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Cruisin' Pauls Valley

COCCC's March dinner cruise rolls to the The Pig Shop

► On their sign out front, was "Welcome Curtis & Kay and Friends"

By Kay Welch
COCCC member

Club members gathered Saturday afternoon, Feb. 26, 2000, to cruise to Pauls Valley for Barbecue at The Pig Shop.

There were seven classic cars in line behind Curtis & Kay Welch, Larry & Annette, Mollie & Wyatt (grandchildren) Myers, Rodney & Martha Duerksen, John & Kay Lynn Dragoo, Tom & Teresa Linn, Tru & Sherry Osborn, Bill & Marsha Washam.

Behind the classics in their everyday cruisers were Mel & Rustyne Harris, Jonnie & J. D. Clemons, Rip & Debbie Riley.

As is the club's practice, the dinner cruise started at the A&W Drive In at 89th and S. Western in Oklahoma City.

We pulled onto Western going South through the area where the May 3 tornado left its devastation. Our caravan passed by where club members Bob & Barbara Bartholomew's house once stood. It was destroyed in the tornado and both Bartholomews suffered injuries in the storm

They have since recovered but their 1955 black convertible suffered extensive damage. It has been sold and is now awaiting restoration.

The community is not building the houses and businesses back as fast as we thought they should.

Several members used citizens' band radios on the cruise but the cruise director, Curtis, forgot to install his so Tom Linn loaned him a portable.

Even those without CBs stayed in line and continued down the back roads on the cruise south.

After we turned onto Robinson Street in Norman going East, we got close to Interstate 35 and the Myers had a problem.

Granddaughter, Mollie, decided to get sick to her stomach. The Myers left the line and headed back to Edmond to take her home to her parents.

After crossing I-35, we met Don Bays & Carol Davidson and they got into the procession and on into Norman we went.

We got to Flood street and Robinson and met up with a train on the tracks. We waited in line for about 5 minutes for the train to pass and proceeded east on Robinson. Then we turned South on Highway 77.

Down the road a little bit and still in Norman, Don thought that some of the cars got behind.

Going through the lights in a group is not easy as some get stopped. Soon all were caught up and together.

As we traveled down 77 through the various towns our caravan got lots of "thumbs up," stares, and waves.

When we arrived at the Pig Shop in Pauls

Valley the cars were parked in front a mini car show.

On their sign out front, was "Welcome Curtis & Kay and Friends," That was real nice of Phil Henderson to do that.

Everyone was ready for you know what! Phillip was all set up for us. We started re-arranging the tables & chairs so we could

sit together at a long table. We all like to re-arrange things to suit us. It was buffet style ribs & brisket and fixin's.

About everyone had filled their plates when Larry & Annette and Wyatt came in. Elwin Coffee, Pauls Valley member, joined us during our dinner.

Into the meal, it was very quiet for a while. No one was talking. You know what that means? Phil even remarked that we were all sure quiet.

After the meal, everyone enjoyed looking at the

antiques and the articles written about the Pig Shop.

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Curtis led us in a numbers game with the Washam's winning.

They will be our host for the next dinner cruise tentatively set for March 25. Several of the members headed back because the darkness came too early.

A good time was had by all.

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By Don Bays
COCCC

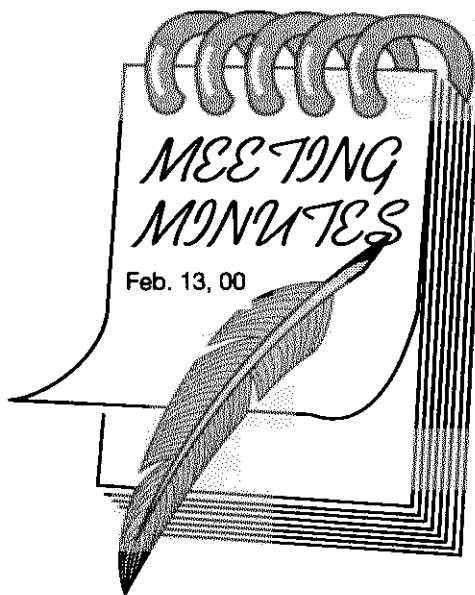
The Feb. 13, 2000, "Valentine's" meeting was held at the Lake Draper Marina restaurant. J.D. Clemons arranged for us to meet and eat on the lake.

► John kicked things off right at 2 p.m. by introducing new members. Steve & Jackie Bohn and Gene Predue were introduced to the gathering of about 30 Classic Chevy enthusiasts.

► The January meeting minutes were accepted as printed in The Dashboard.

► Treasurer Rustyne Harris gave a treasurer's report, indicating that the club is in good financial shape heading into show season. Mention was made of the Greenway Plaza show trophy bill which was still outstanding as of late December. I reported that, at last report, Midwest Trophy was turning the bill over to a collection agency. The woman running the Fall Festival for the merchant's association failed to pay the bill in a timely fashion despite several assurances that this would be done and/or was already paid. I made a special trip to her shop one morning in late October or early November to pick up the check and deliver it to Midwest Trophy, but she assured me it had been mailed two days prior to my visit. Subsequent phone calls by myself and others failed to produce actual payment. It remains to be seen whether we will continue to lend our help to this show, since we've had this trouble making us look bad with Midwest Trophy. Also they refused to set a date for 2000 so we could get in the calendars for free publicity, which really hurt in 1999.

