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Quick Hits from the Editor~

****IMPORTANT INFORMATION****

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 7 - 7:00pm
Delhi Cafe
4625 Willoughby RD
Holt
(Map on website)

WKAR Auction

April 17 5:30-8:30pm
(Flyer Inside)

Board Meeting

April 21 - 7:00pm
(To be determined)

Vermontville Parade/Mystery Dinner

April 24 12:00 Noon
(Flyer Inside)

NEW MEMBERS !!!

A warm welcome to new members:
Darwin & Sheila Day
Jerry & Angela Kranz

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From the President . . .

Well, here we are, April. Spring has sprung. It's great, isn't it? It's time to get those Corvettes out and start to drive those things. Don't forget to put insurance back on, even if you're only going to take it for a test drive around the block. You never know what can happen.

Be careful when you get your Corvette out of storage. I know I talked about that last month, but just want to make sure nobody damages their cars. So take a look at last month's article and review it. Just be careful before you start your car and take it out.

The season is starting so we have numerous events coming up this month already. We have our membership meeting on the 7th of this month. We have the WKAR Auction coming up on the 17th. It's a fun event and gives good exposure to our club also. We need at least fifteen more people to help with this event. Call Gloria Reiffer if you want to participate. On the 24th we have the Vermontville parade. This also will give us a lot of exposure. If you want to participate in this event call Dave Kuempel right now. Before the parade, we can go to a pancake breakfast. Afterwards there is going to be a mystery dinner. Make sure to contact the Kuempels so you can participate in this event.

With so many events already planned for April and May, the Board decided to hold off on BINGO this spring. We will arrange to go back to Tamarack Apartments in November, after Corvette season is done. The seniors always look forward to having us come so go ahead and start purchasing BINGO prizes now.

As of the writing of this article, we just finished our bowling challenge with the Jackson Corvette club. We all had a really good time and Janet had plenty of candy to pass out for those of us the got strikes or picked up their spares.

Also starting this month we are going to have many opportunities to show off our cars and our club at car shows and other events. As I mentioned before, try to participate in as many as possible. It not only helps to promote our club but also is a lot of fun to get together with other Corvette owners. In addition, if you are a new Corvette owner you can learn a lot from other owners about Corvettes and make some new friends. These events are good places to start to make these connections to learn more about your car.

On behalf of the club, I'd like to offer our congratulations to Greg Kapp for winning first place in concours events in the NCCC Michigan Region for 2003. He received an award at the Michigan Region Banquet on March 27. Remember, when you participate in sanctioned events, you are not only building points within the CCCC points system, you are also building points on a regional and national points system.

I wanted to remind everyone that if you host a club event, you can be reimbursed up to \$20 to cover your expenses. The Board must approve anything over this amount. Each year, before the season starts, we mention this to avoid any confusion. We try to keep things running as smooth as possible during the year so everyone can have as much fun as possible with our Corvettes. After all, that's what it's all about.

So let's have a good time this season and enjoy those Corvettes. Put some miles on them, show them, race them, and use them when you go on vacation, or whatever you chose to do. After all, that's why Chevy built those things.

Happy Motoring,



CORVETTE TRIVIA: 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.

**CCCC General Meeting Minutes
March, 3, 2004**

President Simon Reiffer called the meeting to order at 7:00. 56 Members and guests were in attendance, and one 'brave' member even drove his Vet to the meeting tonight. Officers reports;

SECRETARY: February General & Board meeting minutes are in the newsletter. No corrections or questions noted.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: To avoid any meeting disruption, 50/50 tickets will now be sold prior to and at the end of meetings only. There are still a few newsletter/web advertising spots available. Payments and info can be submitted to either John or Bob. Possibility of a 'Girls Night Out' (non-point event) was discussed. Sandy's son and daughter own the Grand Ledge Jewelry Shop and would make arrangements for the club to come after hours. They could try large diamond rings, expensive pieces of gold and other items most of us only dream of owning....just for fun.

POINTS: Updated list available in the newsletter and on the website.

TREASURER: Bob reported current checking and savings balances, not including some ad payments received tonight.

