



Lone Star Region - Texas Vintage Chevrolet Club of America

Heritage Syrup Festival

- By Glen & Eileen Rogers
Henderson, TX – November 13 – 14, 2009

We are delighted so many of LSR folks indicated an interest in participating in this activity and signed up at the last meeting. For those of you that are still on the fence about going, here's some additional information that might help you decide. We were hoping for about 20 and based on the 18 folks that used the sign-up sheet, we'll make that easily and more. For the newer members, while this will be a VCCA sanctioned event and members with passports can accrue mileage, there is nothing precluding members from driving their modern vehicles and enjoying the festivities. Tours are intended to be an enjoyable experience for all.

Henderson is about a 2 ½ hour drive from the DFW Metroplex. Normally there are about 11,000 folks in Henderson, but during the Syrup Festival, the population swells to more than 30,000.

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LSR Meetings

Executive Board Meeting

No board meeting scheduled in August.

Region Meeting

Sunday, August 9,
2:30 PM, at Arlington
Sr. Recreation Center,
1000 Eunice Street.

Dinner after meeting at:
The Tin Cup
1025 W. Abram Street.
Go right at Collins St.
to Abram Street turn
left and go down
Abram Street pass
Cooper St. and look
for The Tin Cup on the
right hand side of the
road.



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VCCA Area 6 Joint Tour

September 17 – 19, 2009, Ponca City, Oklahoma
Hosted by Heart of Route 66 Region

Registration is \$60 per person. The registration fee includes Thursday night meet and greet, Friday night Dinner with a Baseball-Hot Dogs-Apple Pie and Chevrolet Theme, Saturday lunch and Saturday night banquet as well as admission fees to Marland Mansion and Bivin Garden. "Optional" Car Judging Fee is \$10. Field entrance check begins Friday at 9:00 AM. Make checks payable and mail to Heart of Route 66 Region c/o Becky Hamilton, 2201 N. Sangre Rd., Stillwater, OK 74075-0916. The Reservation Form and the Judging Registration Form were included with our July new sletter and are now available on our website at www.lsrclub.org.

Make hotel reservations by August 30 at the Holiday Inn Express, 2809 N. 14th Street, Ponca City, OK, phone 580-762-3700. Ask for the "Chevrolet" special rate of \$90.

A group from LSR will travel together, and the plan is to leave on Thursday and return on Sunday. Meet at Cracker Barrel, 4008 N. Interstate 35, in Denton, take exit #469, Hwy. 380, stay on frontage road through intersection, and restaurant is on the right. We will leave Denton at **9:00 AM**. If you would like to travel with the group, sign up at the August LSR meeting or contact Wayne Wilshire to put your name on the list. Call 817-473-4178 or wilshire1101@charter.net. Joint Tours are always fun, so plan to drive your old car, haul your old car, or drive your modern – let's just go!

Reservation deadline is August 30, 2009.

Happy Birthday

Wayne Moore 8/02
 Lowell Stapf 8/04
 Barbara Anderson 8/05
 Marion Courtney 8/11
 Scott Holdridge 8/12
 Jeff Newhouse 8/18
 Tom Dodson 8/24
 Leila Kinsey 8/25
 Lisa Holdridge 8/28
 Jean Dodson 8/29
 Mike Schutkowski 8/31

Happy Anniversary

August 6 –
 Mack & Darlene Courtney

August 8 –
 Mark & Gerry Young
 Chuck & Cindy Reams

August 10 –
 Bill & Diann Kohley

August 12 –
 Hans & Ann Rasch

August 19 –
 Ronnie & Nancy Batchelor
 Roy & Jo Ann Chambers

August 21 –
 Bob & Lexie Swift

August 29 –
 Jeff & Claire Newhouse

August 30 –
 Bob & Pat Laney

Congratulations

Bill Wagner has received his 35-year membership award from VCCA. Congratulations Bill & Purneta.

Director's Corner – By Elmer Anderson



The Arlington 4th of July parade went well except for Glen and Eileen Rogers' car that had trouble on the way

to the parade, and they never made it. I hope it's fixed by now. It is really a nice car.

The month of August is a slow month, so I hope to have a surprise program. I am working on it.

Thanks to the group that volunteered to help with

the swap meet. And thanks to those five guys who volunteered to be on the swap meet committee.

The deadline of August 30th is coming soon, so make plans now to attend the Area 6 Joint Tour in Oklahoma. Let's get those cars out and drive them.

