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The Newsletter of Capital City Corvette Club

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General Membership Meeting

August 6 • Social/Dinner - 5:45 pm • Meeting - 7:00 pm
Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Rd. • Holt

I Scream for Ice Cream

August 11 • Meet for Ice Cream • 3:00 pm
Dairy Queen • 3233 W. Saginaw Hwy. (west of Waverly Rd.) • Lansing

Board Meeting

August 20 • Dinner - 5:30 pm • Meeting - 6:30 pm
Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Rd. • Holt

Summer Getaway to Mackinaw City

August 22 – 25 • Mackinaw City

Sparrow Hospice Car Show

September 7 • 9:00 am
Hawk Island Park • 1601 E. Cavanaugh St. • Lansing

Horse Power at the Zoo

September 22 • 8:30 am – 2:30 pm
Potter Park Zoo • 1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave. • Lansing

Annual Putmon Cook-Out/Hayride

September 28 • 5:00 pm • Clark Corners • 1161 E. Clark Road, DeWitt
Cruise to Randy & Carol's as a group

**Contact Janet Litrenta if you would like to host an event!!!
We are looking for someone to plan a fall color tour.**

August Birthdays

Laurie Ketcik (6) • Harold Twining (6) • Ted Lasher (13)
Frances Sowders (20) • Dominique Palacio (21) • Howard Hein (22)
Chris Burke (24) • Tim Blackwood (28)

Submit newsletter articles to 4c . board @ cccorvette . org by the 24th of each month.



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One of the great things about Michigan summers are the wealth of small town festivals and celebrations. Many of these include classic car shows as part of their festivities. Kim and I have enjoyed attending many of these car shows since we acquired our 1972 Stingray in 2000.

It is always amazing that there are so many gorgeous cars in an area of the country where the summers are so short and the winters are too long. We always see a vehicle that we've never seen before and have had the opportunity to meet and chat with many friendly car owners who are happy to share stories about their cars. Car shows are also a fun place to read T-shirts. They can give insight into what make of car the wearer enjoys, where they have traveled and there are always some shirts with a humorous or witty message.



Zeeland, Michigan held their 20th annual Show and Shine on July 13. Several blocks of Main Street in the downtown area were closed off for the car show. A GM Futureliner, number 10 of the 12 that were built, was on display and there were 226 vehicles entered in the show. It was a beautiful sunny day and the streets were filled with lookers and admirers. We had a chance to catch up with numerous owners that we have met at shows over the years.

One of the cars on display was a red 2013 Corvette Grand Sport. A sign in the windshield that was shaped like a pair of stone tablets offered the following words of wisdom:

Thy Corvettz Commandments

- Thou shalt not fail to wave to a fellow Corvettz owner
- Thou shalt not pass a fellow Corvettz owner in distress without offering aid
- Thou shalt not feed thy Corvettz budget grade fuel
- Thou shalt treat thy Vettz with respect; great power, great responsibility
- Thou shalt keep thy Corvettz clean and waxed at all times, yet thou shall not bring thy Corvettz to an automatic car wash
- Thou shalt park thy Corvettz in such a manner as to protect her tender fenders
- Thou shalt blow out carbon with high speed runs as required
- Thou shalt not cruise on an unpaved road
- Neither friend, nor foe, nor even thy spouse may drive thy Corvettz without first showing proper reverence
- Each Vettz is an individual work of art; judge not lest ye might be judged

Much to our surprise and delight, our '72 was selected for one of the sponsor's choice awards that day. A sunny summer day, good friends, a friendly small town and streets lined with shiny cars are what fun times and great memories are made of. To quote the Beach Boys, "we've been having fun all summer long."



From Our President...

I hope by now everyone has been out in their vette's enjoying the weather and of course, getting involved in the club events. By the time you read this, the low speed events at Spartan Speedway will be over. I am confident it will have been another success and thanks to all of our members that pitched in to make the event a success.

But rest for only a short time, as there is more fun and exciting events coming up in August. First on the agenda is the Club meeting on August 7th. Hope to see a lot of our members there.

Later on in the month is the trip to Mackinaw City for the annual Corvette Crossroads on the weekend of the 22nd through the 25th. See the flyer in the newsletter for more details.

But the fun doesn't end there.

September is right around the corner and this month also holds great promise for more club events. Following another rousing club meeting on the 4th, We have a joint car show at the Hawk Island Park with the Capital Area Muscle Car Club on the 7th. I'm hoping for a great turnout for this show, as the location makes for a great destination, considering

the grassy picnic areas, the water and beach as well as boat rentals.

Later on in the month, we will host the annual Horsepower at the Zoo car show on the 22nd. This has been a traditionally great event, and I see no reason to for this to be anything less. As all the club members know, this is our signature event for the club. As always, I look forward to a great turnout by our members.

So, continue to drop the top or remove the panels, if you can, and get out and enjoy the summer!

Terry Burke, President



We Need YOUR Help!

Do you enjoy getting together for breakfast with a great group of friends?

Do you have a favorite restaurant that you would like to share with the rest of us?

Would you be willing to plan our annual fall color or getaway? (Ted and Julie can't do it this year.)



Club breakfasts are great, but we haven't had one in months. We just need someone to take charge and make the reservations! Some local restaurants that have room for a big group are Spud's, FlapJack, iHop, Cracker Barrel and Bob Evans. Any ideas for September or October???

