

THE BOWTIE BULLETIN  
The Official Newsletter Of the  
PIEDMONT CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB  
*April 2026 Edition*



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**SPRING**

**Verb**

1. move or jump suddenly or rapidly upward or forward
  - bring about the escape or release of (a prisoner)
2. originate or arise from
  - appear suddenly or unexpectedly from:
  - suddenly develop or appear
  - present or propose something suddenly or unexpectedly to (someone)
3. (especially of wood) become warped or split.
4. pay for, especially as a treat for someone else
  - spend money

**Noun**

1. the season after winter and before summer
2. a resilient device, typically a helical metal coil, that can be pressed or pulled but returns to its former shape when released, used chiefly to exert constant tension or absorb movement.
3. a place where water or oil wells up from an underground source

Spring is an important word to us Car People. It's usually the ideal season for car shows, cruise-ins, and fundraiser charity benefit events. Springs show up in our cars in the seats, suspension (leaf or coil), valve train, throttle return, brake shoe return, choke control, and several other smaller or hidden applications.

Older cars sometimes spring leaks in the radiator, heater core, fuel tank, or seals.... meaning having to spring for repairs or replacement parts. If procrastination sets in, we sometimes must spring into action to complete a project in time for a show. Occasionally we have the pleasure of springing for a desired accessory or even for a new ride.

It is mid-March as I write this memo, and Spring is busting out all around- tree buds, flowers, and pollen (God bless you). May Spring (noun) be an enjoyable season, may all your springs (noun) remain unbroken and functioning as they should, and may there be no springing (verb gerund) of leaks to mess up your day. Enjoy!!

*A Special Message from  
Our PCCC Secretary  
Ron Fournier*

## CLUB INFO

### 2026 Club Officers

President - *David Smith*  
dmsmith57@outlook.com

Vice President - *John DeYoung*  
fuzzy59@nc.rr.com

Secretary - *Ron Fournier*  
rbfournier@hotmail.com

Treasurer - *Tom Doherty*  
tdoherty@mpcllp.com

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 **Ann Byerly @ 919.302.0165** or for complete ordering details and prices send her an email at [pcccapparel@gmail.com](mailto:pcccapparel@gmail.com)

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

Polo Shirts [\$26]

Pink Ladies V-Neck [\$18]

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

## Who Does What In PCCC—2026

### President

**David Smith**  
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### Vice President

#### Club Correspondence

**John DeYoung**  
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fuzzy59@nc.rr.com

### Secretary

**Ron Fournier**  
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rbfournier@hotmail.com

### Treasurer

#### Member Directory

#### By-Laws Chairman

[Club Dues]

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#### Carshow Chairman

**David Smith**  
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#### Club Newsletter

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### Parade Committee

TBD

### New Member Welcome

#### Chairman

**Dave Peedin**  
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### New Member Packages

#### Chairman

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### Club Social Coordinators

#### Chairman

**Pat Smith**  
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#### Co-Chairman

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**Debbie Archambault**  
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### Carshows and Cruise-In

#### Coordinator

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### Club Historian

#### PCCC Webmaster

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### Facebook Administrators

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#### Co-Chairman

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### Club Email Distribution

#### Chairman

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### Good Guys Carshow

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### Club Travel Coordinator

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*It's Showtime !!*

# PIEDMONT CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB

**Made In The USA CAR SHOW** Rain Date  
**36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL May 23, 2026** May 30th 2026



<https://mojosgrill.com/>

*Sponsored by:*



CHEVROLET  
WAKE FOREST, NC

**SHOW OPEN TO ALL AMERICAN MAKES OR AMERICAN POWERED 1999 and OLDER ONLY**

*Spectators Are Free*

**SHOW PROCEEDS: RALEIGH'S HILLTOP HOME FOR CHILDREN**  
Photo Plaques to first 200 Entries - Door Prizes - Music - 50/50 - Food  
Registration: 8 am to 12 noon or until full \$20 ( No pre-registration )

