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Announcements

Raffle tickets are available for the Children's Hospital print, see Felix or Mary. The winning raffle ticket will be selected at the Christmas party and all proceeds will be donated to Children's Hospital.



To see the USA in a Chevrolet, contact our Sponsor

BANNER



CHEVROLET

"Where Customers Send Their Friends"

Presidents Signals

Well, better late than never. This past month has been a challenge and a little frustrating I must say. I was going to copy the April newsletter to a new folder and start making the changes for May but when I went to my CCCC folder on my memory stick I knew something was amiss because I was seeing those non printing characters where I should have been seeing my files. After a couple minutes a box popped up to inform me that my data was corrupt and would I like to recover, yes I thought thank you very much. Then another box said recovery was successful and I could find my data in a Found folder, except there was no found folder. My stuff was well and truly gone and of course I had failed to back anything up. On another memory stick I had a copy of the January newsletter so that is where I had to start.

Unfortunately Nancy and I could not make the Crawfish Boil but I know everyone had a good time and many thanks to the cooks and to Rick and Collette for the gracious use of there home for this event. Thanks to Kathy for the article on this event, the Air Show and the St. Jude Car Show.

The order form for club shirts is attached to the newsletter and there are several color and style choices so place your order with Felix.

The presentation of our donation to Children's Hospital will be Sunday May 31 from 1:15 to 3:45. There are still a few spots open to assist with taking donations over the phone. Contact Felix if you are interested and you are encouraged to watch the club on television. Our donation this year is \$6,100 and we will be presenting the check during the telethon. This is one of those poster size checks and I hope everyone watching on the television can see our 45th anniversary logo. Felix did a great job as usual.

CRESCENT CITY CORVETTE CLUB
NEW ORLEANS, LA. Date: *May 30, 2009*

Pay to the order of: *Children's Hospital of New Orleans* \$ *6,100.00*

Six Thousand, One Hundred and 00/100 ***** Dollars

For: *The Children* *Richard Buckheister / Mary Berkowitz*
1964- *President Vice President*

I hope to see you at the meeting in June and in the mean time Save the Wave

Richard

New Memberships

Please welcome our newest members:
Paul and Heidi Hager
Owners of a 2001 Navy Metallic Blue Coupe

May Birthdays

Florence	DeSalvo	05/01
Mary Sue	Oehlke	05/19
Herman	Smith	05/13
Sue	Gegenheimer	05/09

Crawfish Boil

On Saturday, May 2, the Greater New Orleans Corvette Club, Crescent City Corvette Club, and Northshore Corvette Club held their annual Crawfish Boil at the lovely home of Rick and Collette Weaver in Slidell. Their home was beautiful and the kitchen held countless desserts, while the crawfish and other delicious foods were being prepared in their water view backyard.

The food items were plentiful and delicious. They included boiled crawfish, corn, sausage, mushrooms, sweet potatoes, hot potatoes and green peppers. The food was seasoned to perfection and able to satisfy the large, happy crowd of Corvette members.

After eating, many of us went to see our "own" Corvette show in front of Rick and Collette's home. Bill Folsie proudly showed us his new acquisition, the Victory Red Z-06, and Bob and Virginia Huffman showed us their new yellow C-6 Vette. Our cars provided a great show to the neighbors and visitors in the subdivision.

I want to thank Rick and Collette for allowing us to use their beautiful home and yard for the Crawfish Boil every year. We appreciate their hospitality and beautiful waterfront (or back) view. Thanks guys!!

Kathy Culbertson

The Corvette Reporter

NAWLINS AIR SHOW

On Sunday, May 3, The Greater New Orleans Corvette Club sponsored a caravan trip to attend the annual New Orleans Air Show in Belle Chasse. 40 of our beautiful, distinctive Corvettes were on display for the Air Show attendees to admire. Our cars drew so much attention and compliments that the world famous Blue Angel precision flying team were often the 2nd highlight of the show.

Among the various thrilling air flights were displays by Fat Albert, the Blue Angels, and several fighter jets and countless private planes.

There were so many other interesting sites to see, such as the Virtual Army Experience, Hurricane Hunter plane, SWAT team arsenal of weapons from the NOPD, and countless other planes and helicopters, including the Black Hawk helicopter.

One feature of the Air show that drew a great deal of attention was a visit by Darth Vader and several of his Storm Trooper pilots. He and his "team" took pictures with us and our Corvettes, as well as the children and adults who are avid Star Wars fans.

The Air Show ended with the spectacular precision maneuvers of the renowned Blue Angels and a wonderful presentation by Fat Albert. These world famous jets were a true display of the technology and training of the United States military and their personnel. The strength of our military gave us great pride in our country.

I want to thank Jim Richoux for planning this patriotic and fun event. We had a great time visiting with each other and getting some "sunburn", while viewing the great stunts and maneuvers.

Kathy Culbertson

The Corvette Reporter

St. Jude Labor of Love Car Show

On Saturday, April, 25, 2009, the Baton Rouge Corvette Club presented its annual St. Jude Labor of Love Car Show in Plaquemine, Louisiana. There were over 184 vehicles on display at the lovely area, known as "The Locks" in Plaquemine. The array of vehicles included vintage cars and trucks, race cars, Street Rods, and of course, our beloved Corvettes. They were parked all over the grassy area and were quite a display for the countless visitors and car enthusiasts who came to view the car show.

