

# The Heartbeat of Indy



## March 21, 2016

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## Corvette Indy Meeting at Champp's, March 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Wylie Etscheid at 7:30. Wylie asked for additions or corrections to the meeting minutes from the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Butch DeWitt and was seconded by Shelley Noelle and then passed.

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

**President:** Wylie opened the meeting reminding members that the Vettes for Vets event is May 7<sup>th</sup> and the Veterans Home is planning on a large turnout from our club. Greg Bowron sent an email to members with a list of specific Corvettes that they are going to display at this year's

event. Wylie asked that if your car is one listed on the email to please consider showing your car at this event.

**Vice President:** Greg Bowron was not present and therefore had no report.

**Membership Director:** Tammy DeWitt introduced 2 new members who joined at tonight's meeting. Our new members are Jimmie and Donna Driscoll. Our membership total is now 256. Tammy had Eckler's calendars to pass out to anyone who did not receive one in the mail. She also reported that NCCC wants email addresses for all members to send information to us. The emails that will be sent will not be spam and should not be often. If you don't want to receive any emails from NCCC please let Tammy know and she will change your preference setting.

**Secretary:** Terri Forey reported that there were 68 names on the waivers and if anyone needed to sign please do so before you leave.

**Treasurer:** Jim Noelle reported income, expenses and balances and provided a hard copy for file.

**Governor:** Butch DeWitt reported that the next Region Meeting will be April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> in St. Louis Missouri. Main Event planning is progressing and some specific signup sheets have been created and were circulating at tonight's meeting. The planning committee will create other sheets if necessary. At this time Butch is looking into portable toilets which will be needed since there are no facilities available at the site. He also said we need several long tables and if anyone has a canopy they can bring to help provide shade it would be appreciated. Bloomington Gold planning is in a holding pattern until after the next Region meeting. There are signup sheets circulating tonight to get things started. Tammy mentioned at the last meeting that NCCC is trying to decide on a new national charity to support. The three choices were St. Jude's, Shriners, or Lions Club. Butch asked our club to vote on our preference and he would cast a vote on our behalf. The winner was St. Jude's after a vote taken of those in attendance. Butch also reported that there would be a practice Auto Cross event at Grissom April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. No points will be awarded for this event. Butch said that meeting minutes from the Governor's Meeting are available on the Regional website.

**Competition Director:** Cathy reminded everyone to turn in your point sheets. February sheets are available on the fireplace hearth.

**Sergeant of Arms:** Shelley Noelle says thanks for buying tickets. She collected \$136.

**Parliamentarian:** No issues.

**Newsletter Editor:** Erika Lapham reported that the 'For Sale' section will be returning to the newsletter. Please send information to Erika to have your ad included. Erika said the section is for car related items only.

**Merchandise Director:** Ross Gullett reported that tonight would be the last meeting to order Main Event T-shirts. The order will be going in on March 29<sup>th</sup> so please send your order to him by next Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>. We still don't know the cost per shirt since that is determined by the number of shirts we order. Once Ross has the cost Greg Bowron will send an email out with the cost of each shirt.

**Facebook:** Jim Alvis reported that he updates our Facebook almost daily. Please check for current club activities. Jim also reported that this month marks the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Corvette in racing.

**Penske Rep:** Bob Young reported that the release date of the 2017 Corvette and the order dates for the 2016 Corvettes have been determined however he doesn't have the dates. Please check with your dealer for exact dates. Bob also reported that Penske has a large inventory of cars and if interested check their website.

**NCM Rep:** Jerry Croy reported that the 'Sink Hole' display is open at the Corvette Museum. He reminded everyone of 'The Bash' at NCM April 24-26. The motor park at the museum is opening 17 acres up for sale and the acreage will be used to build berms to keep the noise level down since this has been an issue to nearby homes. If you buy the acre the land will be donated back to the museum to build the berms on.

**Social Director:** Greg Bowron was not in attendance but Wylie Etscheid reminded everyone that this Saturday from 11:00 to 3:00 our club will be cooking out at Penske. We will need people to help with the event and if you can't be there for the entire event please stop in and support your fellow club members and Penske. Greg will be there around 10:00 and anyone visiting or working are encouraged to drive your Corvette. Wylie also reported that Greg has not received any information about the track events during the month of May. He typically doesn't receive information until early May. Greg will send out emails with information as soon as it is available.

**WEB MASTER:** Bill Lapham reported that a short version of our event calendar is available on the website and it is about 3 pages. There is a longer version which is about 17 pages that can be accessed from our website.

**OLD BUSINESS:** We were going to discuss and vote on the new point system tonight however Greg Bowron was not in attendance so we are going to do that at a future meeting. Greg emailed the proposed point system to members last week. If you have any questions please email them to Greg and he will address those questions. Bill Lapham is going to be training people to use the timing equipment. Betty Williams is creating a manual to be used for training new timers. The first class will be at Lapham's Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. There will be another training session on another date for anyone that can't make this meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business to discuss.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 by Mike Lewis and seconded by Charlie Sherman.

Meeting Attendance Award Winner: Rita Etscheid

Respectfully submitted, Terri Forey



## A Message From Our President

Hi all,

This week I just want to mention a few things from our meeting Monday night.

If you haven't noticed we are doing a Penske cookout this Saturday from 11-4.

Come by even if you can only stay for a little while. It is a fun time and supports our sponsor.

Next meeting we will be voting on a proposal to change the start time of our meetings to 7pm.

The 27th Main EVENT, our clubs Autocross weekend is coming up fast. Please volunteer to help even for half a day on Saturday or Sunday. The dates are June 4-5th. we also have a need for portable canopy tents. If you have one and want to let us use it for the weekend let Butch or I know.

As always your feedback is welcome.

Wylie

### **EDITOR'S NOTE:**

Main Event is fast approaching. We have a new site which has lots of room, allowing for a great course set up. As always, this is a very big event that takes lots of volunteers. Even if you don't know anything about Autocrosses, you can help and we definitely need everyone – men and ladies alike. We also need lots of door prizes. Read the article in the newsletter for more information.

The *For Sale* section of the newsletter has returned. If you have something car related that you would like to sell, get the information to me for inclusion in future newsletters.

We will vote at the next meeting about the proposed meeting time change. Be there to express your opinion.

It is Spring – time to drive. Enjoy your Vette(s).

*Happy Driving,  
Erika*

## Calendar of Events

<b>Calendar of Events –2016 updated 03/21/2016</b>	
<b>Red = Meetings &amp; Planned Club Events – Black NCCC Events or Other Events of Interest</b>	
<b>Every Saturday Morning</b>	<b>Drive N Dunk, 9am at Paradise Bakery &amp; Cafe at 96th &amp; N. Meridian</b>
<b>Every Tuesday Evening</b>	<b>Ale Emporium \$6.99 Steak Special 5:30 pm 8617 Allisonville Rd, Indianapolis</b>
<b>Monthly 1<sup>st</sup> Friday</b>	<b>( May – October) Danville Cruise-in 4:30 at the courthouse – parking limited</b>
Every Friday	Washington Square Cruise-in – plenty of parking
Every Tuesday	( May – October) Cruise-Day Tuesdays – Downtown Monticello IN
Every Saturday	Cruise-in around the square in downtown Noblesville, 5pm-9pm, starts May 7
Monthly Last Sunday	Kirklin Cruise-In, Buffet available at Bookers 11am-2pm
<b>March 21</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>March 26</b>	<b>PENSKE CHEVROLET Cook out for customers, 11am-4pm, volunteers needed, if you can't work stop by for a burger or hot dog anyway</b>
April 2	New Castle Broad Street Cruise-In 6PM New Castle, IN
<b>April 4</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
April 9-10	MVP Tracktime at Bowling Green, KY, 8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Tax Freedom Weekend
<b>April 10</b>	<b>Ladies afternoon DRIVE N PAINT, Linda White host, 1-4pm, \$45 per person</b>
<b>April 16-17</b>	<b>14 event NCCC autocross weekend at Tire Rack, South Bend, IN</b>
<b>April 16</b>	<b>Indiana Region NCCC Awards Banquet – Madison Co Shrine Club Anderson, IN</b>
<b>April 18</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>April 22-23</b>	<b>National Governors Meeting, St. Louis MO</b>
<b>April 28-30</b>	<b>NCM Bash, Bowling Green, KY</b>
April 30	Cruisin' for a Cure 5th Annual Car, Truck and Bike Show Plainfield's Hummel Park at the Charleston Pavilion
April 30	Speedway Cruise In to benefit the American Cancer Society 3009 N. High School Road at McGilvery's Pub & Eatery. Reg@ 1:30
<b>May 1</b>	<b>Spring Fling – Hoosier Corvette , Indianapolis IN</b>
May 1-4	Michelin Tail of the Dragon; NCM
<b>May 2</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
May 6	Pioneer Auto Club -First Friday Cruise-in 6pm-9pm Buckeye Street, Downtown Kokomo
<b>May 7</b>	<b>Vettes for Vets – Lafayette &amp; Star City , Lafayette IN</b>
May 7	Pioneer Auto Club 52nd Annual Spring Car show at Foster Park Kokomo Indiana
May 12-14	C4 Gathering NCM Bowling Green, KY
May 20-21	Hoosier Vintage Wheels Show – Huge Swap Meet – Over 450 spaces sold at Sept. 2015 show. Pre 1980 Vehicle show Franklin IN
<b>May 27</b>	<b>IMS Carb Day</b>
May 27-28	Talladega Track Event; Vettes 4 Vets
<b>May 29</b>	<b>INDY 500 Race</b>
May 30	Memorial Day 6th Annual Anything on Wheels car show. Downtown on the Square, 10 E Washington St.Martinsville
June 4-5	Pioneer Auto Hosting a Bus trip to Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, MI Leave Kokomo Auto Museum at 6:00AM
June 4	Rain date June 5. Hoosier Street Rods and Classics hosts: The 4th Open Car 2759 West 38th Street, Anderson, IN 46011.

