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## From the President

It seems like it was just yesterday that I thought I would run for the office of President; time sure flies when you are having fun. That was in the summer of 2006 and now I am writing my last article as your President. As I look back in time and try to pick out some of the more memorable events, I focus on the celebration of Council's fifty years. We had a great time in Colorado Springs and many of those who had a prominent role in shaping our organization's history took time to come and celebrate with us. An awesome history of our first fifty years was presented; thanks to the Thomases and all who worked on this. We are now charged with seeing that this heritage continues for another fifty years.



In February of 2008 there was a little party in Las Vegas. With the help of the Las Vegas Corvette Association a party place was found and friends came in from all parts of the country to celebrate the beginning of another chapter in my life. We did forego the rallye that was held, but after the fire I thought it best not to press lady luck. Fortunately things got hitched just fine and our new life began with our friends and family sharing the moment.

I will miss these little articles and fortunately the things that I hold most dear are things that will not be missing, as they will always be there: The people. This organization has the finest people and we are one big family. Regardless of where you go in these United States you are only a phone call away from one of our family members. There are endless stories about what this family will

do when it becomes necessary. You see this at events when something happens to a Corvette: People, parts, and tools appear and the problem is solved. Sometimes the problem is such that it cannot be fixed but still the people are there helping and comforting as best they can. This will never change and we will always remain one big family.

See you down the road.

Richard Yanko President, National Council of Corvette Clubs



2010 NCCC Convention

Director of Charity, Patrick Dolan, presents Richard Yanko,

NCCC President, the Roger Clancy Award.

#### The NCCC President's Award

The President's Award is the most prestigious award that a member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) can receive. As stated on the President's Award trophy:

The President's Award is presented annually to the member who has made the most outstanding contribution to NCCC for service to all our club members.

The trophy was donated to NCCC in 1961 by Gordon Miller & Associates. Gordon Miller & Associates was the official badge supplier to Chevrolet and the NCCC when NCCC was first formed. NCCC's first 3 Presidents presented this award to the first 3 recipients at the 1964 NCCC Convention in Cadillac, Michigan. The following is an excerpt from the <u>Corvette News</u> coverage of the 1964 NCCC Convention in its Vol. 8 No. 1 beginning on page 14 as well as the picture that appeared in that article.

For this special award, all three presidents were asked to choose their most valued council members. The Council's first president, Richard Wolfe (Corvette Club of Michigan), presented Andy Baumgardner (Corvette-Cleveland) as his choice. Jim Hoppin (Capital City) past president, presented his award to Darwin Thomas (also of Capital City). Art Miller, current president, gave his award to Norm VanderPlaats (Corvette Club of Battle Creek).



Pictured are John Miller and Gordon B. Miller of Gordon Miller & Associates and 1964-1965 NCCC President Arthur F. Miller. Arthur was not related to John and Gordon.

The President's Award continues to be awarded each year at the NCCC Annual Convention. The trophy includes the names of all of the presenters and recipients and the early names were engraved directly on the silver bowl. Currently the trophy does not include the corvette and the original silver bowl has been placed on a new base with engraved plates to accommodate the ever growing list of Presidents and Recipients. It appears from pictures of past presentations that 1989 was the first year the trophy was filled with "goodies" from the previous year's recipient to the current year's recipient.



Recipients relinquish the President's Award trophy (filled with "goodies") to the next year's recipient and receive a permanent personal token of remembrance award. The full history of the President's Award is presented under the History link on the home page of the NCCC web site at www.corvettesnccc.org

# It Was Considered Forward-Looking. After All, You Couldn't Look Back.

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# A GREAT TIME HAD BY ALL!!

Yes, the 2010 Convention in Palm Beach Gardens has come and gone. Am I HAPPY? You bet I am, BECAUSE IT WAS A GREAT CONVENTION!! But, I'm also very happy it is now history as it was a lot of work, not just on my part, but on the part of many within and outside the Florida Region. It takes a lot of committed people pulling together to make a really great convention. Our Convention was not one of the best attended, but those who did attend felt like they were loved and well cared for.

In addition to our workers, we also had very good support from our sponsors, so a Great Big Thanks goes to: Goodyear Tire and Rubber, Michelin North America, Mid America Motorworks, Bridgestone/Firestone Tires, Kumho Tires, Hagerty Insurance, Zip Products, Corvette Central, Paragon Corvette Reproductions, Corvette America and Southern Car Parts.com.

We had very tasty food that we were able to provide on most nights, great entertainment, and the Hotel staff could not have attended to our needs and wants any better than they did!

The results of all the events are included in this issue, but there are some events that I would like to specifically mention. First are the Valve Cover races, which was a very big success. I'm betting this will be included in many conventions to come. We also had a Florida-related Funkhana that was again a laugh-a-minute watching the entrants try to not make themselves look silly. They did, especially trying to cap the oil wells! The Rallye was very nice, relaxing, good scenery, and did not take a lot of brain power to do. We were kept very well supplied during pool time with a wide variety of Jell-O shooters. The Road tour of the area with the end at a really good restaurant was also a big success.

I think one of our biggest surprises was the attendance of Ron Fellows. He had a big turnout and was very receptive to questions, signing autographs and all type of other paraphernalia, so a BIG THANKS goes to Ron!

We can all now look forward to the 2011 Convention that Dave and his crew are working on. I'm sure it will

be another Great time had by all!

Carolyn Montgomery 2010 NCCC Convention Director







| GOODYEAR TIRE AND RUBBER                    |   |
|---|---|
| Champions Night Dinner                      |   |
| MICHELIN NORTH AMERICA                      |   |
| Ride and Drive Event                        |   |
| MID AMERICA MOTORWORKS                      | S |
| Welcome Party and Badges                    | Б |
| BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE TIRES                 | r |
| Tech and Low Speed Event                    | C |
| <b>KUMHO TIRES</b>                          |   |
| High Speed Event                            | N |
| HAGERTY INSURANCE                           | 6 |
| Hospitality and Roadside Assistance Program | 3 |
| ZIP PRODUCTS                                | C |
| Rallye                                      |   |
| CORVETTE CENTRAL                            | F |
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| Class       | Place | First Name   | Club Name   | Trophy |
|-------------|-------|--|---|--------|
| C-1         | 1st   | Lance & Debby Obst   | Bay Area CC   | T      |
| C-3 (68-77) | 1st   | Glenn & Sandy Hutchinson   | Corvettes of Naples   | Т      |
| C-3 (78-82) | 1st   | Terry & Mary Ann Blakely   | Cypress Gardens CC  | Т      |
| C-4         | 1st   | Richard & Gail Yanko<br>Jim & Star Hildebrand  | Vette City Vettes<br>Bay Area CC  | T      |
| C-5         | 1st   | Larry & Reva Kupka Steven & Lesley Goodbread Walt Jenkins Lisa & David Jessing Aaron & Angie Quine Jim & Joan Thomas | Bel Air CC Corvettes Of Naples Colorado Springs CC Florida CC, Inc. Tiretown CC Northern Illinois CC                            | Т      |
| C-6         | 1st   | Doc Lambert & Mary Ann Kolb<br>Lisa Cole<br>William & Beverly Docherty<br>Robert & Ellen Malizia<br>Richard Williams | Cowtown Vettes / Tin Hall Toys<br>North Florida Corvette Assn<br>Windy City Corvettes<br>Florida CC, Inc.<br>CC Of Battle Creek | Т      |
| Custom      | 1st   | David & Janet Caster<br>Bullet Bob Ellis   | Corvettes Of Naples<br>North Florida Corvette Assn  | Т      |





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| Class | Place             | Entrant   | Club Name   | Trophy |
|-------|-------------------|---|---|--------|
| C/P A | 1st               | Lance & Debby Obst  | Bay Area CC   | Т      |
| C/P F | 1st               | Larry & Reva Kupka  | Bel Air CC  | Т      |
| C/P G | 1st               | Harry & Teresa Way  | North Florida Corvette Assn   | Т      |
| CUS B | 1st<br>2nd<br>3rd | Judy Pariseau<br>David & Janet Caster<br>Bud & Anita Bitner               | Corvettes Of Naples<br>Corvettes Of Naples<br>Corvettes Of Naples   | Т      |
| MOD F | 1st<br>2nd<br>3rd | Dale & Caroyn Samuelson<br>Jim & Joan Thomas<br>Steven & Lesley Goodbread | Northern Illinois CC<br>Northern Illinois CC<br>Corvettes Of Naples | Т      |
| MOD G | 1st<br>2nd        | David & Linda Goebel<br>David & Sally Walter                              | East Tennessee CC<br>Cumberland Valley CC                           | Т      |
| R/P   | 1st               | Aaron & Angie Quine   | Tiretown CC   | Т      |
| S/S C | 1st               | Andy Loose  | Gulf Coast CC   | Т      |
| S/S E | 1st               | Jim & Star Hildebrand   | Bay Area CC   | Т      |
| S/S F | 1st<br>2nd        | Richard (Dick) Merrill<br>Bill & Patsy Shearer                            | Cape Kennedy CC<br>Cape Kennedy CC                                  | Т      |
| S/S G | 1st               | Gary & Susan Otto   | Gulf Coast CC   | Т      |
| W&S A | 1st               | Dave Thompson   | Gulf Coast CC   | Т      |
| W&S C | 1st               | Glenn & Sandy Hutchinson  | Corvettes of Naples   | Т      |
| W&S D | 1st               | Terry & Mary Ann Blakely  | Cypress Gardens CC  | Т      |
| W&S E | 1st               | Richard & Gail Yanko  | Vette City Vettes   | Т      |
| W&S F | 1st               | Don & Jane Colapietro   | Corvettes Of Naples   | Т      |







































| Class   | Place | Entrant                               | Club   | Best Time | Trophy           |
|---------|-------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------|------------------|
| A (M/L) | 1     | Aaron Quine<br>Angie Quine            | Tiretown CC Tiretown CC                                    | 1.57.92   | Trophy<br>T<br>T |
|         | 2     | Lance Obst<br>Debby Obst              | Bay Area CC<br>Bay Area CC                                 | 2.02.32   | T<br>T           |
|         | 3     | Harry Way<br>Teresa Way               | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>North Florida Corvette Assn | 2.32.55   | T<br>T           |
|         | 4     | Locke McCormick<br>Molly McCormick    | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>North Florida Corvette Assn | 2.33.42   | T<br>T           |
|         | 5     | Douglas McMahan<br>Glenda McMahan     | Cowtown Vettes<br>Cowtown Vettes                           | 2.34.70   |                  |
|         | 6     | Jared Urenda<br>Shae Urenda           | Denver Corvette Assn<br>Denver Corvette Assn               | 2.43.11   |                  |
|         | 7     | Johnny Haskell<br>Debbie Haskell      | Carolina Corvettes Carolina Corvettes                      | 2.52.52   |                  |
|         | 8     | Albert Flanhofer<br>Cynthia Flanhofer | Corvette Cleveland<br>Corvette Cleveland                   | 2.54.64   |                  |
|         | 9     | Arthur Fulkerson<br>Paula Fulkerson   | CC of Michigan<br>CC of Michigan                           | 3.07.77   |                  |
|         | 10    | James Brett<br>Nicolet Brett          | Corvettes of Buffalo<br>Corvettes of Buffalo               | 3.26.95   |                  |
|         | 11    | John Brackett<br>Barbara Brackett     | Carolina Corvettes<br>Carolina Corvettes                   | 3.51.27   |                  |
|         | 12    | Mike Lewis<br>Paulette Lewis          | Corvette Indy<br>Corvette Indy                             | 4.01.70   |                  |
|         | 13    | Lewis Crowder<br>Linda Pinaire        | Oklahoma City CC<br>Oklahoma City CC                       | 6.59.65   |                  |
| B (M/M) | 1     | Pete Urenda<br>Chris Blaisdell        | Denver Corvette Assn<br>Guest                              | 2.33.30   | T<br>T           |
|         | 2     | Gene Gau<br>Jerry Koraleski           | Cornhusker CC<br>Cornhusker CC                             | 2.42.27   | T<br>T           |
|         | 3     | Larry Beebe<br>Jon Manz               | Cedar Rapids CC<br>Cornhusker CC                           | 2.49.58   |                  |
|         | 4     | Mike Godfrey<br>Ron Brown             | Michiana CC<br>Cincinnati CC                               | 2.57.64   |                  |
|         | 5     | George Cramer<br>Rodney Cramer        | Glass Society Corvette Assn<br>Glass Society Corvette Assn | 2.59.50   |                  |
|         | 6     | Walt Jenkins<br>Hal Tumbleson         | Colorado Springs CC<br>Colorado Springs CC                 | 2.59.96   |                  |
|         | 7     | Lynn Ryder<br>David Ryder             | Nashville CC<br>Nashville CC                               | 3.28.58   |                  |
|         | 8     | Richard Merrill<br>Bill Shearer       | Cape Kennedy CC<br>Cape Kennedy CC                         | 4.17.86   |                  |
| C (L/L) | 1     | Joan Heinemann<br>Jennifer Heinemann  | Windy City Corvettes<br>Windy City Corvettes               | 3.19.55   | T<br>T           |
|         | 2     | Kathy Gau<br>Marie Manz               | Cornhusker CC<br>Cornhusker CC                             | 3.43.93   |                  |
|         | 3     | Lloyce Campbell<br>Brenda Teixeira    | Cape Kennedy CC<br>Cape Kennedy CC                         | 4.30.25   |                  |
| D (L/M) | 1     | Kayla Kerr<br>Jacob Allen             | Kanawha Valley CC<br>Kanawha Valley CC                     | 2.13.81   | T<br>T           |
|         | 2     | Carolyn Samuelson<br>Dale Samuelson   | Northern Illinois CC<br>Northern Illinois CC               | 2.22.25   | T<br>T           |
|         | 3     | Mary Anne Kolb<br>Doc Lambert         | Tin Hall Toys<br>Cowtown Vettes                            | 2.51.80   |                  |
|         | 4     | Ann Meinhardt<br>Curtis Meinhardt     | Central Illinois CC<br>Central Illinois CC                 | 3.15.53   |                  |
|         | 5     | Linda Goebel<br>David Goebel          | East Tennessee CC East Tennessee CC                        | 3.33.67   |                  |
|         | 6     | GailYanko<br>RichardYanko             | Vette City Vettes<br>Vette City Vettes                     | 3.40.48   |                  |
|         | 7     | Joan Thomas<br>Jim Thomas             | Northern Illinois CC<br>Northern Illinois CC               | 4.15.65   |                  |
|         | 8     | Peggy Stephens<br>Charles Stephens    | Kanawha Valley CC<br>Kanawha Valley CC                     | 4.15.78   |                  |

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| Class | Place | Entrant                               | Club   | D/N    | Trophy |
|-------|-------|---------------------------------------|--|--------|--------|
| Vette | 1st   | Richard Yanko<br>Gail Yanko           | Vette City Vettes Vette City Vettes                        | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 2nd   | Bullet Bob Ellis<br>Janice Sudia      | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>Corvette Cleveland          | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 3rd   | H. Alan Lucht<br>Jennifer Lucht       | Fort Wayne CC<br>Fort Wayne CC                             | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 4th   | Dave Weaver<br>Janelle Rhoades        | Corvette Troy Corvette Troy                                | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 5th   | Mike Godfrey<br>Joan Godfrey          | Michiana CC<br>Michiana CC                                 | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 6th   | John Brackett<br>Barbara Brackett     | Carolina Corvettes<br>Carolina Corvettes                   | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 7th   | Patrick Sidorchuk<br>Karen Blihar     | Florida CC, Inc.<br>Florida CC, Inc.                       | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 8th   | Brenda Teixeira<br>Lloyce Campbell    | Cape Kennedy CC<br>Cape Kennedy CC                         | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 9th   | David Walter<br>Sally Walter          | Cumberland Valley CC<br>Cumberland Valley CC               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 10th  | Walt Jenkins<br>Beth Beery            | Colorado Springs CC<br>Mid Florida CC                      | D<br>N |        |
|       | 11th  | John Haskell<br>Debbie Haskell        | Carolina Corvettes Carolina Corvettes                      | D<br>N |        |
|       | 12th  | Hal Tumbleson<br>Cynthia Tumbleson    | Colorado Springs CC<br>Colorado Springs CC                 | D<br>N |        |
|       | 13th  | James Brett<br>Nicolet Brett          | Corvettes of Buffalo<br>Corvettes of Buffalo               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 14th  | Steven Goodbread<br>Lesley Goodbread  | Corvettes of Naples<br>Corvettes of Naples                 | D<br>N |        |
|       | 15th  | Albert Flanhofer<br>Cynthia Flanhofer | Corvette Cleveland<br>Corvette Cleveland                   | D<br>N |        |
|       | 16th  | Richard Merrill<br>Judi Merrill       | Cape Kennedy CC<br>Cape Kennedy CC                         | D<br>N |        |
|       | 17th  | Larry Kiser<br>Bill Grove             | Cumberland Valley CC<br>Cumberland Valley CC               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 18th  | Mike Lewis<br>Paulette Lewis          | Nashville CC<br>Nashville CC                               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 19th  | David Ryder<br>Lynn Ryder             | Nashville CC<br>Nashville CC                               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 20th  | Don Parks<br>Betty Parks              | Corvette Atlanta<br>Corvette Atlanta                       | D<br>N |        |
|       | 21st  | Jim Thomas<br>Joan Thomas             | Northern Illinois CC<br>Northern Illinois CC               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 22nd  | Jack D Alexander<br>E Kay Alexander   | Tiretown CC<br>Tiretown CC                                 | D<br>N |        |
|       | 23rd  | George Gallant<br>Cindi Gallant       | Bel Air CC<br>Bel Air CC                                   | D<br>N |        |
|       | 24th  | Gary Otto<br>Susan Otto               | Gulf Coast CC<br>Gulf Coast CC                             | D<br>N |        |
|       | 25th  | Geoffrey Gott<br>Peg Quine            | Tiretown CC<br>Tiretown CC                                 | D<br>N |        |
|       | 26th  | Terry Blakely<br>Mary Ann Blakely     | Cypress Gardens CC<br>Cypress Gardens CC                   | D<br>N |        |
|       | 27th  | Ann Meinhardt<br>Curtis Meinhardt     | Central Illinois CC<br>Central Illinois CC                 | D<br>N |        |
|       | 28th  | Martin Workman<br>Amelia Workman      | Nashville CC<br>Nashville CC                               | D<br>N |        |
|       | 29th  | Doug McMahan<br>Glenda McMahan        | Cowtown Vettes<br>Cowtown Vettes                           | D<br>N |        |
|       | 30th  | Harry Way<br>Teresa Way               | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>North Florida Corvette Assn | D<br>N |        |
|       | 31st  | Richard Williams<br>Nancy Malia       | CC of Battle Creek<br>Guest                                | D<br>N |        |
| Metal | 1st   | Scott Wheeler<br>Mo Wheeler           | Cowtown Vettes<br>Cowtown Vettes                           | D<br>N | T<br>T |
|       | 2nd   | John McGee<br>Darleen Perkins         | Vette City Vettes<br>Vette City Vettes                     | D<br>N |        |
|       | 3rd   | Gene Gau<br>Kathy Gau                 | Cornhuskers CC<br>Cornhuskers CC                           | D<br>N |        |
|       | 3rd   | Jon Manz<br>Marie Manz                | Cornhuskers CC<br>Cornhuskers CC                           | D<br>N |        |
|       |       |                                       |  |        |        |





## R A L L Y E











| Class          | Disco      | Entrant                           | NCCC Club   | Roet Dur          | Trophy      |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------|
| Class<br>1E    | Place<br>1 | Entrant Geoffrey Gott             | NCCC Club Tiretown CC                                     | 93.653            | Trophy<br>⊤ |
| 1G             | 1          | Jack Wilson                       | Northern Illinois CC                                      | 94.871            | Т           |
| 1G             | 2          | Craig Kamradt                     | Cen-Tex CC  | 96.242            |             |
| 1H             | 1          | Jared Urenda                      | Denver Corvette Assn                                      | 96.099            | Т           |
| 1H             | 2          | Larry Morrison                    | Colorado West CC  | 105.752           | _           |
| 1J             | 1          | Dave Heinemann                    | Windy City Corvettes                                      | 89.552            | T           |
| 1M<br>1M       | 1<br>2     | Tom Blount David Goebel           | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>East Tennessee CC          | 86.811<br>87.200  | T, FTD      |
| 1SE            | 1          | Dave Weaver                       | Corvette Troy   | 107.431           | Т           |
| 1SF            | 1          | Mike Godfrey                      | Michiana CC   | 98.932            | Т           |
| 1SH            | 1          | Don Parks                         | Corvette Atlanta  | 104.182           | T           |
| 1SJ            | 1          | Jim Thomas                        | Northern Illinois CC                                      | 96.632            | T           |
| 1SJ            | 2          | Dennis Patrick                    | Tiretown CC   | 98.724            |             |
| 1SJ            | 3          | Larry Kupka                       | Bel Air CC  | 99.746            |             |
| 1SK<br>1SK     | 1<br>2     | Ted Molenda<br>Rod Elsea          | Tin Hall Toys<br>North Florida Corvette Assn              | 96.532<br>97.029  | T<br>T      |
| 1SK            | 3          | William Docherty                  | Windy City Corvettes                                      | 98.232            |             |
| 1SK            | 4          | Ken Anderson                      | Midwest Corvettes, Inc.                                   | 101.249           |             |
| 1SK            | 5          | Doc Lambert                       | Cowtown Vettes  | 101.355           | T           |
| 1SM<br>1SM     | 1<br>2     | Dennis Murphy<br>David Walter     | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>Cumberland Valley CC       | 89.462<br>89.789  | T, FTD<br>T |
| 1SM            | 3          | Martin Workman                    | Nashville CC  | 93.040            | Т           |
| 1SM            | 4          | Lynn Ryder                        | Nashville CC  | 95.211            |             |
| 1SM<br>1SM     | 5<br>6     | Harry Way<br>Burton Kennedy       | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>Cape Kennedy CC            | 96.796<br>99.891  |             |
| 1SM            | 7          | George Gallant                    | Bel Air CC  | 102.970           |             |
| 1SM            | 8          | Lewis Crowder                     | Oklahoma City CC  | 109.653           |             |
| 2A/B           | 1          | Rodney Cramer                     | Glass Society Corvette Assn                               | 91.783            | Т           |
| 2A/B<br>2A/B   | 2<br>3     | George Cramer<br>Jack D Alexander | Glass Society Corvette Assn<br>Tiretown CC                | 94.877<br>93.987  |             |
| 2C/D           | 1          | Hal Bellamy                       | Elkhart Vette Set   | 99.974            | Т           |
| 2E             | 1          | Larry Odom                        | Nashville CC  | 103.273           | т           |
| 2F             | 1          | Jacob Kim Cole                    | North Florida Corvette Assn                               | 112.197           | T           |
| 2G             | 1          | Richard Yanko                     | Vette City Vettes   | 97.319            | T           |
| 2H             | 1          | Larry Beery                       | Mid Florida CC  | 103.698           | T           |
| 2H             | 2          | Joe Vasta                         | Bel Air CC  | 109.944           |             |
| 2J             | 1          | Johnny Haske <b>ll</b>            | Carolina Corvettes  | 86.715            | T, FTD      |
| 2J             | 2          | Dale Samuelson                    | Northern Illinois CC                                      | 87.167            | Т           |
| 2J<br>2J       | 3<br>4     | Steve Burger<br>Ron Hensen        | Sunshine CC<br>Cen-Tex CC                                 | 88.318<br>90.919  |             |
| 2J             | 5          | Galen Martin                      | Lancaster County CC                                       | 91.971            |             |
| 2J             | 6          | Walt Jenkins                      | Colorado Springs CC                                       | 97.973            |             |
| 2K             | 1          | Marvin Matzinger                  | Oklahoma City CC  | 100.183           | Т           |
| 2K             | 2          | Ron Ruston                        | Oklahoma City CC  | 102.689           |             |
| 3MA/B<br>3MA/B | 1<br>2     | Jeremy Knight James Knight        | Florida Corvette Racing Club Florida Corvette Racing Club | 95.254<br>97.102  | Т           |
| змЕ            | 1          | Hal Tumbleson                     | Colorado Springs CC                                       | 109.218           | Т           |
| ЗМН            | 1          | Jim Roberts                       | Lancaster County CC                                       | 87.436            | Т           |
| ЗМН            | 2          | Pete Dawley                       | Spartanburg CC, Inc.                                      | 91.715            |             |
| 3RP            | 1          | Aaron Quine                       | Tiretown CC   | 84.846            | T, OFTD     |
| 3RP            | 2          | Joe Reese                         | Texas Competition CC                                      | 88.067            |             |
| 1GL            | 1          | Janet Wilson                      | Northern Illinois CC                                      | 118.719           | Т           |
| 1JL            | 1          | Joan Heinemann                    | Windy City Corvettes                                      | 98.854            | Т           |
| 1ML            | 1          | Linda Goebel                      | East Tennessee CC   | 88.921            | T, OLFTD    |
| 1SEL           | 1          | Janelle Rhoades                   | Corvette Troy   | 121.957           | Т           |
| 1SHL           | 1          | Betty Parks                       | Corvette Atlanta  | 104.295           | Т           |
| 1SJL           | 1          | Joan Thomas                       | Northern Illinois CC                                      | 98.492            | Т           |
| 1SKL           | 1          | Bernyce Molenda                   | Tin Hall Toys   | 98.018            | T, LFTD     |
| 1SKL<br>1SKL   | 2<br>3     | Rachel Elsea<br>Mary Anne Kolb    | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>Tin Hall Toys              | 98.928<br>117.313 |             |
| 1SML           | 1          | Sally Walter                      | Cumberland Valley CC                                      | 108.739           | Т           |
| 1SML           | 2          | Teresa Way                        | North Florida Corvette Assn                               | 109.783           | ·           |
| 2A/BL          | 1          | E Kay Alexander                   | Tiretown CC   | 104.837           | Т           |
| 2JL            | 1          | Carolyn Samuelson                 | Northern Illinois CC                                      | 88.954            | T, LFTD     |
| 2JL            | 2          | Joan Clark                        | Sunshine CC   | 91.109            |             |
| 2JL            | 3          | Debbie Haskell                    | Carolina Corvettes  | 93.634            |             |
| 2KL            | 1          | Jeannie Ruston                    | Oklahoma City CC  | 102.300           | 1           |

