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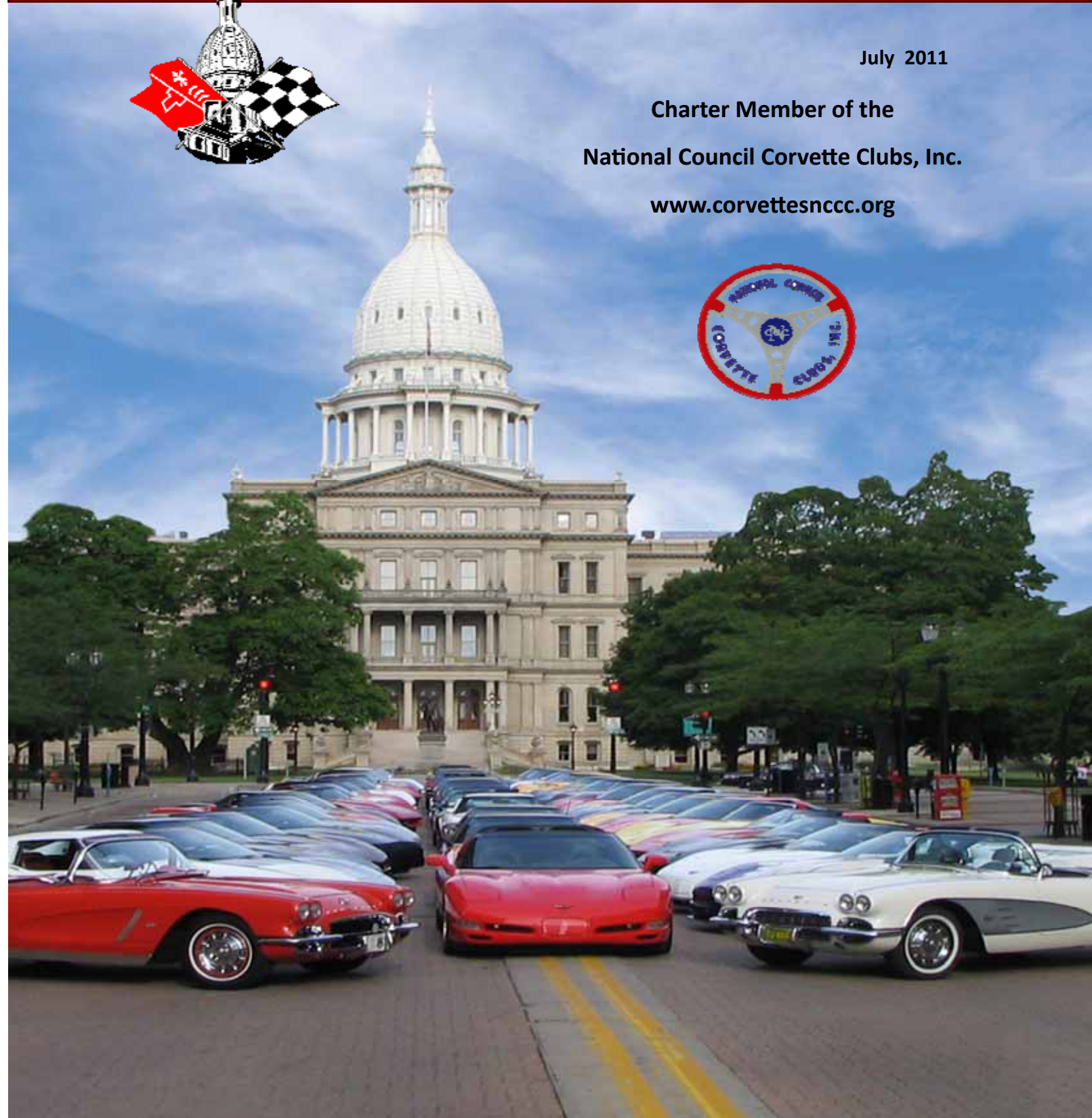
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## Upcoming Events

### General Membership Meeting

July 6th • 7:00 p.m. • Delhi Cafe • 4625 Willoughby • Holt

### Board Meeting

July 20th • 6:30 p.m. • Delhi Cafe • 4625 Willoughby • Holt

### July Birthdays

Kathy Wyma (6) • Nancy Buck (7) • Susan Swan (11)  
Vidal Gonzalez (18) • Terry Burke (21) • Linda Warren (31)

### Sparrow Hospice Car Show at Logan's

July 10th • 9-5pm • Logan's Roadhouse

### Air Zoo of Kalamazoo

July 23rd • See Flyer

### Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30-31 • Spartan Speedway • Mason

### Cones and Bones

August 6th • See Flyer

### 2nd Annual Yard Sale

Aug 13th • See Flyer

### Corvette Crossroads Summer Getaway

Aug 25-28 • See Flyer

### Newsletter Article Deadline

Send all June newsletter articles to  
rnbuck1220 @ hotmail.com by July 23rd





## From The President...



**H**ere I sit in our motel room, all worn out after a long day at Bloomington Gold in St. Charles, Illinois. What a great day it was. Janet and I cruised over on Thursday playing bumper tag on I-80 with Randy and Nancy Buck. We met Kim and Sue Keith and Jerry and Dominique Palacio that evening for a good dinner. Gloria and Simon Reiffer came over from Convention on Friday. Dave and Pat Cripe were working hard as al-



ways, selling up a storm. There were hundreds of Corvettes scattered all over a beautiful golf course, and vendors everywhere. Lots of food and fun. The Mecum Auction was a real treat, and there will be a surprise announcement coming about something that happened at that event. This was our first year at Bloomington Gold, and it was better than anticipated. We hope to be able to schedule it in again next year - for the whole weekend.

