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October Events:

Business Meeting – I was unable to attend the October Business Meeting due to the fact that I was on a bold adventure in Egypt. For those of you that haven't ventured outside the borders of our great country, I recommend that you visit a place like Egypt. Keep in mind that Egypt is not considered to be a third-world country, but is high on the social and economic level of most countries in Africa. Boy, did I experience a culture shock when I arrived at the Cairo Airport. The first thing I noticed was the automatic weapons on the shoulder of the numerous security guards. Once outside of the airport there were more guards wondering about. For us Americans that are not acquainted with this level of security it was nerve racking. Arriving in downtown Cairo was an experience also, as it reminded me of a zoo with thousands of cars mixed with donkey drawn carts trying to navigate the small streets. Our guide indicated that the population swells to 16 million during the day and falls to 12 million during the night. Needless to say this many folks can make a city look awful dirty. Walking down any street there is unbelievable amounts of trash and garbage every where. Because of the September 11 incident, tourism is low all over the world especially in Egypt. The people of Egypt are just as angry regarding the terrorist attack as it is having a detrimental effect on their economy due to the lack of tourists. Sometimes I felt that Cyndi and I were the only Americans there. In some ways this was to our advantage as we received first class accommodations every where we visited. When you went into a shop to look for souvineers you would be accosted by sales clerks offering special deals on everything, even when you told them that you were not interested in purchasing anything. This would be heaven to those of you who like to bargain on prices, but for me I am use to going into a shop and paying what is marked on the items. Driving around Cairo you get an indication of the economic level of the average Egyptian. Not very high as compared to the good old US of A. I would recommend that any American that has any negative thoughts about our country that they be sent to a place like this and made to live and survive as the locals do for six months. Their idea of what's wrong with America would change in no time. Stay tuned for more details of my trip in the following issues of the monthly newsletter. Come join the fun at our Business Meeting on Thursday December 6, 7:00 p.m. at Beef O'Brady's on Thomasville Road.

Sonic Gathering – The turnout of Vettes at the Sonic Gathering for the month of October was great. We had 18 car to attend even with the competition from FSU football and the American and Nation League play off games (see pictures on next page). We also had three prospective members to attend. Let's all try and make the November gathering a priority before cold weather is upon us, see all of you then. Corvette gatherings are always held the third Saturday of each month starting at 7:00 p.m. located at the Sonic Drive Inn on North Monroe Street.



The Cruisin' Corvettes arrive at the Sonia and are ready to display the beautiful Corvettes.



This looks like a picture out of the sixties with the hot rods aligned up under the lights.



A few of the Vettes were from the older eras, but Bill Culpepper's 1998 Pace Car does not fit that image.



Seen here are spectators viewing the eighteen Vette's that attended the October Sonic Gathering.



The food is not great at the Sonic but the conversation among club members makes up for it.

Future Events:

FSU Homecoming Parade - If you are interested in driving your Corvette in the FSU Homecoming Parade on Friday, November 9th, call Mary-Lee Rouse at 893-5547. The parade begins at 1:30 p.m. so we need to report at the Civic Center parking lot at 12:00 noon. Please note that signs will be affixed with masking tape to identify the official riding in your car.

Confetti's Car Show – On the second Saturday of each month, Confetti's Ice Cream Shoppe sponsors their monthly car show, cruise through town and sock hop in Havana, Florida. Registration begins at 4:00 p.m. in front of Confetti's. The "Confetti Car of the Month" trophy will be given out, plus "The best of class" plaque. The cruise through town will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. After the cruise, Confetti's will be open for their weekly sock hop. These shows are always fun, but best of all it's free. Hope to see you on Saturday November 10.

Veterans Day Parade - Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 3308 has invited the Cruisin' Corvettes to participate in this year's Veterans Day Parade on Monday, November 12. The parade will be televised by WCTV. If you are interested in driving your Vette in this parade be at the staging area on West Call street at 8:30 p.m. Please make an effort to join us for this event especially after the September 11th incident. Our club is asked by many associations to participate in activities. Let's not let them down. See all of you on Monday, November 12.

What-A-Burger Get Together – On the last Saturday of each month, the Street-Rodders and Classic Chevy Club invites all that are interested in cars to attend their monthly get together at What-A-Burger located on Thomasville Road. At the monthly get together you can find an assortment of classic cars of all makes and models. Cars start arriving around 6:30 p.m., if you want a place to park get there early and don't forget your lawn chairs. The next get together is November 24.