Among the highlights of the show were a silent auction and regular auction, many craft and food vendors and the wonderful picture of our vehicle encased in the tasteful wooden plaque. It was a truly fun and exciting day for auto enthusiasts. At 3:00 p.m., the Award Ceremony began and many of our treasured vehicles were honored with beautiful acrylic trophies and awards.

The highlight of my day was the distinct honor of winning the coveted Buddy Cook Award, from the Greater New Orleans Corvette Club. Alton Rivero, the President of the GNOCC and his Vice President, Malcolm Graff, presented this very SPECIAL, beautiful plaque, in its mahogany wooden frame to me. It meant so much to me, because of the dear friendship I enjoyed with Buddy Boo and for all that he did as Webmaster and Officer of the GNOCC and the Confederation of Corvette Clubs. He will always be remembered by anyone who had the privilege of calling him their "friend." He was kind, generous, truly funny, and full of joy and life. His passion for the Corvette was known to all who knew and loved him. We miss Buddy, but know that he is in peace in Corvette Heaven, driving his M-T Pkts, without worrying about speeding or red-light tickets or anything that us earth-bound Veters have to fear. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, Malcolm and Alton, for bestowing this gorgeous plaque and kind thoughts upon me. I shall treasure it always, as I treasure the friendship and camaraderie of my dear Corvette family and friends, and the memory of my friend, Buddy Cook.

The purpose of the great car show is well known. Supporting St. Jude and his generous works at the St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis,

Tennessee is the true reason for the success of this annual show. I know that the donation will be huge again this year and I personally can't think of a better way for friends and car enthusiasts to gather for such a worthy cause.

See you again, next year!

Kathy Culbertson

The Corvette Reporter

CCCC BOARD MEETING MINUTES 4 MAY 2009

1. Members attending: Mary Berkowitz, Felix Famularo, Bill Gieseler, Jim Boudreaux, Vic Giordano, Joe Mesa, Bob Leeds, Michael Leeds, Gordon Willhoft, Terry Gilbert, Jimmie Leeds, Faith Giordano, Denise Mesa.

2. Topics Covered:

a. Children's Hospital Print Raffle. The board discussed and determined that tickets should be \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00. The raffle will take place at the annual Christmas party. The raffle will be open to club members only. This information will be sent to all members via e-mail. A copy of the picture will be included with the members. Gordon will get a digitized picture. We will create a ticket to send with the e-mail. The funds received will be held in the Charity Distribution Fund and included with the 2010 contribution.

b. WDSU – Children's Hospital Telethon, Sunday, May 31st. Our time slot is from 1:15pm to 3:45pm. 10 volunteers are needed. Those at the meeting volunteering to man the telephones are: Bill Gieseler, Jimmie Leeds, and Bob Leeds. Additional volunteers are Carol Willhoft and Jackie Goldberg

c. 45th Anniversary Mementos: Joe Mesa advised he has the extras but will not be able to attend the meeting on Friday. Felix Famularo volunteered to pick up the mementos and have them available for the meeting.

d. 2009 Legends Car Show. Gordon has the extra plaques and Mary gave him three

names of attendees that did not receive them. Thank you letters will go out to participants, sponsors and vendors but Gordon needs a copy of the donation check to Children's Hospital. Felix will get a copy of the check to him.

e. 2010 Legends Car Show: It was decided to increase the registration fee to \$40 for pre-registration and \$45 for on-site registration. The need for the increase is a result of having to add additional classes and more plaques, to cover the number of stock corvettes. Felix will work up a new set of classes to cover the additional number of vehicles.

f/ Club Roster. Felix advised that Richard Buckheister is working with Richard Plauche to get the change over completed. Felix advised that we picked up one new member at the crawfish boil and one renewal – Rick and Collette Weaver.

h. 45th Anniversary Pictures. Joe Mesa advised that he spoke with Oak Alley Plantation and we will be able to go back and take pictures of the members' cars that were in the Greater New Orleans Auto Show at the Convention Center. Possibly in the fall when it gets somewhat cooler

i. Motion was brought to the floor by Felix Famularo that the club purchase an audio system. It was seconded by Mike Leeds. The motion was amended by Gordon Willhoft to increase the amount to \$500.00. Discussion followed. Mike Leeds and Mary Berkowitz will procure a system within budget. The question was called and passed unanimously.

j. Confederation. Felix Famularo briefed on the Tupelo trip in June and the Huntsville trip in July. He stated that 6 corvettes will be put under the Saturn V rocket in the museum.

k. Inter-Club Activities. Mike Leeds briefed on upcoming activities:
GNOCC Poker Run May 24th
Baton Rouge Corvette Club going to Maggie Valley N.C.

Blonde Joke Corner

A little change of pace, this one was submitted by Mary

An Irishman, a Mexican and a Blonde Guy were doing construction work on scaffolding on the 20th floor of a building.

