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NEXT—PCC ZOOM MEETING

JUNE 28, 2025

1:00 pm ET



Director's Message

May 2025



Dear PCC friends,

Spring has officially arrived! Sabrina and I marvel at how fast the leaves and grass have returned and how everything has changed from brown and gray to green.

With the change in season, PCC members, like many VCCA members and classic vehicle enthusiasts, are ready to dust off their rides and start planning their drives, tours, and club and automotive events.

PCC judging will be available at the 47th Middle West Meet in Spring Green/Barneveld, WI, held June 9-13. Contact Fred Schnell at 920-901-6020 or fschnell@lsol.net. PCC judging will also be offered at the 54th Northwest Meet in Bellingham, WA, held July 15-18, and at the 62nd Central Meet in Findlay, OH., held July 23 – 26. Check the G&D for more info on both meets.

If you have a question or an idea, please email director@pccvcca.org, and I will reply as soon as possible. I would love to hear from you!

Until next time, remember; life is a journey -- not a destination, so relax and enjoy the ride!

Jim

Jim Karras, #43031

PCC Director



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CURRENT 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS WELCOMING PCC PARTICIPATION

JUNE 7

5th Annual PUBLIC CAR SHOW—Lima, Ohio 5th Annual Public Car Show sponsored by Western Buckeye Region at the Lima Auto Mall, 2200 N. Cable Rd., Lima, OH. Open to all makes and models of cars, trucks and motorcycles. Starts at 10:00 am with awards at 3:00 pm. Registration is \$10 per vehicle, free for spectators. Top 25 and special awards. Kids activities, door and raffle prizes. Dash plaques for first 250 registered. Food trucks, fun for all! For more info, contact Dan Groman at 419-231-3710 or jdg4635@yahoo.com.

JUNE 8

FUN CAR SHOW—Lawrence, NY

June 8, 2025 | Lawrence, New York Fun Car Show hosted by the Queens County Region. All years are welcome at Long Island's Rock Hall Museum, 199 Broadway, Lawrence, NY from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. No pre-registration, rain date or judging classes. \$15 fee per car day of show, free for spectators. All vehicles must have a fire extinguisher and insurance. Three trophy winners will be selected by the Board of the Rock Hall Museum. Picnic area available. 50/50 raffle. Museum will be open at 10:00 am, with free admission. For more info, please contact Howard Fishman at 516-662-9379 or hfishman52@aol.com or Sebastian D'Agostino at 917-837-5383 or srdagostino@aol.com.

JUNE 9—13

47th Middle West Meet—Spring Green/Barneveld, WI

Hosted by members of Areas 4-5. VCCA and **Personalized Chevrolet Chapter (PCC)** judging, plus two full days of touring. Come early on Sunday, June 8 for added touring of historical landmarks at your convenience or arrive on Monday, June 9 for prejudging and welcome activities. Hotel checkout is Friday, June 13. Touring sites include; The House on the Rock, The Ring Brothers custom automobiles, New Glarus Brewing Company and the historic Swiss Village of New Glarus, WI. Registration deadline is May 9, 2025. For registration and host hotel info, please contact Fred Schnell at 920 901-6020 or fschnell@isol.net

That's real

JUNE 22-26**33rd Annual National Four Cylinder Tour-Montrose, CO**

Tours to the Black Canyon National Park and then lunch in Hotchkiss, CO; Ridgway and Ouray, CO to visit county historical railroad museums, waterfalls and local attractions and Museum of the Mountain West, Ute Indian Museum and Montrose County Historical Museum in Montrose, CO. Any VCCA member with a running 1928 or earlier four cylinder Chevy/GMC vehicle is invited to attend. Tour is limited to 50 vehicles. For registration info, contact Verlyn Husman at 763 229-8275 or vccafourtour@gmail.com.

