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Special Election For Officer At Large

By R. Anderson

There will be a special election for the now vacant position of Officer at Large, to be held at the General Business Meeting on the 23rd of March. As detailed in the President's corner, the position became vacant as the incumbent assumed the duties of Chief Driving Instructor. While the realignment of positions was unexpected at the time the general election, clubs are dynamic and like life in general get handed the unexpected.

The tenure of the out going Chief Driving Instructor, Miriam Schottland, saw a period of growth in the depth and breadth of NVCC's driving programs. Her contributions in time and energy were significant and instrumental to NVCC's success in this area throughout the period. Her replacement, Cassidy Nolen, brings his own style, energy and significant experience in driving and education to bear on the task of moving NVCC's driving programs forward. I think I can speak for the Council in asking all members to lend a hand in continuing NVCC's driving program success. Please volunteer to help at the various events throughout the year, starting with the upcoming Teen Driving School on May 1st to be held at Old Dominion Speedway in Manassas.

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Annual Banquet 2010

Pics by Paul Benish (more on page 2)



Annual Banquet 2010 (cont)
Pics by Paul Benish

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**Membership
Corner**

113 Active Members
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2 New Members
3 Prospective Members
119 Total

Please welcome our Prospective Members:

Michael Falletti	2000	Coupe	Dark Blue
Ed Denton	2001	Coupe	Navy Blue
Tom King	1998	Coupe	Black

Please welcome our New Members

Wayne Gregor	1984	Coupe	2-tone Bronze
Wilfredo Sauri	2001	Coupe	Magnetic Red

It was another memorable Annual Banquet with good food and friends. Lots of *useful* door prizes, plus recognition for the council member of the year (John Palmgren) and club member of the year (Lori Benish), both shown below. Such recognition is important and underscores NVCC's continuing reliance on member contributions in keeping the club running smoothly for all.





PRESIDENT'S CORNER March 2010

FINALLY, Spring is making an appearance and Winter is fading into the background! The last couple of days have been warm and sunny. Perfect for getting motivated to get the Vette cleaned up and ready to go.

Again this month, the Council has continued to work hard on plans and ideas for the upcoming year in order to provide a wide range of events and activities that should offer something for everyone. What I didn't expect to be telling you is that we are experiencing some changes at the Council level. Fred, who took over Membership midway through last season and did an outstanding job, has asked to be replaced due to the demands of a new job. As an interim measure, Andrej, our NCCC Governor, has agreed to take on the role. We are however, looking for a permanent replacement. It would be great if one of our newer members were to step forward to fill this important position.

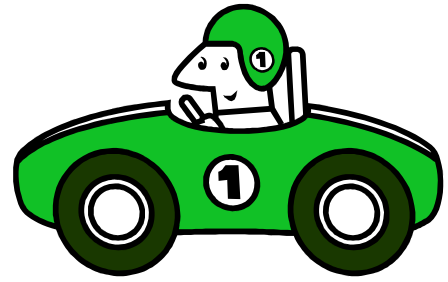
In addition, and perhaps most surprising, Miriam has stepped down as Chief Instructor after five busy seasons. This does NOT mean that our driving events are being dropped. With a burst of enthusiasm, Cassidy Nolen has agreed to take on the role of Chief Instructor, but will need to step down as Officer At Large. To fill the briefly vacant OAL slot, Chuck Pellerin has agreed to take on the role. Of course, the By-Laws say that we must nominate and vote for a replacement Council position at the next available Business Meeting, so we will be holding a special election at the March GBM.

On the matter of our driving program, it will continue. To make it even better, I have laid out a series of 12 goals for our new Chief Instructor to focus on. These goals include developing new curriculum, updating our driving exercises, providing better plans for defining the process of achieving Instructor status, and creating opportunities for those that want to become Instructors. Of course, we will continue to welcome our driver-students at all levels. I have no doubt that NVCC will be successful at meeting these challenges. We're going to need everyone's help as we work to improve the NVCC driving program. Thank you Cassidy for taking on this very important role.

We are working hard to put together several events that will be held at Old Dominion Speedway in Manassas early this season. We will be holding a Teen School on May 1 and we will be holding an all new type of event on May 22. I can't reveal all our plans right now but you're going to want to join us on the 22nd. Remember that you can always check the Events tab on the homepage for the latest updates and listings. Remember to, that we have a number of vendors that support the club by advertising on our site. Please show your appreciation by continuing to do business with these firms.

Check the brake fluid, change the oil, put a little air in the tires, rub on some wax, and hang on for another action packed season with your friends at NVCC. Come out and join the fun!

