



THE BOWTIE BULLETIN  
OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER  
OF THE  
PIEDMONT CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB



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*A Special Message from  
Our PCCC Secretary Jane Overman*

*I want to wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a very Happy New Year to come.*

*It has been my pleasure to have served as your secretary for the second time and as my time to serve is ending, I want to wish Don King all the best success as he steps into the secretary position in January 2025.*

*It has been a privilege and an honor to have been able to participate in such a wonderful family of car enthusiasts.*

*May God bless and keep you all going forward. Thank you for your kind words of encouragement and the opportunity to have served you. Happy motoring, safe travels and see you soon.*

*Sincerely,*

*Jane Overman PCCC Secretary*



2024 Club Officers

President - *David Smith*  
dmsmith57@outlook.com

Vice President - *Chris Peedin*  
crystalclean67@aol.com

Secretary - *Jane Overman*  
medassist61@yahoo.com

Treasurer - *Tom Doherty*  
tdoherty@mpcllp.com

**CLUB INFO**

Send your PCCC Dues payment to:

*Tom Doherty*  
4008 Ridgebrook Bluffs;  
Raleigh, NC 27603  
Make check out to PCCC  
*Annual dues are \$40*

PCCC Monthly Meetings are at **Carolina BBQ** located at **733 US-70 Garner 27529**.  
Meetings are going to be **every 4th Monday at 7PM** (530 PM if you plan to eat)

**PCCC APPAREL**

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

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]



Standard Club T-Shirt with paid dues



Standard Name Badge



Pink Ladies V-Neck



Pink Ladies Name Badge

## *Upcoming Social and Cruise Events*



The PCCC Christmas Holiday Party will be on Sunday December 8, 2024  
at Carolina Barbecue, 733 US-70, Garner, NC 27529 at 5PM—Until

The menu for the Christmas Party is tentatively :



Fried Chicken  
Barbecue Chicken  
Beef Tips  
Boiled Potatoes  
Yams  
Green Beans  
Coleslaw  
Banana Pudding  
Peach Cobbler



**\$10 Deposit, returned when you arrive**

**There will be a gift exchange for those wanting to participate.**

**Gifts should be equivalent to at least \$15.**

**Ugly Sweater Contest - Nice Prize for the winner**

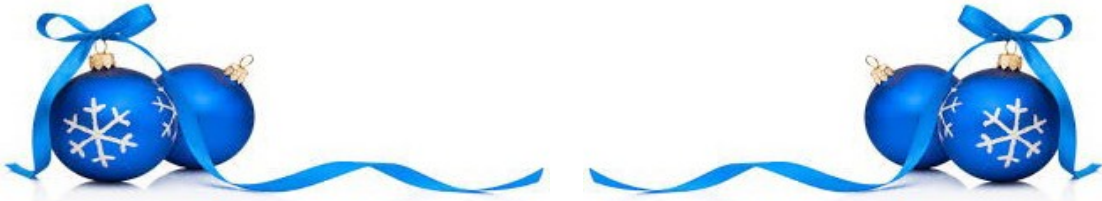
**The room will not be available until 430PM, so please don't show up before that.**

*Pat Smith (919.961.6233)*  
*Cathy DeYoung (919.274.2191)*  
*Debbie Archambault (708.752.3627)*



*WELCOME NEW MEMBERS*

*Tim & Ronni Oeltjenbruns  
Clayton, NC*



Photos By, Jeff Hopp

December Member Birthdays

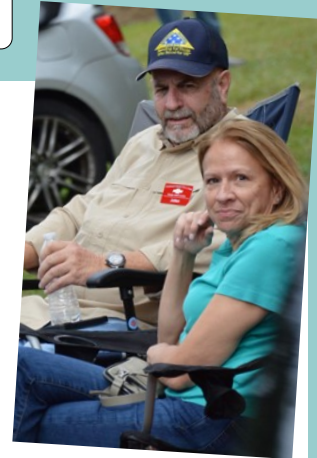
Pat Gaglione  
Debra Grannan  
Mike Zeinstra  
Robert Clark  
Bill Mitchell  
Don Cooper

Sue Ricker  
Sammy Barnette  
Chas Hummel  
Ginger Rose  
Sherry Rose  
Jennifer Sutowski



