



December Christmas Lights Rallye

By Lori Benish



We had a great turn-out for the 2011 Christmas Lights Rallye!! Starting this year in Centreville and going through the Bull Run Festival of Lights, 7 teams came out to try to claim the Christmas crown. Beginning with a "Le Mans" style running start to the cars, teams made their way from the Starbucks in Centreville, to the Festival of Lights, ending at the fire-pit in the Winter Carnival at the end of the lights show.

With questions varying from the number of snowflakes passed to the color of the boots on Jack of beanstalk fame, the teams showed great attention to details coming down to a tie between two teams. After a close tie breaker, the winners were Alice Arielly and Jack Huffnagle, who won a total of \$35 dollars. Congrats to all the teams, and I hope to see many of you again this coming year!!

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Teen Driving Program by Cassidy Nolen, Chief Instructor, NVCC

Still on the fence about our Teen Driving Program?

Many of you know that the NVCC has been a leader in Teen Driver Training for many years. This year marks an expansion, as two other clubs in our region have chosen to expand on our already fantastic program. We would love to show you more of what we do and have YOU be a part of making history.

Come on down March 17 and see what it is all about! NVCC is hosting our annual Instructor and Worker Training Day for the Teen Driving Program. The training will take place on March 17 from 8AM until 4PM. Come for the morning, come all day. We would love to have you out!

There are positions for every skill level and familiarity with driving. Many of us are great drivers but could use some training in how to TEACH what we do naturally. Some duties for workers might include setting up cones, helping with lunch or registration or even directing traffic the day of the event.

The event will be held at Old Dominion Speedway in Manassas, Virginia. Detailed directions can be found on their website, www.olddominionspeedway.com. If you would like to find out more, contact me at Chiefinstructor@nvcorvetteclub.com and I will be happy to talk to you.

Hope to see our club strongly support our teen initiative this year.



Jim McKay Certificate of Appreciation

A Certificate of Appreciation was given to Bud Carroll, General Manager of Jim McKay Chevrolet, for their support of NVCC's 2011 programs, especially the Teen Driving Schools. 2011 NVCC president Stewart Fox and Vice President Doug Swanson signed the plaques. From left to right are Bud Carroll, Doug Swanson, and Stewart Fox.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER February 2012



Greetings from the sun kissed shores of Back Creek....and sun is the operative word these past few days. If this good weather continues, I'll have to get West Virginia plates on my vettes sooner than later. I even saw a convertible C3 out and about today, top down and catching the rays.

February is normally a slow month and this one has been no different. The first major event of the season is the annual NVCC Banquet on March 3rd, which I hope as many of you as possible will attend. Following the banquet the schedule starts to pick up some, with the annual Saint Patrick's Day parade on the 11th followed by our all important instructors' clinic for Teen Driving School on the 17th. The parade is an excellent excuse to detail your vette and show it off to an appreciative crowd.

Some level of community service is an important part of most social clubs and for NVCC our most significant activity is putting on a Teen Driving School twice a year at no cost to area teenagers. Basic drivers' education leaves something to be desired when it comes to acquiring the skills necessary to stay safe on our congested roads. NVCC's Teen Driving School helps to fill this gap with both classroom and hands-on instruction, with an emphasis on teaching the real world physics of driving. This program needs member support at all levels, from chasing cones and serving pizza, to teaching teens one-on-one in their own vehicles. The instructors' clinic is where our members learn how to do this using a common language and skill set....as well as familiarizing our all important supporting staff on the program. Whether you wish to be an actual instructor for one of our schools or just be supporting labor, I encourage you to come out to the instructors' clinic and learn what the program is all about. The more trained hands we have the easier it will be for NVCC to continue our Teen Driving School as a service to the community.

The NVCC Social Director, Laurie Kistner, has been busy coordinating our events calendar, which is filling up fast. While many events are recurring, many are also added as a result of individual member interest. I encourage our members to suggest events of interest to them, whether it is attending another organization's function as a group from our club, or initiating an event of our own. Currently being worked are such events as a cruise-in at an area winery and a clinic on detailing your car. Your council wants to hear from you on suggested events, whether it be a specific event or just a concept for one.

One area I expect to see growth in this year is our program of driving events. Now that Stewart Fox has stepped down as president his intent is to reinvigorate NVCC's driving program in coordination with Cassidy Nolen, our Chief Instructor. Together they are working on a number of events geared towards the performance aspect of the corvette experience. Specifics will be provided as they become available.

Now get out there and enjoy America's sports car!

