
THE BLUE FLAME



Williamson County Region VCCA Newsletter August/September 2026

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



First off, I'd like to welcome new club members Barry and Deborah Fodor, John and Andrea Bontempi, and Robert "Bob" Beck. We're glad to have you on board and look forward to seeing you at upcoming events. We had a great time in Granville, touring all the unique museums, watching a gentleman hand craft brooms at the Granville Broom Works followed by lunch at the T.B. Sutton General Store.

Then on August 8th we had the opportunity to tour the Garland King Museum in Shelbyville which is a diamond in the rough. We had lunch at the Grindstone Cowboy which was nearby. Thanks to the AACA Battlefield Region for setting this up and inviting our group. Then this past Saturday, we caravanned for about 23 miles to POPS Santa Fe Diner for Breakfast. The route was spectacular and plan on repeating this cruise in the Fall.

Next up is the Nissan Plant tour on September 8th (limited availability), the Chattanooga Sleepover on the 19th and then the Mecum auction the 23-26th. I plan on going either that Wednesday or Thursday. Let me know if you have any interest in joining me.

On another note, we're always in need of ideas for tours or events. If anything comes to mind please shoot me an email at wcrvcca@gmail.com or give me a ring at (949) 290-7865.

Stay cool and see you soon!

Remember; life is a journey -- not a destination, so relax and enjoy the ride

Mark Fliegler - VCCA #43568

Director - Williamson County Region Vintage Chevrolet Club of America



1963 CORVAIR CONCEPT

The 1963 Corvair "Super Spyder" was a design exercise developed by Bill Mitchell, the "czar" of GM styling. This concept car is based on the 1961 Corvair, but with a shorter wheelbase. The Corvair platform was perfect for "creative development" of new concepts with its rear-mounted, horizontally-opposed 6-cylinder engine and transaxle combined with a four-wheel independent suspension system. Many of the features of this car were unique to the Corvair Concept, such as the racing-inspired wind shield, extended rear tonneau cover, tapered headrests and six special chrome exhaust pipes. The 1963 Corvair "Super Spyder" was the "dream car" of the time. It followed the Corvair "Sebring Spyder" show car, and was exhibited at various sports car events and racing venues. It is now part of the GM Design Staff collection of historical GM vehicles held at the GM Heritage Center.





CHEVROLET ADVERTISEMENTS

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Jet-Smooth '62 Chevrolet...

Refreshing beauty with a restful ride!

Any more elegance would be extravagance. Here's all the room, refinement and riding comfort you could reasonably want. Rich new interiors tastefully topped by a striking slim-roof silhouette. A new choice of road-relishing V8 power. A road-gentling Jet-smooth ride. You could scarcely expect more at any price. So why pay more?

Time was when elegance cost a pretty penny. But not this time! The '62 Chevrolet has everything you could reasonably want in a car, *including* a reasonable price. Things like a satiny Jet-smooth ride (with Full-Coil suspension). Beauty that stays beautiful (thanks to protective measures such as new steel front fender underskirts that fend off rust). Power

all the way up to 409 hp* (6 engines in all to choose from, including standard 6 and V8). A high-capacity heater-defroster that's standard equipment. All this and more—beautifully packaged with Body by Fisher finesse. Sounds like a lot of car? That's what it is . . . except in price. Drop in on your Chevrolet dealer and see for yourself. *Optional at extra cost.



Impala Sport Coupe . . . couldn't look more like a convertible unless it were one.

the new Chevy II

dependability never looked so dapper!



Chevy II 300 4-Door Sedan

Here's a totally new line of cars with all the virtues you know you can count on in the Chevrolet family—plus some surprises you've never seen on any car before. Thrifty? Your choice of a frugal 4- or a spunky 6-cylinder engine (in most models). Roomy? Sedans seat six solid citizens, bag and baggage. Price? A real pleasant surprise!

It's easy to park, pack and pay for. Easy to service. Easy to maintain. Very easy on gas. Nine models to choose from. And it rides like many a big car, thanks to a new kind of design—Mono-Plate rear springs. Sound good? Go see! . . . Chevrolet Division of General Motors, Detroit 2, Mich.

