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Quick Hits from the Editor ~

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 2 - 7:00 p.m.

The Point After

3025 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
(Logan Street), Lansing

WKAR AUCTION

April 5 - 5:30

Communication Arts Building

MYSTERY DINNER

April 12 - 5:00

starting at Lansing Outlet Mall

POTTER PARK ZOO TOUR

April 27 - 3:00

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From the President . . .

As the temperature begins to rise, we are beginning our busiest time of year as a club. Our members put on many events each year for the enjoyment of their fellow members. Some of these events require only a few hours thought and planning and can easily be organized by one person. Others require much more work and is best accomplished by many people working together.

At last month's meeting, I attempted to form a committee to organize and plan the car show at Potter Park Zoo with no success. Last year I and a few others devoted a great deal of time in planning and promoting the show. As you know, I will have far less time to devote to club activities this year. My goal is to get as many people involved in organizing and planning our major events as I can. I believe it will benefit the club in the future by having many people who have experience in this area, rather than just a few. If you share my belief and are willing to get involved, please let me know.

If you attended the Potter Park Zoo car show last year, you probably didn't get a chance to take advantage of the free pass to the Zoo because you were busy working. Because of this, Jeff McQuade has been working with Carol Webster at the Zoo to allow our members to tour the Zoo as a group on Sunday, April 27th. We will meet at the Zoo no later than 3:15. Your children and grandchildren are invited to this free event. Jeff will have more information and a sign-up sheet at

the April 2nd meeting. If you are unable to make it to the meeting, be sure to contact Jeff by April 15th so he has an accurate count of the number attending.

As you probably know, some good friends of our club and the Michigan Region, Ray and Sharon Meesseman, were involved in a serious car accident on February 9th. They have been a great deal of help to me as I muddled through my first year as President, and previously as Governor. They have supported our club by attending our low speed autocross events each year. At the March meeting I asked that we donate the club proceeds from the 50/50 raffle to Ray and Sharon. Our members responded like never before, and we were able to write a check for over \$100 to the Meessemans. Thank you for all of your support.

Ray was released from the hospital three days after the accident while Sharon remained and was in a coma. While writing this article I received the great news that Sharon was out of the coma and is breathing normally! I'm sure she still has a long road to recovery, but things are certainly looking up. Thanks again for generously supporting last month's 50/50 raffle.

See you on April 2nd. Don't forget - our new meeting location is at the Point After.



Phil Hanses

Social Update

March came in like a lion, and hopefully it will go out like a lamb so we can get our cars out of storage!

Again, thanks to Dave and Pat Cripe for hosting the February Mystery Dinner. Great job!

We had a wonderful turn-out for the seniors at Tamarack Apartments. They love to play Bingo! Randy and Carol Putmon were the first ones there, and the room was already filled or had seats reserved for their friends. It sure is a blessing to be able to share our time with them. The residents there look forward to us coming and the ice cream social afterwards. Carol Armstrong made such a wonderful pumpkin dessert that some of the lady residents wanted her recipe. Thanks to Jeff and Evelyn for organizing that event.

Even with the 65 degree Sunday afternoon, we had a great turn-out with the bowling. Jackson Corvette Club showed up with about 15 people, and we had around 20. Not everyone bowled, but we had enough for 5 teams. It was a nice time to share and visit with the other club's members and get to know them. So now when we see them at shows or other events, we will see more familiar faces.

Coming up in April is another chance at a Mystery Dinner, with Trini Dixon as the host. Gloria is organizing our day at the WKAR Auction on April 5th. She has all the upcoming events on the website, so make sure to keep yourself updated on activities if you're not able to attend the meetings.

Happy Spring!!

