

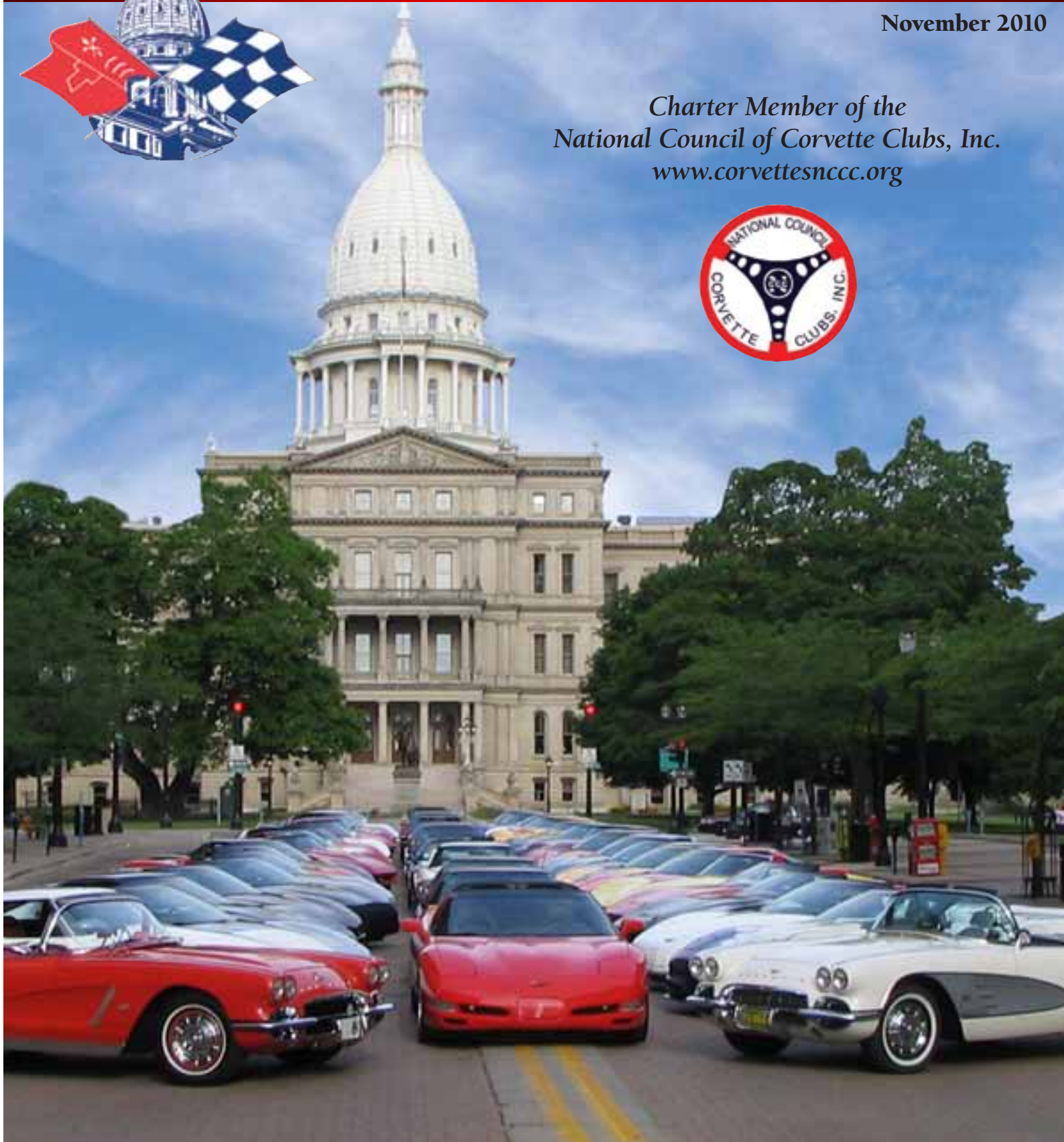
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Upcoming Events

General Membership Meeting

November 3 • 7:00 p.m. • Delhi Cafe • 4625 Willoughby • Holt

BINGO!

Saturday, November 6 • 2:00pm

Once again, the residents of the Tamarack Apartments are looking forward to our lively group coming over to "play" with them: anticipating fun, laughter, great Bingo prizes, and scrumptious desserts!