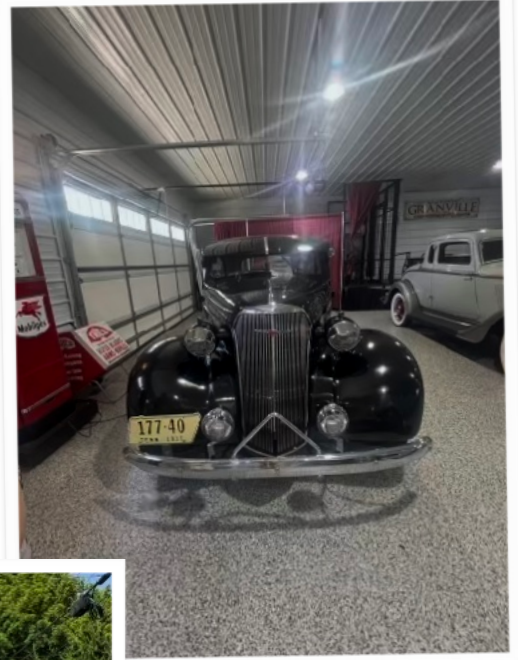
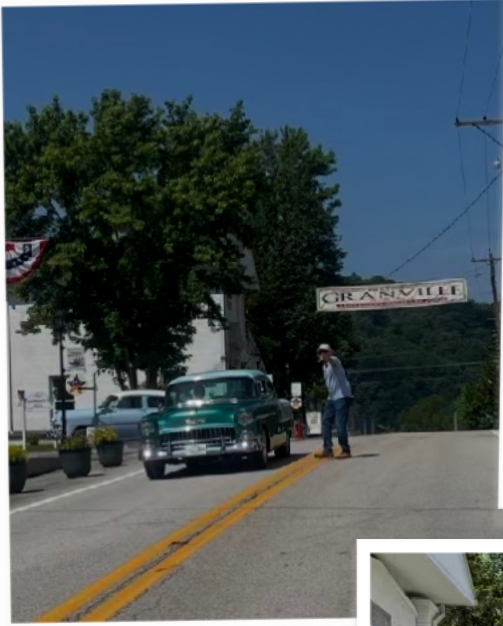


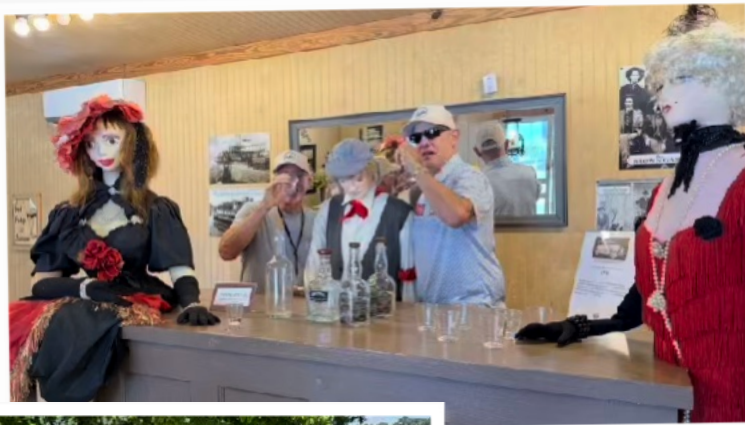
The 1936-1937 Flint sit-down strike turned the Union of Automobile Workers from a small group into a major trade union.



Swiss-born automobile designer and racing driver Louis Chevrolet sits behind the wheel of his prototype car, 1911, the car which became the Classic Six. The car went into production as the first Chevrolet in 1912.