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| Class         | Place  | Entrant                               | NCCC Club  | Best Run         | Trophy   |
|---------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|----------|
| 1E            | 1      | Geoffrey Gott                         | Tiretown CC  | 50.881           | Т        |
| 1G<br>1G      | 1<br>2 | Jack Wi <b>l</b> son<br>Craig Kamradt | Northern I∎inois CC<br>Cen-Tex CC                          | 50.674<br>52.743 | Т        |
| 1H<br>1H      | 1<br>2 | Pete Urenda<br>JaredUrenda            | Denver Corvette Assn<br>Denver Corvette Assn               | 52.472<br>60.507 | Т        |
| 1J            | 1      | Dave Heinemann                        | Windy City Corvettes                                       | 49.530           | Т        |
| 1M<br>1M      | 1 2    | David Goebel<br>Tom Blount            | East Tennessee CC<br>North Florida Corvette Assn           | 49.045<br>51.089 | T, FTD   |
| 1SC/D         | 1      | Patrick Sidorchuk                     | Florida CC, Inc.   | 61.013           | Т        |
| 1SE           | 1      | Dave Weaver                           | Corvette Troy  | 56.950           | Т        |
| 1SF           | 1      | Randy Ashton                          | Anderson Corvette Assn                                     | 53.845           | Т        |
| 1SF<br>1SG    | 2      | Mike Godfrey  Don Franklin            | Michiana CC Texas Competition CC                           | 54.021<br>53.421 | Т        |
| 1SG           | 2      | William Shearer                       | Cape Kennedy CC  | 56.289           |          |
| 1SH<br>1SH    | 1<br>2 | Steven Goodbread<br>Don Parks         | Corvettes Of Naples<br>Corvette Atlanta                    | 52.735<br>54.924 | Т        |
| 1SH           | 3      | Michael J. Sipolt                     | Windy City Corvettes                                       | 60.360           |          |
| 1SJ<br>1SJ    | 1<br>2 | Jim Thomas<br>Dennis Patrick          | Northern Illinois CC Tiretown CC                           | 53.292<br>54.938 | Т        |
| 1SK           | 1      | Ted Molenda                           | Tin Ha <b>ll</b> Toys                                      | 53.297           | Т        |
| 1SK<br>1SK    | 2      | Rod Elsea<br>William Docherty         | North Florida Corvette Assn<br>Windy City Corvettes        | 53.586<br>53.984 | Т        |
| 1SK           | 4      | Doc Lambert                           | Cowtown Vettes   | 54.929           |          |
| 1SK           | 5      | Ken Anderson                          | Midwest Corvettes, Inc.                                    | 57.166           |          |
| 1SM           | 1      | Dennis Murphy                         | North Florida Corvette Assn                                | 51.374           | T, FTD   |
| 1SM<br>1SM    | 2      | David Walter<br>Martin Workman        | Cumberland Valley CC<br>Nashville CC                       | 51.741<br>53.360 | T<br>T   |
| 1SM           | 4      | Harry Way                             | North Florida Corvette Assn                                | 53.720           |          |
| 1SM           | 5      | Lynn Ryder                            | Nashville CC   | 54.771           |          |
| 1SM<br>1SM    | 6<br>7 | Richard Williams<br>Burton Kennedy    | CC Of Battle Creek Cape Kennedy CC                         | 55.350<br>55.669 |          |
| 1SM           | 8      | David Ryder                           | Nashvi <b>l</b> e CC                                       | 58.351           |          |
| 1SM           | 9      | Lewis Crowder                         | Oklahoma City CC   | 59.220           |          |
| 2A/B<br>2A/B  | 1<br>2 | Rodney Cramer<br>George Cramer        | Glass Society Corvette Assn<br>Glass Society Corvette Assn | 51.751<br>51.802 | Т        |
| 2A/B          | 3      | Jack D Alexander                      | Tiretown CC  | 51.871           |          |
| 2A/B          | 4      | Locke McCormick                       | North Florida Corvette Assn                                | 56.766           |          |
| 2C/D<br>2C/D  | 1<br>2 | Hal Bellamy<br>Charles Stephens       | Elkhart Vette Set<br>Kanawha Valley CC                     | 55.179<br>57.665 | Т        |
| 2E            | 1      | Larry Odom                            | Nashvi <b>∎</b> e CC                                       | 54.897           | Т        |
| 2E            | 2      | Ernest Prevost                        | Carolina Autocross Team                                    | 58.747           |          |
| 2G            | 1      | Richard Yanko                         | Vette City Vettes  | 52.255           | T<br>_   |
| 2H<br>2H      | 1<br>2 | John Brackett<br>Larry Beery          | Carolina Corvettes<br>Mid Florida CC                       | 52.794<br>54.860 | Т        |
| 2H            | 3      | Joe Vasta                             | Bel Air CC   | 60.881           |          |
| 2J            | 1      | Johnny Haske <b>ll</b>                | Carolina Corvettes   | 48.333           | T, OFTD  |
| 2J<br>2J      | 2      | Dale Samuelson<br>Steve Burger        | Northern Illinois CC<br>Sunshine CC                        | 48.566<br>49.554 | Т        |
| 2J            | 4      | Ron Hensen                            | Cen-Tex CC   | 50.974           |          |
| 2J<br>2J      | 5<br>6 | Galen Martin<br>Walt Jenkins          | Lancaster County CC<br>Colorado Springs CC                 | 52,507<br>54,020 |          |
| 2K            | 1      | Ron Ruston                            | Oklahoma City CC   | 55.400           | Т        |
| 2M            | 1      | Marvin Matzinger                      | Oklahoma City CC   | 49.884           | T        |
| 3MA/B         | 1      | James Knight                          | Florida Corvette Racing Club                               | 52.184           | T        |
| 3MA/B         | 2      | Jeremy Knight                         | Florida Corvette Racing Club                               | 52.630           |          |
| 3ME           | 1      | Hall Tumbleson                        | Colorado Springs CC  | 56.269           | Т        |
| 3MH<br>3MH    | 1<br>2 | Pete Dawley<br>Jim Roberts            | Spartanburg CC, Inc. Lancaster County CC                   | 51.194<br>51.782 | Т        |
| 3RP           | 1      | Aaron Quine                           | Kumho Tire Rep & Tiretown CC                               | 48.353           | T, FTD   |
| 3RP           | 2      | Joe Reese                             | Texas Competition CC                                       | 49.282           |          |
| NOV           | 1      | Michael Campsmith                     | Corvette Atlanta   | 60.210           | Т        |
| 1GL           | 1      | Janet Wilson                          | Northern I∎inois CC  | 90.344           | Т        |
| 1JL           | 1      | Joan Heinemann                        | Windy City Corvettes                                       | 75,171           | Т        |
| 1ML           | 1      | Linda Goebel                          | East Tennessee CC  | 70.179           | T, LFTD  |
| 1SC/DL        | 1      | Karen Blihar                          | Florida CC, Inc.   | 67.026           | Т        |
| 1SEL          | 1      | Janelle Rhoades                       | Corvette Troy  | 57.293           | Т        |
| 1SHL          | 1      | Betty Parks                           | Corvette Atlanta   | 56.004           | Т        |
| 1SJL          | 1      | Joan Thomas                           | Northern Illinois CC                                       | 53.770           | Т        |
| 1SKL<br>1SKL  | 1<br>2 | Bernyce Molenda<br>Rachel Elsea       | Tin Hall Toys<br>North Florida Corvette Assn               | 53.152<br>55.929 | T, LFTD  |
| 1SKL          | 3      | Mary Anne Kolb                        | Tin Hall Toys  | 56.068           |          |
| 1SML          | 1      | Teresa Way                            | North Florida Corvette Assn                                | 57.444           | Т        |
| 1SML<br>2A/BL | 2      | Sally Walter  E Kay Alexander         | Cumberland Valley CC Tiretown CC                           | 57.914<br>56.783 | Т        |
| 2C/DL         | 1      | Peggy Stephens                        | Kanawha Valley CC  | 60.819           | Т        |
| 2C/DL         | 2      | Kayla Kerr                            | Kanawha Valley CC  | 61.035           | •        |
| 2EL           | 1      | Margaret Bohannan                     | Carolina Autocross Team                                    | 55.853           | Т        |
| 2FL           | 1      | Lisa Cole                             | North Florida Corvette Assn                                | 63.953           | Т        |
| 2JL           | 1      | Carolyn Samuelson                     | Northern IIIinois CC                                       | 48.806           | T, OLFTD |
| 2JL<br>2JL    | 2      | Debbie Haskell<br>Joan Clark          | Carolina Corvettes<br>Sunshine CC                          | 49.458<br>51.587 |          |
| 2KL           | 1      | Jeannie Ruston                        | Oklahoma City CC   | 55.108           | Т        |
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#### **Bracket Drags**

Carolyn Samuelson (I) Harry Way (r)

Entrant

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Times Trophy

| 1GL  | 1       | Janet Wilson          | Northern Illinois CC           | 16.82      | Τ  |
|------|---------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------------|----|
| 1JL  | 1       | Joan Thomas           | Northern Illinois CC           | 13.98      | T  |
| 1KL  | 1       | Bernyce Molenda       | Tin Hall Toys                  | 16.19      | Т  |
| 1ML  | 1       | Linda Goebel          | East Tennessee CC              | 12.97      | T  |
|      | 2       | Sally Walter          | Cumberland Valley CC           | 13.37      |    |
| 2HL  | 1       | Sarah Bernot          | Lancaster County CC            | 13.00      | T  |
| 2JL  | 1       | Carolyn Samuelson     | Northern Illinois CC           | 12.99      | Т  |
|      | Ladies' | & Overall Top Elim    | inator - Bernyce Molenda - Tin | Hall Toys  |    |
| 1F   | 1       | Mike Godfrey          | Michiana CC                    | 13,75      | Т  |
| 1G   | 1       | Jack Wilson           | Northern Illinois CC           | 14.09      | Т  |
| 1H   | 1       | Jared Urenda          | Denver Corvette Assn           | 13,94      | Т  |
| 1J   | 1       | Jim Thomas            | Northern Illinois CC           | 13.59      | Т  |
| 1K   | 1       | Ted Molenda           | Tin Hall Toys                  | 12.77      | Т  |
| 1M   | 1       | David Goebel          | East Tennessee CC              | 12.70      | Т  |
| 1M   | 2       | Harry Way             | North Florida Corvette Assn    | 13.22      |    |
| 1M   | 3       | David Walter          | Cumberland Valley CC           | 12,82      |    |
| 1M   | 4       | Dennis Murphy         | North Florida Corvette Assn    | 14.88      |    |
| 2B   | 1       | Jack D Alexander      | Tiretown CC                    | 13.23      | Т  |
| 2H   | 1       | David Bernot          | Lancaster County CC            | 13.04      | Т  |
| 2J   | 1       | Dale Samuelson        | Northern Illinois CC           | 12.79      | T  |
| 3MB  | 1       | James Garvin III      | C.O.A.S.T.                     | 11,55      | Т  |
|      | 2       | Jeremy Knight         | Florida Corvette Racing Club   | 13.74      |    |
| 3MH  | 1       | Pete Dawley           | Spartanburg CC, Inc.           | 13.67      | Т  |
| 3RPB | 1       | Aaron Quine           | Tiretown CC                    | 12.90      | Т  |
| M    | en's To | p Eliminator - Dale S | amuelson - Northern Illinois C | orvette Cl | ıb |

| Class | Place | Entrant                                 | Club                                  | Times         | Trophy |
|-------|-------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| L-A   | 1     | Carolyn Samuelson                       | Northern Illinois CC                  | 13.14         | T      |
|       | 2     | Bernyce Molenda                         | Tin Hall Toys                         | 13.47         |        |
|       | 3     | Mary Anne Kolb                          | Tin Ha <b>ll</b> Toys                 | 12.76         |        |
|       | 4     | Sarah Bernot                            | Lancaster County CC                   | 13.80         |        |
| L-B   | 1     | Sally Walter                            | Cumberland Valley CC                  | 15.97         | Т      |
| L-C   | 1     | Joan Thomas                             | Northern Illinois CC                  | 14.49         | T      |
| L-D   | 1     | Janet Wilson Northern Illinois CC 16.86 |                                       | 16.86         | T      |
|       | Ladi  | es' Top Eliminator - Ca                 | rolyn Samuelson - Northern Illinois ( | Corvette Club |        |
| Α     | 1     | Harry Way                               | North Florida Corvette Assn           | 12.70         | Т      |
|       | 2     | David Bernot                            | Lancaster County CC                   | 12.95         | Т      |
| 3     |       | Jack D Alexander                        | Tiretown CC                           | 13.01         | T      |
|       | 4     | Jim Roberts                             | Lancaster County CC                   | 12.63         | T      |
|       | 5     | Doc Lambert                             | Cowtown Vettes                        | 12.73         |        |
|       | 6     | Dale Samuelson                          | Northern Illinois CC                  | 13.68         |        |
|       | 7     | Fred Garvin                             | C.O.A.S.T.                            | 11.86         |        |
|       | 8     | Ted Molenda                             | Tin Hall Toys                         | 12.77         |        |
|       | 9     | John Haskell                            | Carolina Corvettes                    | 12.54         |        |
|       | 10    | James Garvin III                        | C.O.A.S.T.                            | 11.99         |        |
|       | 11    | Aaron Quine                             | Tiretown CC                           | 12.39         |        |
|       | 12    | James Knight                            | Florida Corvette Racing Club          | 13.63         |        |
|       | 13    | David Walter                            | Cumberland Valley CC                  | 13.21         |        |
| В     | 1     | Walt Jenkins                            | Colorado Springs CC                   | 14.07         | T      |
|       | 2     | Michael J. Sipolt                       | Windy City Corvettes                  | 14.44         | T      |
|       | 3     | Jim Thomas                              | Northern Illinois CC                  | 13.54         | T      |
|       | 4     | Rodney Cramer                           | Glass Society Corvette Assn           | 13.22         |        |
|       | 5     | Mike Godfrey                            | Michiana CC                           | 13.77         |        |
|       | 6     | Ken Anderson                            | Midwest Corvettes, Inc.               | 14.08         |        |
|       | 7     | Richard Yanko                           | Vette City Vettes                     | 13.90         |        |
|       | 8     | Lewis Crowder                           | Oklahoma City CC                      | 14.00         |        |
| С     | 1     | Hal Tumbleson                           | Colorado Springs CC                   | 14.45         | Т      |
|       | 2     | Pete Urenda                             | Denver Corvette Assn                  | 14.42         |        |
|       | 3     | Jack Wilson                             | Northern Illinois CC                  | 14.04         |        |



#### **Record Drags**

Bernyce Molenda (I) Dale Samuelson (r)

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| EVENTS   | Northern Illinois CC<br>Carolyn Samuelson #158 | Tiretown CC<br>Aaron Quine #703 | East Tennessee CC<br>David Goebel #154 | Northern Illinois CC<br>Dale Samuelson #150 | East Tennessee CC<br>Linda Goebel #159 | Cumberland Valley CC<br>Sally Walter #266 | North Florida Corvette Ass<br>Harry Way #69 | Vette City Vettes<br>Richard Yanko #1 | Cumberland Valley CC<br>David Walter #265 |
|----------|--|---------------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| PC Show  |  |                                 |  |   |  |   | 'n  |                                       |   |
| Concours | 9  | 8                               | 9                                      | 9   | 9                                      | 8   | 8   | 5                                     | 8   |
| Funkhana | 9  | 10                              | 6                                      | 9   | 6                                      |   | 8   |                                       |   |
| Rallye   |  |                                 |  |   |  | 3   |   | 10                                    | 3   |
| B/Drags  |  |                                 |  |   |  |   | 9   | 3                                     | 3   |
| R/Drags  | 7  | 7                               | 9                                      | 7   | 9                                      | 7   |   |                                       |   |
| L/Speed  | 9  | 9                               | 9                                      | 7   | 7                                      | 7   | 5   | 7                                     | 7   |
| H/Speed  | 9  | 9                               | 7                                      | 7   | 7                                      | 9   | 4   | 7                                     | 7   |
| Total    | 43   | 43                              | 40                                     | 39  | 38                                     | 34  | 34  | 32                                    | 28  |









|   | 1st - 63         | Tom Blount          | North Florida Corvette Assn |
|---|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | 151 - 05         | Aaron Quine         | Tiretown CC                 |
|   |                  | Craig Kamradt       | Cen-Tex CC                  |
| ſ |                  | William Shearer     | Cape Kennedy CC             |
|   | 2nd - 67         | Johnny Haskell      | Carolina Corvettes          |
|   | 211u <b>-</b> 67 | John Brackett       | Carolina Corvettes          |
|   |                  | Deb Murphy          | North Florida Corvette Assn |
| ſ |                  | Arthur Fulkerson    | CC Of Michigan              |
|   | 3rd - 72         | Robert Oleszkiewicz | CC Of Michigan              |
|   | 31u - 12         | Patrick Sidorchuk   | Florida CC, Inc.            |
|   |                  | David Jessing       | Florida CC, Inc.            |
| ſ |                  | David Caster        | Corvettes Of Naples         |
|   | 4th - 75         | Janet Caster        | Corvettes Of Naples         |
|   | 4111 - 75        | Don Colapietro      | Corvettes Of Naples         |
|   |                  | Jane Colapietro     | Corvettes Of Naples         |
| ſ |                  | Mary Bellamy        | Glass Menagerie CC          |
|   | 5th - 77         | Hal Bellamy         | Elkhart Vette Set           |
|   | ətri <b>-</b> 77 | Chris Welty         | Bridgestone/Firestone       |
| L |                  | Richard Yanko       | Vette City Vettes           |
|   | Longest Drive    | Patrick Sidorchuk   | Florida CC, Inc.            |
|   | J                | Jane Colapietro     | Corvettes Of Naples         |
|   | Closest to Pin   | Arthur Fulkerson    | CC Of Michigan              |

**Entrant** 

Dennis Murphy

Tom Blount

Deb Murphy

**Club Name** 

North Florida Corvette Assn North Florida Corvette Assn

North Florida Corvette Assn

Finish - Score













| Place | Entrant         | Club Name            | Valve Cover Name |
|-------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1     | Dale Samuelson  | Northern Illinois CC | R Toy 1          |
| 2     | Jane Colapietro | Corvettes of Naples  | ShoGrl           |
| 3     | Douglas McMahan | Cowtown Vettes       | Lethal Threat    |

#### Other Participants:

| David Raprager       | Bay Area CC                 | Party Bus            |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Star Hildebrand      | Bay Area CC                 | Purple People Eater  |
| Lesley Goodbread     | Corvettes of Naples         | White Prash Princess |
| Anita Bitner         | Corvettes of Naples         | Monkey Business      |
| David Caster         | Corvettes of Naples         | Orange Rocker        |
| Steven Goodbread     | Corvettes of Naples         | No Go 55             |
| Don Parks            | Corvette Atlanta            | "No Name"            |
| Rachel Elsea         | North Florida Corvette Assn | Chevy Power          |
| Larry Morrison       | Colorado West CC            | #3                   |
| Jack Wilson          | Northern Illinois CC        | Jacob                |
| Glenda McMahan       | Cowtown Vettes              | My Opinion           |
| Dave Heinemann       | Windy City Corvettes        | Windy City           |
| Joan Heinemann       | Windy City Corvettes        | Dolphin / "Hooker"   |
| Seth & Zack Stedelin | Windy City Corvettes        | Silver Flame         |
| Jessica Stedelin     | Windy City Corvettes        | Orange Racer         |
| Don Colapietro       | Corvettes of Naples         | Ron Fellows Special  |
| Albert Flanhofer     | Corvette Cleveland          | Corvette Cleveland   |

Best of Show - Dale Samuelson, Northern Illinois Corvette Club





#### **Newsletter Contest**

1st place – Sportsmate – CC of Iowa

2<sup>nd</sup> place – *Under the Radar* - Corvette Super Sports

3<sup>rd</sup> place – *Tire Smoke* – Nashville CC

4th place – Grand Sport - San Jacinto CC

5th place - Cowtown LowDown - Cowtown Vettes

#### **Website Contest**

1st place – Cowtown Vettes – SW Region

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Cedar Rapids CC - WR Region

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Boone Trail CC - MW Region

#### **100% Clubs**

Corvette Atlanta, Southeast Region

Miami Valley CC, West Ohio Region

North Texas Vettes, Southwest Region

Colorado West CC, Rocky Mountain Region

Wisconsin CC, Midwest Region

Thunder Vette Set, Roadrunner Region

Colorado Springs CC, Rocky Mountain Region

Verde Valley Vettes, Roadrunner Region

Royal Corvettes of Western Michigan, Michigan Region

Cedar Rapids CC, West Region

Cowtown Vettes, Southwest Region

#### **Scholarships**

Lauren Biksacky, Royal Corvettes of W. MI (Mid-America Motorworks)

Sean Minion, Corvette Indy (Sue McGee Memorial Scholarship)

Madeline Novoa, Cornhusker CC (Jeanne Kuty Memorial Scholarship)

Chloe Wasendorf, Cedar Rapids CC (Judy Yanko Memorial Scholarship)

Alana Tice, Circle City CC / Corvette Indy

Tara Schlomka, Suburban Corvettes of MN

Jillian Cassel, Wisconsin CC (Mary Schultz Memorial Scholarship)

Victoria Brotz, CCM (Ray Meesseman Memorial Scholarship)

Joseph Biksacky, Royal Corvettes of W. MI

President's Award ~ Denny & Deb Murphy, FL Region

Past Presidents' Award ~

**Don Hoskins Award** ~ Geoffrey Gott, Tiretown CC, EO Region

Roger Clancy Award ~ Richard Yanko, Valley City Vettes, SE Region

Club Distance Award ~ Oklahoma City CC, SW Region

Club Participation Award ~ North Florida Corvette Assn., FL Region

Overall Competitor ~ Carolyn Samuelson & Aaron Quine

<u>Top Eliminator – Record Drags</u> ~ Bernyce Molenda, Tin Hall Toys, SW Region

Top Eliminator - Bracket Drags ~ Harry Way, North Florida Corvette Assn, FL Region

Ladies Overall FTD-High Speed ~ Linda Goebel, East Tennessee CC, SE Region

Men's Overall FTD-High Speed ~ Aaron Quine, Tiretown CC, EO Region

<u>Ladies Overall FTD-Low Speed</u> ~ Carolyn Samuelson, Northern Illinois CC, MW Region

Men's Overall FTD-Low Speed ~ Johnny Haskell, Carolina Corvettes, CA Region

Funkhana FTD ~ Aaron & Angie Quine, Tiretown CC, EO Region

Rallye Winners ~ Richard & Gail Yanko, Valley CityVettes, SE Region

**<u>Duntov Award</u>** ~ *Cornhusker CC*, WR Region



































#### <u>Above</u>

Presentation of Ray Meesseman memorial trophy to Sharon Meesseman by Richard Yanko, NCCC President (c), and Jack Wilson, VP-Competition (r)

#### Below

Some of the 2009 Top NCCC clubs who were present at Convention



# FROM THE VP COMPETITION

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes 7/24/10

Palm Beach Gardens Marriott Hotel Palm Beach, Florida

Competition meeting Open Session began at 4:00 p.m. EST. Present were VPC Jack Wilson plus 7 RCDs and four proxies representing 12 Regions. Present were CA Johnny Haskell, EO Chuck Stephens, ER/NE Dave Walters (proxy), FL Manny Montgomery, IN Mike Godfrey, MI Sharon Meesseman (proxy), MW Dale Samuelson (proxy), SE Don Parks, SW Joe Reese, WR Jerry Koraleski, & WO Ron Brown (proxy).

