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Quick Hits from the Editor ~

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

August 2nd - 7:00

Delhi Café

4625 Willoughby Rd.

Holt

Board Meeting

August 16th - 7:00 pm

Delhi Café

4625 Willoughby Rd.

Holt

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From the President . . .

Greetings!

We have had a very busy schedule this year with three car shows already under our belt and our ever popular low speed events at Spartan Speedway.

A BIG Thank You to Gary Wyma for hosting our first ever All Chevy Show. We had 47 cars entered and it turned out to be a very beautiful day.

Spartan Speedway was next and what a day that turned out to be! Approximately 37 drivers pushed their cars to the limit and we had several encore performances for the crowd. We had the number one woman driver in the nation give us all a scare as she came within inches of the "WALL". Our very own Randy Putmon also put on quite a show as well.

A big "THANK YOU" to Kurt Schwamberger and Mark Hansen for putting together a magnificent low speed event. I would also like to thank the many individuals who helped make this event a success. I can't recall ever having so much help at Spartan Speedway. Thank you all!

It's August already and we still have more activities planned for you if you're up to it. Check the club website for a list of events that include a variety of activities.

Probably one of the clubs largest weekend activities is Corvette Crossroads August 24 – 27 in Mackinaw City. More than 50 members made the trip up north last year and we expect about the same number this year. You

can visit the club website, check out the Late Breaking News, or the calendar of events. We have a flier in this newsletter. Contact Janet Johnston for details or how to register.

In September we'll once again host the ever popular Horsepower at the Zoo Car Show. This show has become a very popular show in the Lansing area attracting more than 100 entrants and all of the proceeds help the Potter Park Zoo animal hospital. If you would like to help with this event please contact Craig Iansiti.

I would like to welcome our newest member, Milton Price, to all the fun activities of CCCC.

As some of you know our club has continued to grow at a steady pace all year. We started out the year with 129 members and at the last board meeting Colleen reported that we are at 159 members strong. This is a good situation to be in but it is forcing us to look at a larger facility for future growth.

If it should become necessary to move we want to have a facility in mind and with the clubs best interest at heart we held a board meeting in June at 2 Feathers Road House in Holt. Their room that we could use will accommodate 175 people and that would give us room to expand our membership.

For our September membership meeting we will be meeting at 2 Feathers Road House 2040 N. Aurelius in Holt. Join us for dinner and let us know what you think of 2 Feathers Road House.

Save the Wave,
Kahouna

CCCC General Membership Meeting July 5, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT: Tonight's guest is Linda Swift (a former member). Grand Valley Corvette Association has asked us to take part in a softball game & potluck. Our club seemed interested in the potluck but not in the softball game. Tom Stump explained the prices on our club photo and there was a discussion on having the date printed on the photos. There was a vote taken and it was decided not to put the date on. There were 52 cars displayed in the photo. The Board visited 2 Feathers Road House as a possible new site for our club. It was decided to hold the September Membership meeting there to get member input.

SECRETARY: No additions or corrections. Don Johnston made a motion to accept the minutes. Motion seconded and passed.

COMPETITION: Mark passed around a notebook of future competition events. Mark gave up-date on our Spartan Speedway event and gave an update on the Pres Kool All Chevy Show for Gary who was absent. We will have to provide the music for our show.

GOVERNOR: We were asked to take a vote by the Battle Creek Club on whether we would rather have the Charlton Park show, next year, at Gilmore's Car Museum or Marshall Fair Grounds. Club voted for the show to be at Gilmore's.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Absent, no report

TREASURER: Report given and gave report on the Pres Kool Corvette Show. Jeff McQuade made a motion to pay the bills. Motion seconded and passed.

SOCIAL: Coming events: Crossroads is in August, Bar-B-Q at Randy & Carol Putmon's on September 30 and Don & Carol Armstrong's color tour is in October.

MEMBERSHIP: 158 members 60 FCOA

EDITOR: Newsletter deadline is July 24. Classified ads will be in newsletter every month. Chris Burke has volunteered to do the membership profiles for the newsletter. She is taking over for Cindy Hanes.

POINTS: No update **NCM AMBASSADOR:** No report. **HISTORIAN:** Absent, no report

OLD BUSINESS: Janet Johnston did a great job of organizing the Progressive Dinner and Thank You goes to the people who opened their homes to us.

NEW BUSINESS: It's time to order club shirts. Some members would like club shirts in a different color. As long as the printing is the same color, members can get it for same price. **Reminder of club meeting in September at 2 Feathers Road House.** There was a discussion of how much to allow John Bechtel for his Ambassador's trip in September. Kurt Schwamberger made a motion to allow up to \$250 (same as Governor mtg.) Motion seconded and passed.

50-50 RAFFLE: Won by Diana Kuempel

Culver's has a cruise-in on July 15 & August 26. Our club will have an impromptu cruise-in next month at Culver's

Dave Kuempel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded & passed.

CCCC Board Meeting July 19, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Absent: Trini Dixon, Mark Hansen & Angela Kranz

PRESIDENT: Thanks go to Gary Wyma for chairing the All Chevy Show at Pres Kool. Thanks also to Mark Hansen and Kurt Schwamberger on their work for the Spartan Speedway event. Also thanks to Bob & Shalimar Maynard for bringing tables, chairs, & canopies for us to use at our events.

