



# Yesterday's Chevrolet San Fernando Valley Region

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**Holiday get-together ....** Sunday 12/9 from 6:00 – 9:00 PM we will gather to enjoy each other's company, good food and beverage at Victorio's Ristorante in No. Hollywood. All SFV region members and their spouse/guest are invited. No cost to you.

Well about 40 members and guests attended the party at Victorio's. Much fun, friendship, great food along with wine & beer made for a wonderful evening. Kudos go to Gloria. She and she alone organized the first class event.

This year, as in past, the club hosted a BBQ in July and this holiday dinner in December. Thank you Gloria!

**2019 Dues** are due now. Info in email text.

## From the director

Happy New Year to all.

As I begin my term as your new club director, I look forward to leading you all into a fun and enjoyable year of fellowship.

Spending a half dozen Saturdays hanging out or taking a cruise would be great.

I am hoping that I can get input from each and everyone one in regards of how to help the group grow in membership. See you all on Thursday 1/3/2019.



The November car show

## MINUTES

### SAN FERNANDO VALLEY REGION, VCCA THURSDAY, November 1, 2018

The Meeting was called to order by Director Don Stout at the Balboa Recreation Center in Reseda at 7:35pm with 12 Members present. There was one guest: Sherwin Silver.

The Minutes for the Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting were published in *Yesterday's Chevrolet*. There were no corrections. Steve Rosenberg made a Motion that the Minutes be approved as published. The Motion was seconded by Paul Bromley, voted on and carried unanimously.

Treasurer: Treasurer Silvio Delgado gave his Treasurer's Report for 10/4 through 10/31, 2018. We had expenses for the Car show Opportunity Drawing of \$509.10. We had an income from Car Show entrees of \$515, \$.25 Badge Money, and \$220 for the Car Show Opportunity Drawing. Andy Spilkoman made a

Motion that the Treasurer's Report be approved. The Motion was seconded by Dave High, voted on and carried unanimously.

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports: Steve Rosenberg reported on the November 4<sup>th</sup> Car Show at Community Chevrolet. Based on pre-registrations, we expect around 85 entries, possibly our biggest show ever. Be there by 7am to help work it.

Tours & Activities: The annual SFV Holiday Party is being set up by Gloria Palazzo at Victorios Italian Restaurant in North Hollywood on Sunday, December 9th. Arrive at 6pm, dinner at 7pm. Steve Rosenberg has emailed a flier to our Membership. Steve made a Motion that the Club pay all expenses for Members to attend. The Motion was seconded by Bill Katz, voted on, and carried unanimously.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None

Badge Money: No money was collected

Door Prizes: The following names were drawn:  
Bill Katz – Goo Be Gone  
Andy Spilkoman – WD 40  
Larry Pearson – Bleche White tire cleaner

What have you done, bought, sold, problems, and other interesting things you saw the past two months, car or parts related? Everyone gave their stories. Steve Rosenberg gave a presentation with pictures and a handout about his 1933 California license plate collection. Steve discussed the 14 different plates he has collected, but is still looking for 5-6 variations. California issued two license plates per application.

There being no further business, Andy Spilkoman made a Motion that the Meeting adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Steve

Rosenberg, voted on, and carried unanimously. The Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pearson  
Acting Secretary for Gloria Palazzo

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## *Chevrolet Trivia*

*What is the most significant difference between 1954 and 1955 first-series 1/2 ton trucks?*



*From The Filling Station*

## Right Side Tail Light & Turn Signals for Early Cars & Trucks

By Stephen Kassis

Most early Chevrolet cars & trucks came from the factory with only the left side tail light. Right side tail lights were offered as an accessory for many of these vehicles. Many reproduction tail lights and right side tail light arms and/or brackets are now available. Safety and common sense dictate that installing a second

tail light on our early vehicles is both necessary and wise.

Another smart option is to install LED lenses or LED tail light assemblies for maximum visibility. When following vintage vehicles on tour, it becomes obvious which cars have the security and safety of LED lighting on their cars. While the vintage car directly in front of you may be barely visible due to the use of stock tail and stop lights, the car or truck with LED lights is easily seen 4 to 6 car lengths ahead. The addition of an LED third brake light further enhances the safety factor. Making a vintage car or truck bright and visible from the rear will resolve one of the biggest safety concerns with our slow moving vehicles - rear end collisions.

An additional benefit of the right side tail light is that turn signals can be installed. Back in the day when hand signals were common, there was much less traffic on the roads and traffic speeds were slower. In today's modern traffic, very few people understand hand signals and even fewer are paying attention to them. Again, safety and common sense suggest that turn signals have become a necessity rather than a luxury. The cost of these upgrades is minimal compared to the danger, cost & inconvenience of a rear end collision.

Of course, mounting and wiring for tail lights and turn signals will vary from vehicle to vehicle, but it is a very simple process, taking just a few hours up to a day in most cases. A heavy duty turn signal switch with emergency flashers is one option or you can opt for a simple "left or right" signal switch. Once the right side tail light is added, something must be done for the front turn signals. Some early cars had cowl lights that can be converted for use as turn signals. In addition, several aftermarket lights can be installed for use as front turn signals. Vehicles that originally came with parking lights can often be changed to a dual contact socket or change the entire assembly for one that has been set up for turn signals.

After installing right side tail lights, LED lenses, assemblies and a turn signal setup, you will be able to drive your classic knowing that you are much safer on the road.

This is a video of Harvey Waldman's '64 C-20 he & I worked on for about 3 years. It was done taken about a few days after he died. I drove it to his funeral and his '56 modified 150 was in attendance also. The young lady in the truck is my 16 year old neighbor's daughter that loves trucks. Yes you hear the tire burning shortly after get on the street. It was at our car show in November. Harvey was in the hospital but our good friend Eric drove it there. It was and is the longest trip the truck has been driven.



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Just a few of the Corvette's @ the car show

### January Birthdays

- Mariann Katz 1<sup>st</sup>
- Tisha Gomez 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Patricia Hoffman 7<sup>th</sup>
- Darold Shiro 10<sup>th</sup>
- Liz Olsen 17<sup>th</sup>
- Janet Bell 25<sup>th</sup>
- Scotty Cramolina 25<sup>th</sup>

### Anniversary

- Liz & Lee Olsen 15<sup>th</sup>

**Happy happy to all of you!!!!**



More car show pictures

*Trivia answer*

**1954 trucks use the enclosed torque-tube driveline; 1955 first-series has an open driveline, AKA "Hotchkiss Drive"**

***Next Meeting @ park***

***Thursday January 3rd 2019***

***Balboa Park***

***17015 Burbank Blvd., Encino, CA 91316  
7:30 – 9:00 PM***