



The Wave



North Texas Corvette Club

August 2011

11 years and
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Marc's Message



At least some of our members were smart enough to head to the

Rockies in search of cooler weather. I look forward to hearing of their adventures. While they were away we shook off the memories of the 14 inches of snow last winter and basked in the Texas heat...Not. Oh well, at least we have AC in our Corvettes (at least some of them have AC).

My girls are getting ready

to head East and off to Liberty University. I'm sure we are not alone in this new phase of our lives..." Empty Nesters" for the first time in 20 years...no kids at home. I hope we make it.

The club has a long list of activities in the next few months and I hope to participate in several, although David Hanks and I will miss a few events as we attend Corvettes of Carlisle in Pennsylvania. Marking another item off our "Bucket list".

I will attend the annual Denton Square car show and hope many of you will attend and/or show your North Texas Corvette pride and joy. This annual event has afforded many opportunities to discuss cars and life with the locals, while exposing the NTCC to the Denton community.

Hope to C Ya There...

Notes from the VP Desk.....



Well, dang it, it's that time of the year. Had to start back to work on Monday. It was nice to see teacher

friends, but that also means getting up at a set time and actually getting dressed and out the door. I really feel for the football coaches and players who are having to endure two-a-days in this heat.

We've spent a little time this summer on the motorcycle, but for the most part, it's just been too hot to ride. But the Vette has lovely air-conditioning so it's still fun to take a ride in it. I'm so excited that Vettes & Jets is coming up very soon. What an awesome opportunity to honor our veterans and make a huge donation to Wounded Warriors, who provides prosthetic limbs and other services

to wounded veterans.

Cooler weather has to be coming soon. And it with it more Corvette club activities. So bring on the cool weather.

Simply.....Sue



"And I, I took the road less traveled by. I was using a GPS system." ~ Robert Brault



National Corvette Museum Ambassador

NORTH TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB AT VETTES ON THE ROCKIES

August 4-7 saw 20 members of NTCC attending various portions of this year's Vettes on the Rockies in Breckenridge and Frisco, Colorado. On Tuesday, August 2nd seven Corvettes departed Denton for Santa Fe, arriving Breckenridge Thursday afternoon. On Sunday, the 7th, we had three corvettes entered in the Show 'n Shine on Frisco's Main Street. As in past years we conducted mountain cruises in the area, enjoyed sightseeing excursions and dined in area cafes and restaurants. Our thanks to Sam & Paula Paschal and Jim & Sherry Gentry for initiating and organizing this trip and hosting the group for dinner Saturday evening at their condo at Riverbend in Breckenridge. We covered just over 2,000 miles in our seven days in the Rockies and truly enjoyed the 60- & 70-degree weather throughout the trip.

MUSEUM NOTES -- CALENDAR OF EVENTS OF INTEREST

NCM Anniversary – Sep 1-3

Zo6 Fest – Sep 15-17

1-lap of Kentucky – Oct 10-14

Vets 'N Vettes – Nov 3-5

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EXHIBIT NOWOPEN

Chevrolet's first car pulled onto the auto scene in 1911 like a

decked-out debutante. Race-car driver Louis Chevrolet imagined an upscale dream car based on the racing cars he loved. The Series C Classic Six produced 40 horsepower and could go 65 miles per hour, competing with the high-performance cars of its time. For the first couple of years, it was simply called "the Chevrolet." While Chevrolet co-founder Bill Durant would quickly shift the company toward affordability, performance would stay at the heart of Chevrolet for a century to come.

The Museum welcomes a special 14-car exhibit now through December 31, 2011 featuring a 1912 Little, 1928 Phaeton Touring Car, 1935 Standard Coach, 1936 Canopy Express Pick-up, 1942 Special DeLuxe 'War Car', 1955 Bel Air, 1958 Impala, 1964 Corvair, 1965 Chevelle 300, 1970 Chevelle, 1987 Monte Carlo, 1996 Camaro, 2003 50th Anniversary Corvette and a 2012 Volt.

Check out the NCM website at corvettemuseum.com for details and more information on all of these activities and events.

CORVETTE RACING

The Mid-Ohio Sports Car Challenge ended under a red flag when a downpour inundated the circuit with 11 minutes remaining in the 2-3/4 hour race. Jan Magnussen and Oliver Gavin scored Corvette's third straight runner-up finish after leading the GT category for the first two hours. Milner and Beretta finished sixth after a spin in the treacherous condi-

tions temporarily stranded the No. 3 Corvette before the race was stopped.

The No. 17 Porsche 911 GT3 finished first after advancing from sixth in the rain-soaked final minutes. BMW was 3rd and 4th; Ferrari finished 5th.

Next Race: Elkhart Lake (Wisconsin), Saturday, August 20th at 3:00 CT. The replay will air Sunday on ABC at 3:30 CT.

Until next meeting,

Save the Wave,

Chuck Smith

NCM Ambassador



Activities Director



Greetings
Wilted Vette
Sweat Drivers,

My son remarked, "This car has great AC," on a recent drive in the Vette. Its been too hot. Even though some of us have been vacationing in cooler Colorado, these past weeks have taken a toll on outside Vette activities for sure.

We had a cruise on the 31st of July led by Clay (our resident cruise master). It was a short but fun adventure, as it always is when NTCC members get together.

In the beginning of August, seven cars traveled to Vettes on the Rockies.