*Meet PCCC Members Julian Gandolfo & Karen Callaghan*

Born and raised in NJ gave me a different outlook on life and certainly no thought of ever moving to NC, hell I didn't even know where NC was on the map. I spent 30 years in Florida where my hobbies were split between water sports, motorcycles and cars. I raised two daughters who now made me a proud grandfather of three beautiful children all living here in NC. (Should be an indicator of why I am here)



In 1967 I bought my first car a 1962 T-Bird. I have my father to blame for my love of cars, he was the only person in his family to have a driver's license and he had many cars during my youth. Some good and some very bad. My T-Bird was owned by an undercover narcotic agent and had a number of modifications to ensure his safety. A spring-loaded opening door prevented me from parking next to other cars.

In NJ I found it necessary to have one car in the garage (1970 Dodge Charger) and another to use when weather was threatening, the reason for my Gremlin and many others.

Most of the cars I had were foreign (3 Mercedes, 3 Jaguars, a BMW and a Honda Civic (you can see the same car in the Smithsonian) to name a few. Like everyone else in the club I question:  
"WHY DIDN'T I KEEP THAT CAR"

Well, it was a chance meeting with John DeYoung and the purchase of my 1956 Oldsmobile Ninety-Eight that brought me to PCCC and I couldn't be happier. Great friends, good causes and beautiful classic cars make it fun to be out with the car and members.



## Meet PCCC Members Bob and Debra Grannan



I grew up on the homestead farm of my grandfather, in Evansville, Indiana and was the youngest boy of five, with a younger sister. Growing up in the country, presented many opportunities for work for farmers at an early age and be exposed to a variety of cars and mechanical things. My brother, Paul, who is two years older than me, was my inseparable buddy growing up, and we both had passion for cars. Our budget was tight, so our first vehicles were modest.



My first car at age 16 was a green, 1954 Oldsmobile 88, two door sedan, automatic with a 324 V-8 engine and AM radio. I bought it off my brother six years older than me for \$400. It was not fancy, but we could hold 6-8 people, depending on their size and "friendliness". Another four could fit in the trunk. It would be amazing if I still had it today. Paul had a 1955 Buick four-door sedan. Cruising the drive-in restaurants or going to dirt track races on weekends were our activities of choice.

I upgraded to a 1962 Belair two-door hardtop and then a 1968 Pontiac LeMans, two-door hardtop, that delivered a little more spunk! 350 V-8 engine, with a four-barrel carburetor, manual steering, and brakes, with bucket seats. Great sounding dual exhausts (Cherry Bomb equipped), Cragar rims, and a terrific slate blue paint job. My brother and I early on were "parts-changers", frequently going to the junk yard for replacement parts. Our jack-stand was a slab from a tree trunk and the Chilton's manual came in handy on many occasions.

My first new car was a 1974 Monte Carlo, 350 V-8, Landau Roof, A/C, AM/FM radio. I needed A/C to accommodate traveling for my new job out of college. Photo included herein. On a sad note, the young man who bought my LeMans, totaled it a week after buying it.



In 2017, my wife Debra and I bought our 1968 Oldsmobile Cutlass S, Convertible, marketed in 1968 as "the Youngsmobile." 1968 was the first year to require seat belts and to equip cars with side lights. It is a cruiser with mostly original parts. Friends love cruising with us and the grandkids like being dropped-off and picked-up from school in it. My wife and I named her Sugar; white paint, smooth to ride and sweet to the eye. I have made few enhancements such as a fresh front bumper, new top, new seat covers and new interior door panels and a new stereo system. All learning experiences for me and I was able to draw upon the experiences of a number of PCCC members to complete the projects. David Peedin has coached me a number of times to "be patient" as I took on new projects and my neighbor and fellow PCCC member, Gary Williams, lends a helping hand when called to duty. PCCC is a great group of talented folks with a willingness to share their insight and experiences. My brother Paul owns a frequent trophy-winning, 1971 Cutlass Supreme, 2-door hardtop, and is another great source of knowledge as we work to enjoy our Oldsmobiles.