MEMBERSHIP: Current membership 94 members, 30 youth. Evelyn introduced guest Joe Thomas, a member of the Corvette Club of Michigan. They expressed an invitation to the C5/C6 Birthday Bash. A small caravan is being organized to leave Detroit April 21st. They also extended an invitation to join their club for a dinner event possibly June 1st, site to be determined.

SOCIAL: Upcoming events: Bowling with the Jackson Club, March 21st at Mason Lanes, WKAR Auction April 17th, CCCC Getaway Weekend to Petoskey May 21-23, Red Cedar Jubilee June 26th, Car Show at Meridian Mall July 4th. Congratulations were extended to Jeff and Dawn on their engagement. Janet presented them with the very special 'Box of Mac and Cheese,' her gift of 'dinner for two.'

EDITOR: Newsletter deadline, March 22nd.

COMPETITION: Phil presented a 2nd place trophy to Don and Carol Armstrong from the Great Lakes Corvette Club 2003 road rally. At the upcoming Michigan Region Banquet, March 27th, Greg Kapp will be receiving a 1st place Concourse Award. CONGRATULATIONS!!!! May 8th for club members only, Phil has organized a Rallye/Competition school. The Road Rallye scheduled June 19th will be chaired by Simon & Gloria Reiffer. Still need a Corvette Show at Pres Kool chair for the same date. Apparently our low speeds scheduled for July 24th, is also the same date of the Waterford Park Corvette Show and race which may create a conflict. Situation will be discussed at the next board meeting. For the first time in years, Michigan has several High speed events. You need to compete in 10 low sped events during the last 18 months or attend an authorized driver school to get a 'high speed license.' Jeff Mitzel contacted Milan Dragway for possible club rental. Rental is a three hour minimum, 45 people max. = \$1050.00. (\$1050/ 45 = \$23.33). Club expressed high interest, so will pursue additional info.

GOVERNOR: Don reported discussion at the Regional Meeting included raising the National Dues by \$5.00 at renewal. This is primarily due to increased insurance costs.

PRESIDENT: The March Board Meeting will be held at Coyote Creek Grille as a 'trial.' Michcom is offering a referral program to help pay club Web hosting fees. Any referrals received will be a 'credit' to the club. CCCC members are also able to receive a member discount at Comp USA. See flyer for details. Reminder, the National Convention is in Las Vegas this year. Regarding the proposed by-law change, appointment of the Webmaster to a board position was rescinded. Position is now an appointed advisor to the board. (see Board Mtg. Minutes /02/18/04).

OLD BUSINESS: 2003 Photo CD - \$10.00, 800 pictures from last years events, Still a few available for purchase.

NEW BUSINESS: Dave Kuempel requested club participation in the Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival Parade, April 24th. Mystery dinner to follow.

MEMBER INPUT: Jeff McQuade expressed concern regarding incoming club mail has not been available to general membership recently. He is still investigating club decal pricing.

Tonight's 50/50 winner, Shalimar Maynard. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

2004 Participation Points Standings

Through March 22

PARTICIPATION POINTS

Nevill Agass	0	Randy Gisse	1	Steve Pavlik
Sharon Agass	0	Cindy Hanses	2	Joe Platte
Carol Armstrong	7	Phil Hanses	7	Pam Platte
Don Armstrong	7	Joy Hardman	0	Carol Putmon
Ed Armstrong	0	Danielle Hessell	1	Randy Putmon
Evelyn Aronson	6	Dennis Hessell	2	Gloria Reiffer
Laurie Backus	5	Craig Hitchcock	0	Simon Reiffer
Kurt Bancroft	0	Sharon Hitchcock	0	Robert Ribar
Don Baron	0	Steve Hitchcock	2	Brenda Sage
Marie Barrett	3	Brad Hutton	6	Steve Sage
John Bechtel	6	Carrie Hutton	6	Kurt Schwamberger
Sandy Bechtel	4	Greg Jenca	2	Sharon Schwamberge
Colleen Bratschi	3	Theresa Jenca	1	Janyce Shepler
Rich Bratschi	3	Don Johnston	8	John Shepler
Connie Britz	1	Janet Johnston	8	Lyn Shoal
Mike Britz	1	Ryan Johnston	0	James Simmons
Gary Brothers	1	Greg Kapp	5	Vicki Simmons
Mary Kay Brothers	1	Angela Kranz	2	Bill Smejkal
David Brown	1	Jerry Kranz	1	Linda Smith
Diana Brown	0	David Kuempel	6	Rick Smith
Pam Candy	1	Diana Kuempel	6	Loretta Spinrad
Dave Cripe	4	Mandy Lawless	0	Steve Spinrad
Ken David	0	Margaret Lewis	1	Gordon Terwilliger
Kim David	0	Mark Lewis	2	Margaret Terwilliger
Darwin Day	1	Tom Lindsay	0	Gayle Thompson
Sheila Day	1	Dawn Love	4	Pam Thompson
Charlie DeYoung	0	Lynette Macarty	1	Gary Wyma
Patti DeYoung	0	Reed Macarty	1	Kathy Wyma
Donna Dickert	1	Bob Maynard	8	
Karl Dickert	1	Shalimar Maynard	8	
Trini Dixon	2	Lisa McDonald	1	
Art Doty	4	Steve McDonald	3	
Nancy Doty	4	Jeff McQuade	4	
Terry Feichtenbiner	2	Jeffrey Mitzel	4	

