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The July cover photo goes to Dave & Ellen Osgood's C7 Grand Sport.  
"Vette at Sunset"



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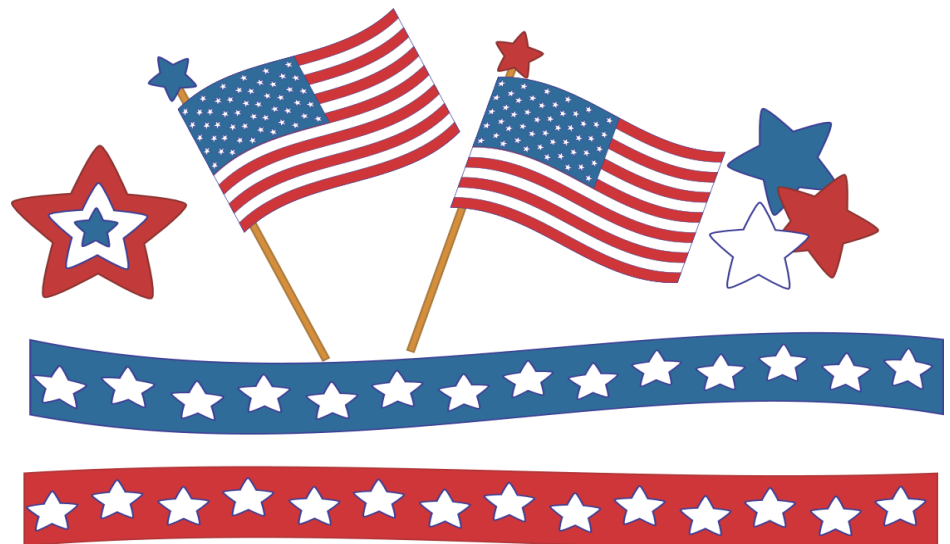
Well, another month of no meeting but there seems to be a light at the end of the tunnel. I would like to say at this time that we plan on having our monthly meeting next month and if you don't feel comfortable don't feel obligated to show up.

Some of us have been getting together, mostly our core group that has been going on GCCC club cruises these past few years along with some of our newer members who have showed an interest in participating in cruises and car shows planned a day or two in advance based on the weather report for the upcoming weekend.

Let's plan on getting together in July for our club meeting and start enjoying the rest of the summer with our cars and fellow club members. We have already discussed doing the club picnic with more information to come on that.

Save the wave and stay safe.

*Dennis Corrigan*



Gate City Corvette Club is one of the hundreds of Corvette clubs throughout the United States and Canada. The purpose of GCCC is to make being a Corvette owner more fun. GCCC meets at 7:00 pm the second Friday of the month at MacMulkin Chevrolet, 3 Marmon Drive, Nashua, New Hampshire.

## *Message from the Veep...*

Well, another month has come & gone... and the car show activity is still pretty much non-existent. There are still a few shows & cruise-ins that have been happening, with folks trying to keep their social distancing, but they're definitely in a minority. It's definitely been putting a crimp in our club's activity planning, that's for sure! My car has definitely not been feeling the love, and I think I've only taken it out a few times total so far this year, and only once for a 'fun' ride.

But I think it's time to change that. Even if I can't do a big social event, I still bought the car to take out for fun drives. I'm making a commitment to myself that this coming week, I'm going to get my car out of the garage and get out for a cruise somewhere on a back road. Just put the top down, and cruise through the countryside for an hour or two, just to enjoy the experience of having such an incredible car. I think a little more sun & fresh air could do me good, and the car sure would appreciate it too.



That said, a big thanks to Dave & Deb Hill for organizing the Zoom virtual meets. It's been nice to see & chat with some of you, even if we can't do it over a meal & drinks like we'd prefer. We'll be having another one soon – so keep an eye out on your emails to watch for the reminders.

Everybody keep safe, and I look forward to being able to see everyone in person again sometime!

*Larry "The Veep" Shields*

## **THAT POOR VETTE**



This month's entry is a brand-new Torch Red C8. Apparently, the mid-engine design, with most of the weight towards the back of the car (40/60), can confuse even Chevy dealers, when it comes to the proper jack points. The dealer didn't get the car on the jack properly before lifting it, and down it came with a mighty thump – breaking out the glass & doing quite a number to the body. The owner was also not pleased when someone in the service department posted pictures on their Instagram pages without telling the owner.

SRC: <https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2020/06/01/accident-c8-corvette-falls-off-the-lift-at-a-chevy-dealership>

Hello All,

The secretary's report would normally include the minutes of the last meeting. Things have changed and it still up in the air as to when and if we will have a regularly scheduled meeting. Perhaps an outdoor dining event would be a fun way of getting together. T Bones in Hudson had plenty of tables and parking last time we were there. Even Texas Roadhouse along with the Friday night car show could work. I am sure we can get some ideas flowing and keep it local. Meanwhile, my car is taking a vacation and making up for all the mileage I put on last year with the trip to Bowling Green.

*David Osgood*

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**Club Virtual Meetings**

Hello Everyone,

I hope that you are all doing well and have adjusted to our temporary new normal routines. By now the cars should be in like new condition, ours is getting there – spent most of last week detailing the outside.

We have been using Zoom to say Hi to each other and share what we've been up to for the last couple of months and we are looking to continue these meetings and improve attendance. We've had from 5 to 20 members attend. Zoom only allows meetings to be 40 minutes long unless you pay a monthly subscription fee, which we are not going to do at this point in time.

Here are the meeting details:

Dave Hill is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Gate City Virtual Gathering  
Time: July 1, 2020 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77207785771?pwd=L0pHa2VuY1krZ053U1Z0UG84SVpMdz09>

Meeting ID: 772 0778 5771  
Password: 4awf7y

Here is when additional meetings are scheduled:

July 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>  
August 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>  
September 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>

Hope to see as many of you then as possible. All you need to do is click on the Zoom meeting link above. If you do not have the client, it will ask you to download it.

