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The Orange Peel

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A monthly letter by the Orange County region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (OCVCCA) by and for its members

Bill & Colleen Ingalls, Editors

You can find pictures of all our cars, car events and more on our web site www.ocvcca.org. Mike Sherman, our website designer, updates and maintains it.

Thank you Mike.

You can now find us on Facebook. Under search, just type in "Orange County Vintage Chevrolet Club of America". There you can add your friends that are interested in Chevy's and write stories about your Chevies.

Business meetings have been cancelled until further notice.

Hello Members, we hope and pray you are all doing well and staying safe. Wanted to send a note to provide you with information and updates. This stay home stay safe gets boring after a while. Your Orange County Region has been doing some safe events that has allow us to get out and drive our Chevys a bit.

- August 13 a number of us drove our cars over to Kirkwood Assisted Living and Memory Care in Orange and had a slow drive-by (Social Distancing) car show. The residents were lined up on the side walk and waved flags and cheered as we drove by. Management told us how much the residents appreciated the moving car show. The Kirkwood chefs provided a thank you box of cookies to each car.

Thanks to: Mark Wilk, Robert Devot, Fosseks, Clarks, Cheroskes, Bowlands, Kroghs, Ingalls, Schullys for bringing out their beautiful cars. As we drove out of the driveway there were big Thank You Signs.

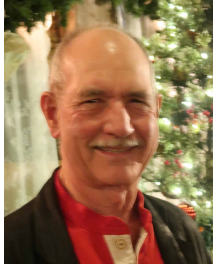
After the drive-by a number of us drove to Sonic Burger in Santa Ana for an old fashion drive-in lunch, complete with car hops on roller skates. Except for the high temperatures, which made it difficult for all participants to drive to Sonic, all and all it was a very uplifting experience.

- Wednesday, August 19 a few of us lined up at the Park next to the Irvine Police facility for a drive—by showing our respect to the family of our departed member Ray Chips. I am so glad your Orange County Region joined in this celebration of life. It was an amazing tribute to an amazing man with lines of police cars lined up with lights brightly turning red & blue. The police stood in formation with masks in place showing their respect. Ray's beautiful 57 Chevy and his 1936 Chrysler Airstream 4 door were in place as part of the tribute. Along the way were large family and professional pictures along with family members. Thanks to Fossek for bringing their 65 Impala convertibles, Ingalls with their 67 Convertible our red 57 we provided a Chevy Tribute, thanks also to the Karros's and Mike Sherman who were also in attendance. Ray and worked together for a number of years at our Oct. all Chevy shows and at the All-American Original shows (Ray was president of AACA Orange County Chapter). Whenever I see a red 57 sport coupe I will think of Ray, a truly wonderful guy.

We were notified by the City of Tustin that due to construction in both of the parks in Tustin our Picnic in the Park previously scheduled in September has been rescheduled by the City of Tustin to May 16, 2021.

We will continue to provides updates on a regular basis.

Best wishes and please stay safe and well---Gary



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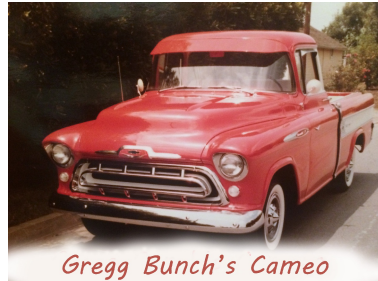
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and writes:

Good news, Gregg Bunch is out of the ICU, off the ventilator and slowly recovering. He is now at a long term rehabilitation care facility. Thank you Ryan Bunch, Greggs son, for the good news update. We are hoping for a slow steady recovery.



Happy Birthday

Gregg Bunch 09-20

Gary Howard 9-04

Colleen Ingalls 9-26

Kevin Spangler 09-09

Howard Wallach 09-16

Maria Woodward 09-13

Debbie Baker 10-31

Jim Karras 10-23

Linda Wesselman 10-27



Happy Anniversary

Bill & Helen Norman 09-03-1953

Art & Dorothy Scully 08-04-1976

Annette & James Bartolomucci 10-15

Susan & Denis Hergenreter 10-15

Bette & Jim Richardson 10-06



Jim and Rose Miller
at our 2018
Christmas party

Jim is 102!