GRANVILLE





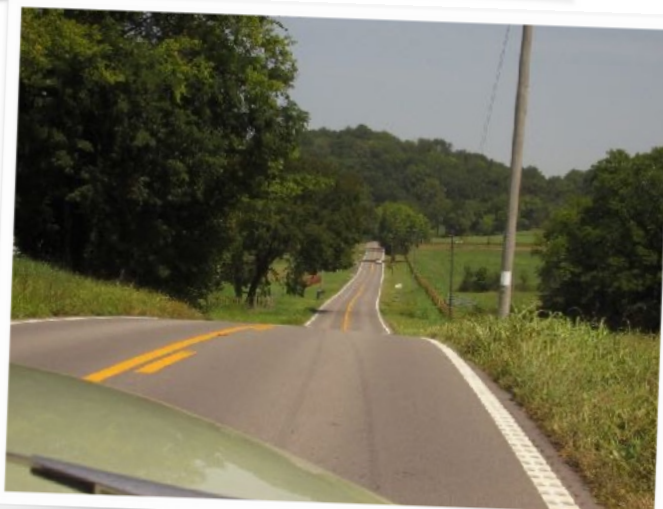
GARLAND KING MUSEUM







CRUISE TO POPS SANTA FE DINER



BIRTHDAYS

August/September

8/2	Richard Newton
8/2	Terry Steagall
9/7	Nancy Marsh
9/22	Richard Greer



SUNSHINE



Do you know a member who is sick or on the mend? Have you or a member recently hit a life milestone, special anniversary, birth or event?

Please email Arlene at wcrvcca@gmail.com and let her know about it.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPT
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WILLIAMSON COUNTY VINTAGE CHEVY CLUB

NISSAN PLANT TOUR

Where: Nissan Plant in Smyrna (meet there)

When: Tuesday, September 8th @ 10AM.

Cost: Free

Lunch: Location TBD

RSVP: Mark @ (949) 290-7865 or wcrvcca@gmail.com

Please note there are only a total of 60 spots available for everyone on this earth. If you would like to join us, please register at the link below. You will then receive an email with all of the pertinent details including specific directions.

<https://usa.nissannews.com/en-US/releases/nissan-us-manufacturing-plant-tours>

**SEPT.
19/20**



WILLIAMSON COUNTY VINTAGE CHEVY CLUB

CHATTANOOGA SLEEPOVER!

Caravan departs from Franklin on Saturday, 9/19 at 8AM

- 1.) Tour The Coker Museum**
- 2.) Lunch @ Feed Tavern & Table Co.**
- 3.) Explore the Bluff View Art District**
- 4.) Check in at the Read House Hotel**
- 5.) Dinner @ Tony's Pasta Shop & Trattoria**
- 6.) After Dinner Drinks, Relax @ Hotel, Hit the Hay**
- 7.) Wake up and Enjoy Breakfast @ City Cafe Diner**
- 8.) Lookout Mountain Incline Railway**

OFFICERS



Director
Mark Fliegler



Assistant Director
Richard Greer



Secretary/Treasurer
Arlene Fliegler

PURPOSE

Provide activities and events for Chevrolet/GMC enthusiasts that promote the enjoyment of preservation and restoration of all Chevrolet/GMC vehicles.

Provide information and assistance to members regarding the restoration of Chevrolet/GMC vehicles.

Provide tours, car shows and social activities that will encourage the participation of all family members.

Provide activities that will promote fellowship among local members.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT!

Jim's first car was a '55 Pontiac Two-door Hardtop which he bought for \$150 from his employer's dealership. The only problem was that it smelled like goats milk. Not deterred, he used some baking soda and vinegar to rid the vehicle of the foul smell!

This was Jim's transportation throughout most of High School until one day while sitting in class he heard over the loud speaker "Does anyone own a '55 Pontiac?" He went down to the office to find out the car had rolled downhill from the schools parking lot into a house. Totaled. That's what happens when you don't drive a Chevrolet!

Next up was a '55 Chevy Convertible with 4 on the floor. After two years of drag racing he

decided it was time to let it go and traded it in for a '58 Impala Hardtop with a 348 and 2-speed Powerglide. Next up was a Red '61 Bubbletop. Jim was drafted into the Army in '65 and spent 11 months working at Ft. Monmouth in New Jersey which was the U.S. Army's main center for new digital electronics and tactical computers. After that he did a short stint working on cryptographic systems in Norfolk, VA then he was shipped off to Germany. Jim worked for the American Embassy in Paris until the end of '69. He then returned to The States and got his degree in Clinical and Biomedical Engineering.

From '71 - '77, Jim maintained hospital systems and the key perk of the job was the company car. A Ford Pinto station wagon. His personal car at the time was a '64 Chevy Biscayne. Definitely a loyal Chevrolet man!

In '77 Jim moved to Nashville and became the Director of Clinical Engineering at Vanderbilt. During this time you could see Jim cruising around Nashville in his Chevy Celebrity, which he confesses was a piece of junk! Oh man, I can't believe we let him in the club . . . a Celebrity and a Pinto!