Rich Anderson
NVCC President, 2012

2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade *by John Palmgren*

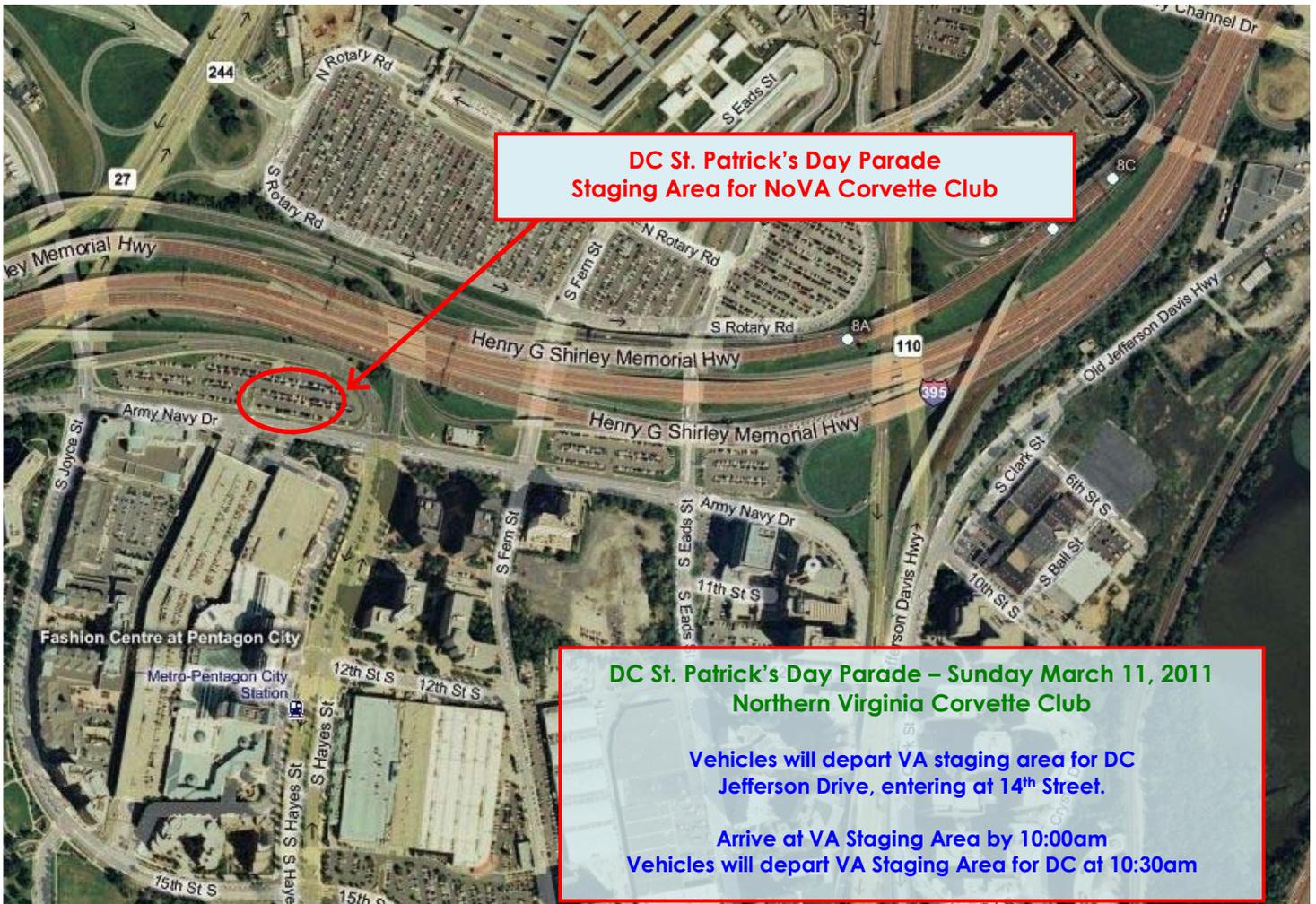
The 41st annual Washington D.C. St. Patrick's Day parade will be held on Sunday March 11, 2012 at 12:00 noon and will proceed down Constitution Avenue from 7th to 17th Streets, N.W.

Key Rules are:

- Throwing candy or other objects from vehicles or floats along the parade route is prohibited. Any unit caught throwing objects to the spectators will be immediately removed from the parade. Walkers may hand candy or other novelty items to curbside spectators.
- Parade units should not stop and perform along the parade route. This disrupts the flow of the parade, resulting in gaps and delays. Parade units may perform for up to 30 seconds in front of the judge's and reviewing stands.