Growing up, sports and cars were the top interests when not working to earn some spending money and save for cars. My interest in ladies came later. I played high school and college basketball and was fortunate to earn a scholarship at the University of Southern Indiana. I loved the game and after graduation, played in leagues until I was 65. Playing in an over-30 league and being 35 years older than the youngsters, eventually caught up with me and I had to retire from the game. I majored in accounting and worked in public accounting and the corporate accounting world until transitioning to insurance sales and marketing management for over 30 years with Transamerica Life. Retiring in 2017, I started consulting in the insurance industry. Today, I still do a small amount of consulting, but we are spending more time traveling, promoting community theater, and enjoying time with family and friends.

PCCC has presented access to many new friends and opportunities to push myself is doing things with the Cutlass. I look forward to getting to know others in the club and possible share what I have learned.



## FEATURES OF THE 1955 CHEVROLETS



The **1955 Chevrolet** was an all-new redesign. Each passenger car could be purchased with a 235ci L6 or 265ci V8 with 3-speed manual, 3-speed manual with overdrive, or 2-speed Auto (Powerglide).

The **150** level came with the essentials and almost nothing else. It had rubber floor mats instead of carpets, 2-spoke steering wheel with a horn button (no ring), no passenger sun visor, small hubcaps, and very little exterior trim. The ashtray, cigarette lighter, coat hooks and armrests were optional equipment.

The **210** level still had rubber mats instead of carpet, but it featured stainless window trim, moderate exterior side moldings, seat moldings, glove box light, cigarette lighter, ashtray, automatic dome lights, and a horn ring.

The **Bel Air** came with the maximum amount of exterior chrome and bright trim, unique exterior emblems, and the full complement of interior features such as a three-spoke steering wheel with horn ring, floor carpet, electric clock, ash trays and arm rests.

Other features included—

Reverse lamps light automatically when the car is shifted into reverse. Permits safe backing in dark areas.

A four-contour shaver that plugs into cigarette lighter socket. For use in car and home. Operates on 12-volt battery or 110-volt AC.

A new modern electronic device that automatically raised a convertible's top at the first drop of rain when the car is unattended.

High-level ventilation that takes in air away from road dirt, fumes and dust.

Power windows, power seats, power steering, and power brakes.

Automatic light dimmers, door handle protectors, bumper protectors, and "wonder-bar" radios.



## *Tech Corner*

*During your winter projects, don't forget to...*



When changing breaker points, place a small amount of distributor cam lube on one lobe of the cam. This will reduce the rubbing block wear and keep dwell within in spec longer.

The strength of antifreeze needs to be checked with the liquid between 60 and 70 degrees for the test to be accurate. Any reading above or below that liquid temp will skew the results.

In addition of keeping battery terminal connections clean, don't forget the other end, where the negative cable goes to ground and the positive cable goes to the starter or solenoid.

Carburetors should be sprayed with cleaners on a regular basis. All fasteners that hold the carb together need to be snugged up along with those on the intake manifold.

Check new spark plugs and straighten the side electrode so it's perpendicular to the center electrode. Coat the threads with anti-seize compound and the wire connections with dielectric grease.

Before removing a drive belt that will be reused, mark the rotational direction so it can be placed in the same direction.

Any bolts removed should have the threads gently cleaned with a wire wheel and coated with anti-seize compound before being reinstalled.

Wipe the Zerk Type grease fittings before applying more grease to avoid pumping any dirt or grime into the joint.

Lubricate rubber parts, vacuum lines or hose with a high quality silicone spray. This allows the part to be installed more easily.

When checking fluid in the master cylinder, wipe or spray the cover with brake cleaner before removing. This prevents any dirt from dropping into the reservoir.

When installing any seal that mates to a moving part, make sure the seal is well lubricated, using engine assembly lube before starting the engine for the first time.

Always clean an funnels before use. Airborne dirt and cross contamination can pollute the fluid you may be using.



