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## December Events:

### Business Meeting ( 12/04/2003 )

Brian Webb called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. He started the meeting with a story about meeting a man who helped design the new C-6 for General Motors while hunting in Texas. He also spoke about the new XLR Corvette Cadillac priced at \$76,000. It is fiberglass with a retractable top.

The Moultrie Car Show and Swap Meet was huge with over 2,000 cars for sale. This event is becoming one of the largest in the Georgia and Florida areas.

We had our Christmas party on December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Capital City Country Club. It was really a nice evening with many door prizes thanks to Bob Cotsonas. Brian presented a big thank-you to BJ Allen for organizing the evening even though she was unable to attend due to illness and read a very nice letter to us from BJ wishing us a wonderful Christmas. The club will be sending BJ some flowers to wish her well and to thank her for her efforts on organizing the Christmas Party. Next year's party has already been scheduled at the same place for Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> so put it on your calendars.

The Veteran's Day Parade was a big success. We rode second in line and had a Veteran in each car. It was touching to get a standing ovation along the entire parade route.

Jerry Culbreth told us about the movie the FSU Film School student talked to us about a few months ago really did happen at Leon High School as planned. It is called "A Dance with Donna" and will be shown to the public Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Florida Chapter of the National Corvette Restoration Society event will be held January 21<sup>st</sup> in Kissimmee. Many of our club members will be attending this event.

The annual Valentine Party at Brian Webb's Vette Party Barn has been scheduled. It will be on Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:00 p.m. so mark your calendars for this fun afternoon. Each person should bring a side item or a dessert. Please call Rima Kelley at 893-3161 to sign up so we don't end up with all of the same items. Some members did sign up at the December meeting, if you weren't present and would like to bring a dish, please call Rima.

A discussion about membership dues and their significant others was presented by Ken Rouse. After a long debate the following are the rules regarding what is covered by the annual \$25.00 fee for dues: The dues are paid yearly and include the member and his/her significant other no matter how many Vettes are owned in the family. The \$25.00 includes one membership number on the identification card and nametag along with a yearly subscription of the monthly newsletter. Additional nametags for the spouse and family members can be purchased for \$6.00 each. If the significant other would like their own membership number placed on a membership card and nametag they must pay an additional \$25.00. Please note that only one newsletter will be sent to a family.

The annual board member elections were held at the December business meeting. Congratulations to Brian Webb, Bob Cotsonas, Rima Kelley and Rick Spring as the new board of directors for 2004. Brian, Rima and Rick were re-elected to the positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer. Congratulations to Bob Cotsonas who replaced Beverly Blankenship as Vice-President. Thank you Beverly for your hard word and diligence while serving, as Vice-President over the past year and we all know Bob will fill Beverly's shoes and do a great job. We all look forward to the New Year. Many interesting events are in the planning stage.

Final decisions were made regarding the annual elections. From now on whoever attends the December meeting will elect the officers as stated in our by-laws. No absentee ballots will be sent to members. Remember this is your club and you must take the responsibility to elect the board members, your input is desperately needed.

There will not be a January Business meeting due to the fact that January 1 falls on the first Thursday in 2004. We will begin our new year at the February meeting to be held Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Sonic Gathering ( 12/20/2003 )

We had a small turnout for December, only five Corvettes made it to the gathering. It was a cold night and may have discouraged the regulars that normally attend. We begin our seventh year as a club and hopefully we can make 2004 special by increasing the number of Corvettes that gather at the Sonic. It won't be long before the weather begins to warm up, so make a New Year's resolution to be a regular at the Monthly Sonic Gatherings.

## Future Events:

### **Sonic Gathering** ( 01/17/2004 )

The 3rd Saturday of each month is our monthly Corvette Gathering at the Sonic Drive-In on North Monroe Street here in Tallahassee. The Corvettes start arriving around 7 p.m. and continue until around 9 p.m. If you are interested in Corvette talk this is the place to be.

### **Florida NCRS Winter Regional Meet** ( 01/21/2004 )

The Florida Chapter of the National Corvette Restorers Society will have their winter regional meet January 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> at Old Town located in Kissimmee. For those that are interested our club has reserved fifteen rooms at the Travel Lodge Main Gate East at 5711 W. US Highway 192 just across from Old Town. Room rates are \$49 per night. The reservation number is 1-800-327-1128, and tell them you are with Cruisin' Corvettes. Additional information can be found at [www.ncrsfl.com](http://www.ncrsfl.com).

### **Street-Rodders Meeting** ( 01/31/2004 )

On the last Saturday of each month, the Tallahassee Street-Rodders invites all that are interested in cars to attend their meeting at What-A-Burger located on Thomasville Road. Cars start arriving around 6 p.m. Don't forget to bring your folding chairs, as seating space is limited.

### **Business Meeting** ( 02/05/2004 )

There will not be a meeting in January due to New Year falling on Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup>. Business meetings will resume in February. Business meetings are always held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month. The location is the Golden Corral located at 1630 N. Monroe Street. Please make plans to attend the next meeting, as we need suggestions from all members on how the club should operate. This meeting is open to the public, so if you are interested in our club or Corvettes in general you are invited.