Cheers,  
Dave and Deb Hill

## GCCC Membership Report

To Join Gate City Corvette Club, visit our website

<http://www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com/>

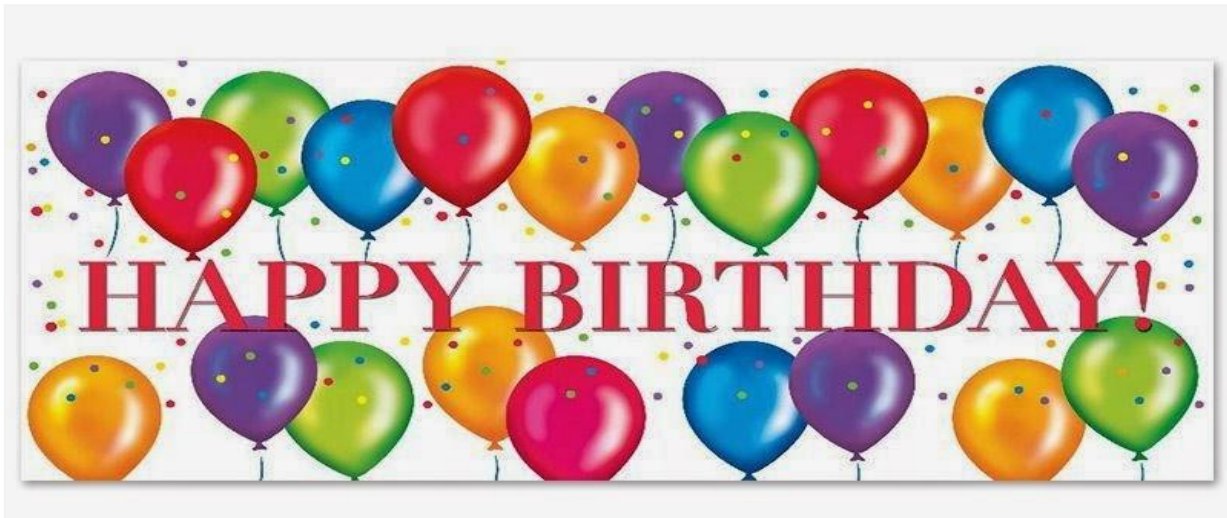
and click on the Membership Info Link

For more information, please contact: Tony Centrella (Membership Director) at

603-321-7546 or [allertnec@gmail.com](mailto:allertnec@gmail.com)

75 Members – 4 Honored – 4 Honorary

### Join us in celebrating the **JULY** birthdays



Heather Shields	7/2	Tom Stewart	7/18
Paul Guimond	7/9	Carol DiMeo	7/28
Carol Michalik	7/17	Gayle Zelonis	7/31

If you do not see your birthday listed and want it to be included next year, please send it to Tony Centrella.

Hints and Tips:

- If you are an Amazon shopper, use the <https://smile.amazon.com> URL to have Amazon donate a portion of your purchase price to your favorite charity, and we hope that you will select the National Corvette Museum! Every little bit helps to preserve the Corvette treasures at the museum.
- And let's not forget to become a member of the National Corvette Museum as well!
- Save the Wave

**Embroidered club clothing:** Maverick's Stitch and Screen, 522 Amherst Street, Unit 28, Nashua, NH  
Contact Norma or Nathan 603-521-8358 [Mavericksstitchandscreen.com](http://Mavericksstitchandscreen.com)

# Exploring New Hampshire & Vermont

**by Alan Factor**

Hello to all,

I hope you are well and coping with the “new world”. Who would ever have thought this possible? So many changes and unknowns. Connie and I have been using the time to discover New Hampshire and Vermont. Some of you may know that we are new to the Granite State via Massachusetts. Boy, the two states are worlds apart! We have actually put 3,000 miles on our new Corvette. Our journey has taken us from the White Mountains of New Hampshire to the Green Mountains of Vermont and to the rivers and lakes in between. We’ve tried to abandon the highways as much as possible and kept to the side roads while enjoying not only the unmatched scenery but the kindness of the local people. As we passed thru their quaint villages and small towns we were welcomed warmly. Believe me, they were happy to have the company as well. We discovered small grocery stores that made sandwiches, gas stations with clean rest rooms, and outside eating spots galore along river banks and within views of the mountains. It gave us something to do which we feel was quite worthwhile. As a side note, many of the places we passed thru had no corona issues. You may want to get out as well and enjoy the fresh air of the North Country. You will have fun if you go.



Stay safe,  
Alan & Connie



# CAR SHOW AT MANCHESTER FIRING RANGE

**Monday Nights from 5-8 pm Weather Permitting**



GCCC members attended with 8 Corvettes to enjoy a fun evening. A people's choice award is given and there's a food concession nearby.

Photos provided by Kevin LeBlond



## **AVIATION MUSEUM HOSTS CLASSIC CAR SHOW**

**by Bob DiMeo**

The Aviation Museum of New Hampshire is going ahead with its annual Classic Car Show. The show is planned for Saturday, July 11, from 10 am – 2 pm, with a rain date of July 12. There will be food vendors, a 50-50 raffle, and a few trophies to pass out. Normally, the Museum would be open for tours, but this year the museum will not open until the following Saturday, July 18.

Last year, I went with two other couples and we pitched a pop-up to sit under and had a great time. The show attracted about 50 cars and we parked on the grass. There were about 10 Vettes, a few exotics, and a number of antiques and other classics participating. With the Covid 19 guidelines in mind, they may space the cars further apart than usual and open up additional parking.

If you're looking for somewhere to go this is close by and a good cause. The funds raised help to keep the nonprofit museum going.

The Aviation Museum is at 27 Navigator Road in Londonderry. The show is located on the other side of the Manchester Airport; across the runway from the Terminal.