It doesn't take a lot of effort to plan a fun social event. It can be a week night cruise in to meet up somewhere for dinner or ice cream; or on a weekend breakfast, lunch, dinner or a drive and dine. How about a trip to a favorite museum with lunch along the way? Basically, whatever YOU would like to do with a great group of friends. (Plan it, they will come.)

Give me the details and I will even put together a flyer for you. All you need to do is select a date and location and then clear it with Janet Litrenta for the social calendar, take a head count and make the reservations. What are you waiting for???

Social Time and Dining: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

President: Terry Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

President Burke recognized Gylkeria Christofolis, wife of John Christofolis, owner of the Delhi Café, who passed away this morning, and asked for a moment of silent prayer.

He has fliers for a Cruise In for Gramps scheduled for August 10 from 9:00 to 1:00 in Eaton County at the Healing and Health Foundation. The Corvair Club International Convention will be held on July 20 at the Gilmore Museum. Terry received a thank you note from St. Vincent Catholic Society for CCCC's \$250.00 donation. In addition, he received a thank you from the Ingham County School District for the \$500.00 CCCC donation from the John Bechtel Scholarship Fund. The VFW Children's Home received a monetary gift of \$1,564.00 from proceeds received from the Blessing of the Vettes and two rallies.

Secretary: Katherine Twining requested approval of the June 5, 2013 Membership Meeting Minutes and also mentioned that she is unable to attend the July 17 CCCC Board Meeting as she will be out of state.

MOTION was made by Sandy Bechtel
SUPPORTED by Dave Pursel to approve the minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer: Mike Britz was not in attendance, but reported that the books are up to date and that all bills are paid. A \$1,500 sponsorship was received from Bud Kouts.

Governor/VP: Simon Reiffer reported a good time at Bloomington and that he and Gloria participated in road rallies throughout the Kentucky countryside. A 2013 red Corvette was raffled off at the event. Simon received a call from a gentleman in Taylor who has an 87 Vette for sale and wanted to share the information in case there was any interest. Simon has NCCC pins available if anyone is interested in purchasing one.

Art Doty announced that the CCCC website, maintained by Gloria Reiffer, received the 1st place award in the NCCC Web Site Contest. The Club website has won other awards in the past.

Points: Howard Hein reports points are up to date; however he needs attendance information from the Blessing of the Vettes.

Membership: Dave Pursel shared that currently there are 52 FCOA members. Membership stands at 102, and he introduced and welcomed Barbara Sipka as a new member.

Editor: Gloria Reiffer was not in attendance, but Simon Reiffer reminded everyone of the 24th deadline for submitting information for the newsletter.

Competition: Howard Parks has a sign-up sheet for the July 27 and 28 low speed events being held at Spartan Speedway. In addition, there are still open positions for working at the track. Those working with set-up will need to arrive by 7:00 am. Howard needs to get together with anyone interested in working with tech inspection. A new canopy has been purchased for CCCC events as one had been damaged. Lunches are all set and Sandy Bechtel and Colleen Bratschi are scheduled for registration. Gloria Reiffer will send an email blast regarding the event and to see if there is additional interest in participation.

Public Relations: Bob Maynard was not in attendance.

Social: Janet Litrenta was not in attendance; Sandy Bechtel reported 13 attended the 60th Corvette Birthday Bash at the Dairy Queen on West Saginaw. Sandy reminded everyone about the July 9 Tuesday night at Tripper's and she recognized members with July birthdays: Kathy Wyma, NancyLee Buck, Vidal Gonzalez, Mary Blackwood, Susan Swan, Terry Burke, Jeanne Harris, Ward Harris, and Kathleen Schultz.

Appointee Reports:

Hearts and Flowers: Julie Lasher was not in attendance.

Historian: Sue Keith requested recent letters from President Terry Burke so that she can include them in the historical files.

NCM Ambassador: Joe Thomas was not in attendance.

Photographer: Ted Lasher was not in attendance; however, Sue Keith reminded everyone to contact

Ted if they are interested in ordering group pictures taken at the State Capitol.

Quartermaster: Position is still open. Transportation and set up of the trailer is scheduled. As this is an appointed position, the President will need to appoint someone in the position of Quartermaster, with the Board approving all appointed positions.

Sergeant At Arms: Robert Ribar had no report.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer was not in attendance.

Member Input:

Simon Reiffer shared that Woodward Dream Cruise is scheduled for August 17 and 18. The weekend of August 24 is Crossroads at Mackinaw City.

50/50 Drawing was won by Diana Parks.

Adjourn:

MOTION was made by Dave Pursel and SUPPORTED by Kim Keith to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katherine Twining, Secretary



Minutes – July 17, 2013 Board Meeting

DRAFT

President: President Terry Burke called the Capital City Corvette Club Board Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Those in Attendance:

Terry Burke	President
Mike Britz	Treasurer
Janet Litrenta	Social
Bob Maynard	Public Relations
Howard Parks	Competition
Dave Pursel	Membership
Gloria Reiffer.....	Editor
Simon Reiffer	VP/Governor

Absent:

Howard Hein	Points
Katherine Twining	Secretary

MOTION was made by David Pursel and SUPPORTED by Mike Britz to approve the minutes as presented. MOTION PASSED.