Heritage Syrup Festival – Cont. from Page 1

On Friday night, Joe and Judy Lake have invited club members to share a hot dog and chili dinner with them at their home just outside of Henderson. Then Saturday members can fully enjoy all the unique crafts, and food offered by the vendors and shop owners throughout the downtown area. A hay wagon is used to take folks from the downtown area to the Depot Museum where they can watch syrup being made from sugar cane, see lumber being milled and... drum roll please... see the only outhouse on the Texas National Historic Register. Last year about 100 vintage cars participated in a shine and show car show near the courthouse. We've been promised choice parking spots as soon as we let the coordinator know how many vintage cars will be coming.

So here's the plan so far:

We will depart **Friday morning at 9:30** from the McDonalds at Exit 470 on the southside of I-20 just east of where 35 crosses 20. Drive to Tyler for lunch at the Cracker Barrel, visit the Brookshire's World of Wildlife Museum (free admission) and we've been requested to add the East Texas Oil Museum at Kilgore College (\$6.00 admission), then on to the Holiday Inn Express in Henderson and dinner at the Lake's at 5:00.

The telephone number for the **Holiday Inn Express is (903) 657-5250** – remember to ask for the special rate of \$85 for the LSR VCCA. Or you can call 1-800 HOLIDAY. The rate is guaranteed up until November 13, but only if rooms are available. So make your reservation early in order to make sure you have a room. The hotel just opened in March so it is very nice, has a full breakfast and small refrigerator and microwave in each room. Priority Club members get a little gift sack upon arrival with water and snacks.

Saturday – participate in the car show and Syrup Festival Activities, dinner at one of the local restaurants. Some members may choose to leave mid-day and return home, but Joe and Judy indicated there is so much to do and see, that you will surely be too tired to drive home.

Sunday depart for home.

If you have any questions or suggestions, contact Eileen or Glen Rogers

ARLINGTON 4TH OF JULY PARADE - By Elmer & Barbara Anderson

The Lone Star Region participants lined up at 7:00 in the morning on a day that would turn out to be very hot. We were lucky we were number 45 and there was a cool breeze for a while. Mark and Gerry Young in their 57, Verna Brown in her 68 convertible, Bobby Brown in his 57 PU, Ron and Pam St Romain in their 40, Michael Nute, who could not get his car started, came with Blas Perez in Blas's 53 PU, and Elmer and Barbara Anderson in their 57 were all lined up. Glenn and Eileen Rogers car quit on the way, and Huston Shelton's car was not running, so instead of eight cars there were six. The parade was fast and we got through it in record time. After lunch, we went to the awards ceremony where we picked up the Perrine's 1st place trophy. Our group did not win, so that is one less trophy we have to deal with. But, we do love to parade.

Sunshine Report – By Sheila Kinsey

Sincere condolences go to Wayne and Sherlene Moore on the loss of Wayne's sister-in-law, Mozelle Moore. Mozelle passed away June 27.

Glen Rogers had surgery on his ankle July 24 and is doing well.



Wedding Congratulations to Floyd and Wanda Blakeley on the wedding of their grandson Matthey Shirley who married Savannah Smith in Woodward, OK on June 27.

Wedding Congratulations to Roy and Jo Ann Chambers on the wedding of one of their twin grandsons, Noah John Wood. Noah and Amy Marie Rose were married June 26 in McKinney, Texas.



Congratulations to the following new grandparents. Mason Lane Reams was born July 17. He weighed in at 6 lbs, 10 ozs and was 19" tall. His grandparents are Chuck and Cindy Reams.

Sally and Ken Olmstead have a new grandson. Trevor Kenneth Olmstead was born July 17 and weighed in at 9 lbs, 13 ozs. His parents are Travis and Shannon Olmstead.

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.

Upcoming Events 2009

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| August 9 | Lone Star Region Meeting |
| September 13 Sept. 17 - 19 | Lone Star Region Meeting VCCA Area 6 Joint Tour in Ponca City, Oklahoma Hosted by Heart of Route 66 Region |
| October 11 October 12 - 17 | Lone Star Region Meeting VCCA Southern Fall Tour for 4 & 6 Cylinders, Atlanta, Texas |
| November 8 | LSR Board Meeting at 2:00 PM Lone Star Region Meeting, Election of Officers, & Bingo Party |
| Nov. 13 - 14 | Fall Tour, Syrup Festival in Henderson. Friday hot dogs & chili dinner at Joe & Judy Lake's house. |
| December 12 | Lone Star Region Christmas Party |

Notes of Thanks

Bennie and I would like to thank the club for the beautiful ivy plant. We really appreciate the club members for all the thoughts and prayers and also all the great cards during this past month of surgery and recovery for us. Bennie continues to gain strength and his post op therapy has started here at home.

