



CLASSIC CHEVY CHATTER

HOUSTON CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB DEDICATED TO THE
PRESERVATION, RESTORATION, AND ENJOYMENT OF '55-'56-
'57 CHEVROLET
AUTOMOBILES AND TRUCKS

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NEXT EVENT

We have new officers: President, **Marti Graves**; Vice President, **Greg Phillips**; Secretary, **Louise Moss**; Treasurer, **Bob Stone**. Congratulations to all! And THANK YOU for committing to your club!

HCCC OFFICERS FOR 2014

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In addition to the newsletters being posted on the club website, club members can advertise vehicles or parts they have for sale. Contact Suzie Stone at Swong311@aol.com to have your information posted. We are also looking for pictures from events, so submit yours.

Weekend Breakfasts

Club members meet for breakfast on Saturdays at Kelly's. It is north of 59 at 11555 W Airport. Arrive about 7 – 7:15 AM.

NEW MEMBERS

TECHNICAL ADVICE

In the Feb '09 issue of Super Rod there's a great article about Optima Batteries. It says a conventional charger is designed not to charge a battery if it discharges below 10.5 volts because a lead/acid battery would not recover from this low voltage. So if your Optima dips below 10.5 the charger assumes it's toast when it's really not. However, an AGM (absorbent glass mat) battery like an Optima can discharge to 0 volts and still be successfully recharged. They still recommend a tender, but just in case the battery dies you don't necessarily have to buy a new charger with AGM setting.

I don't want to get myself jammed up in some kind of legal issue, but it makes sense. The article states you can take a fully charged conventional battery and using jumper cables, hook up your dead optima to it in parallel (positive to positive and negative to negative) then connect your regular charger to the fully charged conventional battery (positive to positive, and negative to negative). The charger will sense the first battery has over 10.5 volts and begin charging the first battery which will then flow to the Optima. They state to monitor it for an hour or so until the Optima reaches at least 10.5 volts. At which time you can remove the conventional battery and just continue charging the Optima now that it has adequate voltage to be charged by the conventional charger.

I haven't had to do this yet, so I can't verify it from personal experience. But I'll sure give it a try when the time comes.

Harvey Smith
Missouri City TX

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you, **Greg Phillips**, for your years of leadership as President of the Club. You kept us going when some wanted to give up and you lead us to another successful Convention as well as events like AutoRama. Your commitment to continue as VP will help our club with continuity and guidance.

CLUB EVENTS SCHEDULE

January 11 – Luckey's Rod Run, 3600 S. College Ave. Bryan, TX "Ten years ago, [Ed. ~1998] about 15 owners of street rods made a trip from the Conroe-Houston area to the Chicken Oil Company Restaurant in College Station. These car enthusiasts, led by William Luckey of Conroe, decided that they would get together on the first Sunday in January of each year. (was changed to the second Sunday a few years ago) Since that first meeting, hundreds of street rodders make their journey to Bryan-College Station to join fellow rodders from all parts for this once a year event."

April 10 – 11 – Sealy Drags

May 15 – 17 – Lone Star XXXIII – San Antonio, TX www.lonestarchevys.com

More details as they are published. Let's plan to have a large number of members go to San Antonio to help our fellow Tri-five enthusiasts have a successful convention

June ? – Tour and lunch at Behl Precision Fabricators in Stafford

Harvey Smith has graciously offered to host a meeting at his shop. 10130 Mula Rd.

