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The Newsletter of Capital City Corvette Club

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Annual BBQ / Hayride / Bonfire at Putmon's

September 28 • 5:00 pm • Clark Corners • 1161 E. Clark Road • DeWitt
Cruise to Randy & Carol's as a group (or drive directly to their home)

General Membership Meeting

October 2 • Social/Dinner - 5:45 pm • Meeting - 7:00 pm
Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Road • Holt

Rookies Cruise In & CQMA Races

October 6 • 1:30 pm • watch the races afterwards, if interested
Rookies • 16460 S. US 27 • Lansing

Fall Color Tour

October 12 • 9:15 am • all day event with lunch and dinner
Leave from Walmart • 5110 Times Square Place • Okemos

Board Meeting

October 16 • Dinner - 5:30 pm • Meeting - 6:30 pm
Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Road • Holt

Bingo!

November 9 • 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
Tamarack Apartments • 4400 Holt Road • Holt

Buddies Cruise In

November 9 • 4:30 pm
Buddies • 2040 Aurelius Road • Holt

Annual Holiday Party

December 7 • 1:00 pm • R-Club • 6409 Centurian Dr. (faces Creyts) • Lansing

Reminder, there are no membership or board meetings in December.

October Birthdays

Katherine Twining (5) • Steve Spinrad (8)
Brenda Shatkosky (14) • Jennifer Everhart (16) • Richard Shatkosky (20)
Milton Scales (21) • Dana Beaman (31)

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



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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

From Our President...

Reflection on this year's Horsepower at the Zoo.

You know that it's a great show when approximately 112 avid car nuts show up when the weather was going to be less than ideal. While coats and heavy clothing was abundant, the spirit of all was heartwarming.

After all, it's just a car show, isn't it? Or maybe it's something more. Did everyone just show up like lemmings, (no offence meant), or was this in recognition of a worthy cause? I'm, going with the latter. I think most attendees saw this show as a way to give back to our community.

It was also enlightening to see car owners who came from some considerable distance attending this event. It made me think that we, C.C.C.C. members should venture out and reciprocate and look for events held elsewhere. I know some members do, however I do not count myself in that group. I plan on rectifying that in the future, not to even up the playing field, but to experience other clubs and different venues.

After all, we're all looking for new experiences and new places to visit and explore! So let's make a point to highlight some other events away from our neighborhood and remember that we're all part of Corvette Nation (small plug for the new program on the Velocity channel on your TV!)

Terry Burke, President



What is a Rallye?

NCCC Competition Rulebook

Most of us grew up driving a car. Most of us knew how to drive in our early teens. Some of us took pride in our driving and regarded it as a skill to be developed and improved. A Rallye is similar to written directions one gives a friend for getting to a new house in the suburbs. Perhaps it seems like a challenge. It is more than a test of one's ability to follow directions - more than intense observation. It includes an aptness for doing seventeen things at once - including the adherence to a timetable speed of, let us say, 28.8 miles an hour. It is enjoyable and rallies can produce a piece of silverware to place on the bookshelf and then keep polished. Rallies are classified into three types:

Type I: Time-Speed-Distance Rallye

The Time-Speed-Distance Rallye is planned so that an entrant should never exceed a legal speed limit. Entrants are given a set of route instructions with average speeds to maintain. The Rallye is usually composed of a series of separately timed legs to avoid speeding near the end of the Rallye by the cars that are behind time. The Rallye will have a minimum of one checkpoint which are the centers of activity, set up by the Rallye officials, with facilities for timing cars as they arrive. This type of Rallye is scored on time only -- not distance.

Type II: Gimmick Rallye

A Gimmick Rallye is one in which the Rallyemaster presents route instructions and questions that the alert

Rallyists must follow and answer along the Rallye route. The Rallyists can be required to test out their navigational abilities and match their wit and skill with the Rallyemaster. Answers to questions may be found on either side of the road. This Rallye is scored by following instructions, providing correct answers and being in by the pre-announced time given by the Rallyemasters in the "Generals" or at the Entrants Meeting. This Rallye is not scored by any type of chance or unknown factor.

Other examples of Gimmick Rallies would be:

- 1) Scrambled Word Rallye;
- 2) Photo Rallye; and
- 3) Landmark Rallye.

