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Crescent City Corvette Club
New Orleans, Louisiana



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In accordance with the club by-laws the nominations for Officers and Board for 2009 will be opened and closed at the September General Membership Meeting. The Nominating Committee has made its report to the Board and their recommendations are:

President – Richard Buckheister
Vice President – Mary Berkowitz
Secretary – Nancy Buckheister
Treasurer – Sue Gegenheimer
Board Members –
Felix Famularo
Jim Boudreaux
Michael Leeds
Bob Leeds
Vic Giordano
Joe Mesa
Bill Folse
Bill Gieseler
Buddy Gegenheimer

These are only recommendations to the membership. At the beginning of the meeting the floor will be open to nominations from the members present. If nominating someone please insure you have their prior approval. Before the end of the meeting the nominations will be closed and the election for the 2009 offices and board will be held at on October 17th at the October General Membership Meeting.

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Presidents Signals

I hope everyone is safe and well and did not suffer any significant damage from either Gustov and Ike. Nancy and I evacuated to Austin for Gustov and spent some anxious days there not knowing what the damage might be but other than the expense, inconvenience, and dealing with the refrigerators on our return we had no damage. We enjoyed seeing our son and daughter and our unborn grandson. Tressie showed us a thirteen minute video of the ultrasound which was really amazing. For Ike we stayed home and I was truly amazed that we were ~250 miles from the center and still had sustained 40 knot winds with gusts to 50-60. Hopefully we are finished with any further weather related problems for this storm season.

The storm has caused some events to be rescheduled and I hope everyone can still make the ExtraVetteganza and the Devin Funck benefit on the 27th. I noticed the weather is starting to turn cooler in the mornings, which is a welcome sign of Fall. In Austin it was in the mid nineties but in the shade it was tolerable. I wish we had low humidity like they do.

At this month's meeting we will be accepting nominations for Officers and Board members for 2009. Additional information on this subject is in a separate article on the first page of the newsletter.

I apologize that I do not have pictures of the Diary Queen tour or the August birthdays. With the storms and everything associated with that I was thinking I had another week to prepare the newsletter but late Sunday I realized that the meeting was this Friday. I was talking to Jimmie Leeds on the phone and she was asking when I needed the minutes for the newsletter and I said next Saturday. Well after a little reflection I realized that was not the case at all and I was already late; however, I hope to catch up next month.

I am adding a "Blonde Joke" section this month so if you have a good one please send it to me and I will include in a future newsletter. It is quasi-automotive and I hope this one passes the Felix test.

Well, I hope to see you at the meeting on Friday and in the mean time Save the Wave

Richard

Membership Report

Regular Memberships	64
Auxiliary Memberships	3
Honorary Memberships	10

Please welcome returning members:
Charlie and Karen Coe,
they own a 2003 Red Convertible

September Birthdays



Bruce Meyers	9/1
Rose Marie Palmisano	9/1
Vic Giordano	9/5
Dottie Landry	9/6
William Matthews, Jr.	9/8
Malcolm Graff	9/9
Karen Coe	9/12
Darilyn Kaplan	9/15
William Folsie	9/16
Gail Jones	9/16
Melody Horton	9/17
Ross Guastella, III	9/24
Mary Meyers	9/29

Silver Slipper Cruise

On Saturday, July 26, a group of members of the Crescent City Corvette Club met at the Mississippi Welcome Center to cruise our beautiful Corvettes to the Silver Slipper Casino in Mississippi. It was a really nice trip planned and organized by Juanita and Terry Gilbert.

After parking in our reserved spaces at the casino, we went to the gaming area and received buffet

coupons to enjoy a delicious lunch. There was food from such cuisines as Chinese, Italian, Cajun, Cowboy, and traditional seafood dishes. At the dessert and salad bars, there were generous portions of tempting and tasty fares, too.

Many of us gambled or shopped after eating our luncheon buffet and some of us even entered the drawing for winning pulls on the designated slots.

This was a fun day to spend with our Corvette friends. I want to especially thank Terry and Juanita Gilbert for planning this happy day for good friends and their sweet Vettes. Like we always say...the Corvettes brought us together, the friendship keeps us together!!