We were going to have a Poker run, by Sue Loser, but it has been cancelled. It will happen at another time. Crush day at LightCatcher Winery on the 27th is our next event. Contact Terry Newman for details or go to the LightCatcher web site.

The month of August will finish out with a cruise led by Terry Smith on the 28th. We will leave as usual from the parking lot at defunct Good Eats.

September will have our meeting on the 2nd followed the next weekend with a Show on the Denton Square and Vettes and Jets on the Lex. Twelve cars are traveling south to Corpus. Plans are evolving to include a stop in Blanco at the Reeves' and a Distillery Tour in San Antonio. More info will be coming to the traveling dozen via email and the monthly meeting.

The following weekend, will have a car show in Witchita Falls with Clay as point of contact.

The Sundae cruise on the 25th will be led by Sam Pascal.

Looking way ahead to December, I am working the Christmas Party. The date is the 17th, same location and same band. Both the band and hotel are good with the date and will be sending me contracts.

Wave On!
William



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September 7

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September 8

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September 8

Carolyn Long
September 9

Anniversaries

Terry & Lynne Newman
August 20

Charlie & Lynn Davis
August 26

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August 30

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September 1

Richard & Julie Clark
September 6

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September 10

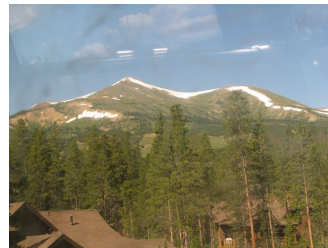
We're on the web!

www.ntcorvetteclub.com

Calendar

- Aug 27 Crush Day, Light Catcher Winery—contact Terry Newman
- Aug 28 Sundae Night Cruise — depart Stonehill Center 6:30 pm
- Sept 2 Monthly meeting—James Wood, 7:30 pm
- Sept 9-12 Vettes & Jets—contact Paul Loser
- Sept 16-17 North Texas Corvette Roundup—Wichita Falls
- Sept 25 Sundae Night Cruise — depart Stonehill Center 6:30 pm
- Oct 1 Activities meeting
- Oct 6-8 Eureka Springs Corvette Show
- Oct 7 Monthly meeting—James Wood, 7:30 pm
- Oct 15 Cowtown Corvette Show, Fort Worth

Vettes on the Rockies



August Meeting Minutes

The August 5th meeting was called to order by President Marc Hughes at 7:30 pm.

In the absence of Membership Chairman, Dennis Sipolt, Marc introduced visitors, Tim and Connie Berly from McKinney, owners of a white '05 and Michael Eardley, owner of a new jetstream blue Grand Sport purchased at James Woods. Also visiting the meeting were Christy and Drew Michaels, niece and nephew of Lisa and Dale Davis.

Marc announced that new business cards have been printed with meeting information and a blank line on the reverse side. These were circulated to the group with the intent that members distribute them to other Vette owners that they meet to encourage more club interest and new membership. The blank line is provided so the member may write his/her name on the card.

Minutes of the July meeting were read. There were no additions or corrections.

Treasurer, Lisa Davis, reported the club balance of \$6253.90 and the 50/50 fund at \$609.00.

There was a surprise interruption in the meeting when Paul Loser received a phone call from David Hanks who was attending Vettes on the Rockies in Breckenridge, Colorado, with 17 other NTCC members. All were enjoying the 68 degree temperature!

Activities Chairman William Rafferty outlined past and planned activities.

Past June activities included:

The July 4th parade in Denton which was well attended. Club participants enjoyed lunch at Fuzzy's Tacos after the event.

No one at the meeting had attended the Pottsville Corvette Show.

The 4 cars and riders of the July cruise called it short and retired to Sonic after a 2 1/2 mile trip due to the heat. The cruise route will be used on a later date.

Upcoming activities:

After a show of hands, it was decided to postpone the planned August 13th Poker Run planned by Sue Loser. It will be rescheduled to a later date when the weather is cooler and more members return from vacations.

Anyone who is planning to attend the upcoming Crush Day on August 27th at the Light-catcher Winery should contact Terry Newman who will reserve a table for the group. William will send out an e-mail to remind everyone of the event and with contact info. It may be a very hot activity for those planning to attend.

Terry Smith will host the next Sunday Cruise on the 28th. Check the website for additional information.

Webmaster and merchandise chairman Jim Peterson reported:

The website password has been updated for the new month.

Members are encouraged to check out the Tech Article "A Chemists View on Octane and Gasoline Brands" on the website.

There are still a few hats available and let him know any other merchandise needs.

Donna and Greg Stom will be featured "In the Headlights" next month.

Due to his absence, there was no report from National Corvette

Museum Ambassador Chuck Smith.

New Business:

Les Long is investigating a new Italian restaurant nearby to add to the club's "after meeting" dinner list.

Les also charmed the group with his reading of "Women" or rather "Whiskey"...

Jim Peterson proposed that the club support the Appletree Project's interfaith ministry to supply disadvantaged children in the Denton area with funds for school supplies. A motion was made and with a show of hands it was agreed that the club donate \$500.00 to assist with this effort.

For anyone interested, Terry Newman has located an upholsterer in Lewisville who has very reasonable pricing.

The 50/50 pot of \$78.00 was won by John Hellmers.

There were 46 in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm with dinner immediately following at Genti's.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Rafferty, Secretary



Sundae Cruise from Good Eats to Sonic – 2.4 miles

"It finally happened. I got the GPS lady so confused, she said, "In one-quarter mile, make a legal stop and ask directions." ~ Robert Brault