Terry's first order of business was the review of Upcoming Events, where upon Howard was asked about the planning of the Spartan Speedway event. Starting with the question of asking Howard if he had enough volunteers. Howard reported that the signup sheet has a lot of empty slots but feels there will be no problems. The new canopy has been purchased. He will contact Craig Iansiti about the barricades / cones on the day following our board meeting. He needs to get with Randy P so he can pick up the trailer ahead of time and get the urns out of the trailer. After comments about why the cemetery urns were needed it was decided that they hold coffee

very well. Howard was concerned about the problems of getting registration information from JCC. No pre-registration was done this year so decision was made to use last year's numbers. Gloria R reported that this is the only 14 event weekend this month and that a lot of National racers will probably attend so there should be no problems with getting entrants. Check has been cut for the timers and everything seems to be on track. Discussion ensued about the condition of the cross in the middle of the check. Howard will make sure track is race worthy and ready.

Terry asked about planning of Crossroads. Simon and Gloria discussed event planning. Everything is still on track.

Hospice car show concerns were discussed.

Horsepower at the Zoo plans are on track and all seems to be proceeding as planned. Sandy B was absent but Howard P is on the committee and reported that he was impressed with her planning and how much has been done. Sponsorships are coming in. Planning activities seem to be proceeding with no issues.

Competition: Howard Parks presented his report earlier when asked by Terry about the Upcoming Events.

Treasurer: Mike Britz reported that the recently submitted financial reports do not include the 50/50 proceeds from the clubs last regular membership meeting that Dave P deposited.

Governor/VP: Simon Reiffer reports not much to report. The next regional meeting will be in September.

Editor: Gloria Reiffer reminded us that the articles need to be turned in by the 24th for inclusion into the monthly newsletter

Points: Howard Hein was not in attendance, but Gloria stated that he has the points posted and that they're up to date on the website.

Membership: Dave Pursel reports FCOA Membership now stands at 52. CCCC currently has 102 members. Dave added that he still has not heard from Jim Balla concerning his NCCC membership status but is still pursuing contact. Suggestion by Bob M that Dave contact Angie and

see if she can help contact him. Dave also reported that Pat Kelly, the FCOA membership chairwoman, has been contacted about getting a list of the FCOA members whose annual membership packs have been returned by post office as undeliverable due to incorrect mailing addresses. He is still waiting to hear from her.

Public Relations: Bob Maynard reported that Dick Iding has submitted his sponsorship check noting that there was nothing additional to report.

Social: Janet Litrenta was a little concerned about the fact that no members have submitted any events. She wanted to know if anyone knew if Putmons were going to hold their annual party. Possibility of holding another ice cream social was discussed. A comment / question was raised about the time frame needed to submit events for purpose of notification and calendar updates. Gloria stated that 10 days is needed.

Appointee Reports:

Hearts and Flowers: Julie Lasher was not in attendance.

NCM Ambassador: Joe Thomas was not in attendance.

Photographer: Ted Lasher was not in attendance.

Quartermaster: Randy Putmon was not in attendance.

Sergeant at Arms: Robert Ribar was not in attendance.

Historian: Sue Keith was not in attendance.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer reported that the main webpage picture has changed and that mouse clicking on the picture will produce a surprise.

Adjourn:

MOTION was made by Simon Reiffer and SUPPORTED by Dave Pursel to adjourn the meeting. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Pursel
(on behalf of Katherine Twining)



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We all scream, for ice cream!**

**Cruise in to Dairy Queen for ice cream on
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The Capital City Corvette Club of Lansing, MI was formed in 1958 and has continued a tradition of fun and fellowship for fifty five years. Club members gathered recently at the historic state Capitol Building which was built between 1872 and 1878. In 1992, the National Park Service designated the Capitol a National Historic Landmark for its architectural significance and restoration.



The Capital City Corvette Club is a charter member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs and is designated as club number MI-003. When the club was formed in 1958, Jim Hoppin was its first president. Jim was also secretary for NCCC when it was formed in 1959 and was instrumental in creating the NCCC steering wheel logo. Jim Hoppin continued his role with NCCC by serving as president in 1962 and 1963. The club was delighted to have Jim as a guest speaker at one of our monthly membership meetings in 2011 and he was able to join us for our photo.

When the NCCC convention was held in St Louis in 1961, thirty three members of the Capital City Corvette Club made the trip in twenty three Corvettes. In 1962, the convention was held in Lansing, MI and hosted by the Capital City Corvette Club. The July 1962 issue of "Blue Bars" featured an article about the Capital City Corvette Club and the upcoming convention. Their guest speaker was Zora Duntov who was accompanied by his wife, Elfi. Participants caravanned in their Corvettes to the assembly plant in Flint, MI.

Other club members also played an active role in NCCC. Art Miller was NCCC president in 1964 and 1965. Gary Cross was president in 1966. The NCCC President's Award was given to Darwin Thomas in 1964 and to Gary Cross in 1965.

The club's first sponsor was Lee MacGillivray Chevrolet. The early meetings were held at the dealership which allowed the members to use the

service bays to wash and work on their Corvettes. A real plus during Michigan winters! Early club members enjoyed car shows, rallies and racing. Some of them even raced their Corvettes on frozen Lake Lansing. Josh Joslin has a 1963 Corvette that he raced at Virginia International Raceway, the SCCA Divisional at Meadowdale and the Road America 500 in Elkhart, Wisconsin.

The Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation had a close relationship with General Motors and the early Corvette clubs because Owens –Corning was producing the body panels for the Corvette. Members of the Capital City Corvette Club traveled to their manufacturing facility for a tour. Owens-Corning gave an annual award to the club that had shown the most enthusiastic support of the Corvette hobby. Capital City Corvette Club was given a Steuben crystal bowl in 1961 and 1962 in recognition of receiving this honor.

Currently the club's 101 members enjoy a wide range of activities including car shows, rallies, parades and road tours, which typically result in a unique dining experience. We host numerous events to raise funds for local charities such as VFW National Home for Children, the Greater Lansing Food Bank and the Potter Park Zoological Society. The club sponsors two scholarships at the local career center for young people who are continuing their education in the automotive field.

The Capital City Corvette Club has touched many lives in the past fifty five years. Its current members look forward to continuing our rich legacy of friendships, service and the enjoyment of Corvette ownership.



*Photographs by Ted Lasher
(This article was also published in the
Summer 2013 edition of Blue Bars.)*



Capital City Corvette Club

Participation Points as of August 2, 2013



2	Austin Arunasalam	26	Nancy Doty*		Lee MacGillivray	6	Richard Shatkosky*
2	Roy Bailey	1	Jennifer Everhart*	30	Bob Maynard	21	Barbara Sipka
0	Jim Balla*	0	Randy Gisse	3	Shalimar Maynard	21	Thomas Sipka
	Scott Bauries	2	Vidal Gonzalez	11	Chuck Miller	0	David Sowders
0	Dana Beaman	0	Abhi Gunasaingam	12	Diana Mosher	0	Fran Sowders
0	Kim Beaman	7	Jeanne Harris	9	Barb Musselman	4	Loretta Spinrad
41	Sandy Bechtel	11	Ward Harris	13	Steve Musselman	5	Steve Spinrad
6	Mary Blackwood	21	Howard Hein	2	George Nelson	4	Alex Spitzley
7	Tim Blackwood		Jim Hoppin	23	Dominique Palacio	4	Joan Spitzley
13	James Boettcher	22	Angela Hyde	23	Jerry Palacio	1	Janet Sprague
9	Mara Boettcher	36	Craig Iansiti	29	Diana Parks	5	Michael Sprague
25	Colleen Bratschi	36	Janet Iansiti	60	Howard Parks	14	Ralph Swan
29	Rich Bratschi		Dick Iding	7	Joe Platte	14	Susan Swan
5	Connie Britz	18	Laura Kazmer	19	Ed Politza	8	Connie Taylor
32	Mike Britz	25	Wayne Kazmer	19	Suzanne Politza	10	Tom Taylor
15	NancyLee Buck	50	Kim Keith	26	David Pursel	7	Joseph Thomas*
17	Randy Buck	53	Sue Keith	10	Kathryn Pursel	20	Harold Twining
21	Chris Burke	2	Laurie Ketcik	19	Carol Putmon	21	Katherine Twining
54	Terry Burke	2	Fred Koos	17	Randy Putmon	12	Sue VanAtta-Wight
9	Dennis Burt	17	Sheila Lansing	77	Gloria Reiffer	27	Jerry Wardell
3	Sandy Burt	30	Julie Lasher	73	Simon Reiffer	14	Sally Wardell
9	Dave Cripe*	37	Ted Lasher	51	Robert Ribar	20	Larry Wight
6	Pat Cripe	6	Ellie Lickfeldt	27	Milton Scales	9	Gerry Wyma
2	Darwin Day	19	Patrick Lickfeldt	15	Herb Schultz	6	Kathy Wyma
0	Sheila Day	20	Carlo Litrenta	9	Kathleen Schultz		
26	Art Doty*	27	Janet Litrenta	8	Brenda Shatkosky*		

Current 2013 Top Ten

77	Gloria Reiffer	54	Terry Burke	50	Kim Keith	36	Craig Iansiti
73	Simon Reiffer	53	Sue Keith	41	Sandy Bechtel	36	Janet Iansiti
60	Howard Parks	51	Robert Ribar	37	Ted Lasher		102 Members



* NCCC affiliation is with another Michigan Region club.



Back to the Bricks! Corvette Reunion

August 17, 2013 in downtown Flint

Private Corvette Only entrance into the Corvette Reunion - located at 5th Avenue and Martin Luther King Boulevard. This entry portal will be open at 6 a.m. on Saturday.



NO Cost To Register!

Pre-Register @ Meet & Greet at Brick Street August 16th, or register when you arrive on Saturday, August 17th. Packet must be completed and turned into the Corvette Reunion hospitality tent.

This is a qualifying event for the Motor City Corvette Concours.



Why You Need To Register!

- Drawing for a FREE Corvette Car Cover - must be registered
- Top 50 Corvette Show for Registered Participants
- Trophies For Top 50 Corvettes
- Trophy For Furthest Traveled
- Trophies For Largest Club
- 50/50 Drawing (drawing held at 3 p.m.*)



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*The awards event and drawing is scheduled for 3 p.m., weather permitting. We reserve the right to change the time if inclement weather forces early closure or delay of the show.

