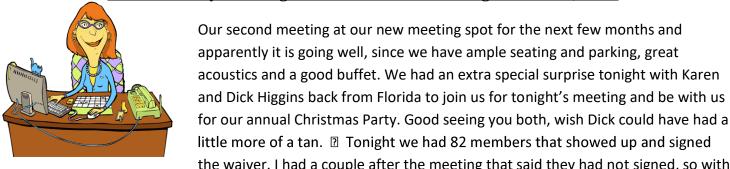


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#### Corvette Indy Meeting at Carmel American Legion Dec. 4, 2017



the waiver. I had a couple after the meeting that said they had not signed, so with that said we probably had 85 total members attending our last meeting of 2017. With that said, as I announced

when I had my moment on the microphone, this was a bittersweet meeting, tonight at the end of our meeting Wylie passed the gavel on to Ray Chester, that will be taking the position of President for Corvette Indy for 2018.

Wylie, it has been a pleasure and honor to serve with you this past year, I am grateful you will still be around to support us, but I will miss working with you. Ray, I look forward to working with you and assisting you with anything you need to make 2018 a great year for Corvette Indy. I am sure it was a tender moment for Tillie, sister of our beloved Dick Satkamp, attending tonight's meeting and I was sorry Barb Satkamp, Dick's widow was not with us tonight as Wylie read the inscription on the gavel we have used since 1990 that was donated by "The Satkamp' s". I am grateful we have Barb and Tillie to carry on the Satkamp name, but for those of you who did not have the pleasure of knowing Dick Satkamp, you would have loved him, many good memories tonight, thanks Wylie.

We had two visitors joining us tonight, James A. Richter and his wife Julie, that are joining us Saturday for our Christmas Party and he has the check in the mail to become a member of Corvette Indy. Welcome James & Julie looking forward to getting to know you and see your beautiful new 2018 White w/tan interior and top! In addition, we had Matt Tews that is also joining Corvette Indy, welcome Matt, looking forward to getting to know you and about your corvette as well.

CONGRATULATIONS to our newest Corvette Indy members, Donna & Jimmie Driscoll on their new grandson, what a doll baby, and to Frank and Cathy Coolidge, I understand they too have an adorable new grandbaby, probably won't be on the race track in 2018, but I know as soon as he is big enough he will be on the track with grandma and grandpa! Sending you all many loving wishes and prayers.

I was informed upon arriving at the meeting tonight that Al Forey's mom had had a heart attack, so we immediately sent our love and prayers to Al, Terry, and Al's mom, please continue to lift them up. It is always difficult during the holidays to have a loved one ill or the loss of a loved one. UPDATE: Al's mom passed away 12/9/17, please continue to keep Al & Terry and the family in your prayers. Charlie Sherman was with us tonight looking great, but we need to keep Charlie in our prayers for his 1/15/18 hip replacement and for Charlie and his sons in the recent loss of their mom, Sharon. Keith Riley was also with us looking great, and we need to keep Keith in prayer, he will be going through Chemo first of 2018. We are with you Keith! We received a beautiful thank you note from Tammy and Butch Dewitt at the recent loss of his grandmother. We found out within a week of her passing, her brother joined her. So Tammy and Butch we are keeping you both and your family in our prayers, Tammy's step dad as well with his heart and other issues going on! On a Praise Report note, Donna Bowron's mom is doing better and Donna says she is up and functioning!! In addition, for those who follow Susie Hale on FB you will see she is transformed and looks great! Susie we are all sending you continued healing prayers, and asking you please limit your sun time and wear lots of sunscreen. Marian and Gary Cole have successfully made it to their Florida destination for the winter months safely, and we appreciate the daily pictures sharing the beautiful beaches and warm weather! Missing all of our Corvette Indy Snowbirds! Below you will see our full list of prayer requests, if you or anyone you know that needs prayer, please contact me, and always remember. PRAYER WORKS!!

Meeting was called to order at 7:26 PM. Wylie asked if everyone had read the November 20, 2017 minutes. Marge Herder made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 20th meeting, seconded by Ross Gullett and the voice-vote was unanimous.

Please check out my prayer list at the bottom of the minutes!!!

CANNOT WAIT TO SEE YOU ALL AT OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY THIS SATURDAY NIGHT @ the American Legion!

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!