Janet Johnston

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CCCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
3/5/03

SECRETARY: Copy of the February general membership meeting minutes and board meeting minutes are in the newsletter.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: 50/50 raffle proceeds tonight will be donated to the Meessemans to help with medical expenses. As an added incentive, Gloria has created a CD containing a majority of last year's club pictures. Anyone purchasing \$10 or more in raffle tickets will receive one.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership is now at 82, (42 are master members, 28 are associate). Of the 82, 70 are adult & 12 FCOA. Jeff will be ordering 50th anniversary posters; anyone interested can add to his order and save postage. He discussed some of the historical plate changes, specifically H.B. 4007 which reduces catastrophic insurance rates by up to \$74.15 per policy. Friday night a group will be going to dinner at Willowood. Anyone interested in joining them, meet in Portland.

SOCIAL: Bingo this Saturday at Tamarack. Please bring cookies, brownies, and/or prize donations if possible. Bowling scheduled in Mason on 3/16 at 2:30, dinner to follow at Darb's. Gloria is circulating a sign-up sheet for WKAR volunteers. She will be hosting coffee & dessert following the auction. Mystery dinner hosted by Trini scheduled for 4/12. Dave & Diana Kuempel will be hosting a BBQ following the Charlton Park show in May. Those that will be attending Corvette Crossroads this year, call the Chippewa Hotel ASAP for reservations. Thanks to Dave & Pat for the great mystery dinner last week.

POINTS: See newsletter or web site for up-to-date standings

TREASURER: All accounts are balanced, and payables were approved to be paid. A \$25 Mobile gas card was donated for the Region Banquet. We have a new advertiser, ART VAN (Gloria noted anybody who places an ad in the newsletter will also have their ad appear on the web site).

TREASURER: Deadline for April newsletter is March 25th.

COMPETITION: Volunteer chairpersons for the low speed events are Pete Walker, Gary Brothers, Phil Hanses, Rich Bratschi, and Don Armstrong. Rich made a motion, seconded by Jeff, this year's event costs for the Pres Kool show will be \$15 for show only, \$10 Rallye only, \$20 for both. Motion approved.

GOVERNOR: Don attended his first Governors Meeting in St. Louis. Many changes, primarily effecting those involved in the racing competitions. He will be receiving a revised copy with these amendments, for anyone interested.

PRESIDENT: In need of a chairperson(s) for Horsepower at the Zoo and committee volunteers; sign up sheet will be circulating. Gloria raised objection to the proposed increased number of trophies due to the added expense for a fund raiser. Colleen provided last year's expense/income ratio. Others felt the additional trophies would increase overall participation. It was agreed, if needed, to discuss further at the next board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Jeff will hopefully be approving the final draft tomorrow for club decals. In regards to Bingo, anyone with donations but unable to attend, see Simon for pickup arrangements. If you've not yet submitted application for participation in the Michigan Parade, forms are still available.

NEW BUSINESS: Gary Brothers offered a \$100 donation to the club for any referral/transaction he receives from a member. Raffle ticket was drawn and tonight's winner was.....Gary Brothers!

Adjourned

CCCC BOARD MEETING MINUTES
3/19/03

SECRETARY: No report

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Simon presented a chart from our webmaster indicating number of website hits totaling 10,176 from 1/02 - 3/03. This Jan '03 = 1,090 hits alone, so the website is definitely very positive for the club.

MEMBERSHIP: No change, membership total still at 82

SOCIAL: Gloria has completed plans for WKAR auction. Still in final progress are the Mystery Dinner hosted by Trini in April, Charlton Park show followed by a BBQ at Dave and Diana Kuempel's, and Rich's plans for weekend getaway in May. Don and Carol Armstrong proposed a color tour for October 11th, board approved. Janet reported the Bowling and Bingo went extremely well and were both well attended.

POINTS: absent

TREASURER: All accounts were balanced. Governors expenses from St. Louis meeting were approved by the board.

EDITOR: April newsletter deadline is March 25th

COMPETITION: Will be scheduling a meeting with Pres Kool regarding final show and trophy plans. Bob Maynard will give up-to-date report at general membership meeting. Flyer has been printed and submitted. Also, Rich has now received the necessary insurance policy for the low speed event scheduled in June.

GOVERNOR: Circulated copy of minutes received from the St. Louis meeting. He has applications for 50th Anniversary People's Choice award if anyone is interested. Competition number applications are now available; see Rich for info

PRESIDENT: Still in need of a chairperson for the Zoo event. Will request a volunteer at the next general membership meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Charlton Park and the Getaway Weekend need to be placed on the calendar / web page.