Visit corvettereunionatbacktothebricks.com for more information



Editorial Note: Simon and I attended last year and had a fantastic time. We didn't get there until after 10:00 and still had fantastic parking.

We plan to go again this year! Let us know if you are interested in joining us.



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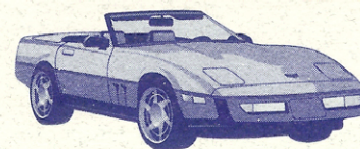
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MACKINAW CITY, MICHIGAN - AUGUST 24, 2013

Registration Form



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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

RELEASE: I accept and assume full liability for any injury to me or my property, agents or employees at anytime, from any cause in connection with this event. I agree to assume the risk of any and all damages/injury and to indemnify and hold harmless Village of Mackinaw, Mackinac Bridge Authority, Arnold Transit Co., Mackinac Island State Parks Commission, Mackinaw Crossings Mall and the Mackinaw Area Chamber of Commerce, its officers, directors, agents, employees and chapters for any acts or omissions which may result in the theft, damage or destruction of my property or injury to me or to others during the show. I agree to provide and pay for my own insurance. NO REFUNDS; RAIN OR SHINE.

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Automobile Information:

Year: _____ Body Style: _____ HP: _____ Color: _____

Preferred Class: Stock: _____ Modified: _____ Full Modified: _____

Class distinction will be at the discretion of officials. Please register in appropriate class. We ask participants to monitor each other and report to officials.

STOCK: Original, delivered factory appearance and condition.

MODIFIED: (*Modifications that change the outward appearance of the vehicle.*)

Examples may include: custom paint, flared wheel wells or custom hoods.

FULL MODIFIED: Anything goes!!

Club with most registered auto wins award. Registered auto that travels the farthest wins award. All judging is people's choice only! If you have knowledge of non-compliance, please notify event staff.

NOTICE!!!! Event Registered cars only on event property! Please cooperate!

AWARD CLASSES

1953 - 1962

1963 - 1967

1968 - 1973

1974 - 1977

1978 - 198

1984 - 1996

1997 - 2004

2005 - 2013

2014

1953 - 1973 Modified

1974 - 1982 Modified

1984 - 1996 Modified

1997 - 2004 Modified

2005 - 2013 Modified

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1953 - 2014 Full Modified

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Parade - Saturday 7:00 p.m. _____ Registered Auto \$ **FREE**

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WEEKEND EVENTS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!!

Friday, August 23

10:00 AM-6:00 PM - Registration/Package Pickup - Chamber Office - 226 E. Central Avenue (next to Scalawags).

6:00 - 9:00 PM - Free Live Entertainment - Mackinaw Crossings Mall entertainment stage. Drink specials at the "Caboose" at the dusk laser light show.



****CHECKERED FLAG SAVINGS****
*all weekend at
participating businesses*

Saturday, August 24

9:00 AM - Registration/Package Pickup - Mackinaw Crossings Mall Parking Lot

10:00 AM-2:00 PM Corvette Crossroads Auto Show - Mackinaw Crossings Mall Parking Lot. All registered Corvettes on display. People's Choice Judging.

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - Poker Walk - Free to all registered Corvette owners and family. Prizes awarded at 2:15 PM.

3:00 PM - Show Awards Presentation - Mackinaw Crossings Mall Parking Lot

4:00-6:00 PM - Enjoy a dinner at one of many fine restaurants.

6:00 PM - Mackinac Bridge Parade LINE-UP - Facing West Mackinaw Crossings Mall Parking Lot

7:00 PM - Mackinac Bridge Parade - FREE TO ALL REGISTERED CORVETTES, otherwise \$5.00 per Vette. Return on your own.

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM - Mackinaw City Fine Arts & Crafts Show - Conkling Heritage Park, S. Huron Ave.

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Free Live Entertainment - at the Mackinaw Crossings Mall entertainment stage.

Sunday, August 25

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Mackinaw City Fine Arts & Crafts Show - Conkling Heritage Park, S. Huron Ave.

8:00 PM - Vesper Cruise

One hour cruise on the Straits of Mackinac. Free, first come, first serve.

24th ANNUAL



August 24

**Mackinaw Crossings Mall
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248 S. Huron Avenue
Mackinaw City, Michigan 49701**

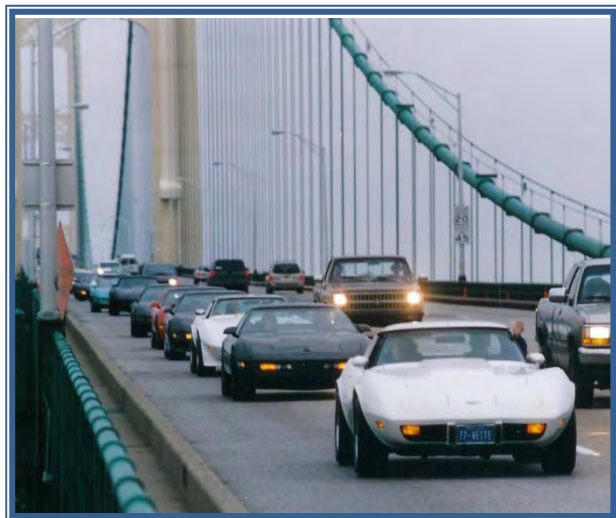
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JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF FAMILY FUN!

