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## Stress Kracks

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



First Word

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*H*ere we are into the beginning of spring and hopefully winter is over. But we do live in New England so anything can happen. Let's keep our fingers crossed that the nice weather gods are on our side.

Like always March was not a very exciting month with anything going on. We did have the annual club bowling night and 8 brave members did bowl. Lynn Nault brought the crying towel to give to someone. Unfortunately, Lynn was under the weather and could not bowl so there have been some discussions in the rank and file that she should have to bowl to give the towel up.

The month of April in my eyes is the start of the plastic car season, of course that is weather depending. Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> is the last of Lakes Region Corvette Clubs winter meetings at a restaurant. This year it is again at the Hart's Turkey Farm in Meredith NH. Like last year, several members are going up for at buffet style dinner with their club. It is also the kick off of promoting Corvettes Conquer Cancer Fundraiser.

April 24<sup>th</sup> is the set date for a cruise set up by Joe and Carol Michalik to the car collection in Maine. At the April meeting we will be setting a meeting place and time. Hopefully, the weather gods will be with us and we can drive the plastic cars.

For those interested, Corvettes United will be hosting along with Massachusetts Mustang club the Corvette vs. Mustang challenge taking place June 24<sup>th</sup>. They are suggesting that you pre-register to have a spot; they may limit to 10 cars per class being judged for super street and show and participates choice for street.

Spring Fling is fast approaching and it would be a great year, if we could have all trophies paid for again this year by sponsors.

Lastly, I just want to mention that hopefully during the week of March 12<sup>th</sup> thru the 18<sup>th</sup>, everyone in the club felt a little light headed since there were shots of tequila being toasted to all in the club, from the Dominican Republic. Right Norm and Joe? (Look for pictures and write-up in the next newsletter.)

Hope to see everyone at the next Meeting at Dobles April 13th, 8:00 PM.

Best Regards
Remember to smile when driving the plastic cars.
Dan Feidler
President

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#### SAVE THE WAVE

The March meeting was called to order by President, Dan Fiedler, at 8:00 pm, March 9, 2007 at Dobles. Dan thanked Dobles for the use of their facility and moved on to old business.

Dennis Granger, our Membership Director, introduced a prospective member, Wayne Sargent, who owns a 2000 coupe.

Treasurer, Cindy Collins, gave an overview of the Treasurer's report. Ruth Wintle made a motion to accept the report as read and it was seconded and all were in favor.

Officer at Large, Mike Dupont read various fliers that were received in the mail and they were put out on display for anyone who was interested to look at after the meeting.

Vice President, Carol Michalik, took a head count on who would be attending the annual bowling night at Leda Lanes. If you would like to attend this really fun event March 31st, please either call or e-mail Carol as Leda Lanes needs a head count so that they can reserve lanes for us. The group usually goes out to dinner after, but a place has not yet been determined.

Carol had Joe speak on the information he has gathered on the cruise to Paris, Maine to view Bob Baer's collection of cars. We now have a date certain of April 21<sup>st</sup>. Please either call or e-mail Carol and Joe if you'd like to attend. Meeting place and time will be discussed at the next meeting.

Dan mentioned that Corvette Mike's will be having a get-together to show his beautiful `66 that won it's top flight at the NCRS Florida meet. Corvette Mike will also be having a demo of the application of an "invisible bra". Dan's new beauty will be getting the treatment.

Paulette Scarlett announced that we have 18 paid sponsors for Spring Fling so far, but we need more. Dan stated that he and Claudia will again host the pre-Spring Fling judging clinic. Date and time will be announced later.

Dan also said that our usual airplane hanger for the Corvettes Conquer Cancer dinner dance is no longer available, but that he is looking into securing another at Boire Field.

Norm Wood reported that it was learned at the Calendar of Events meeting that Corvettes United will not be having their usual show 'n' shine in June but will hold it instead in September. Ours will be the first and one of the few judged shows in the early part of the season. There will be plenty of time on the calendar in June, and if you can think of any kind of event the club could put on either for our club alone or to include other clubs, please make your ideas known.

Lakes Region is holding a BBQ at Castle in the Clouds on Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, and it could possibly turn into a weekend event. We'll keep you posted

Secretary's Report continued on the next page.

#### Secretary's Report Continued

Dan mentioned that So Shore CC is holding a dinner/dance at the Elks Hall in Weymouth MA on March 24<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$25 and will benefit Project Access (homeless children). Dan is going and if you are interested, call or e-mail him.

Emile and Sue Tetu have once again volunteered their home/yard/pool for the annual summer picnic on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Many thanks to them, and mark you calendar.

Mike Dupont mentioned a possible trip to Canada in June for the Formula One race. It was favorably received and more information will be gathered.

There was no 50/50 drawing this month.

Lee Scarlett won the Membership drawing worth \$20.00. Congratulations!

Emile made a motion that we adjourn the meeting and everyone second it.

Some positive feedback has been received from Dietz Heinz on the Mt Sunapee cruise vs. the Mt Washington cruise. He told me that the Mt Sunapee cruise is much more personal, the food was better and it's quite an enjoyable trip.

Ruth Wintle Back Up Secretary

#### *ACTIVITIES*

Carol Michalik VP/Activities Director

#### Hello All,

Spring is here...now we can only hope the weather cooperates so we can take our cars out. Joe has heard back from Jeff regarding Bob Bare's car collection in Maine. The date Jeff gave us is Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. At the April club meeting we will set up the time and meeting points.

We had a great time at our club bowling night. It is not clear as to who gets procession of the crying towel. Lynn was not up to bowling that evening. A run-down of the scores is on the following page. Afterwards, we went to dinner at the Texas Roadhouse.

See you at our April meeting Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>.

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Carol Michalik Vice President

# Bowling Night 2007



#### Scores were as follows:

Mike	107	81
Allie	92	73
Bentley	89	73
Joe	82	59
Bob	77	64
Lisa	74	74
Carol	69	50
Claudia	53	37

It's debatable as to who is this year's recipient of the crying towel. Does the towel belong to the bowler with the lowest score even if the current owner of the towel doesn't bowl? I say we just throw in the towel and enjoy having a fun social evening!

After bowling, we went to the Texas Roadhouse for vittles. This is the restaurant where it is acceptable to toss your peanut shells onto the floor. It was a fortunate that we were isolated from the rest of the patrons as peanuts flew freely from one end of the table to the other landing everywhere. This behavior may have been influenced by the drinks consumed while waiting such a long time to be seated. Management offered to provide us with one serving of each appetizer on the menu to make up for the extended wait.

As usual, Carol celebrated another birthday. The "horse" was delivered to our table and she climbed up on the saddle for the big Yee-ha! I think the Texas Roadhouse is our favorite birthday restaurant to celebrate Carol's numerous birthdays.

#### Allie