<b>June 4-5</b>	<b>Main Event – 14 LS – Corvette Indy</b>
<b>June 6</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
June 9-11	Corvette Adventures <a href="http://www.corvetteadventures.com/">http://www.corvetteadventures.com/</a>
<b>June 11</b>	<b>STRAWBERRY FEST CORVETTE SHOW; Crawfordsville</b>
June 11	Pioneer Auto Club and the City of Kokomo 3rd Annual Elwood Haynes Museum Car Show 1815 South Webster St
June 11	Buffalo Indiana BUFFALO COMMUNITY DAZE CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW/ FESTIVAL
June 11	Father's Day Car Show. Kindred Healthcare their first Father's Day Car show this year. 200 Green Meadows DR, Greenfield, In
June 11-12	13th Annual Slamology Custom Car, Truck & Bike Show Held at Lucas Oil Raceway, 10267 E. Highway 136, Indianapolis, IN
<b>June 16-19</b>	<b>Sports car Vintage Racing at IMS</b>
June 18	Shine & Show Car Show at Indianapolis Motor Speedway Be a part of the SVRA "2016 Brickyard Vintage Racing Invitational
June 18	14th Annual Delta Faucet Car Show. This show is held at 111th and North Meridian on the northside of Indianapolis
June 18	Join the "IDERS" for their Last Show, the Hog Jog Cruise In & Car Show, Flora Town Park.
June 18	2016 Harmony Baptist Car Show Avon IN
June 19	Noblesville, Indiana 46060 ). Father's Day Car Show Forest Park 701 Cicero Road ( St Rd 19)
<b>June 20</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>June 23-25</b>	<b>Bloomington Gold - Gold Autocross, IMS</b>
<b>June 23-25</b>	<b>Bloomington Gold at IMS</b>
<b>June 26</b>	<b>Fishers Freedom Festival Parade</b>
June 29-July 3	Fort Wayne, IN 46825 Chevy Classics State Reps Car Show.
June 30	Pioneer Auto Club hosting the Haynes Apperson Memorial Run and Cruise-in 5-9
July 1-2	<u>Kokomo, IN 46901</u> Pioneer Auto Club. Haynes Apperson Festival Car Show. Excel Lot on West Superior Street
<b>July 4</b>	<b>Carmel 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade</b>
<b>July 4</b>	<b>Westfield Rocks the 4<sup>th</sup> Car Show</b>
<b>July 5 (Tuesday)</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
July 9	14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Hot Summer Days Car Show by Columbus Corvette Club; Chevrolet of Columbus, reg opens at 8am, trophies at 2pm
<b>July 9-10</b>	<b>Anderson Corvette Association Rallies &amp; LS, Anderson IN</b>
<b>July 9-10</b>	<b>Herder's trip to Stream Cliff Farms and Madison IN</b>
<b>July 9</b>	<b>Town of Advance Community Day Celebration Corvette Display – Contact member Ray Hieston for more info</b>
July 13-17	MiM Milford Proving Grounds
July 16	<u>Coatesville, IN, 46121</u> ) 4th Annual "Cruisin' in Coatesville Car Show and Street Fair"
<b>July 18</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>July 17-22</b>	<b>NCCC National Convention, Omaha NE</b>
July 22-23	Somernites Cruise; Somerset, KY; CORVETTES
July 23	<u>Kokomo, IN 46901</u> ) Pioneer Auto Club Cruise-in at Choo choo Magoo's 6-9 816 E. Markland Avenue Kokomo, Indiana
<b>July 23</b>	<b>IMS NASCAR Lilly Diabetes 250 Race</b>
<b>July 24</b>	<b>IMS NASCAR Brickyard 400 Race</b>
<b>July 30</b>	<b>CLASSICAL GLASS CORVETTE CLUB CAR SHOW 106<sup>th</sup> &amp; Michigan Rd</b>
<b>July 30</b>	<b>CCCC Corvette Show at HTC</b>
<b>July 31</b>	<b>Discount Tire's Corvette Indy Corvette Show, Plainfield</b>
<b>August 1</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>August 6 Or August 27</b>	Possible Car Show in Rushville, IN Contact member Tim McCord (ssgtmac@yahoo.com) for more information after checking out the Summer Amphitheater Summer Concert information at <a href="http://rushvilleamphitheater.com/">http://rushvilleamphitheater.com/</a>
<b>August 6-7</b>	<b>ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY TO BE A GUEST AT INDIANA'S ONLY RESTORED ANTEBELLUM PLANTATION HOME, PRIVATELY OWNED BY MRS. BILL COOK, ON THE BANKS OF THE OHIO RIVER IN SOUTHERN INDIANA. Hosted by John &amp; Marg Herder and Steve Head &amp; Mary McConnell</b>
<b>August 6-7</b>	<b>Michiana CC Low Speed, Tire Rack, South Bend, IN</b>
<b>August 13</b>	<b>SCICC Car Show at Hubler</b>
August 13	Seymour, In. 47274 8:00 am - 3:30 pm 8th Annual Cruizin & Showin car show at Shields Park
August 13	<u>Kokomo, IN 46901</u> Pioneer Auto Club Cruise-in at Choo choo Magoo's 6-9 816 E. Markland Avenue Kokomo, Indiana
<b>August 14</b>	<b>Elkhart Vette Set &amp; Fort Wayne CC – 6 rallies – start in Elkhart finish in Ft. Wayne at FWCC picnic</b>
<b>August 15</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>August 20</b>	<b>Penske Car Show, Carmel American Legion</b>