Kathy Culbertson

HOLLYWOOD CASINO CORVETTE SUMMER

On August 23, the Hollywood Casino held a wonderful car show comprised of our beautiful Corvettes on display to attract visitors and "players" who had a chance to win some great Corvettes in their casino. The black C-6 and red Cove Corvette were among the fantastic vettes that would be given away during their Corvette Summer promotion.

Corvette Clubs from all over the state participated in this fun event. Among them were the Greater New Orleans Corvette Club, Crescent City Corvette Club, Northshore Corvette Club, Baton Rouge Corvette Club, Thibodeaux Corvette Club and the Mississippi Gulf Coast Corvette Club. Well over 100 of the state's most striking Corvettes were displayed in the parking lot below the Pete Fountain sign. Another really nice feature of this Corvette show was the good bags, which included two Millennium Yellow t-shirts with the prize Corvettes displayed on them and a 2 for 1 buffet coupon for dining in the casino.

Although the rain was sporadic that day due to the impending Gustav hurricane, we all had a great time visiting each other, sharing stories, and catching up on our life's events. We look forward to another fun event at the Hollywood Casino next year...and who knows, maybe one of U S will win a beautiful Corvette at the giveaway!

Kathy Culbertson

Crescent City Corvette Club Board Minutes at Cathay Inn July 7, 2008

Attendees:

Bob and Jimmie Leeds
Terry Gilbert
Gordon Willhoft
Jim Boudreaux
Robert Pugh
Lana Celino
Richard and Nancy Buckheister
Mary Berkowitz
Felix Famularo
Vic and Faith Giordano
Michael Leeds

1. Welcome Comments, Richard thanked all for coming
2. Secretary's Report, a motion was made and seconded by Bob to dispense with the reading of the minutes
3. Treasurer Report, Richard gave the report in Juanita's absence
4. Membership Report, Richard reported 62 or 115 members and associates/spouses, New Members, Claudette Mitchell and Wayne Latour, 3 Auxiliary Memberships, 7 Honorary Memberships
5. Merchandise and Web Report, Jim asks about our Christmas Party date and location and Gordon Willhoft is working on a place and date.
6. Newsletter, Richard thanked Kathy Culbertson for her two articles. Our newsletter will be out shortly via email.
7. Confederation Report, Felix reported that Ken and Edna Centola's daughter, Jennifer, has invited the Confederation for a photo shoot in Hattiesburg, Miss. on Sunday, July 27th at 5:00 PM with the University of Southern Mississippi's Dance Team(around 17 young ladies). The shoot will be at the "Old Coca Cola Bottling Company, now called The Bottle Company. Plans are to leave New Orleans East, Household of Faith Church at 9:00 or 10:00 AM. Exact time and lunch plans to follow. Next is the two couples coming from New Zealand, buying new Corvettes in Tulsa, Ok, arriving in Kenner, where Felix will meet them and he will escort them to their hotel at Homewood Suites on Poydras Street where they will spend little time if Felix has anything to do with it. His plans are for a

group of Corvette enthusiast to show them our city. Also they are to be our guests at the July General Meeting of Crescent City Corvette Club at Piccadilly Cafeteria. Felix made a motion to purchase 4 shirts and make the two men honorary members and the two women Auxiliary members. Motion passed nominally. Next he reported on our Dairy Queen Tour August 16-17. 20 cars registered already so make your hotel reservation ASAP. Lastly came the Eureka Springs, AK trip Oct. 30-31, Nov. 1-2, Trail of the Pig.

8. Inner Club Activities Report, Michael gave as follows: Sept. 5-7, River City Corvette Show, Shreveport, GNO Extravaganza, Sept 26-27, rain date Oct. 4, Cruzin the Coast, Oct. 5-11, Bayou State, Oct 18, Cajun Corvette Show, Nov. 8, NCRS 15th annual Labor Day Weekend 2009 Caravan to the Corvette Museum, if interested contact Michael Leeds. NCRS National Convention, July 20-24 in St. Charles.Mo.
9. Old Business, Email is working, all member should get the email, and a special thanks to Wayne Latour for solving our email issue.
10. New Business, Getting together at Café Du Monde after the board meeting suggested. Plan on meeting our KIWIS at our July General Meeting, and plans on moving our Board Meeting back to Monday is in the works. Richard will let us know time and place. Robert Pugh suggested Copeland's and made other suggestions for our Board Meeting. Gordon Willhoft discussed the Thank You's that need to be sent to our Car Show Sponsors.

