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**THIS IS THE FINAL
ISSUE OF MY WAY!
(IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID
YOUR DUES FOR 2018)**

Our Personalized Chevrolet Chapter is in for an exciting year. Your leadership team is working hard to get prepared for our new judging process. Soon we will have the documents posted on our PCC website and have an inventory of new Junior & Senior awards to hand out at your local Area Meets. So this is no

time to let your membership lapse!

I know you all have been reminded several times by our outgoing Treasurer, Dave Kosche. So I don't think anyone needs more nudging.

Your \$12 dues covers calendar year 2018. So if you renew in March for

example, the dues are still \$12 and the membership still expires at the end of the year (not 12 months from payment). I sincerely hope all will renew. Take a tour through MY WAY and share the excitement, and let's not make this your last Personalized Chevrolet Chapter newsletter!

Thanks, Ron

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR 2018 PCC DUES (\$12) TO DAN KAVANAUGH, P.O.Box 1346, YELM, WA 98597.

CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO "VCCA PCC".



REMEMBER, ONLY MEMBERS OF THE PERSONALIZED CHEVROLET CHAPTER (PCC) ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PCC JUDGING AND PCC AWARDS!

CURRENT CALENDAR OF EVENTS WELCOMING PCC PARTICIPATION

April 26 -28

Area 9 Meet hosted by the Carolina Crossroads Region and supported by the Up-state South Carolina and Heart of Georgia Regions. Host hotel is the Statesville Marriott Courtyard. Contact Alan Banner for more info 704-876-8707.

May 3 - 5

All Cal Meet hosted by the Sierra View Region. Host hotel is the Feather Falls Casino & Lodge in Oroville, CA. This is not a national-judged meet but People's Choice awards. For registration info, contact Jay Nicholson, jaynicholson@hotmail.com. Register by March 31.

June 7 - 9

Northwest Meet hosted by the Willamette Valley Region and held at Chehalis, WA. Event theme is "Hooray for Hollywood" in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains. Register by mid-February. More info to follow. Details of PCC participation under review.

June 11 - 15

Middle West Meet hosted by the Viking Region and held in Worthington, Minnesota. More info to follow.

PCC interest needed to justify invitation.

PCC MEMBERS: YOUR LEADERSHIP TEAM NEEDS TO KNOW OF YOUR INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING AT ANY OF THESE AREA MEETS. WE HOPE THAT YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN DISPLAYING YOUR RIDE AND PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENTS PLANNED. HOWEVER, IF YOU WOULD ALSO LIKE TO BE JUDGED, WE WILL NEED ENOUGH PCC MEMBERS TO HANDLE THE NECESSARY ACTIVITIES. SO PLEASE CONTACT ME OF YOUR INTEREST. THANKS! RON



Our new PCC awards are on order. Thanks for your patience and input. We expect to have our new process in place in time for the meets listed above. Of course that depends on the number of PCC members that participate at each meet since our members must "run the PCC show". In other words, our PCC members must be willing to perform PCC judging which is based only on con-

dition. So that shouldn't present too much of a challenge. We are also working on a slideshow-based judg-

ing seminar. More info on judging support to follow. Meanwhile I repeated the "judging class"

determination chart below. Take a look at our previous MY WAY issue (Nov 2017) for a more complete description.

AREA	Vehicle Judged	MINIMUM # OF MODIFICATIONS		
		Contemporary	Modified	Custom
EXTERIOR		1*	2	2
ENGINE BAY		1*	2	3
INTERIOR		1*	2	4
CHASSIS		1*	1	1
		(*3 out of 4 areas)		
CHECK CLASS:		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IF LESS THAN MINIMUM # MODIFICATIONS, VEHICLE INELIGIBLE FOR JUDGING. CHECK HERE <input type="checkbox"/>				

THE 2021 VCCA ANNIVERSARY MEET WILL BE HELD IN BOWLING GREEN, KY.

SOME INTERESTING RUMORS ABOUT WHY THE PLANT TOURS HAVE BEEN HALTED

On July 28th, production at GM's Bowling Green Assembly Plant, home of the Chevrolet Corvette, was halted for a 90-day period to install updated machinery and finish construction of the facility's elaborate new \$500 million paint shop. In early November, Corvette production resumed, with the factory producing 2018 Corvettes through January 22, 2018,

and 2019 models after January 29.

Corvette fans who simply want to tour the plant will need to be patient a bit longer, however. Per the Bowling Green Assembly Plant website, "Plant tours are unavailable as of June 16, 2017, and they may resume at a future date." The National Corvette Museum, now tasked with administering the guided walks, is a bit

more upbeat and informative, saying, "Plant tours are unavailable and resume in 2019."

Sales of the current Corvette are down from previous years, running roughly 17% behind last year for the US market through September. One potential reason is the rash of rumors - now supported by spy photographs - that the 2019 Corvette will be a

mid-engine design, or will include a mid-engine model variant. Expect Chevrolet to remain tight-lipped about any new Corvette models (and hence the resumption of Bowling Green plant tours) until early 2018.

