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Upcoming Events

General Membership Meeting

June 1st • 7:00 p.m. • Delhi Cafe • 4625 Willoughby • Holt

Let's Meet for Breakfast

June 18th • 9 am

IHOP Restaurant

2771 E Grand River Ave • East Lansing

June Birthdays

Kathryn Pursel (16) • James Boettcher (21)

Gary Wyma (30)



GM Heritage Center Tour

June 4th • See Flyer

Westphalia Cruise In

Thursday, June 16 • 7:00pm

2011 Bloomington Gold

June 23-26

www.bloomingtongold.com

Sparrow Hospice Car Show at Logan's

July 10th

9-5pm • Logan's Roadhouse

Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30-31 • Spartan Speedway • Mason

Board Meeting

June 15th • 6:30 p.m. • Delhi Cafe • 4625 Willoughby • Holt

Newsletter Article Deadline

Send all June newsletter articles to
rnbuck1220@hotmail.com by June 23



From The President...



I promised no rain for the Blessing of the Vettes - - and, by gosh, we had (almost) no rain. We were blessed to be sandwiched between two not-very-nice days, so with over twenty cars registering, and Chappy feeling chipper, we got through it mostly dry. Surprisingly warm, too. Whew!



General membership meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at the
Delhi Cafe
 4625 Willoughby Road • Holt • Michigan

Business Meeting begins at 7:00 pm
 Members and guests start to arrive as early as 5:30 for dinner and social time.

Please join us for dinner or an event.

Member _____ Phone _____

We now have some generic club business cards available. They will be available at every Membership Meeting, and a few will be included in new member packets. Not everyone carries a club brochure around, and hopefully having a few cards in your purse or wallet will make it easier to give out club information to Corvette

owners who you may meet while out and about. Pick up a half dozen or so at the meeting, and replenish as needed.

Memorial weekend truly kicks off the summer. It better be summer, after a wet and cold and pretty miserable Spring. I'm looking forward to sunshine and very warm weather until at least the end of November. Mother Nature has some making up to do.

You are reading this just before or just after the annual Sparrow Hospice Benefit Car Show, held in association with the Capital Area Muscle Car Club. This is also an appreciation event held at and for our generous sponsor, Bud Kouts Chevrolet. Joining forces with the CAMCC has resulted in a larger, more interesting show that draws in a lot of the local car enthusiasts and "citizen" spectators. Better for us and Bud Kouts.

Keep an eye on our events calendar because it is full of things to do. Summer's short so get out and enjoy it. Save the wave.

Craig



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9:00a.m.

June 18th

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RSVP: Sign up Sheet at June 1st Membership Meeting
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rnuck1220 @ Hotmail.com

Start planning ahead!

The 2011 NCCC Convention will take place in Tinley Park, IL during the week of June 18-24.

On-line registration opens on February 1. You will want to get your reservations in early to get into the convention hotel. Check out the NCCC Website for detailed information. www.corvettesnccc.org/Convention2011.html

The convention is being planned so that members can continue on to the Bloomington Gold Corvette Show in St. Charles, IL.

