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Dues are \$25 per year,
payable to

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mail to the club PO Box.

To determine your renewal date,
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right corner is the month/yr your
membership expires.

DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT AND CRUISE!

Saturday October 13th!

We will caravan to Granbury and take in the feature movie at the area's only authentic 50's era movie theatre – The Brazos Drive In!

We will meet at the Park N Ride parking lot on the south side of I-20 and Park Springs in Arlington at 2:30 (map in this week's email). A

stop in Granbury on the town square for a little shopping and check out the conclusion of the Brazos Valley Corvette Show, then over to Babe's Chicken Dinner House for supper at 5:30 before heading over to the drive in! This is a fun event so plan to join us for a great afternoon and evening of fun with your Chevy! And this event is open to all car clubs, makes and models of collector cars! Need more info, contact Greg Hedum at 972 989-4812 \$12 per car load to get in! Watch the club website for any weather announcements and see you Saturday!



19th ANNUAL FALL FOLIAGE TOUR!

Fayetteville, Arkansas

October 26-28

This event is always well attended and a favorite! Enjoy a relaxed weekend of driving the Chevy with a flexible schedule that includes good food and some great driving in your Chevy! The central hotel for the group is the Holiday Inn Express, 1251 N Shiloh Drive, Fayetteville, AR. There are DACC members driving up to Arkansas on Thursday and others on Friday. DACC's Diane Preston can assist anyone with caravan plans by contacting her at 405 615-3856. If you have any questions, call the host contact Randy at 479 936-1963.



DACC FEATURE CAR

Ken and Linda Dobbs
'57 Bel Air Hardtop
Plano, Texas



inserts. Wheels are seven inch by fifteen Cragars. My son and I installed Vintage Air, a Quartz clock, and a new radio with a memory stick so I can have plenty of rock and roll music!

She came from California originally built on April 17, 1957. I call her Kermitt.

So after some coaching from Bill Preston I joined DACC and I hope to do some trips real soon!

More photos at DallasClassicChevy.com



I have had Chevys nearly all my life. Early on I raced a D/Gas '55 Chevy before moving to a '57 150 Business Coupe that I built and raced for many years at Green Valley Raceway. It was a lot of fun and featured a fuel injected 283 cubic incher with 283 horsepower. I turned my attention then to the first generation Camaro's when I built a '69 Camaro that I raced for seventeen years. It had a aluminum rod 355, 660 lift roller, aluminum heads, tunnel ram with two 660 carbs and a Doug Nash 325 low 5 speed transmission, a narrowed nine inch rear with 600 gears and 14/32 tires. I would leave the line at 8000 and shift at eight and cross the finish line in a 1/4 mile at eight! That car would pick the front wheels in the first three gears and was really a fun ride. It would later be stolen so that ended that fun!

I later bought a '63 corvette and it had a 340 horsepower engine with a 4 speed and I worked on it for ten years and enjoyed it a lot. Then I needed a project and a friend had bought a '57 Bel Air and was doing a frame off so that got be to looking for a 150 model. But before I could find one my friend offered to sell me his Bel Air. So I jumped at it and called it a done deal!

It's a '57 Bel Air two door hardtop. It's been off the frame, new gas tank and fuel lines, '87 Chevy power disc brakes, '57 Chevy power steering mated to '87 sub. pump and reservoir. The engine is a 468 big block with a aluminum intake, 750 holley with a MSD6 box, distributor and coil. Power goes through a Turbo 400 transmission and a 9 inch Ford with 325 gears.

The exterior is turquoise and there is all new tinted glass. The interior is done in stock turquoise with black fabric



DACC MEMBER'S PHOTOS FROM THE PAST

Another photo from 'back in the day'

Now your part is to guess

WHO IS THAT PERSON?

HINT – ok, another one that doesn't have a '55-'57 Chevy in it and obviously you can't see the subject since he is sitting behind the wheel of this front engine digger but this longtime DACC member had drag racing roots and was involved in Top Fuel drag racing in the mid and late 60's, this photo from 1967 shows this DACC member behind the wheel in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Take a look, take your best guess as to who this is, then check on the DACC website's Chat Board link under the 'MISC' section – and there you will find the answer of 'WHO IS THAT PERSON'?



Our last 'From The Past' photo was none other than Larry Rollow. Several guessed this one correctly, perhaps from reading his Feature Car story and picking up that he has this Studebaker or perhaps because you have actually laid eyes on it as he gets closer to having this ride finished and road worthy. Now he owned this car while living in S Calif in the mid 60's, sold it in 1970 and through a buddy found the car in 1993 and bought it back. He is making quite a street rod out of it and hopes to have it as a companion to his blue '57 210 Sedan real soon!

SAVE THE DATE!

DACC CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Saturday December 8th – Wheelchair Ramp Building in association with the DallasRamps.org group, Greg Hedum is our coordinator

Sunday December 9th – DACC Christmas Party at Rich Purvis' Grapevine home, this will be an evening affair, food provided by DACC, White Elephant Gift exchange

Texas Muscle Car Club Challenge FINAL RACES OF 2012

Sunday October 14 – North Star Dragway- Denton
gates open at 9AM, entry \$25, spectator \$10

Sunday October 21 – Redline Raceway – Royce City
gates open at 8AM, entry \$25, spectator \$10

Sunday October 28 – Texas Raceway - Kennedale
gates open at 8AM, entry \$25, spectator \$10



DACC MEMBERS ATTEND 2012 NATIONAL NOMAD CONVENTION July 8-13 – Sacramento, California



DACC wins at the Sacramento Nomad Convention. Mike & Sandy Reeves, Rich & Jim Purvis and Bill & Diane Preston hold all of the trophies Rich's beautiful 55 Nomad won.