Meet for Breakfast

Saturday, November 13 • 8:30am • Zues' Coney Island
6525 S. Pennsylvania • Lansing

RSVP to Angela so that she can reserve the right number of tables.

The Purple Rose

Sunday, November 14 • 12:00pm

Meet at the Delhi Cafe parking lot at 12:00 noon. We will be leaving for Chelsea at 12:15 sharp. \$35 per person (\$31 if 12 or more sign up)

Dinner TBD after the show.

Hosts for this event are Ted & Julie.

Board Meeting Meeting

November 17 • 6:30 p.m. • Delhi Cafe • 4625 Willoughby • Holt

November Birthdays

Art Doty (4) • Lloyd Guyot (11) • David Pursel (12)
Audrey Weber (14) • Nancy Stremmler (16) • Joe Platte (21)

Newsletter Article Deadline

Send all December newsletter articles to
scott@keyprintgroup.com by November 23.



From the President...

Got 'em tucked away yet? Not me. I haven't had time to even wash them this month, so I have to get cracking so they are clean before going into hiding.

Just in case you didn't make a checklist, here are a few suggestions for storage:

Wash and wax, but be sure the car is completely dried out before covering (see below).

Change the oil and filter, lube where required. If you just changed oil recently, it's okay to wait until spring. Many do spring changes rather than fall. I just like to get the acids and gunk out so it doesn't sit in the pan all winter.



Very lightly apply some silicon lubricant on the rubber seals around the doors, hood, hatch, top, and along the rubber at the bottom of the door windows, careful not to get it on the glass or the inside of the seal (smears). It's pretty dry in the winter and this helps keep the rubber from cracking – or sticking.

Inflate the tires to the recommended pressure.

Remove the battery if the car is going to be located where there is no electricity available. If you leave it in the car (I always do) get a good battery “maintainer” and keep it on the battery all winter. Do not use a “trickle” type charger. You



want something that senses the battery state and shuts off completely when it senses full charge. It will only come on now and then to keep the battery topped up. If you remove the battery, do the same and you won't have to remember to check it every month.

Personally, I have found I have fewer vermin problems if I leave the car uncovered and the hood open (disconnect the under-hood light or remove the bulb). I drop a few mothballs here and there in the engine compartment where I think I'd hide if I was a mouse (like I know?). I plug the exhaust pipes with shop rags, and also the air inlets to my engine air filter (C4). Mice like to make a winter home in the air cleaner of some cars. Some use steel wool, but I haven't had a mouse eat one of my shop rags yet.

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From the President

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I put a desiccant container on the floor and toss a few dryer sheets around the interior. I remove ANYTHING that a mouse could use for whatever a mouse uses things for.

Over winter storage isn't really "long term", so you shouldn't have to do much more than that. If I have access to my car I like to pump the brakes a few times (engine off) to flex the seals in the brake calipers. I also like to roll it forward about a foot every month or so. I don't know if I really solve flat spotting of tires that way, because new tires really don't have much of a problem over the short term. It does makes me feel good.

I do not start my stored Vette over the winter. Unless you are going to drive it for at least 30 minutes to cook and blow out all the condensation in the exhaust system that you create when you do start it up, I say just leave it be. Ya ever see water running out of the exhaust pipe of the car in front of you? That's how much collects in just a few minutes of early morning commute. That's what rusts out exhaust systems. I just make sure I take a good drive before putting it away so everything is warm and dry. Lots of schools of thought here, and I've never seen one self destruct over the winter under any condition, so do whatever makes you feel good.

Fill your gas tank so there is no room for moisture to condense on the inside of the tank. Put in some Stabil fuel stabilizer or equivalent when you do fill up, and run it long enough to get it into the fuel system. Never hurts.

Ted and Julie's Color Tour Drive and Dine turned out to be a blast. We even had the Huron Valley Corvette Club join us for the day – and they want to do it again next year. Great drive, beautiful colors, super food – and State won (Go Green! Go White!) – Sorry. I had to say it.



Don't forget Bingo for the folks at Tamarack in Holt November 6th, Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea November 14th, our Holiday Christmas Party at Coral Gables in East Lansing December 1st, and Winterfest at the City Limits in Mason January 8th.