#### **Introductions**:

RCD introductions were made and a welcome was extended to four proxies present. There was also a gallery of members present to witness the meeting.

#### **VPC Comments:**

Jack announced the meeting will be a one hour meeting due to convention and it will not be recorded as he did not have it with him for this meeting.

High Speed and Novice cards were made available for distribution.

#### **Meeting Minutes Approval:**

The minutes for April 30, 2010 St. Louis Competition mtg. will be up for approval at the Sept. 10, 2010 St. Louis meeting as well as this meetings minutes.

#### **Drag Records:**

Thanks to Joe Reese for communicating with everyone the Record Drags indexes will stand as they are at sea level since PBIR is at sea level.

#### **New Business:**

Prior to starting discussions, Fred Garvin asked if he could address the committee on a brief subject.

Fred asked the Competition Committee to discuss and consider doing something with those drag indexes which have been set and left unbroken for ten or more years. Maybe a possible solution is to do another re-index every 5 years from the record date if it has not been broken. There are numerous conditions affecting drag records that may have set a record at the time but has not provided the same conditions after that time to allow a competitor an opportunity to break the record.

The Competition Committee thanked Fred for his input and suggestion and committed to take this under review at our future meeting.

#### Clarification(s):

WR – Page 2-24, Sec. 2.7.1.8, Note 28

Clarification – Does Note 28 permit usage of performance cylinder heads, such as the Dart Little Chief heads having a semi-hemi splayed valve layout in Class B, Group 3 Modified? For a complete picture and description, please see: <a href="http://www.dartheads.com/products/cylinder-heads/small-block-chevy-heads/little-chief-heads.html">http://www.dartheads.com/products/cylinder-heads/small-block-chevy-heads/little-chief-heads.html</a>

**Answer:** The Competition Committee believes the current matrix allows the use of these heads.

#### **New Business continued:**

During technical inspection at this convention the following issue arose to a discrepancy of information within the current Rulebook between Page 2-18, Sec. 2.7.1.2.12 of the Matrix, and Page 7-4, Sec. 7.4.2 Concours, and Page 12-5, Sec. 12.4 NCCC Tech Inspection Form.

The issue is the Matrix shows that RP cars are not required to have roll bars.

The Concours description states: "Corvettes in the "Race Prepared" class must meet the technical requirements ......"

The NCCC Tech Inspection Form shows "Group-3M/RP/

RPAF/DP - \*\*\* Roll Bar NOT REQUIRED for Low Speed Events \*\*\*

**<u>Decision:</u>** The Competition Committee reviewed the issue which had to be resolved immediately and decided the following:

- Page 7-4, Sec. 7.4.2 Concours description would change the word "technical" to "High Speed". Thereby, appropriately placing the vehicle within the concours classification as required by the matrix of Page 2-18, Sec. 2.7.1.2.13 vs. 12 of the Matrix.
- Also, the Tech Inspection Form will have "M and RPAF" removed so the form will now show "Group-3/RP/DP". Thereby removing confusing language which was unintended during the last update.

#### **Old Business:**

Jack distributed the 2011 matrix of Rulebook change items that will be discussed and finalized at the Sept. 10 Competition Committee mtg. for presentation to the Govs on Sept. 11. There was no discussion over this matrix at this time. Everyone is to take these items back and be prepared for a brief review of each item and final vote for presentation.

#### The Committee of seven RCDs (minus proxies) went into Closed Session to discuss an appeal submitted for review.

A review of an appeal made over a protest decision made during a regional event was reviewed and discussed. The Competition Committee decided to uphold the protest decision and deny the appeal.

Jack Wilson has notified the person who appealed as to the decision. The \$20.00 Appeal Fee was given to the NCCC Treasurer per the Rulebook.

Mtg. adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

Jack C. Wilson, Vice-Pres. Competition

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes 9/10/10 Sheraton Westport Conference Center St. Louis, MO.

Competition meeting Open Session began at 6:30 p.m. CST. Present were VPC Jack Wilson plus 13 RCDs and one proxy representing all 15 Regions, which were CA Johnny Haskell, EO Chuck Stephens, ER/NE Brian Gallagher, FL Manny Montgomery, IN Mike Godfrey, MI David Johnson, MW Paul Haack, RR Paul Hamersly, SE Don Parks, SW Joe Reese, WR Jerry Koraleski, WC Joe Orrico, WO Jim Asbury, and RM Walt Jenkins (proxy).

#### **Introductions**:

RCD introductions were made and a welcome was extended to Walt Jenkins as proxy RCD for RM. There was also a gallery of members present to witness the meeting.

#### **VPC Comments:**

High Speed and Novice cards where made available to the

RCDs.

Jack asked who would be returning as RCD in 2011. Everyone indicated they were planning on being there except RM who will elect a new RCD which Walt Jenkins is running for.

The agenda for this meeting is expected to be shorter, therefore, we will have more time to discuss and finalize our proposals to present to the Govs on Sat. for the 2011 Rulebook.

The Govs mtg. on Sat. will be round tables as the hotel is set up for a large dinner following our National Govs Mtg.

The 2010 Grand Sport Corvette that was given away at the Florida Convention was not taken by the winner. Therefore, it is up for sale to the highest bidder. Patrick Dolan will talk about it and the process at the Sat. Govs Mtg.

#### **Meeting Minutes Approval:**

Since we had a short mtg. at the Florida Convention with a partial committee there are both the 4/30/11 STL Mtg. & the 7/24/10 Florida Convention Mtg. minutes to approve. Mike Godfrey made a motion to approve the 4/30/10 minutes and Joe Orrico seconded. Motion carried. Mike Godfrey made a motion to approve the 7/24/10 minutes and Paul Hamersly seconded. Motion carried.

#### 2010 Sanctioned Event Status Review:

The 2010 Point Standings have been published with 653 events posted. The Top 15 Ladies, Men, and Clubs will be read at the Govs mtg.

Jack wanted to thank the RCDs for sending Sanction Requests & Flyers separately. This really helps to expedite entering them into the correct file when downloading. Also, it is greatly appreciated stopped entering the Region into the Sanction Number Column on Sanction Requests, i.e. MW-167-052. Only enter club and sanction number, i.e. 167-052. This has saved much time from having to delete the region from each

line when loading into the Sanction Log.

**2010 High Speed Driving Schools Approved:** High Speed driving schools are done for 2010.

#### **Drag Records:**

There are two scheduled 2010 Record Drags left for the year:

- 1. WR 10/9 Kearney Dragway, Kearney, NE.
- 2. SW 10/17/10 Thunder Valley Raceway Park, Noble, OK.

Record Drag listing was updated 8/10/10 with two index changes only. No new records set.

#### Clarification(s):

There were no clarifications submitted.

#### **Convention Steering Competition Representative Report:**

Manny Montgomery reported all went well at the Florida Convention with virtually no major competition issues. There were 230 paid entrants with 251 total attendees. Betty Parks, Carolyn Montgomery, and Manny worked with the hotel regarding the expense due to the room nights committed contractually but not used and the hotel was willing to exchange food, etc. to reduce the expense to around a \$6,000 loss. The Florida Sports Commission Sponsorship paid \$4,000 which was of great help.

Paul Haack reported the 2011 Midwest Region Convention in Tinley Park, IL is coming along well. Paul will be the Overall Chairperson for all the competition events at convention. Each event chairperson will report to Paul to ensure all items for that event are adequately covered.

#### **Old Business:**

There was a discussion as to how far back should clarifications be listed on the NCCC Website under the Competition Program Section. It was decided to list clarifications as far back as we have information on by year. Paul Hamersly said he had a clarification listing going back a number of years he would send Jack. Jack will gather all the documents and send to the RCDs for review before the Nov. mtg. The Committee will confirm these will be the ones to send out and Jack will get with Joan Thomas as to the format structure that will work on the NCCC Website so they can be posted. Then any new clarifications will be added as they come up.

It was further discussed that the listing of clarifications will have a caveat that anyone who has a question regarding the current status of a clarification must first contact their current RCD to confirm that clarification is still valid. The reason for this is an old clarification listed could have later been discussed and changed for some reason.

It was discussed what classification the 2011 Z06 Carbon Limited Edition be put into, "M" or "N". This is basically a Z06 with a ZR1 suspension and the Z07 Option Package. It was decided at the 4/30/10 STL Comp. Com. Mtg. to hold this decision over until the Nov. mtg. Following discussion, a vote of 5 for "M" and 8 for "N" approved this vehicle to go into the "N" classification.

#### **New Business:**

Jack asked if there were any input to the **Lessons Learned** at any of the competition events since the last meeting. There were no new inputs.

K&K Insurance has a new representative, Kevin Cismowski. Kevin and Hal Tumbleson, NCCC Business Mgr., came to the meeting to introduce Kevin and had a brief Q&A session. Kevin and Hal committed to develop a K&K Q&A page on the NCCC Website to answer frequently asked questions. Jack committed to send Hal the last Q&A documents provided by Kevin's predecessor so it can be built on vs. creating a new document that may cause confusion with the information previously provided.

Jack identified there is a new online real-time membership system that went into affect 9/1/10. Walt Jenkins is the key developer behind this. There was a brief discussion and those having questions on the inter workings of the system is to contact Walt for clarification.

Jack identified there was an E-Board Cost Savings discussion. We were asked to discuss with our committees their input on the reduction/elimination one of the four STL meetings per year. The following input was given with regard to the effect on the Competition Committee:

- Reduction of discussion time will make it worse for the committee to adequately discuss NCCC competition issues, Rulebook changes, etc.
- If one is to be eliminated, it may be better to eliminate the one in the same quarter as the Convention mtg.
- We cover some of our business on-line and discuss and confirm votes at a regular meeting. This would create more of this to happen which takes away from face-to-face discussions.
- Feb. meeting would be the lightest one to eliminate.
- It would be a complete disaster to eliminate 25% of meetings that oversee the entire NCCC Competition Program.

#### Following the break, the Committee went into Closed Session for Round Table Discussions:

Note: Due to the general notes included into the minutes from the Competition Committee Meeting, <u>does not intend or represent any agreed upon changes to the Competition Manual (Rulebook).</u>
<u>Discussion items are described general in nature for membership awareness only.</u>

#### **Roundtable Discussion:**

Several general discussion items occurred to assist clarification for consistency and decisions within the various regions.

#### **2011 Rulebook Discussion Items:**

There was a discussion regarding voting and what constitutes a majority vote when there are individuals who abstain from voting. Paul Haack looked up the legal interpretation on the computer and read that

abstentions are not considered during a vote. A majority vote is from those voting. It was decided that that is what will constitute a majority vote here forward. Note: Jack has taken this a step further to find the current language covering majority voting and abstentions in The Modern Edition of Roberts Rules of Order, derived from 1876, by the Edition by Major Henry M. Raford, and Completely Revised by Darwin Patnode, PH.D., The Penquin Putnam Inc. books.

The language states: "All votes are calculated on the basis of present voting members. With the right to vote goes the right to abstain from voting, but the chair should never call for abstentions, nor do members have a right to announce that they abstained. Abstentions have no effect on calculation of votes. A majority is more than half of the votes cast by legal voters. A majority is not necessarily one more than half or 51%. A majority of 20 present voting members is eleven. If there are 20 members present, but only 7 vote, a majority is 4."

#### Open Items for Discussion & Decision for the 2011 Rulebook:

- 1. Pg. 2-2, Sec. 2.2.2.2. New B. -"Due to other physical limitation that restricts an entrant's ability to walk the course layout, and who is not disabled as described above, may ride a bicycle, scooter, golf cart, or ATV on the perimeter of the course, if the course safely allows, so they can get a general visual overview of the course layout." 12 YES,
- <u>0</u> NO. Decision passed.
- 2. Pg. 2-8, Sec. 2.4.2 New .3 A Host Club may require all entrants at a speed event to sign the following statement on their Registration Form: "To the best of my knowledge, I am able to operate a motor vehicle safely and I am not or will not take any medication that inhibits my ability to operate a motor vehicle during these events."
- 0 YES, 9 NO. Decision denied.
- 3. Pg. 2-25, Sec. 2.7.1.8.14 Change 1S & 1 from N to Y to address putting an aftermarket dry sump on the Z06 as reliability against failures. <u>1</u> YES, <u>10</u> NO. Decision denied.
- 4. Pg. 2-33, Sec. 2.7.1.15. New 26. Allow C5 & C6 fuel rail cover removal for additional heat dissipation in all classes. <u>1</u> YES, <u>12</u> NO. Decision denied.
- 5. Pg. 2-17, Sec. 2.7.1.2 and Pg. 2-35, Sec. 2.8.9.D#2 Eliminate the requirement for a fire extinguisher in Group 2 for low speed events only (change Group 2 from "Req'd" to "Y"). 12 YES, 0 NO. Decision passed.
- 6. Pg. 2-40, Sec. 2.14. Add a definition for "CLASS": A class (H, J, K, etc.) is a subset of a group and is determined by year group (C1, C2, etc.), engine, suspension, or other significant difference between models. 13 YES, 0 NO. Decision passed.
- 7. Pg. 2-41, Sec. 2.14. Add a definition for "GROUP": A Group is a separation of cars determined by the degree of modification and/or relative competitive or performance enhancing advantage from stock through various levels of modifications.
- 13 YES, 0 NO. Decision passed.
- 8. Pg. 2-42, Sec. 2-14. Add a definition for "SUB-GROUP": A subgroup is a combination of classes for the purpose of awarding bonus points in speed events.
- 13 YES, 0 NO. Decision passed.
- 9. Pg. 3-11, Sec. 3.15. Add NEW #3: If the record has not been broken within 5 years the index will be raised 1%, and continue every 5 years by 1% until broken.

- 11 YES, 0 NO. Decision passed.
- 10. Pg. 7-4, Sec. 7.4.2. last paragraph Change the work "technical" to "High Speed" thereby, appropriately placing the vehicle within the concours classification as required by the matrix of Page 2-18, Sec. 2.7.1.2.13 vs. .12 of the matrix. <u>13 YES</u>, <u>0</u> NO. Decision passed.
- 11. Pg. 7-11, Sec. 7.9.1.L. change "CAM-AM or similar configurations" to "CAN-AM, Aero Kits or similar configurations." <u>13</u> YES, <u>0</u> NO. Decision passed.
- 12. Pg. 8-3, Sec. 8.1.2.1 Add "2 or more classes" requirement to earn the 10 Sub Group FTD points- "Each Sub Group of 2 or more classes, has its own 10 Point FTD."
- 8 YES, 3 NO. Decision passed.
- 13. Pg. 8-5, Sec. 8.1.2.5 NEW Item 4, Event Chairperson, Co-Chairperson, Rally Checker, Rallye Co-Checker, Concours Judges, and all other Workers MUST be at the event to receive points. <u>8</u> YES, <u>3</u> NO. Decision passed.
- 14. Add new Chapter 11 for TIME TRIALS (TT): document that adds the option to hold NCCC Sanctioned High Speed events and to earn NCCC points in conjunction with another organization's Track Day or HPDE event. All existing NCCC rules including points and classes will apply. 11 YES, 2 NO. Decision passed.
- 15. Pg. 12-5, 12.4 NCCC INSPECTION/CLASSIFICATION FORM-SPEED EVENTS, FUNKHANAS, AND DRAGS. The "M" to "Group-3/RP/DP" not requiring a roll bar for low speed events. This cleans up confusion and coincides with Sec. 2 Speed Event Matrix. 11 YES, 0 NO. Decision passed.

At the conclusion of this discussion, Paul Haack had been scribing our decisions. Jack and Paul will print off and proof the handout for Sat. Govs mtg.

#### **Appeals**:

There were no appeals.

Mtg. adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

Jack C. Wilson, Vice-Pres. Competition

#### IN THE NEXT ISSUE...

be sure to read the article spotlighting NCCC's Top Club – 2009,

CORNHUSKER CORVETTE CLUB.

NCCC Official Drag Records as of May 30, 2010

Bold Black Box index time indicates reset since last report - Bold Italics indicates never record holders since last report of 6/1/10 - Bold black Time indicates actual record time set on date listed - Record time is at sea level.

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| Class     | Time      | Index          | Mens Record Holder              | Club                  | Event   | Date Record Set | Class   | Time  | Index    | Ladies Record Holder        | Club                     | Event                             | Date Record Set           |
| Group 3   |           |                | -                               | -                     | -   |                 | Group 3 |       |          |                             | -                        |                                   |                           |
| DPA       | 9.01      | 9.19           | John Sharp                      | Comp Corvettes of OK  | SW-2 Oklahoma City, OK  | 10/19/03        | LDPA    | 9.83  | 10.03 D  | Delores Barncord            | Cornhusker CC            | WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001          | 09/02/01                  |
| DPB       | 9.73      |                | Ron Bockerman                   | Cornhusker CC         | NCCC Convention   | 08/13/09        | LDPB    | 10.05 | 10.15 V  | Vicki Burgess               | Oklahoma City CC         | SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008      | 05/25/10                  |
| DPC       | 7.66      | 7.81           | Carl Moyer                      | CC of Iowa            | WR-01 Cornhusker CC-1990  | 09/03/93        | LDPC    |       | 11.19    |                             |                          |                                   | 01/01/93                  |
| RPAF      | 9.52      | 9.71           | Pancho Thompson                 | N.E. Ohio Vette Club  | NCCC Convention   | 06/28/01        | LRPAF   |       | 10.10    |                             |                          |                                   | 01/01/97                  |
| RPA       | 9.78      | 86.6           | Fred Garvin                     | C.O.A.S.T.            | WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001  | 09/02/01        | LRPA    | 10.26 | 10.47 L  | Jinda Garvin                | Mid Texas Cust CC        | SW-03 San Jacinto CC-1997         | 11/02/00                  |
| RPB       | 9.97      | 10.17          | James Garvin                    | C.O.A.S.T.            | SW-03 C.O.A.S.T. 2006   | 09/24/06        | LRPB    | 10.57 | 10.68 S  | Sylvia Hoaldridge           | Cowtown Vettes           | SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008      | 05/25/10                  |
| MA        | 96.6      | 10.18          |                                 | C.O.A.S.T.            |   | 06/28/01        | LMA     | 10.60 |          | Loretta Spinrad             | Capital City CC          | MI-051 Capital City CC-2000       | 05/20/02                  |
| MB        | 10.10     |                |                                 | C.O.A.S.T.            | NCCC Convention   | 08/10/06        | LMB     | 10.31 | _        | Linda Williams              | San Jacinto CC           | SW-37 Oklahoma City CC-1993       | 06/17/96                  |
| ME        | 10.90     |                |                                 | Cowtown Vettes        | SW-01 Oklahoma City CC  | 00/90/90        | LME     | 11.09 |          | Kathryn Pennington          | Cowtown Vettes           | SW-01 Oklahoma City CC-1997       | 00/20/90                  |
| MH        |           |                |                                 |                       |   | 10/10/10        | ГМН     |       |          |                             |                          |                                   | 01/01/97                  |
| MK        |           | 11.31          |                                 |                       |   | 12/10/05        | LMK     |       | 11.31    |                             |                          |                                   | 12/10/05                  |
| MN        |           | 10.20          |                                 |                       |   | 60/10/50        | TWN     |       | 0.50     |                             |                          |                                   | 60/10/50                  |
| CLM       | 10.12     | 10.32          | Steve Walling                   | Cornhusker CC         | WR-88 Crossroads CC 2005  | 10/15/05        | TCLM    | 10.99 | 11.21 A  | Abby Walling                | Cornhusker CC            | WR-095 Archway Corvette Club      | 06/24/06                  |
| Group 2   |           | -              | 1                               |                       |   |                 | Group 2 | ł     | 1        | ,                           |                          |                                   |                           |
| А         | 10.90     | 11.12          | Stan Dedrickson                 | Cornhusker CC         | NCCC Convention   | 07/11/02        | LA      | 10.61 | 10.82 L  | Liz Bockerman               | Cornhusker CC            | WR-06 Cornhusker CC-1994          | <i>L6/</i> 50 <i>/</i> 60 |
| В         | 11.35     | 11.58          | Jerry Benedict                  | Cornhusker CC         | NCCC Convention   | 00/11/00        | LB      | 11.70 | 11.94 P  | Patty Wilson                | Cornhusker CC            | WR-36 Cornhusker CC               | 00/20/60                  |
| С         | 11.81     | 12.05          |                                 | Cornhusker CC         | MI-153 Royal Corvettes-1999   | 09/25/01        | TC      | 12.65 | 12.90 L  | Linda Benedict              | Cornhusker CC            | WR-39 Cornhusker CC-1997          | 00/10/60                  |
| D         | 11.76     | 12.00          | Dick Smith                      | Cornhusker CC         | WR-36 Cornhusker CC-1999  | 10/90/60        | TD      | 11.92 | 12.16 S  | Sharon Smith                | Cornhusker CC            | NCCC Convention                   | 04/16/00                  |
| Ε         | 12.69     | 12.95          | Dale Acker                      | Comp Corvettes of OK  | SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2005   | 02/29/05        | LE      | 12.69 | 12.95 A  | Amanda Acker                | Comp Corvettes of OK     | SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2005       | 05/29/05                  |
| ш         |           | 12.12          |                                 |                       |   | 01/01/93        | LF      |       | 12.12    |                             |                          |                                   | 01/01/93                  |
| Ð         |           | 13.13          |                                 |                       |   | 01/01/93        | TG      |       | 13.13    |                             |                          |                                   | 01/01/93                  |
| Н         | 12.29     |                | Johnny Gann                     | Oklahoma City CC      | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009  | 05/24/09        | ТН      | 12.52 | С        | Christine Gann              | Oklahoma City CC         | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009      | 05/24/09                  |
| J         | 12.44     |                | Dale Samuelson                  | Northern ILLinois CC  | NCCC Convention   | 08/13/09        | LJ      | 12.68 | О        | Carolyn Samuelson           | Northern ILLinois CC     | NCCC Convention                   | 08/13/09                  |
| K         | 11.91     |                | Joe Szijarto                    | Oklahoma City CC      | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009  | 05/24/09        | LK      | 12.36 | 12.48 Ja | Janet Szijarto              | Oklahoma City CC         | SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008      | 05/25/10                  |
| M         | 11.20     |                | Marvin Matzinger                | Oklahoma City CC      | NCCC Convention   | 08/13/09        | LM      |       | 11.31    |                             |                          |                                   | 12/10/05                  |
| Z         | 10.70     |                |                                 |                       |   | 02/01/09        | LN      |       | 10.70    |                             |                          |                                   | 60/10/50                  |
| CLA       | 12.92     | 13.18          | Steve Walling                   | Cornhusker CC         | WR-36 Cornhusker CC   | 00/20/60        | LCLA    | 14.28 | 14.57 Jo | Joan Bohannon               | Cornhusker CC            | WR-36 Cornhusker CC               | 00/20/60                  |
| CT        | 13.42     | 13.69          | Ron Ruston                      | Oklahoma City CC      | SW-43 Oklahoma City CC-1996   | 66/80/90        | TOT     | 13.67 | 13.94 Je | Jeannie Ruston              | Oklahoma City CC         | SW-43 Oklahoma City CC-1996       | 66/80/90                  |
| Group 1   |           |                |                                 |                       |   |                 | Group 1 |       |          |                             |                          |                                   |                           |
| Α         | 12.43     |                | Ron Bockerman                   | Cornhusker CC         | Kearney Raceway Park, Kearney, NE   | 09/20/08        | LA      | 12.75 | T        | Liz Bockerman               | Cornhusker CC            | Kearney Raceway Park, Kearney, NE | 09/20/08                  |
| AA        | 13.13     | 13.39          | Bob Holliday                    | Tiretown CC           | MI-100 Royal Corvettes-1997   | 09/20/00        | LAA     | 14.73 | 15.03 N  | Merrilyn Walling            | Cornhusker CC            | WR-36 Cornhusker CC               | 00/20/60                  |
| В         | 13.45     | 13.72          | Doug Shilen                     | Cowtown Vettes        | SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2004   | 05/30/04        | LB      | 14.10 | 14.38 Jc | Joan Bohannon               | Cornhusker CC            | WR-15 Boone Trail CC-1999         | 05/15/01                  |
| C         | 13.42     | 13.69          | Paul Bohannon                   | Cornhusker CC         | WR-095 Archway Corvette Club  | 06/24/06        | TC      | 14.11 | 14.39 Jo | Joan Bohannon               | Cornhusker CC            | WR-89 Cornhusker CC 2004          | 10/09/04                  |
| D         | 13.96     | -              | Ron Bockerman                   | Cornhusker CC         | SW-02 Sanjacinto CC-1999  | 11/14/01        | TD      | 14.08 | 14.36 L  | Liz Bockerman               | Cornhusker CC            | SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999         | 11/14/01                  |
| Е         | 13.45     | 13.72          | Dale Acker                      | Competition Corv OK   | SW-02 Sanjacinto CC-1999  | 11/14/01        | LE      | 13.75 | 14.03 S  | Sharon Meesseman            | Michigan Autocross Group | NCCC Convention                   | 06/18/07                  |
| ш         |           | 12.62          |                                 |                       |   | 01/01/93        | LF      |       | 12.62    |                             |                          |                                   | 01/01/93                  |
| G         | 13.43     |                | Paul Stewart                    | Oklahoma City CC      | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009  | 05/24/09        | TG      | 13.41 | 13.63 Je | Jeanie Stewart              | Oklahoma City CC         | SW-001 Oklahoma City CC 2010      | 05/30/10                  |
| Н         | 12.78     | -              | Chris Cantell                   | Oklahoma City CC      | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009  | 05/24/09        | TН      | 13.08 | 13.21 Je | Jeannie Ruston              | Oklahoma City CC         | NCCC Convention                   | 06/23/08                  |
| J         | 12.54     |                | David Ocker                     | Top of the Rockies CC | NCCC Convention   | 08/13/09        | LJ      | 12.64 | 12.77 G  | Glenda Brown                | Oklahoma City CC         | SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008      | 05/25/10                  |
| К         | 12.26     |                | Jesse Ryan                      | Oklahoma City CC      | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009  | 05/24/09        | LK      | 12.38 | В        | Bernyce Molenda             | Tin Hall Toys            | SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009      | 05/24/09                  |
| M         |           | 11.61          |                                 |                       |   | 12/10/05        | LM      |       | 11.61    |                             |                          |                                   | 12/10/05                  |
| z         |           | 11.00          |                                 |                       |   | 02/01/09        | LN      |       | 11.00    |                             |                          |                                   | 02/01/09                  |
| CLA       | 14.65     | +              | -                               | Boone Trail CC        | NCCC Convention   | 00/11/20        | LCLA    | +     | $\neg$   | Sue Schwent                 | Boone Trail CC           | WR-05 Cornhusker CC-1991          | 09/02/94                  |
| CL        | 14.81     | 15.11          | Fred Schneider                  | Platte Valley CC      | WR-01 Comhusker CC-2001   | 09/02/01        | TOT     | 15.31 | 15.62 T  | Terri Schneider             | Platte Valley CC         | WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001          | 09/02/01                  |
|           |           |                |                                 |                       |   |                 |         |       |          |                             |                          |                                   |                           |