NVCC Social Calendar April 2010 - Laurie Kistner, Social Director



Still time to get in on the Membership Drive/Club Social at Bonefish Grill on Sunday 3/28 at 12-2 PM. Free appetizers and Corvette parking! Please print some flyers out (available on the website) and invite other Corvette owners to attend. See flyer in this newsletter or the club website for complete details.

Sat. 4/3/10 – Easter Egg Hunt Rallye, hosted by the Benishes. Please see flyer for complete details!

Thurs. 4/8/10-Sat. 4/10/10 - The Circle City Corvette Club of Dothan, Alabama, would like to invite you to Corvette Beach Caravan 2010, our 30th anniversary of caravanning from Dothan, Alabama to beautiful Panama City Beach, Florida.

We hope all can join in the festivities. The event's special guests come from Corvette Racing, the Corvette Assembly Plant, GM, and the National Corvette Museum. They pave the way to a very informative as well as fun time centered on the world's fastest production sports car, Corvette and the most beautiful beaches. We have been very fortunate to have such great Corvette icons as Kirk Bennion, C-6 Design Engineer; Andy Pilgrim, Chevrolet Racing Team; Jim Minneker & Will Cooksey, former Corvette Plant Managers; Sonny Kilgo, retired Corvette Assembly Plant Corvette Action Team and Quality Assurance Manager; and Tom Hill and Steve Grille, Corvette Assembly Plant Engineers. A quick overview of Corvette Beach Caravan 2010 includes: a welcome party Thursday night at our sponsor, Solomon Chevrolet, Friday morning Corvette caravan from Dothan to beautiful Panama City Beach with lunch on your own at Pier Park by the beach, Friday night socials, Saturday morning Corvette seminars, car show, and the event concludes Saturday night with dinner, awards, guest speaker and auction with some unique Corvette memorabilia to support the National Corvette Museum.

Registration fee is \$130 per Corvette and includes one commemorative 30th anniversary event shirt, admission for two to registration party Thursday night, Corvette caravan on Friday, Corvette seminars, Corvette Car Show and Corvette item auction and banquet on Saturday. Registration forms available at www.circlecitycorvettes.com as well as more information on Circle City Corvettes, the event, sponsors and motels. If you need any further information please contact John Hickman at jehickman@roadrunner.com

Sat. 4/10/10 – The 9th annual Vettes at Waterside will be held on April 10, 2010 from 9 AM to 3 PM at Waterside Festival Marketplace, 333 Waterside Drive in Norfolk, Virginia.

The Beachcombers Corvette Club will host this event and all proceeds will benefit Relay for Life. Cost is \$25. Please print the registration form in this newsletter and mail it with your check to the address given. This event will be for pre-registered cars only and our cut-off for 2010 is 140 Corvettes. Hope to see you there!

Sun. 4/11/10 – This is the event you've all been waiting for - Rallye 101 or "What You Always Wanted to Know About Rallying But Were Afraid to Ask!!" Come learn the secrets and tricks of the trade from the masters!!

Rallye 101 will consist of discussions on what to bring, how to prepare, how much to bribe the Rallye Master, and how to read General Instructions and Route Instructions. Lecture will be followed by a short (about 45 minutes) practice Rallye and lunch debrief.

WHEN: Sunday, April 11, 2010 at 9:30 AM SHARP until about 1 PM.

WHERE: Glory Days Grill, located at 42010 Village Center Plaza, Stone Ridge, VA 20105.

SOCIAL: Relax, visit, and unwind after the practice Rallye - Glory Days Grill has a great menu! Come for the Rallye or just join us for the lunch social at about 11:30 AM.

RSVP: If you wish to register, you must contact Dick Hammaker NLT April 8th, 2010 at dick.hammaker@cox.net or 703-250-8644.

Sun. 4/11/10 – Corvette Club of America Double AutoX. Details have not been provided yet. Stay tuned to the club website or check www.corvetteclubofamerica.org for updates.

Sat. 4/17/10 – Test and tune/drag racing session - NVCC, NCOA, NVMC, and special invites

Where: Mason Dixon Dragway, Boonsboro, MD

Time: 8 AM-12 Noon (4hr Private Track Rental, UNLIMITED RUNS!)

Driver price: PayPal \$52.00 per driver to Enforcir@gmail.com OR mail \$50.00 per driver (check made out to Cyril Coburn) to: NVMC, PO Box 104, Amissville, VA 20106. Either of these pre-payment options must be done NLT a week ahead of the event. Pre-payment is preferable as we must have 30 pre-paid drivers 2 weeks ahead of the event or the event risks cancellation. Or you may pay \$60.00 cash per driver @ the gate the day of the event.

