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Quick Hits from the Editor~

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

November 3 - 7:00pm

Delhi Cafe

4625 Willoughby, Holt

BOARD MEETING

November 17 -7:00pm

Delhi Cafe

4625 Willoughby

<u>BINGO</u>

November 13th- 2:00 pm

Tamarack Apartments- Holt

NEW MEMBERS!!

A warm welcome to our new members:

Bill O'Neill

Ray Pulido

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

If you will not be attending the Dec. membership meeting please contact Shalimar Maynard(Secretary) for an absentee ballot.

Please send any articles you'd like published to redrider 94@comcast.net

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From the President . . .

Greetings!

Well here we are, almost November. The leaves have changed color and are falling to the ground. Winter isn't far behind. It's almost time to put those cars up for hibernation. I know I talked about the storage process last month, but just a couple of reminders. Make sure to clean your car before you cover it, and put in some dry gas or stabilizer in the gas tank. Cover the garage floor, under your Corvette, with plastic to keep moisture away from the frame and other metal parts. There are also packets you can buy to put in the interior to keep things dry inside. That's just a few things you can do to store your Corvette for the winter.

Don't forget Bingo on November 13 at the Tamarack Apartments. We need people to bring prizes for the folks there. Look for things that elderly folks might like. You can pick stuff up at the dollar store or the clearance aisle at Meijer. (Just putting in a plug for my former employer.) Wrapping paper was a hot item last fall. And don't forget to bring deserts to serve after Bingo.

We had a great time on the fall color tour in October. The weather was perfect. We had some great winding roads to drive on to see all the great colors of the season. I think we had about 27 cars on the tour and only a few got lost, but they caught up and we had lunch together. We also had stops at two parks where we got a chance to get out and stretch a bit before driving on. Many thanks to the Armstrong's for planning such a fun event. They made many trips scouting out the perfect roads and scenery for us.

A lot of competition events took place in October too. Several members ran rallyes around the state. I hope they had a good time. Unfortunately, we had to miss them because of other activities going on. We did make it to Grattan Raceway, along with several other CCCC members, to watch the high and low speed events and participate in the car show. Several members raced their Corvettes. Sharon Schwamberger won a special award for fastest time of day in her class. Everyone that was there had the opportunity to take their car out on the track for parade laps. That is some course! It has lots of curves and hills. Just before we left a 2005 Z06 test mule showed up and we watched it zip around the track a few times. Everyone that was still there swarmed over to observe.

I want to remind everyone that at the November 3 general membership meeting we will be taking nominations for 2005 board positions. If you are interested in any of the positions please step forward to get nominated. We would like to have a real election at the December meeting. To have a successful club we always need new ideas and new people on our board.

Speaking of elections, November 2 is the day that we, as Americans, choose our leaders. Don't forget to get out and vote. It's the kind of thing if don't use it you loose it. Don't let that happen to us. To stay free we have to use our freedoms.

Save the wave!!!

Sino Reiff

CCCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING October 6, 2004

President Simon Reiffer called the meeting to order at 7:05, 63 members and guests were present, 1 FCOA.

SECRETARY: Shalimar; No corrections noted, minutes approved.

<u>PUBLIC RELATIONS:</u> John; We have several new advertisers, please promote and support their services and businesses.

<u>POINTS:</u> Don; All points are up to date on the website, with the exception of Kurt and Sharon, those are still being tabulated...(due to their busy schedule...).

TREASURER: Absent, Shalimar reported current activity and account balances.

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u> Evelyn; Current membership total 138, FCOA 41. Reminder, Membership Renewal deadline is November 3rd, or there is a \$10.00 late fee assessed by the National. Member surveys were sent out last week. Dave Kuempel will be tabulating the results to be reported later. To date, he has received an excellent response. He has extra copies with him tonight if anyone needs one.