We will be looking for volunteers to help out at the July 10th Sparrow Hospice Benefit Car Show that we hold in association with the Capital Area Muscle Car Club. There will be a sign-up sheet the the next meeting. We had ample help at the last show at Bud Kouts, and everyone has lots of fun helping out.

Don't forget about the Show Car Nationals at MIS on July 16th. If you didn't register to attend through the Jackson Corvette Club, you can still sign up. See the flyer on our website.

I'll put in a plug for the Drive and Dine Janet and I have planned for Saturday, July 23rd to the Kalamazoo Air Zoo. Check out our flyer on the website.

Our Spartan Speedway autocross weekend is July 30-31, and you should stop out either or both days, even if you do not intend on running. It's a fun and interesting weekend.

As you can see, we are not lacking things to do on the weekends, and there are even more things going on during the week. Check out our events calendar and get out and enjoy the summer. The days are now getting shorter!

*Craig*





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# Capital City Corvette Club Scholarship Recipients

## John Bechtel Memorial Scholarship Recipient



**J**eremy Rathbun a student at Capital Area Career Center is this year's recipient of the John Bechtel Memorial Scholarship.

## Colin Nethaway Memorial Scholarship Recipient



**D**ylan Leece also is a student at the Capital Area Career Center and is this year's recipient of the Colin Nethaway Memorial Scholarship.

Congratulations' to both winners

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### CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL YARD SALE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2011  
9:00 AM — 3:00 PM

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# Capital City Corvette Club



## Participation Points as of June 28, 2011

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29	Sandy Bechtel	1	Raoul Eiseman	9	Janet Litrenta	3	Richard Shatkosky*
13	James Boettcher	0	Jennifer Everhart*	6	Bob Maynard	0	Bill Simons
13	Mara Boettcher	1	Randy Gisse	3	Shalimar Maynard	18	Thomas Sipka
18	Colleen Bratschi	11	Vidal Gonzalez	0	Linda McMillan	0	Victor Smith
25	Rich Bratschi	7	Howard Hein	6	Barb Musselman	0	Loretta Spinrad
12	Connie Britz	9	Angela Hyde	6	Steve Musselman	4	Steve Spinrad
21	Mike Britz	34	Craig Iansiti	0	George Nelson	1	Janet Sprague
0	David Brown	27	Janet Iansiti	24	Dominique Palacios	1	Michael Sprague
2	Diana Brown-Mosher	1	Dick Iding	22	Jerry Palacios	4	Ralph Swan
42	NancyLee Buck	11	Greg Kapp	6	Diana Parks	4	Susan Swan
47	Randy Buck	38	Kim Keith	8	Howard Parks	13	Connie Taylor
12	Chris Burke	38	Sue Keith	8	Joe Platte	13	Tom Taylor
18	Terry Burke	2	Frank Kessler	3	Ed Politza	17	Joseph Thomas*
8	Dennis Burt	2	Judy Kessler	3	Suzanne Politza	21	Harold Twining
8	Sandy Burt	0	Laurie Ketcik	16	David Pursel	21	Katherine Twining
6	Dana Conley	0	Fred Koos	6	Kathryn Pursel	14	Sue VanAtta
6	Darrell Conley	0	Judy Koos	36	Carol Putmon	0	Larry Warren*
15	Dave Cripe*	10	Sheila Lansing	33	Randy Putmon	0	Linda Warren*
2	Pat Cripe	27	Julie Lasher	50	Gloria Reiffer	0	Lee Webster
1	Darwin Day	29	Ted Lasher	44	Simon Reiffer	16	Larry Wight
22	Art Doty*	0	Ellie Lickfeldt	33	Robert Ribar	10	Gary Wyma
22	Nancy Doty*	14	Patrick Lickfeldt	13	Milton Scales	8	Kathy Wyma
1	Catherine Eiseman	9	Carlo Litrenta	3	Brenda Shatkosky*		

## Current 2011 Top Ten

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50	Gloria Reiffer	42	NancyLee Buck	36	Carol Putmon	33	Robert Ribar
47	Randy Buck	38	Kim Keith	34	Craig Iansiti		
44	Simon Reiffer	38	Sue Keith	33	Randy Putmon		



\*NCCC number is with another Michigan Region club.

## CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB DRIVE & DINE EVENT

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN AS WE TRAVEL TO THE **AIR ZOO OF KALAMAZOO.**  
HOSTED BY CRAIG & JANET IANSITI



Date: Saturday, July 23rd  
Meeting place: Family Fare Supermarket, 114 South Main Street (M-99), Eaton Rapids  
Departure Time: 9:00 AM  
Arrival Time: 10:45 AM

### Agenda:

11:00 AM - Guided Tour of the Air Zoo (approximately 45 minutes)  
11:45 AM - Break for snacks at the Kitty Hawk Café  
12:15 PM - Free time to explore the air museum  
2:00 PM - Depart Air Zoo and travel to local restaurant for a late lunch/early supper  
(Theo & Stacey's is Greek/American cuisine priced at \$10 - \$15)

Admission to the Air Zoo is free. Ride tickets are \$2.00 each and most rides cost 1 or 2 tickets.  
It is not necessary to ride anything to enjoy the Air Zoo.  
All areas of the site are handicap accessible.  
We will have a coned off parking area, so no parking lot worries. ☺

Questions: contact Janet Iansiti at 517.282.3342 or Craig Iansiti at 517.282.0940  
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## COMING SOON TO A TOWN NEAR YOU

**C**orvettes have always been special and are also the impetus for a variety of forms of comradery. As more Corvettes were produced, various types of clubs began forming across the country. The Capital City Corvette Club was formed in 1958; just five years after the first Corvettes were introduced.

The Vintage Corvette Club of America was formed in the late sixties by Ed Thiebaud, a turkey farmer in Fresno, CA, who liked to collect Corvettes and Corvette parts. Ed's club centered around the 1953 to 1955 models and grew to have over 1,000 members and ten regional representatives. Their newsletter, the "Blue Flame Special", included reprints of showroom brochures, service manual information and ads for buying and selling Corvettes and Corvette parts.

In 1970, John Hutchins of Alma, MI, met with six other Corvette enthusiasts in Angola, IN and formed the Classic Corvette Club 53-55. The club had 150 members within two years. The 1953 to 1955 Corvettes were being judged and a newsletter, "Good Times", was being published. By 1973, the club had grown to 400 members. Some of the directors were interested in expanding the club beyond the 1953 to 1955 models. A group of seven men formed a new club in 1974 and named it the National Corvette Restorers Society.

The NCRS is dedicated to the restoration, preservation, history and enjoyment of 1953 to 1996 Corvettes. Their membership includes 15,800 families with chapters across the United States and several foreign countries. Many of us are familiar with the NCRS Top Flight Awards and have marveled at the Corvettes that have achieved this standard of excellence. The cars are judged by five teams of two judges in the areas of Operations, Interior, Exterior, Mechanical and Chassis. The Top Flight Award is achieved by scoring 94% or more out of a possible 4500 points. Second Flight is awarded to cars achieving 85 – 93.9% and Third Flight is given to those earning 75% - 84.9% of the possible points. Samples of the judging score sheets can be downloaded from the NCRS website, [www.ncrs.org](http://www.ncrs.org), to assist in preparing your car for judging. The website also has a helpful NCRS Lingo dictionary.

In addition to the Flight Awards NCRS also presents many other awards including the Performance Verification Award, Duntov Mark of Excellence Award, McLellan Mark of Excellence Award, Hill Mark of Excellence Award, Folz Memorial Award, Founders Award, Chevrolet Bowtie Award, Chevrolet Crossed Flags Award and American Heritage Award. A description of each award can be found on the NCRS website under the Judging Awards heading.

This year the NCRS National Convention is being held in Novi, MI, July 18 – 23 at the Suburban Collection Showplace. More details can be found on the NCRS website. The week prior to the convention there are eleven road tours originating from various parts of the United States that will be caravanning to Michigan. Several of those caravans will be joining up and visiting the Gilmore Museum on July 17. Don't be surprised if you catch a glimpse of some of these remarkable Corvettes as they visit Michigan this summer.

**Submitted by Sue Keith, Source – NCRS website**



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## CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

### June 1st , 2011 Membership Meeting



**Social Time & Dining** started around 5:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM Craig Iansiti.

**President - Craig Iansiti** welcomed everyone and introduced guests and new member Milton Scales. George Nelson and Laurie Ketcik are also new members, however they were not in attendance.

Craig also reported that Ed Politza was doing much better. He also read a thank you letter from the Tech Center and told members how they had combined our scholarship money with some money from an insurance company which created two scholarships at \$750.00 each. He also reminded members that business cards for the club would be available at every meeting.

Craig reminded members to start collecting and setting aside items for the club's upcoming Garage Sale to be held Saturday, August 13.

**Governor/VP - Simon Reiffer** told members of the Region meeting for the month.

**Secretary - Connie Britz** did not take the minutes for the May meeting so Mike, who had acted in her place, asked the minutes be approved. The May minutes stood approved.

**Treasurer - Mike Britz** reported the club's balance in all its forms. He told members if they had any questions, he would answer their questions after the meeting.

**Points - Kim Keith** reported that points were almost all updated. He reminded members to report their attendance at events which would qualify for points. He stressed that he would not otherwise know about them unless members informed him. These could be reported on the website.