Regards,  
Bob DiMeo

*According to a recent newspaper article, admission is \$5.00 per adult, children 12 and under free. Admission is cash only. Visitors are requested to practice social distancing during the car show, and wear face coverings when mingling with others or viewing vehicles. For more information about the Car Show or the Aviation Museum, visit [www.aviationmuseumofnh.org](http://www.aviationmuseumofnh.org) or call (603) 669-4820.*



# National Corvette Museum Donations

## AmazonSmile Update

Today I received an email from Amazon detailing how much Amazon has donated to the National Corvette Museum this quarter and all donations made to the museum since they started [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com). Here is the email:

This is your quarterly AmazonSmile donation notification. Your charity, **National Corvette Museum Foundation Inc.**, recently received a quarterly donation of **\$645.79** thanks to customers shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com).

To date, AmazonSmile has donated a total of:

- **\$11,345.04** to National Corvette Museum Foundation Inc.
- **\$183,120,221.33** to all charities

Thank you for supporting National Corvette Museum Foundation Inc. by shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com). You can track your impact throughout the year at your [My Impact page](#).

AmazonSmile is also available in the Amazon Shopping app on iPhone and Android phones. See how to activate [here](#).

*Whether you want to support the National Corvette Museum or another charity, they make it very easy. Just use the [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) URL. If you don't have a charity selected, you can do that easily by following the directions. Now, whenever you buy from amazon, use the Smile URL and make your purchases. The prices are the same as on their regular [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) URL and it helps out your selected charitable organization.*

*Shopping online is a non-contact activity (activity is a bit of a stretch).*

*Dave Hill*



Photos provided by Allie DeCampo

## Homes of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence

We drive by these homes but do we know the contributions to history made by their former owners?



**Matthew Thornton** (1714 – 1803) was a physician and statesman. Dr. Thornton was one of the 3 signers of the Declaration of Independence representing New Hampshire. He was elected to the Continental Congress after the debates on independence had occurred, but as he did not arrive in Philadelphia until November 1776, he was granted permission to actually sign the Declaration of Independence four months after the formal signing in July. Matthew Thornton's old inn which he ran with his wife Hannah Jack, whom he married in 1760, is located in Merrimack, New Hampshire. He bought the property at auction and it was inherited by son James who

named it Hannah Jack's Tavern after his mother. Today the restaurant is known as the Common Man Restaurant on the Daniel Webster Highway in Merrimack, but until 2004 it was known as Hannah Jack's Tavern. It is located across from Matthew and Hannah Thornton's gravesite. Matthew Thornton is featured on a [New Hampshire historical marker \(number 79\)](#) along U.S. Route 3 in Merrimack, NH



**William Whipple Jr.** (1731- 1785) was a signer of the Declaration of Independence as a representative of New Hampshire and a member of the Continental Congress. He arrived after the formal signing but was granted permission to sign afterwards. He worked as both a ship's captain and a merchant, and he studied in college to become a judge. He married Catherine Moffat in 1767, and they moved into the Moffatt-Ladd House on Market Street in Portsmouth in 1769. In 1777, William Whipple became a brigadier general in the New Hampshire militia. William Whipple was buried in what is now the North Cemetery in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The Moffatt-Ladd House is currently

closed to the public due to Covid 19 but the gardens are now open to visitors.



**Josiah Bartlett** (1729 – 1795) a physician and statesman, was a delegate to Continental Congress and signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was the only representative from NH to sign the document at the formal signing and was second to sign after John Hancock. The Josiah Bartlett House is located on Main Street (Rt. 111) opposite the Town Hall in Kingston, New Hampshire. The house was built for Josiah and Mary Bartlett around 1774 and was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1971. The linden tree that Josiah brought home from a trip to Philadelphia still stands in the front

yard. The house has been in the family ever since and recently put up for sale. Bartlett is featured on a [New Hampshire historical marker \(number 46\)](#) along [New Hampshire Route 111](#) in Kingston. (Please see the following article.)

Information compiled by Allie DeCampo

## **JOSIAH BARTLETT**

### **New Hampshire's Representative at the Continental Congress**

#### **First to sign Declaration of Independence after John Hancock**

Josiah Bartlett was born in on November 21, 1729, to shoemaker Stephen and Hannah (Webster) Bartlett in Amesbury, Massachusetts. He was their fifth child and fourth son. He attended the common schools, but with uncommon success. By the age of sixteen, he had built a foundation in Latin and learned some Greek. In 1745, Josiah began to study medicine, working in the office of Dr. James Ordway of Amesbury, and used the libraries of Dr. Ordway and neighboring towns to supplement his medical knowledge.

Bartlett gained recognition locally by successfully treating diphtheria patients with a new procedure, Peruvian bark (quinine), and by the application of cooling liquids to temper fever. He became renowned for relying on observation and experimentation in the diagnosis and treatment of his patients.

In 1750, before turning twenty-one, Josiah moved ten miles north to Kingston, New Hampshire, and began his medical practice. By hard work, determination, and luck became a man of property and influence. Kingston at that time was a frontier settlement of only a few hundred families. If a man could stitch wounds, set bones, and treat fevers, he was welcome, even without formal educational credentials. As the only doctor in this part of the county, Josiah's practice prospered, and he purchased land and added a farm to his credit.

Mary Bartlett was born in 1730 in the town of Newton, New Hampshire, one of ten children. Her father, Joseph Bartlett, had been made captive by the French and Indians in 1707, and carried to Canada and held there for four years. Mary Bartlett grew into a lady of excellent character.

On January 15, 1754, Mary married Dr. Josiah Bartlett, her first cousin. Mary was then twenty-four years old, an amiable girl, and well educated for the time. For the next ten years, Mary's life was that of the wife of a popular and prosperous young country doctor. They would remain a devoted couple until her death in 1789. Dr. Bartlett had a large family, and built a large home in Kingston. He was democratic, kindly, and fast growing in the esteem of his fellow citizens.

Twelve children were born to Dr. and Mrs. Bartlett, of whom eight grew to maturity: Mary (1754), Lois (1756), Miriam (1758), Rhoda (1760), Hannah (who died as an infant in 1762), Levi (1763), Josiah (1765, died that same year), Josiah (1768), Ezra (1770), Sarah (1773), Hannah (1776, also died as an infant), and a child that was never registered. Three sons, Levi, Joseph, and Ezra, followed in their father's footsteps and became eminent physicians, and all three of them took considerable interest in public affairs, and held positions of honor and responsibility.