OFFICER REPORTS
PRESIDENT; Wylie Etscheid –

Wylie thanked everyone for coming out tonight and immediately announced he was going to do the meeting out of order so we could focus on choices our committee has chosen to receive Christmas gifts from Corvette Indy this year, as Christmas is upon us. Therefore, the first officer called up was John Herder, Treasurer. John gave us our bank balance before expenses to be paid for NCCC dues, Christmas Party expenses and the names and amounts to be spent which Paul Habecker followed John to inform members present tonight. John said after we take care of the families chosen this Christmas to assist, Corvette Indy will have given \$7,600.00 out to several charities in 2017! Congratulations to everyone that has worked donated and stepped up to make a positive difference in those less fortunate than we are.

Wylie named the officers service Corvette Indy once again, and they are listed below:

President: Ray Chester

Vice President: Paul Habecker Secretary: Sharon Arnold Treasurer: John Herder Governor: Bill Lapham

Competition Director: John Vess

Membership Director: Tammy DeWitt

Sergeant of Arms: Marge Herder

Newsletter Editor: Anthony "Crash" Kuipers

Parliamentarian: Bob Hensley

Merchandise Director: Tim Johnson

#### Vice President; Paul Habecker

Paul was the main event at tonight's meeting, as he has been the Chairman of the Donation Committee. Paul thanked his team mates that assisted him on this daunting task of finding the right recipients of Corvette Indy's Christmas cheer this year. Paul gave a special thank you to Wylie, John Herder, Terry Forey and Ray Chester. Paul said they had decided on two families to sponsor, giving each family \$500.00 each. Paul said the first family has three children, the husband is out of work and needs tools to be able to work, they need food, bath towels, Paul was clearly deeply touched and concerned at the needs these families have. The second family – well when he called the message was in Spanish, so Paul took on a whole new persona and became Pedro, you would have had to be at this meeting tonight to get the heartfelt anguish Paul was feeling as this was a single mom with three children, she is a victim of domestic violence and she just like family #1 where do you start their needs are so great.

Paul went on and explained that we will be giving St. Jude's Hospital \$500.00 Peyton Manning Children's Hospital (Paul has triplet grandbabies that had great \$500.00

Assistance from this hospital)

SAWS – Servants at Work (make handicap ramp for those in need) \$1,000.00

Julian Center- \$500.00

Spina Bifida \$250.00

Bob Young made a motion we accept these above charities for this year's giving, Butch Dewitt made the second and the vote was unanimous to accept them.

Mel made a motion to add two more families this year, Tammy made the second and the vote was unanimous to adopt two more needy families.

So, Paul was left with a lot of work to find two more families, and get volunteers to assist is purchasing the items we were going to give each family.

God bless you Paul and each of you that gave of your time and talents to assist these families to put Merry back into their Christmas!

Great job!

#### Membership Director; Tammy DeWitt

Tammy introduced our two new guests/members tonight. James Richter was present, his wife was at a church meeting, but James told Tammy the check was in the mail, and they would be attending our annual Christmas Party @ the American Legion Saturday evening. James said they have a brand new 2018-sting ray, white with a tan top and interior. WELCOME James and Julie. Tammy then announced Matt Tews, but Matt must have left early, but he was a delight to chat with prior to the start of the meeting. WELCOME Matt, looking forward to learning more about you and your corvette too.

Tammy said she had received a check for membership from someone, and she searched and searched, and none of us had a clue. Then someone (I did not catch the name) told her the envelope that was mailed to her should have a return address, alas, it did and we have a new member Joseph Hirsch! WELCOME Joseph! Looking forward to meeting you and learning about your corvette as well.

Tammy said John Phillips; one of our original members is a Lifetime Member. Tammy said if anyone is interested the cost is \$300.00, and you are an NCCC member for life, you would only have club dues to pay each year. Tammy said several spouses did not return as a member. Tammy shared a story from NCCC that gave an example of how important the \$20.00 a year for the spouse to be included, especially if they do events or Drive n Dines, as someone was involved in an accident, the NCCC insurance took care of it, but because the wife was in the car and not a member the other people involved sued them personally and you could possibly have to pay a lot out of your pocket. So, if you are one of the spouses that did not renew saving the \$20.00, think and pray about it because this could be an expensive lesson to learn that we do not want to see happen.

Tammy has 2,000 raffle tickets for the Corvette raffle in July 2018. The tickets are \$20.00 each; these are for the St. Jude raffle that NCCC does every year. If you are interested, you want to get with Tammy soon, as she will sell these quickly.