SOCIAL: Janet; Upcoming social events; Fall Color Tour October 9th, Bingo at Tamarack November 13th, Holiday Party December 1st at Williamston Roadhouse (cost, \$20.00 per person, please bring a white elephant gift to exchange). Annual Award Banquet, January 15th at Coral Gables. The 50th Anniversary Committee have three options they would like the membership to vote on for the 2008 celebration, 1/ Have a Weekend event to include a Rally, a Drive & Dine, perhaps a tour to Frankenmuth and/or Show & Shine. 2/ Have a 1day event such as a Car Show and Low Speed event 3/ a Big Bash Party. Members overwhelmingly voted for #1. The committee is looking for any old club pictures, members, etc., to be included in this celebration. Would also like input on a 50th Anniversary Logo. Their next meeting will be the first of next year.

<u>EDITOR:</u> Carol; Newsletter deadline October 22nd. Stated, by-laws require the entire membership list be published in the newsletter twice a year, ours was included in this last newsletter. Please contract Carol or Evelyn if you note any errors.

<u>COMPETITION:</u> Phil; Upcoming region competition events: Flint Rallyes October 9th, Kalamazoo Rallyes October 10th, Great Lakes Rallyes October 16th, Corvette Club of Michigan Rallyes October 17th, Grattan High Speed Events October 23-24th, Vette-Viper Shootout October 30th. Congratulations to Phil & Cindy who took 1st place in last weekends rallye, and to Dave & Diana who won 3rd.

<u>GOVERNOR:</u> Don; Reported final results from the Governors meeting regarding the Ohio suspensions. Congratulations to Evelyn, who was recognized at the meeting for being the only club Membership Director to complete membership forms correctly. Officer elections, bid dates and any by law changes will be addressed at the next meeting scheduled Nov. 1st.

<u>PRESIDENT:</u> Simon; Nominations were opened for 2005 Board of Directors Those accepting nominations this month are: Secretary: Diana Kuempel, Public Relations: Greg Kapp, Jeff Mitzel. Points: Dave Kuempel, Treasurer: Bob Maynard, Membership; Evelyn Aronson, Social Director; Janet Johnston, Editor: Dawn Mitzel, Competition: Kurt Schwamberger, Governor: Don Johnston, President Simon Reiffer, Jeff McQuade. Motion to close nominations, 2nd, and approved. Nominations will again be open at the November meeting, elections to be held at the December meeting.

<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u> Jeff McQuade read a thank you letter received from the Orange County Vets for the T-shirts we had donated. Jeff still has static clings and windshield banners available for purchase.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>; Phil opened discussion to the consideration of the club purchasing a trailer for storing club assets. After much discussion / ideas from the membership, motion made by Jeff McQuade for the club to spend up to \$1000.00 on purchasing a trailer should one become available, 2nd Sandy Bechtel.

Tonight's 50'/50 winner; Jeff Mitzel. Gary Wyma shared one of his famous 'Chappy' stories. Motion to adjourn 8:35.

CCCC BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 20, 2004

SECRETARY; Nothing new to report.

<u>PUBLIC RELATIONS:</u> John has prepared a Scholarship Proposal, which includes a list of considerations as to the feasibility of the project. Inquiries should begin soon, with the intent of having research data ready to present to the board early next year.

POINTS: Updated point standing list available on the website.

<u>TREASURER:</u> Pending invoices and account balances were reviewed. (Invoice for Low speed trophies has not yet been received.) Final calculations were determined with regard to Horsepower at the Zoo. Actual profit was approximately \$2800.00. Motion by Janet, to make a \$3000.00 (same as last year) donation to the Zoo at the November meeting, seconded by Don A. Board unanimously approved.

<u>MEMBERSHIP:</u> Current membership total: 140 members, 41 FCOA. Evelyn sent an email to all members reminding them of the November 3rd deadline.

<u>SOCIAL</u>: 27 Cars participated in the Color Tour. Don & Carol did an excellent job. Traveling on some beautiful county roads and providing a perfect Fall day for the event! Upcoming events; Bingo at Tamarack November 13th, Holiday Party December 1st, Award Banquet January 15th, 50th Anniversary Committee meeting in January (exact date to be announced).

