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March Events:

Business Meeting (03/04/2004)

Bob Cotsonas called the meeting to order at 7:05 and we adjourned at 7:45. We had 24 members in attendance. We welcomed one new member, Colleen Wiley, owner of a 2004 Machine Silver coupe.

Bob asked if everyone received the club newsletter as we are mailing it prior to the business meeting. It is in the new book format. He also asked members to contribute articles of interest for the newsletter. The membership was asked if they had any recommendations or a volunteer to become the club secretary to replace Rima Kelley.

Dues reminders were mailed out with the March newsletter and final reminders will be mailed out with the April newsletter. Those members who have not renewed their membership by April 30, 2004 will be removed from the membership roll.

The sonic cruise night car of the month pick went to Ken and Beverly Blankenship and the special plaque award will be on display in the showroom at Champion Chevrolet.

Various upcoming events were discussed, among them the Vettes in the Village, Marzuq Classics, the Camp Gordon Johnson Parade and the Springtime Tallahassee Parade.

Beverly Blankenship, our National Corvette Museum Ambassador passed a list around for members to sign as to whether they were members of the Museum and what type of membership they had, either individual or family. She also talked about several other issues including purchasing of individual bricks at the Museum, raffle tickets for several corvettes to be given away by the Museum and the Museum building fund.

Another reminder - the cost for food at the Golden Corral is \$9.50 per person that includes the buffet, a beverage and gratuity - all-inclusive. Remember, you may need to remind the cashier of this deal.

Camp Gordon Johnson Parade (03/13/04)

Two corvettes represented our club at this parade. Participants included law enforcement, firefighting equipment, various marine patrol organizations as well as local merchants. The light club turnout was attributed to another car show event held in Tallahassee during the same timeframe.

Vettes in the Village (03/06/04)

The venue is at the Villages at Lady Lake located between Ocala and Wildwood. It is a planned community with a population of around 40,000 residents. 145 corvettes registered for the show and the weather was gorgeous. Awards were given out covering all categories of Corvettes from C1 thru C5. A special award went to the best "bone stock" corvette. Another award went to the corvette driven the furthest, the winner came from Indiana.



Marzuq Classics (03/13/2004)

Saturday, March 13th was a beautiful day for a car show; the Shriners ordered a perfect day for their event. There were about fifty cars and trucks that participated in this inaugural event. Four members represented our club consisting of Curtis King, Gary Allen, Andy Gibbens and Jerry Culbreth. Congratulations to Curtis who won a first and second place trophy with his 1980 and 1982 Corvettes and Jerry Culbreth who won a second place trophy with his 1966 Corvette convertible.

Sonic Gathering (03/20/2004)

Club participation was again great this month as twenty-four Corvettes were in attendance. Everyone enjoyed the great weather, mingling and talking corvettes with one another. Members from the Street Rodders club also joined in the activities. The addition of their cars to the line of Corvettes made this month special. Spectators really enjoyed themselves, let's make next month just as enjoyable. Three prospective new members asked for an application to join the club, the membership is growing at a fast rate. The March Car of the Month was also picked; see the article on page 4.

Future Events:

Goodguys Spring Nationals (03/26/2004)

Swap meet and cars for sale corral at the North Florida Fairgrounds. Featuring rods, customs, classics and muscle cars thru 1972 plus nostalgia stage shows and exhibitor midway. Event hours are Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Additional information is available at www.good-guys.com.

Business Meeting (04/01/2004)

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. The management of the Golden Corral has reserved parking for all Corvettes so please bring your car to the next meeting, the time will be changing in April so there will be plenty of daylight for spectators to view the beautiful Corvettes.

Springtime Tallahassee Parade (04/03/2004)

Springtime is here and we have been invited to participate in the 2004 Springtime Tallahassee Parade on Saturday, April 3rd as the parade celebrates its 36th Anniversary. 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. If you want to ride in the parade contact Bob Cotsonas at 894-4008 or meet in the parking lot behind Hooters on Monroe Street between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m. the day of the parade.

Capitol City Cruizers (04/03/2004)

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 1st Saturday of each month at Popeye's on Thomasville 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.

Open Cruise-In (04/04/2004)

This event sponsored by the Antique Car Museum is held the 1st 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 items for a swap meet.

Remember When Car Show (04/04/2004)

This 2nd annual show is sponsored by the Open Bible Church located at 526 East 8th Avenue in Tallahassee to be held Sunday April 4th from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. This is an open show for all vehicles. Awards will be presented for people's choice, participant's choice, pastor's choice, bold believers choice, river crossing and best overall. Pre-registration is \$15.00, registration at the event is \$20.00. Judging begins at 1 p.m., hamburgers, hot dogs and cold drinks will be available. For additional information contact Rich Hinkle at (850) 875-9315 or view the Future Events page on our web site.