# FROM THE VP MEMBERSHIP

I want to give a big "THANK YOU" to Carolyn Montgomery, her convention staff and all the members of the Florida Region that made this year's convention in Palm Beach Gardens a very fun and enjoyable convention. Thank you everyone!

Fall is now in full swing for all regions, which means the renewal process is well under way. As most of the members and all governors know by now we have a new way of doing renewals and other membership business. The NCCC membership is now an on line process that

involves the governors and RMD's more than ever before. From the Membership Committee and really all of NCCC, a big thank you to Walt Jenkins for all the work and the many hours put in to bring our membership process into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. If you as a member have any changes i.e. address, email, or name, etc contact your club governor. The governors will now be the ones making these changes to the NCCC data.

I hope you will be able to take that Corvette out and enjoy the fall colors it is a good time of the year to go for a ride.

Until next time,

Larry Morrison

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS, INC. MEMBERSHIP REPORT SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

| REGION                | CLUBS      | MEMBERS          | MAL    | FCOA   | LARGEST CLUB IN REGION              | MEMBERS |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Carolina Region       | 14         | 322              | 13     | 28     | PLASTIC CARS, LTD.                  | 75      |
| East Ohio             | 17         | 871              | 30     | 168    | BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.             | 175     |
| East Region           | 27         | 2344             | 63     | 296    | CUMBERLAND VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB     | 215     |
| Florida Region        | 21         | 1161             | 31     | 258    | CORVETTES OF NAPLES                 | 240     |
| Indiana Region        | 18         | 900              | 15     | 112    | CIRCLE CITY CORVETTE CLUB           | 122     |
| Michigan Region       | 15         | 1099             | 21     | 293    | AMERICA'S CORVETTE CLUB OF MICHIGAN | 247     |
| Midwest Region        | 31         | 2124             | 33     | 519    | WINDY CITY CORVETTES, INC.          | 151     |
| Northeast Region      | 7          | 252              | 20     | 47     | CORVETTES OF BUFFALO                | 65      |
| Northwest Region      | 1          | 105              | 0      | 1      | TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB                | 105     |
| Rocky Mountain Region | 14         | 720              | 24     | 67     | COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB      | 138     |
| Roadrunner Region     | 13         | 808              | 24     | 104    | TUCSON CORVETTE CLUB                | 159     |
| Southeast Region      | 15         | 1072             | 18     | 129    | NASHVILLE CORVETTE CLUB             | 280     |
| Southwest Region      | 20         | 1492             | 31     | 154    | TULSA VETTE SET                     | 404     |
| West Coast Region     | 27         | 1963             | 33     | 166    | LAS VEGAS CORVETTES ASSOCIATION     | 225     |
| West Ohio             | 7          | 350              | 26     | 70     | CORVETTE TROY                       | 120     |
| West Region           | 24         | 1596             | 17     | 412    | CORNHUSKER CORVETTE CLUB            | 342     |
| TOTALS                | 271        | 17186            | 399    | 2824   |                                     |         |
| TOTAL MEMBERS NUMBER  | INCLUDES N | MAL'S AND 7 HONC | RARY M | EMBERS |                                     |         |
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## From the Secretary

#### Governors' Meeting Minutes – July 25, 2010 Abridged for *Blue Bars* Publication

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. We had the pledge of allegiance. Members that have passed away since the last meeting were announced, followed by a moment of silence. Dick asked that we also remember those serving our country in the armed forces in our thoughts and prayers as we enjoy this week. Those announced were:

Mike Schedler, Wisconsin CC, Midwest Region
Bill Rush, Boone Trail CC, West Region
Kimblerlee A. Fast, CC of Michigan, Michigan Region
Salvatore Giordano, Las Vegas Corvette Assn, West Coast Region
Bill Miles, CC of Texas, Southwest Region
Steve Holle, Corvette Indy, Indiana Region
Carol Rife, Corvette Troy, West Ohio Region
Ann Ellis, Wife of Bullet Bob Ellis, Florida Region
Bud Meredith, San Jacinto CC, Southwest Region
Carolyn McGowan, Northern Illinois CC, Midwest Region
Duster Jackson, Cowtown Vettes, Southwest Region
Ron Gagnon, Corvettes of the Gulf - Governor, Florida Region

Carolyn Montgomery, 2010 Convention Director welcomed everyone to the 51st annual Convention.

National Officers were introduced. Regional Officers were asked to stand and be recognized as a group.

Due to the tight schedule (Drivers' Meeting at 12:30) we started with new business to make sure it is covered before going into the reports.

#### **New Business**

Dick opened the floor for nominations for officers. Offices open are:

President – Dick is not eligible to run. He has served 4 years. Parliamentarian – Kevin Milton has served 2 years and can rerun. Director of Public Relations – Larry Beebe is not eligible. He has served 4 years.

Treasurer – Bernyce Molenda has served 2 years and is eligible for 2 more.

VP of Membership – Larry Morrison has served 2 years and is eligible for 2 more.

Nominations were made as follows:

For President – George Gallant

For Parliamentarian – Kevin Milton and Jim Harris

For Director of PR – Doug McMahan

For Treasurer - Bernyce Molenda

For VP of Membership - Larry Morrison

Dick wants the Governors to think about eliminating one meeting per year. There would be three per year, with the convention meeting being the fourth.

There was no additional new business and no old business.

#### **Officer Reports:**

#### <u>Cindy Urenda – Secretary</u>

The May minutes were approved as written.

| PLACE | NAME - LADIES        | POINTS |
|-------|----------------------|--------|
| 1     | THOMAS, JOAN         | 1841   |
| 2     | MOLENDA, BERNYCE     | 985    |
| 3     | WILSON, JANET        | 951    |
| 4     | FAIRLAMB, LINDA      | 923    |
| 5     | REITZ, CHRISTINE S   | 907    |
| 6     | MORRISON, CINDY J    | 868    |
| 7     | ANTHONY, CATHY       | 822    |
| 8     | FOX, EILEEN          | 772    |
| 9     | DOCHERTY, BEVERLY    | 771    |
| 10    | GOODSON, BONNIE S    | 739    |
| 11    | RUSTON, JEAN K       | 722    |
| 12    | GILLESPIE, JAN A     | 719    |
| 13    | KOLB, MARY ANNE      | 705    |
| 14    | GAU, KATHY           | 691    |
| 15    | SAMUELSON, CAROLYN K | 678    |

| PLACE | NAME - MEN            | POINTS |
|-------|-----------------------|--------|
| 1     | THOMAS, JIM           | 1731   |
| 2     | MCARDLE, AL           | 1270   |
| 3     | DOCHERTY JR., WILLIAM | 1180   |
| 4     | WILSON, JACK C        | 1137   |
| 5     | CURTIS, HOWARD J      | 962    |
| 6     | REITZ, THOMAS C       | 936    |
| 7     | MOLENDA, THEODORE     | 928    |
| 8     | GANN, CHRIS J         | 877    |
| 9     | GANN, JOHNNY D        | 877    |
| 10    | FOX, NEIL             | 861    |
| 11    | HAACK, PAUL W         | 823    |
| 12    | ANTHONY, KEVIN        | 795    |
| 13    | GUTYAN, MIKE          | 749    |
| 14    | LITTLEFIELD, DON      | 726    |
| 15    | MCGOVERN, KERRY L     | 723    |

| PLACE | CLUB NAME                  | CLUB NO. | POINTS |
|-------|----------------------------|----------|--------|
| 1     | WINDY CITY CORVETTES, INC. | MW-351   | 12683  |
| 2     | OKLAHOMA CITY CC           | SW-131   | 9589   |
| 3     | CORNHUSKER CC              | WR-095   | 8979   |
| 4     | COWTOWN VETTES             | SW-055   | 7986   |
| 5     | NORTHERN ILLINOIS CC       | MW-167   | 7485   |
| 6     | BADGER STATES VETTES       | MW-246   | 3439   |
| 7     | NASHVILLE CC               | SE-073   | 3393   |
| 8     | CC OF MICHIGAN             | MI-006   | 3187   |
| 9     | TIN HALL TOYS              | SW-392   | 3140   |
| 10    | MICHIGAN AUTOCROSS GROUP   | MI-362   | 2876   |
| 11    | TEJAS VETTES, INC.         | SW-163   | 2875   |
| 12    | WISCONSIN CC               | MW-075   | 2741   |
| 13    | CC OF IOWA                 | WR-022   | 2737   |
| 14    | CEN-TEX CC                 | SW-200   | 2528   |
| 15    | BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.    | EO-010   | 2514   |

#### <u>Jack Wilson – VP of Competition</u>

The Competition Committee addressed one clarification concerning performance heads in group 3. There was an appeal filed over a protest that was reviewed and denied. The current point standings as of July 20<sup>th</sup> were read. They are posted on the NCCC Website.

#### <u>Larry Morrison – VP of Membership</u>

We have 17,104 members. We've added 4 new clubs bringing the total to 271. There are 289 lifetime members.

The new database system is getting real close to rollout, so RMDs and Governors need to get into it and learn about it if they haven't already.

#### Bernyce Molenda – Treasurer

The financial reports were e-mailed. No one had any questions.

#### Kevin Milton - Parliamentarian

Newsletter contest awards will be presented at the awards banquet on Friday.

The latest changes to the standing rules have been posted and are current on the Website.

#### Hal Tumbleson - Business Manager

We have another new K & K rep. The information has been updated on our NCCC Website. We have a club with a copyright infringement suit over a poem that was read at a members' funeral and then included with the obituary in the club newsletter and on their Website. They did not site the author or ask her permission. Hal warned that if you have a poem or story and do not know who the author is, do not print it. This club is looking at a \$75,000 fine. K & K is looking into it. If you have any questions about anything like this, run it by your RE.

Indianapolis is putting together a meeting site bid for 2014, '15 & '16. St. Louis is also putting together a proposal. The information for putting together a proposal is on the Website. Proposals need to be submitted by the September meeting, so we can get the bids together by the November meeting and present them to the Governors in February.

#### <u>Larry Beebe – Public Relations</u>

Thanks to everyone who has used the displays this year. Both of them have traveled around a lot to different places and have quite a few places to go yet this year.

The NCCC DVD is done and being played at the Corvette Museum. They are very happy with it. Many thanks to those who put it together. They did a great job.

#### Ron Ruston - Sgt. at Arms

Nothing to report.

#### **Sylvia Hoaldridge - Publications**

The summer issue of Blue Bars should be out to members by the end of August. Please continue to send articles. She is working on the backlog. She is adding two new series in the summer issue. One is a *Members' Corner* for articles about outstanding Corvette enthusiasts. Photos are appreciated, as always. The second series is *Corvette Garage*. It will probably be mostly photos of nice garages that people want to share.

#### Patrick Dolan - Charity

There have been a lot of positive comments on the raffle car. It may be our last special one for a while due to the economy.

There is no one here from NKF this year because the transplant games are this week. This is the first time Patrick has missed the games since 1996. We have a new NKF rep out of New York.

Dick added that tickets for the 2011 raffle car will be available in August of this year. If interested, see Mr. Dolan.

#### <u>Hal Bellamy – Steering Committee</u>

Please thank Carolyn, Manny, Betty and Debbie. They had a lot of good help from a lot of good folks working to give us a good time.

Please let our sponsors know we appreciate them. They've given a significant amount of support for us.

Hal has been in contact with the Ferrari, BMW, Mercedes Benz and Corvair clubs. All of them are experiencing the same kinds of concerns we are with attendance at their annual functions.

Our next convention is at Tinley Park, IL. Dave Heinemann has a great program for us. This morning at the board meeting we heard a presentation on Topeka, KS for the 2012 convention. They've already put together a great program and have a lot of support from the club members out there. There will be a presentation to the Governors at the September meeting.

#### <u>Debbie Lindsey – Sponsorship</u>

Debbie recognized the sponsors we have for Convention:

Hagerty – Hospitality Room

Goodyear – Champions Dinner and will have a DVD presentation

Kumho - High Speed Event and help with tech

Zip Products - Rally

Bridgestone/Firestone –Low Speed Event and display in the mall Michelin – Ride & Drive on Thursday (only one spot left) and a presentation with Ron Fellowes on Monday

Mid America – Welcome Party (Thanks to Doug McMahan for taking pictures.)

Paragon Corvette Reproductions – Registration packets

Southern Car Parts.com – general sponsor

Corvette Central – Concours

Corvette America – new/general sponsor

Debbie will be at the Corvettes of Carlisle event promoting NCCC. GM offered a 2011 car for the display. George Gallant and his group are always very helpful at that event, but they can always use more help. They talk about membership, our Charity program and NCCC in general. It will be August 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> in Carlisle, PA.

She will be attending a Mid America event September 17<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>. The Midwest Region will be there to promote the 2011convention.

GM has a new owner program that includes a media booklet with things to do and places to go with your new Corvette. NCCC was asked to be part of it. It is great publicity for us. Debbie showed the great looking page with our information.

MBI Publishing is a new group on the Special Discounts for Members page of our Website. They offer publications at a discounted price if you have an NCCC number.

#### <u>Joan Thomas – Webmaster</u>

The Website contest is sponsored by Zip Products, as it has been since it started in 2005. The awards will be presented on Friday night at the banquet. She is looking for new judges for next year. She likes to have governors from different regions who have not judged in the past.

Last year at the  $50^{\text{th}}$  convention, someone picked up the complete set of rulebooks from the historical display. They were just for people to see and not to be taken. She would like to get them back.

#### **Larry Higgins – Distribution**

Larry said if anyone has any questions for him, let him know.

#### **NCM Update**

A couple of weeks ago, the Lancaster County CC came down and toured the plant and museum and left their Eagle One award for

the museum display.

At the last Governors' meeting, a motion was made that NCCC submit a letter of support to the National Corvette Museum for its motorsports park. Dick read the letter and explained that it shows that our organization supports their organization but we are not committing any money to their organization. Tom will use the letter in conjunction with other letters when he makes presentations to large corporations for sponsorship money. There were no comments, so Dick will send it off.

#### **Guest Speaker**

Debbie Lindsey introduced Jennifer Munch from Hagerty. Jennifer said she is amazed at the camaraderie she sees with everybody here. It seems like everybody has known each other for their entire lives. It is very different from any of the car shows she has attended in the past. Jennifer gave a brief history of Hagerty, which is now the biggest auto insurance company for collector vehicles in the US. She talked about the coverage they offer, how they are involved in the hobby, and the club resources that are available to us. [Details can be found on their website at <a href="https://www.hagerty.com.">www.hagerty.com.</a>]

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Urenda, Secretary

Don't forget to check out the Special Discounts that NCCC members can obtain when doing business with Any of the following:

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Contact DEBBIE LINDSEY, Director of Sponsorship, For more information.

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# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS

This Fall/Convention issue of *Blue Bars* is chocked full of interesting articles, as well as reports from your National and Regional Officers:

- Convention 2010 highlights and event results
- Numerous club articles and photos
- Club Spotlights and Member Tribute

NOTE: Beginning with the November 2010 Governors' Meeting, meeting minutes will no longer be printed in *Blue Bars*; however, these minutes can be found on the NCCC website and may be requested through your Governor or Regional Officer.

As always, I hope that you enjoy reading the information gathered in this issue as much as I have enjoyed compiling everything from reports provided by numerous officers--both National and Regional--to the articles submitted by the following:

Cheryl Davis - GVCA, WR
Jim Hildebrand - BACC, FL
Sue Hoover - JCC, MI
Mike Neeley & Jeff Benson - SCCM, MW
Joe & Cindy Orrico - CSS, WC
Barry Rector - CI, IN
Barb Reynolds - TORCA, RM
Jim Roddy - CVCC, CA
Jim Van Dorn & Shutterbug Photomall - SE
James Bartuska - MCC, IN
Charles H. (Doc) Dulaney - CTCC, SW

In addition to those listed above who contributed articles for this issue, I would also like to THANK the following who provided me with photos from Convention 2010:

Pat Brown
Don & Jane Colapietro
Jim Hildebrand
Glenn Hutchinson
Larry & Reva Kupka
Doug McMahan
Ted Molenda
Michael Sipolt
Aaron Quine
Joan Thomas
Cindy Urenda
Harry Way

Please keep in mind that it's never too late to send me an article and/or photos for a future issue of *Blue Bars*. I currently have a backlong of seven (7) articles. If your club is interested in submitting a 'spotlight' article with possible inclusion on the front or back cover of *Blue Bars*, the <u>front cover</u> should be in Portrait presentation and the <u>back cover</u> should be in Landscape presentation...and <u>all</u> photos should be in <u>high resolution</u> to insure your photos appear clear and crisp after printing. Articles should be created in Word format, and the photos should be sent separately from the article. Captions will be greatly appreciated. Feel free to note in your article the placement of your photo(s); otherwise, I will place them randomly. Don't forget to include the author's name, as well as the photographer.

Stricter Copyright laws and the ease of the Internet have forced me to urge everyone who submits articles and/or photos in the future, to ensure that information used cannot be construed as being copyrighted by another party. If that is the case, then the author/photographer should obtain signed written permission to use a copyrighted item and said written permission must accompany the article and/or photos sent to me.

<u>Deadline for submitting items for the Winter</u> 2011 issue of *Blue Bars* is NOVEMBER 30, 2010. The Winter 2011 issue will cover the period of February 1 - April 30, 2011.

Sylvia Hoaldridge

## **EDITOR'S NOTE**

I am still looking for photos taken from your side mirror (in your Corvette, of course), as well as photos of members' unique Corvette garages.

Club Spotlights and Member's Corner articles and/or photos are also always welcome.

#### **Blue Bars**

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| Sixth Page (2-1/4 x 4-7/8)              | \$325          | \$275       |
| Business Card (3-1/2 x 2)               | \$200          | \$150       |
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Effective April 1, 2008, a 15% discount will be given when four (4) ads are purchased as a package. These ads can either be 4-color or black/white, but they must be half-page or larger.

#### Advertising Deadlines

February 28 for Spring issue May 31 for Summer issue August 31 for Convention/Fall issue November 30 for Winter issue Published in late April Published in late July Published in mid-November Published in mid-January

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# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SPONSORSHIP

## Sponsorship Views ~ Fall 2010

Do you ever feel like you are in a time vacuum, meeting yourself coming and going? Think you are living the real life version of Back to the Future? The title may not be perfect for the current situation, but my "NCCC life" has been a blur since July 23, 2010 and now I must look to the future.

Convention 2010 was a BLAST!! The Florida crew did a superb job in planning and executing a week of great social and competitive activities that will be remembered in a positive way. I cannot thank Carolyn and Manny Montgomery, Deb Murphy, Betty Parks and their many helpers enough for their willingness to be flexible with a smile, all week long, and the great way that they treated our guests. Obviously, our sponsors provide a wonderful support network that enabled us to have great parties, hospitality, learning experiences, and competitive events. So... let me say "THANKS," once again, to the following: PARAGON CORVETTE REPRODUCTIONS for registration materials; CORVETTE CENTRAL, sponsor of the concours; MID AMERICA MOTORWORKS, sponsor of the Club Challenge Party and our registration badges; GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER, sponsor of the Champions Night Dinner; ZIP PRODUCTS, sponsor of the rallye and the web site contest; HAGERTY INSURANCE, sponsor of the hospitality area and the Roadside Assistance Program; MICHELIN NORTH AMERICA, sponsor of the Ron Fellows Tech Talk and the Try Me Program; BRIDGESTONE-FIRESTONE, sponsor of the low speed event; KUMHO TIRES, sponsor of the high speed event; CORVETTE AMERICA and SOUTHERN CAR PARTS.COM, who were general sponsors. Several of these companies: Hagerty Insurance, Michelin North America, Bridgestone-Firestone and Kumho Tires had great representation at the weeklong event. We always appreciate the opportunity to meet our sponsors face to face and verbally express our thanks for their involvement with NCCC and its' members.

