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The Monthly Newsletter of the Capital City Corvette Club

Activities for January

General Membership Meeting

January 6th • Social/Dinner- 5:45 pm • Meeting- 7:00 pm • Delhi Café
• 4625 Willoughby Road • Holt

Board Meeting

January 20th • Dinner- 5:30 pm • Meeting- 6:30 pm • Delhi Café
• 4625 Willoughby Road • Holt

January Birthdays

Litrenta Janet	January 2
Britz Mike	January 4
Politz Suzanne	January 6
Wight Larry	January 6
VanAtta-Wight Sue	January 8
Kuempel Diana	January 14
Koos Fred	January 19
Parks Howard	January 21
Putmon Carol	January 21
Lickfeldt Ellie	January 24
Lickfeldt Patrick	January 31

Contact Chris Wiezorek if you would like to organize a social event

Drive Safely



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Dear Members of The Capital City Corvette Club

From myself, Ralph Shaheen and our General Manager Jason Cords we would like to say thank you, and we appreciate your decision on allowing us to become your new sponsor! We absolutely feel this will be a great marriage of two great organizations, and we look forward to your affiliation. Our mission statement at Shaheen Chevrolet is "*We are Dedicated to Providing the Ultimate Automotive Experience*" and I know this will ring true as your sponsor as well! To kick things off as your new sponsor I am going to hold a contest. The contest involves doing a new vinyl wrap to the club trailer. I am looking for a new design and participants just need to submit their design to the club committee. The chosen design/designer will receive a free *Mobile One oil change*, and a *Full Tank of Premium Fuel*! Upon completion of the new wrap, I am also going to put a new set of upgraded wheels on the trailer as well! I would like to complete this as soon as possible. I look forward to a long relationship with the club! So sit back, buckle up, and enjoy the ride! Sincerely, Ben Behnke

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From Our President

Well! As they say on Saturday Night Live. Isn't this special. I was born to be stupid. Because every time someone asked for help, my right hand immediately goes up. Pick me. Pick me. In all seriousness though. I truly am glad I can help our club to prosper and continue on with the goals that have been established over time. The primary one being, "Just drive our Corvettes and have fun in the process". Should be an easy job.

I purchased my 84 Vette with Cross Fire fuel injection in August of 1984. Hence the email address of 84XFire. It had 75,000 miles on it. It now has 104,000 and seems to be running great. At least when I turn the key it starts. It truly is a pleasure to drive.

There's something special about your first car. In my case it was a 1963 Buick Special. It was a convertible. It had a 6 cylinder aluminum engine with a 4 speed transmission shifter on the floor. After a few speed shifts (and I still think I can shift faster than anyone else) I broke the shifter lever and replaced it with a Hurst. Now I could shift even faster than fast with that Hurst. Kind of miss that car.

But there is also something special about your first Corvette. It has an automatic. Kind of takes some of the old fun out of it but I still love the way it handles. I'll never forget the time we had on one of our Mackinaw trips where some of us escaped to an out of the way place up near Lake Superior. A couple of us broke away from the pack. I was following the Fuzz in a yellow Vette. We were doing triple digits when we hit a really bad section of the road. Never forget that horrible sight. Guess I found out for myself that everyone was right. You won't come back from Deadman's curve. Well luckily, the road was straight. It was no fun being a touch sideways at that speed. But it did prove to me one thing. That the old 84 sure handles GREAT!.

So I could right a book on our adventures and the fun we've had with everyone in the club, but since I have limited editorial space I'll just have to cut to the chase. As you've seen, or hopefully seen from my recent emails, we have a need for three important positions to be filled. I need three people to raise their hand and say "Pick Me, Pick Me". Newsletter editor which is a board position and probably is one of the most laborious positions. A "Hearts and Flowers" appointment. And a Photographer appointment. Please think about accepting one of these positions so we can all continue to "Save the Wave"

Dave Purcel

P.S. Have a Safe and Happy New Year.