NEW BUSINESS: Phil has been pursuing options regarding the copy machine lease which expires in August. Will continue to gather info, pricing, etc. for further discussion.

Adjourned

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB 2003 POINTS STANDINGS

Through 3/26/03

PARTICIPATION POINTS

Carol Armstrong	4	Art Doty	3	Carol Putmon	3
Don Armstrong	9	Nancy Doty	3	Randy Putmon	3
Evelyn Aronson	6	Randy Gisse	1	Gloria Reiffer	9
Jay Atchinson	0	Cindy Hanses	10	Simon Reiffer	11
Kenalee Atchinson	0	Phil Hanses	10	Robert Ribar	1
Laurie Backus	2	Joy Hardman	1	Steve Sage	1
Kurt Bancroft	1	Steve Hitchcock	1	Gregory Shannon	0
John Bechtel	3	Tammie Hitchcock	1	Janyce Shepler	0
Sandy Bechtel	3	Brad Hutton	2	John Shepler	0
Melissa Bernier	1	Carrie Hutton	2	James Simmons	2
Colleen Bratschi	8	Don Johnston	12	Vicki Simmons	0
Rich Bratschi	9	Janet Johnston	10	Bill Smejkal	2
Connie Britz	2	Greg Kapp	5	Linda Smith	2
Mike Britz	2	David Kuempel	7	Rick Smith	2
Gary Brothers	3	Diana Kuempel	6	Loretta Spinrad	0
Pam Candy	2	Margaret Lewis	1	Steve Spinrad	0
Maurice Cartier	0	Mark Lewis	3	Brenda Strobel	1
Dave Cripe	4	Bob Maynard	7	Gordon Terwilliger	6
Ken David	0	Shalimar Maynard	10	Margaret Terwilliger	6
Charlie DeYoung	0	Jeff McQuade	10	Gary Thompson	2
Patti DeYoung	0	Steve Pavlik	0	Pam Thompson	2
Karl Dickert	2	Joe Platte	1	Ann Underwood	0
Trini Dixon	3	Pam Platte	3	MarLou Walker	0
				Peter Walker	1

TOP TEN PARTICIPATION POINTS

1. Don Johnston	12	3. Jeff McQuade	10
2. Simon Reiffer	11	3. Janet Johnston	10
3. Cindy Hanses	10	8. Don Armstrong	9
3. Phil Hanses	10	8. Rich Bratschi	9
3. Shalimar Maynard	10	8. Gloria Reiffer	9

Meet Bob & Shalimar Maynard

They have been married for 17 years with one 'kept' husband, 4 grown children, 1 spoiled dog, and 1 brat cat. Bob has been with Prudential Financial / Pruco Securities for the last 12 years. Shalimar is General Manager / VP of Massman Trucking, Inc. Bob's true love (after his dog and wife) is M.S.U. sports, all kinds of racing, and golf. Shal enjoys gardening, shopping for 'stuff,' and of course, the Corvette Club.

We bought our very first Corvette two years ago, a 1990 Turquoise Coupe. We heard that there was a buckskin Corvette with an owner named "Bucky" who belonged to a club called C.C.C.C. We also heard they like to have fun and stopped to eat....often. We were so intrigued that we couldn't resist the opportunity to join such a great club. We have found the fellowship and activities in the C.C.C.C. a truly enjoyable experience and have shared that thought with many others (Bob also notes we own a "bad to the bone" frame off restoration, bright red, 1966 Chevelle).

Bob is a board member of L. A. I. F. A. Shalimar is a member of Zonta, M.A.B.A., M.S.U. Master Gardener, Co-Chair Lansing N.A.W.B.O., and board member of the Michigan N.S.R.M.C.A.

They joined the Club in June of 2002. Shalimar agreed to run for and was elected Secretary of the Club for the year 2003. Also, Bob and Shalimar are chairing their first event, our Corvette show in May.