Spectator price: \$10.00 (Driver gets 1 crew member in FREE)

Special (Driver) Requirements:

- *Mufflers mandatory
- *1/4 sleeved shirt and pants, NO SHORTS or OPEN TOED SHOES
- *Seat belts in working order
- *Proper safety equipment per your vehicles performance level i.e. (helmets for cars faster than 13.99, roll bar for cars faster than 11.49, etc.)
- *10 MPH speed limit in the pit area!!!
- *NO air conditioning on in staging lanes, ALL windows up during burnout and run

At the gate you will:

- *Pay your fee (if you did not pre-register)
- *Get a wrist band (goes on left wrist)
- *Sign competition waiver
- *Get a tech inspection card to fill out and bring back to the staff

In the event of rain, call Ebby (703) 200-6803 or Ceece (703) 346-8151 if you have any questions regarding the event being on time.

NVCC members interested in caravanning up can meet at Newgate Shopping Center parking lot (corner of Routes 28 and 29 in Centreville) at 6:20 AM, leaving at 6:30 AM SHARP. We will stop at the Sterling Chick-Fil-A (off of Route 28) for a second stop at 6:45 AM. We will have a very nice scenic cruise through the mountains on the way to the drag strip.

If you are interested in riding up with me, please email me at lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com and let me know. There will be plenty of people on hand to help you if you have never drag raced before, so don't be shy. Come see what your car can do in the 1/4 mile! Learn the finer points of reading the "Christmas tree", staging, and launching. After the event, we usually grab lunch together and decompress after a fun day of racing.

Directions to Mason Dixon Dragway are as follows:

From Washington DC/NoVa: Take Route 270 N toward Frederick, MD. Take Rt. 70 W toward Hagerstown. Follow Rt. 70 until you reach Rt. 66 (Exit 35). Once at the bottom of the ramp turn LEFT onto Rt. 66 South, go about 1/2 miles until you reach Rt. 40 (you will see a Sheetz convenience store at the intersection), turn LEFT (east) on Rt. 40 and go just another 1/2 mile, the Dragstrip entrance will be on your right.

Sun. 4/18/10 - The Winery at LaGrange in Haymarket, Virginia is sponsoring a Corvette Car Show and Wine Tasting with the Old Dominion Corvette Club. Time of event is 12:00 - 5:00PM. Many NVCC members attended this event last year and enjoyed it. In case of bad weather, a future rain day will be posted.

Car Show is FREE, Wine Tasting is also FREE if you bring a Corvette (or \$5 without a 'vette). The winery sells bottles and snacks. Bring whatever food and snacks you want (some people brought picnic baskets, finger foods, or cooked out). Food vendor info TBA. Don't forget to bring folding chairs.

This year LaGrange is allowing us to use the patio area (available first come-first served) for those who want to set up a grill, cook, eat and share. LaGrange will also be providing a souvenir wine glass (and special logo glass to the first 100 persons in the door).

For more information about the winery, call: 703-753-9360 or email: Information@wineryatlagrange.com

Please go to: <http://www.olddominioncorvetteclub.com/calendar.asp> and click on "2010 LaGrange Wine Tasting & Corvette Show" to RSVP for this event.

Directions: Take I-66 West. Exit at Haymarket (Exit 40). Turn left at the top of the exit onto US-15 South. Go to the second traffic

light and turn right on VA- 55. Just under 1 mile, turn at first right onto Antioch Road. The winery will be about 3 miles North on Antioch Road, entrance on the Left. Address: LaGrange Winery, 4950 Antioch Rd, Haymarket, VA 20169-2259

Sun. 4/18/10 – Heel/Toe Clinic & Instructor Meeting at Old Dominion Speedway. Details are tentative. Stay tuned to the club website for updates.

Wed. 4/21/10 - Colonial Challenge Cup Inc is a charity dedicated towards raising funds for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County and certain other schools and organizations that support the education and development of children and young adults.

The CCC has raised over \$171,000 in direct contributions to various programs offered by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County including the Annapolis Boys and Girls Scholarship Trust, the Keystone Club, the Photography Club and the Gordonstoun International Summer School in Scotland. Over the last eleven years over thirty-seven students have been provided with financial assistance to attend Universities and colleges of further education.

Financial support has also been provided to Phillips Programs, which is a non-profit, private organization serving the needs of individuals with emotional and behavioral problems and their families through education, family support services, community education and advocacy.

A TRACK DAY IS...

Enjoying your vehicle on the track without the restrictions of everyday traffic and the standard road obstacles like the police, Sunday drivers and Mini Vans.