MICHIGAN REGION COMPETITION REPORT

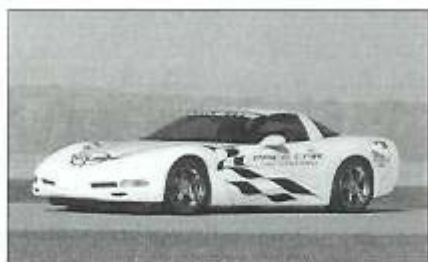
To NCCC and Michigan Region members:

We are going to have an exciting regional season this year. High Speed events are back, baby. The high speed events provide you with the opportunity to experience driving your Vette past 2nd gear, on an actual road course. We will be holding NCCC sanctioned high speed events at Waterford Hills on May 31, 2004, Gingerman Raceway on July 10-11, 2004, and Grattan Raceway on October 23-24, 2004. You must have a current NCCC High Speed License to participate. If you do not have one, you must do 10 low speed events to acquire a high speed license. You can also provide proof to me that you have participated in at least 10 low speed events in the last 18 months, or you can prove to me that you have attended an accredited performance/competition driving school. There will also be a number of non-sanctioned driving schools here in Michigan, where you can also get credit towards acquiring a high speed license. Check on the regional calendar so that you can attend the required events necessary for a high speed license. Come on out and enjoy what your Vette was designed and built to do. Run like hell!

Track records, for each track, for each NCCC class will be established, posted, and maintained on the Michigan website. The top three competitors in each NCCC class will be posted. Information posted will be: name of competitor, year of Corvette, club, region, and fastest lap time. So whether you are driving a classic stock solid-axle or the latest race prepared C6, come on out and establish and defend your record lap times.

We will also have a High Speed Championship Series. Participants will be eligible for a year-end award, presented at the Regional Banquet, based on a cumulative total of your fastest lap from each track. The lowest cumulative total for each NCCC class will receive the award. You must run all tracks to be considered for an award. Group and Overall Championship Series awards will also be up for grabs. Who will be the Top Dog? I can see you speed demons salivating already. If you need more information, contact me at rene500Z06@comcast.net. See you at the track!

Rene Cardenas
Michigan Regional Competition Director



COMPETITION REPORT

Welcome Spring!

The competition season begins to take off this month starting with a number of driving schools. The Corvette Club of Michigan will be hosting a driving school on April 4th, the Flint Corvette Club is holding a 2-day school on April 24th and 25th, and Corvette Coventry of Southwest Michigan has a 1-day school scheduled for April 25th. On May 9th, CCM is hosting another driving school. As the Region Competition Director, Rene Cardenas, mentions in the Region Competition Report, there are a number of high speed events scheduled this year. If you have an interest in participating in any of these events, I suggest you participate in at least one of the driving schools. As of this writing, I don't have any information on the schools, but I will find out as soon as I can so you may participate. Call me if you need information.

Plans are being finalized for our Rallye School and Tech Inspection Training on Saturday, May 8th. We will meet at Pres Kool Chevrolet for about an hour of classroom instruction followed up by some on-the-road training where you will get a chance to test out what you learned in the classroom. At the end of the training, we'll end at a restaurant where we can talk about how much fun we had and how much we've learned.