Bob and Shalimar are a great addition to the club!

Capital City Corvette Club

Hearts & Flowers

1. Purpose is to acknowledge an illness, loss, marriage, birth, or special anniversary/birthday. (25th, 50th, etc.).
2. A card will be sent for: immediate family, (children, spouse / mate, parents, brother/sister, i.e. illness or loss.)
3. A card and \$10.00 donation will be sent for: members (loss, marriage, birth.) **Donation to:** National Kidney Foundation / Charity designated by NCCC, or family designated Charity.

Adopted on February 19, 2003 by the Capital City Corvette Clubs Board of Directors.

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

April 2003

1 HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
RANDY
PUTMON! ☺

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
GREG ☺
SHANNON!

2 GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP
MEETING ☺

HAPPY ☺
BIRTHDAY
NANCY DOTY!

3

4

HAPPY ☺
BIRTHDAY
SHALIMAR
MAYNARD!

5

WKAR ★
AUCTION

6

DAYLIGHT
SAVINGS
TIME

7

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
JAY ☺
ATCHINSON!

8

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
BRAD ☺
HUTTON!

9

HAPPY 50th
BIRTHDAY
COLLEEN ☺
BRATSCI!

10

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
VICKI ☺
SIMMONS!

11

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
BRENDA ☺
STROBEL!

12

MYSTERY
DINNER ☺

13

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
SIMON ☺
KEIFFER!

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY ☺
MARK LEWIS!

14

15

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BOARD ☺
MEETING

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GOOD
FRIDAY

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EASTER

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POTTER
PARK ZOO
TOUR ✓

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REGION ☺
MEETING

30

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
Tentative Calendar of Events
2003

April

2 ***General Membership Meeting**
5 ***WKAR TV-23 Auction**
12 ***Mystery Dinner**
16 ***Board Meeting**
27 **+Potter Park Zoo Tour**
29 Region Meeting

May

3 Governors Meeting
7 ***General Membership Meeting**
10 ***CCCC Car Show & 1 Rallye**
17 FCC Car Show
18 BCCC Car Show @ Charlton Park and
 BBQ following
21 ***Board Meeting**
26 BCCC Memorial Day Parade
30-6/1 ***Getaway Weekend**

June

1 KCC Speed Events
4 ***General Membership Meeting**
7 CCSWM Speed Events
8 MAG Speed Events
14 GVCC Speed Events
15 CCM Speed Events
18 ***Board Meeting**
21 ***CCCC Low Speeds**
22 SCC Low Speeds
27-29 Corvette 50th Anniv. Celebration

July

2 ***General Membership Meeting**
12 JCC Car Show
16 ***Mini-Golf & Board Meeting**
19-20 FCC Speed Events

August

3 JCC Speed Events
5 Region Meeting
6 ***General Membership Meeting**
? ***Board Meeting**
15-21 NCCC Convention
22-24 Corvettes at Carlisle
22-24 Corvette Crossroads

September

3 ***General Membership Meeting**
7 SCC Rallyes (2)
9 Region Meeting
13 Governors Meeting
14 ***Horsepower at the Zoo Car Show**
17 ***Board Meeting**
21 KCC Speed Events
28 JCC Rallyes (2)

October

1 ***General Membership Meeting**
5 KCC Rallyes
11 ***Color Tour**
11 FCC Rallye
12 GLCC Rallyes (4)
15 ***Board Meeting**
19 CCM Rallye