The Corvettes of Carlisle event was August 26-29 and NCCC was well represented there. York County Corvette Club hosted a concours, Cumberland Valley Corvette Club hosted an autocross and NCCC hosted a booth in the vendor area. Once again, we were fortunate to be located near the GM tent and fortunate, as well, to have assistance from one of our GM "friends" in loaning a car for the display. Two days, two different cars -- a Supersonic Blue ZR-1 and an Inferno Orange Z06. Can't get any better than that!! A special thanks to Ray Krawczyk, member of the Corvette Team, who arranged for the loaner cars. He is a great guy! Special thanks

to George Gallant, another great guy, and the members of Bel Air Corvette Club and the East Region for their assistance with this annual event. Our presence there gives us the opportunity to connect with current members, recruit new members and clubs, provide exposure for NCCC in general and sell raffle tickets for our Charity Program's 2011 raffle car.

The Mid America FUNFEST for 2010 was another "Fun" fest. The Yager family does a wonderful job in hosting a unique Corvette spectacular weekend of 7000 plus Corvette friends. This year's theme, "Cars and Stars," included Linda Vaughn, Ms. Hurst Shifter, and George Baris. The Saturday night entertainment was none other than the "Guess Who" and their performance was excellent. NCCC hosted an official rallye this year, led by members of the Little Egypt Corvette Club. The event was successful and plans are already taking place for the event for next year. Our thanks are sent to Tom and Ruth Kastner, Doug Skort, and Mark Gibson for setting up the rallye and providing support that day. NCCC had a larger space on the display field, as not only were we promoting NCCC membership and our Charity Program, but we were also there to promote the 2011 NCCC Convention in Tinley Park, IL. My thanks to Richard Yanko, Patrick Dolan, Hal and Cindy Tumbleson, Dave and Joan Heinemann, and Thom and Sheila Schulz for their assistance with this endeavor. They did a super job in promoting NCCC and its' various programs.

Listed on the NCCC web site is the information for the Eagle One Award for 2011. Many of our clubs are very involved in charitable activities throughout the year and I would encourage you to apply for this special award. You can win some very nice prizes.

The NCCC insurance program is a selling point for new clubs and members but do you also tell others about the discounts you receive on products as an NCCC member. Have you looked at the Special Discounts for Members page on the web site recently? There is a "Perceived Value" to our membership and these perks can enhance that perceived value of NCCC. An updated list of these vendors is listed in this issue of BLUE BARS. I plan to work on a few leads that will provide other services to our members.

Now, on to the future -- our 52<sup>nd</sup> annual convention in Tinley Park, IL. Judging by the response that I have received from current sponsors, contacts made at Carlisle and FUNFEST, and the work that is being done by the Midwest Region members, sponsor and vendor involvement may be greatly increased. Our convention, that is scheduled just prior to the Bloomington Gold event, has enhanced the appeal of participation and consequently my "to do list" has greatly increased. So, it is time to get out the information for 2011 and make this our best sponsorship year. I hope you make a concerted effort to support as many of our sponsors as possible. Their participation is vital to NCCC members and our programs.

#### Debbie Lindsey

## Regional News



#### 2010 REs

Front Row (I to r): Gary Kelly, MW; Jeannie Ruston, SW; Allen Morris, WC; Margaret Bohanon, CA; Jim Gray, RR; Gary Brisbois, WR; Pete Urenda, RM

Back Row (I to r): Ray Schafer, NE; John McGee, SE; Jim Harris, MI; Chuck Heretta, EO; Jim Walton, IN; Joe Vasta, ER

Not Shown: Glenn Hutchinson, FL, Jerry Limpach, WO

#### 2010 RCDs

Front Row (I to r): Paul Hamersly, RR; Brian Gallagher, ER/NE; Chuck Stephens, EO; Manny Montgomery, FL; Paul Haack, MW; Joe Reese, SW; Don Parks, SE

Back Row (I to r): Mike Godfrey, IN; Johnny Haskell, CA; Joe Orrico, WC; Jack Wilson, VP-Comp; Jerry Kovaleski, WR; Dave Johnson, MI

Not Shown: Jim Asbury, WO

# 2010 Regional Competition Directors

# 2010 Regional Membership Directors

#### 2010 RMDs

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## Regional News

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#### **Club Spotlight**

Hello fellow Corvette owners and enthusiasts:

We are Caro-Vettes, Incorporated, that is <u>Caro</u>lina-Cor<u>Vettes</u> Corvette club of Jacksonville, NC. As of April, 2010, we were 33 years of age, being born on 7 April 1977 and continue to be active in Concours, Autocross and Drag Racing, Parades, Cruises, in other words, all phases of Corvette related events and activities.

Our founders were a retired Marine officer, an active duty Marine



Cobra pilot and a Jacksonville Police Officer. We were shortly joined in our efforts by a local attorney and after designing and passing out flyers seeking interested Corvette owners we held our initial meeting at Marine Chevrolet with seven prospective members and during our existence reached a peak of just over 50 members. We were incorporated in October 1977 and have looked forward since then.

Jacksonville is a relatively small, but growing town with an industry comprised primarily of Marine Corps and Navy military members and their families, as well as a great amount of local residents. Caro-Vettes membership, as you might guess, is composed of business owners, retired and active military personnel, police officers, doctors, lawyers, folks from all phases of life. Our initial membership increase was due, in part, to an overachieving police officer who, upon approaching a Corvette while on patrol, would "blue light" them and inquire as to whether or not they were members of the Corvette Club. When receiving a negative answer our overachieving officer/ member would send them to me for information and a membership application. Hey, it worked! Our stated membership goals are to encourage the preservation and advancement of the Corvette, provide a source of readily available technical information and assistance in the maintenance of the Corvette, provide and regulate competitive and social events for participating individuals, encourage safe and skillful driving on public highways, be a credit to the community in which we live and to Save The Wave.

Caro-Vettes joined the Southeastern Confederacy of Corvette Clubs, (SCCC), a regional Corvette group consisting of 26 Corvette

clubs in 1978. This group had clubs ranging in location from Wilmington, Jacksonville, Goldsboro and Fayetteville, NC, Virginia Beach, Manassas, Roanoke, Richmond and Hampton Roads, VA to Columbia, SC. Member clubs competed for the opportunity to host a Corvette event. Corvette events in the SCCC consisted of the Corvette Concours on Saturday morning, a Rallye on Saturday afternoon, an Awards Social on Saturday night and a Corvette Autocross on Sunday. Caro-Vettes distinguished itself by winning the Club Participation Award for the most members participating in a sanctioned event and the "Precision Award" an award for the club winning the most votes for the best, most popular events for three consecutive years, 1987, 1988 and 1989. This was unprecedented and the trophies were retired and remain with Caro-Vettes to this day. With the demise of the SCCC Caro-Vettes joined the NCCC in November 1991 and remain active members to this day. We are a competitive club and some of our members have consistently won Concours, Rallye, Drag and occasionally Autocross Championships.

Caro-Vettes remain active participants in regional Corvette events and hosts an annual Corvette Concours at Marine Chevrolet, the local Chevrolet dealership. Our business meetings are the first Saturday each month. We meet on Saturday evenings at Smithfield's, a franchised Chicken and Bar-B-Q restaurant, and take monthly cruises to different locations for dinner. We currently have 36 members with Corvettes ranging in years from 1959 to 2009. Keep your eyes on Caro-Vettes, because we plan to be around for as long as there remains a single Corvette.

Save The Wave.

Article and photo submitted by Jim Roddy, governor of Caro-Vettes, Inc.

#### **Member Tribute**

On the weekend of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010, members of Carolina Corvettes Inc. traveled to Bowling Green, KY to honor one of our past members. Our club bought a brick at the National Corvette Museum

in memory of DON SMITH. Don was an active member of CCI and NCCC. In 2002, he traveled the country running for national points and was the 2002 National Champion. Along the way, he made many new friends and left all of them with funny stories by which to remember him. He was always willing to help





someone out and always up for trying anything new (unless it involved a clean coffee mug.) His love for the Pink Panther showed on his car, so we had to put it on his brick. He also loved Corvettes with a passion and told everybody he met about NCCC. Don passed away on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

Our club started out traveling on Saturday morning and had the unveiling of Don's brick at



the museum on Sunday morning. Some of us knew Don very well; others barely knew him. But everyone had good things to say about him. Rene Cardenas from Michigan, a traveling partner of Don, even made it down for the unveiling. After the unveiling of the brick, we

toured the museum; and the following Monday, we toured the factory. Everyone had a great time, and I know that Don was there with us in spirit.

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#### **Club Spotlight**

A little over three years ago, 14 people got together and decided to start a new Corvette Club. We had all been members of other large clubs, but we were more comfortable in a small club atmosphere.

One of the first things we decided was that we wanted to be a member of NCCC. We all realized the benefit of belonging and understood that the price was a great value. Once that was decided we needed a name and a set of by-laws to guide us for the future. After much discussion we decided that we would be an invitation only club and that we would point our focus toward the older classic Corvettes. That was relatively easy since most of the members of this club had Corvettes that would fit that description.

We are all show people. We love to shine them up and enjoy our other NCCC friends on Saturday and Sunday.

After more discussion, it was decided that the name would be Classic Corvette Club of Maryland. That seemed appropriate also, so that's what we went with.

Now that three years have passed everything is going well. We meet once a month at a member's home. We each bring something to eat and we discuss club business, and then have a wonderful time socializing.

Last year we sponsored three shows and took a few trips together to local points of interest.

We like to think of ourselves as the Best LITTLE Club in the



Eastern Region.

CCCM would like to extend a belated Congratulations to NCCC on its first 50 years.

Thanks to all the volunteers who dedicate their time, energy and talent to make us what we are.

Submitted by Grant Ridgley, Governor of CCCM

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The following was received from Beth Beery, Mid Florida CC: Jerry and Diana Hladek, long-time members of NCCC have both passed away. Diana passed away on April 23 and Jerry on September 14. They were both member of Mid Florida CC and, I believe, Mahoning Valley CC in Ohio before moving to Florida.

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Time flies when you're having fun! By the time you read this the Indiana Region will have completed well over 100 sanctioned events, including our high speed weekend at Putnam Park, IN. For those who have not been able to attend the Putnam Park event, you've really missed a premier event. The track is fast and safe and the event runs

like clockwork. It's a fun place to participate, work, or just watch. It is usually scheduled for the first weekend in June; I hope to see you there next year.

The Indian Region is only as strong and active as our members. If you have ideas about how we can make the region work better for our members please let me know. You can contact me thru the web site: <a href="www.indianaregion.org">www.indianaregion.org</a>. I'm not saying that we can do everything requested but I'm always happy to listen and try. As NCCC continues to evolve from a racing focus to more of a social focus (yes, it is an age thing), your input is critical for this transition. Also if you have never attended a National Governors Meeting, I would encourage you to do so. There really are a lot of fine folks working to keep NCCC running and trying to make it a better organization for our members. The meetings schedule is posted on the region web site.

This year the Indiana Region will be using a new computer system for membership. As with any new system there are going to be glitches and surprises. I ask that you be patient and work with your governor and membership person to resolve any issues. The last thing we want is for someone to be frustrated and not renew or not become a member.

Hopefully, you all have had a good summer and have put a lot of safe and fun miles on you.

Jim Walton -- RE Indiana Region

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The old adage, "time flies when you're having fun," has never been truer concerning this year's Corvette season. It seems like only yesterday that the duties of Spring Cleaning were upon us and now thoughts of "winterizing" are in the back of our minds, at least for those in our part the country. On the other hand, our November regional meeting is just around the corner and we'll be setting up our calendar for 2011.

In conjunction with our slate of competitive events, I managed to attend a couple of Corvette shows/cruises this past August that were enjoyable and I would recommend attending if you have the opportunity. "Back to the Bricks," the first show, was held in downtown Flint, MI; it's named for the original brick street. While this isn't an NCCC sanctioned event, we collectively worked with other local clubs and drew upwards of 200 Corvettes along with hundreds of street rods and vintage cars to admire. The second show, "Corvette Crossroads," was held in Mackinaw City, MI, a beautiful area at the northern tip of the Lower Peninsula and home of the Mackinaw Bridge. This year the weather was outstanding, contributing to the great turnout of nearly 250 Corvettes in the show. This show is one of the first places for the NCCC Corvette raffle ticket sales to raise funds for the National Kidney Foundation and this year was very successful.

By now, all the Governors and RMD's should have had an opportunity to work with the New NCCC Membership data system: what an improvement over the "old school" method. I would like to take this opportunity to thank WALT JENKINS and LARRY

MORRISON for their time and effort that went into developing this program.

Jim Harris – RE Michigan Region

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Greetings from the NCCC Midwest Region

Wow! The Midwest Region (MWR) hosting the NCCC 2011 Convention has really piqued the interest of the MWR competitors. According to the July 20<sup>th</sup> NCCC Points Standings, there are four clubs, seven men, and seven ladies from the MWR in the top 15 with the top club, man and lady all from the MWR. Five of the top six men and four of the top five ladies are all from the MWR.

With all that competition you wouldn't think there would be time for anything else but that's not true. Many of the MWR people are busy planning for a great 2011 convention in Tinley Park, IL. Mark your 2011 calendars now for the June 18-25 Convention as a "MUST DO."

All the traditional convention programs will be included, plus several new and unique things are on the agenda. One thing that is being tried is to move the Concours to Sunday morning and the People's Choice Show to a Sunday evening street party. That should make it easier for people who want to enter the Rallye, the Concours, and the People's Choice Show. The speed events will be held at a private Autobahn Country Club, which is a first-class facility owned and used by the wealthy and famous. In addition to practice track time for competitors, there will be track touring for all.

At about the same time you are reading this, the Midwest Region Championship Series (MWRCS) hosted by Sunburst Corvette Club on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be underway or just completed. I hope many of you MWR members qualified and competed in the series. Good Luck to all of you! Thank you, Sunburst, for stepping forward and bidding to host the MWRCS!

At the November 13<sup>th</sup> region meeting, the votes will be tallied for the 2011 MWR elected officers. I hope you considered running for one of the five elected region offices and, as a club, cast a ballot for your preferred candidates. At this time the Webmaster is the only MWR appointed officer. Joan Thomas is doing a great job in that capacity but if you are interested in filling that position in the future, refer to the MWR Website for an application form and the procedure for applying to and getting selected for that office. Speaking of the region website, http://www.mwregion.com/; refer to it to find out what's happening in the MWR and to get the latest news on planning for the 2011 NCCC Convention. If you are not already involved with the planning, you can still volunteer to help.

The MWR has a new Facebook page which is located at http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=112434338800939&ref=ts#!/?ref=home or go to your facebook.com account and search for National Council of Corvette Clubs Midwest Region. This is a social networking site where MWR members can post or comment on things happening in the region. Thanks to GRANT GRASSMID who started the page

and to PAUL HAACK for taking over as its temporary administrator.

The NCCC Membership committee and our representative, SUE PUKSICH, the MWR-RMD, have worked hard to put a new Membership database in place. I hope your club made use of the new on-line procedure so we can get rid of those sometimes unreadable multi-part application forms.

The MWR has a strong, talented team of officers, so if you have a question or need help with something, don't hesitate to use your club's governor to contact the appropriate officer or contact me and I will help steer you to the right person. Until next time, remember "shiny side up" and be safe!

Save the Wave!

Gary Kelly -- RE Midwest Region

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Greetings everyone from sunny, hot NorthEast Region!

The season will be winding down soon and our rides put away. Adirondack has a show Sept.11-12, Tri-Vettes hosts an autocross Sept.18-19. BayState celebrated their 40th(!) anniversary in July. Everyone in our region has been busy trying to stop Father Time from making the season come to an end and enjoying every minute of it! Save The Waye.

Ray Schafer – RE Northeast Region

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The Roadrunner Region's 2010 Competition schedule looks as if it will play out with a total of 54 sanctioned events. Twenty-nine events have been held through the end of August. The 13 clubs in the region have a combined membership over 800. Yet, this year, only 54 men and 20 ladies have entered more than one event. Similarly, it appears to be the small few cited that have attended events put on by clubs other than their own this year. Is it the economy? Is it because members have become bored with the same types of events? I am at a loss to explain the falling turnout numbers.

I seek the help of all region NCCC members and club officers to make an effort to show their club members how much fun they can have in our Corvette community by participating in the wide variety of events that are available each year. That's the great thing about the NCCC Competition Program. There is something for everyone, whether it is car shows, rallyes, funkhanas, drag races or autocrosses.

I readily admit to being a 'dyed-in-the-wool" autocrosser. My wife and I try to enter every autocross we can, simply for the pure enjoyment of driving to our limits in such a safe environment. I wish that more of our Corvette family would try this sport not simply for the competitive aspects, but because it is pure fun. It is a huge challenge to prepare your Corvette for a Judged Concours or for you and your navigator to successfully complete a rallye. However, there is also an amazing thrill waiting for you when you successfully complete an autocross. You improve your driving skills; you learn the amazing capabilities of your Corvette; and you make great new friends as you share the enthusiasm of actually legally driving your Corvette in the type of situation that is fitting of a true sports car.

I encourage all Roadrunner Region Corvetters to become more involved in the coming months; to support the great events hosted by the other clubs in the region; and to bring new Corvetters into our Competition Program.

Region Competition Points standings as of the end of August 2010 are:

1st...Arizona Competition Corvettes...1054 pts

2<sup>nd</sup>...El Paso CC...905 pts

3<sup>rd</sup>...Tucson CC...754 pts

4th...CC of Arizona...707 pts

Roadrunner Region's current event calendar, results of all region events, and competition point standings are always posted on our web site at:

#### WWW.NCCCROADRUNNER.COM

With events of all types available, I hope every Corvetter reading this comes out to a Roadrunner Region event this year!

Paul Hamersly – RCD Roadrunner Region

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The air in the Rocky Mountains is starting to cool down. The sun is not rising as early as before, but in the Rockies we still push the envelope and try to get our events completed before the snow falls. Even if it does snow in Colorado, if we wait a day, it could all be gone and we're good to go. We are a hardy bunch and race even when the winds blow cold. We have had cars stuck on the Continental Divide trying to make it to an event or back from one. The racing must go on.

The winter will be a great time for us to get the cars ready for the Convention in Tinley Park. I am pumped to run on the country club race track.

Pete Urenda – RE Rocky Mountain Region

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In June, the Region hosted its first-ever "REGIONAL" sponsored weekend as a fundraising effort to defray operating Regional expenses (in an attempt to maintain regional dues at \$10 per club). For the first time at the facility, we were more than pleased with the turnout, especially from the out-of-region folks. Bottom line on the finances we almost raised the entire amount that's needed to send our Regional officers to the National meetings for the year.

The fundraising effort worked so well and the support for the facility was so strong that the Region hosted another weekend in Shelbyville (Oct. 2-3). The following weekend (Oct. 9-10) found the competition in Nashville with 14 more events. The rest of the fall events include our usual Huntsville (Nov. 6-7), Roebling Road (Nov. 26-28), and Huntsville (Dec. 4-5) events. Check the Southeast Region website (www.ncccsouth.com) for the latest calendar information.

The Southeast Region has been fortunate to sanction 88 events in 2010. A special THANKS goes out to all the clubs that donated their unused sanctions to help promote participation within the Region. Hope we can see more regional folks attending these events.

We're still looking for club spotlight articles from Southeast Region clubs. If you'd like to be featured in this column, please submit your club's information (through your club's Governor) to Betty Parks. Your club could be featured in the next *Blue Bars*!!

John McGee – RE Southeast Region Don Parks -- RCD Southeast Region Gail Yanko – RMD Southeast Region

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"Sand, Sun and Corvette Fun" was promised and delivered! As was stated in the NCCC 51<sup>st</sup> Convention Booklet by Carolyn Montgomery, "Yes, it's summer and, yes, it will be hot, BUT Florida has beaches and great activities so you don't think about the heat – cold beer, the ocean, cold beer, air conditioned everything, cold beer... You Get the picture!" We not only "got the picture" but also became part of creating the moments for the picture(s). Pictured above are members from the Southwest Region who say, "Thanks for the fun times to our Florida Region friends!" Congratulations to Oklahoma City Corvette Club members who received the 2010 Convention Distance Award. Looking forward to Tinley Park, IL, NCCC's 52<sup>nd</sup> Convention (June 18-24, 2011), to be hosted by the Midwest Region.

I want to take just a moment to acknowledge and thank all members within our Southwest Region who write articles, take pictures, and help put together their individual club newsletters and websites. In 2009, our Region had several clubs participate in NCCC's Newsletter Contest; San Jacinto CC placed #4 in the Nation and Cowtown Vettes placed #5 in the Nation. Congratulations to Cowtown Vettes which also placed #1 in the Nation in the NCCC Website Contest. Both clubs were recognized and presented awards at Convention.

In keeping with our tradition since 1998, the Southwest Region has granted six scholarships for 2010. Congratulations to the following recipients: Elena Johnson, Travis Johnson, and Stephanie Middleton, all of Cowtown Vettes; Daniel Onley of Oklahoma City CC; and Austin Lewis of Sooner State Vettes.

We're nearing the end of our 2010 Southwest Region Competition Season. We met some great out-of-region folks this year who are chasing for top National Competition Points: Jim and Joan Thomas; Al McArdle; and Bill and Bev Docherty, all from the Midwest Region. Had our friends from the Cornhuskers in West Region participate in several of our Region events this year. It's always great to see your great smiles!

May your holidays be happy and safe.

Jeannie Ruston – RE Southwest Region - re@ncccswregion.org

Another Convention, come and gone. I want to thank Manny and his team for their hard work putting on the 51st NCCC Convention in West Palm Beach, FL. We had a blast. I just thought Texas was hot, wow! I think the SW Region covered them on beer consumption at the 49th though. The play day on Friday was great in between rain showers. Everything went well with my new dinosaur C4 'til Monday when I went to move it and the power steering went belly up on me. Thanks to Aaron Quine I was able to compete in the autocrosses. I just thought my car ran good.

The SW Region will be holding nominations for RCD in September as that office's two-year cycle comes up. I am eligible for one more term, and then I'm done. Maybe I'll be back, maybe not.

Look forward to seeing everyone down the road.

http://www.ncccswregion.org/

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As I sit down to write this, I have just gotten home from the Offutt Air Show, where several club members had their Corvettes on display. It was a gorgeous day and there were thousands of people in attendance (estimated to be 100,000+). The Corvette really is the "American Sports Car"! So many folks stopped to appreciate our cars and to take pictures.

I was again reminded of how much Corvette Clubs do to enrich the communities in which we live. We share our passion for the Corvette at car shows and parades, contribute to local and national charities, and donate time in a variety of efforts to help better our communities. I have said it before and will again: Corvette folks are among the most generous and warm-hearted people I know.

The holiday season will soon be upon us with all kinds of requests for contributions and I know that Corvette clubs will answer many of those requests. The funds for these philanthropic activities are raised in many instances by the competition activities held by clubs using their NCCC sanctions or non-sanctioned events. These events succeed because of the many folks willing to volunteer their time. I think many times we forget all the work that goes into hosting any kind of event and think only about the fun we have in participating. THANKS go out to all the volunteers for their time and effort. Without them, we would not be able to be so generous to the charities that are so near and dear to us.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the CC of Iowa for taking 1st place in the Newsletter contest; the Cedar Rapids CC for taking 2nd place and Boone Trail CC for taking 3rd place in the Website contest; and to the Cornhusker CC for taking 1st place in club points for 2009. Also, a very special congratulations goes to the Cornhusker CC which won the prestigious Duntov Award. This award has been presented only two other times in the last 20 years. All in all, the West Region was a standout at this year's Convention.