Bloomington Gold runs from June 23-26. www.bloomingtongold.com/





Capital City Corvette Club



Participation Points as of May 22, 2011

19	Sandy Bechtel	1	Catherine Eiseman	9	Carlo Litrenta	1	Brenda Shatkosky*
9	James Boettcher	1	Raoul Eiseman	9	Janet Litrenta	1	Richard Shatkosky*
9	Mara Boettcher	0	Jennifer Everhart*	6	Bob Maynard	0	Bill Simons
10	Colleen Bratschi	1	Randy Gisse	3	Shalimar Maynard	10	Thomas Sipka
17	Rich Bratschi	3	Vidal Gonzalez	0	Linda McMillan	0	Victor Smith
8	Connie Britz	7	Howard Hein	4	Barb Musselman	0	Loretta Spinrad
11	Mike Britz	2	Angela Hyde	4	Steve Musselman	0	Steve Spinrad
0	David Brown	26	Craig Iansiti	14	Dominique Palacios	1	Janet Sprague
2	Diana Brown-Mosher	19	Janet Iansiti	12	Jerry Palacios	1	Michael Sprague
27	NancyLee Buck	1	Dick Iding	6	Diana Parks	2	Ralph Swan
32	Randy Buck	6	Greg Kapp	8	Howard Parks	2	Susan Swan
8	Chris Burke	24	Kim Keith	5	Joe Platte	10	Connie Taylor
14	Terry Burke	23	Sue Keith	3	Ed Politza	10	Tom Taylor
6	Dennis Burt	0	Frank Kessler	3	Suzanne Politza	15	Joseph Thomas*
6	Sandy Burt	0	Judy Kessler	14	David Pursel	15	Harold Twining
2	Dana Conley	0	Fred Koos	6	Kathryn Pursel	15	Katherine Twining
2	Darrell Conley	0	Judy Koos	24	Carol Putmon	6	Sue VanAtta
11	Dave Cripe*	10	Sheila Lansing	21	Randy Putmon	0	Larry Warren*
2	Pat Cripe	16	Julie Lasher	28	Gloria Reiffer	0	Linda Warren*
1	Darwin Day	18	Ted Lasher	25	Simon Reiffer	0	Lee Webster
8	Art Doty*	0	Ellie Lickfeldt	25	Robert Ribar	8	Larry Wight
8	Nancy Doty*	10	Patrick Lickfeldt	7	Milton Scales	10	Gary Wyma
						8	Kathy Wyma

Current 2011 Top Ten

32	Randy Buck	26	Craig Iansiti	24	Kim Keith	21	Randy Putmon
28	Gloria Reiffer	25	Simon Reiffer	24	Carol Putmon		
27	NancyLee Buck	25	Robert Ribar	23	Sue Keith		



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First Lady of Firsts....



In 2001, Betty Skelton (Frankman) (Erde) was the first woman to be inducted into the National Corvette Museum's Corvette Hall of Fame. She is also in nine other Hall of Fames and was known as the "First Lady of Firsts". Betty was born in Florida in 1926 and developed an early fascination for airplanes. She made her first solo flight when she was 12 and received her private pilot's license at age 16. When she was 18 she received her Commercial Pilot License and the following year she was certified as a flight instructor. In 1945, Betty Skelton began flying as a stunt pilot in airshows and went on to win the U.S. Female Aerobatic Championship in 1948, 1949 and 1950.

Betty's transition from aviation to auto racing began when she was the pilot for a chartered flight for NASCAR drivers in 1953. As a result of the friendships that started with that flight, she was invited to Daytona Beach in February 1954 for Speed Week where she drove the pace car. Then she drove a Dodge sedan at 105.88mph on the beach and set a stock car speed record for women. Betty was the first woman to receive an auto race driver's license from the Automobile Association of America and became the automotive industry's first female test driver in 1954 with the Chrysler Division. She went on to set four Feminine World Land Speed Records and set a transcontinental speed record. She was the first woman to drive a jet car over 300mph at the Bonneville Salt Flats.

Betty Skelton obviously had a flair for speed, so naturally there was a Corvette in her future. Skelton also had a long career as an advertising executive and in 1956 she began working with General Motors on their TV and print ads. She was also GM's first woman technical narrator at major auto shows and later became the official spokeswoman for Chevrolet. While working with Chevrolet she set numerous records with Corvettes and owned ten different models. Harley Earl and Bill Mitchell designed a special translucent gold Corvette for Betty. She drove it to Daytona in 1957 for Speed Week and then she paced all the NASCAR races with it that year. Skelton was also instrumental in originating the "Corvette News" magazine and served as editor for many years.

In 1959, Betty Skelton was invited by NASA to become the first woman to undergo the identical physical and psychological tests that were given to the Mercury Seven astronauts. As a result of meeting the astronauts, Betty became directly involved with arranging for America's first astronauts to also become Corvette owners.

Betty Skelton set 17 aviation and automobile records and greatly enhanced opportunities for women in racing. She is living in a retirement community in Florida and still drives a red Corvette convertible. She has had many amazing accomplishments and experiences in her life and her place in the Corvette Hall of Fame is well deserved.

Submitted by Sue Keith



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CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
May 4 , 2011 Membership Meeting



Social Time & Dining started around 5:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM Craig Iansiti.

President – Craig Iansiti – Craig introduced new members Dennis and Sandy Burt from Grand Ledge and they drive a 97 Silver Coupe. He also introduced visitors Mike and Linda Louis from Dimondale.