#### **The Bartlett Letters**

Mary Bartlett left us a priceless heritage in letters that have been carefully preserved. Unusually well-educated for the times, Mary wrote regularly to Dr. Bartlett while he was attending the Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1775 and 1776. Her letters show that she not only wanted to keep her husband informed, she also wanted to ask his advice.

With Josiah gone, there was no medical help available for emergencies, and Mary expressed her worries about the children and about her own health. Her letters are full of accounts of the children's ailments – Sally's colic or worms,

Ezra's "canker and scarlet fever," Rhoda's fainting spells, Lois's pain in head and sore throat. "Miriam," she wrote on September 24th, "has been poorly," probably because she took "a cold bath in the sea" – and added that dysentery was very prevalent.

Mary also reported on her own "sick headaches," and on September 9, 1776, begged (concerning her pregnancy), "Pray do come home before cold weather. As you know, my circumstances will be difficult in the winter – if I am alive." But letters often took more than four months to reach their destination.

Because Dr. Bartlett was the family physician to many in Kingston and surrounding villages, she often reported to him on the condition of his patients and of illnesses and deaths in the community. No doubt Mary's letters alarmed Josiah as much as his upset her. When he complained of his frequent colds and coughs, she immediately dispatched by stagecoach a warm gown and a cordial made of rum with cinnamon, saffron, and sugar. By the time such remedies would have reached him, he must have been completely recovered.

Mary supervised the work on a farm that covered many acres, and ran a large household that included several servants. The family was dependent on the produce raised on the property, and Mary was faced daily with decisions about crops, livestock, money matters, and childcare. Spinning, weaving, making clothing, preparing meals over a fireplace, and preserving foods for the winter kept Mary and her household constantly busy.

In her letters, Mary told Josiah about swarms of flies, and worms eating the corn, about sharp lightning and thunder, and about a frost on May 30 that damaged apple trees, beans, pumpkins, and cucumbers. She sometimes complained that the hired men were not working well under her direction, although "Billy and Peter manage pretty well, and the menfolk have done the hilling of Indian corn."

Josiah replied with suggestions about saving seed corn, telling Peter to take good care of the cattle and not to waste hay, hiring a "good hand" for nine months or a year, and buying a few barrels of apples so that there would be plenty of New Hampshire cider.

Mary not only kept things going at home; she showed interest in the aims of the Revolution. "I believe this year (1776) will decide the fate of America," she wrote to Josiah. In spite of her hardships, she felt herself to be a part of the new government that was taking shape under the direction of Josiah Bartlett and other representatives of the thirteen colonies.

In writing to his wife, Josiah advised her to "hold the letters over the smoke a little before you handle them as the Small Pox is very frequent in the City." He recommended preparing for winter with "clothing" and by laying in a good supply of wood. Addressing Mary as "My dear", he urged her to visit him in Philadelphia, and told her he was sending chintz for three gowns, and silver sleeve buttons for the children. He often asked whether the house had been finished. (The first Bartlett home had been burned down in 1774 by Tories.)

### **Dr. Bartlett's Medical Career**

Josiah Bartlett actively practiced medicine for 45 years; this alone was a major accomplishment. He had no university training, but he was willing to consider what worked, and avoided some traditional therapies such as bleeding. He lived during a time when medical practice was progressing rapidly. His wide reading, steady hands, and conscientious work made him an effective and successful physician. He founded and was the first president of the New Hampshire Medical Society.

The area around Kingston, NH, had an epidemic of a fever and canker simply called throat distemper around 1735. For adults, it was a serious illness, but for children it was frequently fatal, especially among the very young. When the

illness struck again in 1754, Dr. Bartlett simply tried doses of several available drugs, and discovered that Peruvian Bark would relieve symptoms long enough to allow recovery. His reputation was firmly secured.

In 1790, son Ezra graduated from Dartmouth College, and Dr. Bartlett delivered the commencement address. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Medicine the same day his son earned that degree. In part, the honor was due to his signing of the Declaration of Independence, and his new selection as President of New Hampshire. But, in part, it was in recognition of his medical career. Three of Dr. Bartlett's sons and seven of his grandsons became physicians.

### **Josiah Bartlett House**



From 1774 until his death, this was the home of Mary and Josiah Bartlett, physician, Revolutionary patriot, and signer of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution for New Hampshire.

Growing in stature and reputation, Bartlett was elected town selectman in 1757. Like many prominent men in small communities, he became active in the political affairs of Kingston. Bartlett's fellow citizens chose him to represent Kingston in the Provincial Assembly in 1765. In this position, he generally supported colonial interests, raised the Seventh Militia Regiment, and served as the liaison between the New Hampshire Provincial Assembly and Royal Governor Benning Wentworth during the Stamp Act controversy in 1765. Hoping to enlist Bartlett's support in the royalist cause, Wentworth appointed him justice of the peace in 1767, and soon thereafter, a lieutenant commander of the Seventh Regiment.

By 1774, the aggressions of the Governor, and the policy of the British Ministry which he was trying to enforce, had grown burdensome to the people. Dr. Bartlett began to work with the revolutionary leaders of the other twelve colonies, and in that year was at the head of the Committee of Correspondence, which was in constant communication with Samuel Adams and other patriots of Massachusetts and Connecticut.

### **The Continental Congress**

Bartlett gave all of which he was capable to his town, his state, and the fledgling nation at great sacrifice to himself and his family. He was elected as one of two delegates from New Hampshire to the first Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1774. This brought down upon him the wrath of Governor Wentworth and his Tory adherents, and Bartlett received warning to cease his "pernicious activity."

Soon thereafter, the Bartlett house was set on fire and burned to the ground, believed to have been set because of his patriotic activities. Dr. Bartlett declined the appointment to the Congress, moved his family out to the farmhouse, and began rebuilding their home immediately.