Gary Brisbois – RE West Region

It seems like summer is going too fast. Our competition schedule is very busy for the last part of it and I'm having way too much fun. Every weekend has been filled with exciting races and rallyes. This year again, CCI put on high-speed and low-speed events at the Iowa Speedway and we didn't have to race in the snow this year. Wow, what a thrill! I hope everyone is enjoying the competition season. It's good to see familiar faces and also new competitors.

I personally want to thank all our clubs for the outstanding job they have done to bring fun and competition to all our members. We have great people in the West Region, so support your club and finish the season Corvetting. I also want to congratulate the Cornhusker CC for being awarded the Duntov Award at the National Convention. It truly was an honor for CCC to receive this award.

Save the wave!

Jerry Koraleski - RCD West Region

The summer is almost over and it won't be long before our events come to an end for year 2010. There is still time to get out to some WR events. See the link below for more info and dates.

http://www.westregionnccc.com/

You can also find a list of all of the West Region clubs and other useful information on the West Region website; check it out.

The big news for you Governors is a changeover from our nearly 35-year-old data- base system to a new online system. The switchover happens Sept. 1. It will give Governors a real-time look at their membership and streamline the inputting of data into the system. It should reduce costs for individual clubs and NCCC.

If you haven't heard about the Convention awards yet, the West Region did very well.

The Cornhusker CC received the Duntov Award. This award is very hard to get and there are years when no club qualifies for the award. Congratulations, Cornhusker CC, on a job well done. The newsletter contest top award went to the CC of Iowa for their *Sportsmate* newsletter. The West Region also received two awards in the Website contest: Cedar Rapids CC for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Boone Trail CC for 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Two students in the West Region each received a \$1000 scholarship from NCCC: Madeline Novoa, Cornhusker CC (Jeanne Kuty Memorial Scholarship) and Chloe Wasendorf, Cedar Rapids CC (Judy Yanko Memorial Scholarship). Congratulations to both young ladies.

Cornhusker CC was the top club in competition for 2009; CC of Iowa was 12th. For the ladies, Kathy Gau, Cornhusker CC was 9<sup>th</sup> and Marie Manz, Cornhusker CC was 12<sup>th</sup>. For the men, Joe Eller, Cornhusker CC placed 10<sup>th</sup>. See a pattern here?

Congratulations to all of the West Region individuals and clubs who received awards.

It's not too early to be working on those scholarship applications for next year. Applications can be found on the NCCC website; the scholarships are available to children and grandchildren of NCCC members. Any questions, give me a call.

I know I say this all the time, but we are still in second place; don't forget to sign up your children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews in the Future Corvette Owners Association (FCOA). It is open to children birth to age 16, for a one-time \$5 fee. They'll get something every year and they have a special website that can be reached through the NCCC website. Application forms can be found in the back of every *Blue Bars* magazine or online. We need to catch up to and get ahead of the Midwest Region in total number of FCOA members. If all of us sign up one new FCOA member, we'll beat the Midwest Region.

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With 27 clubs in the West Coast Region and one club in the Northwest Region, we need the help of the current members to build membership in the regions and to keep our clubs growing. Most clubs have business cards that can be used to promote your club. Pass these out to Corvette owners whom you meet or put them on Corvettes that you see parked. NCCC has a full-color brochure that explains to potential members about NCCC. These brochures are available from the RMD and can be sent to those who show interest.

The West Coast Region website at <a href="http://www.ncccwcregion.org">http://www.ncccwcregion.org</a> and the main NCCC web site at <a href="http://www.corvettesnccc.ogr/">http://www.corvettesnccc.ogr/</a> are available to inform current and future members about what we are all about and what we are doing.

If your club is putting on an event and would like to invite other clubs to participate, contact our webmaster (CLIFF HARRIS) with a flyer and/or a link to your event so that it can be added to the regional calendar web page. There is a link to Cliff at the bottom of the main page and at the bottom of the regional calendar page.

The Competition year is winding down and there is a tight battle for first place between Dave Alciatore and Ed Norris. We would like to thank all members of the West Coast Region for the increased participation this year and Joe Orrico is already working on the 2011 activities calendar. Please contact Joe about any events your club is working on for next year so he can add it to the calendar and help prevent any event conflicts.

The Regional High-Speed Driving School at Spring Mountain produced new certificate holders and they are:

Jim Cooper and Geoff Girvin – Corvette Super Sports

Barry Misiuk – Inland Empire Corvettes

Ginny Bender and Dennis Clark – Pomona Valley Corvette

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We hope to have another High-Speed Certification School in conjunction with Spring Mountain Track Days in early 2011. If you do not have a high-speed license this is a good way to get one if you intend to run the high-speed event at convention.

We encourage everyone to attend the NCCC Convention in the Chicago area in June.

The convention is non-stop fun for the entire week! We always have fun and stories to tell about the trip afterwards.

Congratulations are in order for GEOFF GIRVIN, Editor of "Under the Radar" newsletter of Corvette Super Sports, which placed second in the NCCC newsletter competition. A job well done.

The next regional meeting will be in January. A letter will be sent to your Governor with the information. Please contact your Governor about the location and all upcoming events. All NCCC members are welcome to come to the meeting and see how your Region is run.

All of your Regional Officers look forward to seeing you at future events.

Save the Wave!

Your WC Region Officers

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| WEST OHIO REGION - STANDINGS AS OF 8/10/10 |                     |        |        |         |  |  |
|--|---------------------|--------|--------|---------|--|--|
| PLACE                                      | MEN                 | CLUB   | POINTS | #EVENTS |  |  |
| 1  | WITT, THOMAS M.     | CT     | 62     | 6       |  |  |
| 2  | WILSON, CARY        | CT     | 60     | 6       |  |  |
| 3  | BARBIAN, JIM        | CCC    | 57     | 6       |  |  |
| 4  | OLIVER, RUDY        | CT     | 57     | 6       |  |  |
| 5  | ASBURY, ANDY        | MVCC   | 57     | 6       |  |  |
| 6  | COUGHNOUR, DAN      | CT     | 54     | 6       |  |  |
| 7  | SCHMICK, DAN        | CT     | 48     | 6       |  |  |
| 8  | SCHMICK, SCOTT      | CT     | 48     | 6       |  |  |
| 9  | REYNOLDS, BILL      | CT     | 47     | 6       |  |  |
| 10   | SHUMAN, TODD        | CT     | 45     | 6       |  |  |
| 11   | LIMPACH, JERRY      | CT     | 45     | 6       |  |  |
| 12   | CRAMER, RODNEY      | GSCA   | 44     | 6       |  |  |
| 13   | CLAWSON, KEVIN      | CT     | 44     | 6       |  |  |
| 14   | RIES, ROB           | CCC    | 42     | 6       |  |  |
| 15   | WEAVER, DAVE        | CT     | 40     | 6       |  |  |
| 16   | CRAMER, GEORGE      | GSCA   | 39     | 6       |  |  |
| 17   | ARMSTRONG, BOB      | CCC    | 38     | 6       |  |  |
| 18   | SHEPLER, JAMES M.   | CT     | 33     | 6       |  |  |
| 19   | ASBURY, JIM         | MVCC   | 31     | 6       |  |  |
| PLACE                                      | LADIES              | CLUB   | POINTS | #EVENTS |  |  |
| 1  | BROWN, PAT          | CCC    | 66     | 6       |  |  |
| 2  | RHOADES, JANELLE    | CT     | 60     | 6       |  |  |
| 3  | ROEDER, JUDY        | CT     | 54     | 6       |  |  |
| 4  | ASBURY, SHERYL      | MVCC   | 42     | 6       |  |  |
| PLACE                                      | CLUE                | POINTS |        |         |  |  |
| 1  | CORVETTE TROY       | 752    |        |         |  |  |
| 2  | CINCINNATI CORVETTI | 203    |        |         |  |  |

| PLACE | CLUB                        | POINTS |
|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
| 1     | CORVETTE TROY               | 752    |
| 2     | CINCINNATI CORVETTE CLUB    | 203    |
| 3     | GREENVILLE CORVETTE CLUB    | 200    |
| 4     | GLASS SOCIETY CORVETTE ASSN | 167    |
| 5     | MIAMI VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB  | 130    |

## NCCC CONVENTION 2010 PALM BEACH GARDENS

I would like to say the day dawned bright and clear, but Tropical Storm Bonnie had other ideas. Our resident meteorologist, David



Raprager, let us know that we would be running into her wrath somewhere south of the Skyway. We made it to Woody's River Roo for lunch and, sure enough, after dining on catfish Rueben's, the Hildebrands and the Rapragers headed into off-and-on torrential rain almost all the way to Palm Beach Gardens. Lance had to finish an important job and he and Debby would join us later that night. David & Klaudia took her new 2010 Black Corvette; Jim followed in the '86, with Star bringing up the rear with our new Hyundai and its ability to hold all the luggage. The six of us decided back in February to rent a house with three bedrooms, three bathrooms and a two-car garage with a pool in a gated community! We met the rental agent at a shopping center who led us to the "house." To call this a house is an understatement. Remember, we are now in Palm Beach Gardens. In this gated community called Magnolia Bay, there is probably nothing under \$500K! Hopefully, the pictures will do it justice. After getting



settled in, we headed off to find someplace to eat and a Publix for some beer and vittles. Pizza and beer, what a dinner! Back to the house to meet up with Lance and Debby. Lance towed the '60 and dropped

off the trailer at the host hotel and drove the '60 to share the garage with the '10 Vette. What a picture -- 50 years of Corvette engineering difference sitting in one garage!!!

Saturday morning saw Lance and me outside washing T. S.



Bonnie off our Vettes to get them ready for the two shows on Sunday and Monday. On over to the host Hotel to register, get our packets, goodie bags and visit the Corvette Mall/Hospitality room to see what freebies we could glom onto. Not only were there quite a few sponsors in attendance, there was free beer, wine and soft drinks. 1PM was the pool party.

Tonite was a "free" nite for dinner, so we opted for something nearby and that was Chili's. We ran into three Corvetters from Nashville who were a hoot and we asked them to join us. Jim had



them believing he was a proctologist and regaled them with "pull my finger" jokes. Back to the hotel for tonight's welcome party and the club table contest. Lance had made a replica of the SkyWay bridge out of balsa wood, yellow cotton string sitting on a plywood base painted



to look like the gulf. \*We had brought model cars to place along the "road" along with little rubber duckies, dressed like pirates to "float" in the gulf along with lots of BACC decals and the BACC banner. When we walked into the room, Corvettes of Naples had their table looking like a single masted pirate ship, with a mast, sail, lots of beads and the entire entourage dressed like very vicious pirates, eye patches and all! \*So, in looking around, the only other serious competitor was Cape Kennedy CC with all their NASA materials. When the awards were announced, Cape Kennedy 3<sup>rd</sup>, CC of Michigan (Didn't even see them.) with a replica of the Mackinaw Bridge 2<sup>nd</sup> and Corvettes of Naples 1<sup>st</sup>! I don't care what anyone says, Lance's bridge was far superior (Superior, get it?) to that farce Michigan bridge. But that is how the judges saw it and we didn't even get a mention.

Sunday morning, we took our Corvettes over to park them to get



ready for the People's Choice (that day) and the Concours on Monday. Lance, David and Jim opted to attend the Governor's meeting followed by the entrants' meeting. The People's Choice show started at 2PM and over at 6PM. Once more, David kept watch on the weather (I-Phones are so cool.) and although rain was out in the Atlantic, it never made it to shore and, otherwise windy, we enjoyed a rain-free day. Needless to say, there were some very pretty Corvettes in attendance. There was a '53/C-5 and a '62/C-5 that were my favorites. And, of course, two big block C-2's with sidepipes. To me, that is the most beautiful sound in the world. No radios needed there!

That night was "Awards Night" and the theme was Mexican. There



was a taco buffet and, of course, free beer and wine. Soft drinks were available for the "wimps." The awards were for the National winners from 2009. First were the National Club awards with Cornhuskers CC taking home 1<sup>st</sup> place, followed by the individual awards. These are so cool; really first class jackets with an NCCC patch sewn on indicating your finish in the Nation. If you have never run for points, it is hard to appreciate the effort that goes into achieving this goal. When it came time for 2<sup>nd</sup> place that went to RAY

MEESSEMAN, there wasn't a dry eye in the house. You see, Ray had a heart attack and died doing what he loved doing...racing. NCCC had made up a special award that is a beautiful trophy with his picture situated within the trophy. Ray's wife, Sharon, was present to accept the special trophy and gave a very heart rendering speech that was



followed by a standing ovation lasting for over five minutes. What was even more special was the fact Ray's wife, Sharon, won 4<sup>th</sup> place in the Aation and also received her jacket. Ray and Sharon are from Michigan and Ray was at Brooksville running a speed event when the attack took place. I personally knew Ray and he will be missed. The winners were asked to gather in an adjacent room for pictures.

While that was taking place, the DJ put on a "magic act" that involved our very own Debby Obst! He gave Debby a sealed package and went into the audience for letters and numbers that were posted on a board on the stage in the shape of a license plate. When the letters and numbers were in place on the "plate," he had a person from the audience make a mark of a map for the state. Behind her back she picked Ohio. This was placed on the plate. When Debby opened the sealed package, that very same plate was in the package!!! David Copperfield, eat your heart out! Due to the fact we had to get home to put together our valve covers for the next day's race and the Concours started at 7AM, we headed back for some rest and to get ready for Monday.

Because Lance and I had detailed our cars for yesterday's People's Choice, there was not much to do to get ready for the Concours. Therefore, we opted to just get there for the 9AM entrant's meeting. The CC of Naples was our host for the Concours, so naturally we were greeted with "good afternoons" from them. I politely gave them the "one finger" salute and good laughs were shared all around. During all this, the rest of the gang was shopping for our valve cover decorations. Not only was there going to be valve cover races, but



also an award for the best looking cover. Klaudia and Star opted for a baby poop green (Star insists that it is '57 turquoise.) with flashing lights that they dubbed "The Party Bus." Debby put her teacher skills

to work and covered hers with construction paper and made up the "One eyed, one eared flying purple people eater." David made sure the engineering was correct by making sure they weighed in under the 8 lb. limit and, of course, the wheels turned! Again, the CC of Naples hosted this event and what a set-up! There must have been 25 or so valve covers there! And some of the names! There was the Flying Monkey, Speed Racer, Bath Tub Barbie, Ron Fellow's Special (He had autographed several.). The course was set up in the parking lot and they had a ramp and a taped off section, so you could see how far the "cars" went. The winner went over 100 feet! The Party Bus and the Flying Purple People Eater kinda sucked turning in 70 and 71 feet. But the hoots and hollers and general good-time fellowship made it all worthwhile. Afterwards, Debby and Lance wanted to try out the Funkhana that was held in another section of the parking lot. You had to put on a "racing helmet" and a "racing shirt," jump into a golf cart



and head out on the "course." First stop, you had to toss bean bags into a "toll booth," then proceed to an "oil well cap" by fitting a cap over a plastic pipe on to an orange pick up (Take a pair of tongs and pick up an orange from one cone to another.), on to a ring toss and head for the finish line. They managed to do all this in just over two minutes!

Now off to home, wash up and head back to the hotel for "NASCAR" night. They had a buffet of hamburgers and hotdogs



with all the fixings. The band SteamRollers played for our dancing pleasure. The BACC crew had heavy eyelids and were all back home and in bed before 11PM.

Tuesday was a sleep-in day, as it was speed event day, so a leisurely breakfast for all of us. Lance wanted to go to the track to see what it is all about, so we loaded up the Avalanche with coolers full of water and headed to the track. Palm Beach International racetrack is about 12 miles from the hotel, so we were there in about 20 minutes just in time for the rain! Lance did get to run a parade lap with Manny before it poured. We waited under the Bridgestone tent, but decided it was not going to let up any time soon, so we headed back to the



house for a late lunch and wait for tonight's entertainment. It was Mardi Gras night and an award for the best costume. Once again, our friends at Naples took the prize. Did these guys have a dressing trailer that they brought? Glenn Hutchinson was dressed like a desert sheik complete with burnoose, sunglasses, fierce goatee and flowing white robe! Dinner consisted of a spinach salad, red beans and rice and a chicken/okra combo with cheesecake for dessert. The highlight of the evening (Sorry, Glenn.) was our entertainer, Sybil Gage. Sybil was introduced as a "torch singer," but that did not do her justice. She is from New Orleans and can really belt out a song. From the blues to



pop, she was outstanding! During her first break, I had to go up and compliment her. She was so good, I even got up and danced! Once again, the BACC crew pooped out around 10PM and headed home for bed.

Another "track" day, so nothing is planned at the hotel. Dave & Klaudia went to Boynton Beach to check out a Cobra Kit car manufacturer and Lance & Debby once again, headed to the track to watch the racers. Star & I staved home, ran the sweeper and played with the computer. Yawn.... But then it ROCKED!! Tonight's entertainment was "Rock Foundation." WOW! First of all it, was Dolphin night in honor of our mascot, "Vette." During the '69 Convention in Daytona, there was a side trip to Marineland and, during our visit, a dolphin was born. Marineland named him "Vette" in our honor. NCCC adopted him as our mascot, so we had a Dolphin night in Vette's honor. Italian food was the fare for the night and was very good. But back to the band...They started out as a very good rock and roll band playing mostly oldies. But after their first break, they came out as celebrities. First to appear was Jerry Lee Lewis, who got on the piano and did a very good imitation playing Jerry's best. Then came Richie Valens singing Donna and others that he made famous in his short career. They saved the best for last...Bet you thought it would be Elvis? Nope, Roy Orbison! Not only looked like Roy but did a great imitation of his best. Everybody was up on the floor as he had the house rocking! One thing I keep forgetting to let you know

is during all of these nights, they have been giving away door prizes. Corvette Central, Mid America, Corvette America, Paragon and Zip all gave gift certificates worth anywhere from \$50 to \$100. What I failed to mention was that a set of tires was given away nightly from Bridgestone, Goodyear, Michelin or Kumho!!! So far, the only things BACC has won is a \$50 certificate from Mid-America garnered by Lance and five quarts of Mobil 1 oil garnered by David. So off to bed to get ready for tomorrow's Michelin Ride & Drive!

After a leisurely breakfast and Lance & Debby had their walk,



we killed some time before heading out to the track for the Michelin Ride & Drive. Michelin had brought two C-6's (six speeds) set up with two different sets of their tires. One set was their normal runflats and the other had their new "cupped" racing tires. They had set



up a simple autocross course next to the drag strip and each person got three laps in each car. They did not have any timing lights, so you were just supposed to "feel" which car handled better. Lance & I thought the regular tires and car (which was red) handled better,



but the rest of our crew thought the black car was better. Needless to say, everybody enjoyed themselves and was ready to hit the circuit. We all agreed that we needed more "track time." It felt good to push the Vette to the limit and test your driving skills. Even Star agreed that "maybe" she might like to go Brooksville and give it a try! The Michelin personnel couldn't have been nicer with their water, cookies and donuts. Star managed to pick up some brochures for our Dimmitt goodie bags. But all good things must end and we headed back to the hotel for some free beer and purchased some more raffle tickets on the National Kidney Foundation Corvette.

The drag races were starting at 4PM, so we again headed for the track to see what fools would do that to their Vettes. Just kidding, Marty. We were impressed with some of the Vettes that were set up for drag racing. One of them turned a 9:54, but most of the stocks C-5's were in the low 12's along with the C-6's. Dinner was calling and we headed back to the Italian restaurant that we had found last Friday. Mmmmmmm, more beer and pizza. Home for a dip in the pool, margaritas and more good fellowship!

Friday and it's winding down. Awards breakfast for those of us who won events this week; so it's off to the hotel for an 8AM breakfast -- scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, grits, OJ and sweet rolls! Many, many awards given out, Concours, People's Choice, Funkhana, Speed Events, both High-Speed and Low Speed, Drags and Golf Tournament. BACC took their share with Lance & Debby awarded: **First** in People's Choice 53-62, **First** in Concours C/P-A, and **Second** Place in the Funkhana with 2<sup>nd</sup> best time overall! Jim & Star received a **First** in Concours S/S-E; they were beat out of first in People's Choice by Dick Yanko who just happens to be the current President of NCCC!

It was kinda funny, as all week people kept coming up to me and asking me if I knew Kenny Jestes' daughter was here? I said, "Not only is she here, but she is a member of our club!" As a Past President, Jim & Star were invited to a President's Reception hosted by Dick Yanko at the hotel to start at 6PM, so Dave & Klaudia stayed at the house until we got home. The reception was nice with several old friends there; beer and cheese trays available. We got home around 6PM and headed out to Outback for dinner. Back home to pack and get ready to head home tomorrow.

Saturday and up and get packing. Time to head for home. After a fun-filled week of Concours, beer, Funkhanas, Speed Events, Drags, beer, parties, food, beer and, did I mention FREE beer, all week? I thought it would be catching up with some old friends, but this was Star's, Debby & Lance and Dave & Klaudia's first Convention. Lance & Debby summed it all up for me. "We expected to have some fun showing the car and seeing some new friends from Naples, etc., but what we didn't expect is how welcome everyone made us feel." Dave & Klaudia seconded that, because they didn't enter any events but, at the gatherings, it was Corvette camaraderie at its best. There is no agenda, nobody being more important than anyone else, just Corvette people doing what we do best... have fun with our Corvettes, just more of it.

Next year - Chicago and a country club with a race track!

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## THOUGHTS OF AN OLDER CORVETTER

#### PART I

In July, 1953 thru June, 1954, I was at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Pensacola, Florida. During this year, two life-long affairs began. The first was the birth of my daughter, Deborah, who has been a blessing for all these years. The second was when I saw a little white fiberglass Roadster with screen covering the headlights. Yes, it was the all new Chevrolet Corvette. It was at a dealer's for a short time, only on display. It was love at first sight. After leaving Pensacola, I was attached to the U.S. Marines, serving in Japan, Korea, and Camp Pendleton, California, for two years.

I got to Waco in mid-1956 and began the Practice of Medicine. For several years I was busy getting the practice going and taking care of the family which had my son, Chuck, added in January 1957. I continued to think about the little cars, and in early 1957 I was driving past the Studebaker-Packard Dealer on Washington Avenue and what did I see!!!! A red, low-mileage 1955 (it had the screen on the lights). It had the new, powerful 265 CID V-8 and Powerglide. I drove it a little and it was great, but the price was \$1900.00 and at that time this was out of the question, so I put the thoughts on the back burner. In 1959, I sort of lost it and at the time a large number of people were getting strange vehicles—VW's, Porsches, MG's, Triumphs, and two-door Volvos which were much like the Beetle. I got a new 1959 Porsche 356A which I picked up in Houston. The only option was a FM/AM radio and the cost was about \$3,850.00. The little Porsche was a great little car, but it suffered from a lack of power, especially for one who was born with a heavy right foot, so it went in two years. Then by 1963 I finally bit and ordered a Coupe from my dealer friend. He had never sold a Corvette before, so his quota was almost nil. The 1964's were in production by the time mine was delivered in late 1963. I had the Saddle Tan 375 HP Rochester Fuel Injection with the 4-speed (the headlights were covered and my favorite screen wire was gone forever I guess). It was about the best-running car I have ever owned. On the highway at 70 MPH it would get 20-22 MPG when most other cars were doing well to get 15. It had no air and that summer my feet felt like they were on fire so I sold it for about \$400.00 less than I paid. My dealer friend sold them to me at Invoice plus \$100.00. At that time Invoice was about 23% off list. I replaced the '64 with a Buick GS Riviera. It had two 4-barrel carbs so it was not an economy car, but it would really run.

If I don't get run out of town, more of this saga will continue next month. The end of the 1964 was so sad, so stay tuned.