Craig then reviewed upcoming events and stated we need volunteers for the Bud Kouts Show and the Blessing of the Vettes. He also mentioned the Memorial Day Parade , the Driving School and “Meet for Breakfast”. May 15 is the Battle Creek Corvette Show at Turkeyville. He also reminded the group the GM tour was coming up next month and more info would follow.

Craig reminded members that clothing catalogs were on the front table. He also stated he would need two checks for the Capital Area Career Center scholarships.

He displayed the Turkey Award Terry received for the year and stated we will need to decide the 2011 winner by years end.

Governor/VP - Simon Reiffer – attended the St. Louis Governor’s meeting last week. He found out our trailer is covered by NCCC insurance at all NCCC events. Also, there are now some 16,000 NCCC members. Consideration is being given to electronic balloting for the future. NCCC is getting Sears as a sponsor – members can then get a 10% discount.

He also advised us that they are working on “Families helping Families” – a list of NCCC members in a given area willing to help other members visiting the area that need help. They are also working on a Roadside Assistance Program. Blue Bars is always looking for pictures taken at NCCC events. And this year they will raffle off a 2013 Grand Sport and tickets are still available.

Meetings will stay in St. Louis!

Secretary (Acting) – Mike Britz asked for corrections and comments for the April General Meeting Minutes and received none. He then requested and received approval of the April General Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer - Mike Britz reviewed the balance of checking and savings accounts with membership and invited questions. No questions were received!

Points - Kim Keith stated all points were up to date on the web site. He also pointed out he had static clings for the cars for sale. Also reminded membership they must advise him of any shows they attend to insure they receive their points for participation.

Membership - Dave Pursel reported 89 members and 68 FCOA’s.

Editor - Randy Buck had nothing new to report.

Competition - Rich Bratschi - He reminded the membership there was something scheduled every weekend of the month in May. He advised the membership the Low Speed event was all set and that a flyer for the event would follow in the near future. He reminded the membership he would need volunteers to help with the event.

Public Relations - Sandy Bechtel – Nothing new to report.

Social - Carol Putmon awarded candy bars for May birthdays. She stated monthly events had already been covered and she had nothing else to add to the subject.

Hearts and Flowers - Julie Lasher – was not in attendance.

Historian - Sue Keith – She thanked membership for the info she had already received and asked that they keep the info coming.

NCCC Ambassador - Joe Thomas -was not in attendance.

Photographer - Ted Lasher – was not in attendance.

Quartermaster - Randy Putmon – was not in attendance.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Patrick Lickfeldt - Nothing new to report.

Webmaster - Gloria Reiffer advised membership everything was up to date on the web site. She requested members let her know if they find a link that does not work. She also requested membership send new pictures of their car or club events to Ted for processing onto the web. She pointed out many events on the event page do not show up on the club calendar since only CCCC and NCCC Michigan Region events are posted on the calendar. Additional events posted on the Event Flyers page of the Web-site.

Member Input –It was pointed out MIS will have a Corvette show on July 16th and the cost will be \$45. The Jackson club is supporting this event and we will soon receive more information on this event. Simon advised the group that there was discussion at the last region meeting to increase the number of events for each Region to 10. Nothing has been changed yet.

It was mentioned there was no pre-registration for the Blessing. Everyone will pay at the gate! Also, there will be a 100th Birthday for Chevrolet at Gilmore Museum on July 24th. It should be a good show.

50/50 Drawing – The winner took home \$59.50!

Adjourn - Request to adjourn was made, seconded and approved at 8:14 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by M. C. Britz - Acting Secretary





Seeking Chevys

Do you have a cool, unique or rare Chevrolet vehicle (excluding Corvette)? We are seeking cars for our 100 Years of Chevrolet display, August 1 through December 31 of this year!

Cars we are specifically seeking include:

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- 70s LS6 454 Chevelle
- 1990-1991 454 Super Sport

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While your company's donation is tax deductible for them but not you, their donation does count towards your Winner's Circle recognition! Check with your HR Department to obtain proper paperwork for any matching program.

New Military Display

The history of Corvette has many ties to the military, from Ed Cole's friend General Ed Curry who passed along the enthusiasm servicemen had when seeing European sports cars, to the name itself.

Within the Nostalgia area of the Museum we have added new panels featuring enthusiast-submitted images that are military in theme - whether the car's owner was or is in the military, to Corvettes at special military sites. Get an up close look at these panels online [here](#), and be sure to check out some of the images and stories on your next visit!