**Membership - Dave Pursel** was not present.

**Editor - Randy Buck** had nothing to report. He did apologize for not having newsletters available at the meeting but explained he had been out of electricity all week.

**Competition - Rich Bratschi** warned members if they attended the CCM speed event at the GM Hamtramck location, they would be asked to fill out an additional GM waiver. This most likely would be the case of any event put on at a GM facility.

Rich & Colleen asked for volunteers to work the low speed event at Spartan Speedway. They passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers. Colleen went on to explain the lunch we will be serving and the dinner. The lunch will include a pulled-pork sandwich, chips, fruit, and a drink for \$6.00 or two for \$10.00

She told members about the dinner which will include chicken or steak. Members of both clubs will be asked to bring a dish to pass for the Saturday meal.

The Capital City Corvette Club will be responsible for things on Saturday while the Jackson Corvette Club will be responsible for Sunday's events.

This event's proceeds will go to the club. It is the only event the club will undertake which will benefit the club.

**Public Relations - Sandy Bechtel** had nothing to report.

**Social - Carol Putmon** awarded candy for June birthdays. Carol said that by listing the club's activities and other club's local events, there was not much new. She reminded members that these listings were also included on the club's website. Carol reminded members of the 5th Annual Hayride & Picnic at their home September 24th.

**Hearts and Flowers - Julie Lasher** told members she had sent a thank you note to Gary Wyma for the Blessing of the Vettes. She had also sent a congratulatory note to Larry Wight & Sue Van Atta for their wedding.

**Historian - Sue Keith** reminded members that she and Kim do not live in the Lansing area and she would be most appreciative for any information concerning club members appearing in any Lansing area media.

Sue also told of speaking with the cousin of the founding member, Bill Ewing. (Mr. Ewing is deceased.)

**NCM Ambassador - Joe Thomas** was not present.

**Photographer - Ted Lasher** has taken pictures at the recent Memorial Day Parade in downtown Marshall, MI. and posted them on the our website. He also posted pictures of the Sparrow Hospice show at Bud Kouts on May 28. Ted asked that if anyone would prefer another picture to contact him. He has posted almost every member's Corvette on the picture page of the website.

**Quartermaster - Randy Putmon** was not present. Carol Putmon said Randy had fixed the lights on the club's trailer.

**Sergeant-at-Arms - Patrick Lickfeldt** had nothing to report.

**Webmaster - Gloria Reiffer** reported that our website has had quite an increase in number of hits.

**Member Input** - Members reported various and sundry additional events to be held in the Lansing area over the summer. Bath will have a Car Show August 5, an Olds Homecoming to be held at the States Secondary Complex June 18, and a Car Show at Charlton Park on June 19--Father's Day. Some of these events can be found on the Event Flyer page of the Club's website.

**50/50 Drawing**- Patrick Lickfeldt was the winner of the 50/50 drawing.

**Adjourn** - Request to adjourn was made, seconded and approved at 7:47 P.M.

**Respectfully submitted by Connie Britz, Secretary**





## Keeneland Concours d'Elegance

If you are looking for another great reason to travel to Kentucky this summer, July 14-17 offers a unique event featuring over a hundred exquisite automobiles on the historic grounds of Keeneland Race Course.

Now in its 8th year, the featured automobile is Italy's Alfa Romeo, surrounded by dozens of rare Italian automobiles. The 2006 show featured Corvettes and displayed five rare Corvette concepts.

A show within a show is the Car Club Paddock where clubs participate in a friendly feud to have their club name inscribed on a trophy (displayed at the Ky Children's Hospital) for the greatest donations to the Hospital during the show. Corvettes have won the trophy in 2006 and 2008. Access to the Paddock for clubs is the same as general admission, a \$15 donation.

This is a jam-packed weekend! Why not plan a visit to Keeneland AND Corvette Homecoming... and be sure to swing by the Museum and see us!

For more info on this event visit: [keenelandconcours.com](http://keenelandconcours.com)



## Collector Car Appreciation Day in TWO WEEKS!

We're just two weeks away from our NEWEST event, Collector Car Appreciation Day July 8, and the fun continues to grow.

This FREE event offers seminars, a car cruise in, digital scavenger hunt and caravan to downtown Bowling Green for a minor league baseball game (discount tickets for \$7) and FREE concert in the Park! In addition, we'll have an impromptu car display downtown along with the Pontiac Oakland International Conference attendees!

Great door prizes will be given away including a FREE carburetor of your choice from Holley Performance Products, FREE set of tires from Goodyear, gift cards from O'Reilly Auto Parts and Starter Car Care Kit from Griot's Garage!

Register by going to [www.corvettemuseum.com](http://www.corvettemuseum.com)

## Build Your Own 2012 Grand Sport Raffle Next Week

Next week we raffle off the chance to "Build Your Own" 2012

Grand Sport Corvette or take the \$50k Cash option. The raffle gives you the opportunity to select either a coupe or convertible, picking your colors and options including the Centennial Edition package - or take the cash.