#### PART II

The fate of the 1964 Corvette! I sold the car to a young man in Temple, and a few weeks later Rosemary and I were leaving the Waco Theater (Now the Hippodrome) on Austin Avenue, and across the street sat a pile of junk which on closer inspection was "my" Corvette. I called the man and he had entered it in a round-round race. The car looked more like it was a demolition derby. But I was back to "practical" cars so I let it pass. I stayed with "practical" cars until 1967 when I ordered a Sunflower Yellow Roadster with the Tri-barrel 400 HP engine and optional hardtop. Much of the time the top was left in our dining room, much to Rosemary's dismay. I reminded her it was the most expensive decorative item we had, but she never quite agreed. It never performed like I thought it should, and I ordered a 1968 Tribarrel 435HP T-Top Coupe. I sold the 1967 to a college student,

and a few weeks later he was in the office and showed me pictures of it. It looked more like the wreckage of a yellow airplane crash. He, his fiancé, and a friend were in the car (rather close quarters), and hit a horse and then went into a 12 foot deep ditch. The fiancé got minor cuts, and I believe the friend got a fractured forearm. I cannot see how anyone got out alive, but that ended the 1967. Even after this, the young couple married and moved back to Waco. The husband of one of our office workers worked for Chevrolet, and he got my dealer friend the first T-Top in the Dallas Zone. This was my car. It was a great machine, easily topping maximum speedometer reading (If I remember correctly it was 160); however in a year I decided I needed a "practical" car again so I sold it to a Baylor student who did a minor tune-up and carried it to Green Valley (between Ft. Worth and Dallas – now covered with houses). He set a record for his class. He graduated and I have no knowledge of the car afterwards. At least it lasted longer than my other two cars.

Now I was in an era of "practical" cars forever, or so I thought! Addictions come in many forms. To be continued next month

#### PART III

First, the correction of an error. I listed the 1967 and 1968 as having Tribarrel carburetion. It should have been Tri-Power (3X2 Carbs). My excuse: It was late at night. After I sold the 1968, I planned on driving "practical cars", and for several years did so, but in about 1973, my son, Chuck, found a 1971 T-Top with 1100 or 1200 miles. It had been highly modified and when new repainted a Pearl White which was beautiful. He got the car and over the next few years raced it at the drag strip many times. It also broke many times. The car did run very strong, and he managed to run it to its capacity. I have no idea the number of different blocks it had, but there were several. He and his friends did most of the work on it. In 1979, Chuck had decided he wanted to become an airline pilot after floundering around for several years and he started aviation school in Panama City, FL.

This was expensive and it was decided to sell the Corvette. It wasn't running at the time and I began getting it worked on, but it still hadn't sold by March, 1980. He finished his training Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> in 1980 and was looking for a job. At this time the odometer (one of the few things which had not broken) had fewer than 6,000 miles. On March 18, 1980, Chuck was killed in a motorcycle crash at Melrose and Bosque. After I got over the immediate loss, I made the decision not to sell the car, and to get it back to as near original as possible. This required much work. One of the cross members had been cut and then spliced to accommodate a racing transmission. The Big Block was put back to near original, and the wheels and tires were replaced with originals. There was a lot of other work which had to be done otherwise.

I thought this would be my Corvette for the rest of my life and no others. This was all well and good until my friend, the Chevrolet Dealer (he had been a friend of Rosemary also), dropped a 1982 Corvette sales brochure by the office. That night a sudden urge overcame me when I saw the Collector Edition and in a few days, I called and ordered it. I got it in February or March of 1982. My Dealer said it was the first time a Chevrolet had been sold by him for over \$20,000.00 (Wouldn't it be nice to get a new one for that now?). I was sure two Corvettes should be all any one person should have, but remember my earlier statement that addictions come in many forms. Next month I will offer a cure for this addiction, temporary only of course.

#### **PART IV**

After getting the 1982 Collector, I felt sure it and the '71 would be all the Corvettes I would ever want, but things DO change. The '82 was very comfortable in relation to the older cars, but with the automatic, it left one feeling as if something more was needed. In a year or so I found a 1959 Roadster with the optional hard top and I decided to get it. It had been in Oklahoma, and it was not exactly in pristine condition, but I put it in the garage and then while we were building the

new home, I found a 1966 Big Block Coupe which I felt was a good buy, so it came to the garage. I was busy with the new house and working a good bit so the cars went on the back burner for a time.

In 1968 I was a Charter Member of the Cen-Tex Corvette Club, being its oldest member also. I later dropped out when I was into more "practical cars" but the longing to get another Corvette hit again--big time!! I decided my addiction had to be stopped, so I seriously began trying to get a 1999, but the cars were in short supply then, and I finally got the 2000 Magnetic Red Metallic Coupe the 23rd of December, 1999, just in time for Rosemary's Christmas present. It had every available option except the engine block heater which in this part of the country is not too necessary. At this time I decided I should rejoin the Club, and much to my amazement I came back in as the most senior member. Where else could one be out 30 years and maintain his seniority? Shortly thereafter, I got interested in upgrading the '59 and '66. The '59 had been inoperative so long, the gas tank had rusted out, and to start it the engine was primed and ran about 10-15 seconds for two or three times and then it began to knock. What a mess I found---The oil filler cap was off and dirt daubers had built nests in the intake and all over, and with just this minimal amount of running, the crankshaft was damaged and I had the engine rebuilt. It has the Duntov high-performance cam. It had a dual four barrel and a single four barrel intake when I got it, so I put the dual four barrel on. Then came the long and arduous process of getting both the '59 and '66 in better condition.

I never was addicted to the game of golf as so many of my friends were, and I spent my time in rent property, cattle raising, and building spec houses and some apartments. I never got rich doing so, but it did help add some, and I use this as justification for my addiction. I do not know anyone personally who made money from golf, so I think of my cars as my golf game. I still have something to show for the money plus the enjoyment of looking and driving. I realize this is an addiction, but there is a cure, even though it often is temporary. Now for the cure---just get another Corvette!! Rosemary continues to tell me I am going to spend us into the poor house, and I just smile and say so what!! At least we will go in style.

#### PART V

After getting the '59 painted and some restoration work done, Richard Kattner and I had it on the rack replacing a pan gasket that was leaking. This turned out to be the world's most expensive gasket. I was cleaning some on the rear cross-member and suddenly saw a bright material which was found to be aluminum tape wrapped over large, rusted places in the member and also rear frame runners. This had been covered by undercoat and dirt. Can you imagine what I thought when I realized I had been driving a car held together with aluminum tape? Not a very happy thought. I decided to go ahead with a fairly extensive restoration and this was one and a half years ago. Today, the car lacks minor paint touches so maybe I will live long enough to drive it again. The 1966 is a different story. It was repainted and some restoration work was done when the 1959 was. Over two years ago, I drove it down the road (the first time since it was delivered from the painter). The ammeter was not working properly, and I was fooling with it and noticed I was going much too fast to make the sharp corner a half mile from my drive. I locked the brakes and skidded a long way, but the narrow tires and some gravel on the asphalt doesn't make for good traction. I knew if I tried to turn, I would roll the car so I went straight in, having to go between a light pole and guy wire. The dirt was very hard and the car stopped in about two feet. My upper teeth went thru my lower lip, almost severing it, and six uppers were destroyed. While in the Emergency Room I was very concerned about the car, much to the dismay of Rosemary, my daughter, and granddaughter. Again Richard Kattner and Joe Reese were called and while I was being put back together, they retrieved the car and got it home. My teeth took a bite out of the steering wheel and I had such a grip on it that it was bent completely out of shape. Needless to

say I have a rather expensive ornament to hang on the wall. I decided to have it restored and it still is not back. Hopefully, someday I will be able to drive it; it may be in the next life, however.

With all the above I still am undaunted and have added the 1995 ZR-1 and 1996 Grand Sport as well as the 2004 Z06 with the Z-16 Option. Monetary restraints (not to mention a wife who is not very understanding) appear to have limited my future purchases, but I can still dream. The new Z06 is something else--maybe I will be lucky in a raffle for the first time in 76 years. I am not too old to dream.

Next month I will delve into my philosophy and what I think about the future. Until then, drive those cars and don't pay attention to your ammeter. An entire electrical system is much cheaper than a rebuilding and much less painful too.

#### Part VI

I find myself about up to the present. I am often asked which is my favorite Corvette, and I usually reply: All of them. I feel they are like children--you love them all, but each has different traits and characteristics. Some traits are more desirable than others. All are items of beauty.

My philosophy: I have heard there was an older woman who had done a somewhat risky act and was being criticized for doing so. She replied: "If you are not living on the edge, you are taking up too much space." There is a lot of truth in this statement. I have heard many times that a person is much better off wearing out than rusting out. I cannot argue with this. I am afraid my odometer has piled up very many miles, but hopefully there are a few more left.

My dream Corvette: I would start with a body from a 1968 thru 1972 Coupe and have a true L88 with Port Fuel Injection and fully computerized ignition. I would like for the chassis, brakes, steering, tires and wheels, suspension, and transmission to be that of a 2006 Z-06 (flared fenders for the large tires and wheels). The color?? Probably Magnetic Red Metallic or White with a Red Interior. I cannot think of a way to get screens over the lights without really messing the design. But you never can have everything. There is always a trade-off.

The Cen-Tex Corvette Club: I have belonged to many organizations over the years, but our club has to be at, or very

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to each and

everyone. Take care, and remember not to take up too much space.

Submitted by Charles H. (Doc) Dulaney, member of Cen-Tex CC.



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## **Top 15 LADIES**

#8
Jan Gillespie
Windy City Corvettes

Midwest Region

I've been an NCCC member since 1998, and started competing in 1998 at Utica.

IL. I got hooked immediately.

What I enjoyed most about 2009 was visiting old friends and making new friends. The class of people in this organization cannot be overstated. Anytime one needs help at an event, many are there to assist. Thanks to JOHN HASKELL for changing our tires the week after Larry's heart surgery. One special time for me last year was when I was able to take my daughter on my runs at Rantoul. After my first run, her only comment was 'Holy S—t! I just smiled.

I would not change anything from last year. Larry and I had so much fun with our friends. I will truly miss a good friend that Larry and I had – RAY MEESSEMAN. Ray and Sharon shared many good times with us.

My plans for the future? They say "If you want to make God laugh, make plans." The only plan I have is to enjoy life, my family, my friends and have fun.

I would like to say THANK YOU to all the corner workers who braved the rain, cold and sun. Without you, we could not have all the fun.

#12

Marie Manz Cornhusker CC West Region

I have been a member of NCCC since 2005 and competing since

2008. Jon and I were the CCC and West Region 2008 Rookies of the Year.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2009 was not only attending all the events in the West Region but traveling to events in other regions as well. I got a lot of seat time, I met a lot of really great people, and established some friendships along the way. Also, I enjoyed traveling with my Cornhusker family and sharing my passion for this great sport with my best friend and husband Jon.

If I had it to do all over again, I would not change a thing. I have no regrets. I will take everything I experienced and learn from it to become a better driver.

My plans for the future are to become a stronger competitor, do some traveling, spend time with family and hire a housekeeper.

### 2010 FCOA Membership Count by Region

as of June 19, 2010

|    | ds of June 19, 2010 |                          |                    |          |                     |                          |      |                           |  |                   |
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|    | REGION              | #<br>MEMBERS<br>01-01-10 | ADD NEW<br>MEMBERS | SUBTOTAL | LESS 16<br>YR. OLDS | #<br>MEMBERS<br>06-19-10 |      | % INCREASE<br>06-09/06-10 | CLUB WITH LARGEST FCOA # (05-29-2010)  | # FCOA<br>MEMBERS |
| MW | MIDWEST             | 500                      | 39                 | 539      | -13                 | 526                      | 494  | 6.48%                     | MW-351 WINDY CITY CORVETTES            |                   |
| WR | WEST                | 403                      | 15                 | 418      | -9                  | 409                      | 403  | 1.49%                     | WR-015 CEDAR RAPIDS CORVETTE CLUB      | 158               |
| ER | EAST                | 265                      | 38                 | 303      | -4                  | 299                      | 262  | 14.12%                    | ER-263 BEL AIR CORVETTE CLUB           | 43                |
| MI | MICHIGAN            | 296                      | 7                  | 303      | -5                  | 298                      | 308  | -3.25%                    | MI-003 CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB      | 67                |
| FL | FLORIDA             | 233                      | 28                 | 261      | -3                  | 258                      | 230  | 12.17%                    | FL-276 CORVETTES OF NAPLES             | 94                |
| EO | EAST OHIO           | 161                      | 11                 | 172      | -1                  | 171                      | 170  | 0.59%                     | EO-005 CORVETTE CLEVELAND              | 53                |
| WC | WEST COAST          | 159                      | 13                 | 172      | -3                  | 169                      | 164  | 3.05%                     | WC-326 CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS           | 26                |
| SW | SOUTHWEST           | 160                      | 3                  | 163      | -6                  | 157                      | 165  | -4.85%                    | SW-131 OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB     | 55                |
| SE | SOUTHEAST           | 109                      | 26                 | 135      | -6                  | 129                      | 109  | 18.35%                    | SE-073 NASHVILLE CORVETTE CLUB         | 61                |
| IN | INDIANA             | 112                      | 9                  | 121      | -8                  | 113                      | 115  | -1.74%                    | IN-382 S CENTRAL INDIANA CORVETTE CLUB | 31                |
| RR | ROADRUNNER          | 106                      | 2                  | 108      | -1                  | 107                      | 110  | -2.73%                    | RR-303 DESERT CORVETTE ASSN.           | 52                |
| WO | WEST OHIO           | 76                       | 2                  | 78       | -4                  | 74                       | 82   | -9.76%                    | WO-027 CORVETTE TROY                   | 43                |
| RM | ROCKY MTN           | 61                       | 8                  | 69       | 0                   | 69                       | 65   | 6.15%                     | RM-183 COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB  | 27                |
| NE | NORTHEAST           | 49                       | 0                  | 49       | -2                  | 47                       | 42   | 11.90%                    | NE-254 SOUTHERN TIER CORVETTE CLUB     | 6                 |
| CA | CAROLINA            | 28                       | 0                  | 28       | 0                   | 28                       | 29   | -3.45%                    | CA-014 CAROLINA CORVETTES              | 14                |
| NW | NORTHWEST           | 1                        | 0                  | 1        | 0                   | 1                        | 1    | 0.00%                     | NW-483 TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB            | 1                 |
|    | TOTAL               | 2719                     | 201                | 2920     | -65                 | 2855                     | 2749 | 3.86%                     |  |                   |

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### FCOA MEMBER #4400 ~~ LUCA

Early in 2010, the East Region's Bel Air Corvette Club decided to have a campaign to get its club members to sign up more kids for FCOA membership. When the packet of the first 20 new FCOA members from that club was mailed in June, no one realized that one of those kids would be assigned FCOA #4400! Luca and his older brother Brian (FCOA #4399) are sponsored by Poppy Steve and Mom-Mom Judi who have been members of BACC for 3 years and NCCC for 7 years.

4-year old Luca enjoys going to pre-school and one of his favorite toys is Luigi from Mario Brothers. Even though his favorite color is green, he sure doesn't care to have string beans on his dinner plate! Like most boys his age, Luca really likes trains a lot especially Thomas the Train.



As you can see by this picture, Luca likes sitting in Poppy and Mom-mom's 1994 Vette, one of 1267 painted Black Rose Metallic that year. His grandparents both enjoy going to Concours shows and Rallyes. Steve, who has been the East Region Secretary since 2008, particularly likes low speed autocrossing.

## Congratulations, Luca, for being FCOA member #4400!

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| Address:  |   |                     |              |
| City:   |   | 9-digit Zip:        |              |
| Sponsor Information:                              |   |                     |              |
| What is your relationship to this child?          | ☐ Parent, ☐ Grandparent   | , □ Aunt, □ Uncle o | r 🗖 Guardian |
| Are you a past FCOA member? ☐ Yes ☐               | No If so, state name at th  | e time              |              |
| NCCC Member Name:                                 |   |                     |              |
| NCCC Membership #:                                |   |                     |              |
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# SCCM TEAMS UP WITH THE NEW BRIGHTON/ MOUNDS VIEW ROTARY CLUB

Suburban CC of Minnesota members share their wheels with kids who live on theirs.

Every September the Suburban Corvette Club of Minnesota (SCCM) teams up with the New Brighton / Mounds View Rotary Club providing games prizes and rides for families with Spina Bifida at the Minnesota Spina Bifida Association annual picnic.

The event starts each year with games for the

kids provided but the Rotary Club and staffed by local Irondale High School students including at least one FCOA member. Rotary conducts a drawing for prizes. Die Cast Corvettes are a favorite.

After a BBQ lunch for all provided by the Spina Bifida Association and taking a few minutes to check out the Vettes. It's TM2CRUZ (time to cruise) as kids with Spina Bifida, their brothers and sisters and parents line up for a ride.

SCCM conducts several raffles annually and donates a percentage of event profits to camp scholarships and equipment upgrades for Spina Bifida families.

The next time you're rolling through Minnesota and pass a minivan with a handicap plate. Don't be surprised if the kid in the back seat gives you a thumbs-up.

Article submitted by SCCM & Rotary Event Chairman – Mike Neeley; photography – Jeff Benson.



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## BAY AREA CORVETTE CLUB TAKES ON KEY WEST

## **JUNE 26-30**

For Jim & Star Hildebrand, George & Chickie Crane, Bob & Janet Poll, Dave & Klaudia Raprager, and Diane Fiolek & friend Rosie, the day started with a drive to Ft. Myers to stay overnight prior to boarding the Key West Express. As these folks wandered in at various times of the afternoon, we all met in the bar (ya' think?) for a few rounds before we departed for a local, on-the-water eating establishment. Good food, great drinks, and Corvette fellowship followed us to bed to prepare to meet up with the



rest of the Key West bound crew the next morning. After breakfast, we drove on over to the Key West Express parking lot where we

met up with Dave & Terri Barcza (our co-coordinator and leader), Diane & Dan Kirkconnell, her daughter and son-in-law. Because we were boarding as a group, we got first dibs on seating. The Key West Express is a very large catamaran that seats 500, has two bars, a galley, and is powered by jets

just like a waverunner! Before we even got settled, several were gathered around the bar testing the local bloody marys. Taking a



crewman's advice, I went to the fantail to watch the power of

the jets when we got up to speed. It was amazing to observe the two jets shoot the water up almost six feet! After a "few" bloody marys, we settled down for the three-hour trip to Key West. During the trip, Dave Raprager noted, using his GPS, that we were going 42 mph! Because it was a catamaran, the ride was super smooth. Right around noon, we docked in Key West and were met by the people from the DoubleTree Hotel with a few buses to take us and our luggage. The hotel



offers shuttle service every hour up 'til 11 PM, so we checked in. We headed out to the pool area where we met up with Warren & Carol Unger and

Bobby & Audrey Caruana who had driven down, 'cause the girls thought they might not be able to "handle" the boat. We all agreed to head out for lunch. As the bus dropped us off right in front of the Conch Republic, we opted to have lunch there before hitting the "strip." Jim noticed that right across the street from the Conch was a little spot featuring "The best

Key Lime Pie in Key West." Being an expert on Key Lime Pie, he set out to prove them wrong. After testing their wares, he declared "I'll have to test more to



tell." Off we went, heading for Duval Street. I've been to Key West several times and I swear they keep getting more t-shirt shops and less and less bars. But we managed to find a few and sampled the beer menus. The next day after a buffet breakfast, we noticed the hotel offered a few items to sign up for. Most of us decided that the "Duval Crawl" seemed like the best deal. For \$35.00 you "crawled," escorted, to five bars, five free drinks, and a t-shirt. I once bought a condo in Cancun for a free t-shirt, so I was sold. Hopping the bus, we headed once again for Duval Street and Margaritaville. It wouldn't be a visit to Key West without a catfish reuben at Jimmy Buffet's Margaritaville; so lunch it was. At 3PM, we met our guide for the start of the Duval Crawl. T-shirts were handed out and off we went. I won't try to name the



bars (I can't remember the last two anyway), but when we were ready to leave each bar, our guide blew on a conch shell to announce that it was

to meet the boat at 4 PM, so we just shopped, bar hopped and headed for the boat docks. This time we did not get our primo seats and were scattered all over the boat. Some of the die-hards kept the bar busy but quite a few opted for the theater seating and a 3-hour nap before landing in Ft. Myers. Because we didn't arrive back until around 9 PM or so, some of us opted to stay at the same hotel again. A quick drink at the bar and off to bed. The next morning we hit a Mickey D's and headed back to Clearwater to rest up for the next trip!

Submitted by Jim Hildebrand, Bay Area CC, Clearwater, FL.

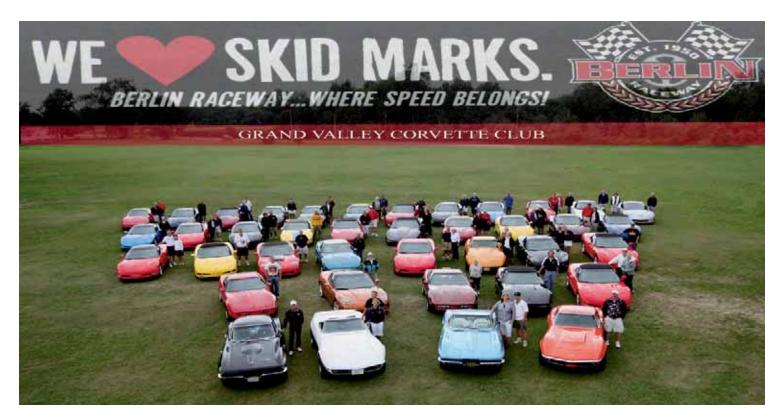
time to head to the next watering hole. Sometime between the third or maybe the fourth bar, we stopped at somebody's statue to test our ability to blow a conch. I'm here to tell you, us "mainlanders" are a pitiful bunch when it comes to blowing into a conch shell. Most of us sounded like feeble farts. I think it was Diane's son-in-law who won but not by much. Anyway, the t-shirt was cool.

Another buffet breakfast and it was off to Mel Fisher's treasure house to look at gold coins and other relics of the deep. Gold coins are not in our budget, but Star did find out a pretty neat way of keeping silver shined up. Something about baking soda mixed with water? Anyway, we killed some time at another bar until it was time to meet up with the rest of the gang at "El Meson de Pepe" for some Cuban cuisine. Pepe's is right off Mallory Square, so after eating and sticking the bill with Bob Poll, we headed to Mallory Square to enjoy the locals doing their "thing." In case you have never been to Mallory Square, it goes like this: At Mallory Square, they celebrate the sunset – every day! Local entertainers and vendors set up booths selling jewelry, drawings, tarot card readings, jugglers, acrobats and trained cats that jump through fiery hoops! This goes on from about 4 PM to dark. It is not to be missed while you are in Key West. The next day was our last, so we decided to hit the hotel pool to try and get some sun and sample the hotel tiki bar, then off to Duval for one last time. We had





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## **GRAND VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION TURNS 40!!**

Last year, Grand Valley Corvette Association (GVCA) of Grand Rapids, Michigan turned 40 years old. The club that started with six guys in a garage currently has 126 members and celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Berlin Raceway in Marne, Michigan on August 1.

As with many GVCA events, our raffle car was there and members shared time selling chances to win this year's 2009 6-speed Jet Stream Blue Corvette. This was the 28th straight year of raffling a new Vette. As of 2009, we have donated over \$560,000 to charities, including Spina Bifida of West Michigan and the Down Syndrome Association. GVCA prints 4500 tickets that are sold for \$20.00 each. A vast mailing list accounts for about one third of sales every year. The rest come from members hauling the raffle car on a club trailer to various car shows all over Michigan and selling tickets.

Kool Chevrolet of Grand Rapids is our sponsor and the dealership where we purchase the new Corvette to raffle off. Last year's drawing was held on September 12<sup>th</sup> during the Celebration on the Grand Festival in downtown Grand Rapids where GVCA hosted the first Celebration on the Grand car show. Like past years, kids from Spina Bifida and Down Syndrome were on hand to help draw the winning tickets and cash prizes

for second, third and fourth place.

Even though the love of Corvettes is what attracts members, the annual raffle seems to be the glue that holds the club together and gives GVCA more purpose. Our members look forward to some day breaking the One Million Dollar mark for charity!