Thanks to everyone who submitted an image!



View VIR... Lots of Spectator Offerings!

Participants of the High Performance Driving Event at Virginia International Raceway aren't the only ones who can have fun! This year's even has loads of opportunities for spectators to have a great time, and what's even better - it's free!

Spectators have the opportunity to participate in a free Celebrity Choice Car Show, parade laps, a Shields Bergstrom / Andy Pilgrim meet & greet, and vendor booths. Other activities for spectators that include a small fee are rides in vintage racers, rides with instructors and skidpad.

Check out the spectator agenda online. No pre-registration is required, just check in at the track!



American Muscle Car Exhibit

Now through June 19 see some of the best examples of American Muscle Cars in our special 14-car display in the Museum's Exhibit Hall. View a complete list by going online at www.corvettemuseum.com

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The Mississippi Corvette Club has sponsored a law authorizing the production of a specialty car tag which supports the National Corvette Museum. Tags are available for any model vehicle in Mississippi and a portion of the proceeds is donated back to NCM!

Submitted by Joe Thomas



Saturday June 4th



Join us for a tour of the GM Heritage Center

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Early dinner at an area restaurant after the tour

*RSVP by May 25 to Ted or Julie Lasher 810-360-7433 or 7434
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\$20 / person by check to us at the door so we can pay GM with one check

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

May 18 , 2011 Board Meeting

Social Time & Dining started around 5:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order at 6:14 PM by Craig Iansiti.

President - Craig Iansiti - advised the Board Larry Wright and Sue VanAtta are now married. Best wishes go out to the couple. He then reminded the Board he and Sandy Bechtel would be presenting the checks for the Capital City Career Center this Friday. He then opened up a new box of business type cards to be given to new club member prospects. Every board member took whatever they felt they needed. We can have more cards printed if/when they are needed.

Craig reminded the Board we will need help at the Bud Kouts Show Saturday, May 28th. He also advised us the club has no official involvement in the Driving School this year but we should encourage members to participate if they have an interest.

The following was decided for the upcoming Speed Event at Spartan Speedway:

-Craig and Randy will bring grills.

-Kim will cook.

-Simon to get waivers.

-Dave will be in charge of tech.

-Mike and Connie to work the gate Saturday morning.

Governor/VP - Simon Reiffer advised the Board a new rule from NCCC is that the person that sets up the race track can not race! Craig will set up the track! Simon also encouraged members to show support for other club events since they supported our events.

Secretary - Connie Britz (Acting Mike Britz) - invited comments and corrections. He then requested and received approval of the April Board Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer - Mike Britz reviewed the May 1st MSU Federal Credit Union Statement and a May MTD computer printout for up to date financial information. He reminded the Board they are the auditors for the club!

Points - Kim Keith reminded everyone to make sure the waivers get signed at all club events. He also advised the Board the points on the web site are up to date.

Membership - Dave Pursel advised the Board we have one new member - Milton Scales. That brings the membership to 91 with 68 FCOA's

Editor - Randy Buck - nothing new to report. He reminded everyone of the Breakfast scheduled for Saturday morning.

Competition - Rich Bratschi - reviewed the plans for the Spartan Speedway Event (which was discussed earlier in this report). He pointed out he still has plenty of time but needed to work on making sure all needs were covered.

Public Relations - Sandy Bechtel - nothing new to report. She advised the Board she would not have time to oversee the Garage Sale this year and requested we find a replacement for her. It was decided we would bring this up at the next Membership Meeting.

Social - Carol Putmon - nothing new to report.

Hearts and Flowers - Julie Lasher - was absent. It was pointed out the need to follow up and see how Ed and Susie are doing.

Historian - Sue Keith - has received more history for the club and has worked this info into her Club History Book. She also reminded the Board she was still waiting for several of the write-ups for each Board position. Once she receives a write-up she puts in on a page along with the duties as spelled out by the Club By-Laws and sends it back for final approval.

NCN Ambassador - Joe Thomas - was not present.

Photographer - Ted Lasher - was not present.

Quartermaster - Randy Putmon - was not present. However, Wife Carol Putmon advised the Board the lights were broken on top of the trailer and requested approval for funds to replace the broken lights. Approval was given!