<b>August 20</b>	<b>Woodward Dream Cruise</b>
<b>August 27-28</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Weekend Trip to NCM Bowling Green, KY</b>
<b>August 27</b>	<b>Carmel Artmobilia Car Show</b>
<b>August 6 Or August 27</b>	Possible Car Show in Rushville, IN Contact member Tim McCord (ssgtmac@yahoo.com) for more information after checking out the Summer Amphitheater Summer Concert information at <a href="http://rushvilleamphitheater.com/">http://rushvilleamphitheater.com/</a>
<b>August 25-28</b>	<b>Corvettes at Carlisle</b>
<b>August 27-28</b>	<b>Fort Wayne &amp; Corvette Club of Indiana LS – Grissom AFB, Peru IN</b>
<b>September 1-3</b>	<b>NCM 22<sup>ND</sup> Anniversary</b>
September 2	Pioneer Auto Club - First Friday Cruise-in 6pm-9pm Central Railroad depot on Buckeye Street, Kokomo, IN
<b>September 3-5</b>	<b>Elkhart Vette Set (21 LS) Tire Rack, South Bend IN</b>
September 3	Home Depot Extravaganza Car Show, Greenwood Home Depot
<b>September 6 (Tuesday)</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>September 9-10</b>	<b>National Governors Meeting, St Louis MO</b>
<b>September 10</b>	<b>Nevada at Notre Dame</b>
<b>September 11</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Memorial Picnic</b>
September 15-17	Pigeon Force Rod Run, TN
<b>September 15-18</b>	<b>FUNFEST Mid-America Effingham, IL</b>
<b>September 17</b>	<b>Michigan State at Notre Dame</b>
<b>September 17-18</b>	<b>Super September (14 LS) – Grissom AFB, Peru IN</b>
<b>September 19</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
September 23-24	Somernites Cruise; Somerset, KY; 11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Power Cruise
September 23-25	Fall Corvette Adventures; <a href="http://www.fallcorvetteadventures.com/">http://www.fallcorvetteadventures.com/</a>
<b>September 24</b>	<b>Duke at Notre Dame</b>
<b>September 30-October 2</b>	<b>Overnight trip to Tecumseh, MI for Ididit open house and car show; Jerry Croy host, details tba</b>
<b>October 2</b>	<b>IMS RED BULL Air Race</b>
<b>October 2</b>	<b>Indian Region All Corvette Day – Brown County, Nashville IN</b>
<b>October 3</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>October 7</b>	<b>First Friday Cruise-in, Downtown Danville, 5-9pm, free (Club Event for the End of Season)</b>
October 8	Pioneer Auto Club Cruise-in at Choo choo Magoo's 6-9 816 E. Markland Avenue Kokomo, Indiana
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Butler Homecoming Parade</b>
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Kellam's Annual Cookout – 6:30 start – Rain or Shine</b>
<b>October 9</b>	<b>Lafayette Corvette Club Rallies – Lafayette IN</b>
October 11-15	NCM MiM Lap of Kentucky
<b>October 15</b>	<b>Stanford at Notre Dame</b>
<b>October 16</b>	<b>Restoration Station Fall Color Road Tour – Springboro, Ohio – Annual Event hosted by Jerry Croy</b>
<b>October 17</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>October 22-23</b>	<b>Great Pumpkin GMCC/HCC 12 LS – 2 Rallies – Grissom AFB, Peru IN</b>
October 22-23	Somernites Cruise; Somerset, KY; Chevy Showcase
October 25-29	NCM MiM Lap of Kentucky
<b>October 29</b>	<b>Miami at Notre Dame</b>
November 3-5	Vets n Vettes – National Corvette Museum, Bowling Green KY
<b>November 7</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>November 11</b>	<b>Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade</b>
<b>November 11-13</b>	<b>National Governors Meeting, St Louis MO</b>
November 14	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
November 19	<b>Virginia Tech at Notre Dame</b>
November 19-20	MVP TRacktime, Road Atlanta
<b>December 5</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Meeting at Champps; (8711 N. River Crossing). The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.</b>
<b>December 10</b>	<b>Corvette Indy Christmas Dinner at Carmel American Legion</b>

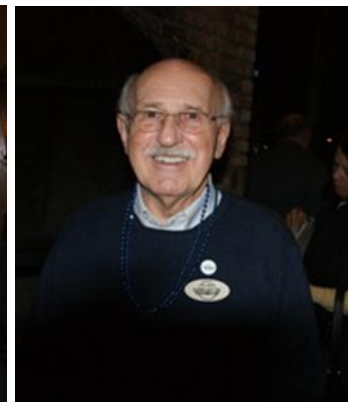
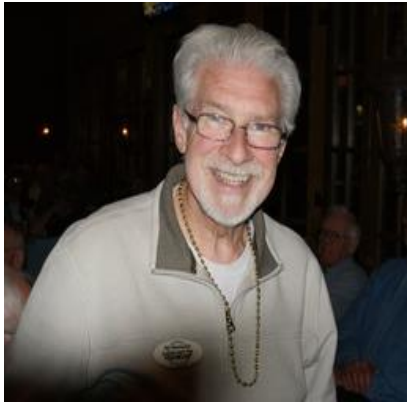
Look for Greg's emails during the year for more information and expanded list of Car Shows

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR RETIREE AND HOOKY PLAYER DRIVE ND DINE ND OTHER EVENTS TOO!!



## Earning Your Beads 2016

We have our first bead pictures. Beads are awarded for planning and hosting a club event. Several members have received beads for hosting events early this year. While these were "Dine only" or party events, we are now getting into actual Drive and Dine season. These are often retiree and hooky player events in the afternoon during the week. BUT, many members prefer week-end events due to work and other commitments. So, how about YOU plan something for a week-end SOON?!? If you would like some help, we have lots of experienced members who would love to advise you for your 'first time'. Talk to President Wylie, Vice President Greg, and Web master Bill, Al Forey or many others. Our first Bead Winners are Bill Reynolds for hosting the weekly Steak Night Tuesday at Ale Emporium, Greg and Donna Bowron for a 'Dine' at Jason's Deli in Carmel, Jim (and Judi) Alvis for a 'Dine' at Daddy Jack's at 96<sup>th</sup> Street and Bill and Erika Lapham for their Annual Winter Party in January and a 'Dine' at Max & Erma's in Carmel.



### CORVETTE INDY MERCHANDISE MART

Our club "Main Event" T-Shirt sales deadline is fast approaching March 28<sup>th</sup>. Orders are still being accepted on-line at [CorvetteIndy.com](http://CorvetteIndy.com) "For Sale" sub header "Club Merchandise". I would like to thank those club members that have signed up to receive the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Main Event Shirts and I should have final pricing for you by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

At the next club meeting April 4<sup>th</sup> I will get indications from attending club members on who might be interested in ordering “Member Since” club pins. I have done research and found out if we order pins one at a time the cost + s&h is around \$17.00 per pin (that’s a little steep) . But if we take one large batch order (ie. 10+ pins at one time) we can get that pricing down to about \$7.00 per pin. More to come on this.

## Corvette Indy 4” Window Clings.

Last night one of our club members bought 4 CI Window Clings for his vehicles. He mentioned that the old one had come off his window. Thus, the reason for this being mentioned in the club newsletter. Our 4” Window clings will stick to either side of your vehicle window. They are designed to stick to the inside of your windows. I have one on the inside of my Corvette Windshield and on my Daily Driver Windshield. Both are clearly visible, and totally protected from the elements (wind, rain, etc). They can go on the inside of any window on your vehicle. They might be hard to see if they are applied to heavily tinted windows, but for a normal tinted window, they look great. The Picture below is actually taken of the one on my daily driver. They are very easy to apply, and can go on the inside of your vette or daily driver windshield, back hatch, or any window that doesn’t go up or down (yes, if put it on a roll down window they might get ripped off by the weather stripping if you do that). They are very economical at \$4 each. Because they are not decals, but are static clings, they can easily be removed or relocated to any other location or vehicle of your choice. Please see Ross Gullett if you have any questions, I’m more than happy to show you my Window Clings.



**Exhaust Notes**  
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**PROJECT UPDATES:** If you have a project you are working on that you would like to share with club members, please send pictures to Erika at [corvetteindynews@gmail.com](mailto:corvetteindynews@gmail.com) Boys and their toys.

If you have begun working on your Vette for the 2016 season, I need your pictures and article describing what you did. Please send them to [corvetteindynews@gmail.com](mailto:corvetteindynews@gmail.com). Members always enjoy seeing other members’ Corvette projects.

**Al Forey has made a nice addition to his “Cool01” Convertible.**





Here are Al's shiny new Z51 style wheels.

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1976-1982 Floor Pans:  
The Achilles Heel of Late C3 Corvettes

**Save the C3 Corvette!**

Steel Floor Pans were introduced in 1976 Corvette production to counter the excessive heat generated by the new catalytic converter-equipped exhaust systems. As the Corvettes were exposed to the elements and experienced rust issues, it was not uncommon to see them end up at a scrap heap or salvage parts marketplace. The good news is, most of these late C3 Corvettes can return safely and happily to the highway with a reasonable investment of time and labor. Mid America Motorworks tells you how.

**Original or Replacement?**

It's possible to exchange the rusted original Floor Pan sections on your rusted C3 in a manner that will make detection nearly impossible from beneath the car. From the inside, especially as part of an interior restoration, no sign of the work is visible. All nut plates for the seat and seat belt anchor points are provided. Mid America Motorworks has even developed and engineered our replacement floor pans to limit the need for specialized skills and tools.

## 1976-1982 Steel Floor Pan Installation

1. Unbolt and remove seats, sill plates, seat belts, console and park brake trim and carpet and padding/sound deadener.
2. On the Driver's side, there will be a wiring harness running along the floor pan. Move this harness out of the way. Duct tape may be used to secure it, so that it will not interfere with installation.
3. Place the Corvette on a lift or jack stands.
4. Some Corvette models have a heat/splash shield on the lower firewall that may need to be removed.
5. While the Corvette is raised, examine the underside to locate fuel lines, brake lines, cables, and wiring harnesses. These must be avoided when cutting away the rusted pans.
6. Cut the rusted pans out using the die grinder.
7. Lay the new pans in place and mark where the upper edges meet the stock pans. You will need to leave at least 1.5" of the original pans below the lip of the new pans to serve as an attachment flange.