JUNE 28

Next PCC ZOOM Meeting—Saturday, June 28th at 10:00 AM PT | 1:00 PM ET

July 14**Chevrolet/GMC Truck Cruise Night – Oyster Bay, NY**

July 14, 2025 | Oyster Bay, New York Chevrolet/GMC Truck Cruise Night hosted by the Long Island Region. All VCCA members and potential new region members are welcome to display their cars for free from 6:30-9:30 pm at a special cruise night featuring only vintage Chevrolets and GMC trucks. Come meet members of your local region and discover the great benefits of membership. Take Rt. 106 north into Oyster Bay, turn right onto Main St. at the Sagamore Hill sign. Then, make the first right at stop sign onto Church St. and the white meeting hall. RSVP if possible to Chris Geiger at chevyrod1938@aol.com, 631-757-5021 (call) or 631-988-4005 (call or text) on evening of display. Rain date is August 11.

July 15-18**54th Northwest Meet—Bellingham, WA**

54th Northwest Meet hosted by the Puget Sound Region. Headquarters and Meet Hotel will be the Holiday Inn and Suites; 4260 Mitchell Way, Bellingham, WA 98266. Call 360 746-6844 **BY MARCH 31, 2025** and mention "Chevrolet Car Club: to get the Meet rate. RVers should get reservations at the Bellingham RV Park, 360 752-1224, as soon as possible due to summertime popularity. Many scenic tours, old Chevy, fun and camaraderie with other VCCA members from the northwest and around the world. All Chevrolets/GMCs are welcome and VCCA and PCC Sanctioned Judging will be provided. For more info, see add in April G&D page 41. or at www.psrvcca.weebly.com/54th-nw-meet or contact Tom Taricco at tom@taricco.net or 425 503-1360.

JULY 16**Second Annual Car Show and Silent Movie—Atlantic City, NJ**

Wednesday 2:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Hosted by the New Jersey Region. Indoor car show located on the main arena of Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City, the worlds largest pipe organ. The car show begins at 2:00 p.m. and the movie begins at 5:00 p.m. You can sit in your car and watch the movie or sit anywhere in the arena seating. FREE registration for the driver and one passenger. Access to the arena is at the intersection of Pacific and Georgia Avenues. Please pre-register so we know how many to expect. Contact Chuck Gibson 609 221-5435 or Gibsonorgntnr@aol.com or boardwalkorgans.org.

No cuts to heal

JULY 23-26**62nd Central Meet– Findlay, OH**

Hosted by the Western Buckeye Region. “We’re not whistlin’ Dixie, but you can drive the Dixie Highway!” to participate in fun activities, swap meets, a nearby local car show, VCCA judging, a plaque tour and an awards banquet. Watch for more meet details as the Meet dates get closer. The host hotel is the Hilton Garden Inn, but two others are nearby. You can book your room now, using the “VCCA Central Meet” rate at the Hilton Garden Inn (567 -250- 2525 at \$144/night), Holiday Inn Express (567 271-0330 at \$134/night) or Country Inn & Suites (419 422-4200 at \$119/night). For more info, contact Meet Chairman Dan Groman at 419 231- 3710 or jdq4635@yahoo.com.

JULY 27**21st Annual All-Vehicle Show – Reisterstown, MD Hosted**

Show hosted by the Free State Region. Reisterstown Regional Park, 401 Mitchell Dr., Reisterstown, MD. All makes, models, and eras are welcome. Theme: Friendly and Fun. Presenting 26 Awards—Reisterstown Park Choice, Judges Top Choice, Best of Era, Best of Best, Best Truck (2), Best Motorcycle, Best Modified (2), Most Promising and Longest Distance Driven. Registration \$15, Preregistration by July 18 greatly appreciated. Gates open at 8:30 am. Show time 9:00 am-2:00 pm (earlier this year), arrive by 11:00 am to be judged. Food, indoor restrooms and playground area for kids available. Family friendly area with covered pavilion. Rain or Shine event. To register or for other info, contact Mike Natale at 443-465-7492, mrnatale@verizon.net or visit www.freestateregionvcca.org.

