



**THE BOWTIE BULLETIN
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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM TOM DOHERTY

It's (almost) fall, Y'all!

Hi, everyone! As I write this, we are staring down the barrel of yet another Labor Day weekend – the unofficial end of summer and the beginning of fall. It's almost hard to believe that 2022 has blown by us like a freight train, and two-thirds of it is now in the rear-view mirror. Soon enough, we'll all notice the days are getting shorter, our pants and shirt sleeves are getting longer, and opportunities to get out in our classics might start to dwindle ever so slightly. For many of us, though, fall is our favorite time of year.

Think about it for a second – how many great things can only be associated with fall? Whether it was 7 years or 70 years ago, I'm sure we all have those fall memories that come flooding back once that first wave of cool, crisp fall air hits us. Who among us doesn't think of the first day of school, the fall harvest, football, the World Series, letterman sweaters & jackets, bonfires, campfires, hayrides, cider, trick-or-treating, jumping in a pile of freshly-raked leaves, or bobbing for apples in some sort of metal tub that was used for animal feed every other day of the year? I can't be the only one.

No matter where those memories of fall take you, I hope THIS fall will take you to a cruise-in, car show, or backroads drive with your PCCC friends that will give you a whole new appreciation for this under-rated season. There's nothing quite like the shine of classic cars & trucks against the backdrop of nature's most spectacular colors. We only get so many falls to enjoy; let's make the most of them one at a time.

See you soon! Tom Doherty, PCCC Treasurer

CLUB INFO

2021–2022 Club Officers

President - *David Smith*
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Vice President - *Ray Bader*
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Secretary - *TBA*

Treasurer - *Tom Doherty*
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Send your PCCC Dues payment to:

Tom Doherty
4008 Ridgebrook Bluffs; Raleigh, NC 27603
Make check out to PCCC
Annual dues are \$25

For a complete listing of carshows and cruise in's
Contact club member

Kaye Brady

Monthly lists will be posted on PCCC Webpage at
<https://piedmontccc.org/piedmont-events/kays-event-page>

Questions—contact Kaye at
kbrady.southernclassic@hotmail.com

PCCC Monthly Meetings are at **Carolina BBQ** located at **733 US-70 Garner 27529**.
Meetings are going to be **every 4th Monday at 7PM** (6PM if you plan to eat)

PCCC APPAREL

Standard Club Shirt [\$10] Long Sleeve [\$15]

Polo Shirts [\$26]

Pink Ladies V-Neck [\$10]

Sport Tee's (Dri-Fit) Short Sleeve [\$14]; Long Sleeve [\$19]

Hats (All Styles) [\$18]

Ladies Jacket "Clique" (Blue Only) [\$56]

Ladies Jacket "Port Auth" (Blue or Black) [\$56]

Men's Jacket Traditional (Blue Only) [\$65]

Men's Jacket Hard Shell (Black Only) [\$70]

Magnetic Engraved Name Badges [\$12]



Contact *Larry Lewis* @ 919.215.3946 or
rclarry@aol.com
for complete ordering details and prices

Getting To Know PCCC Members

Last year, we started a series for members in the club to submit photos of themselves from the past, "**Guess Who Feature.**" If any of you are interested, send me a photo from your past. I will post it in the newsletter for PCCC members to guess who you might be.

After you send me a photo from your past, you would then need to send me a story about you, to describe where you grew up, what schools, or college you may have attended, what your career was (or still is about) and something interesting about your car hobby. So, if you may find this to be an interesting feature, send me a photo of yourself when you were younger and along with a current photo of yourself. Send your story after.

The newsletter that will follow will then reveal who you are and your story posted. Look for this feature during the course of the year.

To submit photos and your story, send me an email at jhopp55@att.net

Who Could This Be?



PCCC Birthdays for September

WOW!!! Another Year Older!!!

*Ralph DeMichele
Linda DeMichele
Donnie Harris
Chris Peedin
Bob Simpson
Jeff Stevens*

*Dan Mangrum
Nan Mangrum
Nancy Kitchener
Bill Mackrell
Jim Ashley*

Presenting our donation to Hilltop Home for Children



*Hilltop Home - Supporting and
enriching the lives of children and
their families.*

Hilltop Home is a private, nonprofit, Intermediate Care Facility with a capacity to support 22 children who have severe to profound developmental disabilities and are medically fragile. They provide a comprehensive habilitative program that includes individualized medical, therapeutic, and developmental / educational services in an intimate, homelike residential setting. The program is designed to assist children with multiple disabilities and medical fragility to reach their fullest potential.

Hilltop Home admits children, age birth through six years, who have severe/profound developmental delays. Our children typically have pronounced medical complications that require specialized, around-the-clock care by nursing staff.