In February 1775, Governor Wentworth dismissed him from all of his appointed offices for his open resistance to the Crown. Two months later, when hostilities broke out at Lexington and Concord, Governor Wentworth fled from New Hampshire, boarding a British warship.

Bartlett was selected as a delegate to the Second Continental Congress in 1775, and attended that session as well as those in 1776. For a time, he was the only delegate attending from New Hampshire. Much of the work of the Congress was carried out in Committees. The most important of these had a delegate from each state, which meant that Bartlett served on all of them. His hard work in these committees made him one of the most influential members in the Congress.

Before the Congress convened in February 1776, Bartlett wrote, “The time is now at hand when we shall see whether America has virtue enough to be free or not.” After his continued letters home to the Assembly and the Committee of Safety in New Hampshire, William Whipple and Matthew Thornton had been added to the delegation in Philadelphia.

When the question of declaring independence from Great Britain was officially brought up in 1776, Bartlett was the first to be asked, and answered in the affirmative. On August 2, 1776, when the delegates signed the formal parchment copy of the Declaration of Independence, Dr. Bartlett’s position made him the second to sign, just after John Hancock, the president of the Congress.



Josiah Bartlett’s Signature  
On the Declaration of Independence

In June 1776, Bartlett was appointed by the Congress to the drafting committee of the Articles of Confederation, the country’s first constitution, and was the first to vote for and sign it in 1778. In June 1776, he wrote about the Committee:

*I have been for about a week on a Committee of one member from Each Colony to form a Confederation or Charter of firm and Everlasting Union of all the United Colonies. It is a matter of the greatest Consequence and requires the greatest Care in forming it. May God grant us wisdom to form a happy Constitution, as the happiness of America to all future Generations Depend on it.*

Although re-elected to the Continental Congress for 1777, Dr. Bartlett was unable to serve, because he was exhausted by his arduous duties in that body during the previous year, and by the difficulties of travel in following the Continental Congress, but while at home he was still busy with public affairs. He joined General Stark in Vermont in 1777 to furnish New Hampshire troops and the wounded there with medical supplies and assistance after the American victory at the Battle of Bennington.

He was re-elected to Congress in 1778, and was the first to vote for and sign the completed Articles of Confederation. This was the last of his federal service, as he felt he had neglected his family for too long.

Leaving Philadelphia in 1778, Bartlett began another career in New Hampshire. Although he had no legal training, he was appointed Bartlett Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and he served there from 1779 until 1790. In 1782, he was appointed Associate Justice of the New Hampshire Supreme Court, and Chief Justice in 1788. That same year he was a delegate to the New Hampshire convention for the adoption of the Constitution, serving part of the time as its Chairman. He argued forcefully for ratification, which finally took place on June 21, 1788.

### **Mary Bartlett’s Sacrifices**

During all this period, Mary Bartlett had been the closest friend and counselor to her husband. Just as he had consulted her over his troubles as a young physician, helping to bear the home burdens of his patients and personal friends in their little community, so now he consulted her about the greater troubles and dangers that menaced the country. As always, she was a true partner.

Mary’s patriotism was as ardent as his and burned with as steady a flame, and when their home lay in ruins and the family were driven to seek shelter and safety elsewhere, she took their numerous brood to their little farm, which she managed thereafter, leaving Josiah free to devote himself almost entirely to public affairs.

Between his public duties, Dr. Bartlett found time to begin rebuilding a fine New England mansion on the site of their ruined home. While he was at the Congress, Mary oversaw the construction of the house until it was finished, managed the farm, cared for nine children, and given birth to the tenth, Hannah.

In all her letters to her husband and her children, there is not one word of regret at his course or pity for herself, left alone to bear the double duties incumbent upon her; no complaints, only a spirit of loving, helpful sympathy in all his acts.

Mary Bartlett died in their new home in Kingston on July 14, 1789, and her death was a great blow to her husband, who was at the time Chief Justice.

### **Dr. Bartlett's Later Career**

Elected to the new U.S. Senate from New Hampshire in 1789, Bartlett declined to serve, probably due to his age (sixty) and the weight of his legal duties. But in 1790, he was elected President of New Hampshire by an overwhelming majority. When the new State Constitution took effect in 1792, he continued as the first Governor.

During his tenure, he oversaw the installation of a new state constitution, compilation of the laws and statutes in force, and provision for the early payment of the State's debt. He actively promoted agriculture and manufacturing, improvement of roads, and saw the start of projects to build canals to better unite the people.

In 1794, Bartlett retired, sending this message to the Legislature:

*I now find myself so far advanced in life that it will be expedient for me, at the close of the session, to retire from the cares and fatigues of public business to the repose of a private life, with the grateful sense of the repeated marks of trust and confidence that my fellow-citizens have reposed in me, and with my best wishes for the future peace and prosperity of the State.*

But he did not long survive his retirement from public life. Dr. Josiah Bartlett died at his home in Kingston on May 19, 1795, at the age of 65. He is buried next to his wife Mary in the Plains Cemetery, also at Kingston.

Josiah Bartlett was described by his contemporaries as a tall man of fine figure, affable but dignified in his manner, and very particular in his dress. He wore his auburn hair in a queue, a white stock at his throat, ruffles at his wrists, short clothes, silk hose, and low shoes with silver buckles. His mode of living was unpretentious.

He rose to office and was recommended by his fellow citizens, not less by the probity of his character, than the force of his genius. But standing on his own merits, he passed through a succession of offices which he sustained with uncommon honor to himself, and the duties which he discharged not only to the satisfaction of his fellow citizens, but with the highest benefit to his country.



