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NVCC Annual Banquet!!

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Happy birthday!!!



Fred Wendling	March 1 st
Jeff Adelman	March 4 th
Joe Holzer	March 9 th
Mike Sarver	March 14 th
Dale Harrison	March 16 th
Cecelia Holzer	March 23 rd
Kirk DeNee	March 25 th
Rita Mars	March 27 th
Bruce Witkowski	March 27 th
Robert Miller	March 30 th
Randy Urick	April 2 nd
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George Kerns	April 10 th
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Jeff Eckhaus	April 13 th
David Ghiglio	April 20 th
Marsha Batchellor	April 25 th
Bob Devery	April 27 th



Membership Corner

We currently have **120** active members and **12** prospective members.

Prospective Members:

George Conlon	2005 Yellow Coupe
Lori & Tim Grovac	2005 Red Coupe
Gary Moller	2006 Z51 Victory Red Coupe
Becky Anzelone	2006 Silver Coupe
Josie McMahon	1994 Blue Coupe

Francis Brooks	2001 Yellow Z06
Sue Somersall	2005 Magnetic Red Coupe
Jeffrey Tyley	2007 Silver Coupe
John Hillenbrand	2006 Red Convertible
Ahsan & Cindy Sheikh	2000 Yellow Convertible

You remain a "prospective" member until you pay your membership dues and return your NCCC form.

Member spotlight!!



This month's member is ... *James Chalupsky*

Member since: 1991

NVCC positions held: President, 1993

Vettes: '66 white roadster, '77 white coupe

Favorite NVCC activity: Social events and Cruises (he used to be an avid autoX-er as well until an Old Dominion guardrail jumped in his path ...)

Got his first vette: at age 19!

The story: After several test drives, a white knuckle experience on I-66, and a beautiful blue convertible that got stolen on the day he was supposed to buy it, he finally got a white '66 roadster with the base 300hp, 327, 4-spd, and 3:08 posi ... and still owns it today!

Favorite (non-vette) activities: auto mechanics (he's got 9 vehicles!), *jogging, & his new granddaughter* - born March 7th!!

Congratulations Jim!!!



National Corvette Museum (NCM)
Ambassador Corner
By: Donald Patrick



CURRENT NEWS and ACTIVITIES

Jeff Gordon #24 Door Panel Donated for Auction



Participants at the Bash event will have an opportunity to bid on a piece of NASCAR memorabilia that is a must-have for Jeff Gordon fans! On Saturday, April 28 at 2:30 as part of a live auction in the Chevrolet Theater, participants will have the opportunity to bid on a right side door panel from the #24 Jeff Gordon racecar that was donated to the Museum as a fundraiser! Find out more about this year's Bash event scheduled for April 26-28 by visiting our website:

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5_bash/agenda.shtml

Don't forget to get your \$10 ticket on a chance to win a 2007 Victory Red Corvette Convertible to be given away as part of this year's Bash event! Our winner need not be present to win – find out more and purchase your tickets online at:

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/raffle/index.shtml> or call us at: (800) 53-VETTE.

Sign Up for the 2009 National Corvette Caravan Chat



Registration for the 2009 National Corvette Caravan will be opening in the spring, and you can sign on now to be a part of the exciting Caravan chat.

Stay on top of the caravan details and specifics and enjoy the company of other enthusiasts preparing for the fourth National Corvette Caravan organized in conjunction with the Museum's 15th Anniversary! Find out more about the upcoming Corvette Caravan and sign on to the Caravan Chat area here: <http://www.corvettecaravan.com/>

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MINUTES FROM LAST MONTH'S MEETING ...

Northern Virginia Corvette Club General Business Meeting February 27, 2007

Meeting brought to order at 7:40 pm at Koons Chevrolet, Tysons Corner.

George Kerns, President welcomed everyone to the GBM. Introductions made by all.

George led off the meeting with the progression of the Annual Banquet to be held on March 3rd. Erica reported 92 out of 100 reservations have been received. (Seems like old news since we had the banquet the following Saturday and boy did we have a blast!)

Laurie Kistner – Social/Concours/Web Master:

- Club calendar & forum planning continues for all events for the year
- Full page of upcoming Social Events
- Reminder on Concours, June 3rd here @ Koons; Need Helpers (Judges, Teaching, Parking Cars, etc.)
- Web page remains functional until cutover to new site
- Business Cards anyone???? She's got 'em.

Pat Somersall – Membership

- 120 Active and 12 Prospective Members

Anne Costolanski – Newsletter

- "Member Spotlight" is a hit. The club congratulated Anne on a great addition to the monthly news letter. Her first spotlight member was Chris Grabiell.

