



Lone Star Region - Texas Vintage Chevrolet Club of America

Vance Hunt Special Guest at March Meeting

LSR Meetings

Executive Board Meeting

Saturday, March 7, at 4:00 PM, hosted by Glen & Eileen Rogers at I-HOP, 1801 N. Beltline Road, Irving (183 & Beltline), phone 972-986-2221.

Region Meeting

Sunday, March 8, 2:30 PM at Arlington Sr. Recreation Center, 1000 Eunice Street.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8
DAYLIGHT SAVING
TIME BEGINS**



Vance Hunt will be our speaker at the March meeting. He is a member of the Dragsters Hall of Fame. Vance is a name synonymous



with Top Fuel Racing in the Southwest from 1960 to 1971. In those days, sponsors were virtually non-existent. Match racing or running in open competition helped pay the bills.

Vance does have a tale to tell. His dragging days are very interesting. He likes to answer questions on the subject, so come prepared.

After the meeting those that would like to join us for dinner, we will be driving to Old Town Hamburgers, 2406 W. Park Row, in Pantego (located between Bowen & Fielder), phone 817-276-9191.

Thanks to Elmer & Barbara Anderson for making the dinner arrangements and finding the speaker for the March meeting.

Spring Day Tour March 21 – By Eddie Sewell

Red Caboose, Red Birds, & the Chisholm Trail

The day trip to the Hill Country is planned for Saturday, March 21st. We will meet at the Cleburne Braum's at 1310 W. Henderson St. (additional parking at Cotton Patch). We will leave promptly at 9:00 A.M. and travel the back roads through Johnson, Hill, and Bosque Counties.

A tour of the Red Caboose Winery is on the itinerary before

driving to Meridian. Our group will park around the recently restored 1886 courthouse and eat lunch at the Cactus Grill.

After the lunch break, we will continue the driving tour on the back roads to the Chisholm Trail Outdoor Museum, just west of Cleburne. There, among other things, we will tour the oldest surviving log courthouse in Texas, built in 1854.

The tour has a total of 83 miles and VCCA Touring Passports will be stamped while we are there.

A signup sheet will be available again at the March meeting. Don't forget to bring your cameras and your CB's.



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Happy Birthday

Bob Reams	03/01
Ronnie Stedman	03/03
Jon Presnell	03/06
Ken Cowell	03/07
Cindy Reams	03/08
Dianne Fulmer	03/11
Bill Wagner	03/11
Lanora Romero	03/13
Margie Zimmernan	03/15
L.M. Ray	03/15
Bob Brown	03/15
Cathy Sweet	03/16
Teresa Scavino	03/17
Pam St. Romain	03/17
Pat Laney	03/17
Ken Olmstead	03/21
Mack Courtney	03/23
Edward Brown	03/26
Don Shaw	03/29
Ginger York	03/29
Susie Corbin	03/31

Happy Anniversary

March 11 –
Peter & Kathy Hakala

March 12 –
Jon & Carol Presnell

March 30 –
Chuck & Sheila Kinsey

March 31 –
Bob & Carolyn Couch

Old Car Drawing

Verna Brown on the drawing which was up to \$10. She and Bobbie came to the meeting in their '57 Cameo pickup. Next month the amount goes back to \$5.

Director's Corner – By Elmer Anderson



I want to thank Eileen for the great Valentine's party. It was fun and we learned a lot about some of our members. At the March meeting we will have a guest speaker, Vance Hunt, who is from Arlington and is in the Dragster Hall of Fame. He will tell of dragging in the '50s

and will answer questions, so have your questions ready for him. After the meeting we will eat at Old Town Hamburgers. They will be waiting for us and they say they have some surprises in store for us. The Sewells are in charge of the Spring Day Tour on March 21st so everyone get out your old cars and follow Eddie and Betty through the back roads around Cleburne. The Anniversary Meet will be in April hosted by the Grotes so everyone

volunteer for something to do. There are games to coordinate, prizes to be gotten and cake to order, so do something. Don't forget the swap meet in June, it is our greatest priority. Remember this is the one event that makes us our money for the year. Mark needs help handing out flyers at other swap meets, help marking tags in May, laying out the swap meet and workers for that great weekend.

