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

First Word

October 2004

Believe it or not fall has arrived, the leaves are changing more each day and the daylight is getting less. It's hard to believe that summer has come and gone so quickly.

With fall arriving it means one thing is for sure, the election of officers. This year one position has opened, the position of membership director. Dean Gagne has held the position of membership director and served it well. Sue Wood would like to step down as secretary. So with that this position is also open. Anyone interested please contact the nominating committee headed up by Allie DeCampo and Claudia Feidler.

The board of directors will be meeting in October to go over the possible minor changes in the by-laws. With this during the November meeting there will be voting going on for these changes. It is very important that all members try and come to the meeting to vote on these changes. Remember this is your club and you make it what it is. SO PLEASE COME AND VOTE.

Claudia and myself were not able to go on the cruise headed up by Lee and Paulette Scarlett in September. The feedback I received from members that did attend stated that they had a great time. GOOD JOB, LEE AND PAULETTE. Remember there is still time left for a couple more cruises so if someone is interested in organizing one give a shout.

The weekend cruise being headed up by yours truly is getting closer and at the last check with the motel there is still 3 rooms left out of the 14 that Claudia set aside. Remember it is a rain or shine trip, so if interested give the motel a call.

Well hope to see all at the next meeting Friday October 8th, at 8:00 PM at Dobles.
REMEMBER THIS IS YOUR CLUB AND THE CLUB IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT SO IF YOU CAN NOT MAKE OCTOBERS MEETING PLEASE MAKE A POINT TO BE AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. FOR ELECTIONS AND VOTING ON BY-LAW CHANGES.

Best regards,
Dan Feidler
President

Please see
proposed changes to by-laws
in this newsletter.

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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SAVE THE WAVE

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sue Wood

President Dan Feidler called the meeting to order at 8:07 on 9-10-04.
Dan thanked Dobles Chevrolet for the use of the room.
Dan said as always Dean had brought the Gate City Clubs embroidered clothing and it was for sale.
Dan asked if anyone had any problems getting the newsletter.

Dan asked if there were any issues with the Secretary's report in the newsletter and it was accepted with a motion from Hank and seconded by Emile.

Ruth stated that the Treasure's Report could be found on the web site, and confirmed the amount the club would see there. She was happy to report we were doing well and in the black. Mike and Ray to accept the report put a motion forward.

Lynn reported on upcoming events. Most could be found in the Calendar of Events book. She put out several newsletters and mailing on the table for the club to look over and take home if interested. Saturday September 11th she said there was a mixed car event in Concord at the N.H. Technical Institute. She also presented brochures for Harvest of Vettes on September 19th and spoke about its new location.

Norm spoke and said the Spindle City Show on September 19th was considered a Club activity in Westford, MA. Directions to the new show location were given. The club is meeting at Macy's at 7:30 AM for the caravan down. After the show the club is invited to the Michaliks for a supper and get together. Carol would be home for the day and people not participating in the show could arrive at her house any time after noon.
Saturday September 11th Lee and Paulette were heading up a caravan to the *Remember When Diner*. The club was to meet in Hooksett at 2pm in the K-Mart parking lot area.
On October 23rd a party is planned at Paula's and it's a Halloween party with former Club members Randy& Brenda Wynn as special guests.
Oct 30th Dan and Claudia organized a caravan to Manchester Vt. Leaving Macy's at 8:30 AM on Saturday and returning on Sunday. Rooms have be set aside at Four Winds Country Motel. Phone # 8023621105 confirmation number is for Gate City Club #4508. This will be rain or shine event. What car you chose to drive in is optional.
Norm had available the form to reserve a room at the Clarion for next years Carlisle show.

Dan said what a great job Carol and Paula did for Corvettes Conquer Cancer party. He suggested maybe the club next year could set up committees to help out more.

Old Business:
Nothing was brought up

New Business:
Election of officers is coming up and Dan asked for volunteers to be on a committee to find people for the different positions, Allie and Claudia came forward. All offices are **open**. The Membership Director has served two terms and must step down. Secretary would like to drop off for personal reasons.