It provides an opportunity to drive your own vehicle on a track and learn new driving skills, revitalize the ones you have forgotten and apply the ones you will learn "correctly" in a controlled environment with a professional instructor at your side.

SUMMIT POINT TRACK, the "Big Track", is over two miles in length with 10 demanding corners including a series of S-turns through the carousel, that will be both challenging and very rewarding for those of you that adhere to your instructor's advice. Additionally, you will be briefed by instructors in a classroom environment about the rules and regulations prior to embarking onto the track with your instructor. "Safety First Always". After each session you will be debriefed on your performance and ways to improve your driving skills. You may also qualify to drive solo if approved by your instructor.

For more information or to register, please visit - <http://www.colonialchallengecup.com/>

Sat. 4/24/10 – 2nd Annual Battlefield Cruz/Rallye with the Battlefield Corvette Club. Come tour the Battlefields in the beautiful Fredericksburg area countryside, followed by fellowship, food and music at Radley Chevrolet, located at 3670 Jefferson Davis Highway. Bring your lawn chairs and get ready to have some fun.

There will be a prize raffle, battlefield trivia contest, optional 50/50 raffle and other fun and games. The dogwood and redbuds should be blooming in full force making for some spectacular scenery. You will need a navigator to help with the clues.

Cost will be \$25.00 PLUS 2 cans of non-perishable food. All proceeds to benefit the Fredericksburg Area Food Bank. Registration cutoff is by April 17th or 65 vettes.

If you have any questions, email corvettes@radleyautogroup.com. Make checks payable to Fredericksburg Area Food Bank and mail with the registration form in this newsletter to PO Box 8478, Fredericksburg, VA 22404.

Sun. 4/25/10 – Tax Day Cruise to Ocean City, hosted by club member Arthur Baer. Let's get together and celebrate our tax refunds (or just forget for a little while about how much we all owe Uncle Sam) by cruising in our 'vettes to Ocean City.

We will meet at 7:45 AM (drivers' meeting, don't be late!) at Springfield Mall, Target parking lot behind the Silver Diner and depart at 8 AM for a 170-mile cruise. We will have a rest stop in Easton, Maryland on the way, and we'll park at the Inlet when we arrive. Since it's early in the season it won't be too busy and crowded yet. Once there, we'll take a group photo, and then you are free to enjoy the sun, sand, boardwalk, rides, games, Thrasher's French fries, ice cream, etc.

Please bring family radios if you have them. Bay Bridge toll is \$2.50 one-way, or bring your Smart tag/Speed Pass. Please RSVP to Arthur.Baer@osd.mil ASAP.

Sun. 4/25/10 - York County Corvette Club is hosting a peoples choice fun show at Thornton Chevrolet. Silent auction, door prizes, dash plaques, and food to benefit York County Children's Advocacy and Chip Miller Foundation. Show and awards held indoors!

Registration: 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Drivers Meeting: 10:15 AM
Awards Presented: 1:00 PM
Cost: \$15 before 4/24/10, \$20 day of show
Sanction #: ER-108-008

Manchester Motors, Thornton Chevrolet Used Car Lot, 160 Glen Drive, Manchester, PA 17345

Coming soon....

Sat. 5/1/10 – Never Too Cool for Teen Driving School
Sun. 5/2/10 – Montpelier Cruise, Muscle Car Mania Drag Race/Fun Show
Sat. 5/8/10 – SVCC Skyline Cruise/Show, USA-1 Corvette Fun Show
Sun. 5/9/10 – Mothers' Day Rod Run
Sun. 5/15/10 – Charity Poker Run for Capital Hospice
Sat. 5/22/10 – CarBQ (tentative)
Fri. 5/28/10 - Sun. 5/30/10 – SVT Superfest @ VIR

As you can see, the season is heating up with lots of fun things to do with your car! Please stay tuned to the club website for continual updates. As always, if you would like to host an event, email me at lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com at your earliest convenience.

Thanks,
Laurie Kistner
NVCC Social Director & Webmaster

NVCC February GBM Minutes

7:30 Roll Call

Two Saturday nights from now is Banquet at Maggianos. Lori has it set up with prizes and should be a lot of fun. Talk to Lori for one of the 8 spots remaining.

C6 Roof Issues 05-07 Recalls, see newsletter with Stewart for details. Check VIN for access.

Good news, dealership ok'ed June 6 for Concours at Koons Chevrolet. Stewart will email John Palmgren with the go ahead for this event. Details as for worker needs and sign ups coming

Details coming on track event dates as well. Miriam intervened with SP so we have a Saturday in June; June 26

Cone Killers

TDS: May 1 @ ODS

CK June 26

HNH July 23

Spook Oct 30-31, Shenandoah

TDS Volunteers needed to stage. New venue @ Old Dominion Speedway.