Tickets are only \$100 each and the raffle is limited to 1,994 tickets. As of Thursday, June 23, 2011, only 313 tickets have been sold! Don't wait until the last minute!

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## Camaro Winner Drawn

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# Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30th & 31st

FORMS

## 2.2 NCCC OFFICIAL FLYER

SANCTION #: 003-022 thru 003-028

DATE: July 30, 2011  
(If Drag Races, include rain date)

REGISTRATION: OPENS: 7:45 am  
CLOSES: 9:00 am

DRIVERS MEETING TIME: 9:45 am

FIRST CAR OUT TIME: 10:00 am

TYPE OF EVENT: Seven Low Speed Events

(If Rallye, include Rallye type)

CLUB: Capital City Corvette Club

REGION: Michigan Region

ENTRY FEE: NCCC members \$13 per event or \$78 for all seven; Non-NCCC \$15.00 per event or \$90 for all seven.

LOCATION: 779 N. College Road - Mason, Michigan  
Spartan Speedway

SPEED EVENTS: ☐ HIGH SPEED\* ☒ LOW SPEED  
EXHAUST: ☐ OPEN ☒ CLOSED

MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION (SEE BACK OF FLYER):



## FOURTEEN EVENT WEEKEND

2011 SPARTAN SPEEDWAY

SEVEN LOW SPEED EVENTS – CLOSED EXHAUST

SATURDAY – JULY 30, 2011

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NCCC Members: \$13.00 per event, or \$78.00 for all seven.

(NCCC Members - register by July 1 to save an additional \$13; all seven for \$65.00.)

Non-NCCC: \$15 per event or all seven for \$90.00. Metal Cars Welcome!

Helmet must be DOT Snell 2005 or newer

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*Early registration cut-off date is July 1.*

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PHONE: 517.655.8487		PHONE: 517.646.2180
<p>In Lieu of Awards we would like to invite all racers that are registered for <u>either</u> day to a picnic Saturday evening between the two events. Nothing fancy, but please plan to stay and enjoy. The track owner has ok'd racers that have self-contained RV's to stay overnight at the track. There is also Heb's Inn &amp; Motel in Mason ph. 517-676-4560 that is just down the street. There are more hotels listed below with the map.</p>		



# Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30th & 31st



At the Okemos Rd exit 110 off I96 there is a Comfort Inn (517.347.6690), Holiday Inn Express (517.349.8700), Hampton Inn (517.349.6100), and a Fairfield Inn (517.347.1000)

At the Jolly Rd exit 11 off US127 there is a Red Roof Inn (517.332.2575), and a Candlewood Suites (517.351.8181)

At the Cedar St exit 104 off I96 there is a Dads Inn (517.393.1650) These are all within Ten miles of the track.

Located at the corner of N. Cedar Street and College Road between Holt & Mason.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Car Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Color: \_\_\_\_\_ NCCC #: \_\_\_\_\_ Car #: \_\_\_\_\_  
NCCC Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
Speed Event Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to:  
Capital City Corvette Club

Mail check and registration to:  
Simon Reiffer - Governor  
Capital City Corvette Club  
PO Box 27295  
Lansing, MI 48909



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# NCCC Convention...

## NCCC Convention

*Submitted by Gloria Reiffer*

We just returned from a fantastic week at the NCCC Convention in Tinley Park! Dave Heinemann and Midwest Region members did a fantastic job planning fun events for us to participate in.

Convention kicked off with a welcome party Saturday night that included an award presentation to the top 15 men, women and clubs. Corvettes were moved into the convention center for the judged concours that took place Sunday morning. A concours is not your typical shine and show event like we have. It is based off 100 points with deductions for flaws like chips, scratches, dust, dirt, etc.



The local police led us in a caravan to downtown Tinley Park for a car show and street party on Sunday afternoon. Locals turned out to watch the Corvettes parade into town and then voted for their favorites by dropping tickets purchased for \$1 into ballot cans. If you really wanted to win you could purchase as many tickets as you wanted and then vote for your own Corvette. Close to \$2,000 was raised for charity.

Monday morning Simon and I took part in a 1.5 hour road rallye that included 10 pages of instructions to get us to our final destination, the Autobahn. Once there we watched the racers do practice runs and hot laps. At 2:00 they opened up the full 3.5 mile road course to all conventioners to run laps until 5:00. Rumor has it that at one point there were 150 Corvettes on the track. Just before our barbeque a group of Model A's took to the track and provided rides to a few lucky people.



*Simon and Art returning from laps on the Autobahn.*

Tuesday we headed out to the Route 66 Speedway for the drag races. High and low speed events took place at the Autobahn on Wednesday and Thursday.

There were lots of other fun things going on all week, such as valve cover races, a funkhanas, social games, trips into Chicago, etc. Every night was a theme party. My favorite was the Gangster Ball on Thursday night. You'll have to check out the pictures when I get a chance to post them.