Summer Getaway to Mackinaw City ~ August 22 – 25, 2013



This is a fun time to get to know everyone. We do lots of socializing between eating, daily ice cream runs and our bonfires on the beach at night.

With all of the Corvettes arriving, downtown Mackinaw City is the place to be Friday night. We usually eat at the Pancake Chef because they can accommodate our large group and they have a very nice buffet dinner. Robert Ribar is making arrangements for dinner Saturday night.

Caravan Details

We will caravan from Clark Corners (Clark Road and Old US 27) at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, breaking for lunch at the Houghton Lake Big Boy. No caravan is planned for Friday at this time.

We are open to suggestions on where to plan a day trip for Friday.

Lodging Details

Mackinaw Beach & Bay

929 South Huron Avenue
Mackinaw City, MI 49701

1.866.531.6521 (*most expensive*)

Waterfront Inn

1009 South Huron Avenue
Mackinaw City MI 49701

1.866.330.6266 (*cheapest*)

Bridge Vista Beach Hotel

1027 South Huron Avenue
Mackinaw City, MI 49721

1.800.576.2842 (*new to us this year*)

The Mackinaw Beach & Bay Resort is a newer hotel, all suites. Most members stay next door at the Waterfront Inn, an older motel offering many first floor rooms, some facing the lake shore. The Bridge Vista Beach Hotel has a variety of accommodations, plus an indoor waterpark (we will be staying there). Visit www.mackinaw-city.com for accommodation types and room rates. I'm told the best rates are available by booking online. Rates at the Waterfront Inn are close to last years but will most likely go up as the date approaches. They have a 72 hour cancellation policy if your plans should change.

Those traveling with a pet should check out the Beachcomber Motel, sandwiched between the WI and the BVBH. Call 231.436.8451 or 1.800.968.1383, or visit www.beachcomberonthewater.com for more info.

Contact Simon or Gloria at 517 . 646 . 2180 with questions about the event. Let us know if you will be part of Thursday's caravan, and which meals you will join us for. We hope you can join us for this fun weekend!

Don't forget to register for the Corvette show on Saturday.

24th Annual Corvette Crossroads ~ August 24, 2013

The show takes place on a paved parking lot behind Mackinaw Crossings Mall from 10:00 – 2:00 Saturday, August 24, 2013 with the awards presentation at 3:00. Cost to enter the show is \$25 if pre-registered by August 1; \$35 thereafter. The registration form is available on our Website. Pre-registration packets can be picked up at the Chamber Office at 226 E. Central (next to Scalawags) between 10:00 – 6:00 Friday, or at the show Saturday.

Saturday evening the Corvettes parade through the downtown district and then cross the Mackinac Bridge. Parade participation is free to registered Corvettes; \$5 if taking part in the parade only.

Hospice Benefit

Car Shows

Sunday, May 26, 2013

Bud Kouts Chevrolet

2810 E Michigan Avenue - Lansing MI 48912

Saturday, September 7, 2013

Hawk Island Park

1601 E Cavanaugh Street - Lansing MI 48910

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

(registration begins at 8:30 am)

Registration - \$15.00

(Net Proceeds Benefit Sparrow Hospice Services (a Non-Profit Hospice))

- Trophies for Top 30 Cars + 5 sponsor trophies & Best of Show
- Goody Bags, Dash Plaques, T-Shirts to first 125 Entries
- Door Prizes, Music & Food (Food courtesy of Olympic Broil)
- \$100 Drawing
- Silent Auctions

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Email: Al.Wilson@CapitalAreaMuscleCarClub.org Call: (517) 819-1155

Visit: www.CapitalAreaMuscleCarClub.org



HORSEPOWER AT THE ZOO 2013!!

**Sunday, September 22nd • Potter Park Zoo
1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave, Lansing • 8:30 am – 2:30 pm**



**Hosted by the Capital City Corvette Club in association with the Capital Area Muscle Car Club
Registration 8:30 – 12 Noon • \$15 per Car at the Gate**

Peoples-Choice Ballots!

Top Ten plus: Best of Show, Best Paint, Best Engine, Best Corvette, Best Pre-1940

Dash Plaques for the First 60 Registrants

Food, Free Passes to the Zoo, 50/50 Drawings, Door Prizes, Silent Auctions, Music

**100% of the net proceeds are donated to the Potter Park Zoological Society.
Thank you for your support. See you there – Rain or Shine.**



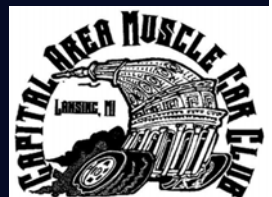
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Planning Ahead...

Election of Officers:

It's that time of year where we begin planning for the fall election of our 2014 club officers. CCCC's bylaws require that club officers have their NCCC membership number with Capital City Corvette Club.