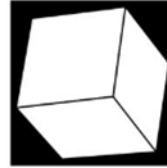
### Tools



Rivet Tool



Mallet



Wood Block



Electric Drill

8. Examine the stock floor pans to see how much metal needs to be replaced. Cut away the rusted area. Leave enough material around the edges and center tunnel to attach the repair panels. The rear of the stock pans must be cut at the point where the floor begins to angle up behind the seat area at the riser. For best overall fit and finish, clean away as much rust build-up, factory tar sealer, and other foreign material as possible from the contact area where the new pans are to be welded or riveted. (See Fig. 1 and Fig. 2)
9. 1977 late to 1982 Corvettes – On the rusted, stock pans - cut out the outer factory seat belt weld nuts and plate located near the door sill plate area. New pans have the necessary nuts in place. (See Fig. 3)



Die Grinder



FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2



FIGURE 3

10. Note: For Corvettes with seat belt retractors located under the seat, remove the outer side weld nuts found on the new pans. Extra seat belt nuts are provided that must be welded in position, after drilling a hole in the bottom of the new pan depression (under the seat area).
11. You may pre-form the forward lip of the new pans, by bending up at a 15-20 degree angle to assist in the initial fit. (See Fig. 4)
12. Fit the new pans in place, mark and trim as needed. You may have to fit and trim multiple times to get the right fit. The inner front corner may need to be bent in slightly on some cars. It is easiest to position the inner front corner first, then the outer front corner. Finally, press the rear of the pan into place.
13. Tip: Use a hammer and block of wood to form pans into position. Outer lip near sill areas may be peened over or flanged by bending over with a block of wood and hammer. (See Fig. 5 and Fig. 6)



FIGURE 4



FIGURE 5



FIGURE 6

14. Secure outer rear corner by drilling a small hole in the new pan and the factory riser panel. Insert and tighten a metal screw there. (See Fig. 7)
15. Temporarily position your seat in place and see if it is level. Adjust the rear of the pan, until the seat is level. Then drill holes at the inner rear corner of the pan and secure with screws. Work your way around the perimeter of the new pans, drilling and securing with 2 or 3 screws on each edge.
16. Mark the location of rear seat bolts. Drill and use supplied nut plates by holding in place over the bolt holes and marking rivet hole locations on the Floor Pan. Remove plate, drill rivet holes and rivet nut plates on bottom of new pans. (See Fig. 8)
17. Now it's time to decide if you wish to weld the pans in place (preferred method) or to seal and use rivets.



#### Welding in Floor Pans

1. Remove the Floor Pans. Use a wire brush or wheel to clean off the car panels where pan will be welded. Apply weld primer to the outside of pans, where they contact the car. Drill holes in the pan sides and back every 2-3 inches for blind welds for best adhesion. Set the pans in place, resecure with screws and weld. Let cool, then apply caulking or seam sealer around the perimeter to block moisture.

#### Riveting Floor Pans

1. Remove the Floor Pans. Use a wire brush or wheel to clean off the car panels where the pan will be riveted. Apply a heavy coat of sealer, set the pans in place, re-install screws to hold the Floor Pans in the correct position. Drill rivet holes in the sides and the back and rivet in place with rivets every 2-3 inches around perimeter.
2. The front lip may be riveted at the holes found in fiberglass. Drill up into the new pan from the underside of the Corvette through these existing holes. Then rivet the front lip in place.
3. Smooth out any sealer that extrudes from the overlap area. Apply MWorks Steel Shield or other Rust Preventative Paint to the upper and lower surface of the pans. Let cure for at least 24 hours.
4. Install the new Sound Deadener, Carpet and Seat belts. Reinstall seats and firewall heat/splash shield, if removed.

**It's that easy. Now lower your Corvette and take it for a test drive!**

**[Our Sponsor – Penske:](#)** Now is the time to bring home a beautiful [new Corvette](#) to enjoy driving all Spring and Summer and Fall. Our great sponsor, [Penske](#), still has a terrific selection of [2016](#) coupes, convertibles and even [Z06s](#). They also have a [gently loved 2016](#) looking for a new home. Why not come help with the club's 'Penske Cook-out' this Saturday and take that opportunity to pick out your next [new Corvette](#) or [truck, SUV or sedan](#) if that is what you are looking for?

Be sure to show your support for our terrific sponsor by coming to the cook-out at the dealership from 11 to 4 this Saturday.

## C7

### 2016 Corvette Stingray – A Review

By **Bengt Halvorson**

America's sports car continues into 2016 with a choice of four models—two engines, each available in coupe and convertible bodies. From a base Stingray to a supercar-baiting Z06 convertible, you'll find the Corvette range to offer some of the very best bang for the buck in the industry.

The seventh-generation Vette's styling has gone in a new direction while taking advantage of familiar themes, both inside and out. Sharp lines, crisp angles, and vents aplenty give a definite supercar air to the design that matches the car's performance. It's wide, low, and looks fast even when standing still. Inside, the Stingray's design is much improved over the previous generation of the Corvette, with a refreshing and surprisingly luxurious look. The Z06 adds to the Stingray's exterior and interior design with wider fenders, an array of aerodynamic add-ons, and a performance-themed cabin treatment.

Under the hood of the Chevy Corvette Stingray is the latest performance small-block, a 6.2-liter LT1 V-8 generating 455 horsepower and 460 pound-feet of torque. The Z06 ups the ante with a supercharged LT4 V-8 displacing 6.2 liters and related to the LT1 that's rated at 650 hp and 650 lb-ft of torque. A 7-speed manual is standard with both engines, offering an automatic rev-matching downshift function that was enhanced for 2015. Another addition last year was an all-new, in-house-designed and built 8-speed automatic with steering wheel-mounted paddle shifters.

And the 2016 Corvettes continue to spit out eye-popping performance numbers. The Stingray's 455-hp V-8 offers plenty of push to accelerate the car, hitting 60 mph in just 3.8 seconds with the manual—or 3.7 seconds with the 8-speed automatic. Quarter-mile times are a mere 11.9 seconds with the automatic or 12.0 with the 7-speed manual. Whether tackling the straights or the curves, the Stingray offers ample performance, with surprising grip, nimble reflexes, and a great [deal](#) of communication through the seat, pedals, and steering wheel, all of which inspires driver confidence. A Z51 package is available to further enhance the Stingray's performance, with modified aero, lighter wheels, and bigger brakes among its features. In Z06 trim, the manual car can click off 3.2-second 0-60 mph runs, while the automatic is even quicker, clocking in at an astounding 2.95 seconds.

The 'Vette's Performance Traction Management system keeps the car balanced and easy to control even near the limit with Track mode (and the Race sub-mode) engaged. The Stingray can be a bit harder to control with all of the aids off, though it still exhibits remarkable poise and balance. In fact, the Corvette Stingray can realistically run with sports cars costing twice its price.

The interior of the 2016 Corvette carries forward the substantial upgrades made for the C7's 2014 debut. Improved materials, more modern design, and significant new technology such as the Drive Mode Selector and latest-generation Chevy MyLink infotainment help bring the Corvette on par with European and Japanese offerings in the highly competitive, but relatively low-volume super sports car segment.

All Corvette trims get a fully-wrapped interior, where every surface is covered with premium, soft-touch materials. Available materials, depending on the trim level, include Napa leather, aluminum, carbon fiber, and micro-suede. Customers also have two seating choices: a regular GT seat and a Competition Sport seat with more aggressive side bolstering for greater support on the track.

Even during longer driving sessions, the Corvette's new GT seats are comfortable and supportive, despite the low-slung nature of the cabin. The available Competition Sport seats are extra-supportive, although they may not be to the liking of folks with all body types—a trial fitting is recommended before placing an order. Leg and head room are good even for those over six feet tall, and, as with the last Corvette, there's plenty of room for a weekend's travel in the rear hatch or the convertible's trunk.

Thanks to a well-designed aluminum body structure, the Stingray and Z06 convertibles avoid the dreaded cowl shake that often accompanies a coupe that's had its roof sawed off. These drop-top models manage to offer the same level of ride-and-handling prowess as their coupe counterparts since the C7 was designed as an open-top roadster from the start. And the automatic soft-top arrangement, which will operate at speeds of up to 30 mph, is tight-fitting and doesn't block too much visibility when it's up.

