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# **First Word**



#### The Official Voice of Gate City Corvette Club of Southern New Hampshire



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Summer has finally arrived in all its glory. We went from rain and cold to hot and sticky with thunderstorms mixed in. Well, what are you going to do, it's New England and as the stories tell if you do not like the weather wait five minutes.

The June 25<sup>th</sup> cruise with Lakes Region Corvette Club was a success. We ended up with 11 cars from our club joining in for the day, along with over 30 cars from their club. The day was hot and humid and went off without a problem. The cars were divided up into three groups with the first group to be the outlaws. Unfortunately because of traffic even on the back roads of New Hampshire the groups were slowed down. All in all, we had a great time I will be planning another get together and hopefully more can join in. During the trip back on Sunday a couple of us got caught in a downpour and you will not believe this but Mike DeCampo found the windshield wiper controls and they worked.

On July 10<sup>th</sup> there is the show and shine in Connecticut. Hopefully we can get some members to go to the event to support the club putting this show on. This club comes to our show every year with a number of their members so it would be nice if we would pay them back by going.

**Our next event is the Club picnic at Emile and Suzanne Tetu's home on Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>.** I hope to see everyone there for the picnic, as you all know this year we are doing things a little different. The board decided that instead of having the picnic catered, hot dogs and hamburgers along with other goodies would be served to keep the cost down in hopes that more members would participate. Remember we need a head count so please come to the next meeting and sign up. There is a \$10 PER PERSON deposit required and when you get to the picnic your deposit will be returned to you. The only reason this is being done is to assure that members that say they are coming will be there and if not the monies help in covering the cost of not showing up.

Last but not least and the most important is the Corvette Conquer Cancer fundraiser. Things are coming together but still a lot needs to be done. It takes a lot of work and dedication to put this event on. The club is trying very hard to put this event on with the least monies put out and we are still missing one large item, **tables and chairs**. I have received e-mails from some members saying they can get their hands on some tables and chairs but we still need more. So if there is someone that knows where we can get 20 round tables that can seat 10 at each one and 200 chairs please help out and get in touch with whomever may have them and let myself or any other of members of the board know. Ticket sales are going ok but a lot more would help, so if you have not bought your tickets please come forward and do so and remember this event is not just for Corvette owners it's for everyone and it's for a good cause.

In the last newsletter I wrote that I would be sending out questionnaires so that I could see what members are interested in. I will be doing so, but unfortunately I'm a little behind schedule.

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**Gate City Corvette Club, Inc.** is one of approximately 600 Corvette Clubs throughout the United States and Canada. The purpose of Gate City Corvette Club is to make being a Corvette owner more fun. Gate City Corvette Club meets at 8:00 p.m. the second Friday of the month at Dobles Chevrolet, 1250 South Willow Street, Manchester, NH.

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Welcome to Gate City's online newsletter created exclusively for Gate City Corvette Club members! Please help by sharing news about trips you've taken, shows you've attended, and suggestions for club activities, as well as technical advice, cleaning tips, or anything else that you feel would be of interest to our members. The club needs your input!

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# SAVE THE WAVE

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Well that's all for now, hope to see you all at the next meeting and then the picnic. Do not forget to smile while drive your plastic car and make sure you wave.

The next meeting is Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM at Dobles. The CCC committee will be meeting at 7:30 PM and if you want come early your more than welcomed.

Best Regards Dan Feidler, President

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Allie DeCampo

Dan opened the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the GCCC by first thanking Dobles for the use of their facility. Dan asked if everyone is receiving the newsletter. The secretary's report was accepted. A dinner poll was taken.

<u>Membership Director</u>: Lynn would like to know the birthdays of members and their Corvettes. Also, please contact Lynn if you would like to purchase club clothing.

<u>**Treasurer's Report:**</u> Ruth reported on the profits from Spring Fling and the donations to be made to the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Corvettes Conquer Cancer.

<u>Officer-At-Large:</u> Hank reviewed the latest mail and upcoming events sponsored by other Corvette clubs. He talked about Crusin' Downtown scheduled for Saturday, June  $25^{th}$ , N.E. Summer Nationals on June  $30^{th}$  – July  $3^{rd}$ , and Lymerock for July  $4^{th}$  weekend.

<u>Activities</u>: On June 25<sup>th</sup> we will be joining the Lakes Region Corvette Club for a cruise to the Mt. Washington Hotel for a buffet lunch. The cost of the lunch is \$21.00 per person. We will be parking on the grassy hill in front of the hotel. Contact Dan for details.

The annual club picnic will be at Sue and Emile's on July 16<sup>th</sup>. This year we are planning to barbeque hamburgers and hotdogs. The cost of \$10.00 per person will be returned to everyone who attends the picnic.

#### **Old Business/New Business:**

Norm has tickets to sell for Corvettes Conquer Cancer Fundraiser Party. The cost per ticket is \$27.50. Norm is keeping track of sales and ticket numbers. Checks should be made out to GCCC FBO Corvettes Conquer Cancer. Also, the club could use donations for the auction and silent auction.

Mike Dupont hopes to have 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary patches available for sale at the next meeting. He mentioned that men's watches could be made with the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo. He suggested that we have a couple of extra watches made to auction at the fundraiser. In addition, he is taking orders for 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary shirts. You may order the men's shirt in white with black trim or black with red trim. The woman's shirt is white. The cost of both the men's and woman's shirt is \$35.00.

Gate City Corvette Club is to be awarded a plaque on June 24<sup>th</sup> from Relay For Life of Greater Nashua for contributions made to the American Cancer Society. Paula, Dan, and Ben plan to attend. Ben will have his car on display.

The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Mike DeCampo. The attendance raffle was not held.