At the March meeting, a number of people expressed interest in doing some drag racing. We have a number of options as to when and where to do this:

- 1) We can rent Milan Dragway in Milan for a minimum of three hours at a per driver rate of \$24 to \$56 (based on participation of 15 to 45 drivers), depending on the number of drivers. We could invite people from other clubs to participate to get the best possible rate. I do not have available dates at this time.
- 2) The Corvette Club of Michigan rents Milan Dragway a couple of times a year for their use. It may be possible to join them for one of their events. They have events scheduled for Thursday, May 20th and Saturday September 19th.
- 3) Mid Michigan Moterplex in Stanton rents for \$1900 for up to 100 drivers, and the track is available for use from 9:00 am till 3:00 pm. Because of the high number of drivers to get to a reasonable rate, this option will likely to be the most expensive. Also, August 21st is the only feasible date for us to rent this track.
- 4) Mid Michigan Moterplex has open testing every Wednesday from 4:30 to 9:30. The price is \$15 to race and \$7 to watch. This might be a good option for us but the number of runs available to us might be limited to because we would not have the track to ourselves. I will contact the track management to find out if there may be better times than others to use this option in terms of the number of runs.

Let me know what you think about the drag racing options. Also, if you have questions about any of the competition events sponsored by this club, or any other club, please ask me. See you at the meeting.

RALLYE SCHOOL & TECH INSPECTION TRAINING

The Capital City Corvette Club is hosting a Technical Inspection Training class and a Rallye School at Pres Kool Chevrolet in Okemos on Saturday, May 8th, 2004. The Tech Training will begin at 9:30 followed by the Rallye School at approximately 10:15.

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The Tech Training is geared for people who have an interest in learning about what is looked for during a tech inspection for an NCCC sanctioned competition event.

You will learn about:

- ✓ **Speed event groups and classes**
 - ✓ **Group and class regulations**
 - ✓ **Registration and waivers**
 - ✓ **What to look for and check for when inspecting a car**
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The Rallye School is geared for people with little or no experience in competing in NCCC sanctioned road rallyes. There will be about a one hour classroom session where you will learn about the various types of rallyes. Following the classroom session you will then put what you've learned to the test by running a rallye. During the route, we will stop several times for additional instructions and question and answer periods.

You will learn about:

- ✓ **The various types of rallyes**
 - ✓ **Registration and waivers**
 - ✓ **Entrants meetings and what questions to ask**
 - ✓ **Route instructions and terminology**
 - ✓ **How to properly fill out the answer sheet**
 - ✓ **How to make mileage corrections**
 - ✓ **Roles of the driver and the navigator**
 - ✓ **Tips on what to expect and be aware of on the route**
 - ✓ **What is good sportsmanship**
 - ✓ **NCCC rallye rules**
 - ✓ **Rallye tech inspections**
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Please call 989-587-3422 or email bluecorvette@bigfoot.com to sign up ASAP. Pre-registration by May 1st is required so we have enough training materials available.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Answer to last month's question:</u> What color top did the 1953 Corvette come with? Black <u>This month's trivia question:</u> What was the last year that contrasting cove colors were available?				1 Happy Birthday Randy Putmon	2 Happy Birthday Nancy Doty	3
4 Happy Birthday Shalimar Maynard	5	6	7 <i>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</i>	8 Happy Birthday Brad Hutton	9 Happy Birthday Colleen Bratschi	10 Happy Birthday Vicki Simmons
11 Happy Birthday Brenda Sage	12	13 Happy Birthday Simon Reiffer & Mark Lewis	14	15	16	17 <i>WKAR AUCTION</i>
18 Happy Birthday Sharon Schwamberger	19	20	21 <i>BOARD MEETING</i>	22	23	24 <i>VERMONTVILLE PARADE MYSTERY DINNER</i>
25	26	27	28	29	30 Happy Birthday Dennis Hessel	

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
Tentative Calendar of Events
2004

April

- 7 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 17 WKAR Auction
- 21 * CCCC Board Meeting
- 24 ~Vermontville Festival/Dinner
- 25 CCSWM Driving School