Sue Wood
Secretary

Activities Corner

Well fall is here with the warm days and cold nights, my favorite time of the year. Some of us are starting to think about when the Corvettes will be put into storage and others will hold off until the last minute.

Some members just attended our last "points" car show of the season, which was Spindle City Corvette Club's ***"Harvest of Vettes"***. Our Club had only 6 cars entered at the show. This is probably the lowest Club attendance to this show in the last 10 years…where was everyone??? All the Club cars entered were awarded trophies and the weather was great. I will give Ron & Denise Cote an A+ for effort toward this show. They were about ½ way to the show when Ron's new electronic ignition let go on his '60 Roadster. He had AAA flat bed the car back to his house, and then he and Denise hopped into their other car and came to the show to add support for our Club's attending members. *Thank you Ron & Denise.*

Joe & Carol Michalik hosted a club party after the Spindle City Car Show at their home on Sunday. As always with this club, we had enough food for the week. Everything was great including all the desserts that were brought. *Thank you Joe & Carol for opening your home to our club members.*

Paula Beauguard is planning a Halloween Party at her home on October 23rd with former Club members Randy & Brenda Wynn as special guests. This is a costumed event and you need to RSVP Paula by October 21st by phone or email.

On October 30th –31st Dan & Claudia Feilder have arranged an overnight cruise to Manchester, VT. for some sight seeing and shopping. We will be staying overnight at the ***Four Winds Country Inn.*** We are leaving from Macy's in Bedford on October 30th at 8:30 AM. We will caravan to Manchester, VT. through some very scenic areas. Our group will return to NH on Sunday. If you are interested and want to join this event you will need to call the ***Four Winds Country Inn*** at 802-362-1105 to reserve a room. Use confirmation #4508 (Gate City Corvette Club) and the rooms are about $99.00 per night.

Have you reserved your room at the Clarion in Carlisle, PA. for next year? If not don't wait too much longer; see Susan or myself for the reservation form that needs to be faxed in to them.

It's also that time of the year that we will have elections for Club Officers. All positions are open for anyone to seek. If you are interested contact Allie DeCampo or Claudia Feilder.

I am looking for suggestions on something the Club can do in November, *any ideas?* Please contact me with your suggestions.

Hope to see you at the next Club meeting on Friday October 8th at 8:00 PM at Dobles Chevrolet in Manchester.

Norm Wood
Vice-President

By Allie DeCampo

On September 11, 2004, members of GCCC enjoyed a pleasant Saturday afternoon cruise planned by Lee and Paulette. The late summer sun was warm and bright as we rendezvoused at 2:00 p.m. at the K-mart in Hookset to cruise for dinner and ice cream. We were delighted to have four generations of Corvettes represented with Ron and Denise's C1, Bill and Vera's C2, Roger and Cindy's, Mike and Allie's, and Emile and Sue's C4s, and Lee and Paulette's, Ray and Lynn's, and Paul and Phyllis's C5s.

After greeting one another and admiring all of the `Vettes, we began our journey to our first destination, the nostalgic Remember When Diner in Rochester, N.H. We left K-mart and headed north on route 3, and then north on route 28 towards the Alton traffic circle. Lee, in the lead with his `99 black roadster, kept the group together, stopping occasionally so that everyone could catch up. The traffic was light, and only a handful of unwelcome steel infiltrated our tight caravan.

As we approached Alton, we spied a gray coupe on a side road to our right. Lee thought it was just another Corvette owner waving so he waved back as he passed by without slowing down. It turned out to be Brad and Linda waiting patiently to join the tail-end of our caravan in their `71. With the addition of this C3 we now had five generations of Corvettes!

We continued east on Rt. 11 to the Diner. After arriving and backing the cars into a neat row, Linda insisted that we pose by our respective cars so that she could take a group picture. While Linda focused her camera, and Mike and Roger discussed engine-cooling fans, the rest of us focused on getting cooling drinks.

