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~Quick Hits from The Editor ~

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

November 7, 2007

7:00 pm

Deli Café-Holt

BOARD MEETING

November 21, 2007

7:00 pm

Delhi Café-Holt

Please send any articles you would like to have
published to: editor @ cccorvette.org

From the President . . .

Greetings!

As Mother Nature's colors fade into memory let's not forget the fantastic color tour put on by Jim Balla and Angela Hyde. Thanks to both for a memorable color tour that included 3 covered bridges, 22 Corvettes and 2 steel bodied cars.

November is upon us and that brings with it membership renewals and the election of officers for 2008. I hope that everyone renews their membership and plans to enjoy another year of fun in CCCC. Please keep in mind that you will need to pay your 2008 dues prior to voting.

November will kick off with our annual Bingo and ice cream social with the seniors at Tamarack Apts. on November 3 and then we'll enjoy our last Drive'N Dine of the year hosted by Steve and Barb Musselman on November 10.

The club voted to purchase a trailer and we now own a 2008 U S Cargo trailer. The

graphics have been applied to it and hopefully you will be able to see a picture of it on our website.

November is the time where we say thank you to all of those who have served this country in the armed forces. If you are or were in the armed forces I would like to be one of the first ones to offer my Thanks to you for your service to our great country.

Thanksgiving comes along at the end of November and with that I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone who has in one way or another made these two years as your president a memorable one.

I hope to see all of you at the November membership meeting.

Save the wave,

Dave Kuempel

CCCC Board Meeting September 19, 2007

Meeting at the Delhi Café. Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Absent: Chris Burke, Gloria Reiffer

PRESIDENT: Welcome. The club now owns a 6 x 12 2008 U.S Cargo trailer.

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

COMPETITION: NCCC will now accept our formats on the reports of our sanctioned events. Craig gave a report on the death of a student from the Career Center. Due to certain circumstances Craig made the motion for our club scholarship to be named in this student's memory. Motion was seconded and passed.

GOVERNOR: NCCC is trying to save money. Therefore if anyone is interested in having a 2007 NCCC pin just contact your Governor. NCCC will pass them down to the Governors and then on to you. Discussion on a possible 50th celebration for our club next year.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Bob has contacted one person to possibly do the graphics on our new trailer.

TREASURER: Report given. Kathy Wyma made a motion to pay the bills. Motion seconded and passed.

SOCIAL: Kathy will send email blast to see if someone would like to chair the color tour. November 10 will be a Drive'N Dine by Steve and Barb Musselman. Bingo has been moved to November 3.

MEMBERSHIP: 143 members, 1 Honorary and 73 F.C.O.A. Colleen showed the Board the club flags. Everyone was very happy with them. She had ordered 25 of them. They will be available for purchase at our next membership meeting. She will also be able to order more if needed. Colleen says she needs to order more name tags with the club logo on them. The Board authorized her to do so. Discussion on some changes needed in the By-laws. Committee consists of: Rich Shatkosky (Chair), Rich Bratschi, Bob Maynard, Craig Iansiti, and Simon Reiffer. At a later date Kim Keith and Roy Bailey were asked to join.

POINTS: Points are up to date.

EDITOR: Absent.

WEBMASTER: Absent. Colleen gave Gloria's report on the nominating committee.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Club has purchased a trailer that is yet to be built. Dave will pick it up in a couple of weeks.

MEMBER INPUT: None

Carrie Hutton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:18p.m.

CCCC General Membership Meeting October 3, 2007

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

PRESIDENT: Welcome. New members Jim and Patti DeNike who joined in August, and Kathleen Andrews who joined tonight. Tonight's guest is Shari Froelich from Jackson. Don Johnston is back in the hospital. We wish him well. Terry Burke presents a check to Diane McNeil from Potter Park Zoo, from the proceeds of HAZ. Thanks to Terry and Chris Burke for chairing the show.

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

COMPETITION: There are ralleys going on.