Bennie & Margie Zimmerman

Thanks so much for your thoughts, prayers and cards in the loss of our loved one. You are a great club family.

Wayne & Sherlene Moore

An Open Letter to the VCCA Members in Area Six

Once again, it's time to think about elections for the VCCA National Board of Directors positions. The nomination form can be found in the July G&D and the deadline to apply is August 20th.

The decision to serve on the national board of directors is not to be taken lightly nor is it something to be afraid to commit to. For some of us who love the old car hobby and our Chevrolets it is a step toward ensuring that the VCCA stays strong and continues on into the future. I encourage each and every one of you to consider running for an open at large position or the area 6 director's position. We need our members to be involved in the management of the club.

This year, I will again be running for the position of Area 6 Director. If I am elected it will be my second three year term. When I was elected to the job of National Secretary of the VCCA this last March, I committed to a two year term of office. I will have completed one year as Secretary in 2009. The second year is dependent on whether I am re-elected this fall.

I have found that serving on the National Board of Directors is interesting, engaging and rewarding and sometimes challenging. I am committed to keeping Area 6 informed as to the National Board activities and will work toward the best interests of the VCCA.

Therefore, I am asking for and would appreciate your vote for me for Area 6 Director.

Clay Perrine

1959 Chevrolet Impala 50th Anniversary – By Betty Wilshire

The Chevrolet Impala began its introduction in 1958 as a top of the line trim option on the Chevrolet Bel Air. As the Bel Air lineup in 1958 featured all new and "one year only" styling, the Impala option added special trim and deluxe interiors. The 1959 Impala featured new designs with batwing fins and cat's eye tail lights. It was offered as a full series and included a 4-door sedan, sport hardtop coupe and sedan, and convertible. The Impala was a big hit and ascended to the top of the line, and the Bel Air became mid-range with Biscayne behind. It also gained an increased horsepower with the availability of a fuel injected 283 V8 with 335 hp.

Wayne's first "new" car was a 1959 Impala (in photo below), and so we began married life with this car and car payments. We will always remember this car and that year. It's hard to believe now that he traded in a '55 red & white Bel Air for the '59, and he has wished many times we had it back. The 1959 Impala will celebrate its 50th anniversary, and we will celebrate 50 years of marriage at the end of this year. We look back with fond memories of this beautiful white car with a red interior, 2-door hardtop coupe, standard transmission, twin glass pipes, and fender skirts added on to finish the sleek look. This was a unique car with wings in the back that looked like it could fly away, and the trunk was sooooo spacious. Our later cars with automatic transmissions made life so much easier like our '64 Impala, red & white, 4-door hardtop (a family car now) that we drove off Vandergriff's showroom floor. This car had an automatic transmission, and you didn't have to worry about rolling back into the car behind you when you were on an incline at a stop sign. It also gave you a free hand so you could brace the baby from falling forward in his little car seat with that cute little steering wheel and squeaky horn. We've wished many times that we had the '59 back and tried to find another one like it, without success. We settled for our 1960 Impala with the "broken" wings and really like the design better.

In the USA in the year 1959, Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and the Big Bopper were killed in a plane crash, and thus the phrase "the day the music died." Ben Hur with Charlton Heston won the Academy Award for Best Picture. Walt Disney released "Sleeping Beauty." Playing on the radio was Sea of Love, 16 Candles, Mack the Knife, Charlie Brown, Lipstick on Your Collar, and Kookie, Kookie Lend Me Your Comb (some don't need the comb any more). Wagon Train, Gunsmoke, Bonanza, The Twilight Zone, and Have Gun Will Travel were popular on TV. In the news, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation admitting Alaska and Hawaii to the Union as the 49th and 50th states. Somehow, we forget and still think there are just 48 states because that's what we had learned in grade school. Gasoline was selling for about \$0.20 per U.S. gallon. The cost of a first class stamp was \$0.04. The average worker earned about \$91.00 per week. Do we want to go back to the good ole days?



2010 Swap Meet Committee

At the July meeting, the following people volunteered, and the club elected them to serve as a five person Swap Meet Committee: Don Newhouse, Wayne Wilshire, Hancel Brannon, Roger Perez, and Floyd Blakely.