SECRETARY: No additions or corrections. Don Johnston made a motion to accept minutes as is. Motion seconded & passed.

COMPETITION: Absent. No Report

GOVERNOR: Regional meeting will be August 1.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Report given on Pres Kool Show

TREASURER: Report given. Don Johnston made a motion to pay the bills. Motion was seconded and passed.

SOCIAL: There is a big group going up to Mackinaw City. Bar-B-Q in September. Color tour in Oct.

MEMBERSHIP: 159 members 62 FCOA Our club has the most FCOA members in the Michigan Region. Colleen brought up that there was a question on the dues for NCCC. There was a discussion on why we pay NCCC dues (mainly liability). Janet Johnston made a motion to check out By-Laws. Motion withdrawn. There was a discussion of emailing membership list to members. It was decided not to do it.

POINTS: Still working on points program

EDITOR: Deadline is July 24. There will not be an email address listed for each officer in the newsletter. You must go to the club email and then the officers link.

AMBASSADOR: John has a reservation made for the Ambassador's meeting in September.

HISTORIAN: No report.

WEBMASTER: No report

HEARTS & FLOWERS: Absent. No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: Craig Iansiti gave a report on how things are going with the Horse Power at the Zoo show.

NEW BUSINESS: Silver Bells in the City parade application has to be in by September 1. Dave Kuempel will email members to see if anyone would like to chair this event.

MEMBER INPUT: Craig Iansiti brought up a discussion on divisions of classes for a car show. Thru Rich Shatkosky, Gary Wyma received a letter requesting a blessing for a gentleman's Vette with a donation of \$5. Board thought it was a great idea if Gary wished to do it.

Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:45p.m.

The CCCC Competition Points Program

By Mark Hansen, VP/Competition Director

Introduction

For newer members in the club (and a few veterans that never understood this), I wanted to explain the Competition Points Program and how this differs from the general club points program. The general points program allows members to earn points for participating in the club's social activities and also working at competition events. These include the monthly meetings, Drive & Dines, the Fall Color Cruise, and other activities that are not considered "sanctioned" competition activities within the Michigan Region of NCCC. There is a separate points program for those who drive or show in competition events.

The Competition Points Program

The Competition Points Program allows each member to earn competition points at the regional and national level however we also have a competition program within CCCC. Both sanctioned and non-sanctioned competition events are held but only sanctioned events return points. Sanctioned events will appear on our CCCC website calendar with an "MI- number" while non-sanctioned events will have a "NS- number". When you see MI-016, MI-017, etc. in our calendar, that is a sanctioned event. Competition points you earn at sanctioned events are forwarded to both the regional points program and national points program.

The Michigan Region of NCCC has 15 official Corvette Clubs, of which CCCC is one. Each of these 15 clubs is allowed to offer 7 events during the year. Events can vary but there are four basic competition activities. These include 1) speed events - high speed and low speed, 2) drag races, 3) rallyes, and 4) concours (car shows). Competition activities also include icekhana, funkhana, and economy run, but since these do not occur that often I will not spend time on them here. There are also specific types of speed events such as autocross, matching times, time trials, etc, but again, I want to focus in this article on just the competition points system in general.

Speed Events & Rallye Scoring

Each speed event includes two timed laps. When a person competes in a speed event, he/she earns 3 points as long as he/she finishes that event. A reason for not finishing might be that the driver missed a cone or turn and did not go back or else they just did not finish the timed lap for some reason. If the person has the fastest time for that event, they earn up to 9 points. Second place, third place, etc. may also win extra points depending on the number of cars in the class. If you participated, for example in our Spartan Speedway Low Speed event, you would earn at least 15 points for the day (3 pts per event x 5 events), and more if you placed.

Scoring for drags is based on eliminating opponents. Scoring for rallyes may vary but is based on fastest time to complete the course and collect the right clues. Awards go to both the driver and navigator. My analogy of a rallye is that it is similar to a scavenger hunt on wheels.

Concours Events & Scoring

A concours event, also referred to as a car show, varies with the type of concours in how points are scored. The more formal type of car show, referred to as Concours D'Elgance is a show where special judges are brought in and cars are checked to the finest detail including underneath the body, around the engine, basically anyplace the judge can see or check.

Most (or maybe all) of the sanctioned concours events in the Michigan Region of NCCC are referred to as "Peoples Choice Concours" or sometimes called a "Wash & Show" event. A People's Choice show allows the drivers or public to select the cars of their choice. The chair person/club develops the classes based on recommended classes by NCCC. Obviously, it is not as important for the owner to spend as much time preparing the car for a People's Choice event. This provides a more relaxed and fun activity. A Peoples Choice Concours is considered one single event in regard to scoring and everyone receives 3 points regardless of whether they win or not. Winners typically receive plaques or trophies for their effort. A Concours D'Elegance returns higher point earnings than a Peoples Choice.

Regional & National Competition Points Program

As the year progresses, the sanctioned event results are sent to the Regional Competition Director and he/she forwards them to NCCC as well. At the end of the year, those members with the highest total number of points in each type of event are recognized, plus an overall points leader is recognized. This occurs at both the Regional and National level.