GOVERNOR: Summary of Governor's meeting in the newsletter. Board elections are going on at National level. Rich explained how the National makes changes in their by-laws. People are needed to plan activities to celebrate our 50th anniversary next year. Rich explained what will happen with NCCC pins that are left over from this year, Next year each couple will receive 2 pins. It will be up to the Governors to make sure members receive their pins and calendars. Rich Bratschi made the motion that members will pick up their pins & calendars at the membership meetings and not be mailed out. Motion seconded and passed.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Letters are going to advertisers about next years ads. Discussion on graphics for club trailer.

TREASURER: Report given. Sandy Bechtel made a motion to pay the bills. Motion seconded and passed.

SOCIAL: Absent. Report given by Gary Wyma. Jim Balla is chairing color tour. November 3 is bingo at Tamarack Apts. November 10 is a Drive'N Dine by Steve & Barb Musselman. Christmas party is December 5 at the Brookshire Inn in Williamston.

MEMBERSHIP: WE have 143 members, 1 Honorary, and 73 F.C.O.A. Club flags are available. Time to renew club memberships.

POINTS: Up to date.

EDITOR: Deadline is October 24. Please keep profiles coming in.

WEBMASTER: Absent. Simon Reiffer gives report on nominations in Gloria's absence. Craig Iansiti made a motion to close the nominations. Motion seconded and passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Club trailer will be picked up by Dave Kuempel as soon as it's built. Corvette Museum report by Sandy Bechtel.

NEWBUSINESS: Salvation Army has contacted Janet Johnston to see if we would be interested in adopting families for Christmas. Gary Wyma made a motion to adopt 2 families. Motion seconded and passed. Janet will contact the Salvation Army. Diana Brown asked the ladies if they would be interested in a night of shopping on October 21 at the Dress Barn in Frandor where she works. Diana Brown presented a home decorated basket to Carol Putmon as a thank you for the Putmon's Bar-B-Q and Hayride. Dave Cripe had catalogs of cloths for anyone interested. Simon Reiffer made a motion to purchase various gift cards for Bingo. Motion seconded and passed.

Craig Iansiti made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

CCCC Board Meeting October 17, 2007

Meeting at the Delhi Café. Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT: Welcome. Thanks to Jim Balla & Angela Hyde for chairing the color tour.

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

COMPETITION: We will need a list of dates for next years car shows and low speed events for the Regional meeting. The Career Center is making a plaque for display with the names of recipients of our scholarships.

GOVERNOR: Discussion on by-law changes. Craig Iansiti made a motion to accept the changes and to put them before the members. Motion seconded and passed.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Passed around examples of graphic for new club trailer. Letters will go out for advertisers renewals.

TREASURER: Report given. Colleen Bratschi made a motion to pay the bills. Motion seconded and passed. Discussion on 2008 club budget.

SOCIAL: Diana Brown's Dress Barn October 21, Bingo November 3, Drive'N Dine November 10, Christmas party at the Brookshire Inn in Williamston, Winter Celebration at the Wagonwheel in Portland.

MEMBERSHIP: 143 members, 1 Honorary and 73 F.C.O.A. We currently have 61 renewals and 2 lifetimes

POINTS: Points are up to date.

EDITOR: Deadline October 23

WEBMASTER: Report of nominations committee. Dave will appoint someone to count ballots.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion of locks for the new trailer. Stainless steel will work.

MEMBER INPUT: None

Dave Kuempel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:35p.m.



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November 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>3</u> <u>Bingo</u> <u>@Tamarack</u>
<u>4</u> CCM Rallye 	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> Regional Meeting 	<u>7</u> <u>CCCC General Membership Meeting</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u> Regional Officers Meeting	<u>10</u> <u>Drive N Dine</u> National Governors Meeting
<u>11</u> 	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> <u>CCCC Board Meeting</u>	<u>22</u> 	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	

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December 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<u>1</u>
<u>2</u>		<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> <u>CCCC Holiday</u> <u>Party</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> <u>CCCC Board</u> <u>Meeting</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> Merry Christmas! 	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>
<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> 	Happy New Year!				