They were eating lunch and the Irishman said, "Corned beef and cabbage! If I get corned beef and cabbage one more time for lunch, I'm going to jump off this building."

The Mexican opened his lunch box and exclaimed, "Burritos again! If I get burritos one more time I'm going to jump too."

The Blonde opened his lunch and said, "Bologna again! If I get a bologna sandwich one more time I'm going to jump too."

The next day, the Irishman opened his lunch box, saw corned beef and cabbage, and jumped to his death.

The Mexican opened his lunch box, saw a burrito and jumped too.

The Blonde Guy opened his lunch box, saw the bologna and jumped to his death as well.

At the funeral, the Irishman's wife was weeping. She said, "If I'd known how really tired he was of corned beef and cabbage, I never would have given it to him again!" The Mexican's wife also wept and said, I could have given him tacos or enchiladas! I didn't realize he hated burritos so much."

Everyone turned and stared at the Blonde's wife.

The Blonde's wife said, "Don't look at me. The idiot makes his own lunch."

Now back to normal, this one was submitted by Ken Centola

A plane is on its way to Houston when a blonde in economy class gets up and moves to the first class section and sits down. The flight attendant watched her do this, and asked to see her ticket. The attendant then told the blonde that she paid for economy class and that she would have to return and sit in the economy section in back.

The blonde replied, "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful, I'm going to Houston, and I'm staying right here." The flight attendant went back to the cockpit and told the pilot and the co-pilot that there is a blonde sitting in first class that belongs in economy and won't move back to her seat. The co-pilot went

back to the blonde and tried to explain that because she only paid for economy, she would have to leave first class and return to her proper seat. The blonde replied, "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful, I'm going to Houston, and I'm staying right here."

The co-pilot returned and told the pilot that he probably should have the police waiting when they land, to arrest this blonde woman who won't listen to reason. The pilot said, "You say she is a blonde? I'll handle this. I'm married to a blonde and I speak 'blonde'." He goes back to the blonde and whispers in her ear, and she says, "Oh, I'm so sorry." and she got up and went back to her seat in economy.

The flight attendant and co-pilot are amazed and asked what he said to make her move without any fuss.

I told her, "First class isn't going to Houston."

Corvette Related Links

<http://corvettemuseum.com/>

I use this link to download the monthly calendar as my desktop background.

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/pictures/calendar.shtml>

<http://corvetteforum.com/>

<http://digitalcorvettes.com/>

Congratulations to Joe and Denise Mesa on the new arrival, a 2009 ZR1



Ceramic pads, no more brake dust.



Even the passenger seat has power assist.



A beautiful car I must say.



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Crescent City Corvette Club

SHIRT ORDER FORM

Name: _____ Order Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

“Polo” Shirts

Colors: Kelly Green, Dark Green, Tan, Maroon, Red, Light Blue, Royal Blue,
Navy Blue, Charcoal, Black, White

S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Total number of “Polo” shirts ordered: _____ X \$36.00/shirt: _____

S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Total number of “Polo” shirts ordered: _____ X \$36.00/shirt: _____

“Dress” Shirts (Long Sleeve)

Colors: Green, Kaki, Burgundy, Red, Light Blue, Cobalt Blue,
Navy Blue, Slate, Chamois, Black, White

Male: S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Total number of “Dress” shirts (L/S) ordered: _____ X \$47.00/shirt: _____

Colors: Green, Kaki, Burgundy, Red, Cobalt Blue, Chamois, Black, White

Female: S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Total number of “Dress” shirts (L/S) ordered: _____ X \$47.00/shirt: _____

“Dress” Shirts (Short Sleeve)

Colors: Green, Kaki, Burgundy, Red, Light Blue, Cobalt Blue,
Navy Blue, Slate, Chamois, Black, White

Male: S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Total number of “Dress” shirts (S/S) ordered: _____ X \$45.00/shirt: _____

Colors: Green, Kaki, Burgundy, Red, Cobalt Blue, Chamois, Black, White

Female: S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Color: _____ Name: _____ Logo: Club: _____ 45th: _____
Total number of “Dress” shirts (S/S) ordered: _____ X \$45.00/shirt: _____

Grand Total (shipping included): _____

Make checks payable to: Felix Famularo.

Send to: Felix Famularo
7229 Zimpel St.
New Orleans, LA 70118



Membership Application

New Renewal

Name: _____
Last , *First* , *Middle*

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Bus. Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Pager: (_____) _____ - _____

Email Address: _____

Birthday: _____ / _____
Month *Day*

**Please check off the
phone numbers that
you would like CCCC
to contact you with.**

Spouse / Associate: _____
Last , *First* , *Middle*

Bus. Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Email Address: _____

Birthday: _____ / _____
Month *Day*

**Please check off the
phone numbers that
you would like CCCC
to contact you with.**

Corvette Information

Year: _____ Color: _____ Coupe: Roadster: Hardtop:

Year: _____ Color: _____ Coupe: Roadster: Hardtop:

Membership Classification

Member - \$55.00 per year
• (Includes one Associate Member)

Auxiliary Member - \$15.00 per year
• Club Affiliation _____