Neither the NHTSA nor the IIHS have crash-tested the Chevy Corvette in recent years, but a rigid chassis, a full complement of airbags, plus stability and traction control, and the Corvette's innate grip and handling should make it relatively secure in emergency situations.

For 2016, both Stingray and Z06 coupes and convertibles receive several feature enhancements, additional options, and available design packages to keep things fresh. New exterior colors include Corvette Racing Yellow and Long Beach Red Metallic, which replace Velocity Yellow and Crystal Red from the previous model year. The three design packages are the Spice Red, Twilight Blue, and Jet Black Suede, each with an interior in the hue denoted by their name along with many unique exterior details like painted trim,

stripes, wheels, and different top colors for convertibles. The latches on convertible trunks and coupe hatches all get a power-cinching feature to pull them down, steering wheels get a flat-bottom design, and a new front curb-view camera will be available. Chevy is also offering Magnetic Ride Control on Stingrays without the Z51 package and will include the Z51 wheels and rear spoiler on those cars. The Z06 will be offered in a limited-run C7.R Edition package, painted Corvette Racing Yellow and trimmed to resemble the brand's eponymous race cars; 500 will be built in a mix of coupes and convertibles.

The 2016 Corvette Stingray continues on with its solid-for-a-sports-car fuel economy, scoring 17 mpg city, 29 highway, 21 combined with the 7-speed manual; the paddle-shift 8-speed automatic is nearly as efficient, rated at 16/29/20 mpg according to GM. The Z06 is understandably less efficient, at 15/22/18 mpg with the stick, and 13/21/16 mpg with the 8-speed auto. Both transmissions have wide ratio spreads and tall top gears for greater highway mileage, and cylinder-deactivation technology also helps conserve fuel in low-load situations.



## Welcome To New Members

A new feature for the 2016 Newsletter is recognition of our newest members. So, WELCOME! We are so glad that you joined us. Corvette Indy is a vibrant, friendly and extremely busy club. We encourage you to participate in as many

activities as you can. That is how you will get to know us and we will get to know you. Come to the somewhat crazy meetings on the first and third Mondays of the month at Champps. They are noisy and well attended (we average 60-80 members even in the winter) but they are fun. Be at Paradise Café every Saturday morning and Ale Emporium every Tuesday evening. Then come to as many other events as you can. The number is already picking up as driving season arrives. And when you feel ready, jump in and become a planner/leader of an event. Many members will be happy to help you, if you want, for your first try. That is what makes this club work, lots of members being involved in leading and participating in events. All that all being said --- We Are Thrilled To Welcome -----

**Jimmie and Donna Driscoll**, who just bought a spectacular 2016, Long Beach Red Coupe from Penske and attended their first CI meeting on Monday evening.



## Important Meeting Reminder

At the next meeting, April 4, we will be voting on changing the starting time of future meetings. It has been suggested that we move the time up from 7:30 to 7:00. It is very important that every member who has an opinion about this time change express that opinion. Don't get mad after April 4 if you remained silent and the vote did not go your way. If you cannot attend the meeting, contact Wylie and let him know your feelings.

## Recent Events:

### **Ale Emporium - 03/08/2016**

Nice warm weather brought out 12 people to steak night. Everyone had steak. Most of the talk around the table was everyone going to be missing Peyton Manning in football. Yes Tori was our server last night, also the nice weather brought out one Corvette and two first time people to steak night. So like I always say great time great food and great price see you next week!



### **Bookers 03/11/16**

With weather forecast in the mid 60's during the week after meeting night Greg has said to Bill 'we need to check the weather this week'. Bill took Greg at his word, and once assured by the weather soothsayers that it would rain on Wednesday & Thursday to wash the streets off, then clear on Friday only for the foreseeable future Bill & Erika planned the season's first Drive N Dine. They decided to head the club favorite of Bookers in Kirklin for their all you can eat fish on Fridays. Once the invitation was sent out there were many replies with a total 23 members and 12 vehicles who enjoyed the drive on a cloudy but mid 60's day. As this was the season's first drive, the planners used old faithful Mule Barn road and then up through the twists of IN 35. Those able to attend were the hosts Bill & Erika L, Greg & Donna B, Larry & Joy G, Bob & Sherri W, Monte & Kathy H, Jim & Shelley N, Ray & Nikki H, Bob & Barb Y, Jim & Bonnie S, & Jack H all who drove their Corvettes. There were also John & Judith G (in their T-Bird) and Dick & Bonnie P in their metal car. Also Linda W met the group at the start, but headed directly to Kirklin in her SUV to do some shopping and meet the rest there. Once at the restaurant Steve H and Mary M joined us, with Mary being our only true Hookey Player on this Retirees & Hookey Player Drive N Dine. A majority of the group had the fish special with others enjoying a variety of meals offered in this small town establishment. Everyone had a great time and several discussed that there will need to be a return trip in the near future.





## Drive n Dunk - 03/12/2016

With the weather cloudy but in the 50's 11 Corvettes and a gaggle of CI members descended on Paradise Café. In the men's area Jim N's decibel meter showed 95 while the ladies area was in the mid 70's. So based on those numbers there were MANY conversations going on, with everyone enjoying themselves. As the weather starts to improve the group will on continue to increase, but also head out to the parking lot to check out the Corvettes on display.



## Ale Emporium - 03/15/2016

Well we had a good turnout last night. 13 people showed up for steak night. We had one new person a first timer. Everybody had steak except for Keith he had a great tenderloin as you see on the picture. Everybody was talking about the warm weather enjoying it. And, as I always say great friends great time great food and still best price in town so until next week see you then.



### St Patty's at MCL 03/17

For this year's St. Paddy's Day Greg & Donna Bowron called for a dine only at MCL cafeteria in Carmel at 2:30 in the afternoon as the earlier in the week forecast had 40% rain potential called for. Well, the weather people again missed the call as it was another beautiful March day with lots of sun and temps in the 60's. With the positive change in the day 6 of the members attending arrived in their Corvettes, enjoying the early in the year drive time. Along with the hosts those making it there were Jim & Shelley Noelle, Bill & Erika Lapham, Jim & Judi Alvis, Bob & Sherry Wilbert, Phil & Anita Vickery, Bill Reynolds, Keith Riley, Linda White, and Wylie & Rita Etscheid (with Wylie just getting back to town from his baseball trip at 3 in the morning). With a group that large the side room was appropriated so that the normal discussions would not bother the other patrons. Once heading to the food line some of the group had the corned beef special while others made use of the full cafeteria menu to make their choices for a great mix of meals. The afternoon continued on until nearly 4:30 before the gathering broke up and most everyone headed home and others off to do some Easter shopping. Another great Corvette Indy Retirees & Hookey Player outing!



### Drive n Dunk - 03/19/2016

On a more typical March day only 3 and then 1 additional Corvette made their way to the Saturday morning club gathering. The group of members inside was a little smaller too with the regulars including only four ladies at their private table. Of course discussions included the bracket busting that happened with Purdue & Michigan State's early losses and not much insight on who would make it through subsequent rounds. There was also the general Corvette discussions with the new Grand Sport getting a lot of nods. Some were also talking about the new LARGE 4k TV's and who is looking to purchase one soon. As always a good morning of fun and laughter by all.





## Upcoming Events:

### Opportunity To Learn To Time Autocross



**TRAINING FOR MEMBERS OF *THE TIMING TEAM!*** Training has begun for the new CI *Timing Team*. This Thursday, March 24, morning and evening training sessions were held at Bill Lapham's house. A number of members took advantage of the opportunity to become members of this important *Team*. But there is still time to join. There will be future training sessions that can be scheduled at your convenience. Contact Bill at [corvetteindyweb@gmail.com](mailto:corvetteindyweb@gmail.com) if you would like to become part of *The Team!*

### You are invited to a C.I. Ladies Afternoon Outing

When: April 10

Time: 1 PM

What: Painting ...this scene



"Springtime Wonder"

#### UPDATE ON EVENT:

As of this week, our group has secured it's place for the fun painting party!!!!

Date: April 10

Time: 1 to 4 PM

Cost" \$ 35.00 for all art supplies and a really great instructor

Where: Painting with at Twist at 11680 Commercial Dr., Suite# 500, Fishers, IN

Since our group has secured the event we can now open our party to your spouses, daughters, daughter-in-laws, neighbors, best friends.

There is room for a total of 40!

The only stipulation is that attendees must register and pay by 12 Noon, Friday, April 8th (There are no walk-ins or day of event registrations).