For more INFO Contact David Smith 919-518-3779 [dmsmith57@outlook.com](mailto:dmsmith57@outlook.com)

### "Best of " Awards

Best 30's or Older  
Best 40's  
Best 50's  
Best 60-64  
Best 65-69  
Best 70's  
Best 80's  
Best 90's

### Awards presented by 3 pm

#### "PICK OF" SHOW AWARDS

Pink Ladies Pick of Show  
Best Club Participation  
Club President's Pick of Show  
MoJo's Grill Pick of the Show  
Capital Chevrolet Pick of the Show  
Best Truck 75 & older

### "Best of " Awards

Best Street Rod  
Best Special Interest  
Best Ford/ Mercury  
Best Mopar  
Best other GM  
Best Tri Five  
Best Chevy  
Best Truck 76 to 99

Location: MoJos Grill 2468 Timber Dr Garner NC 27529

[piedmontccc](https://www.facebook.com/piedmontccc) Or visit our Facebook fan page at <https://www.facebook.com/piedmontccc>

Help us help the children sign up to be a PCCC Car Show Sponsor for more information,

For details on being a Show Sponsor Contact Pat Smith 919-961-6233 [psmith036@outlook.com](mailto:psmith036@outlook.com)

No Pets, No Alcohol, No Loud Music, No Glass Containers, No Burn Outs, No Firearms

LIABILITY STATEMENT The Piedmont Classic Chevy Club, MoJo's, City of Garner, Brixmor Property Group and their officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, servants and anyone else connected with the presentation of Piedmont Classic Chevy Car Show will not be responsible for any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgements, and/or claims from any causes whatsoever that may be suffered by any Entrant or Participant or spectator to person or property.

EAST COAST drag times  
**HALF WAY TO REUNION**  
Vance County Tourism  
252-438-2222  
[vctourism@vancecounty.org](mailto:vctourism@vancecounty.org)  
[www.kerrlake-nc.com](http://www.kerrlake-nc.com)  
**October 16 -17, 2026**  
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN HENDERSON, NC

**PISTOL SAFETY ACADEMY**  
  
[WWW.EASTWAKECONCEALCARRY.COM](http://WWW.EASTWAKECONCEALCARRY.COM) WENDELL, NC

2026 Show Sponsorship Form

# Piedmont Classic Chevy Club

Please Print Clearly

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

PCCC Car Show Sponsor Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If a paid by check please Enter Check # \_\_\_\_\_

*Please Make Check out to PCCC.*

Sponsorships of \$100 and up will receive Show Picture Plaque

Does sponsor want a Plaque (circle answer) YES / NO (Not marked will be same as NO.)

Print Club Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Club Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Proceeds of the PCCC Car Show are donated to  
Hilltop Home for Children 2820 Kidd Rd, Raleigh, NC 27610

**(Any Questions Contact Pat Smith 919-961-6233 E-mail psmith036@outlook.com)**

Forward Payment and this Sponsorship Form to:  
Pat Smith 27 Cattle Farm Drive Raleigh NC 27603

Donation Receipt: Tear off at line below for Customer Receipt and give to sponsor

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To: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Business Name or Owners Name or both)

The Piedmont Classic Chevy Club thanks you for your support & generous donation  
of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted by PCCC Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

PCCC member signature \_\_\_\_\_



Piedmont Classic Chevy Club was mentioned on **Sirius XM 60's Gold Station.**

The mention was a shout out to The Piedmont Classic Chevy Club for their support of the Hilltop Home and all we do around the Raleigh area.



*Dave Smith*

Hey Everyone, Much needed essentials are needed at Hilltop Home.

They have setup a wish list through Amazon for things that are needed. Please take a minute to check it out. Go to **hilltophome.org**, click on **DONATIONS** and scroll down to **Amazon Wish List**. There are many items that are inexpensive and are much needed.

Most items are less than a car part. Thanks for taking a minute to check this out!