Hilltop Home is dedicated to providing quality, comprehensive, individualized services to its residents. Consistent with the beliefs and principles upon which Hilltop Home was founded, these services are provided in an atmosphere that fosters a warm, close relationship with children and their families.

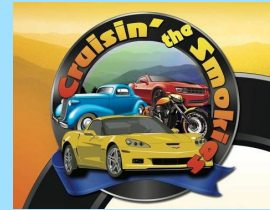
Visit their website at www.hilltophome.org for more information

CRUISIN' THE SMOKIES—CHEROKEE, NC - COPY OF EMAIL MESSAGE FROM DAVE PEEDIN

Check out the video below or go on line and check out Great Smokies Inn website in Cherokee, NC. The address is 1636 Acquoni Road.

Copy and paste this link in your browser—https://youtu.be/ZHXvslMFJ_o

As many of you now know, our original reservations at Chestnut Tree Inn were cancelled without notice. The hotel was sold and the employees were given ONE DAY's notice. I have been on the phone and computer all morning checking out other options. Because the rates go up in the fall due to tourists booking rooms to enjoy the leaf changing season in the mountains, there are really no GREAT DEALS and not many good options. Great Smokies Inn has the best price and the ratings aren't bad. This hotel is only a quarter mile from the entrance to Cruising the Smokies event this year.



Travel on Thursday Oct 13. Check out & return home on Oct 16

I have already put a hold on 16 rooms here mostly because of convenience and price. If you choose to stay here, you must call 828-497-2020 – ask for Christy – and tell her you are with the Piedmont Classic Chevy Group. Christy explained that 3 Hotels have been recently bought out and phones have been ringing off the hook with travelers trying to find new accommodations. This is unfortunate but leaves us few choices.

SPECIAL REQUEST !!!!!

Don't forget to call and pay for your room. If you don't call by October 1st, your room will be dropped from the group and will be made available to someone else. Our group rate of \$89.00 is based on a minimum of 10 rooms. I have blocked 16. They all have 2 Queen beds

Downside:

- # 1 - They do not offer a breakfast option but are walking distance to several restaurants.
- # 2 – It is an older motel but appears to be nice.
- # 3 – some reviews aren't great but most are good.
- # 4 – all available rooms are on second floor (one short flight of stairs – 4 other car groups have already booked all rooms on ground level and have been staying there twice per year for several years. That says a lot for return customers.

Upside:

- # 1 - Convenient to everything – especially the event.
- # 2 – Price is incredible - \$ 89.00 plus tax and fees.
- # 3 – Short drive or in some cases walk to restaurants etc.
- # 4 – several groups stay here for the fall and spring shows – must be ok. We will meet a lot of other classic car owners here.

Other options are:

Microtel Inn – Group Rate for our stay dates is \$484.00 + taxes and fees for 3 nights.
Only offer 2 Queen beds / rooms not large enough for King beds. Open parking / 24 hour cancellation notice.

Days Inn : \$420.31 + taxes and fees. Continental breakfast. No Queen beds – Only Kings or doubles, they do not honor group rates.

Smoky Mountain Inn – Do not offer group rates – Price for 3 nights we want is \$509.57. I spoke with the manager and he wasn't very helpful and didn't seem to be concerned with our situation.

Cherokee Grand Hotel – their group rate is \$179.10 per night + taxes & fees, most expensive I've contacted.

Let me know what you want to do. Call me if you have any questions and watch for updates in email.

Thanks, Dave
919-612-6998

TECH TIDBITS—The Ford Edsel

The Edsel was named after Henry Ford's son and it had its own division of the company devoted to its creation. In 1957 when the car debuted, the company had spent 10 years and \$250 million on planning one of its first brand-new cars in decades. The new intermediate line had begun in 1955 under the code name "E car", which stood for "experimental car." Ford Motor Company eventually decided on the name "Edsel", in honor of Edsel B. Ford, son of the company's founder. Edsel was described as a "reborn LaSalle," a General Motors brand that had disappeared in 1940.



The Edsel came in 18 models. For its inaugural model year, Edsel introduced a seven-model product line, including four sedans and three station wagons. The lower-trim Edsel Ranger and Edsel Pacer shared bodies with Ford Fairlane sedans. The Edsel Corsair and Edsel Citation shared bodies with the Mercury Monterey and Mercury Montclair sedans. Sharing its body with Ford station wagons, Edsel offered the two-door Edsel Roundup and the four door Edsel Villager and Edsel Bermuda.