Type III: Chance Rallye

Chance Rallies are fun Rallies. The usual navigational demands are minimized, courses are relatively simple, average speeds are readily obtainable or unnecessary. There are many varieties. This type of Rallye is scored by chance requirements set up by the Rallyemaster. Questions can be answered almost anywhere, and in any way, depending upon the Rallyemaster and the instructions given in the "Generals."

Some examples of Chance Rallies are 1) Poker Rallye; 2) Hidden Time Rallye; 3) Game Rallye; and 4) Hare & Hound Rallye.

Check the Region calendar for upcoming rallies!

What a wonderful summer Janet and I (and Toby) have been having with the club. Every event has had great attendance, with everyone seeming to really enjoy the company at hand. Today was especially nice for me at Horsepower at the Zoo. I was a bit under the weather (better now) so even though I was on Sandy's HAZ committee, I didn't spend much time doing much or focusing on any one job. That allowed me a lot of time to try to look productive when; actually, I was just hanging around and observing how our club worked together as a team. No disappointments there.

There was a lot to do - preparing for, setting up, running, and tearing down this show. There was no shortage of volunteers, and I think every club member in attendance stepped up at one time or another to help out where an extra hand was needed. And all with smiles pretty much frozen (really cold out) on their faces. Everyone mixed and socialized with everyone else so seamlessly. The general attitude was great, and it was reflected in the casual and overall happy nature of all our participants. I heard lots of compliments and no complaints from the two hundred or so individuals who arrived in over one hundred registered vehicles.

With still a number of events scheduled through the end of autumn, there will be ample opportunity to renew and reinforce friendships and bonds before we pack away the Vettes. And then a few more events before we dig them out in the spring. I look forward to them all.

At times like this I think of all the friends I have made in the club, many who have become quite close. All our members have become so important in my life. I smile when we get new members, because I know they are going to have a significant and positive change in their lives. Everyone's care and concern for each other is such a healthy facet of membership in this club. Sometimes it's not just all about the cars.

Craig



Our 2013 Horsepower at the Zoo has gone into the record books as a great success. We had 112 registered vehicles; and, at least twice as many smiling faces. Although the weather was cool, the friendships were warm – what fun! Here are our winners: Congratulations!

Top Ten Awards:

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| 1. Don & Linda Pierce, Vermontville | 1970 Chevy Nova |
| 2. Mike Drake, Lansing | 1965 Pontiac GTO |
| 3. Al Wilson, Lansing | 1937 Ford Slant Back |
| 4. Tom Phillips, Lansing | 1957 BMW Isetta |
| 5. Mick Stolarczyk, Livonia | 1971 Mercury Comet GT |
| 6. Mario Ledesma, Lansing | 1964 Ford Fairlane |
| 7. Gary Doty, Bath | 1966 Oldsmobile 442 |
| 8. Janet & Dennis Weglarz, Grand Ledge | 1962 Jaguar XKE |
| 9. John & Penny Daniels, Eagle | 1978 Chevrolet Corvette |
| 10. John Shepler, Grand Ledge | 1931 A400 Sedan Convertible |



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| Best Paint: Gary Glenn, Lansing | 1962 Lincoln |
| Best Engine: J. Barnes, Lansing | 1979 Oldsmobile Cutlass |
| Best Corvette: Harold & Katherine Twining, Okemos | 1959 Chevrolet Corvette |
| Best Pre 1940: Jan Shepler, Grand Ledge | 1931 Ford Woody Wagon |
| Best of Show: Jack Smith, Jackson | 1957 Chevrolet Corvette Convertible |

Thanks to everyone who helped make this show a success: Our sponsors and contributors, zoo personnel, club members, CAMCC, HAZ committee, and all registrants. Thanks also to the local radio stations and newspapers for announcing the show and helping make it a success. You're just too wonderful!

Sandy Bechtel, Event Chair



Planning Ahead...

Upcoming Events:

We have a lot of club events coming up! Be sure to get them on your calendar so that you don't miss any of the fun! Complete details are on the club Website.

Annual BBQ / Hayride / Bonfire – hosted by Randy and Carol Putmon on Saturday, September 28 @ 5:00 pm.