In years past, parade participants started lining up around 11 AM. I have not yet received official instructions of where in the staging area we will be lining up, but I'm guessing it will be the same as in previous years.

I recommend that we meet up around 10 AM in the Parking Lot on Army-Navy Drive, as in previous years, but depart for the parade route around 10:30 AM. The map below shows where we met up last year.



St. Patrick's Day Parade Route



1000 Windshield Decals / Polo Shirts by Frank Eaton

The new Northern Virginia Corvette Club Static Windshield Decals have arrived, and one will be given to each member at the monthly general membership meeting on **February 28th** at Jim McKay Chevrolet. Members can purchase additional decals for \$2.00 each at the meeting. The decal looks like:



The new NVCC embroidered polo shirts that were ordered in January will be given out at this February 28th General Business Meeting.

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Questions: When you booked your last vacation, did you GET the lowest price? **MAYBE**. A cash rebate? **UNLIKELY!** Did NVCC get a donation from your booking engine? **NO!** Here's my offer: I handle **WORLDWIDE TRAVEL OF ANY TYPE: LAND (All-inclusives; tours; safaris!), ALL CRUISES, AIR & GROUPS**. I'll book your travel at the **LOWEST cost-** yes, match or beat **ANY** price that you find ; give **YOU** a **ca\$h** credit **PLUS** (this is important) I give **NVCC** a donation for **YOUR** travel ! **NO GAMES PLAYED** - **YOU** love to save money & you love Corvettes. **NVCC** needs **ca\$h** to fuel the events that we (**I'M A MEMBER!**) want. So, do the math: **A.** do your own booking (NO rebate ; NO donation) or, **B.** contact me; save **\$\$** AND help **NVCC** fund more events! Your choice ... Option **B**, anyone?

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Annual Banquet 2012
Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant
March 3rd at 6:30 PM

The banquet will be held this year at 6:30 PM on Saturday, March 3rd, 2012 at Maggiano's in Tysons Corner, Virginia. Dinner will include the following:

- Appetizers:** *Bruschetta & Four Cheese Ravioli Fritte*
Salad: *Maggiano's House & Italian Tossed*
Pastas: *Rigatoni D (Chicken Marsala Pasta) & Ziti with Marinara Sauce (Vegetarian)*
Entrees: *Chicken Parmesan & Oven Roasted Pork Loin (Balsamic Cream Sauce)*
Dessert: *Chocolate Zuccotto Cake & New York Style Cheesecake*

All served family style!

All meals come with tea, coffee, and water. A cash bar will be available to those who would like to enjoy an adult beverage.

Address to Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant:

2001 International Dr
McLean, VA 22102-4605

Maggiano's has complimentary valet parking starting at 5pm, located in front of the Cheesecake Factory and Maggiano's Mall Entrance.

Register as soon as possible to reserve your seats!

Deadline for reservations is Feb 29th

Number of people attending: _____ (total)

Names of attendees (please mark if attendee is a child under 12 years old)

_____ Child: _____
_____ Child: _____

The banquet fee is \$35 per adult and \$15 for any children under 12.

Please mail this registration form and a check made payable to NVCC to:

Lori Ann Benish
46478 Cedarhurst Drive
Sterling, VA 20165

Or, register and pay for your seats online at <http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/banquet.html>



Is Your Passion Corvette?

Do you have a Corvette crazy garage, office, man cave or are you just super passionate about the car? We are seeking short videos where you take us on a tour of your passionate Corvette world!

Video submissions will be reviewed, and those making the 'cut' will be used in the Museum within the Enthusiast area. Submitters must be a current member of the Museum. While we prefer DVD or CD, other formats can be accepted. Mail your submission to: National Corvette Museum, Attn: Katie, 350 Corvette Dr., Bowling Green, KY 42101



Patriotic Paint Schemed Corvettes Sought

Do you have a Corvette painted with Patriotic artwork? We have four openings for the coveted pedestals in our Skydome! The display will begin May 10 and run through December of this year. This exhibit will also be in conjunction with our September 11, 2001: A Global Moment exhibit which begins August 4. Exhibitors must be members of the Museum and are responsible for transportation of their car. If you wish to apply, please go to <http://www.corvettemuseum.org/display/index.shtml>, fill out our exhibit application, and submit it to Katie at katie@corvettemuseum.org (or mail to the Museum, Attn: Katie) along with images of your car by 4pm Tuesday, February 28.