Laurie report on Social, see forums for details.

March 14 St. Patrick's Day Parade; need cars, contact John Palmgren publicity@nvc Corvetteclub.com

March Bonefish Grill membership event, Centerville, VA. Hand out flyers, getting details together. Membership director will be there. Either 21 or 28 of March, emails to follow

April 3 Easter Egg Hunt Rallye, Lori in charge

April 8 Caravan to Florida, 130 per car admission, through April 10, details on web

April 10 Vettes at Waterside, Norfolk VA. Limited to 140 cars, Beachcombers Vette club

April 11, Rallye 101, details how to Rallye. Good overview for beginners. Glory Days in Stoneridge, VA. Welcome to come at 11:30 for food only.

April 17, Test and Tune drag Racing event. 4 hr. rental, Mason Dixon in Boonesboro MD. Unlimited passes, first of the year. 52, preregister. 60 at gate

April 18 Lagrange wine tasting event. Free if you are in a vette. olddominioncorvetteclub.com for details.

April 21 Colonial Challenge Cup event. SPR colonialchallengecup.com for details

April 25 Tax Day Cruise, OC, MD

New forum upgrades include blogging. No profiles have changed. Same info.

Possibly a new standard format for requesting social events for the club?

Lori

Banquet and Rallye details:

March 6, lots of giveaways. 8 openings still.

Rallye, Easter Saturday Egg Hunt. April 3, Poker Rallye.

Chantilly, Fairfax run. 5 Points, you draw Eggs for points.

Tally all scores. Eggspectations for lunch.

Historian@nvcorvetteclub.com for details.

Membership report, 7 prospective and 2 new members.

Membership cards, give out at meetings to come. Window

Decals and keychains for sale at the break.

Discussion of additional fees for late payments of dues.

Possibility of Paypal payments?

Break: 8:20

Trivia: See the file Lori wrote

Prize winners:

Randy Urick

Cassidy Nolen

Richard Anderson

Drawing for 50-50

Securitas shirt, C2 midyear toy :Randy

Online Racing game, t-shirt, Ed Denton

Mobile organizer, coasters Michael Rathburn

50-50 Michael Lindsay

Richard – Newsletter review; request for posting of GBM minutes in the newsletter

Cassidy – Interest check in Workout 101, sticker custom work, email cassidynolen@yahoo.com if interested; review of track conditions at SPR, reminder of upcoming events outside of club.

Carol-Treasurer report

Paul: Funktion Auto, garage days, Beginner days maybe in the April/May day? Maybe squeeze in another shop day? Any suggestions for tech corner, email Paul.

Heel Toe Clinic, April 18, registration by email.

Need to find a new membership director. Fred must step down due to a new workload. Asking club for volunteers.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm

Questions for NVCC— February GBM 2010

1. In 1968, this factory installed option was first available, but less than 400 cars were so equipped? What option was it?

Answer: anti-theft alarm system

Winner: RANDY URICK

Prize: Smallest Mini Model Corvette & 50th Anniversary Corvette Book

2. What was the first year for keyless access and start?

Answer: 2005

Winner: CASSIDY NOLEN

Prize: Securitas Emergency Kit & Silver Corvette Magnet

3. A major styling change for the C6 Corvette is non-pop up headlights... not seen on a Corvette since what previous year.

Answer: 1962

Winner: RICHARD ANDERSON

Prize: C6 Tee-Shirt & Securitas Water Bottle

Raffle prizes:

1) Mini Model (medium) & Securitas Shirt.

Winner: RANDY URICK

2) Cell Phone Mate & White Tee-Shirt (Laurie Donation) & Trackster car.

Winner: DAN

3) Mobile Organizer & Auto Coasters

Winner: MICHAEL

50/50 Winner: MIKE LINSEY Cash Amount: \$36



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National Corvette Museum (NCM)

Ambassador Corner

By Donald Patrick

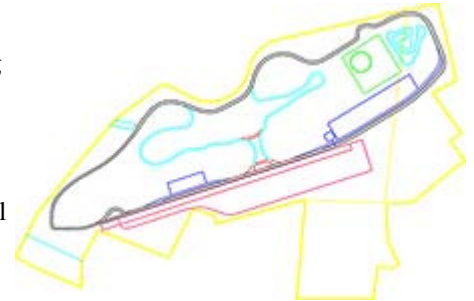
MARCH 2010: CURRENT NEWS and ACTIVITIES

Corvette Racing Takes Lead on NCM Motorsports Park Track Development

The NCM Motorsports Park project just got a little bit cooler. Corvette Racing / Pratt & Miller Engineering have joined the team effort by donating their time and talents in helping design our track. Many aspects of the track are pulled from other well known tracks across the globe.