Rookies Cruise In – hosted by Robert Ribar on Saturday, October 6 @ 1:30 pm.

Fall Color Tour – hosted by Angela Hyde with the assistance of Sandy Bechtel on Saturday, October 12 @ 9:15 am.

Bingo at Tamarack – hosted by Janet Litrenta on Saturday, November 9 @ 1:30 pm.

Buddies Cruise In – hosted by Janet Litrenta on Saturday, November 9 @ 4:30 pm.

Holiday Party – hosted by Janet Litrenta on Saturday, December 7 @ 1:00 pm. This event will be held at R-Club. No meetings in December!

YOU Could Host a Club Event!!!

If you have a favorite restaurant you would like share with other members, why not host a cruise in for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Just contact Janet Litrenta to set up a date. If you need help with a flyer, contact Gloria. All that's left to do is take RSVP's, make the reservations, and have FUN!

Bingo Reminder:

Don't forget to 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. 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?

We usually get around 25-30 residents and they all appreciate walking away with something. Does the business you work for ever donate door prizes or "trinkets and trash" type items? If they do, ask if they would donate a few items for this fun event.

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

We will head over to Buddies for dinner afterwards. Members that aren't able to make it to Bingo are welcome to join us there!!!

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. A renewal form is included in this newsletter.

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.

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.

Nominations will take place at the September and October general membership meetings. Election of 2014 officers will be held November 6. Each person nominated for office will receive a follow-up call from the nominating committee, before the ballot is made, to verify willingness to accept if elected.

2014 Membership Renewal Form (Current CCCC Members Only)

Primary Member Information:

Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
E-Mail Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Primary Member NCCC Number: _____ Birthday: _____



Spouse/Companion Information:

Name: _____
E-Mail Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Spouse/Companion NCCC Number: _____ Birthday: _____

Corvettes You Currently Own:

Year: _____	Color: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Coupe	<input type="checkbox"/> Convertible	<input type="checkbox"/> Hardtop
Year: _____	Color: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Coupe	<input type="checkbox"/> Convertible	<input type="checkbox"/> Hardtop
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NCCC & CCCC Renewal Dues

_____ \$55 Primary Member – CCCC & NCCC dues
_____ \$20 Spouse/Companion – CCCC & NCCC dues
_____ \$10 NCCC Late Fee (if paid after November 6)
_____ **Total Enclosed**

*** NCCC Lifetime Member/Other NCCC Affiliation ***

_____ \$30 Primary Member - CCCC dues only
_____ \$10 Spouse/Companion - CCCC dues only
_____ \$20 Spouse/Companion – CCCC & NCCC dues
_____ **Total Enclosed**

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To renew your Capital City Corvette Club membership for 2014:

Complete the entire application and submit it, along with a check made out to *Capital City Corvette Club*, to David Pursel, our Membership Director. If unable to attend a fall meeting, you may mail it to the following address:

Attn: Membership Director
Capital City Corvette Club
PO Box 27295
Lansing, MI 48909

Contact David Pursel at 517.651.6643 with questions about Capital City Corvette Club membership renewals.

** NCCC Lifetime Members and members belonging to an affiliated NCCC club pay \$30 annual dues for a primary social membership with CCCC; \$10 for spouse with NCCC affiliation; \$20 for a spouse without NCCC affiliation through a lifetime membership or with another NCCC club. Proof of current NCCC membership must be provided.*

Lifetime membership in NCCC has a one-time fee of \$300 for current members (\$335 for new members). It is worthwhile to consider a lifetime membership if you believe you will be involved in NCCC for 11 or more years. NCCC Lifetime membership can be transferred to another NCCC affiliated club if you move from our area.

Rookies Cruise-In

Date: October 6, 2013 (Sunday)

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Rookies
16460 S US 27
Lansing, MI

Menu: www.rookieslansing.com

RSVP: Robert Ribar 517 - 484 - 4061
Ribar777 @ aol.com



Our reservations are for 1:30 so that we can watch part of the Capitol Quarter Midget Association "100 Lap" Charity Race. The race takes place directly behind Rookies, beginning at 1:00 pm and lasts about 5 hours. After eating we can go out and watch the races from the patio.