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Christmas Party

Who: You! The Capital City Corvette Club

What: Annual Christmas Party

Where: Brookshire Inn, Williamston

When: Wednesday, December 5, 2007

5:45 pm Cash Bar

6:30 pm Buffet Dinner

Bring: White Elephant Gift

*Or something nicer, if you don't
feel like the Grinch.*

(Ladies, please bring gift for female.

Men, please bring gift for a male)

Cost: \$25.00 per person.

*Please give your money to Kathy Wyma at
the Nov. 7 Club Meeting. Or mail to Kathy,
NO LATER than 11/26/07.*

*At our gathering, once again, Bob Maynard
will be collecting monetary donations for
the Greater Lansing Food Bank.*



Capital City Chatter

Please be sure to wish a **Happy Birthday** to the following CCCC Club Members!

November 4-Art Doty

November 16-Nancy Stremmer

November 20-Al Peterson

November 21-Joe Platte

November 27-Ken David

November 29-Bob Loucks

2008 Board Member Election

The upcoming General Membership Meeting is the last day to vote for the 2008 CCCC Board of Directors, so please make an effort to attend. If you will not be at the November 7 CCCC membership meeting be sure to contact Shalimar Maynard for an absentee ballot. You must have renewed your membership for 2008 in order for your vote to be counted. Ballots must be received in the club mailbox by November 7 to be counted. Those running for office include:

Competition Director - Gary Wyma

Editor - Chris Burke

Governor - Rich Bratschi

Membership Director - Colleen Bratschi and Angela Hyde

Points Director - Carrie Hutton

President - John Bechtel

Public Relations Director - Bob Maynard

Secretary - Sandy Bechtel

Social Director - Kathy Wyma

Treasurer - Mike Britz, Ted Lasher and Carol Putmon

Absentee ballots include instructions for keeping your vote confidential.

Welcome!

Please extend a warm welcome to newest CCCC Member Kathleen Andrews of Rochester Hills. Kathleen owns a 2007 Blue Convertible. Watch for a Member Profile on Kathleen in an upcoming newsletter.

Don't Forget!

We will be playing Bingo with the seniors at Tamarack Apartments on Saturday, November 3. We will also be having our last Drive & Dine of the season on Saturday, November 10. More information on these events can be found on the website, or by contacting our Social Director, Kathy Wyma.

Upcoming Events

The 2008 CCCC Winter Celebration will be held Saturday, January 12 at the Wagon Wheel Inn in Portland. Please watch for more details in the upcoming newsletter and on the website.

Bob Maynard has generously volunteered to head up a committee on planning a 50th Anniversary Celebration for CCCC. If you would like to be part of the committee, or have any input on the Celebration, please contact Bob via email to relations@ccc Corvette.org.

Club Trailer

We are now the proud owners of a 2008 US Cargo trailer to hold car show, competition, and other miscellaneous club property. Many thanks to Dave Kuempel, Rich Shatkosky, Craig Iansiti, and Bob Maynard for all the time and effort put in to making this purchase a reality for our club. Graphics for the trailer were provided by Terrell & Associates, and well received by Dick Iding of Bud Kouts, sponsors of CCCC. Pictures of the trailer can be seen on our website.

Volunteer Opportunities

The club is always looking for volunteers to help out or organize events such as car shows, community events, and social events. Please be sure to contact any of your club officers if you are willing to volunteer your time, and have some fun in the process!

Newsletter Articles

The editor is always looking for interesting articles for the newsletter! Be sure to contact editor@ccc Corvette.org with your Membership Profile, or "Vette Vignette. Remember, you can earn participation points for submitting articles!