## Save the Date

▪ Leda Lanes Bowling & Grand Buffet – <b>Cancelled</b>	March 21	3:30 pm
▪ Dust of Cruise - <b>Cancelled</b>	May 3	8:45 am
▪ Spring Fling Judging Clinic - <b>Cancelled</b>	May 17	9:00 am ?
▪ Spring Fling - <b>Cancelled</b>	May 24	7:00 am
○ Rain date: <b>Cancelled</b>	May 31	7:00 am
▪ Tilton Veteran’s Home - <b>Cancelled</b>	June 7	2:30 pm
▪ Kimball’s Lancaster Cruise - <b>Cancelled</b>	June 12	3:00 pm
▪ Block Island Cruise – <b>Cancelled</b>	June 14	7:00 am
▪ Bass Pro Shop Cruise & Dinner - <b>Cancelled</b>	June 18	2:45 pm
➤ Club Picnic	July ?	?
▪ CCRI Corvettes by the Sea - <b>Cancelled</b>	August 2	9:00 am
➤ Corvettes at Carlisle	August 27 – 30	
➤ National Corvette Caravan Reunion	September 3 – 5	
▪ Great Bay Driven to Make a Difference - <b>Cancelled</b>	September ?	?
▪ Vettes to Vets - <b>Cancelled</b>	September 27 ?	
➤ Castle in the Clouds Picnic	October ?	?
➤ Tilton Veteran’s Home	December ?	?
➤ Holiday Party	January ?	6:00 pm

With COVID-19 affecting our lives so much, please keep in mind that many events are either going to be Postponed or canceled. Be sure to check with the sponsoring organization before heading out to any event listed in our calendar. And please remember to apply Social Distancing norms and be safe out there.

Please keep these in mind when making your summer plans as we enjoy seeing each of you regularly. Remember to always have fun with your Corvette(s).

The monthly calendars are here. Please be sure to confirm the dates and times of any event you plan to attend.

To try and keep everyone connected, I’m going to setup a Virtual Gathering using Zoom so that we can all talk with each other and stay connected. Zoom works on most every platform and is easy to use. Here is the meeting invitation:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77207785771?pwd=L0pHa2VuY1krZ053U1Z0UG84SVpMdz09>

Meeting ID: 772 0778 5771

Password: 4awf7y



# JUN 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01	02	03	04	05 <a href="#">Goffstown Rotary Car Show</a> <a href="#">Corvettes and Coffee</a>
	07 <a href="#">Tilton Veteran's Home Ice Cream Social</a>	08	09	10 <a href="#">Back to the Beach</a>	11 <a href="#">Gate City Club Meeting</a> <a href="#">Back to the Beach</a>	12 <a href="#">Back to the Beach</a>
	14 <a href="#">Back to the Beach</a> <a href="#">CT Military Corvette Club</a>	15	16	17	18	19 <a href="#">Corvette Club of West MA Three Charity Car Show</a>
	21 <a href="#">Bay State Autocross</a>	22 <a href="#">Lorenzo's All Car Cruise Night</a>	23	24	25	26 <a href="#">27</a>
	28	29	30			

Weekly Cruise Nights						
<a href="#">Murphy's Taproom Bedford</a>	<a href="#">South Shore Corvette Club</a>	<a href="#">North Shore Corvettes of MA</a>	<a href="#">Kimball Farm Eddies 529 Club</a>	<a href="#">Cruzzin' Dreams Hotrod City</a>	<a href="#">Kimball Farm Target Cruise Night</a>	

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			01	02	03	04
				<a href="#">NCM Caravan Reunion</a>	<a href="#">NCM Caravan Reunion</a>	<a href="#">NCM Caravan Reunion Corvettes and Coffee</a>
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
				<a href="#">Gate City Club Meeting</a>		<a href="#">Corvette Club Western MA Car, Truck, Bike Show</a>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<a href="#">CT Classic Car Show Jets and Vettes</a>						
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27	28	29	30			
<a href="#">Vettes to Vets Vettes at the Beach</a>						

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# OCT 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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						<a href="#">Corvettes and Coffee</a>
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					<a href="#">Gate City Club Meeting</a>	<a href="#">Bay State Autocross</a>
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**PUBLISHING INFORMATION** – The next article/ad submission date is **July 20, 2020**

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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.

Reports, articles, notices, letters, photos and ads are to be received by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter. Thank you for helping to make our newsletter interesting and informative!

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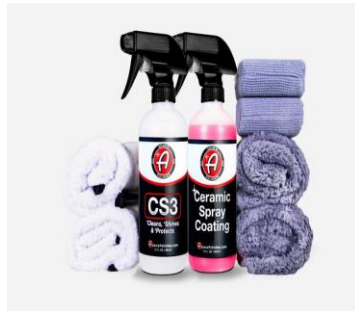
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# Stress Kracks