More info on the CQMA can be found at
www.capitolquartermidgets.com.

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
General Membership Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2013
Delhi Café, Holt, MI
DRAFT

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

President: Terry Burke called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He welcomed new member, Dave Averill, elementary school principal in the Grand Ledge School system.

Sandy Bechtel presented an update on the upcoming Horsepower at The Zoo on Sunday, September 22. She encouraged members to sign up to assist with the event. A \$35.00 tax deduction is part of the \$50 mini sponsorship. Sandy reports things are running smoothly.

Julie Lasher has a sign-up sheet for those wishing to contribute items for the baked goods sale at HAZ. She has information that having the baked goods available for a donation rather than for sale appears to be more profitable and will try this method.

President Burke reminded members of the upcoming Sparrow Hospice Auto Show at Hawk Island on Saturday, September 7. It is located at Cavanaugh and Aurelius and registration begins at 9:00. He encouraged everyone to show up early to support the event. He feels the CCCC summer activities have run smoothly.

Secretary: Katherine Twining requested a motion to approve the August 7, 2013 Membership Meeting Minutes.

MOTION was made by Jerry Wardell and SUPPORTED by Steve Musselman to approve the minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer: Mike Britz was not in attendance, but had forwarded financial information via email.

Governor/VP: Simon Reiffer reports that treasurer fees for Regional need to be forwarded. He will be attending a Regional meeting on September 10; there is a Governors' meeting on September 14, but Simon is unable to attend. *Blue Bars* had an interesting article from the East Region; Simon reminded to be cautious of copy right issues, and liability issues as well. He will have a report from the Regional meeting.

Points: Howard Hein will have additional points to Gloria Reiffer by the end of the week.

Membership: Dave Pursel questioned the possibility of, in the future, an electronic version of *Blue Bars*, and Simon shared he had no knowledge of it happening. Currently, there are 52 FCOA members; eligibility for FCOA members range through sixteen years of age. Dave states that Michigan has the largest # of FCOA members in the Michigan Region of NCCC. CCCC has 104 members. He recently emailed the current membership list; CCCC has 97 NCCC memberships. Tom & Barbara Sipka's address needs to be corrected. The membership form can be accessed on the website and it can be filled out on line to print and send along with your membership check.

Editor: Gloria Reiffer requested that any items for the newsletter be sent to her as soon as possible; September 24 is the deadline.

Competition: Howard Parks reports he has received a check from Spartan Speedway and that financials are complete for the project which has cleared \$730.

Public Relations: Bob Maynard has disseminated advertising information for HAZ and Sandy Bechtel reports a good number of volunteers have signed up.

Social: Janet Litrenta has scheduled a trip to Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum on September 14, a cook-out and hayride at the Putmons' on September 28, and a color tour is scheduled on October 12 with Calhoun County. Other events being planned are a drive and dine to

Canterbury Village on November 16 and Robert Ribar is working on a drive and dine to Rookies for dinner October 5 or 6. Bingo will be held at Tamarack on November 9 from 2 to 4. The group will get together for dinner following bingo, and anyone is welcome to join the group for dinner at 4:30. The CCCC holiday party is scheduled from 1 to 4 on December 7 at the R Club. Janet recognized members with September birthdays: Tom Taylor, Joan Spitzley, Dave Cripe, Kim Keith, Jerry Wardell, Julie Lasher, Jerry Palacio, Sheila Lansing, Darwin Day, Angela Hyde, Carlo Litrenta, David Sowders, and Dick Iding.

Appointee Reports:

Hearts and Flowers: Julie Lasher sent cards to Sheila Day, Rich Bratschi and the Twinings.

Historian: Sue Keith was not in attendance:

NCM Ambassador: Joe Thomas was not in attendance.

Photographer: Ted Lasher requested that members assist him with updates on car pictures if they purchase a new one, etc. He can order copies of the photos taken at the Capitol if anyone would like to purchase one.

Quartermaster: Position is still open.

Sergeant At Arms: Robert Ribar had no report.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer reports she needs to update a couple of items on the website; if anyone sees something that needs additions/corrections, let her know.