Sergeant-at-Arms - Patrick Lickfeldt - nothing new to report.

Webmaster - Gloria Reiffer - nothing new to report. Gloria did request the Board members advise her ASAP if they find any links on the web site that do not work.

Member Input -none

Adjourn - Request to adjourn was made, seconded and approved at 7:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by M. C. Britz - Acting Secretary



Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30th & 31st

FORMS

2.2 NCCC OFFICIAL FLYER

SANCTION #: 003-022 thru 003-028

TYPE OF EVENT: Seven Low Speed Events

DATE: July 30, 2011
(If Drag Races, include rain date)

(If Rallye, include Rallye type)

REGISTRATION: OPENS: 7:45 am
CLOSES: 9:00 am

CLUB: Capital City Corvette Club

REGION: Michigan Region

DRIVERS MEETING TIME: 9:45 am

ENTRY FEE: NCCC members \$13 per event or \$78 for all seven; Non-NCCC \$15.00 per event or \$90 for all seven.

FIRST CAR OUT TIME: 10:00 am

LOCATION: 779 N. College Road - Mason, Michigan
Spartan Speedway

SPEED EVENTS: HIGH SPEED* LOW SPEED
EXHAUST: OPEN CLOSED



MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION (SEE BACK OF FLYER):

FOURTEEN EVENT WEEKEND

2011 SPARTAN SPEEDWAY

SEVEN LOW SPEED EVENTS – CLOSED EXHAUST

SATURDAY – JULY 30, 2011

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NCCC Members: \$13.00 per event, or \$78.00 for all seven.

(NCCC Members - register by July 1 to save an additional \$13; all seven for \$65.00.)

Non-NCCC: \$15 per event or all seven for \$90.00. Metal Cars Welcome!

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See reverse side of flyer for the registration form and event map.

Early registration cut-off date is July 1.

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COMPETITION DIRECTOR/CHAIR:

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PHONE: 517.655.8487



GOVERNOR:

NAME: Simon Reiffer

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In Lieu of Awards we would like to invite all racers that are registered for either day to a picnic Saturday evening between the two events. Nothing fancy, but please plan to stay and enjoy. The track owner has ok'd racers that have self-contained RV's to stay overnight at the track. There is also Heb's Inn & Motel in Mason ph. 517-676-4560 that is just down the street. There are more hotels listed below with the map.

JACKSON CORVETTE CLUB PRESENTS

SANCTION #: 046-029 thru 046-035

DATE: July 31, 2011

REGISTRATION: OPENS: 7:45 am

CLOSES: 9:00 am

DRIVERS MEETING TIME: 9:45 am

FIRST CAR OUT TIME: 10:00 am

TYPE OF EVENT: Seven Low Speed Events

CLUB: Jackson Corvette Club

REGION: Michigan Region

ENTRY FEE: NCCC members \$13 per event or \$78 for all seven; Non-NCCC \$15.00 per event or \$90 for all seven.

LOCATION: 779 N. College Road - Mason, Michigan

Spartan Speedway

FOURTEEN EVENT WEEKEND

2011 SPARTAN SPEEDWAY

SEVEN LOW SPEED EVENTS – CLOSED EXHAUST

SUNDAY – July 31, 2011

SATURDAY SPONSORED BY THE CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

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NCCC Members: \$13.00 per event, or \$78.00 for all seven.

(NCCC Members - register by July 1 to save an additional \$13; all seven for \$65.00.)

Non-NCCC: \$15 per event or all seven for \$90.00. Metal Cars Welcome!

Helmet must be DOT Snell 2005 or newer

Air, Restrooms, and Food Available

See reverse side of flyer for the registration form and event map.

Early registration cut-off date is July 1.

COMPETITION DIRECTOR/CHAIR:

NAME: Jeff Beers

ADDRESS: 66Foxpointe Trl

Jackson, MI 49203

PHONE: 517-784-7814



GOVERNOR:

NAME: Steve Massie

ADDRESS: 1097 Dandell Circle

Horton, MI 49246

PHONE: 517-688-4066

In lieu of awards we would like to invite all racers, that are registered for either day, to a picnic on Saturday evening after the events. Please plan to stay and enjoy some good food.

The track owner has agreed to allow racer's with self contained RV's to spend the night at the track. See the top of the map on the next page for hotels in the Jackson area.