Rich Mars – Vice President

- Rich was very active in the discussions throughout the meeting.
- Carlisle 8/24 - 8/26, Membership Booth Volunteers, more on schedule and specific needs as event progresses.

Cassidy Nolen - Historian

- State Vette Club Plate Progressing very nicely, brought a mockup for all to view. Seemed to be well received and just \$10 per plate. Thanks Cassidy for seeing this through for us! As others have mentioned, many have tried but none have succeeded.
- Trivia questions this month were a little more advanced than usual. Cassidy even baited the crowd a couple times. Have you seen the new show "Do You Know More Than a Fifth Grader?"
Winners: Rich Mars, Kris Zschirnt, Rick Poage, Arthur Baer & Mark Neblett

Marsha Batchellor – Treasurer – Did you check out that shirt she was wearing?

- Taking Club shirt orders for anyone that is interested. Has catalogue on hand to select color, embroidering etc. Price is even reasonable for these nice shirts.

George Kerns opened the floor to new business:

- The Teen Instruction Helper meeting was held on 2/24 @ Koons, great turn out.
- Cone Killers 3/24, after lengthy discussion the club ruled the event to run. By the end of the meeting, there were around 12 slots open of 32 needed to break even.
- The Teen Driving School Event 4/28, only a few slots open of the 60 potential drivers. As a reminder, representatives from the National Corvette Council and Blue Bars will be in attendance.
- George confirmed the 4/15 Jefferson HSE scratched.
- Eastern Region Spectacular Event 5/18-5/20 – 7 Autocrosses, 3 Concours, 3 Rallies, 2 Funkhanas, Detailing Classes and even an Economy Run. If you are not familiar with an Economy its fun – start with set course of directions, top off the tank and hit the road on a 50 mile run. Top the tank once again and the driver with the closest to 1/100 gallon ratio is deemed winner. George is looking for help, are you interested?

Howard Snook lead discussion on media coverage for our events. Strong discussion on how to best get the attention our club deserves. Jerry Lelansky our Publicist gathered suggestions from the meeting and will look into it.

Not so new business:

WE NEED A RALLYE MASTER!!!!

Congratulations to this month's Raffle Winners:

- Starbucks Gift Certificates – Joe Holzer, Rita Mars, Rick Poage, & Howard Snook
- Oil Change – Greg Brooks (Remind George he owes you)
- 50/50 @ \$52 – Bruce Witkowski buys the first round

Charlie Pellerin – Officer at Large

- Kept the meeting on track and we completed on time.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm with 30 Active and 9 Perspective members in attendance.

Paul Benish will lead anyone interested to Gordon Biersch Brewery in Tysons Mall for drinks.

Cel Holzer – Secretary in training



LAST CALL FOR A RALLYE CHAIR!!

The club still needs someone to volunteer to organize the 2007 rallye season. We have 3 members who have offered to host rallyes, but unless someone is willing to chair the series, there will be no 2007 rallye series.

I can promise you that you will have all the help you need!! But you have to take the first step. Contact me and I will be happy to answer your questions and explain the process.

Chuck Pellerin chuck-p@cox.net



NCM Ambassador Corner, continued ...

Show Season Necessities - Corvette Emblem Chairs



With show season around the corner, now is the time to have all you need to comfortably show and shine and the Corvette Store is filled with all the necessities.

Now in stock – Corvette Emblem chairs embroidered on the front and back with the Corvette emblem, a cup holder in each armrest, a bonus net bag on the right arm, and a carry bag with an adjustable drawstring closure. Chairs are available with C1-C6 emblems. Take a look and order online: <http://store.corvettemuseum.com/SearchResult.aspx?CategoryID=three> or place your order by calling (800) 53-VETTE.

Customize Your Own Denim Shirt

The Corvette Store is offering another opportunity to create your own stylish apparel your way! Now you can customize a stylish denim shirt and make it as unique as your Corvette!

Choose your Corvette emblem, and you can even add additional personalization to the right front chest. NCM's denim shirts are available for him and her and are made of 100% cotton denim that offers durability with a flattering fit. Find out more about these and other "customized" apparel items by shopping online at: <http://store.corvettemuseum.com/SearchResult.aspx?CategoryID=53> or call them at: (800) 53-VETTE



Ron Fellows Championship Z06 and Indy Pace Car Replica Convertible Editions

Corvette enthusiasts in search of a unique ride have much to consider this year with the introduction of two special-edition models: the Ron Fellows ALMS GT1 Champion Corvette Z06 and the Indianapolis 500 Pace Car Replica Corvette Convertible.