To register go to <http://paintingwithatwist.com/fishers/partyinfo/>

If you have problems, please contact me at [hoochiemadre@earthlink.net](mailto:hoochiemadre@earthlink.net)

Linda White



## NCM Motorsports Park Track Weekend April 9-10, 2016

MVP Track Time's 8th annual "Tax Freedom Track Weekend" is April 9-10, 2016 and the event is filling fast. I hope you can join us in fantastic Bowling Green, Kentucky for the on-track fun at the National Corvette Museum's (NCM Motorsports Park) 3.15 mile Grand Full Course.

As usual, we schedule 2+ hours of track time daily at NCM for only \$425 for the weekend. We have single-day registrations available for NCM for \$265.

## NCM Motorsports Park 3.15 Mile Grand Full Course



If you have any questions about any MVP Track Time event, don't hesitate to call me at (314) 249-3770 or e-mail [Feffman@MVPTrackTime.com](mailto:Feffman@MVPTrackTime.com). I hope to see you at Bowling Green.

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### **Lingenfelters' – April 23, 2016**

For the early planners you might consider heading to Michigan for fellow club members Ken & Kristen Lingenfelters' spring open house of the Lingenfelter Collection.

**THE LINGENFELTER COLLECTION SPRING OPEN HOUSE  
SAVE THE DATE - 4.23.16**



### **'THE BASH' AT NCM**

The NCM needs volunteers to help out with The Bash April 28-30. Help is needed through-out the museum – in the Café, the Store, the Library and with parking. Volunteers need to plan to work a minimum of 4 hours and lunch will be provided on the day you work. If you want further information contact our Ambassador Jerry Croy – [jerry.croy@gmail.com](mailto:jerry.croy@gmail.com)

# Vettes for Vets at Indiana Veteran's Home

This is an annual event in which many Corvette Indy members always enjoying taking part. Mark your calendar now so that you will be sure to attend this extremely worthwhile and heart-warming event.

## Vettes for Vets

### May 7, 2016

Indiana Veterans Home, W. Lafayette, IN



Meet at the  
Tippecanoe  
Amphitheater

Registration  
10:00 AM

Free hot dog, chips and small drink  
10:30-11:20  
11:30 Driver's Meeting  
11:45 Line Up  
11:55 Leave for IN Veterans Home

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# Meet Me At Talladega In May



Mark Davis, Chairman



## Ladies & Gentlemen, Start Your Engines! We Are Back!

That is right, after taking a pit stop to evaluate our past performance, the Vettes-4-Vets® is pleased to announce we are back in 2016 with a bigger and better event package for our annual, signature Talladega Superspeedway fundraiser.

**FRIDAY, MAY 27 AND SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2016**

You will discover that our new Sponsor and Partner in helping Veterans, Hendrick Chevrolet-Hoover Corvette Center adds a new dimension and depth to the fundraiser. The Talladega Superspeedway remains a must-go-to event, so please join us Memorial Day weekend to have fun, but more importantly, support our Veterans!

All of us at Vettes-4-Vets® appreciate your loyalty and support, and extends a hardy welcome back.



## MAIN EVENT

June 4 and 5 are two very important days for Corvette Indy. Every year, for the last 27 years, CI has run a week-end long Autocross event. Competitors travel from as far away as Georgia to compete in our world class Autocross. 7 events each day, 14 events total, make this a very attractive week-end (lots of points) for racers. And our club is well known for running an excellent event. BUT, it takes a lot of CI members to make this happen. Last year we had many members pitch in and both days ran great and no one was exhausted and overworked. So, once again this year we need lots of volunteers. We are a really big club, so this shouldn't be a problem. You can volunteer for the whole week-end, one day or a few

hours on one day. Even if you know absolutely nothing about Auto crossing or being a corner worker at an Autocross, you will be paired with an “Old Pro” who will quickly teach you all you need to know. There is something everyone can do, so PLEASE sign up soon to help make year 27 a BIG success. By the way, we have a lot of fun too!

**Door Prizes:** Part of Main Event is a prize raffle for which we sell tickets. We, therefore, need lots of prizes. All CI members are asked to help acquire these prizes. Do you have a favorite restaurant that you could get to donate a gift card or 2 or 10? How about a movie theater or car parts store that you frequent? In years past we have had everything from gift cards to Parky’s Restaurant in Lebanon to car wash supplies from AutoZone, to a Colts Waffle Maker from WalMart. Anything that you can come up with is great and the more items, the better. And for our newer members, you may know of places that the rest of us don’t know about where you could get some new items.

Contact Butch at [indyvettegov@gmail.com](mailto:indyvettegov@gmail.com) or Wylie at [wetscheid@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wetscheid@sbcglobal.net) or Greg at [ndirishr1@hotmail.com](mailto:ndirishr1@hotmail.com) to let them know when you can help.

***We need everyone to sign up to help at Main Event and to get some door prizes for the raffle.***



Corvette Adventures returns to the Taste of Dells !!

We missed the Taste Of Dells in downtown Wisconsin Dells last year because of a scheduling conflict; however, we will be right in the middle of this great event during and after our parade to the Dells this year.

This is one of the major events planned for the 2016 Corvette Adventures and it is so fun to have the streets lined with excited spectators who have come to wave, watch and greet us.

As we have done in the past, on Saturday at 11:00am, the Police Chief will lead all Corvettes from Chula Vista Resort through downtown Wisconsin Dells on its main street and then we will all park on a street and two large parking lots right in the center of town where you can then experience the Taste Of Dells.

Check out our web site at [www.corvetteadventures.com](http://www.corvetteadventures.com) for a complete list of all our amazing tours for 2016.

As a reminder, we have booked a block of rooms at the Town Place Suites by Marriott at a really great price of \$109 a night for the 2016 Corvette Bash at the National Corvette Museum, April 28 - May 1. Call the hotel at 270-782-4714 and reference the block name "Chula Vista Resort" when making your reservation.

## **Bloomington Gold Update**





**Mark Your Calendar For This Upcoming Trip: Space Is Limited – Sign Up Soon!**



A message from John and Marg Herder:

### **STREAMCLIFF HERB FARM 2016 - Update**

July 9th-10th, overnight trip to Stream Cliff Farms, contact John Herder.

Make your Saturday night hotel reservation now at the Scottsburg, IN, Hampton Inn. \$99.68 total cost. Phone: 812-752-1999. It is located about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile east of I-65 on State Road 56. A block of rooms has been reserved in the name of Corvette Indy. Specify LATE ARRIVAL on your reservation, because we will check in after dinner. The price includes a free, hot breakfast.

Why Scottsburg? All hotels are booked in the Madison area, probably due to the NASCAR Race on Sunday at the Kentucky Speedway.

Stream Cliff Herb Farm wants us to display our cars from 1:00 to 3:00 in a special reserved parking area, away from the other cars. We will arrive at Stream Cliff about 11:30 am, which will allow us time to eat lunch before the "car show".

After we leave Stream Cliff around 4:00 pm, we will drive to Madison's famous Key West Shrimp House in Madison for dinner around 5:00 pm. We will go to the Hampton Inn after dinner.

Scottsburg is a short drive from historic Madison. Some possible activities for Sunday include: Touring the historic Lanier Mansion and/or Schofield House. Visit the wineries in Madison. Take a boat ride on the Ohio River. Visit the Bellterra Casino near Vevay, IN. Drive the scenic roads along the Ohio River. Details about meeting Saturday morning and driving to Stream Cliff will be finalized as the date draws nearer.



Please direct all questions to John or Marg Herder. 317-253-8991, [johnandmarg@hotmail.com](mailto:johnandmarg@hotmail.com)

## NCM at the end of August



Paul Habecker has planned an overnight trip to Bowling Green, KY that should be fun for August 27th & 28th. We will caravan to Bowling Green on Saturday morning. After arriving at the National Corvette Museum and grabbing some lunch we will spend the afternoon helping the NCM by doing volunteer work. Club days like this have become popular at the NCM and having participated in a few they are quite fun. After "work" we will check into the Hilton Garden Inn where Paul has arranged a block of 25 rooms. The hotel will have a designated parking area for our Vettes and will even provide an area to wash your Vette if you want to. Paul has a reservation

made for dinner at the Montana Grill which is next door so we can leave our Vettes in the designated parking area and walk to dinner. Reservation information is below so you can start reserving your rooms now. If you plan to go please let Paul know at [paul@print-tek.us](mailto:paul@print-tek.us)

On Sunday you will have the option of heading for home (either the faster way on I-65 or the fun way via some neat back road driving) or taking a Bourbon tour by stopping at a distillery on the way home. Let Paul know if you are interested in the Bourbon tour so he can plan accordingly.