November

4 Region Meeting
5 ***General Membership Meeting**
8 Governors Meeting
19 ***Board Meeting**

December

3 ***Holiday Dinner**

*** CCCC Events**

+ CCCC Events not eligible for points

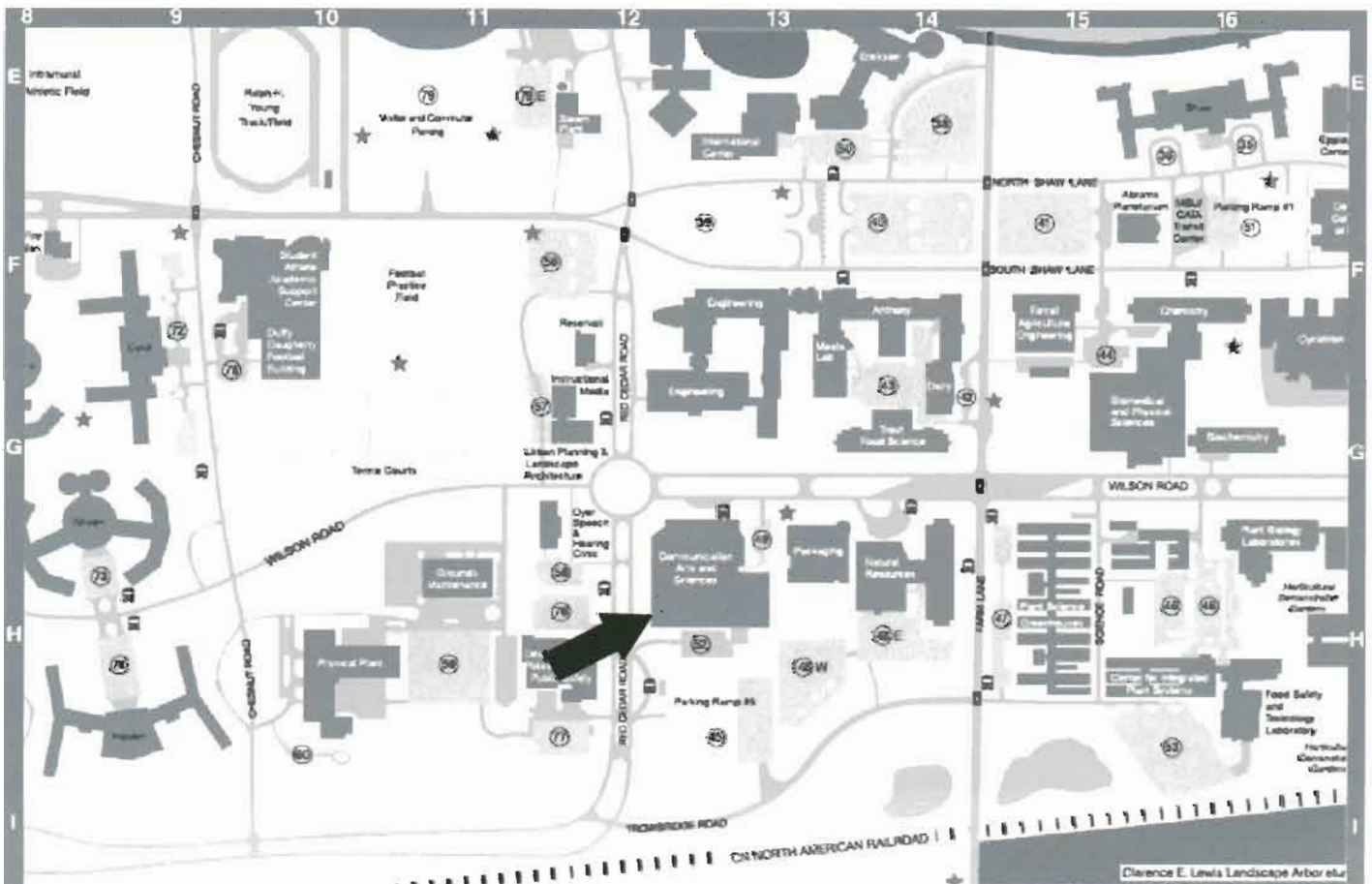
WKAR AUCTION

Join fellow CCCC and JCC members in manning the phone bank at the WKAR Auction on Saturday, April 5. You will need to arrive at the Communication Arts Building at 5:30 for training. Dinner is available for \$4.00 per person during our shift.

Everyone is invited to Simon & Gloria's for coffee and dessert after our shift ends at 8:45. Please contact Gloria at 517.646.2180, or cccc@michcom.net, if you would like to join us for this fun event!



We will provide directions from MSU to our house on the night of the event.



