



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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THIS MONTH'S MEETING

February 28 –Molina's for lunch 11am – 2pm

Drive your classic to Molina's for a great Mexican lunch with the club. We will have a short meeting to discuss plans for this year and mostly catch up with everyone since the holidays.

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 2015

President	Marti Graves
Vice President	Greg Phillips
Secretary	Louise Moss
Treasurer	Bob Stone
Membership	Bob Stone
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Next Meeting - March 21 –Bluebonnet cruise. We will drive to Fayetteville for lunch at Joe's Restaurant, then go visit the Kobb's ranch and return via the scenic route. More details soon.

Club Website www.houstonclassicchevy.com

In addition to the newsletters being posted on the club website, club members and visitors can view member cars, event photos and more. We are also looking for pictures from events, so submit yours. **A new website will be up soon.**

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.

DUES

Where else can you find so much value for such a reasonable price?
Membership dues are only \$25.00 per year.

Mail a check to Bob Stone at the address above ASAP (if you have not already)

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

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK

Check us out at Houston Classic Chevy Club



www.facebook.com/pages/Houston-Classic-Chevy-Club/1651551168405271



Do you remember when an attendant actually pumped your gas, checked the oil and cleaned your windshield? Those were the good old days. Now we pay much more and have to do all that ourselves!

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

February 28 –Lunch meeting at Molina’s at 7901 Westhiemer 11 - 2

March 21 – Bluebonnet cruise and visit to Kobb’s ranch in Fayetteville, lunch at Joe’s, and drive via bluebonnet routes.

**April 18– Lunch meeting at Spring Creek BBQ - Atascosita 11 -2
5613 East FM 1960**

May 15 – 17 – Lone Star XXXIII – San Antonio, TX

Comfort Suites North Stone Oak Hosted by Alamo Classic Chevy Club

The 33rd Annual Lone Star Classic Chevy Convention for '55 – '57 Chevys will be in San Antonio this year. This event will be a great weekend trip that will include a day trip to the beautiful San Antonio River Walk on Saturday. 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. Go to the web site, www.lonestarchevys.com to find the registration form and hotel details.

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.

July 11 – Car club day at Hemi Hideout includes a free lunch and live entertainment. Rain or shine. 1172 Wilpitz Rd. Brookshire, TX

Take I-10 West

Exit #730 Peach Ridge Rd.

Once on feeder, immediately turn Right onto Wilpitz Rd.

Go over the railroad tracks, go .5 mile through the S curve, then turn Right onto the property at the white fence with a black iron gate.

**August 8 – Lunch Meeting at Spring Creek BBQ - Pearland 11 – 2
9005 Broadway St. (Hwy 518)**

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 – Pee Wee’s Picnic at Carbide Park 11:00 AM – 3 PM

The 8th Annual Hot Rod Picnic At Carbide Park in La Margue, TX ---Hot Rods & Pre 1970 Muscle Cars "ONLY". Food at Noon, Pee Wee Bowen Band will play 1 – 3 PM.

Entry fee: Covered dish. Bring lawn chairs, non-alcoholic (no glass) beverages.

Oct 16 - 18 – Cruise to San Marcos – Embassy Suites Joint meeting with Central Texas Classic Chevys

November 7 – Kelly’s on Airport @ SW Freeway – Cruise to Lunch Meeting - Election of Officers, north of 59 at 11555 W Airport.

November 25 - 29– Houston Autorama – Thanksgiving weekend Our 55’s are 60 years old in 2015. A Special Birthday Celebration is scheduled, let **Bob Stone** know if you want your '55 to be a part of the 6 car display. Entry fee is provided by the club. First come first served. We have many great '55's so get yours registered early.

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.



BOARD OF DIRECTOR HAPPENINGS

The HCCC BOD met with the BOD of the **Houston Area Chevrolet Club** to discuss the possibility of doing some joint meetings. After all, we are all car "nut" and have some of the same interests. We will let you know when the plans come together.

The Web page needs updating and we are slowly making progress towards improvements. The software used to create the current pages is obsolete and even the computer **Bob and Susie Stone** have been using is out-of-date so we are starting all over again. **Louis Moss** and **Marti Graves** met with a web developer to get an idea of the cost to update the web site. Marti also talked to another web developer who could do the same thing for slightly less cost. Currently, the old site is still running. The site will be replaced with the new site when work is completed. We will keep you informed! **We will need current pictures of your ride and any description you want to post.** You may start sending them to Marti at martireg@sbcglobal.net.