We were so please to be invited to the drive-by honoring Dr. Ray Chips who was an outstanding member of our OCVCCA Chevy Car Club. Ray showed his 33 Chevy and his 57 Chevy several time and helped with the judging. HD. Ray Chips, husband of Dr. Susan Stocks, passed away on Friday, July 24, 2020. Dr. Chips started teaching for the District in 1971, and taught at Dale Junior High School, as well as at Anaheim High School. After teaching for 17 years, he left the classroom to serve as a teacher on special assignment (Gang Prevention Specialist). Starting in 1989, he served as an assistant principal at Anaheim High School for six years, and one year at Gilbert High School. He was promoted to principal, and served as principal at Western High School for three years, and at Magnolia High School for five years. Dr. Chips spent the final year of his career at the District Office, where he retired as the Director of Safe Schools in 2005, after 34 years in Education. Dr. Stocks, is a former Anaheim Union High School District Director of Special Programs.



Hello everyone,

I am Ray Chips' oldest daughter, Kim. On behalf of our family, we would like to extend our sincerest thanks for your attendance at the celebration of life for my dad last Wednesday. Each one of you held a special place in his heart, and I know he would be overjoyed with the amount of love and support that has been shown for him, even during this most challenging time. We appreciate you taking the time to complete an information card, and we loved reading your fondest memories of him.

At any other time in our lives, we would have celebrated my dad with a large group gathering in which we could all share memories together. Since this was not possible, we created a slideshow that we would like to share with you, which provides a snapshot of each decade of his life.

John Mulhall, some 10 years ago, started a quest to find and restore a 1942 Chevy Woody.

Bill Ingalls, Gary Howard and Tom Greathead visited him at his facility earlier this year where they saw the Woody, the 42 Coup doner car and all the rebuilt and new parts.

They also saw the professionally rebuilt engine, generator, distributor, starter, carburetor, transmission, differential and vacuum shifter all ready to be installed. The frame is ready for suspension and steering. John Mulhall, being very talented wood worker, has done an outstanding job replacing the outside wood and the roof most of which is done. He bought both the Woodie wagon and a Coup doner car at the same time.



He is now spending time building a house in Montana. You can reach him at John.mulhall@cox.net if you are interested in this project.



Gary Howard looking on



Matching woodwork



Gary Howard at the center post



As the project now stands.



As the project now stands.



The 1942 Coup doner car as it is today.

How automotive air conditioning went from miraculous to mundane *Hagerty News Credit, August 2020*

A Story About Air Conditioning

Joe Lorio, 31 July 2020 Credit: Unsplash/Timothy Dykes

It was at exactly this time of year in the late 1970s when my family embarked on our longest-ever road trip from our home in New York state to visit relatives in Louisiana. We drove our Plymouth Satellite station wagon, which had the sticky summer combination of vinyl seats and no A/C. The trip took us four days, because by late afternoon my mother and my sister would be complaining so much that we'd have to stop driving and search for a motel with air conditioning and a pool.

When we finally arrived, I discovered that, although summers in New York were hot and humid, the liquid air of New Orleans was on another level entirely—particularly during the daily afternoon thundershowers when you couldn't even roll down the windows.

Outfitted in engineer-spec (power steering and brakes, automatic, AM radio, and that's about it), our '73 Plymouth was a little behind the times, but not much. The modern miracle of air conditioning came first to commercial buildings, starting in the early years of the 20th century. Central air conditioning systems for private houses started to become available in the 1930s, although it was the arrival of mass-produced window A/C units in the late 1940s that first brought cooled air into most people's homes.

When it came to automobiles, Packard, Cadillac, and Imperial offered crude, trunk-mounted systems in a handful of vehicles just before World War II, but modern automotive A/C did not arrive until the mid '50s. By 1958 the feature had spread to all major makes, but it was expensive (\$446 on a '58 Plymouth, for instance). In 1965, less than one-quarter of new cars were so equipped, but that figure rose steadily to more than 70 percent by 1973. The take rate reached nearly 99 percent by 1994—at that point, even the engineer dads were on board.



Cadillac, Eldorado-Brougham

As a standard feature, however, A/C was adopted at a much slower rate, even at the high end of the industry. When Ford's Continental Division (at the time, separate from Lincoln) introduced the new ultra-luxury Continental Mark II for 1956, the \$10,000 automobile came standard with everything—except air conditioning, which was the sole option. The first car to make it standard was the competing Cadillac Eldorado Brougham, which arrived the following year.

A/C was still an option on most Cadillacs and Lincolns when the luxury-wannabe AMC Ambassador made the feature standard in 1968 and trumpeted that point in its advertising. Lincoln went to standard A/C for '71. Chrysler's Imperial followed in '72 and Cadillac in '75. For most brands, however, it was later—much later.