Spartan Speedway Autocross

July 30th & 31st



Located at the corner of N. Cedar Street and College Road between Holt & Mason.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Car Make/Model: _____ Year: _____
Color: _____ NCCC #: _____ Car #: _____
NCCC Club: _____
Speed Event Class: _____

Make check payable to:
Jackson Corvette Club

Mail check and registration to:
Gary Schauffler - Treasurer
Jackson Corvette Club
PO Box 6363
Jackson, MI 49204

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CCCC Summer Getaway to Mackinaw City ~ August 25 – 28



This is a fun time to get to know everyone. We do lots of socializing between eating, daily ice cream runs and our bonfires on the beach every night.

With all of the Corvettes arriving, downtown Mackinaw City is the place to be Friday night. We usually eat at the Pancake Chef because they can accommodate our large group and they have a very nice buffet dinner.

Caravan Details

Thursday: We will caravan from Clark Corners (Clark Road and Old US 27) at 10:00 am. We plan to stop at the Houghton Lake Big Boy for lunch along the way. We are open to suggestions on where to plan a day trip for Friday.

Friday: Another group will head up on Friday morning. Please contact Simon or Gloria if you would be interested in leading the Friday group.

Lodging Details

The Waterfront Inn is an older motel and offers many first floor rooms with parking in front of your room. Mackinaw Beach & Bay All Suites Resort is right next door. Capital City Corvette Club member rates are below. Get your reservations in early to get the room style you want.

Waterfront Inn 1009 South Huron Ave Mackinaw City MI 49701 231.436.5527 or 1.800.962.9832 www.largestbeach.com	Lakefront – 1 or 2 queens \$69 on Thursday \$99 on Friday & Saturday	Courtside – 2 queens \$59 on Thursday \$79 on Friday & Saturday	Courtside – 2 doubles, or 1 king, or 1 queen \$49 on Thursday \$69 on Friday & Saturday
Mackinaw Beach & Bay All Suites Resort 929 South Huron Avenue Mackinaw City, MI 49701 1.800.468.7736 Visit www.mbbresort.com for room amenity details.	Suite A (2 rooms) – 1 king, 1 queen, 1 queen sofa sleeper (room for 6) \$99 on Thursday \$159 on Friday & Saturday	Suite B (2 rooms) – 1 king, 2 queens, 1 queen sofa sleeper (room for 8) \$119 on Thursday \$179 on Friday & Saturday	
<p><i>All rates are for two adults. Add \$5 additional per night per additional adult. Cancellation time expires at 6 p.m. 3 days prior to arrival day, not including the day of arrival. Failure to comply with cancellation requirement will allow hotel to charge for one nights stay.</i></p>			

Contact Simon or Gloria with any questions about the weekend. We hope you can join us!

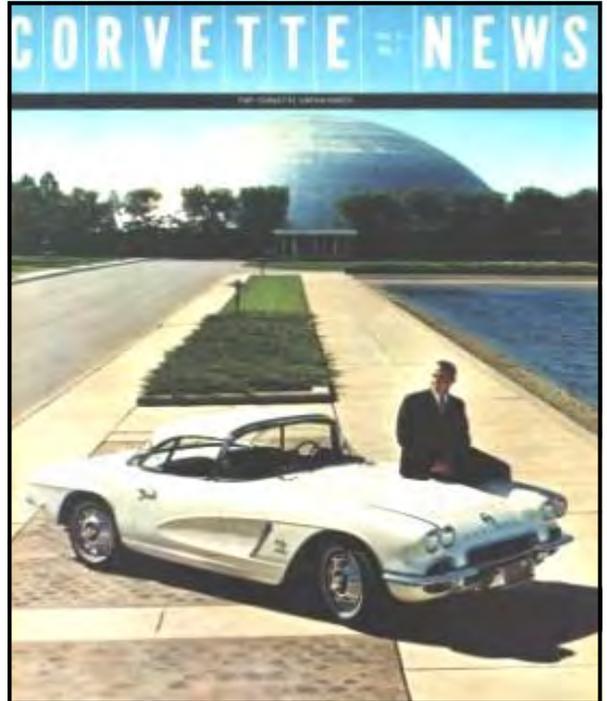
Corvette Crossroads ~ August 27

The show takes place on a paved parking lot behind Mackinaw Crossing Mall from 10:00 – 2:00 Saturday, August 27, with the awards presentation at 3:00. Cost to enter the show is \$25 if pre-registered by August 5; \$35 thereafter. The registration form is available on our Website. Pre-registration packets can be picked up at the Chamber Office in the Mackinaw Crossings Mall between 10:00 – 6:00 Friday, or at the show Saturday. Saturday evening the Corvettes parade through the downtown district and then cross the Mackinac Bridge. Parade participation is free to registered Corvettes; \$5 if taking part in the parade only.