Drivers will enjoy a carousel modeled after the Karussell corner at the Nurburgring, a chicane at the base of two track loops modeled off the Bus Stop from Watkins Glen, as well as an overall layout modeled after the world-famous Le Mans road course in France.

Learn more about this on-going project at www.motorsportspark.org.



Road Tour Added to C5/C6 Bash Agenda

Road Tour enthusiasts will be excited to hear that NCM has added a "Makers Mark" excursion to our schedule of events for the C5/C6 Bash. [Registration](#) is available online and the road tour is slated for Thursday, April 29.

Don't forget - they also have a few spots remaining for our Corvette Racing lunch. Read more about this exciting activity on their [blog](#)!

[Online registrations](#) completed by April 14 will receive a hardcard, lanyard, pin and dash plaque. Registration is only \$25 for non-NCM members, \$15 for NCM member and \$10 for Lifetime members.



Anonymous Memorabilia Donation Received

The Corvette Museum Library and Archives recently received an anonymous donation of two Beach Boys concert tickets from the Museum's Grand Opening in 1994. They would like to thank the person who sent these... they are now on display with the other Grand Opening Memorabilia in the display window outside the NCM Library and Archives.

Do you have any quirky Corvette memorabilia you'd like to donate? We'd love to have it! Donations can be sent to:

Betty Hardison, National Corvette Museum, 350 Corvette Drive, Bowling Green, KY 42101



2011 Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition - Taking track-to-street technology to a new level

DETROIT 3-10-10 -- When the 2006 Corvette Z06 was introduced, it represented the closest connection to the Corvette race cars ever. The 2009 Corvette ZR1 closed the gap between racing and production even further. This year, Corvette continues its tradition of track-to-street technology transfer with the 2011 Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition.

Designed to further incorporate technology developed through racing, the Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition is a tribute to the 50th anniversary of Corvette's first race in the 24 Hours of LeMans," said Jim Campbell, Chevrolet General Manager. "With a limited production of 500 units, this car is a must-have for the true Corvette collector and driving enthusiast."



The Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition is another example of the expanded Corvette line-up. Five years ago, customers had the choice of a Corvette coupe or convertible. With the addition of the Z06, Grand Sport coupe and convertible and ZR1, Corvette enthusiasts now have more choices than ever.

“For track use, the Z06 Carbon is the best balanced Corvette yet. It combines the lightweight and naturally-aspirated Z06 engine with the road-holding and braking of the ZR1,” said Tadge Juechter, Corvette Chief Engineer. “For technical tracks like Laguna Seca, the Z06 Carbon could shave up to three seconds off the Z06 lap time.”

This limited edition Z06 will boast Brembo carbon ceramic brakes with specific dark gray metallic calipers. These powerful brakes were first introduced on the ZR1. Black 20-spoke 19-inch front/20-inch rear wheels complement the car’s Michelin PS2 tires. Other mechanical features include Magnetic Selective Ride Control for the first time on the Z06 and enhanced cooling. The car also features a special carbon pattern engine cover.

The Corvette Z06 Carbon will be available in two colors: Inferno Orange and the all-new Supersonic Blue. Black headlamps and mirrors, a ZR1-style body color spoiler, body color door handles, carbon fiber raised hood, and black carbon fiber rockers and splitter enhance the Z06’s dynamic design and reduce mass and aerodynamic lift. For track events, customers can also install the Euro-styled racing numbers that come with each car.

The Z06 Carbon’s ebony leather and suede interior is complemented by blue or orange seat stitching to match the exterior color chosen. Other features include a unique steering wheel emblem, sill plate and logo headrest. The suede used on the steering wheel, shifter, seat inserts, armrests and doors add to the luxury of this limited edition Z06.

An optional Z07 performance package that includes the mechanical upgrades introduced on the Z06 Carbon can be added to a regular 2011 Z06. This package also includes Competition Gray 20-spoke wheels and all the chassis and cooling upgrades.

The CFZ Z06 carbon fiber package includes black carbon fiber rockers, splitter and roof panel with the full-width body color spoiler. It can also be purchased with or without the Z07 package on regular Z06 models.

The 2011 Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition, as well as the new Z07 and CFZ Z06 option packages will be available in late summer.