Tammy fessed up and said she found her flash drive that she thought her little grandson had taken. It was in her coat pocket! All is well!!

Tammy thanked Corvette Indy for all the prayers and the flowers for the recent loss of Butch's grandmother.

#### Secretary; Sharon Arnold

Sharon reported that 82 members signed the waivers and attended tonight's meeting.. If you had not signed in; please see her. Had a great time at the Annual Christmas Party, we had a few members that did not want to brave the cold and snow further north, but we had a great group, and John Vess surprised us as Ruth was ill and unable to attend her corporate Christmas Party, so John came and once again crooned us and rallied Elvis and his crew. The three Sherry's got up and sang, and at the end of the evening I joined the three Sherry's to wish all of our wonderful Corvette Indy brothers and sisters a very Merry Christmas!

Treasurer; John Herder

John reported income, expenses and balances and provided a hard copy for filing.

Governor; Butch DeWitt

Butch said he did not have a report tonight, however, he wanted to take this time to thank all of us for allowing him to represent Corvette Indy as our Governor the past several years. Butch also wanted to give a special thank you to each of you who have gone the extra mile and volunteered to assist with our Main Event or whatever he needed, but then again that is what makes Corvette Indy such a great club, we are family and when one of us needs help, we all come running! Butch, let us take this time to tell you how proud you made each of us as our Governor, and how grateful we are to have such a great guy still very involved, you know we are all waiting for assignments for the 2020 convention! Love you!

Please visit Corvette Indy, Indiana Region & NCCC websites for schedules, information and pictures. Remember to SAVE THE WAVE!!

Competition Director; John Vess No report from John tonight.

Sergeant of Arms; Marge Herder

Marge collected \$170, so a lucky member will receive \$85 in our club award tonight

Parliamentarian; Gary Cole....

Parliamentarian, Gary Cole has left the building and he and his lovely bride, Marian are in Florida now settled in for the winter. Miss you both, and thanks Gary for serving as our Parliamentarian!

Newsletter Editor; Erika Lapham

Erika, words can never express our deep and sincere appreciation for the great job you have done faithfully the past 5 years. I personally want to thank you for assisting me in my new position this year as the club secretary; you made this transition so much better. Get some much-needed rest! 2

Erika said she had two items to bring to the club, 1.) She had the Corvette Indy cookbooks available for sale tonight for Christmas gifts, and I believe she sold some. 2.) She said she would be sending this newsletter a week late, because she wanted to add notes about our annual Christmas Party coming up this Saturday.

Thanks again Erika! Great Job!!

Merchandise Director; Ross Gullett Ross had nothing to report tonight.

Penske Rep; Bob Young

Bob said Penske has all 2017 on the ground vehicles for \$2,000 below employee pricing. Employee pricing on 2018 Equinox only. He said Barb his wife says hi, she is looking forward to joining us at the Christmas Party.

Brett Rozzi; PENSKE General Manager Honda; 317-975-6110 ~ leave voice message

Jace Smith – General Manager Chevrolet

Jeff Copeland; Sales Manager

Work with a sales person and then follow up with Brett if needed

Webmaster; Bill Lapham

Bill had nothing tonight to report. Bill thanks for the great job you have done as our webmaster! But congrats on your new position as our Governor. We know you will do a great job; you are just that kind of person!

Facebook; Greg Bowron & Jim Alvis No report tonight.

NCM Rep; Jerry Croy Jerry still in New York tonight, so no report.

Social & Communication Director; Jim Shaver

Jim announced the following weekly Corvette Indy gathering places and the next few events:

- 9:00 to 11:00 am every Saturday Drive 'n Dunk at McAllister's 9450 N Meridian St
- 5:00 pm every Tuesday \$6.99 filet special at Ale Emporium 8617 Allisonville Rd
- 6:00 pm every Wednesday Noble Roman's Pizza 17409 Wheeler Rd, Westfield
- 6:30 pm every Friday Dinner at McAlister's 9450 N Meridian Street

PLEASE NOTE: Bill Reynolds will NOT be at the Ale Emporium the Tuesday after Christmas or the Tuesday after New Year's Day. The following week in 2018, he will resume his position. Thanks Bill! You are welcome to go if you wish; Bill will not be there on those two Tuesdays.

January 2018 – New Year's Day a lap around 465 if you are interested.