<u>EDITOR:</u> Carol; Newsletter deadline October 22nd. We used ASAP to print last month's newsletter. It seemed to work well and proved cost efficient.

<u>COMPETITION:</u> Upcoming region competition events: Grattan High Speed/Low Speed/Car Show Events October 23-24th, America's Low Speed Events October 30th. Phil read an e-mail received from Kurt Schwamberger highlighting some suggestions for next years sanctioned events. Bid on 2005 dates will be at the Regional Meeting in November.

<u>GOVERNOR:</u> Upcoming Region Meeting November 9th, NCCC Governors Meeting November 12-13th (***Note correction of date from General Meeting Minutes of 10/6/04).

<u>PRESIDENT:</u> Reminder, nominations for Board positions will again be open at the November meeting. Board discussed options for distributing absentee ballots. It was agreed a notice would be published in this newsletter. If you are not able to attend the December meeting, contact the Secretary who will then forward a ballot as requested. The completed ballot must be returned prior the December 1st meeting. The Holiday Dinner will begin at 6:30 and the 'Election Polls' will close at 7:00 p.m.

<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u> Re; storage of clubs assets/trailer purchase. A few members have called, but no results to date. It was also noted, to purchase is not an immediate necessity as Putmon's have offered temporary storage at their facility.

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> The Webmaster received a donation request. The board did not approve the request. John will contact the requester. Webmaster also receives many requests from various solicitors asking to advertise their item's on our website. Motion made by John B., 2nd Don A. Future requests will be considered upon receipt of a \$75.00 fee and board approval. Link requests, which are also received frequently, will only be considered upon a member's suggestion. (Note; Gloria estimated the website receives 1000 hits per month.) Other new business, Bob Maynard suggested after the 1st of the year, we begin saving for a 'Building Fund.' Janet Johnson: need to devise a plan to assure those who make door prize / raffle donations receive a 'Thank You' note from the Club.

<u>MEMBER INPUT:</u> Sandy Bechtel suggested we earmark the 50/50 drawing in November & December to a needy family. Board discussed options / possibilities. Motion by Evelyn, to sponsor a family again this Christmas, seconded by Carol A. Motion by Phil, 2nd by John B, \$300.00 would be approved for this, which would be partially funded by the 50/50 proceeds of the November and December meeting. Board approved unanimously.

8:20 Motion to adjourn John B, 2nd Don A.