Member Input:

Colleen Bratschi reminded the board that names need to be submitted for board position nominations during September and October. Those nominated at the meeting include:

PRESIDENT

Kim Keith
Dave Pursel
Sandy Bechtel
Rich Bratschi
Terry Burke

VP/GOVERNOR

Simon Reiffer
Steve Musselman

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COMPETITION

Howard Parks
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PUBLIC RELATIONS

Bob Maynard
Dave Averill
Milton Scales

SOCIAL

Janet Litrenta
Colleen Bratschi

POINTS

Howard Hein
Jerry Wardell
Harold Twining
Sue Keith

50/50 Drawing was won by Connie Taylor.

Adjourn:

MOTION was made by Dave Pursel and SUPPORTED by Simon Reiffer to adjourn.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Twining
Secretary

Fall Color Tour

**A joint event with the
Calhoun County Corvette Club
Hosted by Angela Hyde**

Saturday, October 12th

9:15a.m. Meet at Walmart in Okemos

10:00a.m. Leaving Walmart

11:30ish Lunch at Draft House in Dewitt

**3:00ish Meeting Calhoun County Corvettes
at Moo-Ville**

3:30p.m. Leaving Moo-Ville with Calhoun

5:00p.m. Dinner at Sam's Joint in Plainwell

**RSVP to Angela Hyde at
vettechic@hotmail.com**

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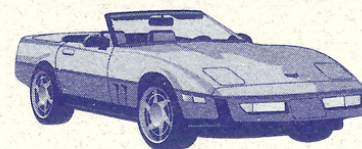
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Capital City Corvette Club
Board Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2013
Draft

Those In Attendance:

Terry Burke	President
Katherine Twining	Secretary
Mike Britz	Treasurer
Simon Reiffer	Governor
Gloria Reiffer	Editor
Bob Maynard	Public Relations
Janet Litrenta	Social

Absent:

Howard Hein	Points
Dave Pursel	Membership

President: President Terry Burke called the Capital City Corvette Club Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He reported 21 members attended the Hospice Car Show and it was a good day. President Burke acted as DJ for the event and Muscle Car Club attendees assisted with set up for the event.

Horsepower at The Zoo: Sandy Bechtel presented an update on the upcoming Horsepower at The Zoo Car Show. She said all is going well and the trophies will be picked up shortly. There is a need for an additional canopy as the Zoo only has two; it was noted that additional canopies are stored in the Club's trailer and can be used. She has received 300 Zoo passes to distribute; two to each vehicle. The Committee will be arriving between 7:15 and 7:30 a.m. to assist with set up. Coffee will be provided by Rich and Colleen Bratschi. Voting ballots will be distributed at 11:00; each car entry will receive one voting ballot.

President Burke expressed his thanks to Sandy Bechtel for all the work she has done on HAZ. He noted that he had received a call from Colleen Bratschi regarding the position of newsletter editor. She reported that Scott Bauries felt he did not have the time to devote to the newsletter as preparing articles is a time consuming task. Steve Musselman indicated to Colleen Bratschi that he would be willing to contribute articles.

Discussion followed and decision was made by the Board that the Newsletter Editor position continue as a one person position, rather than be shared by two. Anyone can submit articles for insertion in the newsletter and the individual submitting the article receives points for doing such.

Governor: Simon Reiffer shared with the Board that Milton Scales' mother recently passed away. Simon says the remainder of monies needs to be forwarded to Regional for rallies and car shows, which Mike Britz will take care of. Simon recently attended a Regional Meeting and he shared that there will be proposed rulebook and NCCC By-Law changes. The Spring Regional Banquet netted a \$500 profit. The 2014 event needs to be organized, and new region elections will be held.

Secretary: Katherine Twining requested approval of the August 21, 2013 Capital City Corvette Club Board Meeting Minutes.

MOTION was made by Simon Reiffer and SUPPORTED by Mike Britz to approve the minutes. MOTION PASSED.

Treasurer: Mike Britz stated all bills are paid and up to date with the exception of the additional monies which need to be forwarded for regionals.

Points: Howard Hine was not in attendance.

Membership: Dave Pursel was not in attendance.

Editor: Gloria Reiffer reminded that articles for the newsletter are due by September 24.