In 1989 Jim picked up a '69 Corvette project from some dude in New Orleans. It had Black shag carpet on the dash! Anyway, throughout the years Jim had it painted the original Marina Blue color, rebuilt the original 350/350 and installed a new interior. The list goes on.

Anyway, I'm extremely pleased to know Jim and Carol. Not only are they founding members of our club but neighbors. They come to almost every event and really are a joy to be around.

Jim & Carol Hutchinson



ITEMS FOUND ON AN AUTOMOBILE

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Find these words:

- AIRCLEANER
- ALTERNATOR
- BATTERY
- BRAKES
- DIPSTICK
- EXHAUSTPIPE
- FIREWALL
- FUELGAUGE
- HEADLINER
- HORN
- MANIFOLD
- PISTONS
- RADIATOR
- RADIO
- SPARKPLUGS
- STARTER
- TIRES
- TURN SIGNALS
- WINDSHIELDWIPERS
- WIRING HARNESS



"You haven't napped until you've napped on the hood of a '57 Chevy."

NEW MEMBERS



Barry & Deborah Fodor
Robert "Bob" Beck
John & Andrea Bontempi

MEMBERSHIP & DUES

An active member is defined as an individual who has paid dues to both the National VCCA and the Williamson County Region. Ownership of a Chevrolet is not a requirement of membership.

National Dues: Dues for the National VCCA are \$50.00 per year for a regular membership or \$35.00 per year for an online membership. National Dues include membership card, badge, club decal, and monthly publication – the Generator and Distributor. To join, go online to vcca.org

Williamson County Region Dues: Dues for the Williamson County Region are \$20.00 per year. Dues are payable on or before January 31st. An active member may participate in the business meetings and all club events, both regional and national. To join, go online to wcrvcca.org



September 8, 2026
NISSAN PLANT TOUR
Meet @ 10AM

September 19/20
CHATTANOOGA SLEEPOVER
Depart @ 8AM (Location TBD)

September 23-26
MECUM AUCTION

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THE VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

Williamson County Region



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Birthdate _____
Spouse _____ Anniversary _____
Address _____ Unit No. _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Home Phone _____ Cell (Member) _____ Cell (Spouse) _____
Email (Member) _____ Email (Spouse) _____

Are you a member of the National Vintage Chevrolet Club? ☐ YES ☐ NO If YES, Your VCCA No.: _____

If NO, BEING A NATIONAL VCCA MEMBER IS A CONDITION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY REGION.

Annual dues for both National and Region Membership are listed below.

☒ **WILLIAMSON COUNTY REGION DUES**\$ 20.00 per year

Select a term option: ☐ 1-year \$20.00 | ☐ 2-year \$40.00 | ☐ 3-year \$60.00

☐ **NATIONAL DUES** ☐ RENEWAL | ☐ NEW | ☐ I WILL PAY MY NATIONAL DUES DIRECTLY.

☐ **Digital Membership** [Electronic] (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes .. \$ 35.00 per year

☐ **Periodical Membership** (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes \$ 50.00 per year

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

If you send your national dues to our region, we will forward them to the National VCCA.

REGION: All members receive a periodic Region electronic newsletter and email information on events and tours.

NATIONAL: All new members will receive a club badge (*upon request*), decal, membership card, and the national magazine, Generator & Distributor. Members are entitled to free classified advertising in the club magazine and participation in Vintage Chevrolet Club activities. Members are entitled to free classified advertising, access to member-only website features, and participation in all VCCA activities. Dues are non-refundable.

If you own one or more Chevrolet or GMC vehicles, please complete the information about your vehicle(s) below.

Year	Model	Body Style	Cyl.	Condition
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Ownership of a Chevrolet or GMC is not a requirement for membership.

Recruited by: (VCCA member recruiting optional) _____ VCCA # _____

FOR CLUB USE ONLY	Return this completed form and mail it with your dues check payable to:
Paid \$ _____ Check/Cash	WCRVCCA – Attn: Arlene Fliegler
Date Paid: _____	2617 Link Dr., Franklin, TN 37064-4942
Region Membership No.: _____	X _____ Applicant's Signature

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in preserving, restoring, and enjoying vintage Chevrolet and GMC vehicles.