The inside of the shiny chrome and red diner appeared clean and bright as our server led us to our reserved dining area. The women were seated on one side of the table with a window view of the cars. A twin to Roger and Cindy's `85 cruised through the parking lot. A few customers lingered outside to admire the five generations of Corvettes.

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September Cruise Continued

Allie DeCampo

After studying the menu, Brad ordered the baked beans and ham. He smiled good-naturedly as Linda chastised him for his selection. "Good thing the t-top is off!" Lynn was pleased to discover fried oysters on the menu, and we grasped the opportunity to tease Lynn and Ray about the potential passionate possibilities. Lynn invited more teasing when she complimented the staff on the fried oysters while exiting the diner.

Back on route 11, we directed our cars west towards the Laconia area. Lee and Paulette led us on a leisurely drive by beautiful lakes, shingled cottages, and boaters who, like ourselves, were cherishing the last few days of summer.

The Kellerhaus in Weirs was a welcome sight as dusk set in. Again, we created a spectacle as our Corvettes commandeered the front parking area. Upon our arrival, a young woman immediately took advantage of a photo op by sitting in the driver's seat of Ron's `60 as her companion snapped a picture. We parked our own `88 next to Emile's white `88-anniversary edition. As it is, our `Vette doesn't get out much to 'socialize', especially with another pampered garage queen of the same age. (Sadly, the relationship cannot continue; Emile desires the comfort and amenities of a new generation - C6.)

Inside, I found the process of constructing your own ice cream sundae confusing. "Where is the beginning of the line? Where is the whipped cream? I can't find the napkins." (I had a greater appreciation for Emil's ice cream fountain where he makes the sundae for you.) We enjoyed the view of the lake while we chatted and devoured our delicious ice cream creations. Afterwards, we searched the gift shop for small treasures and then gathered outside once more. The night air had become chilly. Linda commented that the heat in the `71 is always on, anyway. The women agreed that Vera would have a brisk ride home in the `65 with the top down.

Before departing, everyone thanked Lee and Paulette for planning the cruise. We told Lee that we would reward his efforts by allowing him to plan another trip for us. We headed for home, thinking how nice it was to take time from our busy schedules to enjoy this beautiful day and each other's company. We might not have if not for the Corvettes… Roads revisited, friendships forged, and a common passion for all generations of a family of Corvettes!

Pictures courtesy of Paulette Scarlett

Harvest of Vettes

By Lynn Nault

Although the rain came down as a deluge Saturday, Sunday morning broke with bright sunny skies. Several Gate City members traveled to Chelmsford, Mass to attend the 29th annual Harvest of Vettes Show N Shine. The weather was delightfully sunny and clear, but a bit windy. More than a few people went home with sun/windburns. Everyone had a great time (well, almost everyone – but to that in a minute.) Members who showed their cars received the following awards:

- Brad & Linda Davis with their 2000 Pewter Coupe won "runner up" in Street Class
- Bill Balcom and his granddaughter in his 1965 Red Roadster won 2nd place in Super Street
- Joe Michalik and his daughter Cassie won 2 top honors: 1st place in Show class with his red 1990 ZR1 and Best in Class for ZR1's.
- A tough class was 1998-2004 convertibles with 3 Gate City members competing. Norm Wood won runner up with his 2001 Black convertible, Lee & Paulette Scarlett with their 1999 Black Convertible, "newbies" to the show circuit, won 2nd place in their very first show - Way to go!! Ray & Lynn Nault with their 2002 Electron Blue convertible won first.

Bill Balcom also added to his trophy collection by receiving the Sandy Larabee Memorial Award, which was presented to him by Ben Larabee.

Ron and Denise Cote were in contention for a 1st place trophy as the headed down to Chelmsford with the others Sunday morning, but never made it much past the NH border when something went "pop" and their engine died! For Ron & Denise, we honor them with the "Flatbed Award." In fact, Ron wanted to point out that it actually took 2 Ford Flatbed trucks to get his Chevy home (although Ron told AAA he had a 1960 Corvette, the first driver had never loaded a classic car on his truck and called for assistance.) I only wish we had pictures of that one!