January 5th Elvis Tribute at Carmel Palladium (Get in touch with Greg Bowron if interested)

January 15, 2018 – Next Corvette Indy meeting @ American Legion, Carmel, Indiana

January 25, 2018 – Jimmie and Donna Driscoll are hosting an outing to Beef and Boards "Greater Tuna" (contact Jimmie if you wish to join)

Jim says if you have an event for next year, please contact either Jim or Jimmie Driscoll now so they can add you to 2018 activity calendar.

Please remember to visit all of the wonderful websites for schedules information and lots of pictures. For new members watch your emails for Jim's updates as events get close or new events. Enjoy!!

NOTE: If you like to golf; contact Paul Habecker by Tuesday to play on Thursday. Tuesday they were playing at Woodward.

Social Directors & Club Calendar; Jimmie & Donna Driscoll No report tonight.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 

No Old Business to discuss tonight

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business tonight.

With no further business to come before the club; Keith Riley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Butch Dewitt and the meeting subsequently adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Attendance Award winner was Eileen Mitcheltree; \$85 (Congrats Eileen; great job!)

Prayer List: PRAYER WORKS! THANKS FOR JOINING ME!!

Tim Johnson, Tim is doing great and ready to take on his new position next year!

Keith Riley, keep Keith in prayer as he starts chemo in January 2018

Charlie Sherman, Charlie has hip replacement surgery January 15, 2018. Keep Charlie in prayer for that and continued prayers for he and his sons in the recent loss of their mother..

Betty Williams, continued healing

Bob Phillips – sending you lots of love and healing prayers! Miss you Bob!

Harold Riley - diagnosed with 1st stage of colon cancer

Jerry Croy – for safe travels in his new job

Debbie & Phil Bogue, prayers for their grandson in a bad accident last Friday night, and Debbie's continued healing of her knees from replacement surgery.

Jeff Schilling – battling colon cancer

Linda White's son

Please contact me (Sharon) with any prayer requests via Sea1@att.net

Respectfully Submitted by; Sharon Arnold, Secretary, Corvette Indy



## A Message From Our President

Hi All,

I don't know if anybody reads these things but this is my last one. It's been my honor to be your president the past 2 years. Thanks to everyone who made it an easy job. I think we made a difference together. I look forward to seeing Ray add his touch to the club next year.

Rita and I want to wish you all Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Wylie

#### **EDITOR'S NOTES:**

"So Long, Farewell, Auf Wiedersehen, Good-bye" (Come on – Sing Along)

It has been a pleasure serving as the Corvette Indy Newsletter Editor for the past 5 years. Now I look forward to sitting back and enjoying the 2018 version, edited by Anthony Kuipers.

A giant THANK YOU to all the members who have contributed articles, cartoons, ads, helpful car information and so many, many more items that I was able to include in the newsletter. I couldn't have done it without you!

This club runs on the power of all the hard working members who pitch in and help with the club's various activities. If you haven't taken the opportunity to volunteer to help with or plan an activity, I encourage you to do so next year.

Be a Do-er in 2018

Happy Dreaming of Driving, Erika

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

The email address of the newsletter will remain the same corvetteindynews@gmail.com

I will monitor the email through the end of 2017 After the beginning of 2018 Anthony will be in charge

## **Critical Information Regarding 2017 Points**

From Competition Director – John Vess

This is to let everyone know that all points sheets for the 2017 year are now published on the website or available from John Vess, and the deadline for turning in points or corrections for any month of the 2017 Points Year (Dec 16 – Nov 17) is December 31<sup>st</sup>. After that no 2017 points or corrections will be accepted.

#### Calendar of Events

Calendar of Events -2017 updated 12/10/2017				
Red = Meetings & Planned Club Events - Black = NCCC Events - Blue = Other Events of Interest				
Saturday Mornings	Drive N Dunk, 9am at McAlister's at 96th & N. Meridian			
Tuesday Evenings	Ale Emporium \$6.99 Steak Special 5:00 pm 8617 Allisonville Rd, Indianapolis			
Wednesday Evenings	Noble Roman Cruise-In 6:00 PM 17409 Wheeler Rd, Westfield, IN (South side IN 32 – West of US 31)			