May

- 4 Michigan Region Meeting
- 5 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 8 NCCC Governors Meeting
- 8 *CCCC Rallye/Tech School
- 15 FCC Car Show
- 16 CCBC Car Show - Charlton Park
- 19 * CCCC Board Meeting
- 21-23 ~CCCC Getaway Weekend
- 22 MAG Speed events
- 23 CCSWM Speed events
- 29 MAG Speed events
- 30 MAG Speed events
- 31 MAG Speed events
- 31 ~ Marshall Memorial Day Parade

June

- 2 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 5-11 NCCC Convention, Las Vegas, NV
- 16 * CCCC Board Meeting
- 19 * CCCC Car Show at Pres Kool
- 20 HVCC & CCM Speed events
- 25 Drive Your Corvette To Work Day
- 25-27 Bloomington Gold
- 26 ~ Williamston Jubilee Parade/Show
- 27 KCC Speed events

July

- 4 ~Car Show Meridian Mall
- 7 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 13 Michigan Region Meeting
- 17 FCC Speed events
- 18 FCC Speed events
- 21 *CCCC Board Meeting
- 24 * CCCC Low Speed events
- 25 SCC Speed events
- 31 JCC Car Show

August

- 1 JCC Car Show
- 1 HVCC Speed events
- 4 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 8 JCC Speed events
- 14 ACC Car Show
- 14 RCWM Speed events
- 15 RCWM Car Show
- 18 * CCCC Board Meeting
- 27-29 ~ Corvette Crossroads

September

- 1 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 7 Michigan Region Meeting
- 11 NCCC Governors Meeting
- 15 * CCCC Board Meeting
- 19 KCC Speed events
- 19 * Horsepower at the Zoo Car Show
- 26 SCC Rallyes

October

- 3 RCWM Rallyes
- 6 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 9 FCC Rallye
- 10 KCC Rallye
- 16 GLCC Rallyes
- 20 * CCCC Board Meeting
- 24 CCM Rallyes

November

- 3 * CCCC Membership Meeting
- 9 Michigan Region Meeting
- 13 NCCC Governors Meeting
- 17 * CCCC Board Meeting

December

- 1 * CCCC Holiday Dinner/Meeting
- 15 * CCCC Board Meeting

* CCCC Events
~ Club Events

Social Events

Spring has sprung! So glad to see the snow leave and spring coming I've seen robins, and the flowers are waking up out of the ground.

Now is the time to get your corvettes out and get the cobwebs off and polish them up. We have a very busy season coming up! Not only with the Competition schedule but with the Social schedule.

Some Highlights:

WKAR Auction..... April 17th
Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival/Mystery Dinner.....
April 24th
CCCC Get-Away-Weekend to Petoskey May 21-23
Marshall Parade May 31st
Red Cedar Jubilee June 26th
Car Show at Meridan MallJuly 4th

So these are some of the dates to mark your calander.

Happy Spring!