Capital City Corvette Club 2004 Participation Points Standings

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		PARTICIPATION POINTS		Through October 23		
Nevill Agass	6	Nancy Doty	19	Jeffrey Mitzel	23	
Sharon Agass	6	John Doyle	5	George Nelson	10	
Don Anderson	6	Jennifer Everhart	0	Bill Nezamis	5	
Karla Anderson	5	Terry Feichtenbiner	19	Florence Nezamis	3	
Carol Armstrong	37	Randy Gisse	22	Gail O'Dell	3	
Don Armstrong	35	Mary Kay Hahn	0	Terry O'Dell	3	
Ed Armstrong	4	Mel Hahn	4	Bill O'Neill	3	
Evelyn Aronson	30	Mark Hansen	14	Steve Pavlik	0	
Laurie Backus	20	Nancy Hansen	10	Joe Platte	28	
Adele Bancroft	5	Cindy Hanses	15	Pam Platte	34	
Kurt Bancroft	6	Phil Hanses	37	Raymond Pulido	0	
Don Baron	0	Joy Hardman	18	David Pursel	0	
Marie Barrett	16	Audrey Hartenburg	2	Kathryn Pursel	0	
John Bechtel	40	Brian Hatfield	0	Carol Putmon	34	
Sandy Bechtel	34	Danielle Hessell	4	Randy Putmon	34	
Jim Blauvelt	2	Dennis Hessell	9	Gloria Reiffer	56	
Colleen Bratschi	19	Craig Hitchcock	0	Simon Reiffer	56	
Rich Bratschi	22	Sharon Hitchcock	0	Robert Ribar	3	
Connie Britz	12	Steve Hitchcock	2	Brenda Sage	6	
Mike Britz	16	Brad Hutton	28	Steve Sage	6	
Gary Brothers	2	Carrie Hutton	29	Kurt Schwamberger	44	
Mary Kay Brothers	1	Greg Jenca	8	Sharon Schwamberger	38	
David Brown	9	Theresa Jenca	7	Brenda Shatkosky	5	
Diana Brown	9	Don Johnston	43	Richard Shatkosky	7	
Chris Burke	12	Janet Johnston	42	Janyce Shepler	11	
Terry Burke	14	Ryan Johnston	5	John Shepler	10	
Mike Busch	4	Tom Kania	0	Lyn Shoal	2	
Kady Campbell	5	Greg Kapp	52	James Simmons	9	
Pam Candy	13	Linda Kinney	2	Vicki Simmons	0	
Pat Carmickle	12	Angela Kranz	14	Bill Smejkal	13	
Sheri Carmickle	9	Jerry Kranz	9	Linda Smith	5	
Kathy Cooper	9	David Kuempel	53	Rick Smith	9	
Ron Cooper	9	Diana Kuempel	50	Loretta Spinrad	1	
Dave Cripe	20	Mandy Lawless	4	Steve Spinrad	2	
Pat Cripe	5	Margaret Lewis	9	Dan Stremler	11	
Ken David	0	Mark Lewis	12	Nancy Stremler	9	
Kim David	0	Tom Lindsay	0	Gordon Terwilliger	40	
Charity Dawson	11	Lynette Macarty	1	Margaret Terwilliger	43	
Steve Dawson	11	Reed Macarty	1	Joseph Thomas	11	
Darwin Day	22	Bob Maynard	45	Gayle Thompson	14	
Sheila Day	16	Shalimar Maynard	50	Pam Thompson	22	
Charlie DeYoung	0	Lisa McDonald	6	Michael Tillotson	0	
Patti DeYoung	0	Steve McDonald	12	Jan Wasco	0	
Donna Dickert	7	Jeff McQuade	36	Ken Wasco	0	
Karl Dickert	7	Kenneth Melaragni	3	Gary Wyma	34	
Trini Dixon	4	Ron Melaragni	0	Kathy Wyma	34	
Art Doty	21	Dawn Mitzel	19			
	T	OP Ten Participation	n Points			
Gloria Reiffer	56	Greg Kapp	52	Bob Maynard	45	
Simon Reiffer	56	Diana Kuempel	50	Kurt Schwamberger	44	
David Kuempel	53	Shalimar Maynard	50	Don Johnston	43	
•		·		Margaret Terwilliger	43	

Meet Kathy & Gary Wyma

Kathy & Gary reside in Grand Ledge and have been CCCC members for over a year. They met at Spring Arbor University, both earning their BA's. Gary attended the University of Michigan for a Master's in Secondary Education, and Seminary for a Masters of Christian Ministries. Kath and "Chappy" have three children and eight grand kiddies, which keeps the "Red Hat NaNa" quite busy. They attend the Delta Trinity United Methodist Church. Kathy is an Executive Secretary with the Telamon Corporation, which serves migrant children with the Head Start Program. Gary is Senior Chaplain at Ionia Maximum Prison, a rough environment for such a nice guy! Kathy developed and marketed a business about 20 years ago, teaching classes and presenting seminars in Women's Safety and Self Defense. She continues to provide these seminars to a wide variety of groups across the state. Gary recently retired as a referee of 37 years, having officiated high school, college, and semi-pro football. With no more officiating, means plenty of more time to spend with the CCCC!

Now for the Corvette Story:

Gary had a '57 Vette in '62, for about five weeks, at which time his mother made him get rid of the car and return to college. (She thought it was 'too dangerous' and Gary enjoyed the SPEED!)

With joining the CCCC, Kath and Gary turned a new leaf from years back. Gary was in the SCCA owning a '62 MGB and a '65 Spitfire, both set up for road racing. Gary "wasted much money" while involved with stock car racing in the Sportsman V-6 series at many of the Michigan short track raceways (not as a driver, but as a crew member).