*Pat Smith*

#### A SPECIAL OFFER FROM JOHN & AMY MANN

We are offering a 25% discount for any car club members that want to stay at our Bed and Breakfast down in Southport, NC

Minimum of two nights (excluding holiday weekends), includes breakfast each day as well as happy hour in the evening one free drink, and a charcuterie board appetizer each day.

See our website at [carriagehouseinnsouthport.com](http://carriagehouseinnsouthport.com) or call at (910) 834-3224

Contact John Mann @ 919-757-5319

#### *PCCC Member Photo Directory*



The new photo directory will be emailed out to PCCC Membership periodically as new members join and new photos are submitted.

Tom Doherty will also continue to send out the Member Directory in Excel Format.

Submit any changes or edits for your info to Julian Gandolfo.

New photos for the directory can be sent to Julian at [jcg2684@gmail.com](mailto:jcg2684@gmail.com)

#### *Member Birthdays in April*

*Bill Ricker*

*Gary Williams*

*Marshal Wheeler*

*Drusilla Williams*

*Julian Gandolfo*

*Judy Simpson*

*Ray Bader*

*Mindy Strohmeyer*

*Ashley Pettruny*

*Tom Doherty*



**CLUB CRUISES \* OUTINGS \* SOCIAL EVENTS**

Hiawassee Rod Run is back in Hiawassee, Ga, scheduled for June 18,19 & 20, 2026. I have checked with the Lake Chetuge Lodge to get our special rates for those dates.

Most rooms are : one King or two Queen beds

The rates: Thursday 06/18 \$95 + tax

For lake view \$105 + tax

Friday and Saturday 06/19 & 20 \$165 + tax For lake view \$185 + tax

Check out on Sunday 06/21

Night stay for standard rooms \$425 + tax

3 night stay for lake view rooms \$475 + tax



For the above rates, we must block or guarantee a minimum of 10 rooms.

As with about everything else today, these rates have increased a good bit. So I really need a good handle on how many is interested so I can get the rooms locked in while they are available. I need your feedback as soon as possible for those who are interested in this trip.

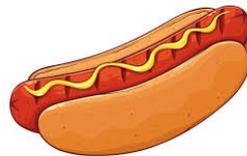
Hiawassee is a beautiful place and those of us who have been before have many fond memories. Will discuss in more details at our next meeting.

Lake Chetuge Lodge is located at 653 Highway 76 Hiawassee, GA

Website—hiawasseeerodrun.com

Dave Peedin

The social committee is planning our yearly barbecue in early June.



Also we would like to know if anyone would be interested in attending a Durham Bulls game this year. We did this several years ago and it was fun. If interested we will see what a group rate for tickets are and what dates are available!

Please let us know so we can proceed from there. Email Pat at [psmith036@outlook.com](mailto:psmith036@outlook.com)

## Tech Corner—All About Rust



Rust is another name for iron oxide, which occurs when iron or an alloy that contains iron, like steel, is exposed to oxygen and moisture for a long period of time. Over time, the oxygen combines with the metal at an atomic level, forming a new compound called an oxide and weakening the bonds of the metal itself. Given sufficient time, oxygen, and water, any iron mass will eventually convert entirely to rust and disintegrate.

Although some people refer to rust generally as "oxidation", that term is much more general; although rust forms when iron undergoes oxidation, not all oxidation forms rust. Only iron or alloys that contain iron can rust, but other metals can corrode in similar ways. When impure (cast) iron is in contact with water, oxygen, other strong oxidants, or acids, it rusts. If salt is present, for example in seawater or salt spray, the iron tends to rust more quickly.