► Kay Lynn Drago gave a report on the upcoming Fall Foliage cruise to Queen Wilhelmina's Castle, Nov. 10-12, 2000. The Lodge will now take reservations for both Friday & Saturday nights at 1-800-264-2477 (ext. 305, Brenda). Be sure to ask for the



Classic Chevy rate which is \$67 for a double.

► The new business section of the meeting was led off by Rustyne's report on the High Pointe Christmas visit. She shared several special "thank-you's" from that organization. John mentioned that the Cruisin' Bricktown® meeting in early February was interrupted by the manager at High Pointe who wanted to say thanks again.

► It was noted that Noble's Rose Rock Festival is scheduled for May 6 and participation is invited. Edmond's El Chico is doing a Cinco de Mayo celebration (also on May 6) and would like to have some Classic Chevys participate.

► Linda Bahr came forward with a request for participation in her company's main charity: Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the Century 21 bowling fund raiser for that charity.

► Other upcoming activities were announced, which included this club's dinner cruise and the CC Rider's kick-off dinner/dance. A group of about 25 of us were

led to Pauls Valley by the last winner of the dinner cruise contest, Curtis Welch, to partake of the excellent vittles at Bob's Pig Stand. They reserved the whole restaurant for us the evening of 2/26/2000!

► The next meeting will be March 12, 2000 at the A&W Drive-In restaurant at S.W. 89th & Western.

► A report on January's dinner cruise was given by Linda Bahr, who led 25 of us back to Sherri's Diner.

► Rodney took the floor with his show report. The main topic of conversation was whether to allow club members to win cash prizes at this year's three-location "Cruisin' Oklahoma City." A motion to allow club members to be eligible if they're paid & registered, and limited to two club member winners of the overall eight cash prizes, was made by Tom Linn and seconded by Patty Gunter. The motion was passed by a show of hands. It was noted that there will be a disinterested independent picked to draw winners. Larry gave a report on the meeting with him, Fred Hensley and the Mathis Brothers hierarchy. Mathis Brothers would very much like to have us list our purchases from the furniture store over the last few years. Also mentioned was the probability that Mathis Bros. will provide Website links to our address. They want us to have some of our well-known acrylic trophies, so we will probably have about 30 of these, hopefully paid by auto dealers, courtesy of Larry Myers' connections and cajones.

► John reported on a visit with The Stockyard Association and indicated that we will have their full support. That group is led by Jerry Montgomery.

► The meeting climaxed with all officers reading something written for their partners. It was quite touching (and somewhat surprising) but everyone had nice presentations for the love of their life.

A Valentines Day message of life

By Don bays
COCCC Secretary

I'd like to share just a bit of my presentation to Carol & The Club at our Valentines Day meeting. This is a bit of philosophy that I have shared with some of my financial planning clients, who I thought might benefit from the message. I had not previously had the courage to share this with Carol until John came up with this idea for our near Valentine's Day meeting.

Dance Like No One's Watching — Too many people live their lives convinced that things will get better after something happens, i.e. after marriage, after having a baby, after divorce, after getting the kids out of the house or any number of excuses for not trying to be happy. There is no way to happiness — happiness is the way! So treasure every moment that you have. Treasure it because you shared it with someone special. And remember that time waits for

no one. If we're lucky, we get about 80 years of life, perhaps only 80 springtime's, only 80 glorious autumns. So stop waiting until you finish school or go back to school, or lose 10 pounds or gain 10 pounds or whatever the excuse you're using and just realize there is no better time to be happy than right now! So — Work like you don't need the money, Love like you've never been hurt, and Dance like no one's watching.

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Next meeting:

A & W 89th & S. Western. As always we ask you to drive your classics to our monthly meeting for our mini car show. We enjoy seeing them and we enjoy showing them off. After the meeting, there may be somewhere to go, we never know. See you there.

Sunday, 2 p.m.
March 12

Important things to know

► The **Snyders IGA Car Show** will be held on Saturday, June 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will use the same format as the past couple of years with trophies for the top ten original and top ten modified and best of show for each. Approximately 10 other trophies will be "special awards" plus a host trophy will be given.

Shine 'em up guys & gals - we had an excellent car club turn out last year. Snyders will again treat all club members & families to a nice barbeque lunch.

We will need some door prizes, so when asking for Bricktown door prizes, try to squeeze an extra one for this show. Doc & Pam Holliday will again do the music. We will need a club photographer to take pictures of each car as they enter. These pictures will complete their appreciation picture/dash plaque. Please give me a call if you can take pictures. Jerry Webb

New location Snyders @ 23rd & Meridian, Windsor Hills Shopping Center