Competition: Howard Parks has been looking at competition events for the upcoming year. It was suggested that Howard Parks, Craig Isanti and Mike Britz work together on new ideas, possible new location, etc. Suggestion was made to possibly increase fees slightly per driver to help offset rising costs.

Public Relations: Bob Maynard suggested holding the Blessing of the Vettes in August since June is typically a busy month with graduations, weddings, etc. He offered City Limits in Mason as a possible site for future car shows. Howard Parks also mentioned Miracle Field as a possible location for car shows. Brooks Park is in the Tri City area and businesses support Miracle Field.

Social: Janet Litrenta shared that Bingo at Tamarack is scheduled for November 9 and that a dinner will follow the Tamarack event. The Putmon bonfire and hayride is scheduled for Saturday, September 28 at 5:00. The Club's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 7 at the R Club from 1:00 to 4:30. Robert Ribar is working on a cruise in to Rookies for Sunday, October 6, at 1:30. The Capitol Quarter Midget Association "100 Lap" Charity Race will begin at 1:00, directly behind Rookies.

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.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer had no report.

Historian: Sue Keith was not in attendance.

ADJOURN:

MOTION was made Mike Britz and SUPPORTED by Dave Pursel to adjourn the meeting. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Twining
Secretary

BINGO!

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 9, 2013

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 aren’t 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!



**Location: Buddies Pub & Grill
2040 Aurelius Road, Holt
(Next door to Tamarack Apartments)**

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2013

Time: 4:30 p.m.

**RSVP to Janet Litrenta at 517.719.9699,
by email to janetmae45@comcast.net,
or sign up at a membership meeting.**



**Cruise over and meet us at Buddies in Holt!
Those working at Bingo can walk or drive over.**

C3 – 1969 to 1982

Pontiac almost beat Chevrolet to the Coke bottle design body, with their 1965 Banshee, a two seater convertible sports car that would have been hefty competition for the Corvette. GM stopped it, and then Pontiac president John DeLorean later became president of Chevrolet.

T-top does not refer to the shape of the roof, but rather it is short for Targa Top. The original design was a pure Targa but body flex demanded the center bar, discovered late in the design.

Due to policy changes in Chevrolet, Corvette was treated like all other car lines for the first time, and quality dropped drastically. With bad publicity in most magazines, policy was re-thought and Chevrolet quickly restored independence and quality to Corvette within a few months, but all 1968s carry the stigma of being "the worse quality" of all Corvettes.

All big block manifolds were redesigned to actually sink into the lifter valley as the hood clearance was less than in '67 and back. As such, a 1965 to 1967 big block intake manifold won't fit in a 1968 or newer Corvette with a stock hood and air cleaner.

The exception to the above was the L-88. It retained the high rise manifold and also received a special hood, which was externally different this time.

Emission control equipment was installed on the first 1968's in the fall of 1967 even though the federal law required it only as of January 1, 1968.

1968 was the first year AM/FM stereo was offered as an option.

1968-1972 the coupe's rear window was removable for more of a true convertible experience



The Sting Ray name was not used on the 1968 Corvette, but returned in 1969... Spelled Stingray.

Corvette had its first all-aluminum engine in 1969 as the ZL-1. It was not the first GM automobile to do so, beaten by the Corvair in 1960 and the Buick 215 V8.

In 1969, the ignition lock was moved from the dash to the steering column. It would remain there until 1997 when it was returned to the dash.

The LS7 engine option, which was never installed in the 1970 Corvette was \$3000.

No Corvettes were painted Black at the factory from 1970 to 1976.

The only outside difference between the 1971 and a 1972 Corvette is the appearance of the amber front turn signals and vertical chroming on the egg-crate grills both on the 1972 - that's it. Minor stuff most people miss.



1972 was the only year for Corvette "Big Block" engines in the 1968 to 1972 range to have no horse power sticker on the air cleaner lid.

"Pewter Silver" was only offered as an exterior color in 1972.

The 1970 - 1972 Corvettes were the last to feature chrome bumpers front and rear. In 1973, the front bumper changed to body-colored flexible plastic. In 1974 the rear bumper followed suit.

In 1973, aluminum wheels were again available as an option, but the same problem that plagued the 1963 aluminum wheels, the inability to hold air, kept these out of the hands of customers until 1976.

