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A monthly newsletter for the FOOTHILL REGION of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America





DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

GEORGE T. EDWARDS, Foothill Region Director 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! We had a wonderful Christmas party at Ray's and Rosie's home. Thank you for having us. I will be Director for another year. Jim Karras will be Assistant Director. All other officers will remain the same. There are plenty of car shows going on this month. Here are just a few of them: Pomona Swap Meet is back on January 14th; Irwindale Speedway on January 3rd; Mooneyes New Years Party at 9 am on January 27th. Our Region is planning to go on tour to the NHRA Museum on March 17th. We will have more info about this outing next month.

Take care and be safe,

George Edwards, Director



Local Car Shows and Cruise-Ins in the San Gabriel Valley

January 5, 2024

Classic Car Cruise Night Via Verde Plaza - 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm 11190 Via Verde, San Dimas, CA

January 7, 2024

Legends Classic Diner Cruise Day - 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Legends Diner, 1155 East Route 66, Glendora, CA

January 14, 2024

Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show - 5:00 am - 2:00 pm Pomona Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Ave, Pomona, CA

January 27, 2023

Mooneyes New Years Party Car Show - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

500 Speedway Dr, Irwindale, CA



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1950: The Birth of the Chevrolet Bel Air

The 1950 Chevy Bel Air brought an exciting new body style and a model name that would stay with the brand for decades

Under the skin, the 1950 Bel Air was the tried and true: the same ladder-frame chassis, torque-tube drive, and overhead-valve six trusted by all. But the new pillarless hardtop body style brought a new world of glamor to the trusty Stovebolt.

Officially, the new model was called the Styleline Deluxe Bel Air Coupe, with the Bel Air name borrowed from the upscale Los Angeles suburb, while Deluxe emblems on the front fenders signified the Bel Air's status in the Chevy model line. But if we simply say "Bel Air," everyone will know what we mean.

With somewhat different styling, General Motors had introduced the pillarless body style on the Buick Riviera in mid-1949, so it's clear that the automaker already had hardtop plans in place at the other car divisions for 1950. The Bel Air shared its roof stamping and other hardware with its A-body siblings, the Pontiac Catalina and Oldsmobilie 76 and 88 Holiday hardtops, also introduced in '50.

With its shorter top and longer deck lid, the Bel Air sported the same general body/roof proportions as Chevrolet's convertible, Sport Coupe, and Special Business Coupe, and this same hardtop configuration, including the distinctive C-pillar, was used through 1952. The trigonal C-post, a nifty design solution, then briefly reappeared on the '56-'57 four-door Sport Sedans.

Adding to the original Bel Air's glamor was its exclusive interior with seats of genuine leather—available in red, blue, green, or black—trimmed in "Fine Pile Cord" wool fabric. Bright metal glass-surround trim and headliner bows were also standard Bel Air fare, and one more classy touch was the pair of small courtesy lights built into the interior C-pillars. All this finery came at a price, of course. At \$1,741 the Bel Air was by far the most expensive coupe in the Chevy line-up for 1950, and almost as much as a convertible.

The "hardtop convertible," as the new body style was known to an eager public, outsold the ragtop convertible by a two-to-one margin, with 76,662 Bel Airs produced in the first year alone. For 1953, the Bel Air line was expanded to include two-door and four-door sedans and a station wagon as Chevrolet broadened its price and model range. As things turned out, the Bel Air name would remain in the Chevrolet lineup, ultimately winding up as an economy base model, all the way through 1981.









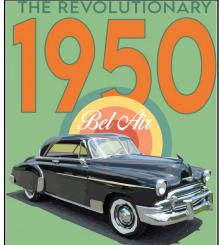






















Meeting This Month!

Saturday, January 6th at 8:30 am

Marie Callender's Restaurant

1175 E. Alosta Avenue, Azusa, CA 91702

Off the 210 Fwy - Grand Ave. exit on the corner of Historic Route 66/Alosta & Barranca Ave. on the north side of the street



Didyou? Know

FOOTHILL REGION FACTS

The Foothill Region had its **first meeting** on Saturday, April 30, 1977

Meetings have been held at

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1977-1980	Jack Wall Chevrolet, Pasadena
1981-1983	Pasadena Federal Savings, Pasadena (corner of Lake & Walnut)
1984-1986	Century Federal Savings, Pasadena (corner of Lake & Walnut)
1987-2000	Altadena Library, Altadena
2001	American Red Cross, Arcadia
2002-2011	Altadena Library, Altadena
2012-2014	Haddick Boats, Irwindale
2015-2022	Peppertree Café, Glendora
2022	Flappy Jacks, Glendora

Multiple Year Directors

2 years	Bob Hassinger
2 Years	Dennis Fink
2 Years	Dennis Murray
3 Years	Don Gardner
5 Years	Bill Reese
5 Years	George Edwards
6 Years	Jean Fink
9 Years	Alonso Guerrero

The Foothill Region hosted All Cal Meets

1985	Monrovia
1998	Bakersfield
2007	Palm Springs

Foothill Region Parts Exchange/Swap Meet

Parts Exchange, PC0
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Parts Exchange, PC0
Swap Meet, PCC

Foothill Region Car Shows

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1995	Team Chevrolet
1997	Team Chevrolet
1999	Sierra Chevrolet
2000	Sierra Chevrolet
2002	Team Chevrolet
2004	Team Chevrolet
2005	Team Chevrolet
2007	Team Chevrolet
2008	Team Chevrolet
2009	Team Chevrolet
2011	Felix Chevrolet
2014	Glendora Chevrolet

Dennis & Jean Fink produced the monthly Foothill newsletter for 41 years.