August 13-16 – Tri-Five Nationals in Bowling Green, KY www.thetrifivenationals.com

This will be the largest Tri-Five gathering EVER! [Woody's Hot Rodz](#) & Super Chevy Magazine, along with our Title Sponsor [Danchuk](#), will be putting on a three year celebration of the Tri-Five Chevrolets beginning August 14-15, 2015 at the nostalgic Beech Bend Raceway in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The NHRA Hot Rod Reunion and the Holley LS Fest have both grown and prospered at this well maintained and heavily shaded venue for years. The town of Bowling Green opens their arms to Hot Rodders each time an event comes to their town. We hope to see you at the birthday party we are throwing for the 1955 Chevrolet. Also, 2015 is the 60th anniversary of the famed Small Block Chevrolet. We will have a tribute to the Small Block called, "Where it all Began....." & a first ever Lifetime Achievement Award Ceremony for contribution to the Preservation of the 55, 56, & 57 Chevrolets will be presented.

September 13 – GatorFest and Car show in Anahuac, TX

\$25 Entry Fee Participants receive 1 shirt and 2 tickets to Sundsy's festival. Registration is 9:00am to 11:15am only. Festival includes a Wild West Show, Alligator round up, Airboat rides, and Carnival rides. Fun for the whole family

Sept. 13th. Sunday The 8th. Annual Hot Rod Picnic At Carbide Park in La Margue, Tx. ---Hot Rods & Pre 1970 Muscle Cars "ONLY" Entry Fee "Covered Dish"

Oct ? – Cruise to?

November 25 - 29– Houston Autorama – Thanksgiving weekend 55's are 60 years old in 2015. Special Birthday Celebration is scheduled, let **Bob Stone** know if you want your '55 to be a part of the 6 car display.

December 5, 2015, Saturday 11:00 to 2:00 PM

A lunch Christmas party at the Monument Inn will be held from 11:00 to 2:00. The Lynchburg Dinner Package is \$15.00/person including tax and gratuity. Here are the choices:
Fried Fisherman's Platter

Broiled Tilapia with Pontchartrain sauce

Grilled 10 oz. Angus Rib eye Steak

Chicken Breast with sautéed onions, mushrooms & red wine sauce

All entrees are served with tossed green salad, baked potato, homemade rolls & muffins, iced tea or coffee.

AREA WIDE UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 11th Sunday Luckey's Rod Run To Chicken Oil Company in Bryan College Station. **"Now The Second Sunday In January"**

Jan. 21/25-Wed.-Sun. The 2015 Houston Auto Show At NRG Park (Reliant Park) Brings You The Latest Vehicles From The World's Top Automakers. Also, For Over 30 years, The Classic Car Corral by Charlie Van Natter
[Click here: Houston Auto \(New Cars\) Show At NRG Park](#)

February 14-15 Sat. & Sun. Corvette/Chevy Expo Will Return To The Reliant Park--See Best Corvettes, Camaros, Chevrolet Trucks & Classic Cars
[Click here: 36th Annual Corvette/Chevy Expo, February 14th & 15th. 2015](#)

March 7th. Sat. The West Houston Musclepaloosa Presented By Bumbera's Performance At Constellation Field In Sugarland. Tx.
[Click here: 2015 Musclepaloosa by West Houston Muscle](#)

STANDING EVENTS

Niftee 50ees Drive-In At Corum Shopping Center Every Saturday Evening From Now until November 6:00 to 10:00 PM-- NO ENRY NEWER THEN 1979--Entry \$10
Corum Shopping Center--4880 Louetta Rd.-- Spring, TX 77338

[Click here: Niftee 50ees Cruise-In From March Through November Flyer](#)

[Click here: Niftee 50ees Classic Cruisers \(Facebook\)](#)

[Click here: Map To Corum Shopping Center, 4880 Louetta Road, Spring, TX](#)

"NEW ADDRESS"

Third Saturday Of Each Month Cruise-In To Ryan's, 119 West Hwy 332 @ Hwy 288 Lake Jackson, TX With The Classic Cars Of Brazoria County From 6PM to 9PM
More Information Contact Cindy Rerich At 832-549-7224

[Third Saturday Of Each Month By Classic Cars Of Brazoria County Flyer](#)

[www.classiccarsofbrazoriacounty.com-web site](http://www.classiccarsofbrazoriacounty.com)