Election of Officers:

At the November general membership meeting club officers were elected. Those elected to office for 2016 are;

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| • Competition Director: Rich Bratschi | • President: Dave Purcel |
| • Governor: Simon Reiffer | • Public Relations Director: Tom Wieczorek |
| • Membership Director: Angela Hyde | • Secretary: Colleen Bratschi |
| • Newsletter Editor: Scott Bauries | • Social Director: Chris Wieczorek |
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News for Members

Please welcome our new sponsor. Shaheen Chevrolet located at:

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Activities coming up in 2016

NAIAS - North American International Auto show

Saturday January 11th thru 24th at Cobo Hall in downtown Detroit.

NCCC Michigan Region Annual Awards Banquet

TBD

GM Heritage Tour

TBD. (GM Heritage Center, 6400 Center Drive in Sterling Heights). CARAVAN: 8:45 a.m. (meet at 8:45 at the east-bound I-96 rest area, located halfway between exits 133 (M-59) and 137 (D-19). \$20 per person.

Vermontville Syrup Festival Parade

Saturday April 23rd. Meet at 10:30 at the Quality Dairy 8512 W. Saginaw Hwy, Lansing, MI.

Marshall Memorial Day Parade

The annual Marshall Memorial Day parade is scheduled for May 30th in Marshall, MI. Looking for a sponsor – contact Chris.



Marshall Parade

Bloomington Gold

The 3 day Bloomington Gold NCCC car judging and cruise in Indianapolis, IN at the Indy 500 raceway is scheduled for June 23 - 25, 2016

More info at <http://www.bloomingtongold.com/>

NCCC Convention

It's time to start your plans for the 2015 NCCC convention. Registration begins on February 1st. The convention will be on July 17th through July 22nd in Omaha, NE.

More information at www.corvettesnccc.org

Back to the Bricks

The Back to the Bricks week long event in Flint is scheduled for August. TBD – August TBD. The Corvette reunion car show is Saturday August TBD

Dream Cruise

The annual Woodward avenue car cruise is scheduled for Saturday August 20th.

Corvettes at Carlisle

The 3 day Corvettes at Carlisle NCCC judged car show and swap meet is scheduled for August 25th – 28th.

More information at <http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/corvettes-at-carlisle/>

Corvette Museum

Always open.

More information at <http://corvettemuseum.org/>

Summer Getaway & Corvette Crossroads

The summer getaway to Mackinaw City, MI and 27th annual Corvette Crossroads car show is scheduled for August 26th 10:00AM to 2:00 PM.



Crossroads car show

Fun Fest

The 4 day event sponsored by Mid America Motor works and located at there Effingham, IL facility is scheduled for September 15th – 18th