A special thank you to Carol and Gordon for their thank you dinner to the workers of our car show. It was the best.

A motion to adjourn by Gordon and seconded by Felix.

General Membership Meeting of Crescent City Corvette Club at Piccadilly Cafeteria July 18, 2008

1. Our president, Richard Buckheister, brought the meeting to order, thanked everyone for attending, we recited the pledge of allegiance and next came a moment of silence for our troops. Richard then greeted our guests from New Zealand. They

introduced themselves to us; spoke about their club in New Zealand and also the country from which they reside. New Zealand is 2 Islands, 300 miles long, no traffic, 1 road in and out, 2 clubs, Capital Corvettes, 40 members, Northland Corvette Club, no poisonous insects, steering on right side of cars, if they purchase a car in another country, they must drive the car for 90 days outside of their country and then they do not have to change the steering to the right side of the vehicle. The 3 couples purchased their corvettes in the United States, and planned on driving them 90 days before shipping them to New Zealand. Richard presented them with gifts of a polo shirt, tote, and a framed honorary membership certificate. Next, our members introduced themselves, their spouse or significant other and the corvettes owned. Richard proposed that the group go to Café Du Monde after the meeting for donuts and coffee.

2. Minutes of our last meeting, a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes.
3. Juanita gave the treasurer's report. A motion was made to accept.
4. Richard gave the membership report. 62 or 117 members and associates/spouses, 3 Auxiliary Memberships, 13 Honorary Memberships.
5. Jim Boudreaux gave the Merchandise and Web report. He plans on posting the New Zealand Magazine on the Website for our viewing.
6. Richard reported that the newsletter was received by all but 2 people. He is asking for articles and pictures when you go on an outing.
7. 50/50 Drawings
8. Juanita Gilbert is planning a trip to the Silver Slipper Casino. RSVP to Juanita, Buy one, and get one free buffet. Leaving the Mississippi Welcome Center, Exit 2, 7-26-08, before 10:00 AM. They will have special parking available for the Corvette's.
9. Felix gave the Confederation Report. He explained to our guests that the Confederation was set up to cross club lines with activities. No officers, no rules, no dues, no treasury, have fun, yall come. He then reported on the University of Southern Mississippi Dance Team Picture Shoot planned for Sunday, July 26, 2008 and third weekend in August, the Dairy Queen Tour.

Next, Fall trip to Eureka Springs, Trail of the Pig.

Then we had birthday cake and wished Bruce and Virginia Rock Happy Anniversary.
No Old Business

New Business, Richard stated that it is that time of year for nomination of our board and officers. Also our Board Meeting is the 1st Monday in August. Other new business is that we received a Certificate from Children's Hospital.

10. Michael Leeds discussed the 15th Anniversary trip to the Corvette Museum. It will be Labor Day, 2009. Michael may Co-Chair. Also, a trip to Alaska is planned for June 13, 2009.

Motion to Adjourn

Crescent City Corvette Club Board Meeting August 4th, 2008

The CCCC August 4th board meeting was held at Serrano's Mexican Restaurant and was brought to order by our President Richard Buckheister. He welcomed all and said what a good July General Meeting we had. He said our General Membership Meeting would be held on August 15th and he wanted Michael Leeds to be on the telephone committee in 2009. Also, he said the Nominating Committee for the 2009 Officers and Board was Gordon, Felix and Richard.

A motion to dispense with the reading of the Secretary's report was passed.

Juanita gave the treasurer's report and Bryan made motion to accept and Mary seconded.

The Membership Report was given by Richard. 62 or 115 members and associates/spouses, 3 Auxiliary Memberships, 10 Honorary Memberships. Richard to send out our roster.

The Merchandise and Web report was given by Jim Boudreaux. Jim wants thank you letter's sent to our sponsors and Felix said he would send pictures of the Kiwis's visit to Jim for the website. Also, Jim would appreciate articles and so would Richard for the newsletter.

Felix gave the Confederation Report. The upcoming Dairy Queen Tour has 29 registrations. The Clubhouse has set up 3 food choices for the menu with a cash bar. It should be a really good trip. October is the Ulrika Springs trip. An outdoor barbeque is planned. The Confederation is alive and well.