CCCC :Competition Points Program

Before 2005, we did not have a competition points program within our club. However Kurt Schwamberger as Competition Director last year developed a competition points system within CCCC as well. The club points system is the same as the Region but it is only open to our CCCC members. Part of my job as Competition Director is to collect all of the members' points from our event chairs so that we can recognize our members at the end of the year. I am working on that now. Soon I'll be placing scores in the newsletter so those of you who have participated in sanctioned competition events can see where you stand.

Summary & Benefits from Competition

When the year is over, all of the Regions' 15 clubs are compared in regard to total combined competition points. The club with the most competition points gets 1st choice in selecting the dates on which they wish to hold their 7 events the following year. I guess you could say it is a little like the NBA draft. Last year, CCCC finished in 4th place, and surpassed our closest rival, Flint CCCC.

However, when all is said and done, it is not about individual points, club points, trophies or plaques. As Kurt Schwamberger told me, "It is about developing new friendships, satisfying that competitive edge that we all have, and just getting the most out of that beautiful, high-performance car that we drive."

Hopefully, this gives you a better understanding of how our competition system works. As the "Rookie of the Year" in 2005, I can attest that it did not require that much participation, but I did have fun. I hope you will consider becoming more involved in our Club's sanctioned events program, and also take part in other clubs' sanctioned events in the Michigan Region.

FIRST ANNUAL ALL CHEVY SHOW

As workers and participants started to gather at our main sponsor of the Capital City Corvette Club, Pres Kool for our First Annual All Chevy Show, the weather had cooperated with warm temptures in the high 70's and reaching by afternoon the high 80's, a more beautiful day could not be wished for by any stretch of the imagination!

The All Chevy Show had 52 registrants with a base of 14 CCCC 'vettes and 12 'vettes from outside the club. For the Chevy part there were 26 of many models including; Impala, Chevelle, Bel Air, Caprice, Camaro, Camaro SS, Laguna and Nova. Also 3 Chevy trucks were in the show, a van, an S-10 Extream truck and the oldest Chevy of the day, a PINK 1936 Pick-up! It was a good variety of the "GREATEST AUTO ON THE AMERICAN ROAD TODAY, THE CHEVY!"

Awards were given in the following Categories: All Chevy, Corvette, Best of Engine and Best of Show

ALL CHEVY:

Trucks-1st Place – Cindy Downey (1936 Pink Chevy Pick-up)
2nd Place – Matt Burkner (2000 S-10 Red Pick-up)

1950 – 1969- 1st Place – Don Toomey (1957 Chevelle Convertible, Red)
2nd Place – Gary Preston (1957 Bel Air, Red/White)

1970 – 1989 – 1st Place – Bobby Davidson (1977 'vette Convertible, Red)
2nd Place – Mike Stevens (1972 Chevelle SS, Red)

1990 – 2006 – 1st Place – Bob Ribor (1992 Camaro Coupe, Red)

CORVETTES:

F-1, 1st Place – Jack & Carol Smith (1957 'vette Convertible)
2nd Place – Richard Dunham (1959 'vette Convertible)

F-2, 1st Place – Randy Putmon (1981 'vette Coupe)
2nd Place – Greg Kapp (1984 'vette Coupe)

F-3, 1st Place – Dave & Diana Kuempel (2003 Corvette Convertible)
2nd Place – Kathy & Gary Wyma (2002 Corvette Convertible)

BEST OF ENGINE – BOBBY DAVIDSON – 1977 Corvette Convertible, Red

BEST OF SHOW – RICHARD DUNHAM – 1959 Corvette Convertible, Green

I would like to express deep appreciation for everyone who made this show a success, it makes no difference if you had a large or small task, thanks to all CCCC members, you're the greatest!

Those behind the scenes, Colleen Bratchi who did so much in putting the goodie bags together with Chappy. For my wife Kathy, in using her persuasion to get door prizes. And before the show, the great mover, "One Man and His Truck" who hauls the tables, tarps, door prizes, pop, ice water and coolers to EVERYONE OF OUR EVENTS, and oh yes, always seems to go home with all the cash, I thank you Bob, you are of great service to our club and events! And then for Shalimar (who in

between putting Kool Aid out to scare the ducks away from our shows, does so much, but thank goodness she does not have to sing when doing the Car Show Music! Only kidding shal, and nothing was said about RAIN, 'cause there was none!! I thank all of you, and I would like to note the following who helped so graciously with the July 8th show; Gordon and Margaret Terwilliger, Rich Shatkosky, Joe and Pam Platte, Craig Iansiti, Randy and Carol Putmon, Diana and Dave Kuempel, Carrie Hutton, Tom Stump, Bob and Shalimar and Bob Ribar!

We generated for the CCCC over \$400.00.
Gary, alias Chappy

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CCCC MEMBER CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale: 2-2001 Trail Boss 325 Quads - "Special Edition Yellow Color" - Like new/used very little, 2 wheel drive (driver friendly)-Includes helmets, goggles, gloves -Asking \$5,200
For both - or \$2,600 each
Call or Email Gordon:
517-628-2002
twig4952@cablespeed.com

Cottage for Sale on White Lake, MI- Well maintained year round. Includes grand views of lake, sweeping front lawn and dock for boat. Enjoy fireplace in open living room, sunsets from party size deck, or bring your own wicker rocker for glassed-in front porch. Cottage has one bath, one main floor bedroom, and spacious upstairs bunk room for everyone else! Move in condition. Call **Rich/Colleen Bratschi** at 517-712-8968 **Mary Jamison** at 231-744-6219

For Sale: Used '76-81 (L-48) Air cleaner system \$50.00
Used: '68-78 seats - dark brown \$150.00
New-'76-81 Air duct \$15.00
Used: '75-78 stock exhaust syst.