## Archives

Provided by Ed Lenzi

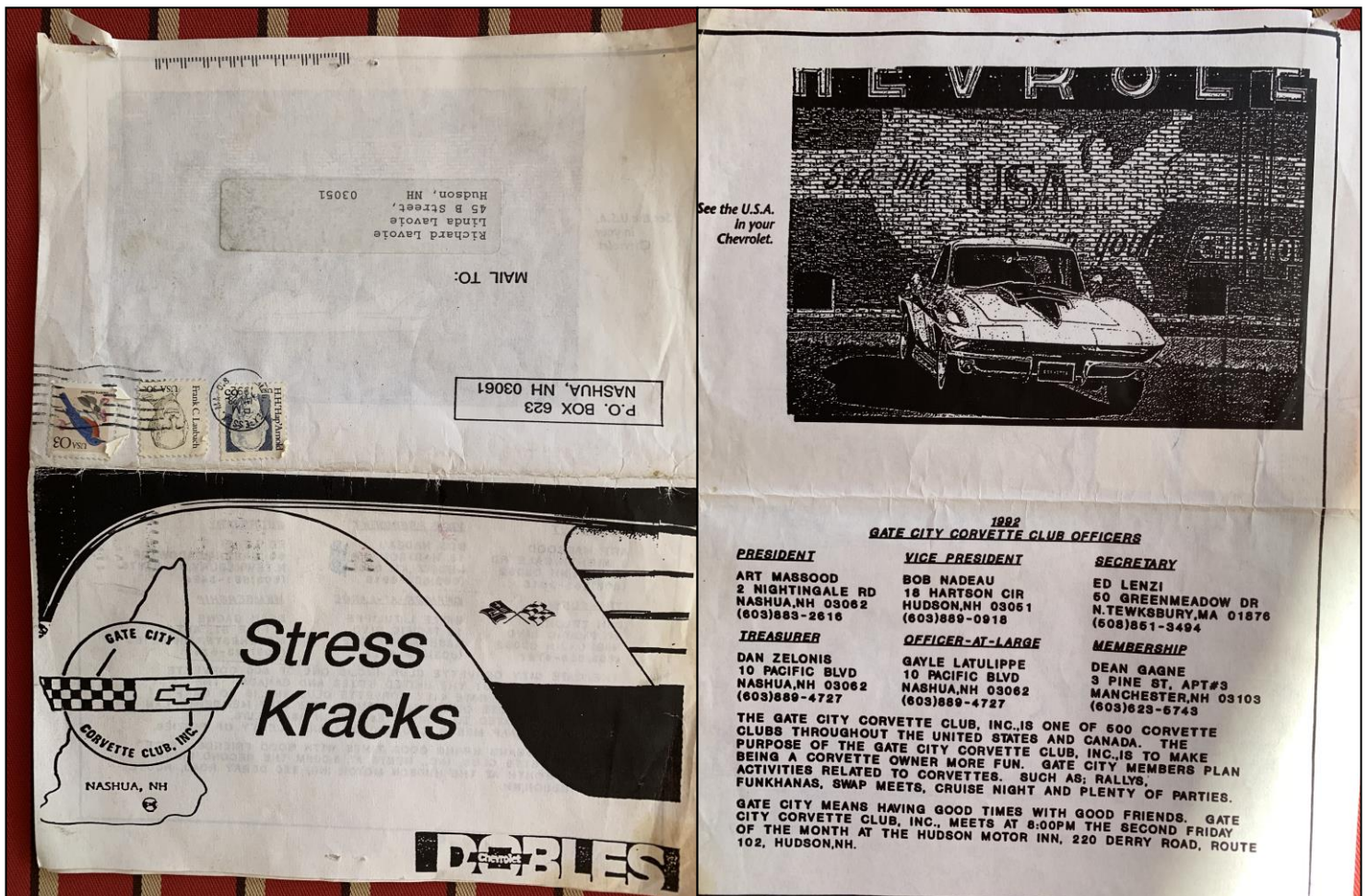
Below is an issue of our newsletter from January 1992 when Ed served as secretary.

### PHOTOCOPYING, FOLDING, STAPLING, ADDRESSING, STAMPING & MAILING!

A new millennum...Allie served as secretary and had access to a color-copier. The first issue with color was mailed out.

A few years later, we decided to go digital and nix the snail mail.

Newer technology has allowed changes to the overall look. Our logo has been updated. But the content is still similar and the mission "to make being a Corvette owner more fun" remains the same.







# HERE'S THE LATEST!

Winter!!! Throughout the area, in hundreds of garages, corvettes are sleeping waiting for the return of warm weather to resume cruising the highways and byways of New England.

With the new year, plans are proceeding smoothly for the relocation of Spring Fling from Canobie Lake to Greeley Park in Nashua. This year, more than ever, GCCC will need a major turnout and efforts from all members to ensure Spring Fling continues to be a success.

**Jackets!! Jackets!!! Jackets!!!!** I hope to have information on the availability of either new or reproduced jackets at the February meeting. The original supplier is waiting for a shipment of the original jackets. Time will tell.

Based on information provided by Ruth Buchanan and approved by the membership, this years Cotton Candy Run should be bigger and better than last years. We hope to attract other clubs to make it a grand mid-summer event.

Bob Nadeau, Activities Chairman, is planning varied, and in some cases, unusual activities. While all of them may not be of interest to everyone, there should be something of interest to each member.

I would like input from all GCCC members. Ideally, in person. Please come to the monthly meetings. I know that there are times when other things take priority, but make an attempt to come to some meetings, if not all.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank last years officers for a job well done. A tip of the hat the Ruth, Gayle, Dan, Dean and Terry.

I, and my fellow officers, hope the membership supports our efforts to make 1992 an even more successful year than the past.

Art

## SECRETARY REPORT (January 10, 1992)

The first meeting of the 1992 calender year was called to order by our New President, Art Massood at 8:07PM.

There were approximately 25 members present, with no new potential members present.

The treasurer's report was accepted as written by the membership present.

### OLD BUSINESS:

**Spring Fling** - It is scheduled for the 18th of May, NEW LOCATION, Greeley Park in Nashua, N.H. In December 1991, Emo Tetu notified all publications of the event. Ruth is currently re-designing the flyer for the calender of events. Further details to follow.

**Club Jackets** - Art stated there was activity in trying to reproduce the current Club jacket. He is looking at the original manufacturer as well as one who might be able to duplicate it. Further update at next meeting.

**Octobervettes** - The contract for FY92 looks like its just about signed. Price for the weekend event looks just about flat from last year.

### NEW BUSINESS:

**Local Club Involvement** - Art would like to start developing a healthier relationship with other local Corvette clubs in the area, (i.e. Spindle City, North Shore, Cilpper City, Corvettes United, ect). The focus would be centered around social activities, challenges, Mystery rides, Picnics, ect. Any feedback or suggestions would be welcomed. One focused area was the Cotton Candy run to Salisbury Beach. We are thinking of coordinating a road tour with other clubs for that event, and suggesting vettes join in a convoy to Salisbury. Will address at the Calender of events meeting. The potential dates given by the Salisbury merchants is July 8, 25, Aug 8, 22. Ruth will coordinate.

## SECRETARY REPORT (continued)

### NEW BUSINESS: (cont)

**Gate City Member Involvement** - Art is looking at more member involvement for the upcoming year. He would like to see more participation at local show & shines, meetings, parties and other events. If members could share some insight on how to make this successfull, Art is open to suggestions

**Meeting Location Change** - The Club is looking at changing the location of our monthly meetings. We currently feel the change would be welcomed. Suggestions were the Burger King in Nashua, at Spitbrook and Dan Webster. They have a bottom floor which they could provide at no cost to the club. One draw back would we would not be able to bring our own food or drinks. Art is looking for suggestions, he would like to make a decision by the May meeting. General rule is: Easy Access and private. Please share your thoughts.