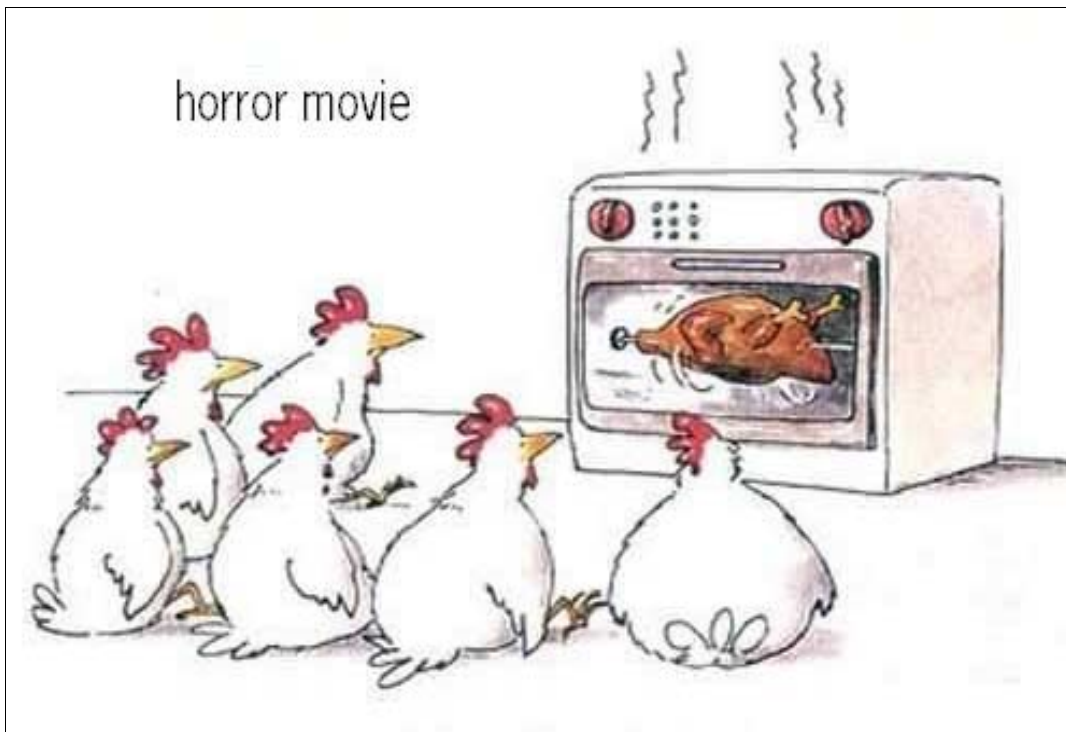
Camp Gordon Johnston Association Parade – You are cordially invited to participate in the 7th annual Camp Gordon Johnston Association Reunion Parade in Carrabelle, Florida on Saturday, March 9, 2002 at 10:45 a.m. This parade, as well as many other events over a three-day period will honor many World War II veterans. This invitation was sent to our club well in advance as seen by the date of March 2002. The club will participate in this parade and will be organized like all others.

Spring Fling Car Show - The Capitol City Classic Chevy Club is proud to announce it's 16th annual Spring Fling Car Show on Saturday, April 20, 2002. The event will be held at the Old Bainbridge Park. There will be a cash prize for best of show and special awards for best paint, interior, engine, best club participation, hard luck and longest distance driven. Registration along with a Hospitality Dinner begins on Friday, April 19, 5:30 p.m. at the park and continues on Saturday, April 20 from 8:00 a.m. until noon. The registration fee if paid by April 5th is \$20.00, after April 5th is \$25.00. Pre entry registration includes tickets for the Hospitality Dinner. Judging at 1:00 p.m., ends at 2:30 p.m. with the awards presentation at 4:00 p.m. Contact Bill Cayson 878-3931 during the day or Linda Glessner 668-0359.

Club Paraphernalia:

B.J. Allen offers a variety of items that can be made per any specifications and also has baseball caps (any color), shirt or any attire with the club logo. She also has the ability to place a picture of any year Corvette on jackets as well. To order call at 878-4388 or e-mail BJAllen263@msn.com. Club decals are available for \$5.00 each and additional magnetic identification badges with the club logo are also available at club cost. Call Brian Webb at 668-3380 if interested.

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