After owning an '84 Coupe, they now have a Teal 1990 Convertible. Looking to the future, on Chappy's 'wish list' are his and her convertibles; Kath driving the teal Vette

and Chappy driving a yellow 2004!!!!

Kathy and Chappy have found new enjoyment with the CCCC. Great cars, great fun, and really great people!! Now, if only someone would clue Gary in as to who has been 'stealing' his U of M chairs......



November 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Happy Birthday Brian Hatfield	1 Happy Birthday Terry O'Dell	2 Happy Birthday Art Doty	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	4	5		
BINGO AT FAMARACK APTS	8 Happy Birthday David Pursel	9	10	Michigan Region Meeting	12	15	
14	15	16	BOARD MEETING	18 Happy Birthday Nanacy Stremler	19	20	
21 Happy Birthday Ken DAvid	22	23	24 N/E	25	26	22 Happy Birthday Joe Platte	
28	29	30	Answer to last month's trivia question: The 1959 Corvette was the first to offer what new interior color? BLACK Next month's question: What model year Corvette was the first to have Dual Airbags?				

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB Tentative Calendar of Events 2004

November

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

December

- 1 * CCCC Holiday Dinner/Meeting
- 15 * CCCC Board Meeting
- * CCCC Events
- ~ Club Events

Social Events

I want to thank Don & Carol Armstrong for planning a wonderful Color Tour. Everyone enjoyed one of the last nice days out in their Vette's. Great way to end the season.

November 13th will be Bingo at Tamarack Apts. in Holt. Again, this is a great party time for the residents and just as rewarding to work. Start collecting prizes for the Bingo and the details are on the flyer in this issue.

December 1st is our fun Christmas Dinner/Meeting night.

This year it will be at the Williamston Roadhouse, just off I-96.

We will be having a Dirty Santa Exchange, which means you bring a white elephant gift to exchange. You can either take a unopened gift or steal someone else's. Just a fun night with everyone.

Looking forward to seeing who is going to get those umbrella hats!

January 15th is the Annual Banquet Night. This is where we bring in the new Board and give the top ten members recognition for the work and participation throughout this year. Dinner will be this year at Coral Gables in East Lansing. Cost will be \$20.00 per person, which will include a full dinner with dessert. I will have details at the membership meeting in November.

If I don't see you at the November meeting, have a wonderful Thanksqiving!

Janet Johnston



TAMMARACK APTS BINGO

WHERE:

Tammarack Apts on Holt Rd, Holt

TIME & DATE:

November 13th - Saturday 2:00pm Bingo Starts. Workers at 1:30

BRING:

Bingo Prizes and Cookies or, Brownies or Candies or any other Dessert you may want to share

Ice Cream and Toppings with be provided along with beverages.

Any questions on this event contact Janet Johnston 517-647-2403

Capital City Corvette Club Christmas Dinner/Meeting

December 1st - 6:00 P.M.

Williamston Roadhouse

\$20.00 Per Person This Will Be A Banquet Style Dinner Cash Bar

> Bring A Gift For The Dirty Santa Exchange



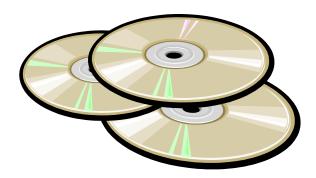
Directions:

Williamston Exit Off I-96 Turn North - Go About 1/2 Mile Roadhouse On The East Side Of Road Set Back Off The Road

R.S.V.P To Janet Johnston 517-647-2403 or djohnston@cablespeed.com

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB ADVERTISING

Orders will be taken in December for a picture CD of Capital City Corvette Club events that took place in 2004. The cost to purchase one of these CD's will be \$10.00.



All profits will go to the club's general fund and will be designated for one of our charity events.





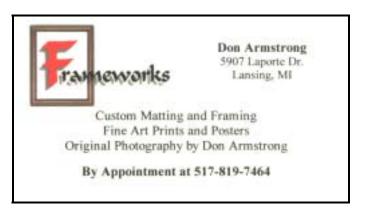




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