We didn't stay for the Awards Banquet on Friday since we were heading over to Bloomington Gold. While at Bloomington I heard that our club Website had received the 1<sup>st</sup> place award in the Website competition again. Joan Thomas had told Simon that I won before we left Convention, but he was trying to keep it from me until the membership meeting next week. Like that could happen... We also heard that Rick Rynberg, from Royal Corvettes of Western Michigan, won the 2011 Corvette raffle.



## Bloomington Gold

Submitted by Gloria Reiffer

One of my favorite parts of Bloomington Gold is the Mecum Auction. Sold prices ranged from \$4,100 for a 1987 convertible to \$410,000 for a 1971 ZR2 convertible. We spent a lot of time in the Mecum tent listening to the auctioneers rattle off bids trying to get them higher. We always find it entertaining!



The highlight for us is always the Gold Tour, which we almost had to miss this year. On the drive in Saturday we heard a thump, followed by the generator light going on and the power steering going out. We were only a couple of miles from the show so Simon decided to drive on. When we got the hood open we found that the alternator belt was gone and the power steering belt was off its track. We set out to scour the swap meet for a replacement belt. After searching almost two hours we finally found one for \$20 and were told that it should fit. We stopped by the Windy City Corvette Club booth and one of their members, who was also a BG official, brought his tools over and tried to install it. Unfortunately, it was the wrong size so we had to go out and search some more.

Early in our search we stopped by the Fox Valley Corvette Club booth. They are a local club and their members were especially helpful. They made calls to local parts suppliers to try to locate a new belt for us and told us to stop back if we didn't have any luck finding one ourselves. I am so glad we did!!! It turned out that shortly after we had left their booth they found several belts one of their members was selling. They weren't sure if any of them would fit, but Bill White and Harley Veldhuizen grabbed their tools and all of the belts and followed me back to our Corvette. These two guys were fantastic! Within a very short time they had us up and running smoothly. They wouldn't accept any payment for their help – just the \$5 that was marked on the sale tag. Thanks to these two guys we were able to enjoy the rest of the day and then head out for the Gold Tour at 5:00. The picture below shows us staged to begin the event. Watch the Website for more event pictures.



When got home I realized that Bill is a man after my own heart (stomach). He produces Slap You Silly Hot Sauce and Salsa and sells it online at [www.SlapYouSilly.net](http://www.SlapYouSilly.net). I've already placed an order for three jars to try out! As all of my friends tell me, I am destined to turn into nachos or salsa when I die.



# JACKSON CORVETTE CLUB PRESENTS

SANCTION #: 046-029 thru 046-035

DATE: July 31, 2011

REGISTRATION: OPENS: 7:45 am

CLOSES: 9:00 am

DRIVERS MEETING TIME: 9:45 am

FIRST CAR OUT TIME: 10:00 am

TYPE OF EVENT: Seven Low Speed Events

CLUB: Jackson Corvette Club

REGION: Michigan Region

ENTRY FEE: NCCC members \$13 per event or \$78 for all seven; Non-NCCC \$15.00 per event or \$90 for all seven.

LOCATION: 779 N. College Road - Mason, Michigan

Spartan Speedway

## FOURTEEN EVENT WEEKEND

**2011 SPARTAN SPEEDWAY**

**SEVEN LOW SPEED EVENTS – CLOSED EXHAUST**

**SUNDAY – July 31, 2011**

**SATURDAY SPONSORED BY THE CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB  
ALSO AT SPARTAN SPEEDWAY SEE SEPARATE FLYER**

**NCCC Members: \$13.00 per event, or \$78.00 for all seven.**

*(NCCC Members - register by July 1 to save an additional \$13; all seven for \$65.00.)*

**Non-NCCC: \$15 per event or all seven for \$90.00. Metal Cars Welcome!**

**Helmet must be DOT Snell 2005 or newer**

**Air, Restrooms, and Food Available**

**See reverse side of flyer for the registration form and event map.**

***Early registration cut-off date is July 1.***

COMPETITION DIRECTOR/CHAIR:

NAME: Jeff Beers

ADDRESS: 66 Foxpointe Trl

Jackson, MI 49203

PHONE: 517-784-7814



GOVERNOR:

NAME: Steve Massie

ADDRESS: 1097 Dandell Circle

Horton, MI 49246

PHONE: 517-688-4066

**In lieu of awards we would like to invite all racers, that are registered for either day, to a picnic on Saturday evening after the events. Please plan to stay and enjoy some good food.**

**The track owner has agreed to allow racer's with self contained RV's to spend the night at the track. See the top of the map on the next page for hotels in the Jackson area.**

# Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30th & 31st



Located at the corner of N. Cedar Street and College Road between Holt & Mason.