Reservation Instructions for Groups with codes (2) options:

### Online

1. Go to: [bowlinggreen.stayhgi.com](http://bowlinggreen.stayhgi.com)
2. Select your dates in the upper right hand corner
3. Under the box (check availability) select (add special rate code option)
4. Enter: **INDY** into the box next to Group Code
5. Select the (check availability box)
6. Your selection of room types and rate will appear

### Phone In:

Please call 270-781-6778

Give dates of your stay

Request rate for: **Corvette Indy**

August 27, 2016

Rate: \$99

Please make reservations on or before: August 12, 2016

**Hilton Garden Inn Bowling Green**

**1020 Wilkinson Trace**

**Bowling Green, KY 42103**

**270-781-6778**

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"We joined for our love of the cars, but we stayed for our love of the people."

## *In Our Thoughts*

From our unofficial Spina Bifida Charity ‘ambassadors’ John and Diana Albright: “We learned today that one of our dear friends with Spina bifida died this morning in her sleep. Her name is Lisa Jones daughter of Gary and Joyce Jones here in Indianapolis. This was one of the families that started the Indiana Chapter of SBAIN at one time named SBACI. Her visitation was Saturday March 19 at 10:00 a.m. With the service at 11:00 a.m. This was held at St Andrew Presbyterian Church at Kessler Blvd and 38th Street. John knew her as an infant into adulthood. If you would pass this on we would most appreciate it. {For our newer members, Spina Bifida is CI’s main charity}

## On A Positive Note

Since Spring has arrived, we can look forward to lots of driving opportunities and the return of all our snowbirds from the South and the West. We have missed them and will be glad when they are back!

**PLEASE** let me know if I have ***missed someone*** who should be included in this section. I can only know about those we should be concerned about or celebrating if someone lets me know. Please email me at [corvetteindynews@gmail.com](mailto:corvetteindynews@gmail.com)

## **Meet the Member – Thomas B. Albert**

Today we are getting to know Thomas Albert. He is not married and was born and grew up in the Indy area. He works as a Tech at Praxair Surface Technologies. Tom’s favorite activities are Auto Racing, playing golf and Rv’ing. He has been a member of Corvette Indy for 5+ years. He has also been a member of Circle City Corvette Club. His first Corvette (which is how he got into Corvetting) was a new, 1999 C5. Now, he is the proud owner of a 2008 Z06. Tom has owned several Corvettes in the past. First, as we just learned, was a 1999 hard top. Then he had 2001 and 2002 Z06s and after that a 2005 coupe. The thing that Tom likes best about Corvette Indy is the people. And his favorite CI activity is the Indy 500 track activities and drive. Tom’s favorite Corvette story to share is just driving around 😊

## CORVETTE COOKIE CUTTER COLUMN:



*Do you need an easy and delicious Easter Brunch recipe?  
This casserole is tasty and simple to put together.*

## Easter Breakfast Casserole

1 lb. bacon  
¼ cup diced onion  
¼ cup diced green bell pepper  
3 cups shredded cheddar cheese

8 eggs  
2 cups milk  
1 (16 oz) pkg frozen hash browns, thawed

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Lightly grease 7x11 casserole dish

Fry bacon in large, deep skillet over medium heat until evenly browned, about 10 minutes

Drain on paper towels and crumble

In a large bowl, beat together eggs and milk

Mix in cheese, bacon, onion and green pepper

Stir in the thawed hash browns

Pour mixture into prepared casserole

Cover with aluminum foil and bake for 45 minutes

Remove foil and bake for another 30 minutes until the eggs have set



### March Birthdays and Anniversaries

If you would like to see your special dates included, please email them to me at [corvetteindynews@gmail.com](mailto:corvetteindynews@gmail.com)

#### *Happy Anniversary to.....*

Jim and Bonnie Shaver                      March 21

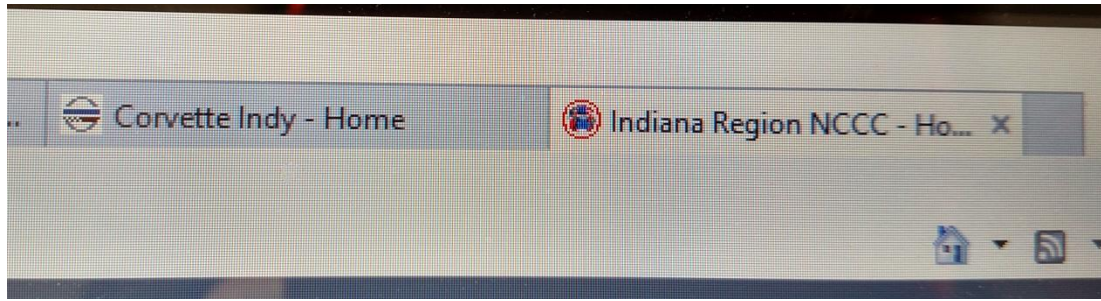
#### *Happy Birthday to.....*

Jim Noelle    March 1  
Shelley Noelle                                        March 2  
Donna Schlichter                                  March 8  
Shirley Berry                                         March 23  
Arminta Inbody                                     March 24  
Randy Sprague                                      March 28



**\*More Fascinating Information\***

## Have You Noticed These?



This is a picture of the top of my computer screen when I was on the Corvette Indy website and the Indiana Region website. If you look carefully at the tabs you will see that a tiny Corvette Indy logo appears next to the "Corvette Indy-Home" words and a tiny Indiana Region logo appears next to the "Indiana Region NCCC-Home" words. These are called favicons or website icons or tab icons. They give a more professional look to the tabs. Our daughter, Heather Kuhn, a graphic designer, created them for Bill (our webmaster).

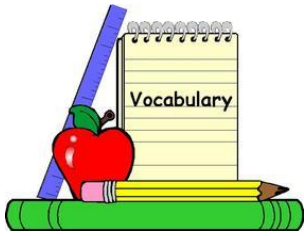
## CORVETTE INDY MEMBER PICTURES

Everyone should have received an email from Greg about the updating of the website member pages. With the growth of the club, it has become more difficult for us all to know (recognize) each other. Old members don't know newer members and vice versa. Up to date pictures and names will help solve that problem. If you have a current picture that you would like him to use, please forward it to him at [ndirishr1@hotmail.com](mailto:ndirishr1@hotmail.com). If you would like him to take a new picture of you, catch him at a meeting or event. If you missed the email and all the details, let him know and I'm sure he will be glad to send it to you again. It is important that we get everyone's picture so that we can all become more familiar with each other. And look at his newly organized pages.



**For Sale**

It's that time of year again when members discover that they have car parts, tires, manuals, Corvettes, all sorts of car related items that they would like to sell. For the driving months, the CI newsletter includes a For Sale section where I am happy to list those For Sale Items. Please send me a picture (if possible), a description, price information and contact information. Also, I ask that you let me know when the item sells or you take it off the market so that I can remove it in a timely fashion. And for members not selling, remember to check this section in case another member has something for sale that you need. Wouldn't you rather buy from a CI member than a stranger on Craigslist?



## The *Weird* Word of the Week

At the request of several members, we are beginning a new feature to help build everyone's vocabulary skills. The word for this issue of the newsletter:

### Constellate

**Definition:** *to gather together in a cluster or group*

*Did you know what that word meant? This is apparently what we do on the first and third Monday of every month. Do you have any suggestions for words for the next issue?*



### Corvette Racing – Jim Alvis

Corvette Racing and the No. 4 Corvette C7.R have widened their lead in the 2016 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship's GTLM class after driving to victory in Saturday's Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring. The No. 4 car and drivers Tommy Milner, Oliver Gavin and Marcel Fassler launched into the GTLM championship lead in January after winning the 2016 24 Hours of Daytona.

The No. 3 C7.R, driven by Antonio Garcia, Jan Magnussen, and Mike Rockenfeller started Saturday's race from fifth on the grid while the No. 4 car was sixth. Both Corvettes began to struggle as a heavy downpour descended on the Sebring circuit and caused them to fall through the running order, however the pair was slowly able to recover and closed the gap to their GTLM rivals.