Try to join everyone for dinner at the November 3rd Membership Meeting so you can elect and welcome your new Board members. We start showing up about 5:30 to chat and gobble, and the business meeting starts at 7:00 sharp. I'm hoping to drive the Vette if the last of the good weather holds.

Craig





Once again, the residents of the Tamarack Apartments are looking forward to our lively group coming over to “play” with them: anticipating fun, laughter, great Bingo prizes, and scrumptious desserts!

DATE: Saturday, November 6, 2010

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 pm (set up at 1:30)

LOCATION: Tamarack Apartments
4400 Holt Road – Holt, MI

Keep gathering your “fab” Bingo prizes. Hand made items are *always* a plus, but if you’re not “crafty”, stop into Meijer or the dollar store and pick up some bric-a-brac. Being so close to Christmas, think of items they can use (gift wrap, Christmas cards, decorations); and items they can keep or regift (stuffed animals, decorative towels, pot holders, etc.). What would *you* like?

PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE DESSERT TO SHARE!

CORVETTES@CARLISLE IS A...

Article by Angela Hyde



Corvette car show and swap meet with a lot of extra activities all rolled up into one. There is something for everyone to enjoy.

Every year they spotlight a different year anniversary of Corvettes, among several other displays. Next year will be something different.

Every year Corvettes at Carlisle has Chips choice display, GM Engineers tent, NCRS gallery. They have installers allay, fun field display, NCCC judged show field, for sale corral and swap meet.

They have activities going on all weekend for all ages. Activities for kids, to the Women's Oasis, to the Corvettes only auction, silent auction, and several seminar's.

On Saturday activites include 15 seconds of motor revving followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of Chip Miller, a parade, Corvette celebrities signing autographs and lots and lots of Corvettes to look at.

For the competitors there is a beauty contest, auto cross, dyno-challenge and burn out contest.

This year they did a life size display of the American Flag with Red, White and Blue Corvettes.

Did I mention food? From breakfast to dinner and dessert. My personal favorite is the ice cream booth.


Corvettes at Carlisle is... Fun, friends, food, and lots of Corvettes all rolled up into one fun filled weekend.

Almost forget...what happens in Carlisle, stays in Carlisle!!

For more information on Corvettes at Carlisle visit Carlisleevents.com.

Save the wave!!





Let's Meet for Breakfast

November 13th • 8:30 a.m.

Zues' Coney Island

6525 S. Penn, Lansing

December 11th • 9:00 a.m.

Spud's Family Restaurant

611 S. Waverly

RSVP:

Angela Hyde 517-896-9103 Or

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Harley Earl Corvettes - Harley's Riders

An Exclusive Look At Some Of The One-Off Corvettes Of Legendary GM Designer Harley Earl

By Richard Earl, Christopher R. Phillip • Photography by Earl Family Archives

Article Submitted by Susan Keith

Harley Earl, the General Motors VP/Director of Styling and Design who unveiled the very first concept vehicle, and whose “dream” cars such as the GM LeSabre defined the Motoramas of the 1950s, occupies a very special place in the history of the Corvette.

Earl is considered by many historians to be the father of the Corvette, for it was his wild imagination that gestated the idea. The inspiration, or “muse,” as Earl’s grandson Richard explains it, was the time Earl spent with the LeSabre concept car, specifically when he chaperoned it and drove it as the pace car at an auto race in Watkins Glen, New York, in September 1951.

In a January 1954 interview with Detroit journalist Stanley H. Brams, Earl acknowledged his parental role in the Corvette’s creation. “The Corvette was a little thing that I started,” Earl said. “I ran that LeSabre up pacing a sports-car race at Watkins Glen, and that’s where I got the idea.”

Throughout the Corvette’s introduction year, Earl was the car’s biggest proponent within GM. It was he who staged the parade of 28 red, white, and black Corvettes that cruised down a Southern Cali-



fornia freeway on May 1953. If he wanted somebody to have a Corvette-for TV, movies, publicity, or as a favor-he always got his way. One notable example was the second ‘53 Corvette off of the Flint, Michigan, assembly line. It went to Earl’s younger brother, William “Bill” Earl, with a license plate that read “FLA,” simply because that’s the way Harley wanted it. (This particular Corvette was used by the Earl family in South Florida, where they vacationed in the 1950s.)