Super Bowl MVP Awarded a Corvette

In case you missed Sunday's Super Bowl, Corvette got a moment in the spotlight as the game's MVP, New York Giant's QB Eli Manning, was presented with keys to a brand new, 2012 Centennial Edition Grand Sport.

"It says a lot that it's the American sports car... to be given to the MVP of what is an American phenomenon with the Super Bowl. I think it says a lot about the car," said John Fitzpatrick, Marketing Manager of Chevrolet Performance Cars.



Registration Open for Performance Tour

It's the birthplace of new GM vehicles, including Corvette. Home of automotive designers and engineers, where a car's concept goes from paper to Proving Grounds. The Warren Tech Center and Milford Proving Groups are rarely visible to the enthusiast world... but in true NCM VIP fashion we take you where no others can.

July 20-21 a small group will tour the Tech Center, meeting designers, visiting the wind tunnel, talking to Corvette engineers and learning about the support engineering available at the Warren, MI facility. Then on Saturday spend the day driving on Milford's High Banked Oval and get pictures with your car on the track.



This special fundraiser is only open to 20 Corvettes / 40 people and will include 3 nights lodging at a 5-star hotel, breakfast 3 mornings, lunch and special dinners Friday and Saturday plus a DVD of photos from the trip. Cost for this very rare and special opportunity is \$4400 per car (2 people) and a substantial portion is tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.

View more details online at <http://www.corvettemuseum.org/registration/perftour/info.shtml> and registration will open February 15.

NCM Board Nominations Now Accepted

NCM Members interested in serving on our Board of Directors may submit their resume for consideration. We will have two open spots at the end of this year and deadline to apply is March 30. If you have applied in the last two years and your information is still current, you can simply contact us to request that your on-file resume be re-submitted for consideration.



Please submit resumes to Connie Russell at connie@corvettemuseum.org.

C6 Corvette Bed Coming Soon

We were excited to see a preview of a new "toy" which will be unveiled next week at the New York Toy Fair, and set to retail this summer. The Step2 Corvette Collection offers a Corvette Bed (retail \$229, add lights for \$5 more), Corvette Tool Chest Dresser (retail \$109.99), Corvette Storage Chest (retail \$64.99) and Corvette Lift & Toll Toy Box (retail \$39.99).



Yes, the Corvette Store will carry these. And no, we aren't sure if 6' tall, 200 lb. men can fit in these twin beds.

National Corvette Museum Raffles

The National Corvette Museum conducts a series of raffles each year as a way to raise funding for the day to day operations of the Museum. Upcoming raffles include the Build Your Own 2012 Z06 or Grand Sport (with \$60,000 cash option) ending **Thursday March 8** and Build Your Own 2012 ZR1 Corvette Raffle (with \$80,000 cash option) ending **Thursday March 15**. For more details, see <http://www.corvettemuseum.org/raffle>.

Legendary Chevrolet Corvette 427 Returns as Convertible for Anniversary Celebration

By Roger Hart, *AutoWeek*

More than 40 years have passed since Chevrolet labeled a Corvette with a 427 badge. But beginning this summer for a limited run, the legendary nameplate will return on a convertible model commemorating the marque's 60th anniversary.

The car was unveiled to the public for the first time at the Barrett-Jackson auction in Scottsdale, Ariz., where the rights to purchase the first car with serial No. 001 were auctioned off. Proceeds from the sale will go toward the AARP's Drive to End Hunger charity, coordinated through Chevy dealer and NASCAR team owner Rick Hendrick.



The 2013 Corvette 427 Convertible Collector Edition will be the fastest and most capable convertible in Corvette's history, according to Corvette chief engineer Tadge Juechter. Along with the 427, Chevy will offer a 60th Anniversary Package available on all 2013 Corvette models.

The 427 convertible takes elements from both the Z06 and ZR1 models. The 427 is fitted with the LS7 engine from the Z06 that makes 505 hp and 470 lb-ft of torque, making it the most powerful engine ever put into a Vette convertible. Like the Z06, the 427 convertible is only available with a six-speed manual.

The Corvette 427 convertible will have the same driveline and rear-axle system from the Corvette Z06, a rear-mounted battery and standard Magnetic Selective Ride Control. The standard 19-inch front and 20-inch rear wheels are wrapped in ZR1-style Michelin PS2 tires. Lightweight machine-face Cup wheels--introduced on the 2012 Corvette Z06 with Z07 and Corvette ZR1 with PDE performance packages--come standard and include unique gray-painted pockets. Black Cup wheels or chrome ZR1-style wheels are also available.