Eckler's Springfest (04/10/2004)

Eckler's hosts this show located in Titusville. Hours are 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Events include a for sale corral, used parts swap meet, car show, food and door prizes. For information, visit their web site at www.ecklers.com.

Sonic Gathering (04/17/2004)

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 begin to arrive around 7 p.m. If you are interested in Corvette talk this is the place to be. Come see who wins the Car of the Month award.

Hooters Local Event (04/17/2004)

On Saturday, April 17th, Hooters Restaurant located at 2000 N. Monroe will host a fun show and shine from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. Bring your Corvette, folding chairs and join your fellow club members for an afternoon of food and drink. Hooters will block off reserved parking on their front row. We also will have access to their veranda. So mark your calendar for this event. Keep in mind this is the same day as the Sonic Gathering. After 6 p.m., we will caravan from Hooter's to Sonic where we will continue with our cruise night.

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

Cape Kennedy Corvette Club presents the 3rd annual Vette's at the Point open Corvette show on Saturday, April 17th. Pre-registration before April 10th is \$25 and the 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. Only the first one hundred participants to pre-register will receive a free t-shirt and dash plaque.

Vette Ladies Night Out (04/22/2004)

On Thursday, April 22nd, at 7:00 p.m., Champion Chevrolet will host a "Vette Ladies Night Out" at the dealership. Ladies only please! All ladies of the club are invited. Ladies who are married to a "Corvette Fanatic" are welcome to come and learn more about the car that has captured their husband's interest. A mechanic will be present to talk basic care of the Corvette and answer questions. This will be a fun time for all Cruisin' Corvette Ladies! Put it on your calendar now and plan to attend!

Spring Fling Car Show (04/24/2004)

The Capitol City Classic Chevy Club is proud to announce it's 18th annual Spring Fling Car Show on Saturday, April 24th. The event will be held at the J. Lee Vause Park located on Old Bainbridge Road just north of U.S. 27. Registration along with a Hospitality Dinner begins on Friday, April 23rd beginning at 5:30 p.m. to sunset at the park. Registration continues Saturday, April 24th from 8 a.m. until noon. The registration fee for judging if paid by April 10th is \$20.00, after April 10th is \$25.00. Show and Shine no judging is \$15.00. Judging begins at 1 p.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. with the award presentations at 4 p.m. For additional information view the Future Events page on our web site.

Street-Rodders Meeting (04/24/2004)

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.

Kuumba Festival Car Show (04/24/2004)

This event has numerous sponsors consisting of the City of Hollywood, Red Eye Entertainment, Sun-Sentinel, Turbo TV, Fox Sports, Hot 105.1, Lite FM., Broward Sheriff Office, Infocus Magazine, Universal Records & Film and Fan Magazine. The place is Hollywood Beach Board Walk, Hollywood, FL. The date is April 24th and the time is noon until 9:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$35.00 per car or bike. The sponsors are asking all car and bike participants who would like to participate to arrive at the boardwalk around 6:00 p.m.

Future Events (Continued)

Spring Jamboree (05/08/2004)

Bill Cramer Chevrolet, Pontiac and Nissan presents this fourth annual car and truck show to be held in Donalsonville, Georgia located on highway 82. The show begins at 9 a.m., trophies to be presented at 3 p.m. Free dash plaques to the first 100 to register, free t-shirts and goodie bag to the first 75. There are 70 classes consisting of first, second and third place trophies, nine best of class and two best of show. Registration fee is \$20.00 day of show. For additional information call toll free at 1-800-239-8914 or view the Future Events page on our web site.

Circle City Corvette Beach Caravan (05/13/2004)

Circle City Corvettes invites you to the 24th annual Beach Caravan. This event begins on Thursday, May 13th in Dothan, Alabama with registration at the Party Barn. Friday is the car caravan from Dothan to Panama City followed by check in at the Ramada Inn. Don't miss being a part of over 250 Corvettes on the world's most beautiful beaches. For more information, contact John Hickman at (334) 347-5908 or 1-800-239-9451 or e-mail jhickman@ala.net, Bruce Carter at (334) 774-6340 or visit their web site at www.circlecitycorvettes.com.

University Chevrolet Car Show (05/15/2004)

This third annual car and truck show will be held May 15th at University Chevrolet located at 1850 Capital Circle N.E. in Tallahassee rain or shine. The show is open for all age cars and begins at 9 a.m., trophies will be presented at 4 p.m. Registration fee is \$20.00 day of show. The show is held on a paved parking lot no need to worry about rain, trophies presented to the top 50 cars and 10 best of show trophies will be awarded. For more information call 1-866-539-3178 or view the Future Events page on our web site.