Every Saturday Evening Cruise-In With Conroe Cruisers To Hastings Parking Lot On Hwy 105 W. Conroe Across From Target & Chick-fil-a --During Daylight

Savings At 7PM--Free Entry---More Info. Contact Tom Matherly 936-718-0566

[Click here: Every Saturday Evening Cruise-In With Conroe Cruisers Flyer](#)

Every Saturday Evening Cruise-In At Quaker Steak & Lube 2502 Gulf Freeway S. 10% Discount To All Cruisers--Just North Of Best Buy On Feeder Road, Cold Beer, DJ, Good Times--From 5 to 9 PM--Contact Josh 281-614-1800

[Click here: Every Saturday Evening Cruise-In To Quaker Steak & Lube Flyer](#)

Pick Evening To Cruise-In Showplace Classics Will Have A Cruise-In Just About Every Evening--For More Info. Open Facebook Link Below Contact Kerry 832-373-9202 or karshowkerry@yahoo.com

[Click here: Showplace Classics Cruise-In At There Facebook Page](#)

[Click here: 2014 Otto's Saturday Cruise Nights Schedule](#)

Wednesday Night Cruise-In The Garden Oaks Area At 4000 N. Shepherd Dr., Houston Staging Area Will Be By The Garden Oaks Blvd. Side. See Tom & Evonee Alford When You Arrive. Information Provided by Russel Harris of HFD Street Machines

[Click here: HFD Street Machines Car Club](#)

Every Friday Evening Pearland Antique & Classic Auto Show Cruise Night At LOWES Parking Lot at FM 518 & Pearland Parkway 6PM till ? Introduce yourself to Ken Pylate

Every Friday Evening Kruzzing To: Kruzzers Roadhouse At 45550 FM 1774, Fetzer, TX Call For More Info: 832-797-9882--Bar & Cars Kruzin'--Live Music--Beer & Food

[Click here: Cruise-In To Kruzzers Roadhouse Every Friday In Fetzer, Tx.](#)

Last Friday Of Every Month--Montgomery County Mustang Club Invites ANY Car Club To Join Them For A Cruise-In At James Coney Island, 9813 FM 1960 From 6PM To 9PM

Contact Person--Robert Helmer-- William.Helmer@bakerhughes.com

[Click here: Montgomery County Mustang \(Conroe, TX\) - Meetup](#)

Cruise-In Every Sunday from 2 – 6pm Hosted by LSXForce at the Wolfies on Bay Area Blvd in Clear Lake. The first one is on May 4th Contact Amanda Vanerbeek 210-837-2582 or lsx@lsxforce.com

Every LAST Saturday of the month LSXForce Will Host The New League City Cars and Coffee At Starbucks Starting At 8 am At I-45 & Bay Area Blvd. Contact Amanda Vanerbeek 210-837-2582 or lsx@lsxforce.com

Every 2nd Sat (year round) & Every 4th Sat (March thur October) In Front of Pallottas Mexican Grill at Rayford Near Imperial Oaks. It's Typically A Well-Rounded Mix of New & Old Cars & Family Atmosphere--More Info: Stephen Adair 713-408-6702

Every 2nd. Friday & 4th Friday Of Every Month--The Huntsville Cruisers Meet On 2nd Friday At Golden Coral At 11th. St. Exit 116 And On 4th. Friday Meet At Rodeo Mexican Restaurant At Exit 118 in Huntsville, TX Both Cruises Start At 6:00PM
Shellie Geer 936-295-7052

First Saturday Morning Of Each Month "Coffee & Cars" At Vintage Park Shopping Village Exotic, Muscle, Classic Or Vintage Cars.- 8 AM To 10 AM- Expect To See 400 To 600 Rides
If The Morning Brings Exceptional Weather

[Click here: Information About "Coffee & Cars At Vintage Park](#)
[Click here: Coffee and Cars At Vintage Park Shopping Village "Web Site"](#)
[Click here: Map To Coffee & Cars 110 Vintage Park Blvd, Houston, TX](#)