Dan adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the GCCC will be held on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### Allie

# **Activities Corner**

Summer finally made it and it is *HOT*! Any time you are riding in a convertible with the top down and the air conditioner running full, it has to be hot. Remember the month of May? I think I like the heat better.

Our next Club event will be our Annual Club Outing on Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup> hosted by Emile & Suzanne Tetu at their home. Hamburgers, hotdogs, salad, chips, beverages and dessert will be served. The cost will be \$10.00 per person (children free) and you need to contact Dean Gagne or a Board Member to let us know if you are coming. Bring your own towels and bathing suit if you want to use the pool. Emile will have a tent set up so this is a rain or shine event. Special parking for Corvettes will be in the back yard along with Emile and Sue's new silver C6. This is a great time to sit back, relax and socialize with club members so I hope you can make it.

Also several Club members are planning on attending the Corvettes of Connecticut "Show and Swap Meet" on Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> in Guilford, Connecticut. This Club attended our Spring Fling Car Show and was awarded "Best Club Participation" trophy. Please contact Dan Feidler or me if you are planning to attend this event. We will meet at Macy's in Bedford to caravan down to this show together. I have attended this show a couple of times and this is one of the largest show & shine shows in the New England area.

Corvettes Conquer Cancer Fundraiser in August is fast approaching. If you and friends are planning on attending then please purchase your tickets now. We need a numbers count for the caterer and tables and chairs. The committee is still trying to find a place that will donate the use of tables and chairs, so if you know of one please let us know. We are also seeking donations for our auction tables in the form of gift certificates or products.

Also in August is "Corvettes at Carlisle in Pennsylvania. I hope you already have your rooms reserved for that weekend. Again we will be leaving on Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup> and there will probably be an early (6 AM) caravan and a later (10 AM) caravan. Let me know if you are going and which caravan you want to be in. More information will follow, as time gets closer.

If you use Adam's Polishes/Premium Car Care Products to "Adamize (atomize)" your cars, contact me before you order anything by phone or online. I have a special code that will give you 10% discount and any order over \$99.00 will be shipped free. I just put in an order for 4 members totaling over \$600.00 and with the discount and free shipping we probably saved about \$100.00. I am willing to be the central ordering place for any orders to Adam's Product, so call me if you want anything.

Our next Club meeting will be on Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM at Dobles Chevrolet in Manchester. Hope to see you there.

Norm Wood, Vice President Important Reminder ALOHA SPIRIT NIGHT \$27.50 Tickets Are On Sale!

## Birthdays July Carol DiMeo 7/28 Carol Michalik 7/17 (REALLY!)



I'm missing dates from some folks - so I'll be looking for you!

For those who missed the Mount Washington Cruise, it was just as hot in the White Mountains as it was on Elm Street in Manchester. The Lakes Region Club were great hosts, they made us feel very welcome with goodnatured teasing about "taking us for a ride" and what a ride – through the lemon squeeze, over a covered bridge and across the Kancamagus highway. The token corvette came in the form of a Dodge Magnum – speaking of Dodges, if you want to see a sunset orange black top '06 Corvette color combination, go to the Manchester Dodge dealer and check out the Viper on the lot (just squint and it will look like a corvette!)









#### **CLUB CASUAL WEAR**

New...30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary shirt \$35.00 Denim shirts \$25.00 Polo shirts (white or navy) \$25.00 Sweatshirts (navy) \$32.00 Club Jacket \$55.00 Baseball hats \$12.00 To purchase contact membership director Lynn Nault.

# Mountain Road Trip



Well, Sunday was such a nice day I jumped in the ZR-1 and headed up north now that I finally have the car in good working condition. I'm sure my fellow ZR-1 members wouldn't dare take their cars up the Mt. Washington Auto Road with gravel sections and all but I figured I had to try it once. I can say that using only 1<sup>st</sup> gear as instructed is a no-no! It quickly overheats. 2<sup>nd</sup> gear worked great at 25 mph but is too FAST for most traffic! Many considerate folks let me pass with a smile.

I was also unfortunate enough to travel the Kancamagus Highway with a couple of miles of unpaved gravel road. Didn't let that spoil my fun though! All those bumps today popped a screw right out of the plastic panel above the windshield on to my lap. I had to laugh that one off. All an all still a wonderful day I had to share. Looking forward to joining a club cruise soon.

A happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July to everyone!

Dennis Granger 1991 ZR-1 #577 Red on Black NH "ZR-1"

#### **CORVETTE FOR SALE**

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#### **CRUISE NIGHTS**

Monday Nights, Airport, Gilford, NH, Lakes Region Corvette Club.

Tuesday Nights, Village Green Restaurant, Route one North, Danvers, MA, Clipper City Corvette Club. Starts at 5:30 pm.

Tuesday Nights, Sylvan Street Grill, Route 114 & Sylvan St., North Shore Corvettes of Mass., "2005" cruise night dash plague. Starts at 5:00 pm.

Wednesday Nights, Burger King, 77 Drum Hill Rd., Chelmsford, MA., Spindle City Corvette Club. Begins June 1<sup>st</sup>, Starts at 6:00 pm.

#### **EVENT CALENDAR**

**July 10** - 13th Annual Corvette Show & Swap Meet, Moroso Performance Products, Guilford, CT. Club Corvette of Connecticut. For info call (203) 795-9823.

**July 24** - Gas-n-Glass Corvette Show, Campus of the University of Rhode Island, Rte 138 Kingston, RI. Triboro Corvette Club. For info call (401) 766-7793.

**July 31** - Corvette Show, Livesey Park, Parker St., Fairhaven, MA. Northeast Vettes and Corvette Mike. For info call (508) 994-7849.

**August 7** - 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Show & Shine, Marina Park, Salt Pond Road off Route 1, Corvette Club of Rhode Island. For info call Randy Flock (401) 884-6235.