## OFFICIAL CONVERSION CHART

### HOW TO INTERPRET

### ANTIQUUE CAR ADS

#### IF IT SAYS:

#### IT REALLY MEANS:

Rare model.....	Nobody liked them when new either
Older restoration.....	Can't tell it's been restored
Needs engine work.....	It's been frozen for 30 years
Uses no oil.....	Just throws it out
No rust.....	Body and fenders missing
Rough.....	It's too bad to lie about
One owner.....	Never been able to sell
No time to complete.....	Can't find parts anywhere
Needs interior.....	Seats are gone
Rebuilt engine.....	Has new spark plugs
May run.....	But it never has
Low mileage.....	Third time around
Many new parts.....	Keeps breaking down
29 coats hand-rubbed paint....	Needed that much to cover rust
Clean.....	It sat out in the rain yesterday
Best offer.....	About what I expect to get
Always driven slowly.....	Won't go any faster
Prize winner.....	Hard luck trophy 3 times in a row
Stored 25 years.....	Under a tree
Real show stopper.....	Orange with purple fenders
Easy restoration.....	Parts will come off in your hand
Ready to show.....	Just washed it
Top good.....	Only leaks when it rains
Good investment.....	Can't depreciate any more

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*Stuff For Sale*



Keystone classic 15 inch rims 4 mounted with tires  
approximately 3 years ago have approximately  
200 miles on tires rims from late 70s early 80s  
have extra rim also. [All 5 for \$875]  
Contact [Jeff Grabowski](#) @ 281.814.8994

17x7 steel 6 lug wheels - OEM for 2007 - 2014  
Silverado/Sierra/Tahoe Set of 4.  
GM number AWUTX Steel wheels.  
Will also fit 1999-2006 Pickups [\$60]  
Contact [Pat Gaglione](#) @ 919.280.8350

Edelbrock AVS2 650 CFM Carburetor.  
Driven less than 200 miles. [\$275]  
Call [Ray Bader](#) @ 919-418-0977

1956 Oldsmobile 98, Canyon Green and Alcan  
White, green interior, Chevy small block, auto  
trans. New battery, starter, radiator, new front  
brakes and more. Always gets attention. Have  
service manual. Car in Fuquay Varina.  
Asking [\$24500]  
Contact [Julian Gandolfo](#) @ 954.520.0087

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

***Items for 1970 Chevelle***

1970-72 Chevelle Original Dash Pad [\$75];  
1970 Chevelle tail light lenses [\$40 for both];  
68-72 Chevelle Fuel Tank Door/License Plate  
Mount [\$10];  
Original 1970 Chevelle Grill with Stainless Trim [\$75];  
"350" emblems (R&L) for 70 Chevelle [\$40];  
Trunk Emblem for 70 Chevelle [\$30];  
Grill Emblem for 70 Chevelle [\$15]  
Contact [Jeff Hopp](#) @ 919-665-9318



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### 1957 Chevrolet 210 4Dr—Restored with Bel-Air Trim

Less than 300 miles; Chevrolet Polar White; 350 engine rebuilt; Edelbrock Performer Intake with new Holly 600 Carb; Muncie 4-Speed—Rebuilt; New Interior—CARS; New power steering and power front brakes; 1 wire alternator; dual exhaust; Gauges & Tach.

Asking [extract\_itex]19500]

Contact [Denny Oestreich](#) @ 919.846.8163

14x 8 aluminum slot wheels with 3" backspacing. Unilug, will fit Mopar, Ford, Chevy. Lug nuts and spacers go with them, great condition. [extract\_itex]100 for the pair]  
Contact [Don Torockio](#) @ Home  
919-557-0526  
or Cell 412 445-0969

Fuel Tank for 1st Gen Camaro (painted black)  
New sending unit already installed. [extract\_itex]100]  
Contact [Dave Peedin](#) @ 919.612.6998

62 Impala S/S hubcaps.  
Excellent condition (set of 4) [extract\_itex]175];  
Contact [Barry Kitchener](#) @ 919.623.7287

350 turbo Hydramatic transmission great condition [extract\_itex]300];  
Set of Chevy Vortex SB heads, new valve job, w/ Howard springs [extract\_itex]250]  
Contact [Tim Howard](#) @ 919.880.6673

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.  
[extract\_itex]550] delivered, [extract\_itex]500] you pick up  
Contact [Dan Glover](#) @ 919-656-0053

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

(4) 14 inch original wheels and tires off of 1951 Chevy. [extract\_itex]100]  
Contact [Scott Rose](#) @ 919.768.2067

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

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



*Out and About Photography With PCCC*



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Kristi Lott-Lane  
Dave Smith