The 427 convertible is fitted with several carbon-fiber components to help reduce weight, including a carbon-fiber raised hood (introduced on the 2011 Z06 Carbon Edition), carbon-fiber Z06-style fenders and carbon-fiber floor panels. "CFZ" carbon-fiber front splitter and rocker panels are optional on the 427 convertible and are included with the 60th-anniversary package.



Juechter said the 427 is also being used a bit as a test bed for some C7 Corvette technology, on which Chevy is using advanced composite materials to help reduce the weight of the car by some 40 pounds. It tips the scales at 3,555 pounds. Juechter said he wouldn't reveal which components have been modified but that the overall weight savings gives the 427 convertible a power-to-weight ratio of 6.64--in other words, 1 hp to every 6.64 pounds of vehicle weight. It should make the trip from 0 to 60 mph in 3.8 seconds, run a quarter-mile in 11.8 seconds and have a top speed of more than 190 mph. Lateral acceleration is 1.04 g.

The 427 convertible is available in 2LT, 3LT and 4LT trim levels and will carry a unique vehicle identification number sequence, similar to the Corvette ZR1. All 2013 Corvette models, including the 427 convertible, will be available with a 60th Anniversary Package, featuring an Arctic White exterior with a Blue Diamond leather-wrapped interior with suede accents.

Additional content includes a ZR1-style rear spoiler, gray-painted brake calipers and the "60th" logo on the wheel center caps, steering wheel and seat headrests. An optional graphics package adds full-length racing stripes in Pearl Silver Blue, including a tonal stripe stitched into the convertible top. For 2013, all Corvettes will feature 60th-anniversary badges on the fascias and the "waterfall" panel on convertible models, as well as 60th logos in the instrument-panel gauge cluster and on the sill plates.

The 2013 427 convertible is not being built in limited numbers; Juechter said they will build as many as they can sell. But it will be built only for the 2013 model year as the sixth generation of Corvettes wind down. Chevrolet officials have not said when the seventh-generation Vette will be launched, but Juechter said C6-model production will stop about a month before the C7 builds begin, giving the plant in Bowling Green, Ky., time to make the model switchover. Prices for the 427 convertible were not released, but sources expect the model to start at less than \$80,000.

Give 'em a BRAKE? *By Cassidy Nolen*

For our C5 family, this might save you some bucks....

Does your cruise control RANDOMLY cut out? If you have an automatic transmission, does your engine ever just shoot up a few hundred RPM driving down the highway? If so, your BRAKE SWITCH is out of adjustment!

Believe it or not, the brake switch that controls your brake lights ALSO controls the cruise control AND torque converter clutch in your Corvette! The system is backwards than what you might think. The brake pedal actually moves AWAY from the switch as you press the brakes, allowing the switch to make contact as you push the brakes away from it. Over time, the bushings in the brake pedal and the pedal height change, thereby letting intermittent brake switch contact to be made.

The solution? With a flashlight and 10 minutes, you can pull the lower plastic cover off under your dashboard. There you will find two round switches that simply "pop" closer to the pedal with some "encouragement". You can also disconnect the wires and turn them, as they thread into the assembly. With a little finesse, you can move them closer to the pedal and eliminate the transmission "searching" for a gear at highway speed and keep the cruise control on, even over the biggest of potholes!

There are detailed instructions on various Corvette websites, but this is a little known and quick fix for our cars.

Happy motoring!

NVCC FUNdraising ... by Bob Devery

I know that most of you attend the monthly meetings or one of the events that we do. So, you know that one topic that ALWAYS comes up is cashflow. The Club tries to do a lot of events for its members, but we never know whether we will have an adequate budget for it. Raising dues is never a topic that is popular. So, what do we do to maintain our existing programs and add others that Club members want? Many of you have heard my comments or seen my ad regarding FUNdraising for NVCC with a program that adds extra cash with NO work for NVCC and NO added cost to members or the Club. HOW can this be done?? Well, please read on:



1. Do you travel? Almost all members will respond: "YES"
2. Do you book the travel thru an internet source? Most members will say: "YES"
3. When you book travel, do you look for the lowest price? Most will say: YES (a few will say: the itinerary; travel source; etc ... are more important)
4. When you complete the booking, does NVCC get cash from that booking? After a bewildered look, ALL of you will say: NO!!

Bottom line: most of you are booking travel NOW for summer and even into next year. What if I were to find the SAME travel at the SAME or lower price AND give a donation to the Club and a rebate to you? Remember: NO Internet source that you use ... NOT ONE ... is giving the Club one penny when you book your current travel. As a Club member, I know what the money means to NVCC's ability to do things. Thus, I'll give a donation on any travel; cruises; land tours; resort vacations ... all continents; major suppliers that are used by you now.