Member Profile

Introducing: Patti Leppanen-DeNike, and Jim DeNike

We met at a car wash. I was driving a nice car ('67 Camaro) and he needed a ride. He is still following me around today...wonder if it's the car (Vette's do have that power on people)?
Woo Woo....30 years on November 5th!

We have 3 kids (although they are not technically kids anymore) A son, Shelby (named after the Mustang), 27, and 2 daughters, Kristin, 23, and Alexis, 19. Shelby lives in LA, Kristin is in St. Ignace, and Alexis is a sophomore at Western Michigan in Kalamazoo. I have a granddaughter, Peyton that is 4yrs, and Kristin is expecting November 9th with a boy (Jaxson). Jim also has a daughter Julie, 30. She lives in Spokane, Washington with her husband Greg, and their 2 children: Kim, 12, and Ray, 7.

I have 2 Chihuahua's, Kelsey and Emma. I also have a Maine Coon cat named R. J.

I am a Registered Dental Hygienist, and Jim is a GM autoworker that can't wait to retire.

For hobbies: I seem to dabble in a little bit of everything. Exercising, bike riding, line dancing (just started that one), wee bit of golf. Jim's are computers and firearms, and a wee bit of golf also.

I own a 2002 Electron Blue Convertible. I have only owned it since June. I started out looking for a summer car. I knew I wanted a convertible. I test drove a 2007 Saturn Sky and 2007 Pontiac Solstice, and decided I didn't like either. I was steered to look at a 2002 Corvette. First I thought it would be out of my price range, then I thought insurance would be too much. Not the case at all. After driving it, absolutely nothing compared to the feel of it, and my mind continually drifted back to the thought of owning a Vette. It seemed like the most idealistic summer car of all. It is a totally awesome car!!!

We have also met several Corvette owners that have made us feel so welcome not only into CCCC, but into the Corvette Family.

2007 Fall Color and Historic Covered Bridge Tour

Its 10:15am on a beautiful cool crisp Saturday afternoon in Eaton Rapids. The club members have been waiting in the parking lot since 10am getting antsy. I feel a vibration in my pocket and a slight ring in my ear. I look over at Angela and wink. I smile and say "They can't wait to see us". Then from the corner of their eyes they see a trio of Triple Black Corvettes pull into the Family Fare. (Jim Balla and Angela Hyde Triple Black C5, Kathleen Andrews Triple Black C6, and Jim and Ellen (CCM members) Triple Black C4). A slight chanting from the crowd hovering around their corvettes fills the air. As I get closer the chanting gets louder. Then all of a sudden, the excited crowd breaks out into cheer. I look over at Angela and smile. The rear hatch of the leading Corvette pops up (the cheering gets louder) and hand painted Fall themed goody bags start flying out into the eager hands of the Fall Color Tour Participants. All of a sudden a loud cry comes from a member of CCCC. "You're not worthy of that License Plate... (NVR L8)!" Everyone eagerly peers into the goody bags, and they find snacks for the ride, driving instructions, and a "Fill in the Blank" puzzle. The participants are instructed to keep an eye on the route for clues needed to complete the "Fill in the Blank" puzzle.

The crowd eagerly approaches their spotless Corvettes. The leader does a celebratory "Burn Out" to lead the group on their way. Just then a little boy on the side walk notices all the Corvettes and dances in place (like he has to pee) and points to his Mom so she will notice the Corvettes also. He then shouts out "That's the kind of car I want Mom, I want a Corvette just like theirs!" It seems we just recruited another future Corvette enthusiast. The parade of 15 Corvettes and 2 metal cars rolls out with Joe Thomas and Jennifer Everhart in tow. By the way, thanks to Jennifer and Joe for doing a great job of keeping the cars together. We head out northwest on Spicerville Road on our journey through the bountiful color headed to Vermontville. As we approached Vermontville we noticed a throng of people crowded around the 5 beautiful Corvettes parked in front of the Church awaiting our presence. Then to their surprise they notice 15 more Corvettes pull up to join the group. Twenty Corvettes then form a single file line continuing our excursion northwest through the picturesque cities of Lake Odessa and Saranac, traveling on gorgeous winding back roads filled with rolling hills.