In the mid- and late-’50s Earl worked on space-age experimental cars that he dreamed would someday fill the highways and city streets across America. He designed and developed the Firebird I, Firebird II, and Firebird III gas-turbine “cars of the future,” and devoted his final years at GM to the Cadillac Cyclone, a dream car that was light-years ahead of its time.

In December 1958 Earl retired from GM, after years of what is considered by many to be the golden age of not only the automobile-design profession, but also the entire American auto industry.

In 1959, Earl moved to a new home at 995 South Ocean Boulevard in Palm Beach, Florida. “Harley and Sue Earl lived in a modest, three-bedroom, Bermuda-styled house on the beach,” recalls Harley’s daughter-in-law, Connie Earl. “He liked to take long beach walks and often went fishing for pompano, knowing that they are excellent eating. Most of the time, Harley kept to himself. I don’t think anyone knew him well. His number one love in life, even over his family, was automobiles.



“Many people would slow up and do a drive-by of Harley’s oceanfront house, to see the rare Corvettes designed by him, or sneak a peek to see if any other GM

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**Sunday, November 14th
2:00pm Matinee**

Best of Friends

a World Premiere by Jeff Daniels

Set in a small Michigan town, this wicked comedy paints a startling, yet familiar picture of two married couples as they navigate the minefield of their friendship until it blows up in their faces.

**\$35 / person
\$31 / person with 12 or more**

**Meet at the Delhi Restaurant parking lot at 12:00 noon,
leaving for Chelsea at 12:15 sharp
Dinner TBD after the show**

**Payment needed by Oct. 15 for the group discount
(Pay at the door if less than 12)**

For more information call:

**Ted or Julie Lasher
810-360-7433 or 7434
lashers@chartermi.net**



Motorama 'dream' cars were there, like the LeSabre or the Oldsmobile F88 II or F88 III," Connie continues. "Back then, during practically anytime in the 1960s, you couldn't miss seeing a sunburst-colored Corvette sitting on Harley's driveway, soaking up the Florida sun."



Harley Earl died in 1969, and the days of wild, custom Corvettes at the Earl household drew to a close. "I remember in the early '70s, when getting into Grandma Sue's yellow Firebird, she'd sometimes say how sad it was to no longer drive one-of-a-kind Corvettes. She'd remind us that once Harley passed away, GM stopped supplying free Corvettes to us," Connie says.

GM never had a need to photograph the one-of-a-kind Corvettes that populated the driveway of Harley's Palm Beach house, but the Earl family took pictures of these and the other notable cars that arrived there on a frequent basis. The vast majority of the surviving photos are from the years 1963-1967. According to Harley's grandson Richard, "We had many

more photos, but they were destroyed accidentally in the 1970s."

So come with us now, as we tell a story that has been waiting more than 40 years to be told: the Corvettes in Harley Earl's driveway.

Harley and his wife, Sue, had the greatest American cars in their driveway during the 1960s – customized Corvettes specially minted at the GM Technical Center's

"Styling Section" in Warren, Michigan. Most Americans only read about Harley in major newspapers or in the pages of a national magazine, but I got to be around him frequently. He was my grandfather.

Harley had a tradition of letting his grandchildren ride with him in his '63 Corvette convertible on their birthdays. My two older sisters, Suzie and Liz, and my brother, Courtney, had already been through their birthday rite-of-initiation. On December 27, 1967, it was my

turn to be one of Harley's riders. I had just turned 8 years old, and my mom, Suzie, dropped me off at Harley's house for my gift. I bounded out of the car, ran inside the house, jumped on his lap, and remember him giving me a kiss and tickling me a little. All of Harley's grandkids growing up in the 1960s knew he was the stuff legends were made of. It was a special occasion to go for an exclusive one-on-one joy ride with him, and I didn't take it for granted.

I waited excitedly for him to find his keys. Pops – as we all called Harley – could see how eager I was, and so he teased me and told me that the housekeeper must have misplaced them. Then, I remember the magic sound of jangling metal upon metal in his pocket (he knew they were there all along) as he got up and started walking for the front door. I knew what was about to unfold – it was my turn to experience my very own birthday-ritual ride in Harley's custom '63 Corvette convertible.