For Sale: 1993 Corvette Coupe, Ruby Red 40th Anniversary pkg, 60k miles, 300 hp LT1, automatic trans., runs great, 30mpg highway, great condition, **Asking \$17,500**
Call Phil - 989-587-3422

For Sale: 1985 Corvette Coupe, med. gray metallic (only 2,519 made), gray interior, air, auto trans, p.windows/door locks, p.seats, leather, removable transparent roof panel, cruise, tuned-port inject. L98 engine, high perform. ECM w/chip, ACCEL, HEI super coil, Bose radio sys., CB antenna, Goodyear Eagles GSCP255/50ZR16 tire, 4 extra wheels w/BFG RI tires, 82k, excellent cond. **Asking \$9,500**
Call Steve - 517-372-4380

Storage for your Corvette: CCCC members
In pole barn \$25 per month
Call Randy/Carol - 669-8365

Cont'd:
(4 mos.) \$150.00
New: Disc brakes retaining tool \$6.00
Used: '69-82 Antenna \$10

For Sale: 1996 Collector's Edition Corvette, Sebring Silver, less than 8K miles, auto trans, 5.7 V-8, AC, Factory perform. rear axle, Bose Sys, 6-way leather seats, gray interior, traction control, fiberglass removable top.
Asking \$29,000
Contact Ray or Laurie
rlpulido@cablespeed.com

For Sale: 1956 four door Chevy station wagon, 17,500 miles, originally Grand Ledge Fire Dept. car, **Asking: \$22,000 OBO** **Call Dave or Pat Cripe - 517-484-4677**

For Sale: Precious Moments figurine Collection. Several collector's items discontinued.
Call Pam - 517-887-7232

For all these car parts at the bottom of these columns:
Call Jeff - 517-541-1951

2006 Michigan Region Competition Schedule

(as of 7/06)

Date	Time	Event	Location/Club
August 1	7pm	Regional Meeting	LaSeniorita Restaurant Lansing
August 5-6		Regional Officers Meetings	Orlando, FL
August 5-11		NCCC Convention	Orlando, FL
August 20		Low Speed Events (3) (MI-003, MI-004, MI-005)	Muskegon, MI Royal CSW Mich
August 20		Concours (NS-08)	Northville, MI CC Michigan
September 3		Low Speed Events (MI-TBD)	Jackson Speedway (Club TBD)
September 4		Labor Day	
September 4		High Speed (Region Event)	Nelson Ledges East Ohio
September 5	7pm	Regional Meeting	LaSeniorita Restaurant Lansing
September 8-9		Governors Meetings	St. Louis, MO
September 10		Low Speed (NS-09)	Hamtramck, MI CC Michigan
September 14		Bracket Drags (NS-10)	Milan, MI CC Michigan
September 17		Peoples Choice (NS-18) Horsepower at the Zoo	Lansing, MI CCCC
October 1		Rallye Event (MI-TBD)	Kalamazoo, MI Kalamazoo CC
October 7		Rallyes (MI-032, MI-033 MI-034, MI-035, MI-036)	Milford, MI CC Michigan

October 14		Rallye Event (MI-022)	Flint, MI Flint CC
October 14		High Speed Test & Tune (NS-21)	Grattan Raceway MAG
October 14		High Speed Events (4) (MI-061, MI-062, MI-063)	Grattan Raceway Grand Valley CC
October 14		High Speed Event (1) (MI-064)	Grattan Raceway MAG
October 15		High Speed Test & Tune (NS-22)	Grattan Raceway MAG
October 15		High Speed Events (3) (MI-065, MI-066, MI-067)	Grattan Raceway Grand Valley CC
October 15		High Speed Events (1) (MI-068)	Grattan Raceway MAG
October 21		Rallye Events (4) (MI-TBD)	Lansing, MI Great Lakes CC
October 22		Rallye Events (3) (MI-006, MI-007, MI-008)	Muskegon, MI Royal CSW Mich
October 22		Low Speed Event (1) (NS-11)	Hamtramck, MI CC Michigan
October 28		Low Speed Event (1) (NS-12)	Hamtramck, MI CC Michigan
October 31		Halloween	
November 5		Rallye (NS-13)	Northville, MI CC Michigan
November 7	7pm	Regional Meeting	LaSeniorita, Restaurant Lansing
November 11-12		Governors Meeting	St. Louis, MO
November 25		Thanksgiving Day	



14th Annual Car Capital Celebration

**Art Festival, Live Music, Beer Tent, Taste of the Eastside,
Canine Car Costume Contest, Sidewalk Sale, Bikes, Scooters
and Skateboard Parade, Ice Cream Social,
GM Village, RC Cars, Fashion Show
A Community-Wide Celebration**

