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### Notes from the Prez:

Hope everyone is having a fun and safe summer. It has been a hot one!

We had a slim showing at Whataburger at the July gathering that included four Vettes and two trucks.

Our breakfast cruise was also sparse with four Vettes cruising to the Sunset Grill and Joyce Hilyer meeting up with us. We had a grand time!

Today I met a Corvette enthusiast who shared his Corvette story with me. He said that the doctors told him there was a large mass in his head. Thinking it was cancer he went to the Chevrolet dealership and purchased a triple black Corvette. As he returned home to take a nap and rest for a little while, he was thinking, why not? "I cannot take money with me when I am gone, and why leave it for the kids to fight over?"

Later he found out that the mass was just an infection that the doctors were able to cure and he is doing fine now . . . still driving his Corvette. He said he fell in love with the car and could not part with it!

There is a story for every car out there and we hope you will share yours with us soon at our business meetings!

Tom Hannah shared his Corvette story with us during the July meeting. His love of Corvettes began when a neighbor took him to school in one. And, the neighbor's daughter took him for a ride in it (but you would have had to have been there to hear that story!)

See you soon!

Beverly

### Future Events:

**August 4** – Cruisin' Corvettes Business Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Golden Corral on Monroe Street.

**August 20** – Cruisin' Corvettes Whataburger Cruise-In on Thomasville Road at 6:00 p.m.

**August 26-28** – Corvettes @ Carlisle – Carlisle, PA

**September 1** – Cruisin' Corvettes Business Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Golden Corral on Monroe Street.

**September 17** - Cruisin' Corvettes  
Whataburger Cruise-In on Thomasville  
Road at 6:00 p.m.

**September 17-19** – Mid America  
Funfest – Effingham, IL

**September 23-24** – Cruisin' Corvettes  
Car Show sponsored by Champion  
Chevrolet.

**September 29-October 1** – Petite  
LeMans in Atlanta  
([www.roadatlanta.com](http://www.roadatlanta.com))

**October 8-10** – Cruise to Bowling  
Green, Ky with members of Emerald  
Coast Corvettes and Circle City  
Corvettes.

**October 21-23** – Emerald Coast  
Corvette Club's Beach Odyssey  
([www.emeraldcoastcorvetteclub.com](http://www.emeraldcoastcorvetteclub.com))

**October 21-22** – Florida Forest Festival  
King Tree Parade and Car Show.  
Friday night activities include bed races  
@ 6:00 PM and a BBQ dinner on the  
Square with a night time parade.

Staging for parade begins at 9:00 AM  
Parade begins at 10:00 AM

At the end of the parade route cars may  
drive to the car show area (about 1-1/2  
miles). Traffic is usually light at this time  
and access is a near right turn off Hwy  
19 South (South Byron Butler Hwy).  
The show area is grass and shaded by  
large pine trees.

The Car Show ends around 3:30 PM.  
**Cruisin' Corvettes of Tallahassee** will  
have a designated parking area. Please  
contact Bob Ely at 850/584-2695 if you  
plan to attend.

Free fish dinner (Usually mullet, baked  
beans, cole slaw and hush puppies)  
Serving commences at High Noon.  
Other food items available from various  
food and drink vendors.

Featured stage entertainment by  
country star Rhonda Vincent, best  
known single, "I've Forgotten You".  
Bring your chair and gather around

the stage that is also shaded by  
large pine trees!

Karaoke challenges to be judged by a  
special guest star.

World-class "lumberjack" and  
"lumberjill" championships from the  
Ironjack Lumberjack Show will  
demonstrate their skills

Logging equipment display

Chainsaw competition – Local talent  
with souped up saws compete for  
\$200.00 first place prize money

Women's flower show  
Health checks and information  
Story Telling for Children in the old  
settlers building  
Arts and Crafts – 50+ vendors

Area Hotels:

Hampton Inn: 850/223-3000  
Southern Inn of Perry 850/84-4221  
Best Budget Inn 850/584-6231  
Chaparral Inn 850/584-2441  
Days Inn 850/584-5311  
Kingswood Motel 850/584-4184  
Gandy Motor Lodge 850/584-4947  
(All located on Byron Butler Hwy)

**Business Meetings :**

Are always held at 7:00 p.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Thursday of each month. The location  
is the Golden Corral on N. Monroe  
Street. Please make plans to attend the  
next meeting.

**July Vette of the Month** belongs to Ed and Amber Dyess. Ed and Amber own a silver C6 Convertible and are new members of the club.



#### **NCM News:**

### **BECOME AN HONORARY PIT CREW MEMBER FOR CORVETTE RACING AT PETIT LE MANS**



GM Racing and the National Corvette Museum want to make one lucky Corvette owner in America an honorary pit-crew member for Corvette Racing's factory team at Petit Le Mans later this year. Registration is open for an online drawing that will let the winner go behind the scenes and be a part of Corvette Racing's quest to win the 1,000-mile/10-hour event at Road Atlanta from Sept. 29-Oct. 1.

This special activity is being offered **"Free"** with no purchase obligation – but you must register before September 1. The drawing will take place on Sunday, September 4 as part of the Museum's 11 th Anniversary Corvette Celebration grand finale activities. Eligibility for the drawing includes:

- Over 18 years of age

- Own a Corvette and drive it to the race
- Be able to attend all of the Petit Le Mans race activities
- Be physically able to perform a task in the Hot Pits

The winner of the drawing will be in the pits with the Corvette Racing team in full, loaned attire during Thursday night's practice session at Road Atlanta, as well as the entire race Saturday.

#### **Ordering Club Shirts:**

Club shirts can be ordered from Wear Guard, an Aramark company located in Norwell, MA. The website is

[www.wearguard.com](http://www.wearguard.com)

Please contact Jennifer Mann at 1-800-677-7070 extension 5972. Tell Jennifer that you are with Cruisin' Corvettes. Our customer number is 17095784.

You will be able to pay for your order with a credit card and the order usually ships within ten days.

#### **Lost and Found:**

Rick Spring is missing two navy Coleman folding chairs (lost at the Pic Nic) If found, please contact Beverly at 528-0717.

Beverly Blankenship is missing two navy National Corvette Museum folding chairs that were discovered missing after Webb's Sweetheart party. If found, please contact Beverly at 528-0717.

#### **Needed:**

Publisher for newsletter. **Help!!!!**

A display case for our trophies displayed at Champion Chevrolet.

Volunteers to help with the Car Show – Please see Andy Gibbens or Beverly.



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### **Love vs. Spanking (a psychological conundrum)**

*Most of America's populace think it is not proper to spank children, so I have tried other methods to control my kids when they have one of "those moments."*

One that I found effective is for me to just take the child for a car ride and talk.

They usually calm down and stop misbehaving after our car ride together.

I've included a photo to the right of one of my sessions with my son, in case you would like to use the technique.

Sincerely,