April Mystery Dinner

April 12th

Caravan will leave
Lansing Outlet Mall @
5:00pm

Euchre Tournament Following Dinner
(other games for the ones that don't
want to play Euchre)

Look forward to another fun night
with the
Capital City Corvette Club!!!



Host: Trini Dixon

Contact: Trini Dixon or
Janet Johnston

517-649-8590 TRINI

CORVETTE SHOW

AT PRES KOOL CHEVROLET

SANCTION #: MI-003-022

TYPE OF EVENT: Peoples Choice Car Show

DATE: Saturday, May 10, 2003

CLUB: Capital City Corvette Club

REGISTRATION:

REGION: Michigan

OPENS 9:00 A.M. CLOSSES 12:00 P.M.

ENTRY FEE: \$15/car

(\$20 for both car show and rallye)

JUDGING:

STARTS 10:00 A.M. ENDS 1:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Pres Kool Chevrolet
1748 W. Grand River
Okemos, Michigan



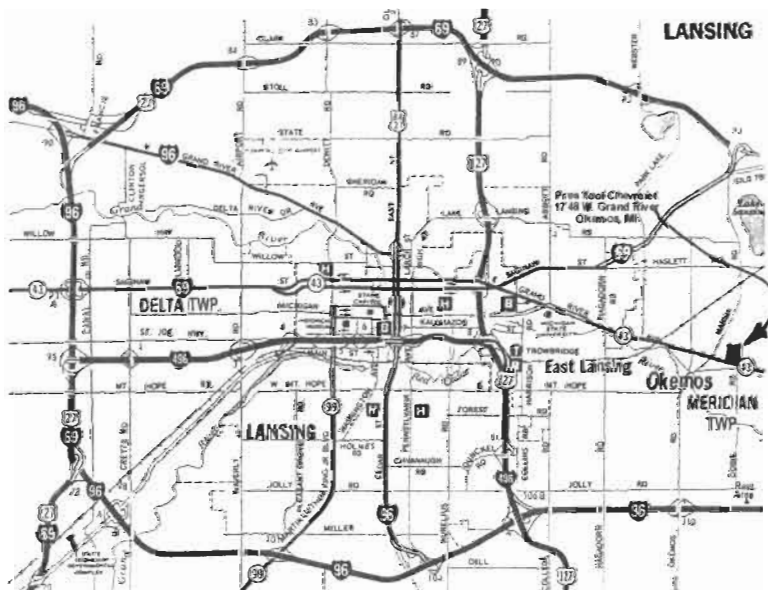
MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION:

Corvettes Only - Open to the Public

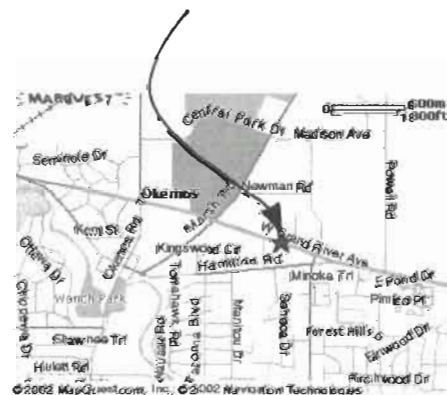
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NOTE: A ROAD RALLYE WILL
FOLLOW THE CAR SHOW STARTING
AT 2:00 P.M. FROM PRES KOOL.



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Governor:
Don Johnston
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Portland, MI 48875
517-647-2403

KOOL RALLYE

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

SANCTION #: MI-003-023

TYPE OF EVENT: Fun Rallye

DATE: Saturday, May 10, 2003

CLUB: Capital City Corvette Club

REGISTRATION:

OPENS 1:00 P.M. CLOSES 1:45 P.M.

REGION: Michigan

ENTRY FEE: \$10/car

(\$20 for both the rallye and car show)

DRIVERS MEETING: 1:45 P.M.