AUGUST 13-17**Big Sky Annual Tour—Dillon, MT**

All –Cylinder, Chevy and GMC vehicles, 25 years and older, for this hub and spoke Passport tour headquartering in Dillon. Friday and Saturday include area day trips, as well as Beaverhead County Museum and Montana’s First Territorial Capital, Bannack State Park, a very well preserved ghost town. We plan to visit a neon-sign shop, as well as other sights/sites TBD. The host hotel is Fairbridge Inn Express, 406 683-3636. A block of rooms will be held until August 1, under Vintage Chevrolet Club of America. Contact Joann Hosko at 406 363-1509 or joann.hosko@gmail.com for more details.

AUGUST 18**Fun Day Monday Annual Antique Car Show—Port Washington, NY**

Held at North Hempstead Beach Park, 175 West Shore Road, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Rain date: Thursday, August 21) Sponsored by the Town of North Hempstead Supervisor Jennifer DeSena, Town Board and the Department of Services for the Aging, along with the Queens Chapter of the VCCA. Special Salute to the Armed Forces. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. No fee to enter a vehicle. No preregistration required. Contacts: Howie Fishman 516 662-9379, hfishman52@aol.com or Sebastian D’Agostino 917 837-5833, srdagostino@aol.com

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SEPTEMBER 7-11

4-6-8 Cylinder Tour, Dover, Ohio

Combining the VCCA Six Cylinder and Happy Days Tours, Cruzin' in Amish Country opens with a banquet on Sunday, September 7 and closes with one on Thursday, September 11. In between, attendees will be driving to various venues including the Age of Steam featuring 23 vintage steam engines and a working round-house, Stan Hywet Hall, the mansion home owned by the founder of Goodyear Tire and Seiberling Tire Companies, possibly two private car collections, shopping in Amish Country and much more. The tour is limited to 50 original Chevrolets, giving preference to those 20 years and older. For hotel reservations, contact Quality Inn in Dover, OH at 330 364-8881 at \$129/night or Comfort Inn (located next door) at 330 365-9388 for \$139/night—use Group Code "VCCA/" After making a room reservation, you must contact Dave Miner at 4806 Darlington Ave NW, Canton, OH 44718, 330 417-1931 or vcca66chevelle@gmail.com to reserve a spot on the tour. You can also call John Feutz at 330 343-2556. Registration forms with cost details will be available after May 2, 2025.

SEPTEMBER 10

Fun Car Show, St. Albans, NY

Hosted by Queens County Region, New York State Veteran's Home, 178-50 Linden Blvd., St. Albans, NY. Open to all makes, models, antiques, classics, trucks and hot rods. Gates open at 8:00 a.m. \$15.00 per car day of show. Free breakfast and lunch will be provided. Three trophy winners will be selected by the residents and employees of the NS Vets Home. No rain date, no pre-registration required. All vehicles must have a fire extinguisher and insurance. For more info, please contact Sebastian D'Agostino at 917 837-5383 or srdagostino@aol.com or Howie Fishman at 516 662-9379 or hfishman52@aol.com

SEPTEMBER 14-19

19th Annual Southwest Fall Tour, Ely, NV

Join us on the "Loneliest Road in America" for a week packed full of a passel of Wild West Nevada adventures. Ride the Ghost Train of Old Ely (pulled by a steam engine), tour the depths of Lehman Caves, visit the official Pony Express Site, gander at the heavens through the Park Ranger's telescopes and maybe visit a couple of ghost towns, and much more. Also there will be a lot of driving of your vintage Chevrolets and GMC's, limited to 1912-54. Registration deadline is September 01, 2025. For more info, contact Dean Echols at 2049 N. Mohave St., Chino Valley, AZ 96323, 928 710-4325 or deanechols38@gmail.com.

