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Quick Hits from the Editor ~

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

February 6 - 7:00 p.m.

Richard's Restaurant, Lansing

Everyone is encouraged to attend!

MYSTERY DINNER

February 23 - 5:30 p.m.

Meet at Dunham's parking lot,

3301 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing

REGION BANQUET

March 2 - 6:30 p.m.

Doubletree Hotel, Novi

Hosted by America's Corvette Club

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to you, please let me know.**

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Thanks, Cindy

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From the President . . .

Greetings

Winter seems to be going by fast! We almost had some Corvette weather at the end of January. Anyway, it won't be too long before we get the Vettes out of their winter hibernation to tear up the race tracks and roadways.

A big **Thank You** goes out to Loretta and Angie for organizing the Awards Banquet at Mountain Jack's. This year the Top 11 received beautiful club jackets. They were great reward for a year's worth of participation in Club events.

A special presentation at the banquet this year went to Steve and Loretta Spinrad. They each received a nice plaque acknowledging their commitment and dedication. Loretta also received a gold necklace and bracelet set, and Steve received a gift certificate to a local restaurant. Thank you both for all that you have done for the Club over the years. I can't imagine where we would be without your efforts. I hope both of you will continue to be active and involved members.

Many interesting and diverse events are being planned to keep you busy this year. Jeff and Evelyn **will be hosting a Mystery Dinner** in February, and Simon and Gloria will be hosting a dominos party in March. It sounds like a great way to get together while the cars are still in storage. Rich and Colleen are planning a weekend getaway to Traverse City early June. I'm sure we'll all be looking forward to that.

We will be once again hosting autocross events at Spartan Speedway on July 27th and 28th with the Huron Valley Club. We will need all the help we can get so please mark your calendars. We'll also be hosting the 2nd annual Horsepower at the Zoo car show.

We're hoping to hold that event on August 18th but the details have yet to be confirmed.

Other probable events include a bowling challenge and putting golf with the Jackson Corvette Club, volunteering to work the phone banks at the WKAR TV-23 auction, a trip the horse races and/or casino, and more Mystery Dinners. Be sure to contact Gloria if you have any other ideas for fun social events you think the members would be interested in.

Be sure to watch the newsletter for flyers **about** all of our events.

We are looking for someone to chair the **rallies** that we have scheduled for **September 28th**. Contact me if you are **interested**. I would also like to see the Club **participate** in several local parades this year. It's a **great** way become more well-known and **enjoy** your car at the same time. Who knows, you might inspire some youngster to someday one his or her own Corvette!

On another note: The Board of Directors will try to meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Rich has kindly secured a meeting room at the Service Station Dealers Association office located at 611 S. Capital Avenue in Lansing. As noted in the **Club Bylaws** the Board Meeting is open to the General Membership for observation not participation. The Board meetings are where some of the more mundane details of the Clubs operations are worked out prior to presentation at the General Membership Meetings.

See you at Richards Restaurant on Wednesday, February 6th at 7:00 p.m.



Phil Hanses

Public Relations . . .

It's been a busy few weeks since our new club website went live in January. The new site is located at www.capitalcitycorvetteclub.org. We have contacted about 50 Corvette websites and provided our new web address to them. So far 14 have linked back to us.

I contacted Holt Community News and asked them to run our club meeting information on their Community Calendar. In the spring we will place an ad in the Lansing State Journal to help stir up interest in the club. We have obtained members from this type of ad in the past, so the Board thought it would be a good idea to continue.

A new membership brochure was developed and approved by the Board. Greg and I will begin visiting car dealerships in the next few weeks to ask them to place brochures in each of their Corvettes. The salesmen at Holt Auto Sales and Bud Kouts Chevrolet sounded very positive when I approached them with this idea.

I want to promote the club in a positive light and need your help. If you have ideas or suggestions that you feel would help along this line, please contact me with them.

Simon Reiffer

Social Happenings . . .

Since joining CCCC, I have thought of Phil Zeller as "Mr. Social." What a guy!!! It is going to be very hard to follow in his footsteps, but I will try to give it a shot this year. Thank you for all of your hard work over the years, Phil. You did a great job keeping us motivated.

2002 is off to a great start, thanks to Loretta and Angie. The CCCC Awards Banquet was held January 26 at Mountain Jack's. Everyone attending received a great door prize, and top point achievers received a jacket. Thank you for coordinating this event. It was great!