New to the Floor: Melon Metallic Prototype

The 1992 Melon Metallic was originally built as a Black Corvette with gray interior. GM took the Corvette from the assembly plant and did a test shot of the new color to test it for future years. GM never produced any other Melon Metallic Corvettes after this Corvette. Chevrolet made several different hues of Gold cars over the years, but this is the only Melon Metallic Corvette.

This special car is now on display in our Skydome, and is on loan to the Museum from Mark and Sheri Pieloch of Lincoln, NE. Do you have a sweet ride you’d be willing to loan us for display? Visit our website at www.corvettemuseum.org/display to learn more about this unique opportunity!



Labor Day Event Celebrates 1960 and 1985 Corvettes

New for this year’s Labor Day event is a special display to celebrate the 25th and 50th anniversaries of Corvette models. This year’s spotlight is on 1960 and 1985 Corvettes.



If you are coming to our Labor Day event and are interested in being a part of this display, please contact Karen Renfrow in our Events Department at 270-467-8804 or 800-538-3883. You can also email her at karen@corvettemuseum.org.



GM Reimagines Head-Up Display Technology

Warren, Mich. -- Imagine a fog-shrouded morning when you cannot see the end of your driveway let alone the road you're about to drive. Wouldn't it be great if the sides of the road could magically appear on your windshield? It's not magic, and it's not far away either.

General Motors R&D and several universities are working on a system that would use data gathered from an array of vehicle sensors and cameras and project images generated by compact ultra violet lasers directly onto the entire surface of the windshield,

"We're looking to create enhanced vision systems," says Thomas Seder, group lab manager-GM R&D. His team is working with Carnegie Mellon University and The University of Southern California, as well as other institutions, to create a full windshield head-up system leveraging night vision, navigation and camera-based sensor technologies to improve driver visibility and object detection ability.

"Let's say you're driving in fog, we could use the vehicle's infrared cameras to identify where the edge of the road is and the lasers could 'paint' the edge of the road onto the windshield so the driver knows where the edge of the road is," Seder said.

Enhanced vision systems are a 21st Century take on Head up display technology that GM was the first to market in 1988. Designed to help keep driver attention on the road ahead by displaying important information such as vehicle speed, lane change indicator status and vehicle warning messages directly into the driver's field of vision, head-up display systems are currently available on the GMC Acadia, Chevrolet Corvette, Buick LaCrosse and Cadillac STS.

Scientists and lab technicians at GM's global research and development in Warren, MI, are now developing next-generation head-up systems that could transform the everyday windshield into a device that can make driving even safer. While the full windshield head-up system has not yet been identified for a future GM vehicle program, Seder says some of the supporting technologies could end up in GM vehicles in the near-term future.

Coated with a series of transparent phosphors which emit visible light when excited by a light beam—in this case from a compact laser—the windshield becomes a large area transparent display, instead of current HUD systems that use only a small portion of the windshield.

The ability to use such an expansive surface enables the system to alert drivers of potential dangers that may exist outside of the normal field of vision—including children playing or motorcycles passing.

On that foggy day, maybe worsened by sleet or snow, the enhanced vision system could combine night vision with the head-up system to identify and highlight the precise location of animals roaming along the side of the road that could have avoided recognition with the naked eye.

"This design is superior to traditional head down display-based night vision systems, which require a user to read information from a traditional display, create a mental model and imagine the threat's precise location in space," Seder said

As an added safety feature, the head-up system can be combined with automated sign reading technology, similar to the Opel Eye system that debuted on the 2009 Opel Insignia, to alert the driver if they are driving over the posted speed limit or if there's impending construction or other potential problems ahead. Additionally, the system can use navigation system data to alert the driver of their desired exit by reading overhead traffic signs.

"We have done testing on a number of drivers and their performance is better relative to head-down systems that are commonly used in vehicles today," Seder said. "It's a compelling design."

Saving our Club History

By Lori Benish (Historian)

During these last few snowy weeks, I have been doing a lot of organizing and cleaning around my house. Being pent up inside, without the 'vette, can breed boredom. So during all my busy work, I came across the old Historian container (or "bucket" as I used to call it) that I inherited when I took over the position of Historian for the club. I then decided to give our club history a little TLC.

This bucket holds the history of our club. Inside you would find all kinds of interesting items, such as old pictures, newsletters, past Concours flyers and plaques, to various other club related items. Over the years, many of the albums and folders have been torn apart, faded, or started to lose their contents. It was a big messy, overflowing pile of papers to the outside eye. If you wanted to find a specific year's information, you would have to dig through multiple kinds of binders, folders, manila envelopes, and dusty albums (some marked with dates—some not) to try and find anything.