Garcia, Magnussen and Rockenfeller's day ended in the eighth hour of the race when the No. 911 Porsche 911 RSR of Kevin Estre locked up and crashed into the No. 3 C7.R as they entered Turn 1. Estre had tried to brake late on a damp surface on slicks and ended up overshooting the turn, sending Magnussen and him sliding into the outside tire barriers. The shunt ended Estre's day, while the No. 3 C7.R was relegated to the garage for about 90 minutes of repairs, and did finish the race.

The next race of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship will be the Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach on Saturday, April 16th.



Facebook Coordinator – Jim Alvis:

Jim updates the Facebook page almost daily with the most current information about what is going on *right now* with CI, as well as many interesting Corvette related items. All you FB users be sure to keep checking CI's page for the latest info. You can link to our Facebook page from the top of our website homepage.

### [From The Desk Of Our NCM Ambassador – Jerry Croy](#)



## **Tuesdays, 5-7pm CT NCM Motorsports Park Bowling Green, KY**

If you've been looking for the perfect place to take a jog or walk, go on a bicycle ride with the family, or even inline skate, the NCM Motorsports Park is opening the track on Tuesday evenings starting March 15 for a new "Trek @ the Track" program. The 3.15 mile paved road course plays host to a number of fundraising running and walking events each year, including Monster Dash benefitting Joseph's Hope, and the Checkered Flag Chase benefitting the Alzheimer's Association.

Trek at the Track is free, and will be from 5 to 7 pm starting March 15 (weather pending). Please check the website at [www.motorsportspark.org](http://www.motorsportspark.org) for a complete schedule and to verify times.

The track offers light elevation changes and a number of configurations so that visitors can pick the length of their trek, as well as being wide with adequate space for slow or fast-moving trekkers. A large 22 acre flat paved paddock is also available for anyone doing speed work. The facility offers restrooms, showers, a Michelin inflation station and a picnic area at the Kimberlee A. Fast Pavilion. A second level viewing deck is available at both the Pavilion, as well as in the Holley Control Tower. Plenty of free parking is available, and the track is easy to access from Porter Pike, 505 Grimes Road, off I-65, exit 28.

Pets are also welcome as long as they are on a leash and owners clean up after their animals. Roller blades and roller skates are welcome, but anything motorized is not. Sorry, no skateboards. Skaters and cyclists are required to wear helmets.



## Club Display on Turntable

Just a reminder that any club who belongs to the NCM as a Business/Club Lifetime or Business/Club member can submit their club for the display. Even if you have submitted in the past, please send name and contact information again. This display will consist of one member's Corvette and some memorabilia promoting the club.

The first opportunity to display will be June 1 - August 31. If interested, please submit by March 15 as we will draw for the first club on March 16

## DRIVE N DINE HOSTS NEEDED!



Flowers and trees are coming into bloom and that means it's time, once again to drive our lovely cars. We can count on 'the regulars' who plan and host many Drive n Dines every year, but we need some 'new blood' to lead us on new roads to new restaurants. If you would like to give it a try but could use a little help, contact Greg Bowron or Wylie Etscheid or Al Forey or Bill Lapham or any one of a number of other members who would be happy to assist with you first time hosting adventure.



## Lighter Side and Corvettes

### Embaressing Medical Exam

A man comes into the ER and yells . . .'  
My wife's going to have her baby in the cab.'  
I grabbed my stuff, rushed out to the cab, lifted the lady's  
dress and began to take off her underwear.

Suddenly I noticed that there were several cabs - - -  
and I was in the wrong one.

Submitted by Dr. Mark MacDonald , San Francisco

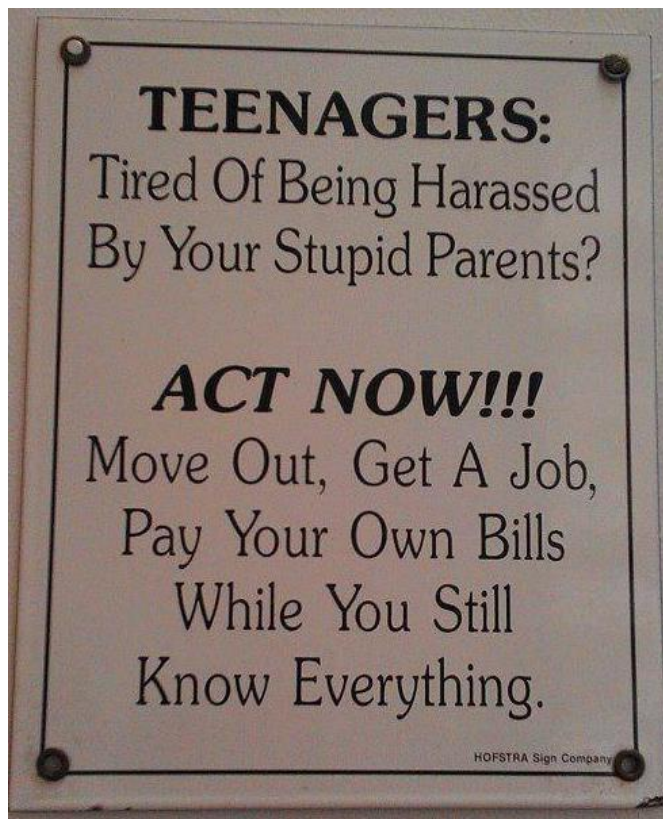


At the beginning of my shift I placed a stethoscope on an elderly  
and slightly deaf female patient's anterior chest wall. 'Big breaths,' . .  
. I instructed.

'Yes, they used to be,' . . .replied the patient.

Submitted by Dr. Richard Byrnes , Seattle , WA

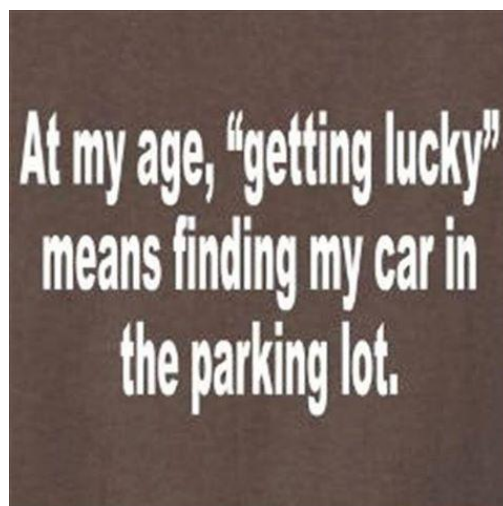




One day I had to be the bearer of bad news when I told a wife that her husband had died of a massive myocardial infarct.

Not more than five minutes later, I heard her reporting to the rest of the family that he had died of a 'massive internal fart.'

Submitted by Dr. Susan Steinberg



. During a patient's two week follow-up appointment with his cardiologist, he informed me, his doctor, that he was having trouble with one of his medications..

' Which one ?'. ... I asked.

'The patch.. The Nurse told me to put on a new one every six hours and now I'm running out of places to put it !' I had him quickly undress and discovered what I hoped I wouldn't see. Yes, the man had over fifty patches on his body!

Now, the instructions include removal of the old patch before applying a new one.

Submitted by Dr. Rebecca St. Clair , Norfolk , VA

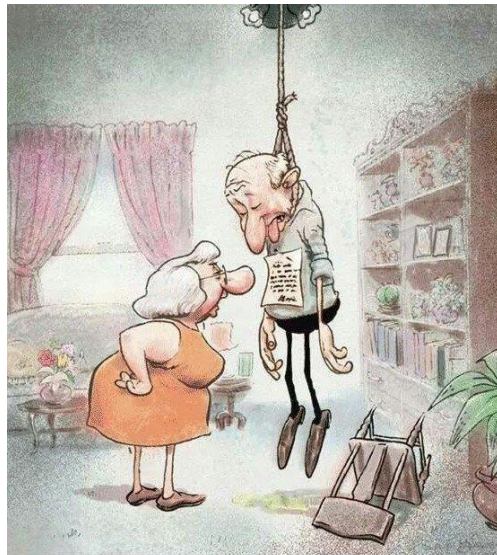


While acquainting myself with a new elderly patient, I asked, 'How long have you been bedridden?'

After a look of complete confusion she answered ...

' Why, not for about twenty years - when my husband was alive.'

Submitted by Dr. Steven Swanson- Corvallis , OR



*"You misspelled 'constant criticism'."*

. I was performing rounds at the hospital one morning and while checking up on a man I asked . . .' So how's our breakfast this morning?'

It's very good except for the Kentucky Jelly. I can't seem to get used to the taste, Bob replied.

I then asked to see the jelly and Bob produced a foil packet labeled 'KY Jelly.'

Submitted by Dr. Leonard Kransdorf , Detroit , MI



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