Janet Johnston





Saturday - April 17
5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

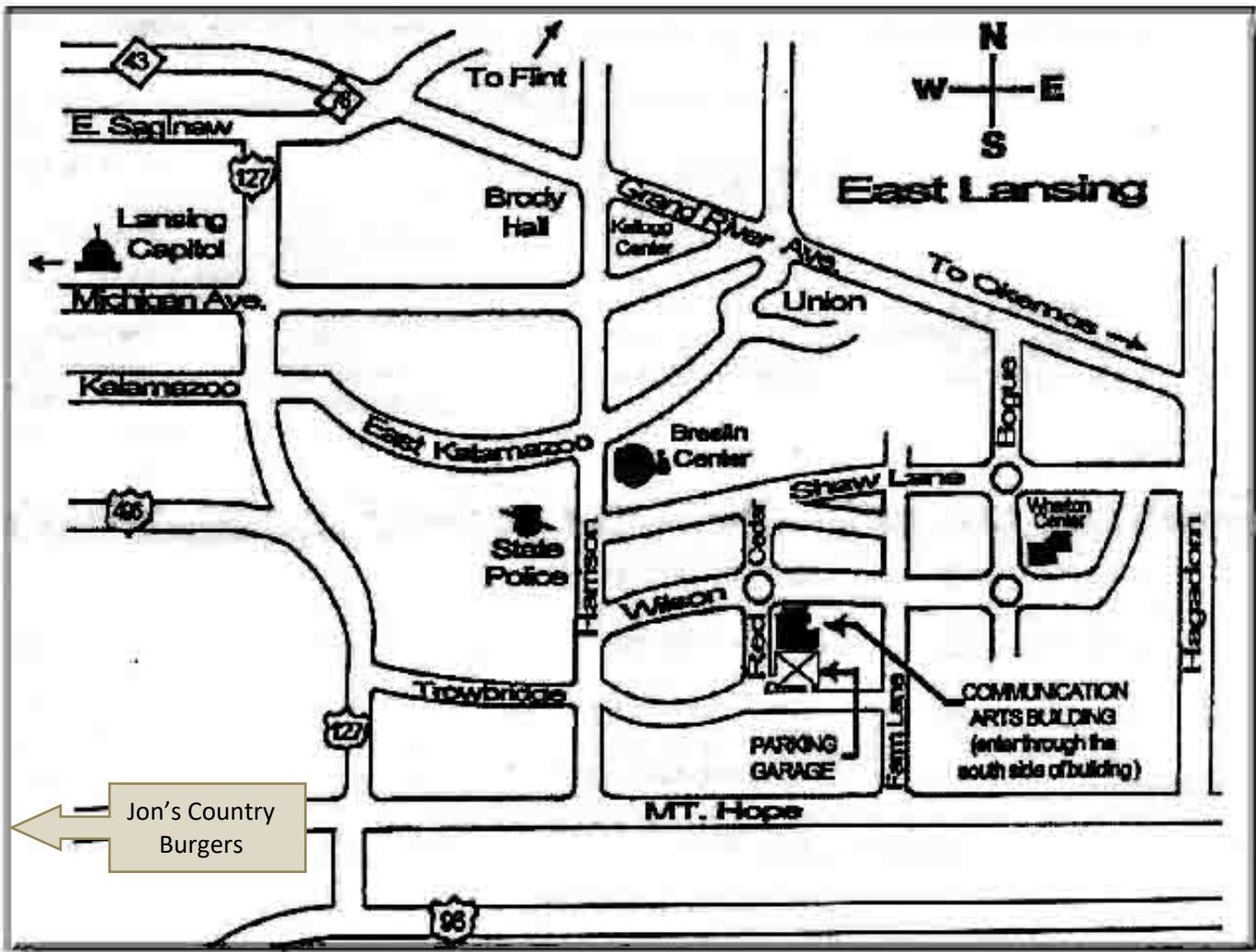
WKAR Studios
at MSU

WKAR Auction Time!

We've been invited to work at the WKAR Auction again this year. Set aside the evening of Saturday, April 17 for this fun event! Plan to arrive by 5:30 for training. (This goes for the old pros too!) Dinner will be available at \$4.00 per person during our shift.

Members of the Jackson Corvette will be joining us for a fun filled evening at the WKAR Studios, located at the corner of Farm Lane, Wilson, and Red Cedar. You can park in the ramp behind the building. We need 16 more people on the phone banks so contact Simon and Gloria at 617.646.2180 if you would like to join us.

After the auction we will head over to the newly remodeled Jon's Country Burgers, 3109 S. Cedar, for a snack or dessert. Jon's is located about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile south of Mt. Hope on Cedar Street.



News



Flash

Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival Parade/Mystery Dinner

April 24th, 2004
Line Up Time 12:00 Noon
Parade at 2:00 PM

Parade line up is on North Ionia Road between Vermontville and
Gresham Hwy.

Candy and similar handouts are not allowed from floats and vehicles.

Bring your MICKEY MOUSE HANDS and Walkie Talkies

The parade will be over by 3:30. Then we will be leaving from
Vermontville to go to a Mystery Dinner by 4:30. After getting line up
at the parade this will give us time to check out the Festival.

Contact Dave or Diana Kuemple with any questions. If you are not
able to get to the meeting to sign up just contact the Kuemples for a
head count.