Other favorite activities include trips to auto shows, 2-, 3-, and 4-day weekend road trips throughout the spring, summer and fall, and low-speed racing events. Another favorite pastime is a "Follow the Leader" to a "secret" location for fun times and dinner. Throughout the year, members also participate in parades, school events, cruise nights, etc. We also get together for beach parties, progressive dinners, Christmas parties and an annual banquet to celebrate the previous year's events.

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Submitted by Cheryl Davis.





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## HONEYMOON AT SPRING MOUNTAIN

"Once upon a time, two Corvettes fell in love - and so did their drivers." So reads the wedding invitation of Joe and Cindy Orrico, from Costa Mesa, CA. Joe and Cindy, a couple who are "crazy about each other AND their Corvettes" enjoy life to the fullest - on and off the racetrack. Both avid motorsports fans, Joe

and Cindy originally met at one of their local Corvette Super Sports Club monthly meetings. With so much in common it seemed destined that the two should fall in love and ride off into the sunset together - in a Corvette, of course!

California Speedway was the venue for the wedding on October 14, 2006. Cindy, a charismatic and vivacious Corvette aficionado, describes the wedding as "the most awesome day of our lives!" Cindy's employer thoughtfully rented a motor home for the bride's use as a dressing room. The ceremony was



held before 80 of their closest friends, at Lot 14 of the Autocross course. This bridal procession was on wheels: Cindy and her maid-of-honor drove to the altar in her maid-of-honor's 2002 Coupe with a bridal veil hanging from the trunk. Joe and his best man drove to the altar with tuxedo tails hanging from his best man's 2002 Z06. Both bride and groom wore matching driving suits, and Cindy's bouquet was hand crafted by the bride and her mother from an inverted orange cone. Cindy also sewed tiny orange cones into her garter. After the ceremony, Joe and Cindy took a victory lap in Joe's car, both holding large checkered flags out the windows!

Everyone in attendance commented that they had never seen a wedding so easy and natural. As the invitation specified, "Dress - Definitely NOT Formal!"

The icing on the cake? Joe and Cindy spent their honeymoon at Spring Mountain's Corvette Track Days with fellow motorsports enthusiasts, celebrating their love for each other and for Corvettes.

Joe and Cindy, thanks for sharing your special day with Spring Mountain readers. We appreciate your enthusiasm for motorsports and your zest for life.



## OVERHAULIN' ~ JCC STYLE

I have a story that should have been told, no, 'SHOUTED OUT' three years ago. The Jackson Corvette Club (JCC) in Jackson, Michigan, did something even more amazing than the surprise Overhaulin' shows on television. None of the JCC members do this professionally. There was no 'real' shop. They simply turned Jerry's garage into an 'Overhauling Paint Shop'.

This story began with my purchase of an '84 Light Bronze Metallic Coupe on July 7, 2000. None of my friends truly understood my connection, even obsession, with my Vette so I searched out Corvette enthusiasts. In April 2001, I joined JCC and it didn't take long to realize what an



awesome group of people made up this organization. I began participating in car shows and parades even though my 'Baby' was losing her clear coat, the paint on the rear was really wearing, and she had a couple of

nicks in her glass by the headlight openings. I detailed her as well as I could once we arrived at the shows.

Now for the magical part of the story which began at

the end of March, 2006. Lyle, my former boyfriend, asked me to get my Vette out of storage. My birthday was April 14<sup>th</sup> and he announced that his gift was to have some work done my Vette. He was going to have the



hood cables and door window trim installed and then have the outside detailed. I was ESTATIC! So I trusted Lyle and my best friend, Marvin, to take her to some fella's 'detail shop'. The plan was for her to be returned Sunday, April 8th. That

Sunday came and went with only excuses that the detailing was going slowly because some areas of the paint were so bad. I was told the new product they were using was working very well but the process was slow.

In the meantime, Betty, our club social director e-mailed



everyone that she had arranged a pre-Easter dinner at Hudson's Grill. I responded that we would be there and Lyle thought it was rally great because I would have my Vette back by then to show everyone. He said we

could pick it up that night on our way to dinner. I was hyped. When the day rolled around, I arrived at Lyle's by 4:00, anxious to go get my 'Baby'. He had disappointing news: His buddy who owned the shop wouldn't be home until after 7:00 and we needed to be at dinner before then. I was deflated but remained

excited about this huge thing he was doing for me. We arrived early at Hudson's as I planned to order right away and then leave to get my Vette. I shared my thrilled anticipation with other club members as they arrived. There were



more than 30 of us gathered and we were chatting away happily when I realized about half of the group had disappeared. I began to suspect that Lyle was orchestrating some kind of surprise, as my birthday was the next day. He said no, that Tom had just gotten a new Vette and everyone was going outdoors to take a look at it. We followed along. When we walked out the front door, my Vette was parked immediately in front of it. I just

wasn't putting it together. I could see that the hood and front end were absolutely beautiful and that the two nicks by the headlights were gone.....it was registering that he must have had someone do the fiberglass repair and that they must have also painted the front. I just couldn't believe the whole hood looked so PERFECT. I walked around the passenger side and the paint just sparkled. I thought, 'WOW, that new buffing compound sure did an amazing job!' Then I saw the rear end and it started hitting me that my 'Baby' had been totally repainted. However, I was still filled with disbelief because of all the little stories and updates I

had been told. My brain was slow to register the facts. Suddenly, the group was yelling, 'SURPRISE! You've been repainted and overhauled JCC style!' Then I noticed Jerry and Betty standing by the left front fender...and I looked up and saw the rest of the group clapping and laughing, some with tears in their eyes...I was TOTALLY OVERWHELMED. Betty handed me a photo album of the whole project. I could hardly breathe...I went to my knees. Jerry stepped over and said, "Here, I think you want these back," as he handed me my keys. Needless to



say, by this point I was crying and was shaking so badly I had to ask Jerry to park her for me. I still can't believe how they pulled it off!

Eleven men took time out of their busy lives to do such a wonderful thing for

me. They ransformed my well-loved but well-worn 'Baby' back into a beauty. Then the group arranged a special occasion to present her back to me. I owe an enormous heartfelt thank you to Steve Massie, Jack Smith, and Jerry Krause for planning this surprise overhaul and the rest of the crew: Tom Clark, Tony Phillips, Jeff Beers, Sheldon Brafford (the hood cable king), Keith Minteer, Dave Andrus, and Dave Miller for their generous and meticulous work. I can never thank them enough for this wonderful blessing. And, a deep thanks also to Betty Colligan, Carol Smith, and Colleen Philipps for putting the event into a permanent record of CD and photos, and everyone else in the club who came to the OVERHAULIN' JCC STYLE DELIVERY.

Will I be a lifetime cheerleader for this club? With every inch of my "Vette-Loving" body!!!!!

Article and photos submitted by Sue Hoover, Jackson, Michigan.



## TOP OF THE ROCKIES ASSOCIATION



In 2009, the Top of the Rockies Corvette Association (TORCA) of Longmont, Colorado, selected Mountain States Children's Home (MSCH) as its charity. MSCH is a non-profit

residential child care facility providing 24-hour care for abused, neglected, or at-risk children in a Christian family/home setting. At any one time up to 24 children between the

ages of three and seventeen may be housed, family-style, in large homes managed by Christian house parents who are in residence 24 hours a day. MSCH's mission statement is to extend services to hurting children in an effort to meet their physical needs, heal their emotional hurts, challenge their minds and teach them moral principles, in order to reach the goals of reuniting them with their families



or preparing them for independence.

In addition to donating funds to the charity, the club teamed up with Mountain States for TORCA's annual picnic in September. The club purchased the food and drinks and the staff and children of MSCH cooked and served the food. TORCA was treated to a tour of the MSCH facilities to allow its members to see first-hand how club

donations are being used. The highlight of the picnic was

when club members gave some of the MSCH residents rides in their Corvettes. The kids just loved it, the event was a huge success, and a great personal connection with our charity was





established.
After seeing how much the staff accomplishes with so little money, a few club members thought it would be nice if TORCA could make this past Christmas

extra special for the children. At the next club meeting, the members passed a hat to collect enough money to buy each child a movie ticket — just a small stocking stuffer. That worked so well that someone suggested the club could select a few cookie recipes and buy all the ingredients so that the children could bake themselves treats during the holiday season. Before long, someone else suggested the club also could make sure each child received at least one special

gift at Christmas.
After passing the hat again and raising nearly \$1000, club members bought and wrapped gifts for all 17 children, using the modest wish lists collected by the Mountain States'



staff. TORCA presented these gifts to the children during a Christmas party at MSCH on Dec. 13. In addition, the club presented Mountain States with a \$400 check raised during a recent car rally.

The experience with MSCH was so positive in 2009 that the club voted to adopt the children's home again as its 2010 charity. TORCA looks forward to continuing to build and strengthen its relationship with the staff and children of Mountain States Children's Home and supporting its wonderful mission.

Article and photos submitted by Barb Reynolds, Governor of Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn and Rky Mountain Region Secretary.

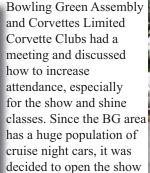
## THE NATIONAL **C**ORVETTE HOMECOMING: A RISING STAR!

The city of Bowling Green has once again become the host of an annual event which only it can host: the National Corvette Homecoming. Now some of you might say, "Hey I remember something about that long ago", and you would be correct. In fact, the NCH has been around since 1980, when the Corvette Plant was just setting up shop. It seems several guys, including GM employee Tom Hill, got together and decided there should be a Corvette homecoming in Bowling Green every year and the NCH was born.

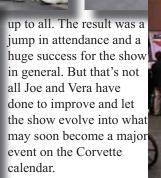
As with most organizations, there has been some strife through the years. Several groups of owners have come and gone but beginning in 2005, Bowling Green resident Joe Pruitt, along with his wonderful wife, Vera, have taken this show from a dozen or so entrants to what we saw this past weekend.

Over 3,000 attended the National Corvette Homecoming aided by both the spectacular 75 degree weather, and the addition of steelbodied cars that couldn't resist the chance to earn a trophy in the highly organized "drive thru" judging. From Monte Carlos to the new Camaro, all makes and models experienced the hospitality of the Corvette crowd. You're probably asking yourself how plastic and steel get along so well.

After last year's show, Joe and his team consisting of volunteers from the







Most events have a theme. Some may be

competition related with autocross or drag racing, for instance. Others may be focused on vendors and swap-meet style collections. Joe has focused the NCH on being a car show with vendors and a whole lot of fun thrown in.

For the past two years and for the foreseeable future, the NCH is held at the Sloan Convention center, which offers several nicer hotels and restaurants within walking distance. Friday is move-in day for the ballroom vendors, inside display vehicles, and the newly introduced

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"Sans Pareil" ("without equal") show class which is rising fast as yet another top-caliber award for only the most pristine of original Corvettes. There are 25 Sans Pareil award winners to date.

Saturday kicks off the festivities with all day judging in a drive thru format. Seminars and How To clinics by the most noted of experts are available through the day and then the real fun begins. All who care to can participate in a police-escorted parade through historic old Bowling Green, to an ever-growing audience of locals. Hundreds of Corvettes equal one heck of a car show in motion!

Back at the Convention Center, the parking lot readies for the night's entertainment, in this year's case the "Blue Light Special", a local high-quality band which includes several of BG's finest law-enforcement personnel. Unlike many other stiff-lipped organizations, NCH attendees are encouraged to bring their coolers, kids, and the beverages of their choice, along with their beach chairs to enjoy a fantastic (and free) parking-lot concert of pop and dance tunes. But beware of the Blue Light's lead singers as they are known to enter the crowd and make potential stars of the unsuspecting at any time.

Sunday continues much of the same and concludes with the awards presentation at mid afternoon. Joe says he hopes to move the event up one day as soon as he can remedy a scheduling conflict for Thursday with the Convention Center.

In just four years, Joe and his team have nurtured a fledgling car show into an event for many within driving distance. Joe's hope is to make the NCH an event on the national Corvette calendar such as Carlisle and Bloomington. "We have a growing group of folks who are bringing more and more of their friends each and every year," Pruitt says. "The sky's the limit for the event. Where else but the birthplace of the Corvette to host a homecoming!!"

Next year's plans are already being drafted and include the return of the highly acclaimed bi-annual "Vettetastic" program where up to 300 scale model Corvettes (5'1 x 2'w x 18"h) are purchased from the American Red Cross for painting and personalization, then later auctioned off for fundraising. Vettetastic is hosted by the South Central Kentucky Chapter of the American Red Cross, an organization which provides disaster preparedness and response and health and safety education to residents of nearby counties, as well as assistance to families with members in the military. In 2008, the theme Corvette was a 1957. In 2010, the famed 1963 split window will be featured and is sure to become a sought after auction item.

The SACC (Solid Axle Corvette Club) will also be holding their annual event at the NCH. Celebrities include Larry Richter, Max Brockhouse, Doc Hollada and the world famous solid-axle authority Noland Adams.

While it's true that Kentucky's normal weather is usually warm and moist, this year was beautiful with unseasonal 75 degree temps. Regardless, the Convention Center makes a terrific refuge from the heat and provides a fun and diverse shopping experience. With regards to next year's plans Pruitt related, "We hope to bring as many vendors in as we can, especially Corvette- related ones, and we're going to bring seminars and how-to clinics into the showroom. We're also discussing thoughts of additional around-town activities for our guests and their cars."

We're already looking forward to next year's National Corvette Homecoming in beautiful Bowling Green, KY. Why not mark your calendars for July 16-18, and enjoy not only the Pruitts' hospitality, but the brand new expansion of the National Corvette Museum and newly reorganized Corvette Assembly Plant as well? For full information on the Homecoming, see their website at <a href="https://www.nationalCorvetteHomecoming.com">www.nationalCorvetteHomecoming.com</a>.

Written by Jim Van Dorn; photography by Shutterbug Photomall

## In Memoriam

Ilona Alciatore, Corvette Super Sports, WC John Bechtel – Capital City CC, MI Tom Belka – Cornhusker CC, WR Robert Biederman, Chicago CC, MW Bob Bricker, CPCC, ER Jerry Davis, Sunburst CC, MW Ann Ellis, wife of Bullet Bob Ellis, FL Kimberlee A. Fast, CC of MI, MI Carol Friedrich, Route 66 CC, MWR Ron Gagnon, Corvettes of the Gulf, FL Salvatore Giordano, Las Vegas Corvette Assn, WC Richard Girvin, Corvette Super Sports, WC Dr. Arthur Goldberg, CC of America, ER Gene Gooch, OCCC, SW Loretta Harry, Corvettes of San Diego, WC Dixie Hartwig, Corvettes Limited, WC Sally Heckler CC of IL, MW (She was a Charter member of her club.)

Jerry and Diana Hladek, Mid Florida CC, FL Steve Holle, Corvette Indy, IN Gary Hylland, Chicago CC, MW Archie "Duster" Jackson, Cowtown Vettes, SW David Judd, NMCA, RR Kenny Kappes, CC of IL, MW William R. Knox, Sr, Kanawha Valley CC, EO

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Ray Meesseman, Michigan Autocross Group, MI Bud Meredith, SJCC, SW

Tom Meyer, CCKC, WR (Original member of his club.)
Bill Miles, CC of TX, SW
John Osborn, Lafayette CC, IN
Margaret Phillips, Chevy's Under Glass, CA

John F. Quednau, FL

WILLIAM (BILL) RALSTON, NCCC CHARTER MEMBER, Chicago CC, MW

Carol Rife, Corvette Troy, WO
Harry Rose, Tin Hall Toys, SW
Steve Row, CC of America, ER
Bill Rush, Boone Trail CC, WR
Mike Schedler Wisconsin CC, MW
Ed Seifert, Corvettes of Buffalo, NE
Eddie Sheehan, The Vette Set, WC
Rich Sherman, NMCA, RR

Dave Stewart, Corvette Super Sports, WC Merrill Strachan, Corvette Super Sports, WC Mike Taylor, CC of Illinois, MW Clyde Williams, York County CC, ER Dwight Wilson, Southwest Corvettes, WC

The above list consists of members who have died since the Convention 2009 issue of Blue Bars.

## A Dozen Years Ago

A dozen years ago, the Butler University homecoming parade featured students riding in rented golf carts. Barry Rector, supervisor of instruction/media services, thought his employer could do better. So he offered to have Corvette Indy, the club he belongs to, provide 12-15 cars for the annual event.

Now, having the university president, the homecoming king

and queen candidates, and even the school's mascot – a bulldog named Blue II – ride in Corvettes is a tradition on the Indianapolis campus every October.



"Our club

enjoys doing it," Rector said. "It connects them to the university and to something that's happening in Indianapolis. The king and queen candidates are very respectful, and they're excited they get to ride in a Corvette."

Rector has the pleasure of chauffeuring Blue II in his car, a 1991 model he won in a contest. The mascot is a crowd favorite.

"Blue II gets the most attention," Rector said. "Kids will run

up to take his picture. If someone yells his name, he'll just turn and look. He knows he's posing for a camera. Somehow, some way, he knows that. So it's his big day too."

Also, the University President Bobby Fong and Mrs. Fong participate in the Homecoming activities. This year they rode in a 1967 roadster owned by Corvette Indy member Mel Minion.

The biggest day at this year's Butler homecoming, however, belonged to the university's football team: The Butler Bulldogs



beat rival University of San Diego, 25-24, on their way to a schoolrecord-setting 11-1 season.

The Butler homecoming parade is just one of the Corvette Indy club's many activities. Its members do

everything from autocross racing and dinner cruises where they ride in a caravan to a specific restaurant to fundraising for Spina Bifida Association of Central Indiana and Riley Hospital for Children.

"Any money we raise, we put into our charity account to distribute," Rector said. "We do some charitable activities, but a lot of it's just having fun and trying to use your Corvette as many ways as you can."



## MICHIANA CC'S NEW ENGLAND TRIP

How many miles is a Corvette Fall Color Tour? If you are members of the Michiana CC, charter member of NCCC, it's 2,782 miles.

Ten couples from the Michiana CC in South Bend, IN took an eight-day trip to the New England states for a Fall color tour. We left on Friday morning and traveled through Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. On Saturday, we stopped to see Niagara Falls. By Sunday, we were in Vermont where we really started our sightseeing. In Bennington, we say The First Congregational Church, which was built in 1806, and the cemetery where Robert Frost is buried. We then visited the Chocolate Barn, as well as the Sugar Shack and the Norman Rockwell exhibit.

We took Route 7 up to Burlington where we stayed Sunday night. The next day, we went through Ben & Jerry's and had samples at the end. We then took the scenic Route 100 down through the middle of the State; that drive was beautiful. We saw beautiful colored trees, waterfalls and covered bridges. We then crossed over into New Hampshire where we stayed in Bedford. The next day we went on to Maine. We stayed in Bangor and went out to Bar Harbor where we shopped and had lobster dinners. We went down the coast of Maine on Route 1 through the seaport towns, including Camden, Portland and Kennebunkport and out to see former President George H. Bush's home. From there, we started heading back to South bend.

We had a lot of fun and had a good time getting to know each other better. We will have memories of that trip for a long time.

Article and photo submitted by James Bartuska, Governor of Michiana CC.











### 52<sup>nd</sup> NCCC CONVENTION June 18<sup>th</sup> through the 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Where will you be on these dates in June 2011? Will you have something to tell your friends about or memories to carry with you the rest of your life? Will you be able to tell your grandkids that I was there once and did this?

Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> 2011 starts out with registration and a "WELCOME PARTY." Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> has an inside display of some of the finest Corvettes in the country. Sunday afternoon everyone is invited to drive the "POLICE ESCORTED" road tour to the 110-year-old part of Tinley Park for a "STREET PARTY" with entertainment and lots of vendors and another chance to see your friends with Corvettes on display, and many places to sit, relax and eat in one of the fine restaurants in town.

Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> everyone is invited to the Autobahn Country Club for a day of activities for all. There will "go-carts," an opportunity to drive the scenic road course and events happening for all to watch and participate, ending with a "BARBEQUE PARTY" and entertainment and the now famous "VALVE COVERS" races after dinner.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, there will be "BUS TOURS" each day to all the great sites and things to do around the Chicago. Chicago is only a 27-mile expressway drive. While you are on the tours, your Corvette will be safe and secure in our "GUARDED ONE ENTRANCE" lot at the host hotel. Each of the three nights you can return to the host hotel for three "DIFFERENT THEME PARTIES."

Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>, we start off with breakfast and time to reflect on the fun we all had this week. We end the day with a "BANQUET PARTY," A NEW CORVETTE to win, and some "SPECIAL DOOR PRIZES" you will not want to miss.

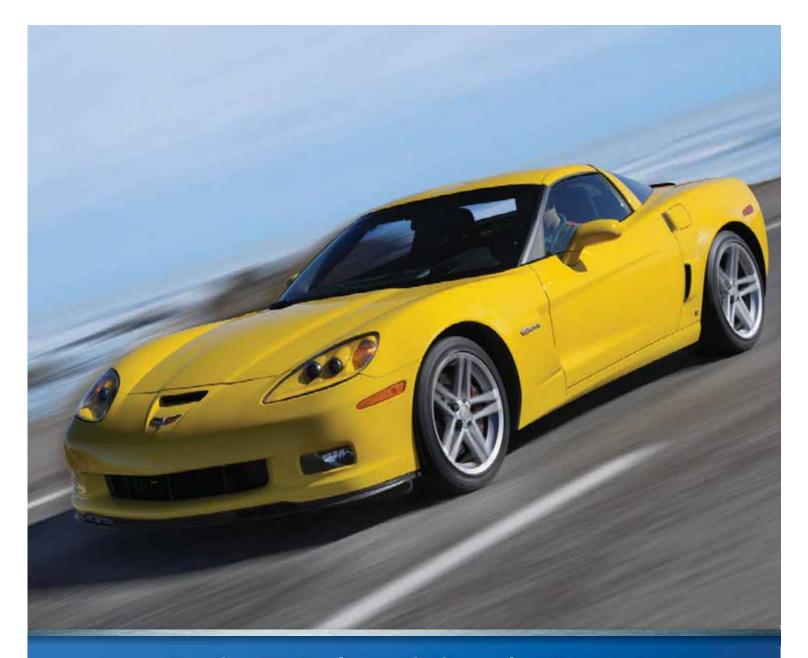
The MIDWEST REGION of NCCC is planning to make this the "BEST PARTY" and FUN WEEK" you can have with your CORVETTE!!

Oh, by the way, since you will be bringing your Corvette to this fun week, we have decided to have all the traditional Corvette events also. Saturday night will be NATIONAL AWARDS NIGHT, Sunday morning a JUDGED CONCOURS, Sunday evening an ENTRANTS CHOICE CAR SHOW, Monday a RALLYE and TRACK DAY, Tuesday and Wednesday HIGH and LOW SPEED EVENTS and FUNKHANA, Thursday DRAGS, and Friday GOLF. You already have your car there, so we thought some of you might want to enter some events.

Registration for this ONE-WEEK PARTY will open on FEBRUARY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 online. Look for more information in the winter issue of *BLUE BARS*.

We look forward to creating memories with you in June 2011 in ILLINOIS.

Dave Heinemann, 2011 NCCC Convention Director Larry Pagliaro, 2011 NCCC Convention Co-Director



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front row (1 to r): Bernyce Molenda, 14th; Carolyn Montgomery, 11th; Joan Thomas, 10th; Kathy Gau, 9th;
Debbie Haskell, 1st; Betty Parks, 2nd; Sharon Meesseman, 4th; Marie Manz, 12th; Cindy Dill, 6th; Janet Wilson, 3rd
(not shown: Diana Haack, 5th; Chris Reitz, 7th; Jan Gillespie, 8th; Deb Malwick, 13th; Alysia Hardy, 15th)

back row (1 to r): Geoffrey Gott, 12th, Martin Workman, 5th; Jack Wilson, 3rd; Johnny Haskell, 1st, holding Ray Meesseman 2nd
place memorial trophy; Bill Docherty, 4th; Mike Dill, 13th; Don Franklin, 15th; Don Parks, 6th
(not shown: Ron Jarrell, 7th; Howard Curtis, 8th; Robert Hall, 9th; Joe Eller, 10th; Paul Haack, 11th; Tom Reitz, 14th)