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Capital City Corvette Club



Participation Points as of October 12, 2010

32	Scott Bauries	5	Catherine Eiseman	39	Carlo Litrenta	21	Victor Smith
65	Sandy Bechtel	9	Raoul Eiseman	26	Janet Litrenta	1	Loretta Spinrad
26	James Boettcher	4	Jennifer Everhart*	11	Bob Maynard	9	Steve Spinrad
23	Mara Boettcher	7	Randy Gisse	6	Shalimar Maynard	7	Janet Sprague
0	Dick Bowlin	24	Vidal Gonzalez	7	Linda McMillan	9	Michael Sprague
44	Colleen Bratschi	8	Betty Guyot	45	Dominique Palacio	3	Dan Stremmer
58	Rich Bratschi	8	Lloyd Guyot	43	Jerry Palacio	3	Nancy Stremmer
33	Connie Britz	13	Howard Hein	8	Diana Parks	2	Ralph Swan
35	Mike Britz	74	Angela Hyde	20	Howard Parks	2	Susan Swan
12	David Brown	84	Craig Iansiti	12	Joe Platte	16	Joseph Thomas*
26	Diana Brown-Mosher	73	Janet Iansiti	63	Ed Politza	2	Robert Tuttle
68	NancyLee Buck	0	Dick Iding	57	Suzanne Politza	0	Harold Twining
69	Randy Buck	17	Greg Kapp	30	David Pursel	0	Katherine Twining
41	Chris Burke	81	Kim Keith	14	Kathryn Pursel	14	Sue VanAtta
69	Terry Burke	90	Sue Keith	68	Carol Putmon	0	Ann Ward
3	Kathy Cooper	0	Frank Kessler	63	Randy Putmon	2	Bill Ward
3	Ronald Cooper	0	Judy Kessler	80	Gloria Reiffer	20	Larry Warren*
29	Dave Cripe*	5	Fred Koos	81	Simon Reiffer	20	Linda Warren*
14	Pat Cripe	4	Judy Koos	64	Robert Ribar	5	Audrey Weber
2	Darwin Day	12	Sheila Lansing	21	Eddie Root	2	Lee Webster
13	Jim DeNike	58	Julie Lasher	12	Brenda Shatkosky*	26	Larry Wight
10	Patti DeNike	70	Ted Lasher	14	Richard Shatkosky*	20	Gary Wyma
12	Art Doty*	2	Ellie Lickfeldt	11	Bill Simons	15	Kathy Wyma
12	Nancy Doty*	13	Patrick Lickfeldt	6	Thomas Sipka		

Current 2010 Top Ten

90	Sue Keith	81	Simon Reiffer	73	Janet Iansiti	69	Terry Burke
84	Craig Iansiti	80	Gloria Reiffer	70	Ted Lasher		
81	Kim Keith	74	Angela Hyde	69	Randy Buck		



*NCCC number is with another Michigan Region club.



While turning the key, Harley looked over at me from the driver side of the Corvette's two-seat cockpit and asked, "You ready to roll?" With that, the engine roared to life with the sound from those unique side pipes. He always launched his Corvettes hard coming out of the driveway onto South Ocean Boulevard, because an Australian Pine hedge near the property grew fast and always seemed to block the driveway's view of oncoming traffic.

The cars were moving fast on this day, but Harley just punched the accelerator as always, spraying driveway gravel every which way, and glided his shiny blue Corvette up to speed in a heartbeat. At that exact moment, I knew how much fun Harley was going to show me on my birthday.

There was no avoiding it, but people always eyeballed Harley when he drove his '63 Corvette. Perhaps it was the car, or maybe it was the image he presented, an extremely tall fellow cruising through town wearing his aviator sunglasses. When we went by the public beach area in the heart of Palm Beach, people did full head-turns on the high street curb and looked down at us in the beautiful Corvette, which was replete with a wide array of technological

dials and dashboard gizmos they'd never seen before; this car even had an altimeter!