R. E. Olds Transportation Museum Car Show and Fundraiser

Featuring Mid-Michigan's Finest Classic Cars

**A Mile of show cars - Swap meet
Awards - Dash Plaques - Door Prizes
Fun For All Ages!**

2000 Block of Michigan Avenue

Saturday, August 12, 2006

Noon to Dusk

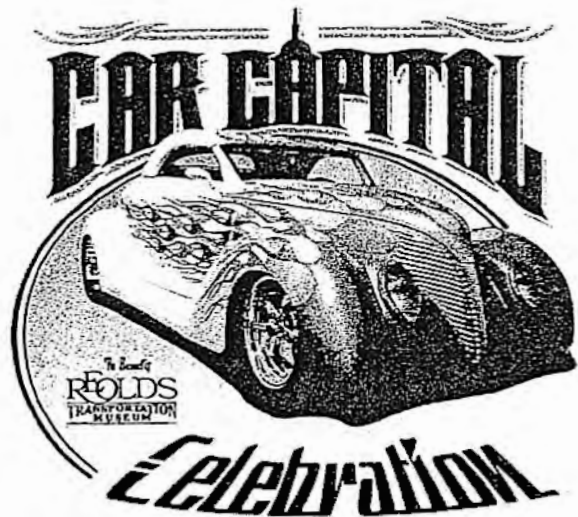
Free Admission

Master of Ceremonies -Tim Barron, 101.7 - MIKE FM

For More Information, call 372-0529

Note: East Michigan Avenue will be closed on August 12th to traffic from Foster Street to Marshall Street from 11:00 a.m. until dusk for the celebration. Alternate routes will be available.

R. E. Olds Transportation Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.



R.E. Olds Transportation Museum's 14th Annual
Car Capital Celebration
 CAR SHOW AND FUNDRAISER
 Saturday, August 12th - Noon to dusk

PLACE: 2000 block of East Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan

➤ ALL MAKES & MODELS WELCOME ◀

FEATURING: A Mile of show cars • Swap meet • Dash Plaques • Door Prizes

1969 Oldsmobile 442 Convertible Raffle Drawing (For more information, check our website)

AWARDS - MORE CATAGORIES ADDED - AWARDS

Music, Food and Fun For All Ages!

REGISTRATION: A \$10.00 donation per vehicle is requested and is tax deductible

\$10.00 donation = 1 auto entry at show.....	\$ _____
\$20.00 donation = 1 auto entry at show + Membership to R.E. Olds Museum	\$ _____
\$50.00 donation = 1 auto entry at show + Membership to R.E. Olds Museum + 2 Free T-shirts	\$ _____



CAR CAPITAL T-SHIRTS (Vegas Gold) pre-ordered \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
 S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___ XXXL ___ or two for \$25.00 = \$ _____
 (after July 31st and at show \$17.00 and \$30.00)

SWAP MEET SPACE (\$10 for each 10' x 20' space) ___ @ \$10.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

VEHICLE _____ YEAR _____

Watch our web site at www.reoldsmuseum.org for further updates.

PLEASE NOTE:

The Car Capital Celebration is an annual fundraiser for the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum. The Museum is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. All proceeds help to keep the Museum running for another year.

THE FIRST 200 PRE-REGISTRATIONS WILL RECEIVE A FREE DASH PLAQUE, PREMIUM GOODIE BAG AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO WIN DOOR PRIZES! PLEASE REGISTER BY JULY 31st!

Make checks payable to: R.E. Olds Transportation Museum
 Send checks and registration to:
 Deborah Horstik
 R. E. Olds Transportation Museum
 240 Museum Drive
 Lansing, MI 48933
 (517) 372-0529
autos@reoldsmuseum.org

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION!



3RD Annual Low Speed Race

August 20, 2005

Sponsored by:



Location: 4800 Harvey Street
Muskegon, MI 49441
(map on reverse side)

REGISTRATION: 8AM TO 10AM

DRIVERS MEETING: 10:30

RACE BEGINS AT: 11AM

***HELMETS REQUIRED!!**

COMPETITION BASED ON:

(2) SPEED EVENTS AND (1) MATCHING TIMES

COST: NCCC MEMBERS \$8.00 PER EVENT

NON-NCCC MEMBERS \$10.00 PER EVENT

50/50 Drawing/Spectators Free

For more information contact Bob Meloche @ (231) 206-9621

Low Speed Event Entry Form:

1st Event _____ 2nd Event _____ Matching Times Event _____

Name: _____

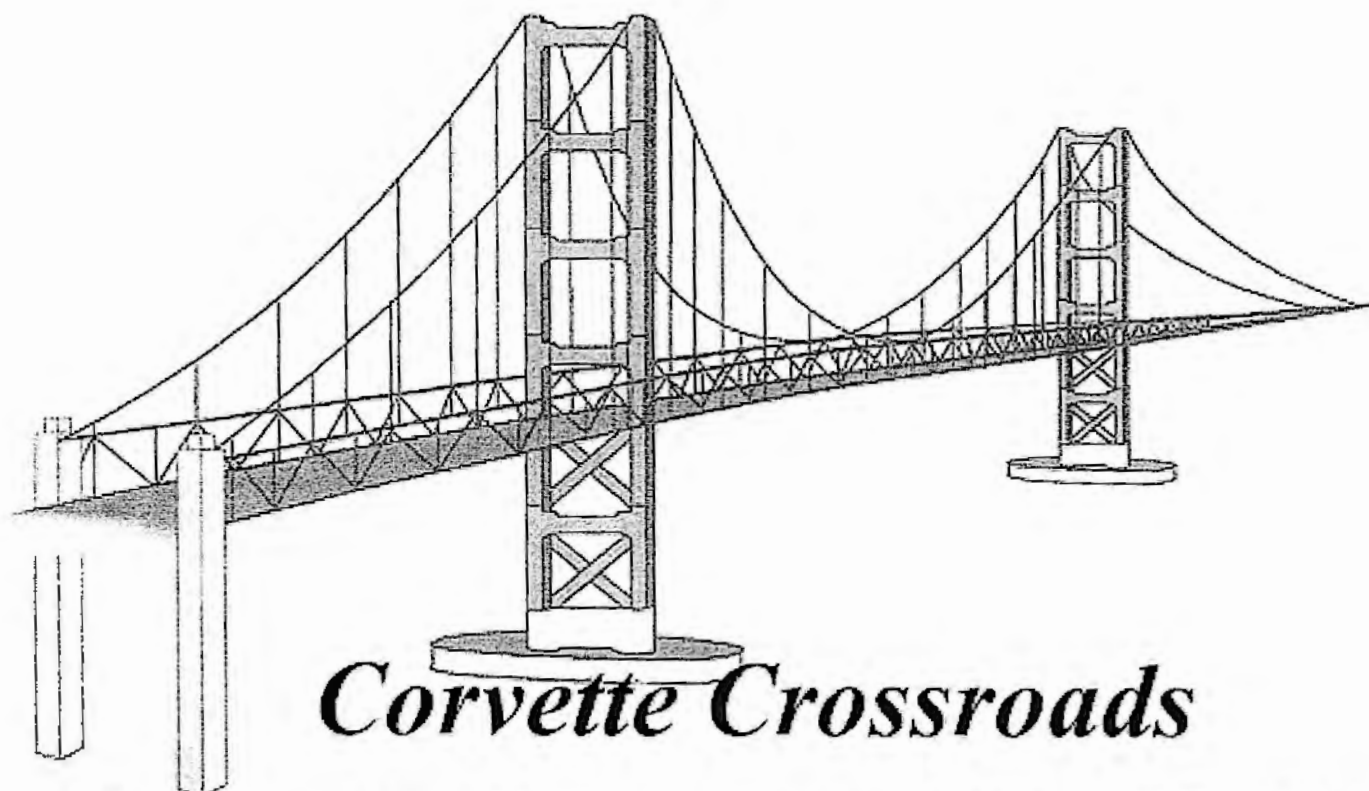
Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please make checks payable to Royal Corvettes of Western, Mi.

Mail to: Nick Rynberg, 5415 Dalson, Twin Lake, MI 49457



NCCC Sanctioned Events – (MI-003/MI-004/MI-005)



Corvette Crossroads

Mackinaw City August 24 - 27, 2006

Chippewa Motor Lodge
231.436.8661

For our newer members, this is a Corvette Car show in Mackinaw city. About 350 Corvettes show up to this event. If time allows you, call now for your reservation.

Prices:

Cabins – Thursday 49.00/Weekend 79.00
Lake Front – Thursday 69.00/Weekend 99.00
Court Side – Thursday 49.00/Weekend 79.00
Budget – Thursday 29.00/Weekend 59.00

The Thursday group will caravan from the Old Outlet Mall. Meeting time will be 8:30 a.m. and stopping for lunch in Gaylord. Shop and walk around a bit.

For the group that will already be up there, Friday morning we will be going to Sault Ste. Marie to explore. We will be eating at Antlers, which is a fun and interesting steak restaurant.

The Friday group will meet up at the same place, the Old Outlet Mall, around 10:00 a.m., stopping at Ponderosa in Clare for lunch.

I will have an update later of everyone going, and to make sure the meeting times will go with everyone's timetable for the Friday group. Some may be just going on their own and meeting up north.

This is a fun time for everyone. You can plan on golfing, shopping, sight seeing the UP, or just plain relax. Our motel is right on Lake Huron and we gather in the evening around a fire pit to visit and party. You are able to wash your cars there. Note: you may want to bring your car cover if your parking spot is by the pine trees. Sap will get on your car.

Contact Janet Johnston for any questions – 517.647.2403
Looking forward to a great time of fellowship and fun!



National Corvette Museum Labor Day Caravan

*Join your fellow club members for an exciting weekend of
fun and good times!*



Who: Members of Corvette Club of Michigan

What: Caravan to the National Corvette Museum, in Bowling Green, Kentucky

When: Departing Michigan on Thursday, August 31, 2006 @ 8:00 A.M.

Where: Departure from I-94 and Zeeb Rd. (Exit 169)

Why: To celebrate the 12th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum

How: Driving your own Corvette!

For more information contact your National Corvette Museum Master Ambassador:

Joe Thomas

517-347-9081 or Everthom@comcast.net

Preserving the Past, Present and Future of an American Icon

Master Plan to be presented at Labor Day Event

We have selected the architectural firm of Sherman-Carter-Barnhart to develop a master plan for our estimated 50,000 square-foot expansion that includes a library and archives, permanent Corvette Hall of Fame, a 75-seat Corvette Café, 400-seat Conference Center that can be divided into four classrooms and 5,000 square-foot education, display and exhibit area.