Whataburger Convertible Pick (05/29/2004)

The Tallahassee Streetrodders are trying to increase the cruise night by adding a feature car pick each month. A Whataburger employee will make the feature car pick. A car can only win one time per year. The prizes will vary month to month and a photo of the winner will be taken for display at the Whataburger. The featured class in May is All Convertibles. Let's make plans to bring out all of the beautiful Corvette convertibles, we all know that no other car can compete with the Corvette!

Thomasville Ford Car Show (06/12/2004)

Presenting the third annual car and truck show sponsored by Thomasville Ford to be held Saturday June 12th in Thomasville from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. rain or shine. The location is 1515 East Jackson Street. Free dash plaques will be presented to the first 100 to register. There are 70 classes 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies and 2 best of show. Registration fee is \$20.00 day of show. For additional information call 1-800-225-1282 or view the Future Events page on our web site.

Summer Car and Truck Show (06/19/2004)

Wallace Chevrolet presents this car and truck show to be held in Albany, Georgia 1001 South Slappy Boulevard on June 19th rain or shine. Free dash plaques to the first 100 to register. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies will be awarded for each class and 2 best overall trophies. Registration fee is \$20.00 day of show. For additional information call (229) 432-6271 or view the Future Events page on our web site.

Corvettes at the Mercado (07/10/2004)

The Mercado Village and The Florida Corvette Club are proud to sponsor the second annual Corvette show on Saturday July

10th in Orlando from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded in all five classes. There will be activities and entertainment along with lots of freebies. Goodie bags to include: Dash Plaques, Discounts and Coupons to the Mercado Shops and restaurants and one free event t-shirt to those registered for the show. Registration open the day of show from 9:00 a.m. until noon, show is from noon until 4:00 p.m., trophies presented at 4:40 p.m. Registration fee is \$15.00 prior to June 10th and \$20.00 after June 10th.

Whataburger Corvette Pick (09/25/2004)

The Tallahassee Streetrodders are trying to increase the cruise night by adding a feature car-pick each month. A Whataburger employee will make the feature car pick. A car can only win one time per year. The prizes will vary month to month and a photo of the winner will be taken for display at the Whataburger. The featured class in May is All Corvettes.

Vettes by the Shore (06/18/2004)

This is the largest indoor Corvette show on the Gulf Coast. The show runs Friday June 18th through Sunday June 20th. Everyone will receive a participant's award, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th award in each class and year group. For additional information view the Future Events page on our web site

New Members:

Two new members and their spouses joined the club in March. Please welcome Jook and Sally Patrenos owners of a 2004 red convertible and Bobby and Charlene Hinson owners of a 1996 red 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 1st of each year. New members that join the club after September 30th, 2003 are exempt until January 1st, 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. Members that are removed will be returned to the membership rolls once dues are received. There is one month left to renew: April.

Special Lunch Ride:

Gary Allen has arranged a lunch ride to Fiddler's Restaurant in Steinhatchee on Sunday, April 25th. Members interested in participating in this ride meet in the Northeast corner of the Wal-Mart Shopping center on U.S. 27 South (Apalachee Parkway). We will leave the parking lot promptly at 9:30 a.m. so don't be late.

Business Meeting Speaker:

At the April 1st Business Meeting, Lee Woodruff, service advisor for Champion Chevrolet, will be on hand to answer servicing questions regarding Corvettes. Please plan to attend as Lee has a wealth of information regarding the car we love. So if you have questions about any issue for any year Corvette, now is your chance to receive an answer. See all of you at the April business meeting.

For Sale:

The following cars are for sale at Champion/University Chevrolet. Contact either dealership for pricing, mileage and other particulars:

New

2004 White
2004 Blue
2004 Blue
2004 White
2004 Magnetic Red
2004 Magnetic Red
2004 Gray
2004 Silver
2004 Black
2004 Gray

Type

Convertible
Commemorative Convertible
Commemorative Coupe
Coupe
Convertible
Coupe
Convertible
Coupe
Coupe
Coupe

Pre Owned

2003 Black
2002 Yellow
2000 Red

Z06
Z06
Convertible

Car of the Month:

The staff of Sonic again was asked to pick a car of their choice and this month's winner is Bill and Betty Mormile and their 1961 White roadster. Congratulations! A picture of their car will be displayed on the Car of the Month plaque and their names will also be engraved as the March 2004 winner. The plaque is on display at Champion Chevrolet in the showroom each month. Plan to attend the Sonic Gathering - you never can tell - your car may be picked as the next car of the month!



Funnies:



"I know I'm your best friend and all, but I'm tired of keeping you company. I think it's time you found a date."