“Chevrolet and Corvette have a long, storied history at Indianapolis, and the new pace car special-edition commemorates that heritage with what will surely be an instant collectible,” said Ed Peper, Chevrolet general manager. “Ron Fellows is also a part of Chevrolet’s racing heritage, and he has been instrumental in the remarkable success of the Corvette Racing team in the American Le Mans Series. The special signature-series Z06 model that bears his name will forever link him to one of the greatest eras in factory racing, which has produced six consecutive ALMS GT1 manufacturers’ championships, and counting.”

Ron Fellows ALMS GT1 Champion Corvette Z06



Marking his championship tenure with Corvette Racing’s GT1-class domination in the ALMS, Corvette racing living legend Ron Fellows is celebrated with a specially prepared 2007 Corvette Z06 production model. All are distinguished by Arctic White paint (including the door handles) that is accented with a racing-style fender stripe and Ron Fellows’ autograph.

The front fender graphics are reminiscent of the identifying graphics of the Corvette GT1 racecar. They feature double Monterey Red Metallic stripes with Machine Silver borders and Fellows’ autograph in a contrasting Victory Red shade, along with the callouts of the championship years when he was at the

wheel. There is also a maple leaf logo motif incorporated with the graphics, a nod to Fellows’ Canadian heritage. Indeed, the red-over-white color scheme of the car’s paint and graphics represents Canada’s colors.

This special Corvette Z06 is the first signed special edition in Corvette’s 54-year history, and is the first Arctic White Z06 ever offered. Only 399 are planned for production: approximately 300 for the United States, 33 for Canada and 66 for other markets.

The Ron Fellows ALMS GT1 Champion Corvette Z06 will be available this spring. It carries an MSRP of \$77,500, including destination. OnStar and the navigation system are the only options; and when equipped with them, the price is \$79,945.

Indianapolis 500 Pace Car Replica Corvette Convertible



A 2007 Chevrolet Corvette convertible will pace the 91st running of the Indianapolis 500 on May 27, 2007. As it was selected as the Official Pace Car, Chevrolet will supply several identically prepared and uniquely trimmed Corvette convertibles – in new Atomic Orange paint with distinctive gold ribbon graphics – that will serve in the official pace duties of the race, as well as supporting activities.

Five hundred production replicas of those official cars will be offered to the public – all of them convertibles. They’ll be available beginning this spring. All of the pace car replicas are equipped with the Corvette’s standard LS2 small-block V-8 and Z51 performance package. A six-speed manual transmission is standard, with the six-speed paddle-shift automatic optional. Pricing for the pace car replica convertible is \$66,995 MSRP, including destination. The paddle-shift six-speed automatic is the only option, which brings the price to \$68,245.

This year marks the ninth time Corvette has served as the Official Pace Car of the Indianapolis 500. The previous years were 1978, 1986, 1995, 1998, 2002, 2004, 2005 and 2006. It also is a record fourth consecutive turn for the Corvette, as well as a record 18th time for a Chevrolet, to be selected as the pace car.

BACKGROUND

NVCC is one of the founding members of the NCM. Club benefits include:

- Free individual or group admission to the NCM
- Ten % discount on NCM and Catalog merchandise
- Free subscription to the magazine *"America's Sports Car"*
- NVCC plaque in the museum

If any NVCC members are planning a trip in the vicinity of Bowling Green, Kentucky, a visit to the home of the NCM and the Corvette factory should be in your plans. The NCM card can be borrowed from our President.

For additional information, log on to: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com> or call the NCM at 800-53-VETTE (800-538-3883) or contact Donald Patrick.

Annual NVCC Awards Banquet



The Northern Virginia Corvette Club held its annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, March 3rd, at Maggianos Italian Restaurant in Tysons Corner, VA.

Congratulations to the following folks:

Council member of the year – Wanda Robinson

Member of the year – Erica Kerns

Rallye –

1st place – Fred & Chris Wendling

2nd place – Alice Arielly & Jack Hufnagle

3rd place – George & Kim Joca

NCCC Eastern Region Workers –

1st place – Andrej Balanc, Chuck Pellerin, Wanda Robinson

2nd place – Erica Kerns, Judy Patrick

3rd place – Kirk DeNee, Zoel Robinson, Mike Woods

4th place – Anne Costolanski

6th place – Don Patrick

7th place – Dick Hammaker, Randy Urick, Paul Cestone, Pat Somersall



Thanks to everyone who has volunteered and participated in our events over the past year!!!



MANY THANKS!!! go out to **David Leslie from Tire Van** and **Cristal Waddy from Roadblock Systems Inc** for the generous prizes that were donated for the banquet.