Afterwards, Harley and I cruised up North Ocean Boulevard on the way to the top end of the island, to the inlet dock. There's a nice quarter-mile stretch of palm-tree-laden roadway where you're so close to the turquoise-blue ocean you can practically touch it. That's when Harley downshifted the four-speed manual transmission, glued the accelerator to the floorboard, and gunned forward at maximum horsepower.

From as fast as the needle would go up on the speedometer, Harley then slowed the Corvette down as he shifted gears and braked while going into an S-turn. From there the road snaked inland off the ocean; we kept journeying northward to the inlet 2 miles ahead. On arriving at the inlet, I looked the one-off Corvette over with awe. Even at 8 years old, I could tell that there was something extremely special about the Corvette's curvaceous body, and that Harley's was the best of them all.

Before I knew it, we were back in the Corvette again, heading southward to my house where I'd be dropped off. Harley wished me happy birthday, and my idyllic Corvette ride with him was over.

I remember my enormous smile from 42 years ago. There's no doubt it's the same reaction legions of adoring Harley Earl fans have whenever they see one of his Corvettes today.

Special thanks to the Earl family, especially Connie and Richard Earl, for their invaluable assistance in assembling this story. Learn more about Harley Earl at the Official Harley Earl website, www.caroft-hecentury.com



Holiday Christmas Party!

December 1st, 2010
Coral Gables, 2838 E. Grand River Ave.
East Lansing, MI

**This is a pre-paid event. Cost is \$25 per person.
*Please make checks payable to Capital City Corvette Club.***
RSVP by payment no later than November 20th to:
Carol Putmon, 4900 W. Pratt Rd., DeWitt, MI 48820

Cash Bar opens at 5:45 p.m.

Buffet Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

*Tossed salad with assorted dressings, rolls, beef sirloin tips
in mushroom gravy, baked ham, penne pasta with white
cheese vegetable sauce, whipped potato, house vegetable
and dessert*

**Gift Exchange. Women bring a gift tagged "for woman,"
Men bring a gift tagged "for man."**

Let's keep the cost down to around \$10.

European Dealer Crashes Customer's C6

by KEITH CORNETT on OCTOBER 12, 2010 • Article from www.corvetteblogger.com



We got a little bit of drama happening to one of our Corvette brothers in the Netherlands. CF Forum Member Twin-Turbo had dropped his C6 Corvette off at the Koenen automotive dealership for the roof recall and then received a call that the car had been involved in an accident. While we've heard the story before of service technicians joyriding in customer cars, this Corvette crash was caused by none other than the owner of the dealership himself.

As the owner of the Corvette tells the story, the dealer was taking the car over to the shop where the new roof was. Doing 50 Km/h (30 mph), the driver hit 2 trees, a ditch and a truck which caused a massive amount of damage to the Corvette.

From what we can understand via google translate, insurance will cover only the current value of the Corvette and the dealer basi-

cally was looking to make money by offering a new Corvette which would have cost the owner \$80,000 USD. We learned that the Netherlands don't have the same kind of legal protections that we enjoy here in the States and so the owner of the Corvette took to the forums to bring attention to the accident and the dealer's liability.

After posting on the forum and several other European automotive handouts, the dealer's website was shut down due to all the attention and then the Corvette's owner posted that he and the dealership had come to an agreement to replace the Corvette, although no details were given.

Now the dealer not only has to deal with the bad reputation due to an accident they caused, but the long-term effects from such an incident that's now posted all over the web will be haunting Koenen for years.

WINTERFEST

Please join us for Food, Fun & Door Prizes
Saturday, January 8th, 2011 • 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
City Limits Bowling Center • 801 N. Cedar St., Mason, MI



Cash Bar

Buffet Dinner

Salad, Roll, Prime Rib, Chicken, Vegetable, Potato

This is a pre-paid event. Cost is \$25 per person.

Please make checks payable to Capital City Corvette Club.

RSVP and payment must be received no later than the January 5th club meeting.