1968 Ambassador Wagon

As recently as 2010, you could still get a sweatbox version of the Hyundai Accent and Elantra, Kia Forte and Rio, Nissan Versa and Frontier, Dodge Caliber, Jeep Wrangler, Chevy Aveo, Honda Civic, Mazda3, Mitsubishi Lancer, and Toyota Tacoma. During the 2010s, A/C finally became standard in even the cheapest cars as brands capitulated one-by-one.

The Tacoma pickup was the last holdout at Toyota; the bare-bones trim didn't get A/C until 2011. The Dodge Caliber also cooled down with standard A/C in 2011. The Kia Forte added the feature as standard for 2011, while the Rio got it with its 2012 redesign. The 2011 Aveo was the last un-air-conditioned Chevrolet; the Sonic that replaced it for 2012 had A/C as standard. The base Nissan Versa also made the switch for 2012.



2017 Nissan Frontier

At Mazda, the low-budget 3 in SV trim finally came factory cooled in 2013. That same year, the Hyundai Accent and Elantra adopted the feature as standard, as did the Honda Civic. Mitsubishi dropped the Lancer DE after 2014, and the entry level for 2015 became the A/C-equipped ES. The Smart

Fortwo was a late holdout. It was 2015 when the base Smart Fortwo Pure moved A/C from options list and onto its standard equipment sheet. The Nissan Frontier pickup had to wait all the way until 2018.

While the last of the miser-trim economy cars and pickups joined the air-conditioned era in the 2010s, at the far opposite end of the automotive spectrum, a counter-trend was developing. Super-sports cars deleted air conditioning for weight savings on track-focused, limited-edition models. McLaren has seen more examples of this configuration than most, with such cars as the 600LT, the 675LT, and the Senna. In all cases, McLaren customers can choose to add air conditioning back in at no cost—and one suspects that most do.



Jeep Wrangler Sport

Outside of those hardcore super cars, there is one final holdout sold today in the U.S. without air conditioning. Can you guess? It's the Jeep Wrangler Sport two-door. Unlike our old Satellite wagon, however, it offers relief from the heat in the form of a removable roof and doors. Even so, I'm not sure I'd want to drive one from New York to New Orleans in July.

Tom Greathhead writes,

(trying) to stay self quarantined. Took a 10 day driving trip to Breckenridge, CO in July to visit grandkids.

Happy to see that sports broadcasts have returned to TV - I hope;

I'm real tired of the protests and violence and the COVID virus and politics.

Have an appointment Wednesday to see why the gas gauge on the '68 Camaro doesn't work - sending unit has been replaced twice and can't find a grounding problem.

I wish everyone to stay safe and healthy..... Tom

Take the "OLDER THAN DIRT" Quiz
Do You Remember?

1. BlackJack Chewing Gum
2. Wax coke-shaped bottle with colored sugar water
3. Butch Wax
4. Candy Cigarettes
5. Soda Pop machines with Glass bottles
6. Howdy Doody
7. Restaurants with tableside JukeBoxes
8. Home milk delivery in glass bottles
9. Party Telephone Lines
10. NewsReels before the movies
11. 45 RPM records
12. P.F. Flyers
13. Carrying a Metal Lunchbox
14. Drive in Movie Theatres
15. Telephone numbers with word prefix (Olive-697)
16. The Andy Griffith Show
17. Soda Fountains
18. Roller Skate Keys
19. S+H Green Stamps
20. Blue Flashbulbs

If you remember 0 to 5 - You're a WhipperSnapper
If you remember 6 to 15 - You're Gettin' There
If you remember 16 to 20 - You're

"OLDER THAN DIRT"

Dennis McGillis, president of the YE OLDE CAR CLUB (A voice from our past)

About 99% of my tools were purchased to work on autos. Thus hopefully all of them that I have shown are for that purpose. Have I stumped anyone yet? **Send your answers to me:**

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What's this #2





What's this #1



What's this #3



The 70ties, Marie singing icon and her brother Donny are on tour.



TV series in the 40ties

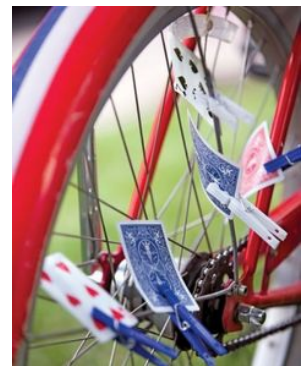


January 29, 1924. What's going on?

Remember when we did this?..



What kind of wheels race track



Fourth of July Crafts and Decorations That Show Your Red...



Can anyone tell us what make car this is?