50 Years of Corvettes and Astronauts

Article by: Bill Connell • www.corvetteblog.com

On May 5, 1961, Alan B. Shepard became the first American to travel into outer space. When he returned to terra firma, Shepard got behind the wheel of a **Corvette** – and the legends of America’s favorite sports car and spacemen have been intertwined ever since. Shepard is shown at right with the 1962 model.



On May 7, 2011, approximately 30 of America’s surviving astronauts are expected to gather at Cocoa Beach, Fla., where they will participate in a parade commemorating the 50th anniversary of Shepard’s historic sub-orbital flight. Fittingly, they will be driven in **Corvettes**, representing all six design generations built since the famed sports car’s 1953 debut.

“Each astronaut will ride in a **Corvette** from the generation current at the time of their mission,” parade coordinator John T. R. Dillon III said.

Dillon, a Safety Engineer at the Kennedy Space Center, is also a Corvette owner and member of the Cape Kennedy Corvette Club, which counted four astronauts among its original membership when it was founded in 1967.

“All of the astronauts were test pilots back then; they flew performance aircraft and they moved into performance cars with a well-honed appreciation for handling, acceleration and so forth,” Dillon said.

Shepard brought along his 1957 Corvette when he reported for Space Program training in April, 1959...he would own at least 10 Corvettes in his lifetime. His enthusiasm for sports cars was shared by several of the other adventurous and dedicated young men who would train with him to become America’s first astronauts.

Shortly after Shepard’s historic flight, then General Motors Executive Edward N. Cole presented the astronaut with a new, white, 1962 Corvette. The car had been outfitted by GM designers with a customized space-age interior. As GM did not routinely give away cars, the Corvette-astronaut connection might have become totally coincidental in the years that followed, had not Florida Chevrolet dealer Jim Rathmann stepped into the picture.

The enduring association with America’s astronauts has contributed greatly to the legend of the Corvette.

“In the 1960s, astronauts were the American heroes that every child idolized and every adult respected,” said Corvette historian and former Corvette Quarterly editor Jerry Burton. “That so many of them drove Corvettes really helped to establish Corvette as America’s sports car.”



Submitted by Randy Buck

HORSEPOWER AT THE ZOO 2011

Sunday, September 18 at the Potter Park Zoo
1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave, Lansing
8:30 am – 2:30 pm

*Hosted by the Capital City Corvette Club
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Registration 8:30 – 12 Noon • \$15 per Car at the Gate

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your support. See you there – Rain or Shine.**