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Car Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
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NCCC Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
Speed Event Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to:  
Jackson Corvette Club

Mail check and registration to:  
Gary Schauffler - Treasurer  
Jackson Corvette Club  
PO Box 6363  
Jackson, MI 49204

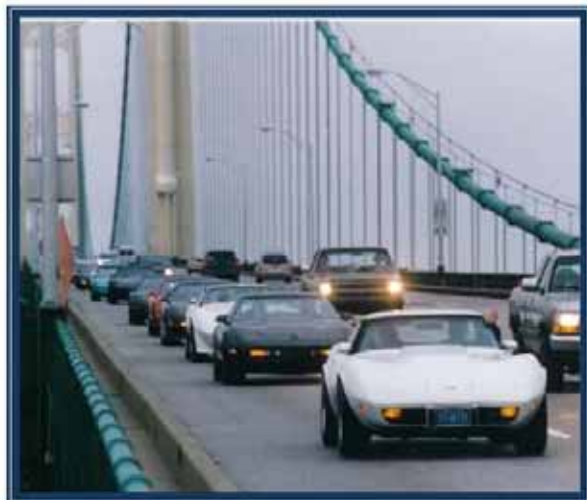
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## *CCCC Summer Getaway to Mackinaw City ~ August 25 – 28*



This is a fun time to get to know everyone. We do lots of socializing between eating, daily ice cream runs and our bonfires on the beach every night.

With all of the Corvettes arriving, downtown Mackinaw City is the place to be Friday night. We usually eat at the Pancake Chef because they can accommodate our large group and they have a very nice buffet dinner.

### *Caravan Details*

**Thursday:** We will caravan from Clark Corners (Clark Road and Old US 27) at 10:00 am. We plan to stop at the Houghton Lake Big Boy for lunch along the way. We are open to suggestions on where to plan a day trip for Friday.

**Friday:** Another group will head up on Friday morning. Please contact Simon or Gloria if you would be interested in leading the Friday group.

### *Lodging Details*

The Waterfront Inn is an older motel and offers many first floor rooms with parking in front of your room. Mackinaw Beach & Bay All Suites Resort is right next door. Capital City Corvette Club member rates are below. Get your reservations in early to get the room style you want.

**Waterfront Inn**  
1009 South Huron Ave  
Mackinaw City MI 49701  
231.436.5527 or  
1.800.962.9832  
[www.largestbeach.com](http://www.largestbeach.com)

**Lakefront –**  
1 or 2 queens  
\$69 on Thursday  
\$99 on Friday & Saturday

**Courtside –**  
2 queens  
\$59 on Thursday  
\$79 on Friday & Saturday

**Courtside –**  
2 doubles, or 1 king,  
or 1 queen  
\$49 on Thursday  
\$69 on Friday & Saturday

**Mackinaw Beach & Bay All Suites Resort**  
929 South Huron Avenue  
Mackinaw City, MI 49701  
1.800.468.7736  
Visit [www.mbbresort.com](http://www.mbbresort.com) for room amenity details.

**Suite A (2 rooms) –**  
1 king, 1 queen, 1 queen  
sofa sleeper (room for 6)  
\$99 on Thursday  
\$159 on Friday & Saturday

**Suite B (2 rooms) –**  
1 king, 2 queens, 1 queen  
sofa sleeper (room for 8)  
\$119 on Thursday  
\$179 on Friday & Saturday

*All rates are for two adults. Add \$5 additional per night per additional adult. Cancellation time expires at 6 p.m. 3 days prior to arrival day, not including the day of arrival. Failure to comply with cancellation requirement will allow hotel to charge for one nights stay.*

Contact Simon or Gloria with any questions about the weekend. We hope you can join us!

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## *Corvette Crossroads ~ August 27*

The show takes place on a paved parking lot behind Mackinaw Crossing Mall from 10:00 – 2:00 Saturday, August 27, with the awards presentation at 3:00. Cost to enter the show is \$25 if pre-registered by August 5; \$35 thereafter. The registration form is available on our Website. Pre-registration packets can be picked up at the Chamber Office in the Mackinaw Crossings Mall between 10:00 – 6:00 Friday, or at the show Saturday. Saturday evening the Corvettes parade through the downtown district and then cross the Mackinac Bridge. Parade participation is free to registered Corvettes; \$5 if taking part in the parade only.

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## CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

### June 15th , 2011 Board Meeting



#### **President Craig Iansiti called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.**

Craig read a thank you letter from Jeremy Rathbun, the Ingham Intermediate School District, Capital Area Career Center student who received the 2011 John Bechtel scholarship.

#### **Reports:**

**Secretary:** Connie Britz absent. It was moved by Simon Reiffer and seconded by Dave Pursel that approval of the May board meeting minutes be tabled pending further review. Motion passed.

**Treasurer:** Mike Britz absent. It was moved by Randy Buck and seconded by Simon Reiffer that approval of the current treasurer's report be tabled pending further review. Motion passed.

**Governor:** Simon Reiffer reported on last night's regional meeting: The newly-proposed competition rules will be voted on in November, 2011; the region's Ray Meesseman scholarship fund will be donated to NCCC's charity committee; the NCCC current membership is 16,530; its current FCOA membership is 2,895 (our club's FCOA membership is the highest in the region); as long as a helmet is dated 2000 or newer, it is approved for use in NCCC competition events (if there is no date in a helmet, it may not be used); you may no longer receive competition points if you enter a concourse or autocross event with a rented car; our region may have 10 events instead of 7 next year; regional bylaws are being rewritten to include rookie-award qualifications (21 sanctioned events. Tie – review their points); the region is looking for a club to host next year's regional awards banquet; and, when you sign a child up for the FCOA program, don't forget to include the child's address.