Special Acknowledgement The club recognized **Carl Leckner** on behalf of **Koons Chevrolet** for their continued support for the Northern Virginia Corvette Club.



NVCC Event Calendar



Sunday, April 15 - Tax Day Cruise to Ocean City, MD

The cruise will depart from the Springfield Mall, Target parking lot behind the Silver Diner at 8 a.m., Sunday morning. Drivers meeting at 7:45.

The trip to OC will take approximately 3 and 1/2 hours (170 miles) with a short rest stop in Easton. We'll take the Outer Loop (495) to MD RT 50 East, Exit 19A, to the Bay Bridge, and then stay on RT 50 all the way to OC.

We'll park at the Inlet, eat too much Thrasher's French Fries and ice cream on the Board Walk, and then enjoy the rest of OC on your own (Ocean Highway, factory outlets, sun and sand, etc).

Please email me at Arthur.Baer@osd.mil to me know if you're planning to attend. I'll need your e-mail address and phone number in case of any changes and/or to confirm your attendance.

April 28 - Teen Driving School At Stonewall Jackson High School

On April 28th, NVCC, Koons Chevrolet, Howard Snook of Long and Foster, and Tire Van will be sponsoring the Sir Isaac Newton's Totally Awesome Driving School for teens only. Teen drivers will learn how to really control a car, not just learn how to pass the driver's test! They will learn why cars do what they do, why they do it, and what to do about it.

Your child (or friend's child) will spend the day with NVCC's knowledgeable driving instructors who are highly skilled drivers as well as teachers. They will put the drivers through a series of driving exercises designed to extend the driving skills and thinking of the participants.

Parents are urged and encouraged to stay and attend classroom sessions and watch their offspring drive through the exercises, which are designed to

make the young drivers understand why they lose control and how to prevent it. All this is done at very slow speeds in a very safe environment.

The driving school is FREE and includes a pizza lunch.

May 12 - Spring Skyline Drive Cruise

Corvette Forum's Jim Strathearn and Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club are sponsoring this year's Spring Skyline Drive Cruise on Saturday, May 12th, 2007. For those that remember past Skyline Cruises, we always have a blast! Attendance has been anywhere from 100-200 or more 'vettes...the event keeps growing and growing each year.

Spring Skyline 2007 will benefit Blue Ridge Hospice, who took care of the final journey for a Corvette Forum member who died on Christmas Eve 2004. Registration will be a \$10.00 donation to Blue Ridge Hospice, payable at the cruise start point in Front Royal, Virginia. Additionally, you must pay an entry fee to get into the park (good for 7 consecutive days), which is \$15.00 or you may purchase an annual pass, which is \$30.00.

We will meet at the Newgate Shopping Center parking lot (corner of Routes 28 and 29 in Centreville) at 7:30 AM, drivers' meeting at 7:45 AM, leaving at 8 AM SHARP! We should arrive at the Front Royal Chevy dealership at around 9:00 AM, where those organizing the cruise will begin distributing goodie bags and door prizes. We will then leave for the cruise at 10:30 AM with a police escort through town. Please bring your family radios! Contact Laurie Kistner at lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com for more information.

May 13 - Mother's Day Rod Run

Cruisin' Company is again hosting its 30th annual Mother's Day Rod Run on Sunday, May 13th 2007 at the Coast Guard station on Telegraph Road in Alexandria. For those that have gone to this show in the past, the Coast Guard facility provides an excellent venue for this show with plenty of shade and green grass. The show brings in a unique mix of street rods, street machines, customs, bikes and of course Corvettes! The show includes Dash Plaques, Top 40 Awards, Top Club Participation Award, 50-50 Drawing, Kids Games, T-Shirts, BBQ Dinner & Sodas, and Live Music. Entry is \$20 for 2 Adults and Children.

We will meet at the IHOP in the Manchester Lakes shopping center for a small breakfast at 9:00 AM before cruising into the show. For more information, please contact Laurie Kistner at lilredcorvette@yahoo.com.

Northern Virginia Corvette Club presents

Concours & Fun Show '07

to benefit the Special Olympics

Sunday, June 3rd, 2007



Sponsored by & held at Koons Chevrolet * 2000 Chain Bridge Rd. Vienna, VA 22182

A show for all Corvettes, with spectacular prizes, raffles, food, music and fun...
Trophies and awards to be won by both NCCC judged and fun show Corvettes!