### **Capitol City Cruizers** ( 02/07/2004 )

Cruise and enjoy this hobby with friends and family. There are no rules, no dues, no by-laws, this is all about having fun! Come join the fun the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at Wendy's on the corner of Capital Circle and Centerville Road. Anyone interested in the hobby is welcome, even if you're between cars. For additional information about Capitol City Cruizers visit their web site at [www.capitolcitycruizer.com](http://www.capitolcitycruizer.com).

### **Open Cruise-In** ( 02/08/2004 )

This event sponsored by the Antique Car Museum is held the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. rain or shine. This event is lots of fun, bring your bag chairs for outside and you are welcome to bring a few items for a swap meet.

### **Vette's at the Villages "3"** ( 03/06/2004 )

The Corvette Club of Orlando presents the Vette's at the Villages "3" on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. Pre-registration before February 23<sup>rd</sup> is \$20 and receive a free t-shirt and dash plaque. Registration day of show is \$25 and begins at 8:30 a.m., ends at 11:30 a.m. Trophies awarded in eight classes consisting of 1953-62, 1963-67, 1968-75, 1976-82, 1984-90, 1991-96, 1997-2000 and 2001-2004. First 100 pre-registration gets a free t-shirt and dash plaque. Directions are found on our web site under Future Events.

### **Corvettes in the Sunshine** ( 03/27/2004 )

Citrus County Corvette Club presents Corvettes in the Sunshine on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at Crystal Chevrolet located at 1025 S.

Suncoast Boulevard, Crystal River, Florida. Registration fee is \$20 if received by February 28<sup>th</sup> and includes 1 free t-shirt. Registration after February 28<sup>th</sup> is \$25. Goodie bags, dash plaques and door prizes will be awarded the day of show. For additional information about this show look under Future Events on our web site.

### **Vette's at the Port** ( 04/17/2004 )

Cape Kennedy Corvette Club presents the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Vette's at the Point open Corvette show on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Pre-registration before April 10<sup>th</sup> is \$25, day of show is \$30. Registration day of show begins at 7:00 a.m. and ends at 11:30 a.m. Trophies awarded in seven classes consisting of 1953-62, 1963-67, 1968-77, 1978-82, 1984-90, 1991-96 and 1997-2004. First 100 pre-registration gets a free t-shirt and dash plaque. Directions to this show can be found on our web site under Future Events.

### **Springtime Tallahassee Parade** ( 04/03/2004 )

Springtime will be here before you know it and we have been invited to participate in the 2004 Springtime Tallahassee Parade on Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> as the parade celebrates its 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This year's theme is "Views of the Past, Visions of the Future". Each year we have a good representation of Corvettes and hopefully this year will be the same. Put this event on your calendar and make plans to participate. Times Line-up information and time will be provided as soon as we receive them, so stay tuned!

## 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 can also place a picture of any year Corvette on jackets. To order call 878-4388 or e-mail B.J. at [BJAllen16@comcast.net](mailto:BJAllen16@comcast.net).

## New Members:

We had one new member to join the club in December as things slow down this time of year. Please welcome Andy Gibbens owner of a 1997 Silver Coupe.

Any new member that would like a free magnetic identification badge with club logo may contact Joe Fuller or Brian Webb at (850) 668-3380. Additional magnetic identification badges with the club logo are available for \$6.00.

## Annual Membership Renewal:

A reminder that membership renewals are due January 2004. New members that join the club after September 30, 2003 are exempt until January 2005. Membership renewals are \$25.00 per year and include a yearly subscription to the monthly newsletter, a membership card and magnetic nametag. Make check payable to Cruisin' Corvettes and send to Cruisin' Corvettes, 2907 Kerry Forest Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32312. Please Note: Members that have not renewed their membership by **April 30, 2004** will be removed from the membership roll.

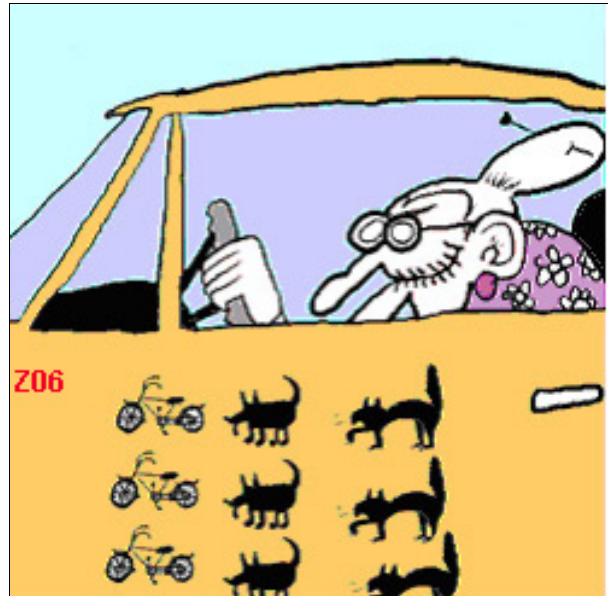
## Note From the Editor:

2004 begins our seventh years as a club. I have been the editor of your newsletter since it's inception and hope you have enjoyed reading each monthly edition. I am looking forward to even a better year than the last seven, let's all work together so that our club can continue to grow over the next year. I wish all of you a Happy New Year. Jerry Culbreth

### Funnies of the Month:



Life was boring around the home until Gert and Tillie started spiking the water supply with Viagra.



STILL COUNTING !  
and  
WHAT'S NEXT ?



This says it all. Some of us will need to make our signs right away or in the near future!