February 23 brings a Mystery Dinner hosted by Jeff and Evelyn. We will meet at Dunham's parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and follow them to an undisclosed location for dinner. (See flyer.)

The Michigan Region Awards Banquet will be held in Novi on March 2. Call us at 517-646-2180 if you'd like to carpool. We have an 8-passenger van and usually stay until about 10:30-11:00.

Join us March 23 for a Mexican Train dominoes night beginning at 6:30 p.m. Mexican Train is a fun game that you can pick up in about 5 minutes. We will switch tables a couple of times so you have the opportunity to meet new people. If you keep in contact with former members, bring them along. (See flyer.)

We are currently putting together a page on the website to display pictures of members' cars. If your Corvette isn't already posted, please provide me with a picture. If you have a digital picture, you can email it to me at cccc@michcom.net. If your picture is already posted, check the pop-up text to see that the correct information is listed. (I did some guesswork.)

Gloria Reiffer

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB 2002 POINTS STANDINGS

Through 1/27/02

PARTICIPATION POINTS

Evelyn Aronson	2	Art Doty	2	James Simmons	
Jay Atchinson		Nancy Doty	2	Vicki Simmons	
Kenalee Atchinson		Cindy Hanses	32	Janyce Shepler	
Colleen Bratschi	32	Phil Hanses	52	John Shepler	
Rich Bratschi	32	Greg Kapp	22	Bill Smejkal	
Mike Britz		Jeff McQuade	32	Loretta Spinrad	10
Connie Britz		Steve Pavlik		Steve Spinrad	12
Dave Cripe		Joe Platte		Angie Zeller	10
Ken David		Gloria Reiffer	32	Phil Zeller	10
		Simon Reiffer	32		

TOP TEN PARTICIPATION POINTS

1. Phil Hanses	52	2. Simon Reiffer	32
2. Colleen Bratschi	32	8. Greg Kapp	22
2. Rich Bratschi	32	9. Steve Spinrad	12
2. Cindy Hanses	32	10. Loretta Spinrad	10
2. Jeff McQuade	32	10. Angie Zeller	10
2. Gloria Reiffer	32	10. Phil Zeller	10

Note: All points are included through 1/27/02.

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
01/02/02

Phil Hanses, our new president, opened the meeting by welcoming the new officers and thanking the past officers for all their hard work.

SECRETARY: Rich Bratschi, our new secretary, had no report for this meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Simon Reiffer, our new public relations director, reported that he had reserved Richard's Restaurant for the monthly meeting place through March of 2002 and would reserve it for the rest of the year if the club approved. The club approved it. Simon asked who to contact at Holt Auto since they have been a key supporter of the club.

MEMBERSHIP: Our new membership director, Greg Kapp, reported that he would be putting an ad together to place in the Lansing State Journal and the local community papers to attract new members. Greg suggested it should run in the early spring. He also planned to solicit the Chevy dealerships to have the brochure placed in the new Corvettes.

SOCIAL: Gloria Reiffer, our new social director, reminded us of the Awards Banquet on January 26 at 7:00 p.m. The dinner will be at Mountain Jacks on west Saginaw, and we should call Angie Zeller to make a reservation. She also reminded us of the Region Banquet on March 2. The registration form is in the Newsletter. Gloria has also taken on the task of webmaster. She showed us the new website design, and we voted on a name for the web site (www.capitalcitycorvetteclub.org). The club also approved funds to support the new web site for one year.

POINTS: Jeff McQuade, our new points director, had no report, but said he would keep us posted on a monthly basis as soon as he got all of the information.

Jeff also volunteered to host a mystery dinner on February 23 - time and place to meet will be announced at the next meeting.

TREASURER: Colleen Bratschi gave a financial report and was directed to investigate possibilities of a new checking account to avoid charges. She will check with the current bank and two others. Colleen also expressed concerns of the lack of officers that are able to sign checks. She suggested we might want to appoint some more officers to be able to sign.

EDITOR: Cindy Hanses, Editor, is hoping to decide on a new newsletter cover and also had everyone sign up who would like to have their newsletter e-mailed to them.

PRESIDENT: Phil shared his goals for the club this year. In summary, they were to increase membership, continue to host the events we have in the past, especially the Spartan Speedway Low Speed event, since that has been our number one money maker, and also the Potter Park Zoo Car Show. He also wanted to have more events that were more social and catered to what the present membership wanted.