The rear view mirror in the 1974 Corvette was increased to a width of 10".

The last true dual exhaust was installed in 1974, after that, everything went through a catalytic converter.

1974 rear bumper was 2 pieces; 1975-1982 used a one piece unit.

The awesome 454ci engine was only offered for 5 years.. 1970, 71, 72, 73, and 1974.



Gymkhana Suspension was first introduced in the 1974 Corvette.

1974 was the last year the Corvette would be produced to run on "leaded" gasoline.

1975 first year for HEI distributor.

1975 was lowest production year for convertibles for those years that offered both convertibles and coupes.

1976 Corvette used the same steering wheel as a Chevrolet Vega for the "Sport Wheel" Option.



1977 last year for the notch back shark.

In 1977 crossed flags returned to the nose and sides of the Corvette.

1977 saw the redesign of the center console to accept standard Delco radios, the first year that Corvette didn't have a Corvette only radio.

The '78 Pace Car was "Black and Silver" was because it photographed well. Back then, most magazine articles and ads were still done in Black & White!

The body in 1978 was widened in the rear fender area. This was discovered by customizers when converting '78 and newer coupes to convertibles after the convertible production ended in 1975.

1979 Corvette's highest production year.

By Federal mandate, the 1980 Corvette was the first Corvette to have an 85 MPH speedometer.



1981 the first Corvette to use a computer.

The 1981 Corvette had two cooling fans to increase engine power.

In 1981, Corvettes were produced with two different types of paint. Lacquer was applied at the St. Louis plant, and enamel was applied at the new Bowling Green plant.



In 1982 fuel injection reappeared in the Corvette after a 17-year hiatus.

To be continued...

Vets 'n Vettes Rounds Out NCM Event Season

This year's Vets 'n Vettes event is slated for November 7-9, 2013 offering a number of military-themed activities plus **GM Corvette Assembly Plant Tours WILL BE OPEN!**



Thursday's focus is our American Warrior Recognition Program, including Corvette rides for the wounded warriors, a special luncheon, Museum tour & Plant tour and more.

That afternoon Brig. Gen. Dan Cherry (Ret.), former commander of the Air Force Thunderbirds, will be speaking about his experience in reconnecting with the pilot of the MiG-21 he shot down with his F-4D Phantom II during the Vietnam war.

On Friday a road tour is available for those wanting to visit Aviation Heritage Park and see Gen. Cherry's actual Phantom, along with a Grumman F9F-5 Panther, Lockheed T-33A Shooting Star and F-111 Aardvark. A trivia contest with prizes will round out the day.

Saturday is the hallmark event - the BG Veteran's Day Parade. Afterwards the local VFW will host our group for a luncheon followed by a free guided road tour, and the event concludes with a banquet.

Not Just Insurance

John and Sandra Bryant were excited to be a part of the Evolution Display at the National Corvette Museum as part of the 60th Anniversary of Corvette Celebration. They brought their 1961 to showcase, but enroute were in an accident on I-65. A friend of the Museum who saw the accident contacted Adam Boca of the NCM Insurance Agency, concerned that

they might be a customer. Though the Bryants were not our Insurance customers, Adam immediately left the Museum to check on them on behalf of the entire staff.

When Adam arrived on the scene, John and Sandra were definitely in need of help. "It was like he was sent as a safety net to help us,"

Sandra said. "We weren't even customers of the NCM Insurance Agency. He just was there out of the blue to help." She shared that Adam's presence on the scene is the main reason they then chose the NCM Insurance Agency to protect their new purchase - another 1961 Corvette.



"If he would do this for a stranger, we knew that taking out insurance with the NCM Insurance Agency was the right choice for our new purchase. We refer everyone we know to Adam and the Museum for coverage now," John said. "This is customer service over and above, and we weren't even customers - only enthusiasts who came to visit," he continued. "This speaks so much about the type of service that the agency and the Museum offers and how they will be there when you need them."

You can read the full story on the [NCM Insurance Agency website](#), as well as request an insurance quote. *(This accident happened at about the same time we were driving back to the motel from the NCM Museum during 2013 NCCC Convention.)*



Visit the National Corvette Museum Website to subscribe to the NCM eNEWS . Click on the word "Newsletter" in the menu on the top of the page.