Remember When We First Met?

With a little bribery of flowers and chocolate, we were entertained at our February meeting with Valentine stories from married couples in our membership telling us about how they first met. Somehow, a lot of the stories related to their cars and such things as cruisin' down to the Dairy Queen, and some of the couples met while in high school. Of this group, the marriages ranged from 27 to 49 years. The ones

that were willing to tell their story received a bud vase of flowers to give to their wife or a Mr. Goodbar to give to their husband.

Thanks to the following people for sharing their stories:

Wayne Wilshire
Pam St. Romain
Anna Perez
Judy Perrine
Elmer Anderson
Chuck Reams
Eddie Sewell



LSR Membership Dues for 2009

We still have a few members that have not paid their dues. The new sletter mailing list has been revised with all the paid member's names, so this could be your last issue if you have not paid your dues. Don't miss out on "what's happening". Send your \$12 check (made out to LSR-VCCA) for your 2009 membership dues to Eileen Rogers, 2804 Warren Circle, Irving, TX 75062-8937.

If you have already paid your dues, please disregard this reminder, and "thank you".

Sunshine Report – By Sheila Kinsey

We offer sincere sympathy to Wanda and Floyd Blakeley in their recent losses. Nettie Brown, Wanda's mother, passed away January 29, 2009. She was 91 years young. Floyd's uncle, Bill Clark, passed away February 8, 2009. He was 83 years young.

Bettie Duncan's son, Dwight, had five (5) heart bypasses February 4, 2009. He came through the surgery just fine and is recovering at home.

Nettie Crow, Sandy Reams' mother, fell on February 10, 2009 and broke her upper right femur. She had surgery to repair the break and is progressing very well at the wonderful age of 92.

To report Sunshine News, contact Sunshine Lady, Sheila Kinsey, at chuck-sheila@sbcglobal.net or call 972-623-2523. She will arrange for a get well card, sympathy card or flowers as appropriate on behalf of our club.

2009 LSR Board Meeting Hosts

March 7	Glen & Eileen Rogers
April 18	Wayne & Sherlene Moore
May 16	Bud & Billie Grote
July 11	Chuck & Sheila Kinsey
August 8	Roy & JoAnn Chambers
September 12	Wendell & Rosie Allen
October 10	Don & June Newhouse

LSR Swap Meet – By Mark Young

After the February meeting the members all pitched in to stuff envelopes for a mailing to prospective vendors. Thanks to all that helped, and thanks to Don & June Newhouse for updating the mailing list and for printing and sticking the labels on the envelopes.

Good Day at Decatur - Hancel Brannon, Chuck Reams, Clay Perrine, Bob & Verna Brown, and I put out 2500 flyers on Friday, Feb 20. Huston Shelt on maintained an auxiliary supply for us to distribute at his space. The verbal response from vendors was good with many pledging to come to the LSR Traders Village Swap meet. We have a need for volunteers to distribute flyers at upcoming meets and to help us put our SWAP MEET workers schedule together. Thanks for all the help.