OLD BUSINESS: The date for Spartan Speedway event had to be moved to June 29 and 30.

NEW BUSINESS: We need to set a date for the Potter Park Car Show. A committee will be picked next meeting to get it started. A trip to Traverse City in the spring was discussed, and Rich Bratschi volunteered to host it. Phil asked for ideas for meetings i.e.: speakers, videos, events. He also wanted a day set each month for a social event. Only February's social event was set at this time.

The January Board Meeting will be Tuesday, January 22 , 7:00 p.m. at Richard's.

Meeting was adjourned.

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
01/22/02

SECRETARY: No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Simon had taken some of the new brochures to Bud Kouts to have them give to new Corvette owners. Simon also said that Bud Kouts would be interested in placing an ad in our newsletter. He also planned to visit the rest of the Chevy Dealers in the area and to see Steve Hanks at Holt Auto.

MEMBERSHIP: Greg has written a letter to send out to past members to invite them back. He will also follow up with telephone calls. He asked if we could send out the newsletter to past members once or twice this spring.

SOCIAL: Cindy showed us the gift for Loretta that she will get at the awards Banquet. The next Mystery Dinner will be Feb. 23rd. Simon and Gloria offered to car pool to the Region Banquet. March 23rd will be a social night at Simon and Gloria's. The Club will participate in the WKAR Auction on April 20th or 27th.

POINTS DIRECTOR: No report. The Excel file will be delivered at the Banquet.

TREASURER: Colleen gave a financial report. She also let us know that she had investigated with several new banks and our current one to change our checking account to get a no-fee account and earn some interest. Her recommendation was that we switch banks. The board agreed, and a motion was made and passed to change to her selected bank unless Colleen found a better deal before the next general meeting. Phil also appointed Simon to be another signer on the account.

EDITOR: Cindy needs any newsletter ads or any articles by Sunday the 27th. We also discussed the fee schedule for ads in the newsletter. We agreed on \$500 for a whole page, \$250 for a half page, and \$35 for a business card ad for one year.

COMPETITION: The low speed event at Spartan Speedway will have to be moved to June 22 and 23. Phil will contact the people at Spartan to see if this can be done. We need chair persons for rallies this year. We will have a car show / open house at Holt Auto at the end of April or beginning of May depending on Holt Auto's schedule. We will have the car show at the Zoo again on August 18 with alternate dates of September 8 or 15 depending on the Zoo's schedule. Phil will make the necessary contacts.

GOVERNOR: No report.

PRESIDENT: The Club trip to the Traverse City area is planned to be a weekend in June. We will leave on a Friday and return on Sunday. The next board meeting will be at Simon and Gloria's on February 19th at 7:00 pm. We agreed to have the board meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. We would like to meet at place where we are not obligated to buy a meal. Several board members offered to look for a place.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Phil is looking into having T-shirts made to give to new members. Greg also suggested that we put together a package to give to new members and will work on what we should put in it

Meeting was adjourned.

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CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Tentative Calendar of Events

2002

February

- 6 General Membership Meeting
- 18 Board Meeting
- 19 Region Meeting
- 23 Mystery Dinner
- 23 Governors Meeting

March

- 2 Region Banquet
- 6 General Membership Meeting
- 19 Board Meeting
- 23 Mexican Train Night

April

- 3 General Membership Meeting
- 16 Board Meeting
- 27? WKAR TV-23 Auction

May

- 1 Meeting or Social Event
- 4 Governors Meeting
- 18 FCC Car Show
- 19 BCCC Car Show
- 21 Board Meeting
- 27 JCC Car Show
- 27 BCCC Memorial Day Parade

June

- 2 KCC Low Speeds and MTT
- 5 General Membership Meeting
- 15 GVCC Low Speeds and MTT
- 16 Lakeshore Car Show
- 18 Board Meeting

July

- 3 Meeting or Social Event
- 6-12 NCCC Convention

- 20 FCC Low Speeds
- 21 FCC Low Speeds
- 27 CCCC/HVCC Low Speeds
- 28 CCCC/HVCC Low Speeds