Please give to Carol Putmon



**“Don’t forget the Board election will take place
at the November 3rd Membership Meeting”**

**2011 CCCC Board Election
Those running for the 2011 Board are as follows:**

President - Craig Iansiti

Governor/VP - Simon Reiffer

Competition Director - Rich Bratschi

Editor - Randy Buck

Membership Director - Dave Pursel

Points - Kim Keith

Public Relations - Sandy Bechtel

Secretary - Connie Britz

Social - Carol Putmon

Treasurer - Mike Britz

NOVEMBER SPECIALS

Capital City Corvette Club Logo Embroidered Left Chest



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ROYAL
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RED
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STAR ENTERPRISES

Nominations for the 2011 Board of Directors will take place at the September and October membership meetings. In preparation, all members are encouraged to review the CCCC By-Laws for a description of the duties of club officers.

It's DUES Time Again !!! Don't Wait till it's too LATE ...

The deadline for Membership Renewal is November 3rd, 2010. If you are interested in running for an elected office and/or voting in the November election, your dues must be paid.

Consider renewing at either the September 1st, October 6th, or November 3rd, General Membership Meetings.

**You may also mail your form and check to: ANGELA HYDE
3109 SMITHVILLE ROAD
EATON RAPIDS, MI 48827**

Make checks payable to: Capital City Corvette Club

Renewal Form-(please update)

Name: (Primary Member): _____

Spouse/Companion: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Corvette Models owned: Coupe ___ Convertible ___ Year: _____

PRIMARY RENEWAL: \$55.00

SPOUSE/COMPANION MEMBER RENEWAL/NEW: \$20.00

\$10.00 LATE FEE TO NCCC FOR RENEWING AFTER NOVEMBER 3rd, 2010.

Thanks for your Cooperation.

ANGELA HYDE

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Capital City Corvette Club

General Membership Meeting – October 6, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Craig Iansiti at 7:01 pm on 10/06/2010.

President: Craig Iansiti introduced guest and new members Ralph & Susan Swan.

Secretary: Connie Britz was not present but was represented by Mike Britz. Last month's meeting minutes were approved by membership.

Treasurer: Mike Britz advised membership that the annual budget appears to be in good shape as we finish out the year.

Points: Ted Lasher advised the membership points were up to date on the web site and reminded membership he had club decals for sale.

Membership: Angela Hyde advised the membership is at 92 with 1 Honorary member and 69 FCOA's. She had received 44 renewals for next year out of 92 members.

Editor: Scott Bauries not present. The political season was forcing him to work round the clock.

Competition: Rich Bratschi advised membership CCM was looking for another club to help with a sanctioned Bracket Drag event and he asked the membership if it had any interest. It was noted our club has little interest at this time. Rich did not attend the Regional meeting.

Public Relations: Simon Reiffer did not have much to report. He did attend the Battle Creek Rally several weeks ago and had a good time. Several CCCC members attended this event.

Social: Carol Putmon reviewed all upcoming events and advised membership they were working on having the Christmas meeting at Coral Gables this year. She also advised the Awards Banquet would be at City Limits and would start at 2 pm so folks would still have their evening open.

Governor: Terry Burke was not present. Angela Hyde reminded the membership all renewals for membership were due in early November and must be sent over the computer.

NCM Ambassador: Sandy Bechtel Attended Annual meeting this year and 450 cars participated. Eight CCCC members attended the meeting. Sandy stated plans for 2014 caravan was already underway. She advised applications were on the table in back of the room. The museum now has an insurance agent that sells insurance and business has been good. They also sell club liability and Board member liability. She then gave more detail on the planned 300-400 acre Motorplex and advised membership how they can participate.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer No comments

Hearts and Flowers: Julie Lasher pointed out nothing serious was going on but Jim Balla broke his car!

Quartermaster: Randy Putmon Not present However, wife Carol advised we have 2 new fire extinguishers in the trailer and they were free. They will need to be checked every year. The old units could not be serviced. The question was asked "Who pays when we use a fire extinguisher?" No firm decision was made but it was felt we must always have them available.

General Comments:

Great party at Putmon's but they did not get the trailer cleaned and waxed as planned.

Reminder: Color tour this Saturday.

Purple Rose will be \$31 per ticket. Get money to Julie Lasher.

A great time was had by all at the 2010 Fall trip.

Janet Iansiti advised membership we had good sponsorship this year for the HAZ. Thanks to all who helped with 101 cars in the show which raised \$4457.68 for the Potter Park Zoo. A suggestion was made to raise the amount to \$4500 for the zoo and this was approved by the membership.