If you don't wish to subscribe, you can view the archives, dating back to 2008. They post them about 2 weeks after the email goes out so it is better to subscribe if you wish to keep informed.

Christmas Lunch/Dinner Party!

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2013

Place: R-Club

Address: 6409 Centurion Dr. Lansing, MI 48917

Time: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. • Buffet at 2 p.m.

Cash Bar

Door prizes and games.

(Holiday Costume Contest) Wear something festive.

**This is a pre-paid event. Cost is \$25.00 per person
(including soft drinks, coffee & tea)**

Make checks payable to Capital City Corvette Club

RSVP by payment by Wednesday, November 20th

Mail to: Janet Litrenta, 2411 Rockdale Ave, Lansing, MI 48917



**Bob Maynard will be collecting for
The Greater Lansing Food Bank.**

**Please bring a donation of
non-perishable items, or monetary.**

Hosted By:

**Janet Litrenta and Julie Lasher
Email: janetmae45@comcast.net**

Janet: 517-719-9699 or

Julie: 810-360-7433



Capital City Corvette Club

Participation Points as of September 22, 2013



2	Austin Arunasalam	4	Sheila Day	35	Carlo Litrenta	10	Kathleen Schultz
10	David Averill	44	Art Doty*	41	Janet Litrenta	8	Brenda Shatkosky*
8	Ustrula Averill	44	Nancy Doty*		Lee MacGillivray	6	Richard Shatkosky*
2	Roy Bailey	1	Jennifer Everhart*	41	Bob Maynard	28	Barbara Sipka
0	Jim Balla*	0	Randy Gisse	10	Shalimar Maynard	28	Thomas Sipka
	Scott Bauries	2	Vidal Gonzalez	13	Chuck Miller	0	David Sowders
0	Dana Beaman	0	Abhi Gunasaingam	16	Diana Mosher	0	Fran Sowders
0	Kim Beaman	9	Jeanne Harris	13	Barb Musselman	4	Loretta Spinrad
73	Sandy Bechtel	13	Ward Harris	17	Steve Musselman	5	Steve Spinrad
22	Mary Blackwood	32	Howard Hein	4	George Nelson	4	Alex Spitzley
23	Tim Blackwood		Jim Hoppin	32	Dominique Palacio	4	Joan Spitzley
16	James Boettcher	32	Angela Hyde	32	Jerry Palacio	1	Janet Sprague
12	Mara Boettcher	60	Craig Iansiti	35	Diana Parks	5	Michael Sprague
27	Colleen Bratschi	58	Janet Iansiti	73	Howard Parks	35	Ralph Swan
31	Rich Bratschi		Dick Iding	13	Joe Platte	35	Susan Swan
5	Connie Britz	25	Laura Kazmer	25	Ed Politza	13	Connie Taylor
37	Mike Britz	32	Wayne Kazmer	26	Suzanne Politza	15	Tom Taylor
24	NancyLee Buck	60	Kim Keith	35	David Pursel	7	Joseph Thomas*
26	Randy Buck	65	Sue Keith	16	Kathryn Pursel	34	Harold Twining
21	Chris Burke	4	Laurie Ketcik	27	Carol Putmon	41	Katherine Twining
71	Terry Burke	2	Fred Koos	25	Randy Putmon	16	Sue VanAtta-Wight
11	Dennis Burt	29	Sheila Lansing	109	Gloria Reiffer	40	Jerry Wardell
5	Sandy Burt	54	Julie Lasher	105	Simon Reiffer	26	Sally Wardell
13	Dave Cripe*	57	Ted Lasher	77	Robert Ribar	24	Larry Wight
8	Pat Cripe	12	Ellie Lickfeldt	42	Milton Scales	9	Gerry Wyma
6	Darwin Day	29	Patrick Lickfeldt	16	Herb Schultz	6	Kathy Wyma

Current 2013 Top Ten

109	Gloria Reiffer	73	Sandy Bechtel	65	Sue Keith	58	Janet Iansiti
105	Simon Reiffer	73	Howard Parks	60	Craig Iansiti		
77	Robert Ribar	71	Terry Burke	60	Kim Keith		104 Members



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