Upcoming Events

2009

March 8	Lone Star Region Meeting
March 21	Spring Day Tour Hosted by Eddie & Betty Sewell
April 1 – 4	LSR joins with Ark. Diamond State Region for a Eureka Springs tour
April 19	Lone Star Region Anniversary Mtg.
May 5 - 8	12 th VCCA Southern Spring Tour, Carthage, MO. 4- 6 Cyl. SOLD OUT
May 16	Pythian Children's Home 100 Year Anniversary Car Show 12:00-4:00 PM
May 17	Lone Star Region Mtg.-Tag Marking
June 12 - 14	34 th LSR Swap Meet, Traders Village (No monthly meeting in June)
June 15 - 19	33 rd Middle West Meet to be held in Mankato, Minnesota
July 12	Lone Star Region Meeting
August 9	Lone Star Region Meeting
September 13	Lone Star Region Meeting
Sept. 18 - 20	VCCA Area 6 Joint Tour in Ponca City, Oklahoma Hosted by Heart of Route 66 Region
October 11	Lone Star Region Meeting
October 12 - 17	VCCA Southern Fall Tour for 4 & 6 Cylinders, Atlanta, TX
November 8	Lone Star Region Meeting, Election of Officers, & Bingo Party
Nov. 13 - 14	Fall Tour, Syrup Festival in Henderson Hosted by Joe & Judy Lake
December 12	Lone Star Region Christmas Party

VCCA SOUTHERN SPRING TOUR
CARTHAGE, MISSOURI MAY 5 - 8 **SOLD OUT!**

Notes of Thanks

Dear LSR/VCCA Friends & Family.

We want to thank you for the beautiful peace plant you sent to us for our Mother's service. We also want to thank you for the cards, calls and especially the visits. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Mother had not known any of us for a long time but was really going down hill for her last two weeks.

We appreciate you very much.

With loving kindness to you,
Wanda & Floyd Blakeley
and
Wennona Brown & Joe Margraf

Area 6 Joint Tour – By Ken Olmstead

Sept. 19 is this year's joint tour hosted by Route 66 Region of Area 6. They have chosen Ponca City, Oklahoma and the surrounding area. I would like to give the membership of the "Lone Star Region" a preview of this area and information so that you can make a better decision about participating in this tour.

Ponca City has many points of interest. Although none of the tours have not been announced or even selected, there are some really great tourist attractions to see. The mansion of E.W. Marland (10th Governor) of Oklahoma is a must see. He had a very colorful past, twice made and lost a huge fortune in the oil field. His mansion in Ponca City is a registered national landmark. Statue of the "Pioneer Women" and adjacent museum is dedicated to the pioneering women of the nation as well as Oklahoma. Of special interest here is how the selection of the final statue was made. This will be a great place for a photo with your antique vehicle. Kaw Reservoir and dam on the Arkansas River is a very scenic drive and will also be a beautiful place for photos with your car. These sights are worth the trip to Ponca City.

About the trip, from the metroplex to Ponca City is a little over 300 miles, almost entirely on I - 35. The club could make a day trip northward to "Turner Falls" near Davis, Ok., and a late lunch stop in Oklahoma City's "Bricktown". A convoy of "old Chevys", trailered or otherwise, taking an hour for Turner Falls break and an hour and half for lunch, will mean a full day. You can count on at least 6 to 6 1/2 hours driving time.

This tour will be an identical repeat for a different antique car club tour during the summer, so all the kinks and problems should be worked out. These are some of the considerations to make for this tour. I hope many of our members will give serious thought to the joint tour. I also hope the economy or the return to high fuel prices will not be a burden.

34th LSR Auto Swap Meet

June 12 – 14, 2009

At Traders Village in Grand Prairie, TX
2602 Mayfield Road

Sponsored by Lone Star Region VCCA

20' x 18' Spaces

\$30 until May 23 - \$40 after May 23

15' x 18" Car Corral

\$25 until May 23 - \$35 after May 23

TRADERS VILLAGE PROVIDING FREE FOR VENDORS:

Parking, breakfast & lunch Friday & Saturday, Nachos

Party on Saturday 6 - 7 PM

Drawing for ten \$50 gasoline gift cards Sunday

At 11 AM (must be present to win,

LSR members excluded.

On Thursday, June 11 at 9:00 AM, registration tent opens and vendors may begin set up.