Diana Brown is having a Dress Barn party for Friends and Family on Thursday, October 21st at 4:40 to 8:00 PM. You can get 30% off.

Nominations For The Board will be as follows:

President: Craig Iansiti – Will run again

Social: Carol Putmon – Will run again

Newsletter: Not sure what we will do. Randy Buck has offered to try his hand. We may not have a newsletter next year.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to close nominations.

50/50 - Howard Hein was the winner and received \$39.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM

Respectfully submitted for approval - Mike Britz - acting secretary



Capital City Corvette Club

Board Meeting – October 20, 2010

Social Time and Dining – 5:30 P.M.

President: Craig Iansiti called meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Craig talked to entire board about finding a way to simplify voting with slate of officers. Mike Britz told of how it is done at the Yacht Club where the slate is presented and then a member makes a motion to accept the entire slate as presented without having to vote for each individual office. Generally everyone on the board thought this to be an excellent solution and time saver.

Secretary: Connie Britz asked if there were any corrections or additions to the general September meeting minutes. The minutes were approved and accepted.

Treasurer: Mike Britz promised to submit a more detailed budget within the next couple of days. He did say we do have money for the Christmas party and Christmas charity. The monetary donations will be the same as last year.

Points: Ted Lasher Greg Kapp will receive points for organizing the Fall Getaway Trip to Onekama. Ted said the top 20 people receiving points are very close.

Membership: Angela Hyde has received 49 renewals. She is assured more will come as we approach the deadline in November. The membership currently is as follows: 96 members, 1 Honorary, and 67 FCOA's.

Editor: Scott Bauries was not in attendance.

Competition: Rich Bratschi nothing new to report however did mention the car show representatives who are looking for someone else to take over show in the future will be attending the meeting next month.

Public Relations: Simon Reiffer sending out letters to obtain newsletter ads.

Social: Carol Putmon reminded Board members of events listed on the Agenda sheet both general and board meetings as well as on website. She also made flyers for the Holiday Party to be held at Coral Gables on December 1.

Governor/VP: Terry Burke The 2012 National Corvette Convention will be held in Topeka, Kansas. Terry also told of bylaw changes in the national club's office and terms of those offices. Only 1 member from a club may be on the National Executive Board. There was a change to be voted on which would broaden the scope of bylaw committees instead of just the executive board. When brought to a vote our executive board voted "No". It was believed it

ought to be discussed further before voting would be appropriate. The Executive Board voted on 3 candidates for President and Vice President.

Terry told of new representative for K&K Insurance. 'Kevin' who has 22 years of experience and will take a more personal approach to members and their concerns. Children under 18 may have parents sign their waiver, taking responsibility for minors. He said Kevin would do a piece on *Frequently Asked Questions* and would post on line for all to read.

NCM Ambassador: Sandy Bechtel had nothing to report.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer noted that our Website has been down repeatedly due to server issues with our Web host. She is checking into the possibility of switching to AT&T or another hosting company. The cost to change over would be minimal. Request was approved by the Board.

Hearts & Flowers: Julie Lasher was not in attendance but has sent a sympathy card to Greg Kapp for his car which 'died'! Congratulations go to Dominique and Jerry for a new grandchild.

Historian: Angela Hyde nothing to report.

Quartermaster: Randy Putmon was not in attendance and had nothing to report.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Connie Britz (Secretary)





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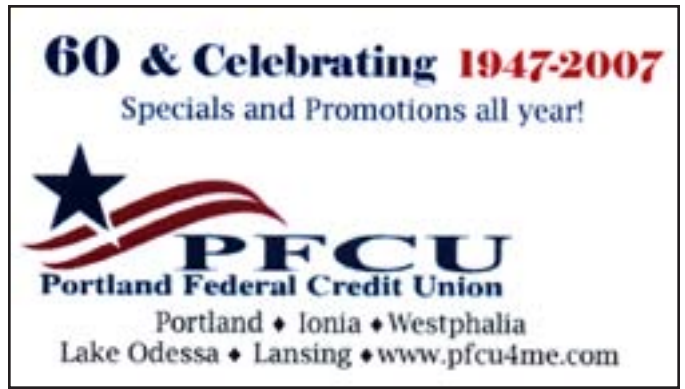
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