Kirkwood Senior Center Drive-by tour, June 13th

7 cars committed and 8 showed up for this event. We arrive at the church parking lot NEXT to Kirkwood at 10:30 so we can lineup. We mostly stayed in our cars except for Gary who helped the cars to lineup. We all wore masks.

We proceeded, one car at a time, at a very slow pace so the residents, who will be social distancing on the porch, could view and enjoy our cars. The theme was *"The oldies car show"*. The Ingalls were asked to lower the top on their convertible, which was done to an ovation.

After the drive by we all went back to the church parking lot and lined up again to proceed to lunch at the Sonic Drive-In Burger located at 3531 S. Fairview Street, Santa Ana. .

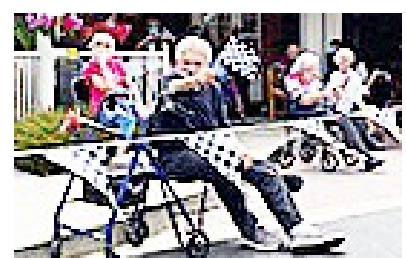
The following cars attended: Dorothy & Art Scully, Gary & Judy Howard, Tom & Linda Clark, Mark Wilk, Ron & Marilyn Cheroske, Fred & Sue Fosseck, Jerry & Billie Bowland, Jeanne & Mark Krogh and the Ingalls.



Tom & Linda Clark



Jerry & Billie Bowland





Art & Dorothy Scully



Fred & Sue Fossek at the drive in

Rich Palazzo Says: Is anyone interested in these oil filter cartridges for \$5.00 each? I do not plan to ship them so please call me so arrangements can be made to work out some method of getting them to you.

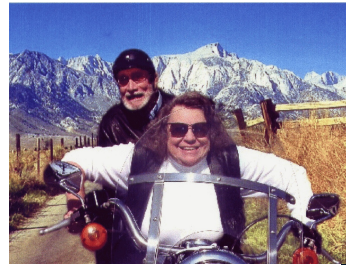
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The Bowland's drove their 1963 SS Impala on the drive-by tour of the Kirkwood retirement village.

Colleen Ingalls interviewed the Bowland's while taking the drive-by tour of Kirkwood.

Jerry was telling me about all the offices he had held in our OCVCCA club over the 40 years he's been a member. Billie said that they have know each other since 7th grade and have now been married some 70 years. They entertained me with stories from the early days and the war days.



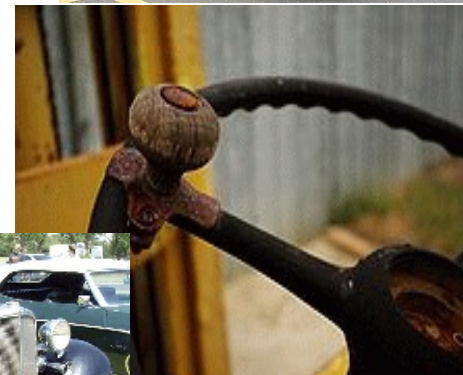
Meeting the Bowland's is a great example of why our club is so valuable. It's the people in and club and those you meet because of the club.

Colleen Ingalls, Membership Chairperson.

Fred Fossek's Comment Corner for April 2015. And yes Fred still says "**Super**". (this article ran in our Orange Peel, in April 2015.)

Since I'd been thinking of cars, my mind naturally went in that direction. Most young people today will need to find some person over 50, that is, to explain some of these terms.

1. "**Curb Feelers**". Most would say, "What are those?"
2. The term '**fender skirts**' which I haven't heard in a long time started me thinking about other words that are quietly disappearing from our language with hardly a notice.
3. And what about a '**Steering knob**'. I used to call them by the names **Suicide Knob** or a **Necker's knob**.
4. Aftermarket '**Continental Kits**' were once the rage. They were a rear bumper extenders with a spare tire cover in the center. They were supposed to make a car look cool like a Lincoln Continental.
5. When did we quit calling them '**emergency brakes**'? At some point 'parking brake' became the proper term for them. But I miss the hint of drama when that term changed from emergency to parking brake.
6. I'm sad, too, that almost all the old folks are gone who would call the accelerator the '**foot feed**.'
7. Today, some pedestrians don't even know what a **clutch** is or that the **headlight dimmer switch** was once on the floor. P.S. '**The starter**' was down there too.
8. And finally, did you ever wait at the street in front of your house for your daddy to come home so you could ride with him the up the driveway to the house on the '**running board**'?



rodie or Suicide Knob



Running boards on 1933 Chevy