Well, with time on my hands, and the councils blessing, I started to try and make using the bucket a little easier. I began making piles of all the albums, papers, and files, then organizing them by year. I was able to sort them into binders, labeling them with the years, and put them in order in a larger storage container. Now when you want to look up what was going on in 1980, you can pull 1 binder and find everything from the year clearly marked and in order.

It was a big task, but a great learning experience. I got to see how much fun the NVCC has had over the years, with great pictures from various parties, races, swap meets, and rallies. I learned about previous officers, our old association with the Southern Confederacy of Corvette Clubs, and many other great event ideas that we can try to bring back or improve on. The club is what we make of it, and I would love to see our 41st year as a club be as much fun to looking back on as it was to see the very 1st year, just maybe without the nudity –haha! NVCC has a great legacy, and I am glad I was able to help preserve it.

Saint Patrick's Day Parade
 By John Palmgren
 Pics by Paul Benish

Mother Nature didn't cooperate for the DC St. Patty's Day Parade on Sunday, 3/14, but eight club member Vettes (and one prospective member) came out to support the club and prove once again that Corvettes don't melt in the rain!



The day started off with a police escort from the U.S. Park Police, followed by lining up right outside the Smithsonian Castle. We all went inside to stay warm while we waited for the parade to start, and then lo and behold, the weather broke and the rain stopped just in time for us to wipe down the cars, put on a few decorations and run the parade route.

The crowds were pretty good and appreciated the engine revs. A good time was had by all...hopefully, it will be sunny next year!"





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Bonefish Grill *next to the cinema at:*
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Sunday, March 28th, 2010 at 12 PM

We all have at least one common interest...Corvettes! Come meet members from the Northern Virginia Corvette Club for some great conversation and stories about America's greatest sports car. Whether your 'vette is old or new, modified or stock, come check us out! We would love to meet you and hear about your experiences with your Corvette. Our club has a wide range of activities, including social events, cruises, rallies, parades, shows, autocrossing, performance driving classes, drag racing, charity fundraising, and volunteerism in the community.

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*Please RSVP with number attending to social@nvcorvetteclub.com
For more information, log on to our website - www.nvcorvetteclub.com*

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April 10, 2010

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1st Annual Easter-Egg Hunt Poker Rallye
April 3rd, 2010 (The Saturday before Easter)
Starting 10am at Mug & Muffin (formerly the Daily Grind) in Fairfax!

There will be a scenic rallye through Chantilly, Fairfax, and the South Riding area.

This is a slightly different rallye, because it is an Easter-egg Hunt mixed with a Poker-Rallye. It will be done poker style, but instead of drawing cards, you will draw filled plastic Easter-eggs with points inside. There will be no questions to answer, just follow the clues for directions and gather our eggs. The eggs will be turned in at the end, in color order, and the points will be tallied. The highest and lowest # of points collected from the draw wins an "eggs-travagant" trophy! Please bring a basket, bag, or hat to collect your eggs. The rallye will end at Eggspectation in Chantilly, VA for a great brunch at around 12 pm!

Starting at: Mug & Muffin (formerly the Daily Grind)
42020 Village Center Plz # 130
Stone Ridge, VA 20105-3030

Ending at: [eggspectation](#) 5009 Westone Plaza Dr.
Chantilly, VA 20151

Rallye cost: \$10 per car.
Benefits from the Rallye will go to: Easter Seals of Northern Virginia

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Sunday, June 6th, 2010

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Three Shows: \$45 pre-registered, \$50 day of event

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7 – 10 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



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

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OR CONTACT

John Palmgren, NVCC Concours Chairman
8765 Hackney Drive, Bristow, VA 20136, 571-330-6813
concours@nvcorvetteclub.com

Registration is on a first-come, first serve basis and will close at 10 AM on the day of the event.

Early registration runs April 6 to June 4th. Sorry, no refunds after May 31st.

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Please Contact the members listed below
if you are interested in any of these items,
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Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvcorvetteclub.com)

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Newsletter News ...

Spring is in the air and the newsletter is full of notices and forms for upcoming events leading into another full NVCC season of activities. While Mother Nature so far hasn't exactly shined on outdoor activities, we have faith that she will. So mark your calendars for the upcoming events of interest NOW. When you attend such events, please take your camera along and snap a few pics for the newsletter.....and a few lines of text for your editor would be appreciated as well. Your help in making all NVCC events memorable is appreciated.....and even the more so if you share your memories with this humble editor for use in the newsletter.

Please note that this newsletter contains a flyer for the upcoming membership drive at Bonefish Grill. Please copy or print off copies and distribute to any corvette owners you know that aren't members.



Rich Anderson

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Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, Mar 23rd at 7:30pm

Tuesday, Apr 27th at 7:30 pm

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