Michael gave the Interclub Activities Report. Bayou State Car show, is checking on it to see where it will be held. NCRS, St. Charles, Mo., Bob received "The Dave Hill Award" for his 1993 Ruby Red Anniversary Convertible. Additionally, we may apply for the NCRS Regional in 2011. Next year, the Louisiana Chapter of NCRS will hold a "Regional" style event in conjunction with the Vettes By The Shore 2009. Sept. 20th I is the date for the Pensacola Emerald Coast Car Show.

No Old Business

New Business, A motion was made by Mary for Felix and Bob to discuss the charity activity and report back to the board. Motion Carried. Also, Bill Gieseler, Susan and Buddy Guggenheim, and Nancy Buckheister are interested on being on the board for next year. Richard Buckheister is interest in being President, Mary Berkowitz for Vice President, Susan Guggenheim for Treasurer and Nance Buckheister for Secretary. Buddy is friends with members of the Mustang Club and a show is being held in honor of the boy that lost his arm from an alligator attack. The Mustang Club has invited Corvette Enthusiasts to join their show.

Motion to adjourn.

Crescent City Corvette Club August 15th General Membership Meeting

Richard welcomed everyone to the August, General Membership Meeting along with Kevin Chimento and his yellow 65 Convertible and white 80 Coupe. We said the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops. Richard said we would have a post meeting at Café Du Monde. Richard said we had a great July Membership Meeting with the Kiwis.

A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made.

The Treasurers Report was given by Juanita Gilbert. A motion to accept was made.

Richard gave the Membership report. 63 or 118 members and associates/spouses, 3 Auxiliary Memberships, 10 Honorary.

Merchandise and Web-Jim Boudreaux Jim posted our newsletter on the website.

Newsletter report by Richard Buckheister. He sent out a notice about the September 6th fundraiser being held by the Mustang Club for the boy who was attacked by the alligator. If you are not able to attend and want to make a donation, let Richard know. Richard asked for articles and pictures by the Monday or Tuesday before the General Meeting. He also thanked Felix for the Kiwis article.

Felix gave the Confederation report. The Dairy Queen Cruise has 30 registered cars. Eureka Springs dates are posted on the calendar. November 29th there is a cruise to Mexico. \$350.00 per person, leaving New Orleans on "The Carnival Fantasy". Go to vacationtogo.com. 6-7 couples are going and it is posted on the Confederation web site. John Glassen was welcomed back.

Interclub Activities Report was given by Michael Leeds as follows:

8-23 Hollywood Casino, Bay St. Louis
9/5-6 River City Corvette Show, Shreveport
9-6 Fundraiser, Mustang Club
9-20 Northeast Monroe
9-27 GNO Extravetteganza, Bayou Country
10/5-12 Cruzin the Coast
10-18 Bayou State
11/22-25 NCRS Waco
11-08 Thibodaux

No Old Business

New Business, Board and Officers, Secretary's position is still available

Faith Giordano won the 50/50

Motion to adjourn

Blonde Joke Corner – The Porch

A blonde teenager, wanting to earn some extra money for the summer, decided to hire herself out as a 'handy-woman' and started canvassing a nearby well-to-do neighborhood.

She went to the front door of the first house, and asked the owner if he had any odd jobs for her to do.

'Well, I guess I could use somebody to paint my porch,' he said, 'How much will you charge me?'

Delighted, the girl quickly responded, 'How about \$50?'

The man agreed and told her that the paint brushes and everything she would need was in the garage.

The man's wife, hearing the conversation said to her husband, 'Does she realize that our porch goes ALL the way around the house?'

He responded, 'That's a bit cynical, isn't it?'

The wife replied, 'You're right. I guess I'm starting to believe all those dumb blonde jokes we've been getting by e-mail lately.'

Later that day, the blonde came to the door to collect her money.

'You're finished already?' the startled husband asked.

'Yes, the blonde replied, and I even had paint left over, so I gave it two coats.'

Impressed, the man reached into his pocket for the \$50.00 and handed it to her along with a ten dollar tip.

'And by the way, 'the blonde added, 'it's not a Porch, it's a Lexus.'



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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Email Address: _____

Birthday: _____ / _____
Month Day

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Last First Middle

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Email Address: _____

Birthday: _____ / _____
Month Day

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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 _____
• (Receives Bulletin; but must pay to attend all CCCC functions)

Junior Member - \$5.00 per year

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