**Club Photo** - Looking at trying to get the entire membership together for a photo shoot to include all member, Vettes. Want to make it an event, and tie it with a picnic, mystery ride, ect. Photo will then be available to all members. Any ideas on the appropriate location would be welcomed. Ed to coordinate.

**Matchbox Collections** - Mike Dupont has been active in trying to collect the special collector series of matchbox autos. There is 21 in the collection and they will be a limited offering. Anyone interested should call Mike directly. Overall cost is about \$3.50 each.

This ends the New business!

The Club would like to thank Rose and Fred Fuller for hosting the Club Christmass party. As usual, they were the perfect host and hostess. The hospitality was superb! Thanks for making it a great ending to 1991!!!!!!!

## SECRETARY REPORT (continued)

Bob "Quayle" Nadeau, our Newly appointed Vice President took the floor, and suggested some of the activities he is planning for the 1992 season. Bob is gearing up to have an activity a month. Details in Bob's report, attached.

Bob Drolet's name was picked for the drawing. Bob was not present. The next drawing be for \$20.00

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05PM and members went to T-Bones.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 14th, 1992.


Regards

Ed

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT JAN. 1992

GOOD DAY TO ONE AND ALL !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I WAS PLEASED TO SEE THE AMOUNT OF CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW YEAR ON FRIDAY THE 10th OF JANUARY!!!!!!MY JOB WILL BE SMOOTHER WHEN EVERY ONE GIVES ME NOT THE FINGER BUT THE THUMBS UP OR DOWN FOR THIS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES !!!!!!!!!!!IF ANYONE HAS ANY OTHER IDEAS, PLEASE LET ME KNOW !!!!!!!!!!!

FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1992, WE WILL HAVE A "ORIENTAL NIGHT" ON SATURDAY FEB. 29th AT ED AND CHARLENE LENZI'S HOUSE IN TEWKSBURY MA., MORE AT FEBRUARY MEETING, WHICH IS THE 14th. 

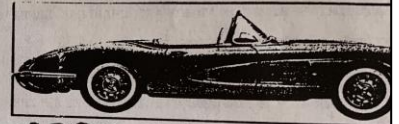
FOR MARCH HOW ABOUT IRISH NIGHT AT THE ELKS LODGE IN NASHUA, FOR DINNER+ DANCING AND PLEASURE FOR ALL !!!!!!! I WILL RESERVE THREE TABLES TO START AND AT FEBRUARY MEETING I WILL NEED SOME KIND OF COMMITMENT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE FUN !!!!!!!!!!! THIS WILL BE OPEN TO CLUB MEMBERS AND FRIENDS !!!

FINALLY I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A CLUB MEMBER WRITE A SHORT REPORT OF THE ACTIVITY SHE OR HE ATTENDED, YOU KNOW TELL US ABOUT HOW MUCH FUN OR WHAT EVER YOU HAD, OR FRUSTRATIONS THAT CAME UP , JUST TO TELL US WHAT WENT ON, SO THE ONE'S THAT DIDN'T GO, WISH THEY HAD OR WANT TO ATTEND THE NEXT ONE !!!!!!!!!!! JUST DROP IT INTO THE MAIL TO OUR NEW SECRETARY "ED LENZI", 50 GREENMEADOW DR. NORTH TEWKSBURY, MA. 01876, thanks !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

HERE ARE A LIST OF TOPICS SO FAR:

- TEA & CRACKERS FOR THE BOYS AT FOXY LADY, IN FEB. ???
- ROCKINGHAM RACE TRACK, TO SUPPORT JERRY'S HORSE !!!!!
- SEABROOK RACE TRACK (DOGS)
- DEEP SEA FISHING
- CALLAWAY VETT WEEKEND IN CONN.
- NEW ENGLAND DRAGWAY, " NOSTALGIA DAY "
- SUNDAY BRUNCH BREAKFAST RUN (MYSTERY DRIVE)
- CAR SHOW & SHINES

- COTTON CANDY CRUISE TO SALSBURY BEACH
- WEEKEND AT THE CAFE !! TO DO THE RALLEY OR NOT, HALLMARK SHOPPING BONANZA OR LONG WALKS ON THE BEACH !!!!!
- COLLINS CAR MUSEUM PICNIC
- BOSTON BREWERY TASTE TEST



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February Announcements

Events: ORIENTAL NIGHT --- FEB 29TH, 1992

Place: Ed & Charlene Lenzl's Home  
50 Greenmeadow Drive  
North Tewksbury, Mass 01876  
(508) 851-3494

Time: 8:00PM

Details: Participants are encouraged to bring an oriental dish. Oriental Dress is an option. The club will supply beer, wine, and soda. Please notify Ed or Charlene if you are planning to attend and what your planning to bring for an entree, this way they can plan the menu for the evening.

February Birthday Babies .....

Claire Drolet                      Jerry Sousa  
Deane Gagne                      Joe Michalik  
Garrett Schepper

Happy Birthday !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Membership History Update Needed!!!!!!!!!!!!

As the new Club secretary, I need to update the membership profiles. I have attached to this Newsletter a profile update sheet. If you would please take some time and fill it in, and bring it to the next meeting, or put it in the mail to my home address, it would help me be an effective officer for our Club. Thanks in-advance for your attention to this detail.

GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB, INC.  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
FOR THE MONTH ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1991

BEGINNING CASH - NOVEMBER 30, 1991	7,575.74
CASH RECEIPTS:	
1992 dues	335.00
Christmas party	40.00
Interest	18.49
Sub-total	393.49
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:	
Christmas party	996.80
ENDING CASH - DECEMBER 31, 1991	<u>6,972.43</u>
Bank of NH - regular account	1,007.11
Bank of NH - VISA/MasterCard account	801.38
NFS Savings Bank - Octobervettes account	2,845.63
NFS Savings Bank - money market account	<u>2,318.31</u>
	<u>6,972.43</u>



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