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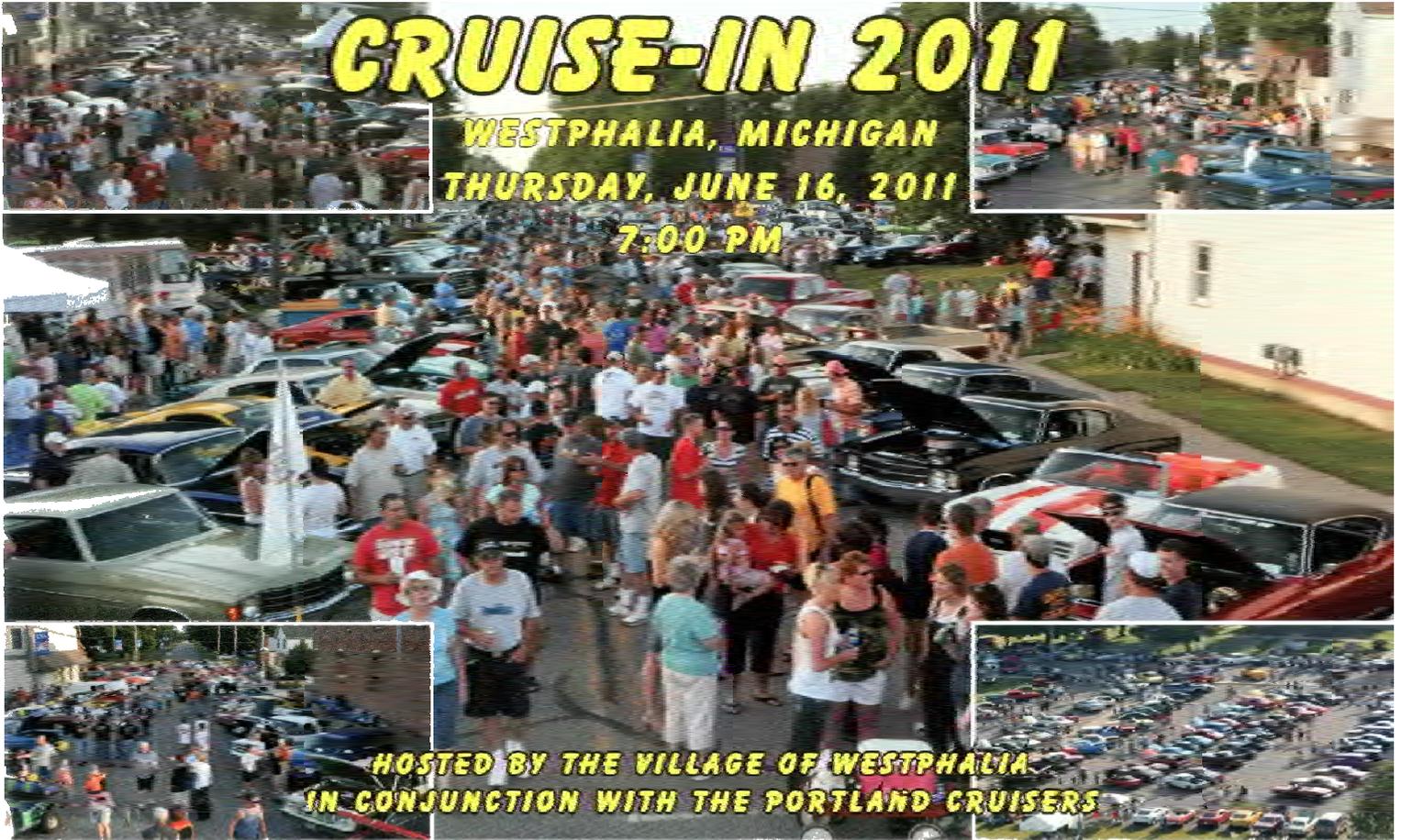




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WESTPHALIA, MICHIGAN
THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2011

7:00 PM



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7th Annual Car Cruise-In
Antique, Classic and Specialty Cars Welcome
Tuesday, June 21, 2011
Downtown DeWitt at Bridge and Main

Attention: All Antique, Classic and Specialty
car club members and individual owners!

On Tuesday, June 21, 2011 the DeWitt Downtown Development Authority is hosting a car cruise-in. We are inviting car owners in the area to come and participate as individuals or as clubs. There is no charge to come and show off your wheels. The only requirement is that you come and have fun while others enjoy strolling the downtown area and admiring the cars of their past.

This year we offer:

Live music provided by: *Life Support*
Street Vendor Foods, Cars, and Family Fun
Extended Business Hours
Farmers' Market 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Mark your calendar for:

Tuesday, June 21st
Downtown DeWitt, at Bridge and Main
Car Cruise-In 7:00-9:00 PM (The streets will be blocked off at 5:30 PM)
Dash plaques to car owners while supplies last

For more information call or contact:

Kellie Warner, DDA Coordinator - City Hall - 517-669-2441
e-mail: Kwarner@dewittmi.org



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Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:00 - 8:30 pm General Member- ship Meeting	2	3	4 11:30 am GM Heritage Center Tour
5 8:00 am Low Speed - KCC, CCC (S)	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 8:15 am Low Speed - CCBC, GLCC, CCM (S)	13	14 7:30 - 9:30 pm MI Region Meeting	15 6:30 - 8:30 pm Board Meeting	16 7pm Westphalia Cruise In	17	18 NCCC Convention
19	20	21	22	23 Bloomington Gold St Charles IL	24 Jackson Cruise In Bloomington Gold St Charles IL	25 Bloomington Gold St Charles IL
26	27	28	29	30		

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