Registration forms are available at

www.LoneStarChevyClub.org

Mail form and check made out to LSRVCCA to:
James Smith, 4237 Glen Springs Dr., Arlington, TX 76016

Phone 817-478-3127 - jimtarl@sbcglobal.net

6th Annual Southern Fall Tour Atlanta, TEXAS October 12 – 17, 2009

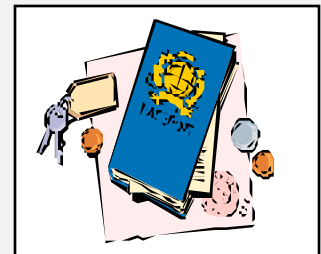
Enjoy the hospitality of the famous East Texas Piney Woods. Tour through the gently rolling terrain of Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas surrounded by hardwood and pine forests spotted with low lands containing picturesque Spanish Moss laden cypress trees. Destinations will appeal to a wide variety of artistic, cultural and historic interests. For more information: Forest Sweet, PO Box 201, Lake Jackson, TX 77566, sweet.chip@yahoo.com or 979-233-1600. Space is limited.

Chip Sweet

VCCA Touring Passports

So you've got your Touring Passport, and you've been driving the tours and logging in the miles. Now you're wondering, how do you apply for a Touring Award? This question, as well as other questions, was answered in the January 2009 Generator & Distributor (G&D) in an article called Touring Tidbits on page 23 of the VCCA magazine.

The Touring Milestones are listed on page 2 of the Touring Passport (500; 1,000; 2,000; 5,000 and 10,000). When you have reached a milestone, send a photocopy of the vehicle photo, page 1 of the passport and all touring entries to Dave Cavagnaro, 11 Heller Hill Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825-2320 or email djcav@ptd.net



Membership

Welcome to New Members:

Joe Cavazos

DOB 12/19

Tina Cavazos

DOB 11/11

Home 972-262-5919
5901 Old Barn Drive
Arlington, TX 76016
'54 2-D HT 6 cyl.
'64 Impala SS 8 cyl.
'64 Impala SS Conv 8 cyl.

Prospects:

Bill Bracken
Grapevine, TX
(Elmer Anderson)

If you have prospective members, send their name and address to Membership Secretary.

With the cost of postage continually increasing, it would be especially helpful if you would include their E-mail address.

Eileen Rogers
LSR Membership Secretary
2804 Warren Circle
Irving, TX 75062-8937
Phone 972-252-8510 or
eileen.rogers1@verizon.net

Coming Up Roses on Valentine's Day – By Judy Perrine

Brrr – the north wind blew and it was off and on sunny when eight Chevy's went on display at the Kroger parking lot in Southlake.

Lydia, the Kroger grocery store floral manager, had asked her mother, Rosie Allen, if some of her car friends would bring their classics to promote Valentine's Day. The men talked cars and the ladies put their lawn chairs in a protected area and everyone settled down to socialize despite the weather. The cars on display were Elmer and

Barbara Anderson '57 Belair, Glen and Eileen Rogers '68 Camaro, Rosie and Wendell Allen '53 convertible, Bob and Vern Brown '68 Chevelle, Randy and Kandy Hulse '52 pickup, Wayne Wilshire and grandson '60 Impala, Wayne and Sherlene Moore, granddaughter and great grandson '65 convertible and Clay and Judy Perrine '55 convertible.

Placed in front of each vehicle were a dozen red roses floral arrangements which were given as a thank

you from Lydia. This made for a great photo op and many pictures were taken during the afternoon by the steady stream of people who came to see the cars. After leaving the show, most of the group drove to a nearby restaurant for an early dinner, but to their dismay the place was packed and the wait time was up to an hour and a half to be seated. We decided to have dinner at home and left. Hopefully, the rest of the group managed to wait out the crowd.