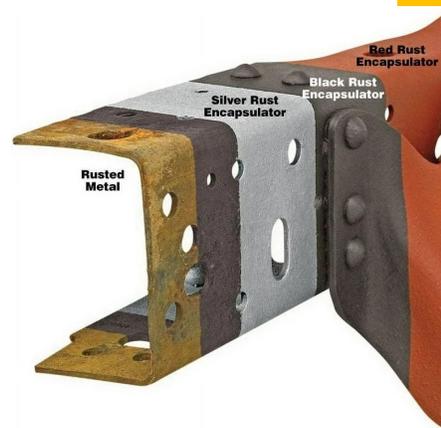
Rust formation can be controlled with coatings, such as paint, lacquer, or varnish that isolate the iron from the environment.

The corrosion that takes place on your vehicle can be prevented through frequent cleaning and waxing. Spraying the undercarriage is also a must in order to keep it free of dirt and debris that is often responsible for the collection of moisture. Once a car is washed, sitting it in the sun for a few hours is one of the best techniques of drying to follow.

During the winter season, it is important to note that the rise in salty conditions produce a high amount of sodium chloride, which is known to speed up the rusting process.

Rust encapsulators work by sealing off existing rust, denying it the oxygen it needs to grow. Some common brand name rust encapsulators are: POR-15, Chassis-Saver, Zero Rust, Rust Bullet, and Eastwood Rust Encapsulator.

Similar to encapsulating, rust converters seal off the base metal from oxygen using a coating of the rust itself. The rust is chemically converted into a hard durable layer which does not allow the oxygen in the atmosphere to further react with the metal underneath. The advantages of using this method is that the rust converter is usually water soluble.



My Avanti II—Number 1 of 148  
*Submitted by Ray Bader*



My Avanti II is number 1 of 148 1978s produced. It was the company's show car, being displayed at shows around the country. I purchased it from the son of the original owner in Dec. 2016. His mother bought the car off the floor at the NY Auto Show February 27, 1978 for \$22,058, including transportation and taxes. That was approximately twice the price of a comparably equipped 78 Corvette. It had every available option except the woodgrain dash and console and CB Radio. 178 HP 350 c.i. Corvette V8. Turbo 400 automatic transmission. Air Conditioning and power steering were standard equipment.

**Original Optional Equipment included:**

Reclining Recaro Seats  
Power Moonroof  
Power Windows  
Power Door Locks  
Cibie Driving Lights  
Leather Interior  
Power Antenna  
Cruise Control  
Carpeted Trunk  
Intermittent Wipers  
Nardi Wood Steering Wheel  
Passenger Side Mirror

**Following Options Were Removed By the Original Owner:**

Luggage Rack  
Stereo Cassette Player  
Borrani Wire Wheels  
Cruise Control

I had the inoperative, cracked moonroof removed



## *Chevrolet Platforms*



### *CARS*

ALPHA—Compact to midsize, RWD and AWD  
DELTA—Compact, FWD  
EPSILON—Midsize to Fullsize, FWD  
GAMMA—Subcompact, FWD  
GM 4200—Subcompact, FWD  
SIGMA—Midsize, RWD  
ZETA—Midsize to Fullsize,

### *TRUCKS / SUV's*

GMT355—Midsize Pickup, RWD, AWD  
GMT K2XX—Fullsize Pickup, SUV, RWD, AWD  
LAMBDA—Crossover, FWD, AWD  
THETA—Crossover—SUV, FWD, AWD  
U—Minivan, FWD

