I can scan anything you want to snail-mail me. E-mail to rag55@swbell.net or snail mail to Charles Stookey, 606 Morningside Drive, Norman OK 73071.

► You don't have a computer yet. Well, this year should be the year to get one. The Web is a fantastic place and our Web site is primo.