These people will be the planners and organizers for the meet, but the club will still need as many members as possible to work as a team of volunteers to get the job done. Next year's swap meet has been scheduled for June 10 – 13, 2010.

We had a very successful swap meet this year headed up by Mark Young and Jim & Joan Smith. We sold 609 spaces, up from 537 the previous year. GREAT JOB EVERYONE!



Membership

If you have prospective members, send their name and E-mail address or mailing address to our Membership Secretary:

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Irving, TX 75062-8937
Phone 972-252-8510 or
eileen.rogers1@verizon.net

Drive Your Old Car Drawing

At the July meeting, Mark Young's number was drawn for the Drive Your Old Car Drawing, but with the temperature at 102° and climbing, he decided to drive his modern. Who could blame him?!



The July issue of Texas Highways magazine has an article on Arlington. The article begins with the story of the old Top O' Hill Casino of the 1930s and 40s, which was on the site of the present Arlington Baptist College. My 1941 Fleetline was pictured at the gates to the old Top O' Hill.

- Submitted by Tom Dodson

(You can also view the story online at the Texas Highways magazine website.)

1958 Restoration Project

Gerald Finley and his son, Mark, are working on a restoration project for his 1958 Cay Coral Impala. Mark has set up an internet thread on a website with regular updates on the progress. It is very interesting to view the photos and read about what they are doing. Gerald has health problems and can't do the physical things any more, so Mark is providing the manpower, but Gerald is the brains and experience behind the project. This is a great father-son project. Check out either or both of the threads to keep track. Thanks very much to Gerald and Mark for sharing this with our club members.

Here are the links and information from Mark:

<http://www.impalas.net/forums/showthread.php?p=11406>

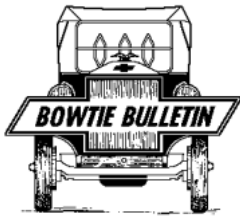
That's a little better link for sending out... I like the feedback we get on the forum; it's a little more conversational than a blog with posts, but no feedback.

Here's the link for the Chevytalk thread... it's a better, more active forum that more VCCA members would probably get something out of.

Longer thread... more pictures, more information, more discussion.

<http://www.chevytalk.org/fusionbb/showtopic.php?tid/213730/>

I update both of them at the same time.



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Lone Star Region website www.lsrclub.org or www.lonestarchevyclub.org

Swap Meets, Car Shows, & Such

Aug. 8 – Downtown DeLeon, Chamber of Commerce Classic Car Show, 10 – 3 PM.
Aug. 29-30 – 41st Bug Tussle Tour, Paris, TX. Contact: Al Haltiwanger, 817-481-9090
Sept. 12 – Pickups-N-Panels of North TX Classic Car & Truck Show, Farmers Branch Historical Park, NW, 635 and 35E, 2540 Farmers Branch Lane. 1972 or older cars and trucks, registration 10 AM. www.pickupsnpanels.com
Sept. 18-20 – Big-Red Barn Swap Meet, Round Top, TX
Sept. 19 – Cowtown Cruisin' for a Cure car show, 9th & Main, Ft. Worth, 10 – 3 PM, early registration \$25, day of event \$30, www.cowtowncruisinforacure.org
Sept. 26 – Roadside America's Elm Street Rod Run, downtown Hillsboro, Show & Shine 10 AM-2 PM, registration at 8:00 AM, www.hotrodhappenings.com
Oct. 15-17 – Fall Swap Meet Chickasha, OK, Grady County Fairgrounds
Oct. 17 – Collector Car Show, Historic Mansfield Music Festival, meet at 10:00 AM behind I-Hop at 1951 Hwy 287 North & caravan to town. No fee registration, E-mail HistoricMansfield@gmail.com or 817-473-9301 for forms, www.HistoricMansfield.net
Oct. 24-25 – Fall DFW Swap Meet, LaGrave Field, Fort Worth
Oct. 31 – Fall Conroe Swap Meet, Conroe, Montgomery County Fairgrounds
Nov. 6-7 – Southwest Swap Meet, Rangers Ballpark, Arlington. Phone 940-271-1005.
Dec. 4-6 – Winter Swap Meet Belt on, Exposition Hall
Dec. 5 – Pythian Children's Home Car Show & Christmas Party, 12-4 PM
Dec. 5 – Arlington Holiday Lights Parade, 6 PM, www.arlingtonparadeoflights.com
Dec. 5 – Mansfield Holiday Parade, contact Andy Binz 817-804-5797

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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