M Body - Sprint, Metro

X Body—Citation

J Body - Cavalier

N & L Body—Beretta, Corsica and Malibu

P Body—Spectrum

S Body - Prizm, Nova A Body—Celebrity

W Body—Lumina, Monte Carlo and Impala

H Body—Vega and Monza

DELTA—Cobalt, Cruze, Volt, HHR

EPSILON—Malibu, Malibu Maxx, Impala

THETA—Equinox, Captiva

T Body—Chevette

Y & Z Body—Corvair

X & K Body—Nova

A Body—Chevelle

B, C, & D Body—Impala and Caprice

F Body—Camaro

Y Body - Corvette

M Body—Astro Van

U Body—Lumina, Venture Van

LAMBDA—Traverse

ALPHA—Camaro ZETA—Camaro, Caprice and SS

GMT300/360—S10, SSR, Colorado, Blazer, Trailblazer

GMT800/900—Silverado, Avalanche, Tahoe, Suburban



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

Stuff For Sale

#### Classic 55-57 Chevrolet Used Parts

1957 a set of 4 door hardtop doors stripped and metal patched \$100  
55-57 2 Door Hardtop glass w/frames all 4 pieces [**\$50**]  
55-57 2 Door hardtop windshield [**\$50**]  
56-57 4 Door Hardtop rear window [**\$25**]  
55-57 Many pieces of stainless trim [**\$10-\$30/piece**]  
Ask about other 55-57 parts

Contact [Denny Oestreich](mailto:Denny.Oestreich@919.846.8163) @ 919.846.8163

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.  
[4] Cragar uni lug wheels for sale, 2 are 15 X 6, and 2 are 15 X 8. with all lug nuts. [**\$500.00 for all**]  
Contact [Dan Glover](mailto:Dan.Glover@919-656-0053) @ 919-656-0053

350 turbo Hydramatic transmission great condition [**\$300**]; Set of Chevy Vortex SB heads, new valve job, w/ Howard springs [**\$250**]

Contact [Tim Howard](mailto:Tim.Howard@919.880.6673) @ 919.880.6673

Front wheel disc brake set-up, rotors, calipers, power booster, double master cylinder. Parts came off my 1971 Olds Cutlass [**FREE**]

Contact [Ted Korab](mailto:Ted.Korab@919.616.0427) @ 919.616.0427

#### Parts 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](mailto:Jeff.Hopp@919-665-9318) @ 919-665-9318

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

New pair of rear brake wheel cylinders. 15/16" bore fits 73-77 Malibu and many other 70s GM cars (not station wagons) [**\$20 for the pair**]  
Dynacorn battery tray for 68-72 Chevelle, also fits Monte Carlo. [**FREE**]  
Contact [Pat Gaglione](mailto:Pat.Gaglione@919-280-8350) @ 919-280-8350

*Stuff For Sale*

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Contact PCCC member for details

1966 Malibu wagon, factory 396 factory four speed.  
Ordered with heavy duty trailer package. Appraised at  
\$55,000 Best reasonable offer.  
20 foot Feather lite car trailer [**\$8,000 obo**]  
Contact David Smith for details @ 919.518.3779

Big Block Long Tube Headers  
[**\$75**]  
Contact Ray Bader @  
919.418.0977

2014-2015 GMC Sierra INTELLILINK IO6  
Navigation Radio UPGRADE.  
Originally \$900.00. [**\$450.00**]  
Contact Rob Andersen @ 919.749.1454

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

All Weather HTX2 tires (only), 245/75R17  
off 2025 Jeep. Only 134 miles on 4 of the 5 tires.  
[**\$600**] or best offer for all 5.  
Wheel Locks (5) and key for a 2021-2025 Jeep. [**\$30**]  
Contact Julian Gandolfo @ 954.520.0087

Original 1956 A arms and center shaft with all new  
bushings that have been professionally sandblasted  
and painted silver. [**\$125**] for the set.  
Over 50 items for 1970 Roadrunner, interior parts,  
bucket seats, dash and numerous other items.  
1969 Camaro interior parts, new interior door  
panels, recovered bucket seats in gray suede.  
Contact Rick Mangrum @ 919.255.8663 for  
details and prices.

4 early ('68 or before) plain marked  
"Mustang" full 15-inch wheel covers.  
[**\$5 each or another fair offer**]  
Contact Stan Williams @ 919.675.9489

*Out & About PCCC Photography*



*Photos By*

Cheryl McCarty  
Julian Gandolfo  
Rob Andersen  
Mike Newman

*Out & About PCCC Photography*



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Elke Watkins  
Rob Andersen  
Ron Watkins  
Jim Ashley  
David Matthews