Dave & Diana E-mail c5hobo@hotmail.com

Dave & Diana Kuemple's Cookout

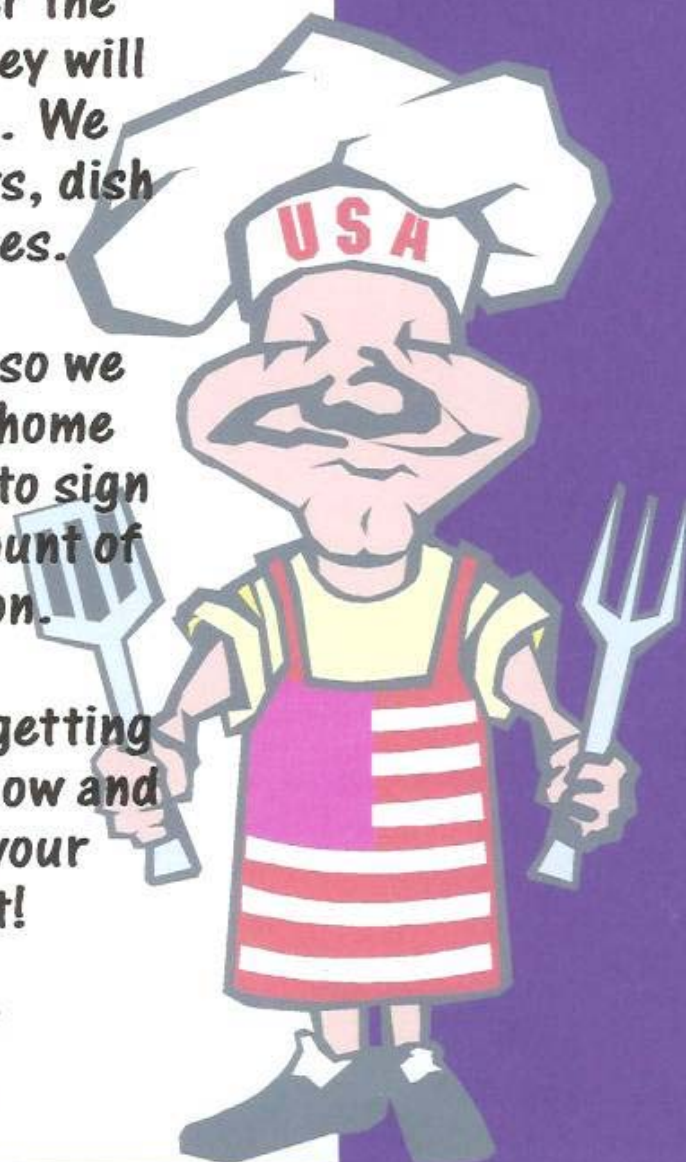
After Charlton Park Corvette Show
May 16th, 2004

Dave & Diana graciously are hosting the BBQ again after the Charlton Corvette Show. They will provide the meat and buns. We need to bring our lawn chairs, dish to pass and your beverages.

They live close to the park so we will caravan over to there home after the show. Make sure to sign up so they can get a head count of how much meat to plan on.

Great day of sitting around getting to know each other at the show and we all love to eat! Mark your calander for this event!

Dave & Diana's e-mail
c5hobo@hotmail.com





Capital City Corvette Club Annual Get-Away-Weekend

Date: May 21-22, 2004
Destination: Petosky, MI
Hampton Inn & Suites
Cost: \$74.00 Per Night

Each member needs to call and make there own reservation. The telephone number is 231-348-9555. Mike and Connie Britz have 24 rooms reserved. You can ask for Dee Houghton or Jon Lonchar. You have until April 21 to get rooms at this price otherwise they will revert back into inventory and will pay a higher price.

Hampton Inn has a delicious complimentary deluxe breakfast featuring 26 different items which overlooks Little Traverse Bay.

There are many things to do in the area - Golfing, Antiques, Casino, Shopping the Gas Light District ect.

Contact Mike & Connie Britz with any concerns or questions. Dont hesitate on a fun weekend....make your reservation soon!

Meet Joe and Pam Platte

Joe and Pam met at a singles dance 12 years ago. They have now been married 10 years. They have one son, Joe (24), and three cat kids: Billy girl, Toby girl, and Samantha.