Deadline for the July/August Newsletter is June 15, 2025

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SEPTEMBER 21-25

6th Annual Pacific Early 6 Cylinder Tour, Minden, NV

We are in the beautiful Carson Valley where the Sierra Nevada Mountains rise dramatically from the desert floor. Four days of touring are planned with a trek to Fort Churchill, Grover Hot Springs, Monitor Pass and Truckee. This tour is limited to 1929-42 Chevrolets and GMC's only. For more info, contact Dan O'Day at 408 268-5293 or noisytappet@gmail.com or Bruce DeFord at 360 904-7935 or dechevy32@gmail.com. Join us as we take the road less traveled!

OCTOBER 20-25

Combined Area 6 Joint Tour and Southern Fall Tour, Waco, TX

Pre-1955 Chevrolets & GMC's qualify for the Southern Fall Tour, others welcome to the Joint Tour. Registration and welcome event on Monday, October 20, final dinner on Friday, October 24. Variety of activities and venues to appeal to all ages and persuasions. For more info, contact Chip & Cathy Sweet, Tour Registrars at P.O. Box 201, Lake Jackson, TX 77566, 979 233-1600 or chevychip@yahoo.com

JULY 12-16, 2026 **SAVE THE DATE**

VCCA 65th Anniversary Meet, Rapid City, SD

It's official, the VCCA is headed west of the Mississippi for the 2026 Anniversary Meet. It will be held in Rapid City, SD and the Black Hills area, beginning with arrival on Sunday, July 12 through Friday, July 17 checkout. Almost three-fourths of our members are new since our last visit in 1996, giving members, new and old, opportunities for touring some of the most scenic byways in the country, visiting monuments honoring U.S. presidents and Native American chiefs and experiencing sights that will invoke our pioneer spirit. With so much to do and see you will have trouble finding the time to do it all. Two days of the Meet (you may be able to squeeze in more) will be exploring/ touring the area in your old Chevrolet/GMC or modern transportation, plus one day judging at Central States Fairgrounds complete with shaded spots to sit, an air conditioned building and multiple food trucks. Lots of other activities are being planned for arrival day and evenings. With so much to do you may want to come early and/or stay later. Save the date NOW and start setting aside time and resources to attend one of America's most iconic destinations. Mary James is the Anniversary Meet Chairperson, at 763 682-3111 or anniversary@vcca.org





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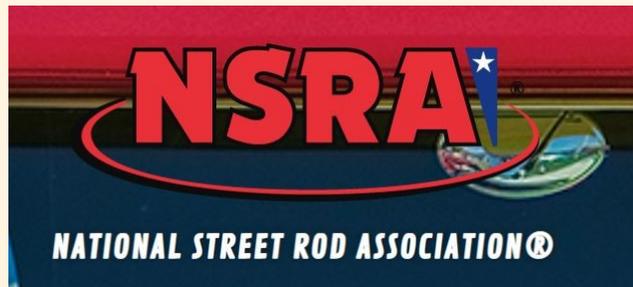


MAY 2-4 DU QUOIN, IL

DuQuoin State Fairgrounds

JULY 18-20 ST. PAUL, MN

Minnesota State Fairgrounds



MAY 23-25 SPRINGFIELD, MO 42nd Annual Mid-America Street Rod Nats

JUNE 6-8 YORK, PA 51st Annual Street Rod Nationals EAST

JUNE 20-21 MOBILE, AL 2nd Annual MOBILE BAY Street Rod Nationals

JUNE 27-29 PUEBLO, CO 40th Annual ROCKY MOUNTAIN Street Rod Nat

JULY 31-AUG 3 LOUISVILLE, KY 56th Annual STREET ROD NATIONALS

AUG 15-16 DAVENPORT, IA 2nd Annual QUAD CITIES Street Rod Nats

SEPT 12-13 BURLINGTON, VT 31st Annual NORTHEAST Street Rod Nats

SEPT 19-20 KALAMAZOO, MI 45th Annual Street Rod Nationals NORTH



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DRAG RACING



JUNE 6-7 NORWALK, OH Summit Motorsports Park

SEPT 19-20 INDIANAPOLIS, IN Lucas Oil Raceway Park



AUGUST 18-22

2025 National Impala Association Convention, WI Dells, WI

43rd Anniversary Convention, registrations are due by July 15, 2025. Event being held at Chula Vista Resort @ 1-800-388-4782. For more info, contact Sheila Rempel at 204 803-1195, or email rempel58@mts.net