August

- 3 NOCC Car Show
- 4 JCC Low Speeds & MTTs
- 7 General Membership Meeting
- 10 SCC Low Speeds & MTT
- 11 SCC Low Speeds & MTTs
- 17 MAG Low Speeds & MTT
- 18 CCSWM/MAG Low Speeds
- 24 NOCC Progressive Dinner Rallye
- 25 NOCC Low Speeds
- 24-25 Corvette Crossroads

September

- 4 General Membership Meeting
- 8 KCC Low Speeds & MTT
- 14 Governors Meeting
- 22 CCM Rallyes
- 28 CCCC Rallyes
- 29 JCC Rallyes

October

- 2 General Membership Meeting
- 5 GLCC Rallyes
- 6 KCC Rallye
- 13 FCC Rallye

November

- 6 General Membership Meeting
- 9 Governors Meeting

December

- 4 Holiday Dinner

**Join Us For A
Mystery Dinner**

February 23, 2002

5:30 P.M.

**Meet at Dunham's Parking Lot at
3301 E. Michigan Ave. Lansing**

RSVP

Jeff/Evelyn

517-541-1951

by

February 18, 2002

America's Corvette Club

Cordially invites you to attend the
Michigan Region of Corvette Clubs
Awards & Dinner Banquet
Saturday, March 2, 2001

Doubletree Hotel – Novi, Michigan
I-96 Exit #162 (Novi Rd.) the first exit West of I-275
(248) 348-3000

Hospitality Suite 4-6:30 PM
Dinner 6:30 PM
Awards follow dinner
Entertainment provided by a DJ for listening and dancing
Door Prizes and a 50/50 Raffle

Banquet Cost: \$ 35.00 per person RSVP by February 15, 2002
Doubletree room rate: \$79.00 (Special rate – request N.C.C.C. blocked rooms)

America's Corvette Club will be glad to greet you in the Spruce Room at 4 PM. After sharing Corvette stories and good times, we will move to the Willow Room for a dinner, door prizes, a 50/50 Raffle, and music for listening and dancing.

A block of 10 rooms is being held until February 9, 2002. Hotel Reservations can be made through the Novi Doubletree at 248-348-5000. Please request the N.C.C.C. Rooms to receive the \$79.00 rate.

Each Michigan Region Corvette Club is invited to donate a door prize towards the evening's festivities.

Please indicate your dinner preference, your personal information, and mail the lower portion of this form with your check payable to: *America's Corvette Club*, 55524 Theo Dr, Shelby Twp, MI 48315. More information: Pam Dansbury 586-781-5378, or email: dansbury@globalbiz.net

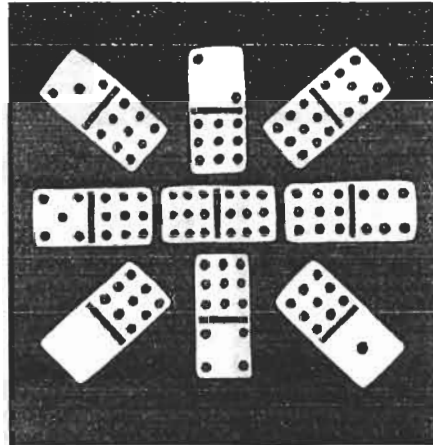
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NAME _____	_____	_____
NAME _____	_____	_____
Email or Phone (if we need to contact you) _____		
Club Affiliation _____		

Mexican Train Night

When? Saturday, March 23 starting at 6:30

Where? Simon & Gloria Reiffer's
832 Creyts Road
Dimondale, MI

RSVP: Please call 517-646-2180 to let us know if you can make it.



Mexican Train is a fun and easy dominoes game that you can learn as you play. If you can't make it at 6:30, don't let that stop you from coming. You can join in at the end of any round. There are 6 - 8 players per table. We change tables a few times during the evening so that you have a chance to become better acquainted with everyone.

We would love to see some of our former members again. If you keep in touch with any of them, please invite them along. We could use extra dominoes, card tables, and folding chairs to set up a third table if needed.

If you would like to bring a snack or non-alcoholic beverage to share, it would be appreciated. If you don't have time, don't worry about it. There always seems to be more than enough.

We live at 832 Creyts Road. Our home is about 1/3 mile south of Bishop Road, and is across from the village limits sign. Look for an "L" shaped blue ranch with white trim on the east side of the road. If the driveway is full, park on Russell Street, two houses to the south.

Warning - Pay close attention to addresses. We have the first village address. The house numbers jump from 6221 to 832 at our house.

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