Then out from his Corvette, Craig Iansiti, dressed in Corvette garb, rushes to help Diane as her Corvette slid down into a ditch when we pulled over to reorganize. The caped crusader jumped in the C4 Corvette, backed the car further down the embankment, Shifted into 1st, and floored the Corvette. A rooster tail of grass and dirt is thrown behind the spinning wheels as the car flies through the air with one wheel 3 feet off the ground. He then emerges from the car, which is now planted firmly on 4 wheels, with that great grin of his and winks at the bystanders. Then he sneaks back into his own car and continues the cruise with his copilot Janet.

A great photo op was just up the road as we approached the first of the bridges. “Historic Whites Covered Bridge” just north of the city of Lowell. The photographers rushed to the bridge and snapped a picture as each car emerged from the bridge in all its splendor. We then stretched our legs and walked down to enjoy the view of the bridge from the rivers edge. It was just a short drive up the road to Fallasburg Park, to enjoy the parks grounds, and use the facilities. When we rolled in the parking lot twenty Corvettes strong we couldn’t help but draw the attention of a motorcycle club taking a break. It was a great opportunity to enjoy the motorcycles, the Corvettes, and the stories. As we proceed to “Historic Fallasburg Covered Bridge” Vic’s yellow Corvette C4’s engine quit running. Then that Corvette garbed caped crusader Craig Iansiti emerges from his car again to the aid of his fellow club member. He diagnoses the car with a bad battery and bad alternator diodes. The Corvette was loaded onto a yellow flat bed tow truck and hauled back to Dewitt with an expense of \$250. He then smiles with that great grin of his and winks at the bystanders again. Then he sneaks back into his own car and continues the cruise with his copilot Janet. I give my vote to the cruise MVP to Craig Iansiti.

With all the drama that ensued we were all in need of an adult libation and sustenance. We stopped for a short photo op at the second bridge and enjoyed the wedding taking place, before arriving at the Thornapple Daily Grill in Ada. The restaurant went out of their way to open exclusively for our club two hours early. We were greeted in the parking lot by restaurant staff and Rich and Milton who joined us after a day of racing at Gingerman Raceway. At the restaurant the camaraderie of the club members was enjoyed as much as the great food. A drawing for gifts took place before departing from the restaurant and heading to our final destination. And by the way thanks Sue Keith for suggesting the great restaurant.

“Historic Ada Covered Bridge” awaited us one mile down the road. All the members congregated in the serene park area where the results of the “Fill In The Blank” puzzle were disclosed. The winners Joe Thomas and Jennifer Everhart, with only 3 questions missed, received a Fall color table center piece as the grand prize. Many members went their own way after visiting the 3rd bridge but a few joined us for the final drive through the tunnel of trees. Three remaining diehards went for Ice Cream in Lake Odessa before returning home. What a fabulous trip.

I had a great time planning the event and I would like to thank all of you that participated.

Special thanks to Angela Hyde for all her hard work. This color tour would not have taken place without it. Thanks Angie!

Jim Balla

Past Loves-The History of my 1959 Corvette

I bought my 1959 Corvette off a used car lot (back row-in the weeds) in Cheboygan, MI in April of 1967. It really was in need of some TLC. The dealership agreed to put on 4 new Firestone tires, locate the set of stock hubcaps, rebuilt the brakes, the front end and loan me their paint booth and a painter when I had it ready for paint. This was all part of a \$1000.00 deal.

I worked on it all the summer of 1967. Learning as I went to do simple fiberglass repairs. I think I had every nut and bolt out and back in at least once. Painting parts, cleaning parts and polishing parts until I was sick and tired of it. It was painted in mid August. I bought the paint and it was painted for the cost of a case of beer tip on a Sunday morning. It was all back together within two weeks and driven to WMU.