All positions, with the exception of President, are open to all club members in good standing. Anyone running for President must have held a prior office in the club. Those eligible to hold this office in 2014 include:

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| - Scott Bauries | - Janet Litrenta |
| - Sandy Bechtel | - Bob Maynard |
| - Colleen Bratschi | - Shalimar Maynard |
| - Rich Bratschi | - Howard Parks |
| - Connie Britz | - Joe Platte |
| - Mike Britz | - Ed Politza |
| - Randy Buck | - Suzanne Politza |
| - Chris Burke | - David Pursel |
| - Terry Burke | - Carol Putmon |
| - Pat Cripe | - Gloria Reiffer |
| - Howard Hein | - Simon Reiffer |
| - Angela Hyde | - Loretta Spinrad |
| - Craig Iansiti | - Steve Spinrad |
| - Janet Iansiti | - Katherine Twining |
| - Kim Keith | - Gary Wyma |
| - Ted Lasher | - Kathy Wyma |

Would you be willing to jump in and serve the club for a year or two? Fresh ideas make for a fresh club.

Future Corvette Owners of America:

FCOA is NCCC's youth organization, sponsored by Mid America Motorworks.

FCOA membership is limited to family members of current NCCC members and applicants must be younger than 16 years. This can be your child, grandchild, niece or nephew.



CCCC currently has 52 FCOA members. This is the largest for any club in the Michigan Region.

There is a one-time membership fee of \$10 to sign them up. The children will receive a membership packet every year with a few goodies in it.

Membership Renewals:

NCCC/CCCC dues are renewed each fall for the upcoming year. Renew your membership prior to the end of the November general membership meeting to avoid a \$10 late fee, imposed by NCCC.

Spouse/Companion membership is restricted to husband, wife, or significant other of the Primary member. Dependent membership is defined as the child of any Primary or Spouse member who is between the ages of 16 and 21, or between the ages of 16 and 25 and also a full time student. See the NCCC Website for additional clarification on dependent members.

Bingo at Tamarack:

Our annual Bingo event at Tamarack Apartments is scheduled for Saturday, November 9 at 2:00!

Start gathering your "fab" Bingo prizes! Handmade items are always a plus, but if you're not "crafty", stop into Meijer or the Dollar Store and pick up some brick-a-brac.

Being so close Christmas, try to think of items they can use (gift wrap, Christmas cards, decorations); and items they can keep or re-gift (stuffed animals, decorative towels, pot holders, etc.) What would you like? Do you work somewhere that would donate small items to share with all attendees? We usually get around 35-40 residents and they all appreciate walking away with something.

Don't forget to bring your favorite dessert to share!



8th Annual Backyard BBQ • Hayride Bonfire



When: Saturday, September 28th

Meeting Time: 5:00-5:15 p.m.

Meeting Place: Clark Corners

(former DeWitt Outlet Mall)

Corner of Clark Road and Business 27

We will “follow the leader” to Randy & Carol Putmon’s
home, 4900 West Pratt Road, DeWitt, MI



Please bring your own chairs and drinks as well as a dish
to pass. Randy and Carol will supply the meat for all.

Contact Randy & Carol if you need any additional
information or directions to their home.

Randy cell: 281-6421 • Carol cell: 331-4629

Motorsports Park Groundbreaking Ceremony a Success!

Thanks to those of you who joined us for the NCM Motorsports Park Ground-breaking ceremony last Friday! It was well attended and we're excited to



be well underway with the project. If you missed it, no worries. We have both an edited video of the ceremony at

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gMf_bW2xbaw

and we streamed it live at

<http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/35068247>.

Want to help keep the momentum going? We're running a photo contest on our MSP Facebook fan page! Simply post a photo of you with your ride and our "Let's Build It" sign, and get your friends to vote for you. The winner will receive a trip to Bowling Green including two night stay at the new Hotel



SYNC, \$50 gas gift card from Houchens Industries (Shell & Jr. Foods Gas Stations), \$40 Mariah's restaurant gift card, \$25 Double Dogs gift card and certificate to participate in an NCM event autocross session!

GM Releases 2013 Corvette Stats



General Motors has released the statistics on the Model Year 2013 Corvette. Of the 13,466 produced, the most popular color was Arctic White at 21.8%...

however, if you add together Torch Red at 14.1% and Crystal Red Metallic at 9.4% "red" wins with 23.5%.

The 60th Anniversary Package was popular, netting 15.3%, and the new 427 Convertible model was selected for 19% of the cars. Only 23 cars had the Engine Build Experience while 265 buyers selected the R8C Delivery option.

Check out the complete list of statistics

<http://www.corvettemuseum.org/specs/2013/2013CorvetteStats.pdf>.

Labor Day Registration Open

Do you have plans this upcoming Labor Day weekend? If not, why not spend them with us? Our annual Anniversary Celebration and Corvette Hall of Fame induction offers three days of activities August 29-31 including road tours, the NCM open membership meeting, Lifetime/VIP dinner, Hall of Fame banquet, seminars, auctions and more.

The event is free for Lifetime members, \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members. Early registrants receive a hardcard collectible badge, lanyard, event pin and dash plaque.

View the complete agenda and register at

<http://www.corvettemuseum.org/registration/celebration/info.shtml>.

Win a Stingray Banner from NCM Insurance

The National Corvette Museum's Insurance Agency has kicked off a fun way to win a one-of-a-kind banner featuring a creative design in honor of the Corvette Stingray's evolution.

Visit the NCM Insurance Agency Facebook page here: <http://bit.ly/12s9CWB> and "like" the page. Fill out the form for a

chance to be the winner of this unique vinyl banner, perfect



for your garage or show room.