FOOTHILL REGION HISTORY

First meeting was in 1977 and it was held at Jack Wall Chevrolet Jack Wall Chevrolet became Team Chevrolet and now is a lumber yard.

In 1977 the region had 18 families.

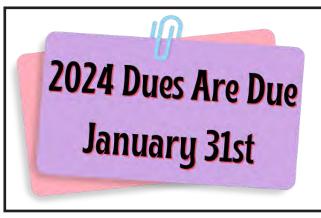
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1977 Ray Waldbum	Norm Lefmann	Betty Kirkwood	Mike Norton		
1978 Marvin Imm	Norm Lefmann	Betty Kirkwood	Ester Imm		How-Bett Kirkwood
1979 Bob Hassinger	Howard Kirkwood	Betty Kirkwood	Rita Jones		How-Bett Kirkwood
1980 Bob Hassinger	Howard Kirkwood	Betty Kirkwood	Ester Imm	How-Bett Kirkwood	How-Bett Kirkwood
1981 Dennis Fink	Tom Stimson	Jean Fink	Steve Michaelson	How-Bett Kirkwood	Jean Fink
1982 Dennis Fink	Jim Holt	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson	Helen Holt	Helen Holt/Jean Fink
1983 Jim Holt	Jim Ferrier	Ina Brookshire	Sue Robertson	Dennis Fink	Helen Holt/Jean Fink
1984 George Reeley	George Aust	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson	Dave Johnson	George Aust/Jean Fink
1985 Jean Fink	Roy Brookshire	Dennis Murray	Sue Robertson	Lita Murray	Brookshire/Fink
1986 Dick Dennis	Glenn Ritter	Dennis Murray	Ernie Moffatt	George Aust	Glenn Ritter/Fink
1987 Dennis Murray	Al Bafford	Jean Fink	Ernie Moffatt	Lita Murray	Jean Fink
1988 Roger Felix	Curt Potter	Dennis Murray	Lita Murray	George Aust	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1989 Ernie Moffatt	Bob Hughes	Ken Kaufmann	Curt Potter	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1990 George Aust	Dick Dennis	Ken Kaufmann	Curt Potter	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1991 Dennis Murray	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann	Art Label	Lita Murray	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1992 Jean Fink	Ernie Moffatt	Ken Kaufmann	Art Label	Denise Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1993 Jean Fink	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Art Label	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1994 Don Gardner	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Joe Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1995 Jean Fink	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	George Aust	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1996 Don Gardner	Ray Sorenson	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Joe Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1997 Jean Fink	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix		Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1998 Joe Zappen	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Robert Jackson	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1999 Bill Zappen	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2000 Don Gardner	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Victor Bracamontes	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2001 George Edwards	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Michael McCormack	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2002 Tracy Gage		Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Bill Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2003 Roger Bolton	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	George Edwards	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2004 Paul Porner	Roger Bolton	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix		Dennis & Jean Fink
2005 Bill Reese	Paul Porner	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Mike McNeill	Dennis & Jean Fink
2006 Bill Reese	Porner/Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Mike McNeill	Dennis & Jean Fink
2007 Bill Reese	Roger Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Sue Robertson	Mike McNeill	Dennis & Jean Fink
2008 Bill Reese	Roger Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Sue Robertson	Steve Knickelbein	Dennis & Jean Fink
2009 Bill Reese	Roger Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Sue Robertson	Alonso Guerrero	Dennis & Jean Fink
2010 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Mandy Emerson	Sue Robertson		Dennis & Jean Fink
2011 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson		Dennis & Jean Fink
2012 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson		Dennis & Jean Fink
2013 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Sue Robertson		Jean Fink
2014 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Sue Robertson		Jean Fink
2015 Jean Fink	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Sue Robertson	Ray Garcia	Jean Fink
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Mail check to: Foothill Region 829 E. Van Bibber Ave, Orange, CA 92866

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1-HAPPY? **YEAR** New Year's Day	2	Celine Zarza Birthday	4	Classic Car Cruise Night Via Verde Plaza 2 - 6 pm	REMINDER FOOTHILL MEETING Marie Callenders Azusa 8:30 am
Legends Diner Classic Cruise Glendora 4 - 7 pm	8	9 Gilbert Dominguez Birthday	10	11	12	13
Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show 5:00 am - 2:00 pm	MARTIN UTTER KING JR. Day	16	17	18	19	Cal-Rods Saturday Morning Car Corral 7:30 - 9:30 am
21	22	Ray & Rosie Garcia Anniversary	24	25	Pat & Deb McGowan Anniversary	Mooneyes New Years Party 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
28	29	30	31			

FEBRUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	Grand National Roadster Show Fri (2/2) 12 -8 pm Sat (2/3) 10 am - 8 pm Sun (2/4).10 am - 6 pm	REMINDER FOOTHILL MEETING Marie Callenders Azusa 8:30 am
4 Gloria Palazzo Birthday	5	6	7 Judy Mulé Birthday	8	9	10 Lunar New Year
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day Lela Oaks Birthday	15	16	Cal-Rods Saturday Morning Car Corral 7:30 - 9:30 am
18	19	20 Letty Dominguez	21	22	23	24
Luis Zarza Birthday		Birthday	Ray Garcia Birthday			
25	26	27	28	29		



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Foothill Region



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