MAY 16-18 LEBANON, TN 19th BASF Nashville Nationals

MAY 30-31 DOVER, DE 2nd Grundy Insurance Mid-Atlantic Nationals

JULY 4-5 DES MOINES, IA 34th Speedway Motors Heartland Nationals

JULY 11-13 COLUMBUS, OH 27th Summit Racing Nationals by PPG

JULY 25-27 PUYALLUP, WA 37th Griot's Garage Pacific Northwest Nats

PCC Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2025, Meeting – 10:00 AM PT | 1:00 PM ET (via Zoom Meeting)

Call to Order—Jim called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM ET. Those present included Steven Cochran (CA), Gene Rogers (WA), Claudia Rogers (WA), Jim Karras (MI), and Sabrina Karras (MI).

Member Voting—Jim thanked the members for electing the 2025 PCC officers. He reported that member voting participation was outstanding, and the electronic voting method seems to be a cost-effective, efficient voting process that we will continue to use in the foreseeable future.

PCC Judging Opportunities—Jim reported that PCC Judging will be available at the 47th Middle West Meet in Spring Green/Barneveld, WI, held June 9-13. Gene Rogers reported that PCC Judging will be available at the 54th Northwest Meet in Bellingham, WA, held July 15-18.

PCC Judging Classes—Jim reported that a member of the National Board of Directors contacted him regarding the current PCC judging classes. The board member wanted to know if the PCC would consider developing a new class that would bridge the gap between the current VCCA CDPC certification award designation and the closest PCC judging class to that designation, to provide a majority of VCCA member vehicles with an opportunity to participate on the show field at a VCCA meet. The other possibility is to modify the closest existing PCC class to accomplish this goal. The informal discussion was to create a MyWay PCC Judging class. Jim will contact the PCC Judging class development team experts to seek advice and counsel on this request. But generally, this was welcome communication. In the call, the board member indicated that, in his opinion, he believed that most of the new board was very supportive of the PCC and that he anticipated that PCC would be invited to most, if not all, VCCA National Judging Meets in 2025.

PCC Area Liasons—Jim reported that the PCC seeks volunteer PCC Area Liaisons for each VCCA Area. He indicated that we would publish a list of the liaisons' names and contact information in one or more future MyWay newsletters and on the website.

Next Meeting—Jim reported that the next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 28th at 10:00 AM PT | 1:00 PM ET via Zoom.

Adjournment—Jim adjourned the meeting at 11:55 PT | 2:55 PM ET.

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BEST OF SHOW

ORANGE COUNTY REGION ALL CHEVY SHOW
COSTA MESA, CA
OCTOBER 13, 2024



Robert Gard and his wife, Beverly, of Huntington Beach are posing with their BEST OF SHOW 1930 Woody. The car scored 997 points. Congratulations to Bob and Bev as they can be very proud of their beautiful car.

Don't Forget.....Mothers Day is coming up. Take MOM to a car show!!!

Mothers Day – May 11

As always - your newsletter editor is always looking for articles of interest to the group. Please submit anything you have to

editor@pccvcca.org

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Podcast

Find the Podcast's on the PCCVCCA Home Page.

IDEAS FOR THE SHOP—Tips and Tricks

I inherited a Craftsman Drill Press many years ago and it never had a method to raise or lower the deck. It wasn't a problem when I was younger and stronger but now with a less than perfect back I needed a way to move it up and down. I did some internet searching and found an easy do-it-yourself fix. I bought the jack from harbor freight for less than \$37.00 and got two U clamps for \$7.00. That should be all you need except a method to cut the jack "axle" and weld it after relocating. Call me if you have questions. Jeff Pettis 715 579-0680.

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