The banner is 4 feet long and is available only by visiting the Facebook page and registering for a chance to **win it on August 27th!** You can register to win each and every day, so start now and enter as many times as you can! The more you register the better your chance of winning! Sorry, only U.S. residents are eligible.

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Blessing of the Vettes

Capital City Corvette Club Hosts Annual Car Show

AND ANOTHER THING ...

Blessing of the Vettes

Capital City Corvette Club held its car show and blessing event June 8 at Culver's.

by Jennifer Linn-Hartley
Editor

Capital City Corvette Club hosted the ninth annual Blessing of the Vettes at Culver's of Okemos on June 8 to raise funds for the VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids.

Gloria Reiffer, who is the webmaster and editor for the Capital City Corvette Club, said the club added two rallies to help raise even more funds for the home.

There were 48 Corvettes entered in the people's choice show and 21 Corvettes entered in the rallies that followed.

The cars were blessed by Capital City Corvette Club Chaplain, Gary Wyma of Grand Ledge.

"We were very pleased with the way the event turned out," Reiffer said. "With the help of our trophy sponsor, mini-sponsors and participants, we were able to raise more than \$1,500 for the VFW National Home for Children. These were sanctioned events for the National Council of Corvette Clubs, Michigan Region."

Capital City Corvette Club was founded in 1958 and is celebrating its 55th anniversary this year. For more information and for upcoming events visit Capitalcitycorvetteclub.org.



More than 45 cars were entered in the people's choice show.
Photo by Jessica Reimers



People look at Corvettes on display June 8 at Culver's of Okemos.
Photo by Jessica Reimers



The Corvette logo is surrounded by a reflection of clouds.
Photo by Jessica Reimers

In the Beginning

In 1951, a group of Harley Earl's "Special Projects" crew began work on a GM sports car. Bob McLean designed a general layout for the car. The project was code named "Opel."

William Durant, the founder of GM, said a wallpaper pattern he saw in a Paris hotel in 1908 inspired the bow tie logo. Supposedly, he ripped off a small piece of it and brought it back to Detroit.

The man who named the Corvette was Myron Scott; then Chevrolet's Chief photographer.

The Jaguar XK120 is believed to have been the inspiration for the first Corvette.

The Corvette was the first and last car with a "Wrap-Around" windshield.

Corvette was not the first to be made with a fiberglass body, but it was the first to be built by a company the size of Chevrolet.

Corvettes have been assembled in three different cities. Flint, St. Louis, and Bowling Green.

"Turbojet" as first used on Corvette engine air cleaners with a horsepower rating of greater than 390hp.

C1 - 1953 to 1962

The original front emblem and horn button on the "Aurora" Corvette featured crossed American and Checkered flags. It was discovered that using an American flag on a product trade mark was against the law and the emblem was changed before the New York Motorama.

The hash faces up on front fender molding of the "Aurora", 1953 Corvette and on the actual production car it faces down.

On Tuesday, June 30, 1953 Corvette #1 Serial Number E53F001001 rolled off the assembly line, and Corvette production began.

Want the rarest Corvette ?- In 1953 the first two Corvettes, VIN Numbers 1 and 2 were said to have been destroyed, but no records prove that fact, and there are no witnesses to the destruction.

The first Corvettes were actually "rolled" off the assembly line. Chevrolet was not prepared for grounding to a fiberglass body; the cars would not start.

The first five Corvettes to come off the assembly line did not have an outside rear view mirror.

The only thing really new on the 1953 Corvette was the fiberglass body. Everything else was directly off the Chevrolet parts shelf. Because of this, the first Corvette was essentially a regular 1952 Chevrolet that looked like a million dollars!

Of the 314 Corvettes hand built in 1953 only 183 were sold because of "average" performance at such a high price, \$3513 the Jaguar Xk120 sold for \$3345, \$168 less than the Corvette.

There are 13 vertical bars or "teeth" are in the grill of 1956 Corvettes.

One of the few ways to differentiate between a 1956 and 1957 Corvette without opening the hood is to look at the inside rear view mirror. On the 1956 model, it adjusts with a thumbscrew, on the 1957 adjustment requires a wrench to loosen the locknut.

The "Polo White" color was last used in 1957.

1957 was the first year a limited slip differential was offered as an option.

1958 was the LAST year of the tach with the "cumulative engine revolution counter" which first appeared in the 1953 Corvette. In 1958 the tach was used on 230, 245, and 250 hp cars and NOT on the 270 and 290 hp cars. The Part number is #1548631 for 1958.

Optional engines in 1956 had nine fin alloy valve covers, 1957 had seven or nine fin alloy valve covers, and the 1958 had seven fin alloy covers on optional engines.

Before 1958, the only Acrylic lacquer paint used was on the "Inca Silver" Vettes.

Sun visors became a Corvette option in 1959.

Nylon belted tires first became available on the 1960 Corvette, prior to 1960 only cotton was offered.

The 1961 Corvette was the last year to feature "Wide Whitewall" tires.

The 1961 Corvette was the first to not have the "round" nose emblem.

In 1961, the big grill teeth disappeared forever, replaced by a fine mesh.

1962 Was the last of the solid rear axle Corvettes and the last year for the power top on the roadster.

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