In early July, the architectural firm based out of Lexington, Kentucky will provide three conceptual presentations for the proposed expansion which also will include changes to the Museum Delivery prep and presentation area, additional parking, Corvette Store expansion, additional storage and other much needed developments. The master plan will be unveiled at the annual membership meeting on Saturday, September 2nd at 1:30 p.m. as part of the 12th Anniversary Corvette Celebration festivities Labor Day weekend. We hope you can join us for this exciting moment in the Museum's future!

Interstate Highway System 50th Anniversary Press Conference

Officials from the Governor's Office and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet joined national, state and local officials in our Chevrolet Theater to celebrate the national 50th anniversary of the interstate system.

When Dwight Eisenhower became president, building an interstate highway system which would tie the nation together became a focus of his domestic policy. He signed the bill that started the construction of a National System of Interstate and Defense Highways on June 29, 1956. Museum Director Wendell Strode commented as part of the ceremony that the Museum's existence and future would not be possible without the interstate system bringing thousands of Corvette enthusiasts to Bowling Green each year. We were thrilled to host and be a major part of this state event.

Corvette Racing Wins 24 Hours of Le Mans

Corvette and Aston Martin went toe-to-toe in the 24 Hours of Le Mans, trading blows through a grueling day and night of racing. When the battle finally ended, Corvette Racing had won the GT1 class in the world's greatest sports car race for the fifth time in six years.

The victorious No. 64 Compuware Corvette C6.R driven by Oliver Gavin, Olivier Beretta and Jan Magnussen finished fourth overall and scored Corvette Racing's 12th podium finish since the team first came to Le Mans in 2000. It was the trio's third consecutive class victory at Le Mans and their fourth straight endurance racing win, a streak that includes last year's 24 Hours of Le Mans, Petit Le Mans and the 12 Hours of Sebring. Corvette Racing extended its perfect finishing record in the 24 Hours of Le Mans to seven consecutive years and Corvette became the winningest manufacturer in recent GT history at Le Mans. "What those guys did was unbelievable," stated Gary Pratt of Pratt & Miller. "Teamwork is what it's all about. Whichever car wins, the whole team wins."



National Corvette Museum News

www.corvettemuseum.com

by Joe Thomas

NCM Vehicle Sales Initiative

If you currently own a non-GM vehicle (1996 model or newer) and make your purchase of a new GM vehicle by August 31, 2006 you could be one of 100 that help us gain \$**25,000** towards our building campaign. GM Vehicles are any new 2006 or 2007 Model Chevrolet, Pontiac, Buick, Cadillac, Saturn, GMC, Hummer or Saab. You can help continue our Building Campaign efforts through this special promotion. Find out more, by going to the National Corvette Museum website.

Showcase Your Corvette Club at This Year's Labor Day Event!

This year's Labor Day weekend Corvette Celebration will focus on showcasing Corvette clubs with a club show field", Corvette Club Pentathlon games and much more are scheduled as part of the fun! Each club that participates in the event can also reserve a complimentary 10X20 space when registering to stage and gather as a group and display their club's memorabilia. Contact Adam Boca at: adam@corvettemuseum.com to reserve your club's show field space. Bring your own tent to be a part of the fun.

Putnam Park High Performance Driving School Excitement

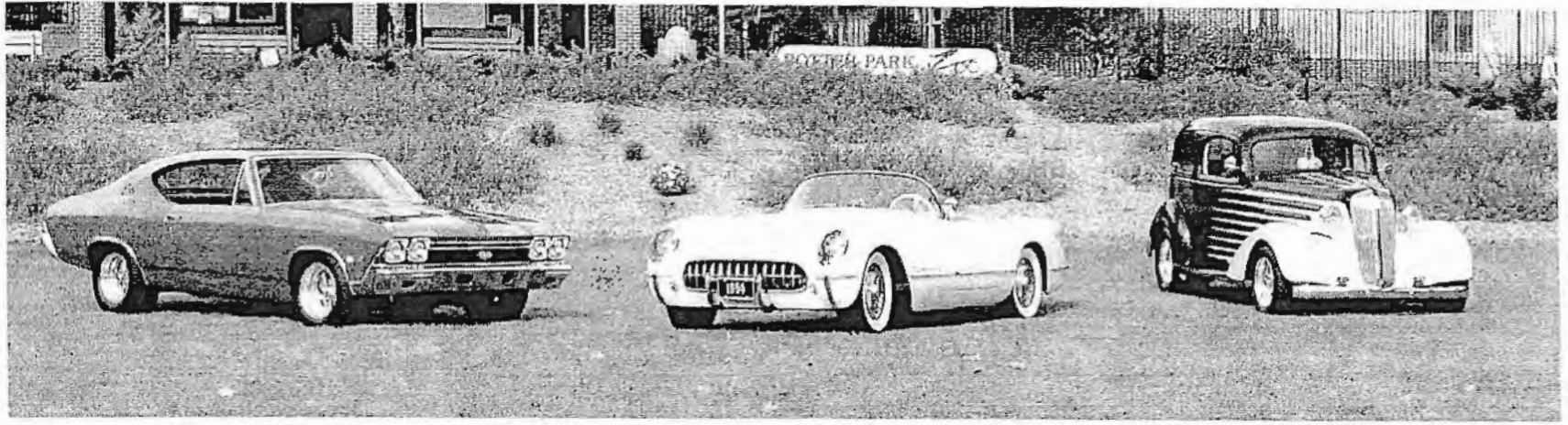
Over 60 participants were part of the recent High Performance Driving School at Putnam Park, including 20 GM performance car team engineers and designers. Your next chance to be part of a performance school, hosted by the Museum, is scheduled for Oct 28-29. Registration for the Carolina Motorsports Park High Performance Event will open on July 3 at 8:00 a.m. CT.