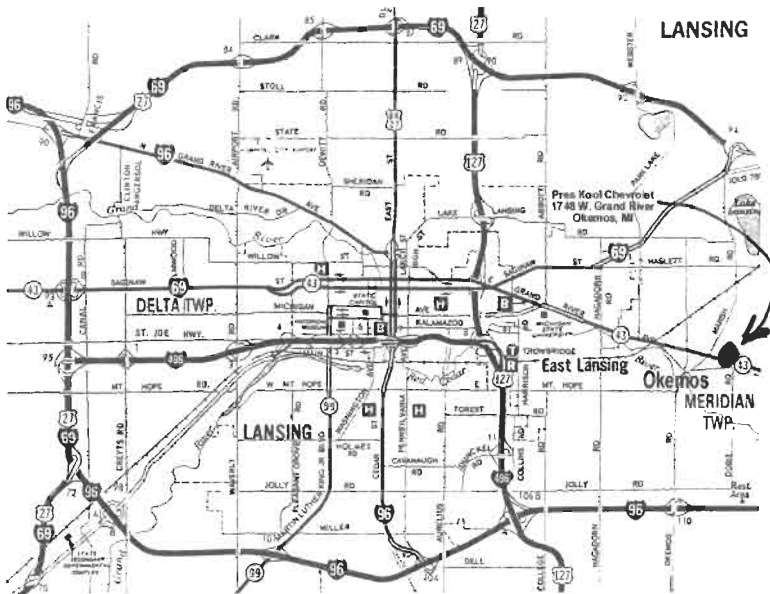
FIRST CAR OUT: 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Pres Kool Chevrolet
1748 W. Grand River
Okemos, Michigan

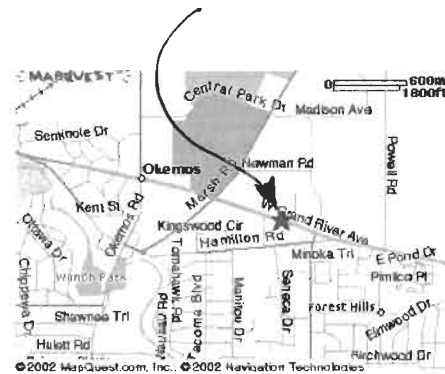


MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION:

The rallye will follow a Peoples Choice Corvette Show which runs from 10:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at Pres Kool Chevrolet. There is discount for entering the rallye and the car show.



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Chairpersons:

Mike and Connie Britz

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Governor:

Don Johnston

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517-647-2403

BBQ Cookout

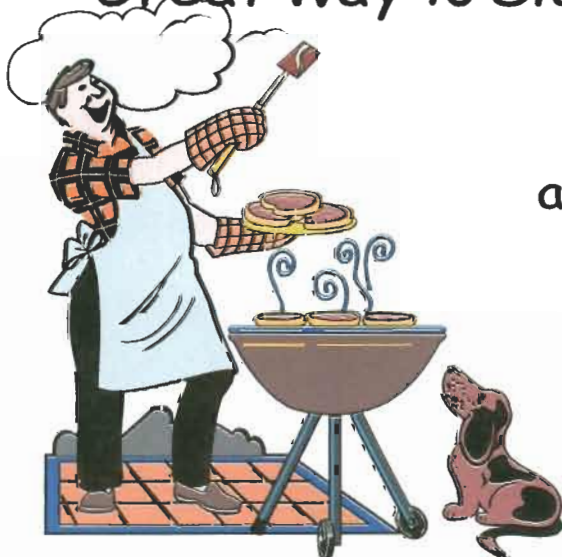
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Car Show