The Edsel model line offered multiple design features that were considered innovative for the time. In place of a horizontal strip or a round dial, the speedometer was a rotating dome; in line with aircraft design, the dashboard adopted warning lights for conditions as low oil level, parking brake engaged, and engine overheating. Edsel introduced

a speed warning on the speedometer if the driver exceeded a preset speed limit. Edsel also marked the introduction of the Teletouch push-button shifting system that was mounted in the steering wheel hub.

In the first year, 63,110 Edsels were sold in the United States, and 4,935 were sold in Canada. Though below expectations, this nevertheless represented the second-largest launch for any new car brand to date, exceeded only by the DeSoto introduction in 1929. The Edsel division was added to Lincoln-Mercury, with the re-christened Mercury-Edsel-Lincoln Division.

In response to the widely negative response to 1958 Edsel exteriors, the exterior of 1959 Edsels underwent a restyling to tone down its appearance. The 1959 Edsel interior dropped several features to increase its commonality with Ford. The push-button Teletouch transmission controls were withdrawn, alongside the rotating-dome speedometer, as Edsel introduced a slightly restyled version of the Ford Fairlane 500 dashboard.



In 1960, Edsel saw its model line reduced further, offering only the Ranger sedans, hardtop, and convertible alongside the Villager station wagon. Redesigned alongside 1960 Fords, 1960 Edsels were released with far more muted styling than their 1958 namesake. Ford announced the end of the Edsel program on November 19, 1959. 1960 Edsel Comet compact car was relabeled Mercury Comet and sold more cars in its first year than all models of Edsel ever produced. Fewer than 6,000 Edsels



Contact Jeff Hopp to submit an items for sale (**NO PHOTOS**) or change or delete existing ads at jhopp55@att.net
Contact PCCC member for details

**ITEMS
FOR
SALE**

Original 1956 A arms and center shaft with all new bushings that have been professionally sandblasted and painted silver.
[\$125] for the set
Contact [Rick Mangrum](#) @ 919.255.8663

Set of 4 Cross Flags rally wheel centers.
Perfect condition [\$40];
Contact [John Gilliam](#) @ 919.259.6239

Distributor Restoration & Repair of classic car distributors. Contact [Jeff Stevens](#) at carolina.distributor22@gmail.com or 919.495.1515

Edelbrock 1403 carb. 500 cfm electric choke. [\$75]
Contact [Ray Bader](#) @ 919.418.0977

Stock Hood for 1970 Camaro [\$50]
Contact [Dan Stalfire](#) @ 214.629.0980

1969 Mustang Hardtop.
Has a 302 with C4 trans.
Restoration 90% done. [\$20,000]
Contact [Dan Stalfire](#) @ 214.629.0980

62 Impala S/S hubcaps.
Excellent condition (set of 4) [\$250];
Contact [Barry Kitchener](#) @ 919.623.7287

Complete 1957 Chevrolet rear end housing third member axles and brakes ready to install.
3:36 open , not Posi traction.
Casting #3276899 was used in '57 to '64 passenger cars without posi traction.
[\$550] delivered, [\$500] you pick up
Contact [Dan Glover](#) @ 919-656-0053

Brand new complete antenna assembly for a 1955 Chevrolet (still in the package)
[\$80] Contact [Tony Sica](#) @ 516.443.5479

17 inch Torque Thrust Anthracite wheels with low profile tires originally on 1969 Chevy Camaro. 1500 miles on tires, rims in perfect condition. [\$1100]
Contact [John Mann](#) 919.757.5319

1936 Ford parts; 1973 Chevy truck parts; 1986 Corvette parts; 350 turbo Hydramatic trans great condition [\$500];
Complete car exhaust extraction vacuum system from a commercial garage installed for over [\$10,000] asking [\$1200]
Contact [Tim Howard](#) @ 919.880.6673

57 235, 63 230
Contact [Scott Rose](#) @ 919.768.2067

1st gen Camaro Parts; Cowl hood, trunk lid, 4 core radiator, S/B Trance, Cross member, Sub frame, Sway bar, 4-8/15 Corvette BF Goodrich P255/60 R15
Contact [Bob Simpson](#) @ 919.745.0996

Chevelle Parts - Ford Model A Parts
Contact [Bill Aldridge](#) @ 919-523-4619

Parts for 1968 Camaro—New Hurst dual gate automatic shifter [Paid \$650, selling for \$550]; Used Griffin aluminum high flow radiator [\$150]; New right stuff big brake 4 wheel disc brake conversion signature series cost new \$2300, on back order sell for [\$2000]; New fuel tank, fuller neck, hose, neck protector, sleeve, retainer, strap bolts, sending unit. [\$425]; Fuel tank straps [\$100].
Contact [Ken Hunter](#) @ 919.818.6881



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