**Points:** In addition to Top Ten, President's Award, and Turkey Award, Kim Keith stated he is considering some specialty awards based on 2011 club participation. Several new possibilities were discussed; i.e., Most Active Member and a Rookie award. Further ideas are welcome.

**Membership:** Dave Pursel reported we currently have 93 regular, 1 honorary, and 67 FCOA members.

**Editor:** Randy Buck advised that the newsletter has been mailed to those members requesting paper copies. It was suggested he also mail copies to the Jackson club and the museum (Ambassador Joe Thomas can advise him on the museum's procedures.) The board discussed the editor's printer/copier needs. No decision reached.

**Competition:** Rich Bratschi absent. No report.

**Public Relations:** Sandy Bechtel reported our monthly general membership meeting information is again listed with area community news media. The board discussed the possibility of publicizing our club's charitable community activities. Craig will follow up with Al Wilson from the Capital Area Muscle Car Club regarding the hospice shows. Sandy Bechtel will then contact the Lansing State Journal regarding all of our community involvement.

**Social:** Carol Putmon stated Craig and Janet Iansiti will host a July 23 trip to the Kalamazoo Air Zoo; Carol and Randy Putmon will host their cookout/bonfire on September 24; Greg Kapp is hosting a fall getaway September 30 through October 2; and Kim and Sue Keith are hosting a color tour on October 8. Randy Buck added that he and Nancy are hosting a trip to Cones and Bones on August 6.

**Hearts and Flowers:** Julie Lasher absent. No report.

**NCM Ambassador:** Joe Thomas absent. No report.

**Photographer:** Ted Lasher absent. No report.

**Quartermaster:** Randy Putmon absent. No report.

**Sergeant at Arms:** Patrick Lickfeldt absent. No report.

**Historian:** Sue Keith noted she has received Standard Operating Procedures for 12 of the 18 board positions. When completed, all board members will receive copies of these position descriptions. She is preparing a chronological list of 2011 club events, including chairs/hosts, funds raised, etc. In her continuing attempts to recover historical club information, she stated she has been in contact with Messrs. Bill Ewing, Richard Dunham, Don Barron, and Jim Hoppin. She has also been in contact with Carrie Hutton, who has the club's 2008 Funfest award. Sue stated she spent \$26.46 on supplies. Carol Putmon moved to approve the expense. Randy Buck seconded. Motion passed.

**Webmaster:** Gloria Reiffer reported everything is up to date on our website. She noted it is helpful when members draft their own copy before submitting items to her.

**General Information:** Gloria Reiffer noted that in mid July, one of the National Corvette Restorers Society road tours is visiting the Gilmore Museum. She thought it might be nice if some of us join them. Craig Iansiti reported he is receiving some sponsors and prizes for HAZ. He also advised he will contact Al Wilson from CAMCC regarding the July hospice show. Craig stated plans for our low speed event at Spartan Speedway are coming along. Contact Rich and Colleen Bratschi if you can help in any capacity. Simon Reiffer stated the Jackson club is celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in September, and need C3's.

**Adjournment:** Sandy Bechtel moved to adjourn. Carol Putmon seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

**SJB**



# Cones and Bones

AN OUTING WITH YOUR DOG & YOUR CCCC FRIENDS



Saturday, August 6 at  
3:00 p.m.  
412 Elmwood, Lansing



**Bring your pup to share treats with you at Cones & Bones, across from Meijer on Elmwood.**



Please contact Nancy Buck if you have questions about the event.

Email: [nlb627 @ hotmail.com](mailto:nlb627@hotmail.com) / Telephone: 517-499-5691





# HORSEPOWER AT THE ZOO 2011

Sunday, September 18 at the Potter Park Zoo  
1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave, Lansing  
8:30 am – 2:30 pm

*Hosted by the Capital City Corvette Club  
in association with the Capital Area Muscle Car Club*  
Registration 8:30 – 12 Noon • \$15 per Car at the Gate

**New Peoples-Choice Ballots  
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Door Prizes, Silent Auctions, Music**

**100% of the net proceeds are donated to the  
Potter Park Zoological Society. Thank you for  
your support. See you there – Rain or Shine.**



#### **Contacts:**

**Janet Iansiti, Chairperson • 517-282-3342  
Craig Iansiti, President CCCC • 517-282-0940**

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# July 2011

## Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 7:00 - 8:30 pm General Member- ship Meeting	7	8	9
10 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Sparrow Hospice Car Show at Logan's Roadhouse	11	12	13	14	15	16 7:00 am Onsted Show Car Na- tionals at Michigan International Speed- way
17	18	19	20 6:30 - 8:30 pm Board Meeting	21	22	23 9:00 am Air Zoo / Drive & Dine
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 7:45 am Spartan Speedway Autocross Weekend - CCCC
31 7:45 am Spartan Speedway Autocross Week- end - JCC						

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