May 18th - 5:00pm - "BYOC"
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You're welcome to bring special dishes &
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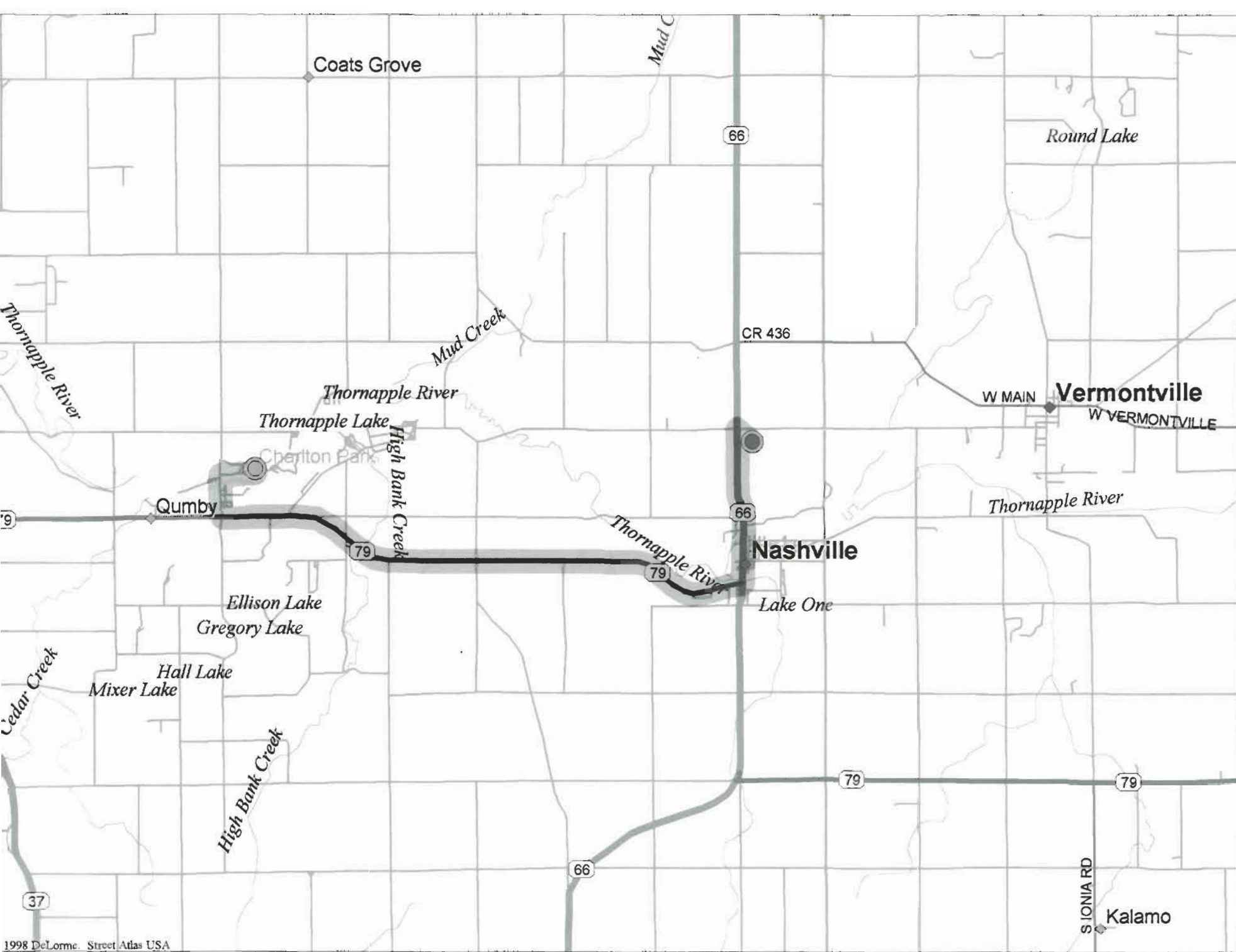
Great Way To Start Car Show Season !!!



We will caravan over after car
show, or Dave will have maps
available if you are coming but not
attending show.

Reminder: There is a 150ft dirt
drive way, or you can park on
highway and walk in.

Contact: Dave & Diana Kuempel or
Janet Johnston





Corvette Crossroads Mackinac City

Weekend of August 21-24

We have rooms reserved at the Chippewa Motor Lodge in Mackinac City. This is a first come first serve basis. I have talked with the hotel, and we have the same rooms reserved that we were in last year unless you want something different.

Small Budget Rooms \$39.00 Thursday -
\$59.00 Friday/Saturday

Larger Rooms \$59.00 Thursday - \$79.00
Friday/Saturday

The number to call to make your reservations
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