We built a blue printed and balanced 12 to 1 compression 327 truck motor over the Winter and replaced the trans with a Muncie 4-speed and changed the rear end gear to 4:11 in the Spring. I worked part time for Douglas Auto Parts and Salvage Yard in Kalamazoo, MI and got all labor and parts at a discount. I signed all my pay checks back over to them on pay days.

All this while going to college full time, courting my future wife and working two part time jobs to pay for it all. Oh, to have that energy today. This was my daily driver, year round and all the time I was working on it, it was never off the street.

We were married in Aug-1968 and we took the Corvette on our honeymoon to the New England states. I had swapped out the 4:11 gears for a set of 3:08 gears out of a junk yard station wagon just for that trip. The mileage was just about 15 mpg then. Getting it off the line was a pain but it was a great highway cruiser.

Finally finished college on December 19th 1968, I was doing my student teaching in Clarenceville, MI and lived in Plymouth, MI. I received my draft notice December 20th. I was able to delay going until March of 1969 by switching my draft board from Cheboygan to Plymouth. We took the Corvette to Ft. Knox after basic training as I was assigned to Permanent Party in the Post Office and we lived off base in Elizabeth Town, KY. I made \$99.00 per month.

Receiving my orders for overseas in November of 1969 I decided to sell the Corvette to a fellow GI. We drove it to Mt Morris, MI and his folks paid me in \$5's, \$10's and \$20's. \$1000.00. He sold the Corvette when he got orders for Vietnam in early 1970 sending me a letter from Nam saying he had sold it for \$1750.00.

I know no more history after that as I never keep a record of Vehicle numbers so it is possible I've seen it at shows. Maybe that one I saw in Bay City or in Mackinaw City. But who would know for sure without the numbers?

It was a real head turner. Built 327, 2.02 heads, hot cam, 780 Holley, Muncie and 4:11 gears. It would smoke the tires from 0 to 100 mph. I never had a set of tires last more than 5000 miles. Small wonder! On every shift it wanted to turn around on itself. A real hand full to drive.

My next car was a 1955 VW sedan I bought while stationed in Augsburg, Germany. That was a real slug. 80 kph was about it, and that was down hill with a tail wind.

Submitted by: Bob Kroupa

Corvette History - November

- **November 1, 1997:** Corvette Assistant Chief Engineer, John Heinricy is re-assigned to Chief Engineer of GM's F-Body platform which builds the Firebird and Camaro.
- **November 2, 1990:** In a small shopping center in Bowling Green, Kentucky, the National Corvette Museum Annex is opened.
- **November 2, 1999:** Chevrolet announces that it will enter a C5R Corvette race car at the 68th annual 24 Hours of Le Mans in France in 2000.
- **November 7, 1969:** The 250,000th Corvette (a Riverside Gold convertible) rolls off the assembly line.
- **November 16, 1997:** Corvette Designer, Larry Shinoda, (famous for the 1963 split window Corvette) dies of kidney failure.
- **November 1960:** The CERV I (Chevrolet Experimental Research Vehicle) is first shown in public at the Riverside International Raceway. It is a mid-engine, open wheel, single seat prototype racing car.
- **November 1992:** The date of building 1997 Corvettes is planned to be September 3, 1996.
- **November 1992:** Dave Hill, an engineer in General Motors' Cadillac program, accepts a job offer to become Corvette Chief Engineer.
- **November 1992:** Mercury Marine, in Stillwater, OK, completes building all LT5 engines destined for Corvette ZR-1s for the year.
- **November 1996:** The 1997 Corvette is unveiled to the press.



Corvette history compiled by Ken Pollson.