[Credit for the above article goes to the February 2018 issue of Hemmings Muscle Machines.]

UNDER THE HEADING OF "OH NO":

As Renewable Fuel Standard turns 10, ethanol advocates push for wide scale adoption of E30

Ten years ago, the passage of the Renewable Fuel Standard paved the way for nationwide use of ethanol-blended fuels, largely in the form of E10 and more recently as E15. As of late, however, ethanol advocates have been making the case for allowing non-flex fuel vehicles to use blends as high as E30.

As early as 2007, ethanol advocates have proposed allowing regular internal combustion vehicles to use E30, and the EPA briefly looked into issuing a waiver for it in 2013. However, a campaign out of

South Dakota has over the last year or so promoted wide scale use of E30.

The South Dakota Farmers Union has also spearheaded a push to approve E30 for use in non-flex fuel vehicles. In March its members urged the National Farmers Union to pass a resolution calling for an EPA waiver for E30. More recently, the SDFU's president has made comments critical of the EPA for not taking up a study on E30 and higher-blend fuels. The EPA has not taken any action to issue a waiver for its use in non-flex fuel vehicles, nor did it even mention E30

AND SPEAKING OF CORVETTES...

The 2019 Corvette ZR1 is coming, debuting at the Dubai Motor Show and on sale in a few months' time. The engine, dubbed LT5 in deference to the original "King of the Hill" model of the '90s, is still a supercharged 6.2-liter V-8 ... but it now puts out 755 horsepower, and 715 pound-feet of torque—officially the most powerful passenger-car engine Chevy has ever built. (That's more than two horses per cubic inch ... and nearly 122 horsepower per liter.) The supercharger features 52 percent larger displacement than the one on

the Z06, and the direct-injection fuel delivery is supplemented by additional port injectors. Heat is the enemy of power, so there are also four more radiators dotted about the car, for a total of 13. Top speed is said to be 210+ mph ... no indication yet of how many clicks above 210 there will be. A choice of a seven-speed manual or an eight-speed paddle-shifted automatic transmission will be offered.

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in its 2018 RFS standards, released last month.

At least two bills in Congress have called for capping ethanol-blended fuels at E10.

Both remain in committee.

[Above article extracted from Daniel Strohl in Hemmings Daily Dec. 26, 2017.]

MY RIDE - GENE ROGERS

My 1955 Chevy Del Ray HT has been a 34 year build! In 1983 I moved to a new home in Kirkland WA, and caught a glimpse of a '55 in a neighbor's garage. One day the owner was out in the garage, so I walked down to say Hi. He used to race this car years ago, but he was done racing, and was tired of looking at it. It wasn't much to look at, as it had no interior or running gear: just body and frame on wheels. I talked him out of it for \$500.00, and with a few friends, we pushed it up the street to my garage. I pulled the body off, did a frame up

restoration of all the parts, built a 350 I had left over from a '68 Chevelle project, and 350 turbo. Now I put the body back on the new refurbished frame, and started stripping some of the 8 paint jobs with good old Aircraft Stripper. You see he painted his race car a different color each year or so when he raced. It sure preserved the body! Not any rust! I chose a great paint shop and had it painted White over GM Midnight Sapphire Blue Pearl, and had it professionally pin stripped. I had a new black

and white Del Ray Interior installed. Finished the interior with new carpeting, headliner, Bel Air dash Bowtie insert, and put in a Hurst shifter. Added a great CD Stereo, and light green tinted glass. At last I was able to dress the engine with standard Edelbrock covers and air cleaner, and Intake manifold. I mounted the battery in the trunk. put in power disc brakes, as well as a set of deep set Billet wheels and Goodyears. I consider this a basic Street Rod build, and have a great time showing and cruis-

ing. It has been to many shows, including Goodguys, and Reno; Hot August Nights. I have made it really "Personalized" by having it pin-stripped, because you really don't see that much anymore. My daughter was five when I started building this car, and drove it to her prom. This car will be handed down through the family. I am now building a 1953 Chevy Sedan Delivery, and it will come back from paint next month " Black Cherry Pearl", can't wait to put it together!



Gene Rogers is our current Personalized Chevy Chapter Secretary and lives in Snohomish, WA. Gene is also the current Director of the North Cascade Region.

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HTTP://PCCVCCA.ORG



Gene qualified for the Contemporary class with at least one mod in the exterior (custom paint), at least one mod in the engine bay (removal of battery to trunk) and at least one chassis mod (custom wheels). Gene says that additional detailing to his engine bay would make his Chevy more competitive for a PCC award.



That stunning black cherry pearl paint can be seen better in this shot.

Interested in having your ride featured in MY WAY? E-mail me at ronmarc@optonline.net and we can get started! I'll need pictures, a list of your personalizations and perhaps anything else you care to share about your ride.