Here's the "worst case" scenario ... "Bob, I have a cruise; Disney trip; Vegas; Europe /Asia land tour; etc ... that costs \$XXX. What can you do?" Bob: "I can't beat it". You still go on your trip and have a great time. However, 90% of the time the reply will be: "I can match/beat that price. You'll get a rebate of \$X and NVCC will get a donation from me of equal value".

Folks, we've already broken the ice on this program with Stu & Carol Fox booking a cruise with me to save money AND get a check to NVCC ... which has already been cashed and deposited into the NVCC account! It'll happen EVERY time one of you book travel thru me. So, it boils down to this: book on your own, get the lowest price you can find and ZERO for NVCC ... **OR** book thru me; get the SAME OR LOWER price AND the donation to NVCC. Which one is better value for your money?

The benefit to NVCC will be several thousand dollars over the course of a year. So, you're going to travel. Here's all I ask: contact me before you book your travel and give me a few hours to check my suppliers for pricing. I handle ANY type of worldwide travel that you can get on the internet. And YES - I make money on what I do. So does ANY internet provider that you use. Here's the difference: I donate out of MY pocket to the Club. It's not Disney; Carnival; Mandalay Bay; Tauck Tours; Travelocity; Orbitz or any of 10,000 others who do it. It's MY donation to the Club because I'm at a point in life where I can do it to make a difference.

Also, I'd like to announce that I'm looking at planning a "First Annual NVCC FUNd Raising Cruise". I'll coordinate with Rich and Laurie to ensure that it meets their guidelines. I can do it in late summer 2012 after Carlisle; November 2012 (pre-Thanksgiving) or make it for late January before the Super Bowl to get away from the cold. It'd raise \$2000 - \$10,000 for NVCC depending on how many go. A group cruise of just 20 members will generate \$1500+. Add in a Mini Golf Tournament as I have on a group cruise in a few weeks and you add another \$500. A high school cruise being planned for early summer 2013 for 100 alumni will give over \$10,000 to the school booster club! Since we can open the cruise to family & friends, getting 25-50+ people to go should be possible. I'd like ideas if you have them.

So, that's it ... travel, have fun, save money and help NVCC. All it takes is an email or call to me. All I promise is to do my best to make it work.

bdevery@cruiseshipcenters.com

PS: if any of you have kids that have club activities; ie, dance; swim; scouts; etc ... or you belong to any other organizations that need cash, let me know. I can do the same for them.



Sat. 3/3/12 – Annual Banquet. See official flyer on page 8 for details!

Sat. 3/10/12 – NCCC Awards Banquet. Details TBA, stay tuned to the website for updates.

Sun. 3/11/12 – We have an opportunity once again to participate in the Washington, D.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade downtown (<http://www.dcstpatparade.com/>).

Please RSVP to John Palmgren at publicity@nvcorvetteclub.com with your full name ASAP.

There is no limit on the number of cars that can attend, we just need a headcount for the application. Also, if anyone wants to carry the banner ahead of the group, let John know.

Just a reminder from last year's event: NO burn-outs, NO chirping of tires, NO throwing of candy or trinkets from the cars.

March is an unpredictable month for weather, so dress accordingly. The Parade will step off come rain or shine. (There is NO rain/snow date.) Grandstand seating next to the Reviewing Stand may be reserved in advance, at \$10/per person. You can purchase tickets through the website www.dcstpatparade.com

We will be meeting at the Pentagon Reservation Parking Lot. We will be departing for DC @ 10:45 AM. Parade staging is at 11:00 AM downtown for parade start @ noon. It should be over by ~2:30 PM.

(Location: Army Navy Drive between Hayes and Joyce Streets, directly across from the Pentagon City Parking Garage.)

DIRECTIONS:

From 395 N:

Take exit 8C (Rt. 1 South, Pentagon City, Crystal City)
R at RAG, parking lot on the right (can be seen from the exit ramp)

From 66 East:

Take exit for 110 South
Merge onto Rt. 1 South
Take exit for 15th Street
Right at RAG onto 15th street
Right at 3rd RAG onto Hayes Street
Left at 2nd RAG onto Army Navy Drive
Parking lot will be on your right

Sat. 3/17/12 – For many years, NVCC has hosted a Teen Driving School for young drivers. We have helped train countless students (and parents) in vehicle control, dynamics and good habits behind the wheel. While we have many other schools in our area, ours stands apart because it is FREE to our students and works entirely on the volunteers that help make it happen.