A wonderful food fest was hosted by Joe & Carol Michalik after the show. They graciously opened their home early in the afternoon for those who weren't showing, but wanted to enjoy the camaraderie of the group. As always, everyone had a great time and ate too much!

FOR SALE: 2001 Black Corvette Convertible with red interior. Only 9600 miles!

1SC Preferred Equipment Group includes sport seats, power seats, electronic dual-zone air conditioning, fog lamps, memory package, twilight sentinel, electrochomic mirrors, heads-up display and power telescopic steering column. Also has 6-speed trans., polished wheels, extra floor mats, rear cargo mat, Corsa "Pace Car" exhaust system with pro-tips and crossover pipes (also have original exhaust pipes), molded flaps, "NOAH" car cover, intake powerduct and smooth air coupler, clear sill protectors, 2 piece "Sound Killer" barrier, CAGS shift by-pass harness. Extended GM Major Guard Warranty until 10/06. This car is also garaged all the time.

Asking Price $36,000.00. Contact Norm Wood at 603-668-2305 or Email woodnorman@comcast.net

Gate City Corvette Club, Inc.

Notice for By–Law Changes

To All Members:

SUBMITTAL FOR BY- LAW CHANGES HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE BOARD.

This notice is to inform all members of the changes presented.

The changes according to the by-laws must be voted in by a majority of members.

Attached are the changes that are to be voted on.

The wording in parenthesis ( ) bold RED is what is in the by-laws at this time.
The wording in Blue italics and underlined is what is proposed to be voted on changing.

As you can see there are benefits to the changes such as the dues for joint membership changes.

The voting will take place at the November 12th meeting at Dobles.

You may vote by absentee ballot if you so choose to.

Please e-mail to the officers of the club by Weds. November 10, 2004.
E-mail address as follows officers@gatecitycorvetteclub.com
For those of you whom do not have e-mail you can mail you vote to my home.

Daniel H. Feidler
7 Chase Brook Drive
Londonderry NH. 03053
Please mail so that I receive by Weds. November 10, 2004.

Sincerely
Daniel Feidler
President

Gate City Corvette Club, Inc.

By-Law Changes

Article II
Section 3 – Dues
Change to read:

A. Honorary - None.
B. Honored – None.
C. Active – Annual dues shall be as follows:
   - Single membership = US stamp rate X 100
   - Joint membership = US stamp rate X (**150**) ***100***

   New members shall be required to pay a registration fee to cover cost of a (**T-shirt**) ***club shirt*** per person.
D. Partial Year – For any person wanting to become a member after (**March**) ***January,*** dues will be prorated 10 1/12 actual dues per month, together with the appropriate registration fees as determined in Sub-Section C.
E. Payment of Dues – The annual dues of active members shall be payable by (**March 31**) ***January 31*****(after billing by the Treasures of the club)**.

Article III
Section 1 – Privileges
Changes to read:

Active and honored members are entitled to all Club privileges, including but not limited to:

- Club newsletter
- Right to hold office
- Right to vote
- Participation in any Club function
- Any discounts offered to the Club
- ***Access to website privilege areas***

Honorary members are entitled to all Club privileges, except that honorary members shall not have the right to vote or hold office

Note: Words and or phases between parenthesis ( ) and in bold red are to be removed.
Words and or phases in *blue italics and underlined* are to be added

Submitted by:
Norman Wood
Vice-President

October 2004

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Weds.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	
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3 Concours D'Elegance Precision Valley Corvette Museum	4	5	6	7	8 GCCC Meeting 	9	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Costume Party at Paula's RSVP by the 21st.	
24 Autumn Rally Seacoast Vettes 31	25	26	27	28	29	30 Weekend Cruise to Vermont Call Dan for details	

Just when you thought it was safe to go back to a party...

Brenda & Randy...
One
scarey couple.