7 - 10:30 AM - REGISTRATION
9 AM - GATES OPEN TO PUBLIC
11 AM - RAGS DOWN/DRIVERS MTG
11 AM - 3 PM - JUDGING
3:30 PM - AWARD PRESENTATIONS
4:30 PM - SHOW CLOSES

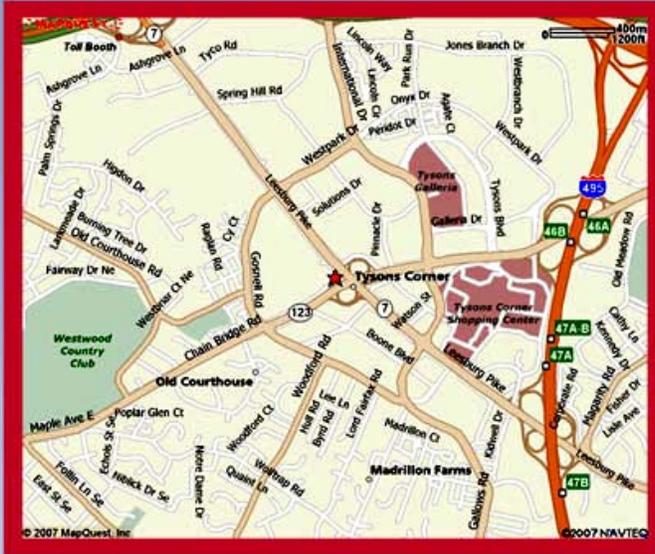
NCCC Sanction Event Number E-040, Club Number 357
Andrej Balanc, NCCC East Region Governor
604 S. Dogwood Street, Sterling VA 20164, 703-220-8228

Judged Classes: **\$30** pre-registry, **\$35** day of
Fun Show Cars: **\$20** pre-registry, **\$25** day of



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
www.nvcorvetteclub.com

NVCC Concours & Fun Show 2007 Registration Form & Map



Directions

From D.C./Virginia -
Take Rt. 495 or Rt. 66 to
the Rt. 7 West exit. Go
past the Tysons Corner
Shopping Center. Koons
Chevrolet will be .5 mile
past the Shopping Center
on the left at the inter-
section of Rts. 7 & 123.

Mail-in Registration Form

Name _____ NCCC# _____ Club _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____ Email _____
Year of Corvette _____ Type (check one) _____ Coupe _____ Convertible _____ Hard Top _____

Classification (check one only): See NCCC rule booklet for full explanations.

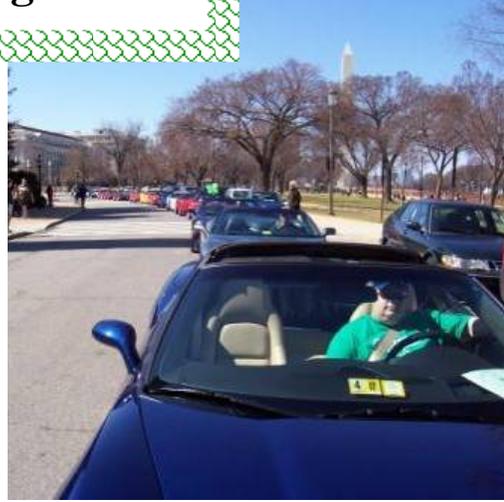
- Concours - Showroom condition, stock equipment. Int/ext/engine judged.
 Modified - Some modifications allowed. Int/ext/engine judged.
 Custom - Many mods, including custom paint. Int/ext/engine judged.
 Race-Prepared - Meets RP requirements for speed events. Int/ext/engine.
 Street Show - Street driven. Int/ext/engine judged.
 Wash & Show - Street driven. Interior and exterior judged only.
 Fun Show - No judging, exhibition only.

Describe your Corvette (include details such as color, engine, trans, mods, etc) _____

Judged class pre-registry is \$30, Fun Show pre-registry is \$20. Amt. encl. \$ _____
Checks must be payable to NVCC and mailed to: Laurie Kistner, Concours '07
Director, 13800 Rock Terrace, Centreville, Virginia 20120 no later than 6/1/07.
Judged class Corvettes parked indoors MUST contain 1/4 tank or less of gas.



St. Patrick's Day Parade in Washington DC



NVCC won the "Pat & Flo Cady Memorial Award" for best antique car. Hard to believe since our oldest car was an '89 – not exactly an antique, yet!



Northern Virginia Corvette Club

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Newsletter News

This issue is packed full of pictures ... hope you enjoy!

Keep in mind that the newsletter is available via our website at www.nvcorvetteclub.com. If you have a high speed internet connection and would prefer to receive the newsletter via the website (an email will be sent as soon as it is available), please contact me at anne.steffie@gmail.com and let me know.

Thanks!

Anne Costolanski
Newsletter Editor

Next General Business Meeting:

Tuesday, March 27th

Koons Chevrolet
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