Woodward Cruise Registration Opens

On Friday evening, August 18, we will usher in the Woodward Dream Cruise with a dinner and car show at the Somerset Inn in Troy, MI.

Starting at 7:30 pm, participants will gather in a special parking area to enjoy BBQ chicken & ribs while talking to members of the GM High Performance Vehicle team and viewing cars from the past & hot new items from SEMA. Pre-registered attendees will receive a hard card, lanyard and commemorative dash plaque. For information and registration visit:

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/Woodward/agenda.shtml>. Space is limited so sign up quickly.



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Car Show Pre-Registration Form - One Car per form

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"THIS IS THE FIRST PART OF MANY TO THE STORY OF THE CORVETTE"

Entering the 1950s, no corporation even came close to General Motors in its size, the scope of its enterprise or its profits. GM was twice the size of the second biggest company in the world -- Standard Oil of New Jersey (forefather of today's ExxonMobil), and had a vast conglomeration of businesses ranging from home appliances to providing insurance and building Chevrolets, GMCs, Pontiacs, Oldsmobiles, Buicks, Cadillacs and locomotives. It was so big that it made more than half the cars sold in the United States and the U.S. Department of Justice's antitrust division was threatening to break it up. In the vast 21st century, it's almost hard to imagine how overwhelmingly large GM was back then.

But it didn't make a sports car. The idea of a car coming from stodgy GM that could compete with Jaguar, MG or Triumph was almost absurd.

Still, there was room inside GM for dreams even if there wasn't any room for whimsy. Harley J. Earl, GM's chief designer (formally the head of the Art and Color Section) and the man who invented the "concept car" with the 1938 Buick Y-Job, was in charge of the corporation's ambitious musings. In the fall of 1951, Earl began ruminating about an open sports car that would sell for around the price of a mainstream American sedan -- about \$2,000. His ideas were rather nebulous, but he handed those notions over to Robert F. McLean, the concept came into focus and a concept car emerged.

Determined to keep costs down, McLean used off-the-shelf Chevy mechanical components. The chassis and suspension were for all intents and purposes the 1952 Chevy sedan's, with the drivetrain and passenger compartment shoved rearward to achieve a 53/47 front-to-rear weight distribution over its 102-inch wheelbase. The engine was essentially the same dumpy inline six that powered all Chevys but with a higher-compression ratio, triple Carter side-draft carbs and a more aggressive cam that hauled its output up to 150 horsepower. Fearful that no Chevy manual transmission could handle such extreme power (and there were no four-speeds in GM's inventory), a two-speed Powerglide automatic was bolted behind the hoary six. And to keep tooling costs in line, the body was made out of fiberglass instead of steel.

While the car was conceived with rigorous attention to the bottom line and production feasibility in mind, it was still only intended to be part of GM's Motorama exhibit at the 1953 New York Auto Show. That is until Ed Cole, Chevy's then recently appointed chief engineer, saw it. Cole, then immersed in development of the world-changing 1955 "small-block" V8, is said to have literally jumped up and down with enthusiasm for the Motorama car. So before it even got to New York, and after some corporate machinations, the engineering to put it into production began.

But first Cole needed to name it. So he called Myron Scott, founder of the All-American Soap Box Derby and an assistant advertising manager for Chevrolet, into a special meeting of executives researching the name. Scott suggested "Corvette," Cole loved it and the rest is history.

The public at the New York show loved the 1953 Motorama Corvette almost as much as Cole did. Thousands of potential buyers wanted to know when they could buy one. Just six months later, they could. The **1953** Corvette, virtually identical to the Motorama prototype, went into production on June 30, 1953, in Flint, Mich. They've been making them ever since.

Submitted by Kurt Schwamberger

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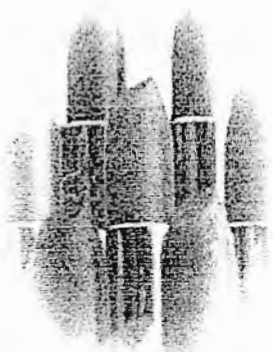
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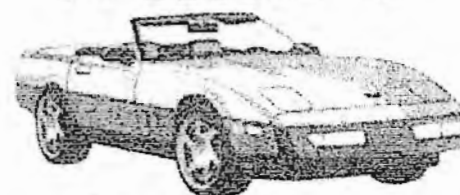
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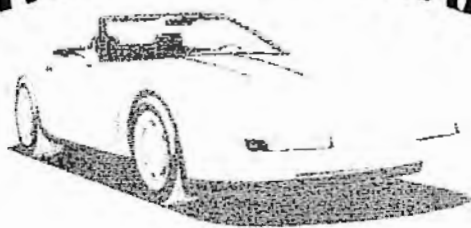


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