AREA WIDE UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 21st. Sat. 4th. Annual Pleasant Hill Masonic Lodge Car Show & Chili CookOff --Entry \$25---Free T-Shirt-- "Pre-1976 Cars ONLY"
[Click here: 02-21-15 4th. Annual Pleasant Hill Masonic Lodge Car Show](#)
[Click here: 02-21-15 Entry Form For Pleasant Hill Lodge Car Show](#)

Feb. 22nd. Sunday Cruisin' O'Reilly Car Show At 604 W. Main St., League City, Tx.--Entry \$15--9AM to 2PM--Trophies To TOP 10 Plus "Best Of Show"--"Best Manager's"--"Best People's Choice"
"BENFITING TEXAS LIONS CAMP"
[Click here: 02-22-15 Cruisin' O'Reilly Car Show In League City, Tx.](#)

Feb. 28th. Sat The 5th Annual Adolf Hoepfl Garage Classic Car Show At 4610 N Shepherd Dr. Houston, Tx.--9 AM to 3 PM--Cruise Down Heights
[Click here: 02-28-15 The 5th Annual Adolf Hoepfl Garage Car Show Flyer](#)

March 7th. Sat. Clear Springs High School 3rd Annual Car Show At Clear Springs Student Parking Lot. 501 Palomino Lane, League City, Tx.
[Click here: 03-07-15 Clear Springs High School 3rd Annual Car Show](#)

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

March 14th. Sat. The 19th. Annual 2015 Spring Vette Show At Hooters, 120 FM 1960 West, Houston--\$35 Entry--9AM to 3PM--Free T-Shirt First 100
[Click here: 03-14-15 19th. Annual 2015 Spring Vette Show Flyer](#)

March 21st. Sat. "Saturday At The Strand" Spring Open Car Show Galveston Entry \$30---50/50 Jar--34 Classes--Free T-Shirt/Dash Plaque First 100
[Click here: 03-21-15 "Saturday At The Strand" Open Car Show Flyer](#)
[Click here: 03-21-15 "Saturday On The Strand Entry Form](#)

March 21st.. Sat. The 6th. Annual Heritage At Towne Lake Car Show At 19201 N. Canyon Lake Springs Dr. --Rain Date March 22nd.--Entry \$25
[Click here: 03-08-15 Sixth Annual Heritage At Towne Lake Car Show](#)

March 21st. Sat. The 5th. Annual Houston Chevelle Club Car & Bike Show @ Otto's BBQ In Stafford, Tx. Open To All Cars & Bikes
[Click here: 03-21-15 The 5th. Annual Houston Chevelle Club Car Show](#)

March 21st. Sat. Cypress Lakes Athletic Booster Club Car Show At Parking Lot Cylakes HS Parking Lot--5750 Greenhouse Rd. Katy, Tx.--10AM to 3PM
[Click here: 03-21-15 Cypress Lakes Athletic Booster Club Car Show](#)

March 28th. Sat. Cure X Fest Car Show/Music Festival At Humble Civic Center --Entry \$25--11AM to 11PM--Gary Biller 832-331-6974
[Click here: 03-28-15 Cure X Fest Car Show At Humble Civic Arena Flyer](#)

March 28th. Sunday The 2nd. Annual Car & Craft Show For George Ranch High School Band, 8181 FM 762, Richmond, Tx. "Rain Or Shine"
[Click here: 03-29-15 2nd. Annual Car & Craft Show at George Ranch](#)

March 27th/29th. The 26th. Annual Joy Ride To Freeport, Tx.--Raffles, Door Prizes, Silent Auction, Games-- "MUST READ LETTER from Joy"
[Click here: 03-27/29-15 The 26th. Annual Texas Joy Ride Letter](#)
[Click here: 03-27/29-15 The 26th. Annual Joy Ride To Freeport Flyer](#)
[Click here: 03-27/29-15 The 26th. Annual Joy Ride Entry Form](#)

March 27th/29th. The 31st. Spindletop Rod & Classic Car Show On Boston Ave., Nederland, Tx.--Door Prizes--50/50 Jar--Must Read Flyer
[Click here: 03-27/29-15 31st Spindletop Rod & Classic Car Show Flyer](#)
[Click here: 03-27/29-15 The 31st Spindletop Entry Form](#)

Origin of old sayings

THE WHOLE NINE YARDS

American fighter planes in WW2 had machine guns that were fed by a belt of cartridges. The average plane held belts that were 27 feet (9 yards) long. If the pilot used up all his ammo he was said to have given it the whole nine yards.

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-web-site)

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.