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Participation Points Update as of October 1, 2007

16 Carol Armstrong	14 Jennifer Everhart*	2 Roger Martin	6 Linda Swift
15 Don Armstrong	0 John Feldpausch	0 Bruce Matthews	37 Gordon Terwilliger
0 Ed Armstrong	0 Raymond Freeze	0 Julie Matthews	38 Margaret Terwilliger
30 Roy Bailey	12 Kady Gisse	65 Bob Maynard	31 Joseph Thomas
20 Pat Bailey	18 Randy Gisse	47 Shalimar Maynard	0 Gayle Thompson
19 Jim Balla*	1 Mike Gould	6 Lisa McDonald	3 Pam Thompson
4 Adele Bancroft	1 Bill Griffith	4 Steve McDonald	4 Sue VanAtta
2 Kurt Bancroft	9 Mark Hansen	19 Jeff McQuade	0 Jan Wasco*
0 Don Baron	9 Nancy Hansen	8 Kenneth Melaragni	3 Ken Wasco*
0 Gerolyn Batchelder	3 Cindy Hanses	11 Dawn Mitzel	23 Lee Webster
10 Bruce Baulch	3 Phil Hanses	18 Jeff Mitzel	26 Larry Wight
0 Sharon Baulch	96 Janet Hardin	27 Barb Musselman	95 Gary Wyma
56 John Bechtel	0 Joy Hardman	40 Stephen Musselman	105 Kathy Wyma
54 Sandy Bechtel	8 Denise Harrod	6 George Nelson	
6 Celie Bradfield	8 Steve Harrod	0 Bill Nezamis	
6 Jim Bradfield	13 Margie Hebden	0 Florence Nezamis	
63 Colleen Bratschi	71 Carrie Hutton	20 Diana Parks	
64 Rich Bratschi	53 Angela Hyde	20 Howard Parks	
10 Connie Britz	117 Craig Iansiti	5 Al Peterson	
22 Mike Britz	13 Arthur Ickes	17 Joe Platte	
12 David Brown	12 Marilyn Ickes	18 Pam Platte	
39 Diana Brown-Mosher	21 Don Johnston	53 Milton Price	
68 Chris Burke	12 Janet Johnston	92 Carol Putmon	
7 Jack Burke	1 Tom Kania*	81 Randy Putmon	
5 Marie Burke	80 Greg Kapp	79 Gloria Reiffer	
78 Terry Burke	66 Kim Keith	69 Simon Reiffer	
0 Mike Busch	67 Sue Keith	80 Robert Ribar	
4 Pam Candy	1 Karen Klein	7 Norman Saari	
5 Pat Carmickle*	0 Stephen Klein	2 Brenda Sage	
5 Shari Carmickle*	14 Jerry Kranz	2 Steve Sage	
24 Ronald Cooper	19 Bob Kroupa	13 Kurt Schwamberger*	
25 Kathy Cooper	19 Kathy Kroupa	4 Sharon Schwamberger*	
33 Dave Cripe*	119 Dave Kuempel	110 Brenda Shatkosky	
17 Pat Cripe	117 Diana Kuempel	162 Richard Shatkosky	
5 Ken David	54 Lewis Kuempel	6 Janyce Shepler	
6 Kim David	59 Julie Lasher	6 John Shepler	
12 Darwin Day	72 Ted Lasher	6 Victor Smith	
7 Sheila Day	0 Margaret Lewis	0 Loretta Spinrad	
0 Trini Dixon	0 Mark Lewis	0 Steve Spinrad	
17 Art Doty*	2 Ellie Lickfeldt	1 Dan Stremler	
17 Nancy Doty*	2 Pat Lickfeldt	1 Nancy Stremler	
25 Catherine Eiseman	2 Bob Loucks	23 Kathy Stump	
39 Raoul Eiseman	2 Debi Loucks	25 Tom Stump	

Top Ten for 2007

162 Richard Shatkosky	117 Diana Kuempel	96 Janet Hardin	92 Carol Putmon
119 Dave Kuempel	110 Brenda Shatkosky	95 Gary Wyma	81 Randy Putmon
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