More information at <http://www.corvettefunfest.com/>



Capital City Corvette Club

Participation Points for Year 2015



As Of: Tuesday, December 22, 2015

Member 101

30 David Averill	Ursula Averill	1 Roy Bailey	Jim Balla
2 Dana Beaman	Kim Beaman	64 Sandy Bechtel	17 Mary Blackwood
25 Tim Blackwood	10 James Boettcher	7 Mara Boettcher	49 Colleen Bratschi
47 Rich Bratschi	19 Connie Britz	39 Mike Britz	NancyLee Buck
Randy Buck	10 Terry Burke	13 Dana Conley	12 Darrell Conley
15 Dave Cripe	10 Pat Cripe	6 Fred Darin	1 Darwin Day
1 Sheila Day	25 Art Doty	25 Nancy Doty	Janet Gunthorpe
Larry Gunthorpe	34 Jeanne Harris	46 Ward Harris	20 Howard Hein
14 Sheila Hein	Jim Hoppin	73 Angela Hyde	74 Craig Iansiti
53 Janet Iansiti	Dick Iding	6 Laura Kazmer	6 Wayne Kazmer
100 Kim Keith	104 Sue Keith	8 Fred Koos	13 David Kuempel
11 Diane Kuempel	8 Marty Latchaw	4 Sue Latchaw	6 Ellie Lickfeldt
6 Patrick Lickfeldt	23 Carlo Litrenta	35 Janet Litrenta	Lee MacGillvray
34 Bob Maynard	11 Shalimar Maynard	50 Chuck Miller	13 Diana Mosher
6 Barb Musselman	8 Steve Musselman	1 George Nelson	1 Lori Nelson
22 Dominique Palacio	22 Jerry Palacio	Diana Parks	3 Howard Parks
7 Joe Platte	4 Suzanne Politza	27 David Pursel	15 Kathryn Pursel
5 Carol Putmon	4 Randy Putmon	18 Deanna Pyle	20 Robert Pyle
118 Gloria Reiffer	108 Simon Reiffer	65 Robert Ribar	18 Milton Scales
1 Mike Seagun	8 Brenda Shatkosky	8 Richard Shatkosky	14 Jim Simmons
Vicky Simmons	10 Barbara Ann Sipka	10 Thomas Sipka	1 Loretta Spinrad
1 Steve Spinrad	Janet Sprague	38 Michael Sprague	13 Ralph Swan
13 Susan Swan	31 Connie Taylor	31 Thomas Taylor	54 Harold Twining
54 Katherine Twining	18 Sue VanAtta-Wight	123 Jerry Wardell	120 Sally Wardell
104 Christine Wieczorek	82 Thomas Wieczorek	27 Larry Wight	6 Sam Zabawsky

Year End Points Standings – Top Ten

123 Jerry Wardell
104 Sue Keith
74 Craig Iansiti

120 Sally Wardell
104 Christine Wieczorek
73 Angela Hyde

118 Gloria Reiffer
100 Kim Keith

108 Simon Reiffer
82 Thomas Wieczorek



Tech Tips and Mods

Head Light Adjustment

A not too uncommon problem with C5 vettes with 75k+ miles is headlight aiming and finding the adjustment device frozen. There is no replacement parts available – it is not a GM replacement item. You can purchase a used assembly, but they are difficult to find. So, you'll need to repair what you have.

The process starts with removing the headlight shroud and cover, cover adjustment plate, headlight assembly and finally - the adjustment unit(s). There are two per headlight assemble - (up/down & left/right). Rebuild the adjustment device(s), grease well and reinstall. Figure on 3.5 hours per headlight.



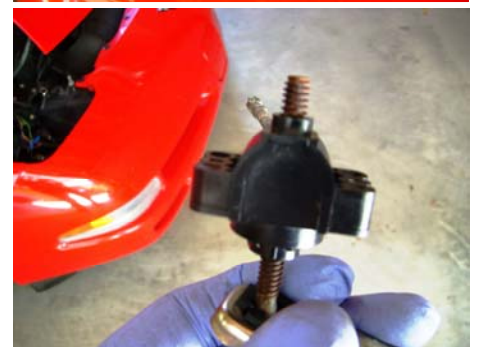
Engine Oil

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High Performance Engine Oil Specifications

Revision Date: 18-Sep-2008

Product Name	SAE Viscosity Grades
76 Super Synthetic Motor Oil	5W-30, 10W-30
AC Delco Full Synthetic	5W-30
Castrol SLX Professional 4718	5W-30
Chevron Supreme Synthetic	5W-30, 10W-30
CITGO SUPERGARD Synthetic	5W-30, 10W-30
Kendall GT-1 Ultimate Synthetic	5W-30, 10W-30
Mobil 1	0W-30, 5W-30, 10W-30
Northland, Synergy Synthetic	5W-30
Pennzoil Platinum Full Synthetic	5W-30, 10W-30
Q HorsePower	5W-30, 10W-30
Texaco Havoline Synthetic	5W-30, 10W-30



Christmas Party 2015



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