We are hosting our third annual Instructor Clinic on Saturday, March 17, 2012 at Old Dominion Speedway - 10611 Dumfries Road, Manassas, VA. They have opened their gates, classroom and hospitality for us. We would like to have candidates come out and work with us, EVEN if you have never instructed before. This is all about driving and TEACHING driving from the passenger side of the car! For those of you that have seat time as Instructors at previous Teen Driving School (TDS) events, we can brush up on our skills and review the latest in car control topics, as well as help train new instructors.

The name is slightly misleading in that we would LOVE to have you come out and see what this is all about, even if you aren't going to be in the car with the students. We need people to help us direct traffic that day, tech-inspect the vehicles, feed students and workers as well as help with registration duties and communication between event stations. This really is a community effort and we will be discussing all of that during our training day.

This will be an all day (8 AM - 4 PM), rain-or-shine event, specifically geared toward preparing for 2012 TDS events. Refreshments (donuts, coffee, pizza, soda, water) will be provided. There will be no charge to those who attend.

If interested in attending, please let Cassidy Nolen know ASAP at chiefinstructor@nvcorvetteclub.com.

Sun. 3/18/12 – Cruise-in at Jukebox Diner, 8637 Sudley Rd, Manassas, VA from 11 AM until 1 PM. Sponsored by Custom Cruisers of Northern Virginia.

Sat. 3/24/12 – Detailing Clinic with Odd and Ends Detailing/Adams Products. Details TBA, stay tuned to the website for updates.

Fri. 3/30/12 - Sat. 3/31/12 – Charlotte Corvette-Chevy Show

Over \$10,000.00 in Prizes

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Location:

Knights Stadium
2280 Deerfield Drive
Fort Mill, SC 29715

Registration:

Judged Car Show: \$40.00 Pre-Registration \$60.00 Day Of
Display Only: \$10.00 Pre-Registration \$15.00 Day Of
Car Coral: \$30.00 Pre-Registration \$40.00 Day Of
Swap Meet Spot: 10X10 \$30.00 Pre-Registration \$40.00 Day Of
Vendor Spots: 10X10 \$40.00 Pre-Registration \$50.00 Day Of
Spectators Gate Fee \$5.00

Events:

Judged Car Show With classes for all
Corvette Meet Display Only
Chevy Meet Display Only
Best Of awards
Burn Out Contest
Auto Cross and Driving Experience
Loudest Exhaust Contest
Installers Row
Dyno Challenge
Corvette Midway, Manufacturers, Car Corral and Swap Meet

Sponsor and Vendor Openings - Contact Steve 803-320-3193

More Info: <http://www.kossmotorsports.com/Harra...vetteShow.html>

Sat. 3/31/12 – Corvette Club of America Autocross Primer. Details TBA, stay tuned to the website for updates.

Coming soon...

Sun. 4/1/12 – Corvette Club of America Autocross
Sat. 4/7/12 – Finish the Race Car Show
Sun. 4/15/12 – Jukebox Diner Cruise-In
Sat. 4/21/12 – Teen Driving School
Sun. 4/22/12 – Corvette Challenge Poker Rallye
Sat. 4/28/12 – LaGrange Wine Tasting/Corvette Show
Sat. 4/28/12 – Drag Racing/Test & Tune @ Mason Dixon Dragway
Sun. 4/29/12 – Custom Cruisers Rod Run

Hey y'all,

The winter wasn't all that bad, and spring is almost here! Be sure to stay tuned to www.nvcorvetteclub.com for new event additions and updates. If you would like to host an event, please email social@nvcorvetteclub.com at your earliest convenience. Cheers, Laurie Kistner



JANUARY 24, 2012 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting opened by RICH ANDERSON, New Club PRESIDENT at 7:30PM

Introduced prospective new members: Amanda Coughlin; Andrew Bradick; Shawn Waddell

Total of 34 persons present ... current & prospective members (attendance record kept for future reference) ANNE COSTOLANSKI, the "new newsletter editor" was recognized for past involvement. STEWART FOX made a motion that Anne be given an Honorary Membership; seconded by Frank Eaton and given unanimous approval by those in attendance.

Patty/Jim McGregor discussed their NCM delivery of their new 2011 Grand Sport.