Judging Director Terry Hardy presenting the Best Paint/Body in the Modified Trailered group to Rich Purvis.



Reiff's Gas Station Museum in Woodland, CA.

Rich Purvis borrowed Pete Herrera's trailer and pulled his Nomad to California behind his Dodge Magnum to attend the Chevy Nomad Association Annual Convention at the Doubletree Hotel in Sacramento. Rich is from southern California and didn't need much encouragement to get away from the Texas summer heat. He's going to car shows for a month or so out there with his brother Jim, who has a classic Chevy too. Hope he comes back to DFW!!! I think he'd already spent about \$1,000 on gas when he got to the convention.

Rich's beautiful red and silver 55 won first in the Modified Trailered Combined 55-57 class. Then it went on to win Best Paint, Best Interior and Best Engine in that group. The only thing he didn't win that he was eligible for was People's Choice Modified.

There were 421 people registered for the convention from 28 states, Canada and New Zealand. Ninety-seven Nomads were registered, plus a few more who just stopped by.

We had a great time at the convention as usual. Convention planners had set up some special tours for us in addition to the regular tourist stuff. Monday afternoon we were invited to view the private Rams Head collection in Sacramento. Thursday afternoon we toured the unique automobilia collection at Reiff's Gas Station Museum and Hayes Antique Truck and Farm Equipment Museums in nearby Woodland, CA. Sacramento is also home to the California Auto Museum and California Train Museum. Wednesday's activity was a chartered bus tour into San Francisco, which included a stop at Golden Gate Bridge, Pier 39/Fisherman's Wharf, Brizio Street Rods, Sanderson Headers, and tours of Brizio's personal auto collection and the personal collection of John Mumford's GM cars which were stored near Brizio's shop.

Mike and Sandy Reeves' black and white 57 Nomad developed engine problems at the last minute and had to stay home this year... But they didn't let that keep THEM home. Their car had pretty well swept the awards last year in Dayton.

Bill and Diane Preston never intended to drive their Nomad to California, but never intended to miss the convention. After repairing a broken rear shock mount following the Power Tour, Bill found out he had a leaking water pump, a loose starter, and the wrong harmonic balancer, so it wouldn't have made it to Sacramento anyway!

We (Bill & Diane) flew into Oakland on Saturday and toured the FABULOUS Black Hawk Auto Museum, did ALL the convention activities Monday thru Thursday, toured the Jelly Belly factory, took a guided tour on Lake Tahoe and went to the National Auto Museum (the remnants of the Harrah collection) in Reno before flying back to Texas the following Sunday.

The 2013 Nomad Convention will return to the Central Region July 7-11 near Chicago at Itasca, Illinois.



Rich & Jim Purvis unloading the Nomad in Sacramento



Diane won a \$100 Danchuk Gift Certificate for Bill's parts.



Jim Purvis won a hand crocheted Nomad doiley that he promptly gave to table mate Margate Eddings from Georgia!



Convention Coordinator Carolyn Knowles presenting the 1st Modified Trailered Class trophy to Rich Purvis.



Bill Preston, Mike & Sandy Reeves visit with Sales Manager Dave Cattalini at Brizio's in San Francisco.



Rich Purvis unloading the Nomad in Sacramento



Tom Roberts presenting the Best Interior Modified Trailered trophy to Rich Purvis.



FALL TRI FIVE CHEVY SHOW RESULTS!

It was not shaping up to be a 'Fall' Classic Chevy Show a few weeks ago as temperatures for the full week leading up to the DACC show at Reliable Chevrolet were over 100 EVERY DAY and the day before the show it was a record 104! BUT, the staff at Reliable Chevrolet put in a special request for cooler temperatures for the Saturday show and sure enough the temperatures were a good 20 degrees cooler! With that fantastic change in the weather we had an equally fantastic turnout of '55-'57 Chevys and especially a great turnout of the Tri Five Chevy Vettes and pickups! Thanks to all who came out and displayed their Chevys and special thanks to Reliable Chevrolet and our other club sponsors Heritage Insurance and Wilson Auto Repair for their support of DACC! The FAVORITE PICKS from the show are as follows, and be sure and check out the event photos on the club website!

Reliable Chevrolet's Favorite '55

Rich Purvis, Grapevine, TX – '55 Nomad

Reliable Chevrolet's Favorite '56

John Rogers, Grand Prairie, TX – '56 Nomad

Reliable Chevrolet's Favorite '57

Joe Ortega, Grand Prairie, TX – '57 Bel Air Hdtp

Reliable Chevrolet's Favorite Truck

Andy Kuchta, Coppell, TX – '55 Pickup

Reliable Chevrolet's Favorite Corvette

Don Sebert, Dallas, TX – '56 Corvette

Heritage Insurance's Favorite Tri Five Chevy

Don Andre, Southlake, TX - '57 Bel Air Hdtp

Wilson Auto Repair's Favorite Tri Five Chevy

James Lair, Rockwall, TX – '57 210 Sedan



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