Joe worked at Michigan National Bank for 18 years and was laid off. He now is an Auditor for the Meijer grocery warehouse where he has been for 16 years. Pam has attended Lansing Community College and received a degree in Criminal Justice. She is currently retired from Meijers, where she worked for 26 years. She had a chance to work in several departments: cashier, Loss Prevention at the warehouse, several positions in the warehouse, and lastly, 15 years truck driving.

Their hobbies include Lugnut Baseball games, bowling, biking, cards, tennis, and travel around town to listen to local bands. In the winter they head to Florida to get away from the cold.

Joe and Pam are members of the Trinity United Methodist Church and help teach children's Sunday School. They also belong to the Arthritis Mutual Support Group.

Their Corvette is a 1987 Coupe, a rare copper color. Joe heard about the Capital City Corvette Club from a friend and joined back in 1986. He's been on the board of directors as a Treasurer and Membership Director.

They really enjoy being members of CCCC and have made many new friends.

Corvette Crossroads Information

Several members were notified by the General Mackinaw Area Chamber of Commerce that the Parade over the Mackinaw Bridge is being taken off the event schedule this year. Below is a letter and a copy of the Petition to send.

Dear Corvette Show Participant,

Please be advised-The Mackinaw Bridge Authority has disallowed the Mackinaw Corvette Crossings Auto Show parade across the Mackinaw Bridge originally schedule for the weekend of August 28, 2004. The parade portion of the event(based on comments of previous participants) is the event's crown jewel. We have attempted to rectify the situation, but as of this date we have been unsuccessful. We need your help to solve the problem.

As you know the show in Mackinaw City coincides with other corvette shows throughout the Midwest. In spite of that, the show is able to draw 350-400 cars and their owners(600-800 participants) to the Straits Area for a somewhat soft period near the end of the season that occurs just prior to Labor Day weekend festivities. We all understand the economic effect of this event on many businesses in the Straits area.

Please sign and send either the enclosed sample petition or a letter of your own to the enclosed list of Mackinaw Bridge Authority Board members or any individuals you believe may be able to assist us in the matter. The next meeting to address the issue is March 12, 2004. Please send the enclosed petition as soon as possible. Thank you for your time and effort in helping to arrive at a successful resolution

PETITION TO REINSTATE "THE CORVETTE CROSSROADS AUTO SHOW"- MACKINAW BRIDGE PARADE

-SPONSORED BY THE MACKINAW CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

We the undersigned, wish to have "The Corvette Crossroads Auto Show"-Mackinaw Bridge Parade reinstated To the weekend before Labor Day. This parade is the major highlight of the event and as such has a Significant economic impact on the area

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, & Zip _____

Signature _____

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Elsa C. Schaller- Vice Chair
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CCCC Fundraisers!

We have four opportunities to raise funds for the club!

1. Michcom/MBE Computers has offered us the opportunity to pay for the CCCC web site through referrals for Internet service. The referred individual must mention CCCC when signing up. Art/Nancy, Pam/Joe, Jeff/Evelyn, and Simon/Gloria all use Michcom so check with them about the quality of service.
2. A CD with pictures of 2003 club events is available for \$10.00. All proceeds from this CD are being donated back to the club to be used for one of our charities. So far \$180 has been raised! See Gloria Reiffer if you would like one.
3. Gary Brothers will donate \$100 to CCCC for a referral (listing or purchase) that results in a completed sale using his services. The client must mention that a member of CCCC referred them to Gary. \$100 has been raised so far!
4. Go Green Glass offers us \$10 for a referral when someone mentions CCCC referred them in when they get their windshield replaced at Go Green Glass. I'm not aware of any funds having been raised, but the potential sure is there!

Check the Fundraiser page of the club web site at www.capitalcitycorvetteclub.org for full details on each of these fundraisers.

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CompUSA Discount for Capital City Corvette Club Members

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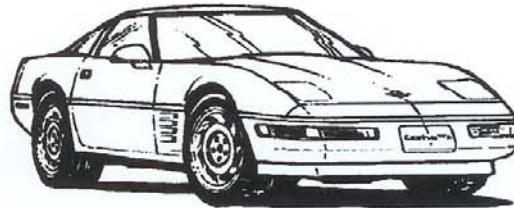
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