DOUG SWANSON, VP ... discussed the GBM parking requirements; update of Dan Walker surgery (Club sending a card to Dan); Sponsor plaques. He gave Bud Carroll, GM, McKay Chevrolet, his plaque. Bud commented on Dan Walker's surgery; discussed "GM 100" info. Mentioned that the GM rep wanted to get more involved in local items so the NVCC TDS Program was mentioned and discussed as a way for GM to help. Bud said that he'll extend a formal invite to the GM rep to attend TDS. Also, he said that he'd try to get DVDs of GM 100 to pass along if we wanted.

LORI BENISH, BANQUET CHAIR ... discussed the 3/3/12 NVCC Banquet. A larger room than last year has been secured. Cost will be \$35 for adults and \$15 for kids. She has gotten prizes for the event that includes a "Flint Brick". A request was made for any members with pictures of NVCC activities to give them to her for inclusion in the banquet DVD.

STEWART FOX, HPDE/SPOOK ... very pleased with possible GM involvement in the TDS Program. Discussed the Instructor Clinic to be held 3/17/12 at ODS. ALL club members were invited to attend to learn about instructor positions as well as general help that is needed for TDS. The spring TDS will be 4/21/12 at ODS.

CASSIDY NOLEN, CHIEF INSTRUCTOR ... asked that volunteers register on the NVCC website and stressed that new instructors are needed but for set up help to attend to learn in advance what is needed. STEWART said to expect ODS confirmation shortly and for registration to open @ 2/10/12. Send emails to CASSIDY if interested in helping.

MIKE RATHBUN, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR ... said that we have 85 active members; 3 carryover prospects and 4 new prospective members plus THREE Honorary members (including Anne).

Rich introduced Frank Eaton who had volunteered to put together a Club shirt and decal order. The new polo shirts were selling well; \$30 per shirt; purchase at the meeting; thru the NVCC website/PayPal. The shirt order will end 1/31/12 with delivery of order for the February GBM. The decals are being printed for delivery asap with one being done for each member and additional ones for sale at GBM's/online.

ANNE discussed the newsletter input and encouraged members who take pictures to send them to her for use in future newsletters.

LORI put on her hat as RALLYE CHAIR; said that none were planned at the moment; asked for all ideas. She mentioned the "Christmas Lights Rally" which had the most cars in the time that it's been done.

RICK POAGE asked everyone to ensure that the current info for them is available for the listings in the NVCC Directory.

ALICE ARIELLY, new TREASURER, discussed the finances; stated that the Club was in a positive cash flow even after purchases of new projector; computer aids; plaques; etc.

WILFREDO SAURI, new HISTORIAN conducted the Trivia Contest with 6 winners for various prizes (winners: Dana Root; Scott Hurley; Mike Rathbun, Ben Duling; Rich Anderson; Cassidy Nolen). The 50/50 drawing winner was Mike Gilliland who got \$60.

Questions for the Corvette GBM – 1/24/12

1. Who starred in the movie Corvette Summer? Mark Hamill
 - a. What year was the movie originally released – 1978
 - b. Customized 1973 Corvette

2. How much did the 2012 Corvette 427 serial number 001 sell for this past weekend? 600K
3. What color was the corvette in the TV show Route 66? – Corvette in game was red...
 - a. First corvette powder blue 1960
 - b. Shortest run was the 1960 used in the pilot
4. When did sun visors become a Corvette option? 1959
5. First year for the paddle shift automatic transmission option? – 2006
6. First movie where a corvette was used – Kiss Me Deadly – black 1955 Corvette

Mike Rathbun, Stewart and Lori encouraged members to bring tech issues to the GBMs and online to get assistance from members willing to share info.

Rich ended the meeting at 8:50PM

submitted by Bob Devery, 1/29/2012

Parking Restrictions at Jim McKay

By Doug Swanson

Please note the parking restrictions for the upcoming GBM:

The available parking across University Drive has become more limited after the opening of another dealership there. Please see the graphic below that illustrates where we can park.

Remember that the club expects to recognize member attendance and participation this year, so please join us for the GBM on Tuesday February 28!



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Newsletter News ...

Hello all! It was nice to see those who showed up for the January GBM – always great to renew old acquaintances and make new friends. Vette people are some of the friendliest folks I've met (of course, I might be a bit biased!)

Thanks to those who have sent contributions for the newsletter. Please remember to send pics and stories of your vette's travels during the year.

Hopefully spring is just around the corner ... I'm looking forward to putting the convertible top down for a change! Til next time ...



Anne Costolanski anne.steffie@gmail.com

Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, Feb 28th at 7:30 pm

Tuesday, Mar 27th at 7:30 pm

Jim McKay Chevrolet
3509 University Drive
Fairfax, VA. 22030