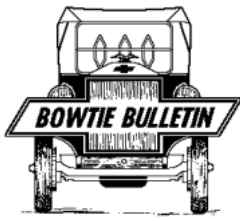
New Members Profile – By Roger & Anna Perez

Howdy! We are Roger and Anna Perez and we joined the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America Inc./Lone Star Region, Texas Vintage Chevrolet Club of America in January 2009. We are long time residents of Arlington, but we were born and raised in San Antonio, Texas. Our family includes two sons, Andy and Sergio, two grandsons, Andrew III and Simon. We also have a wonderful daughter-in-law Robin married to Andy. Sergio is engaged and plans to marry in the summer of 2010. In January we celebrated our 37th wedding anniversary.

Both of us retired in January 2007. With retirement and a bit more time on our hands came a renewed interest in our 1955 4 door BelAir. Our '55 has seen better days. Today it is in open storage with four flat tires, some surface rust and other ailments. We concluded that the best way to start paying attention to our "special" car was to join a vintage car club. Fortunately for us, Jim Smith, a long time member of the Lone Star Region club, guided us to what so far has been a wonderful organization.



As depicted in the photo, we relish the days of using our '55 as a daily driver. Our present goal is to restore our '55 to its former glory and be able to use it on a regular basis. As members of the Lone Star Region, we hope to obtain contacts, guidance, and moral support as we move forward with our restoration challenges – finding trustworthy mechanics, paint and body specialists etc. Along the way we also hope to add an additional vintage Chevrolet or two to our garage. In the meantime, we anticipate becoming active members in club activities, making new friends, and supporting the mission and goals of the Lone Star Region club. We have been delighted by the friendliness and willingness to help by club members we've met to date.



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Please submit information to be included in the next newsletter by the 25th of the month.

New letters are sent by E-mail and regular mail by the 1st of each month. If you don't receive your copy, please contact the Newsletter Editor.

Thanks again to all those that receive newsletters by e-mail. I've just heard that there will be another postage increase of 2¢ in May.



Vintage Chevrolet Club of America, national web site www.vcca.org
Lone Star Region web site www.lsrclub.org or www.lonestarchevyclub.org

Swap Meets, Car Shows, & Such

March 19 - 21 – Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK www.pwsm.com

March 20 - 21 – San Jacinto Region Swap Meet at Trader's Village, Houston

March 21 – Christian Classic Cruisers 1st car show of the season, 5-9 PM, and then third Saturday of the month March – October at Birdville ISD Stadium Parking Lot. www.christianclassiccruisers.com

March 28 – D&D Rockin Rods, 1st car show of the season, 8625 Camp Bowie West, Fort Worth, 1:00 – 5:00 PM. www.ddrockinrods.com

April 4 – 10:00 – 4:00 PM Liberty HS "Rides & Rhythms" car show at Fuddrucker's Preston Rd/Gaylord in Frisco.

April 18-19 - DFW Swap Meet, LaGrave Field, Ft. Worth, & June 27-28, Oct. 24-25, www.deaneahart.com

Apr. 30-May 3 - Pate Swap Meet, Texas Motor Speedway, Ft. Worth, E-mail pateswapmeet@aol.com

June 12-14 – 34th LSR Swap Meet at Trader's Village, E-mail jimtar1@sbcglobal.net
Registration form and information available on the Lone Star Region web site www.lonestarchevyclub.org

Nov. 6-7 – Southwest Swap Meet, Rangers Ballpark, Arlington. Phone 940-271-1005.

For more area Swap Meet Information: www.txccc.com

The World's Best Chevrolet Club

Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (national) was founded in 1961. Our local organization, **Lone Star Region**, was started in 1971 for the Dallas/Fort Worth area. The organization is family oriented and promotes interest in antique and classic Chevrolets. We preserve and restore old Chevy's just for the fun of it. National dues are \$35 per year, and regional dues are \$12 per year. Our LSR of VCCA meetings are held each month at 2:30 PM at the Arlington Senior Recreation Center, 1000 Eunice Street, Arlington, TX 76010, phone 817-277-8091.

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