Every Saturday Evening Cruise-In At Chick-Fil-A In Home Depot's Parking Lot 5pm to 9pm Introduce Yourself To Rob Lamy or Mike Miller & Family, They Have Worked Hard In Keeping This Going! Located At 2094 Hwy 146, Kemah, TX

[Click here: Chick-Fil-A Cruise-In Kemah At Home Depot Parking Lot](#)
[Click here: Chick-fil-A at Clear lake Shores Web Site](#)

Last Saturday Evening of Each Month The Official "Cruise-In" At Caliber Collision Cruise In 25430 Bell Patan Drive, Katy TX By The West Houston Muscle Club--Must Have Blast To The Past Tag For These Events. ----- Please Visit Web Site For Latest Events [Click here: West Houston Muscle's Web Site](#)

Third Saturday Of The Month Sarges Street Meet & K1 Speed Cruise-In At 14900 Northwest Frwy (290) @ K1 Speed Parking Lot. Starts at 6 Pm. Bring Your Nice And Cool Rides More Info: Scott "Sarge" DeWeese--936-402-3213 cell

[Click here: 3rd. Saturday Of Each Month Cruise-In To K1 Speed Flyer](#)
[Click here: A Map To K1 Speed Cruise-In](#)

First & Third Sunday Every Month OUTLAW DAVEs Cruise-In From 2 PM --Till At 6502 Washington Ave. Houston, TX --Crawfish At Noon--Must Read Links & Flyer

[Outlaw Daves First & Third Sunday Of Every Month Curise-In Flyer](#)

[Click here: Outlaw Dave's Worldwide Headquarters](#)

[Click here: Outlaw Dave Show Monday thru Saturday 950 AM Radio 7 to 9PM](#)

Every 2nd. & 4th. Saturday Of Each Month The MytiBurger Cruise-In At 2211 West 43rd. Street, Houston, TX--20% Discount On Food Orders For Those That Show A Classic Car Or Truck--Best Burgers In Town- Ph. 713-686-7078--6:00 To 8:00PM
Business Was Established In 1967

[Click here: Map To Mytiburger, 2211 West 43rd Street, Houston, TX](#)

Every Saturday Morning Kingwood Classic Cruisers Cars & Coffee (without rain) At Sears Hardware On Kingwood Drive From 9AM to 10AM by Mike O'Day

Last Saturday Evening Of Every Month--Kingwood Classic Cruisers Casual Meetings At 1500 Kingwood Drive--5:30 to 8:30PM--Contact Mike O'Day--281-358-6952, No Entry Fee

Every Saturday Evening Chick-Fil-A Cruise in At Greatwood Location, 20010 SW Fwy, Houston. From 6 to 9 PM-- Eat At Chick-Fil-A And See The Cars! Antique, Classic & Muscle Cars Are All Welcome--FREE DRINK With Your Ride
[Click here: Every Saturday Night Chick-Fil-A Cruise-In At Greatwood](#)

Every 2nd. Sunday Evening Of Every Month The Urban Speed Event For Exotics, Imports, Classic & Muscle Cars Is a Free Social Event For Entrants & Spectators. Urban Speed Celebrates Attention To Detail, A Commitment to Perfection, The Best.
(This Is Not A Cruise Night) Vinod Ramani 713-213-7241 --10AM to 2PM
vramani@urbanliving.com OR www.UrbanSpeed.com-web site

Baytown Cruisers Cruise Nite every Friday Night Location: San Jacinto Mall.
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Wings and Wheels Every Third Saturday of the Month. 1940 Air Terminal Museum at William P. Hobby Airport, 8325 Travelair Rd, Houston, Texas 77061 - (713) 454-1940 Cars are displayed in front of original terminal building. There is supposed to be free lunch for car owners.
Come and go. 10 AM to 6 PM.