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Wednesday Evenings	Fortville Cruise-In – 4:00 to Dark – Good places to EAT!!!		
Friday Evenings	Dinner at 6:30 (Corvette Indy Time) McAlister's at 96 <sup>th</sup> & N. Meridian -		
Monthly 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	Danville Cruise-in 4:30 at the courthouse – parking limited (May – October)		
Every Tuesday	Cruise-Day Tuesdays – Downtown Monticello IN ( May – October)		
Every Saturday	Cruise-in around the square in downtown Noblesville, 5pm-9pm (May – November)		
Monthly Last Sunday	Kirklin Cruise-In, Buffet available at Bookers 11am-2pm		
	2017		
December 26 – Jan 1	Indianapolis Auto Show -		
	2018		
January 1	One Lap Around 465 https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-indyrpm-new-years-lap-cruise-in-tickets-36940226211		
January 5	Elvis Birthday Tribute - New Location Palladium in Carmel - (Hosted by Greg & Donna)		
January 15	First Corvette Indy Meeting of 2018 Corvette Indy Meeting at American Legion Carmel IN 7:30PM -6PM for dinner buffet		
January 20	Lapham's 5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Party – Their house 7:00pm – Check Jim's Emails for more info		
January 25	Beef and Board Dinner Theater – Play "Greater Tuna" – Jimmie & Donna Driscoll hosting- Reply by 12/14 to join group		
February 5	Corvette Indy Meeting at American Legion Carmel IN 7:30PM 6PM for dinner buffet and conversation.		
February 19	Corvette Indy Meeting at American Legion Carmel IN 7:30PM 6PM for dinner buffet and conversation.		
February 23-24	National Governors Meeting – St. Louis MO		
March 3	Tom & Nancy Piercy Heading Toward Spring Party at their house - More information to follow		
March 5	Corvette Indy Meeting at American Legion Carmel IN 7:30PM 6PM for dinner buffet and conversation.		
March 19	Corvette Indy Meeting at American Legion Carmel IN 7:30PM 6PM for dinner buffet and conversation.		
April 2	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
April 7	2017 Indiana Region Awards Banquet – Location TBA		
April 16	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
April 26 – 28	NCM Michelin NCM Bash Several Members Attend Each Year		
May Weekends	Various IMS Events that will have Club Member Track participation – Watch for Emails		
May 4-5	National Governors Meeting – St. Louis MO		
May 5	Vettes for Vets visit to Indiana Veterans Home – Star City & Lafayette Corvette Clubs		
May 7	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
May 21	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
May 27	Indianapolis 500 – Race Day		
June 2 – 3	Indiana Region Sponsored Putnam Park - 14 Autocross Events		
June 4	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
June 18	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
July 2	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
July 7 – 8	Anderson Corvette Association Autocross & Rallies		
July 14	Christmas In July – Carmel American Legion		
July 15 – 20	NCCC 59 <sup>th</sup> National Convention – New Orleans LA Members Are Going to the Convention		
July 16	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
July 28 – 29	Hoosier Corvette Club 14 Event Autocross Weekend – Indianapolis Area		
August 6	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
August 11- 12	Michiana CC 14 Event Autocross – Tire Rack South Bend, IN		
August 15 – 18	Woodward Dram Cruise and Tours - Host Jerry & Elaine Croy		
August 18	(Tentative Date) Penske Sponsored Vettes N Vets All Corvette Show – (Tentative Date)		
August 20	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
August 25	Third Annual Princess Car Show – Hosted by member Tim McCord		
August 25 – 26	Fort Wayne CC – 14 Event Autocross Grissom AFB Peru, IN		
September 1 – 3	Elkhart / Michigan Challenge 21 Event Autocross – Tire Rack South Bend, IN		
September 3	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		
September 7-8	National Governors Meeting – St. Louis MO		
September 9	Brickyard 400 – Race Day		
September 15 – 16	Corvette Indy Main 14 Event Autocross Weekend – Indianapolis Airport Parking Lot		
September 17	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.		

September 22 – 23	Indiana Region – Super September – 14 Event Autocross – Grissom AFB Peru, IN
October 1	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.
October 7	Brown County ALL Corvette Day – Brown County State Park – Butch & Tammy Drive Hosts
October 13	Kellam's Annual Bonfire – (Tentative Date of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in October)
October 15	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.
October 20 – 21	Indiana Region Great Pumpkin Weekend – Autocross & Rallies – Grissom AFB Peru, IN
October 21	Restoration Station Fall Tour – Hosted by Jerry & Elaine Croy
November 5	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be determined as Champps Closed ** 7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.
November 9-10	National Governors Meeting – St. Louis MO
<b>November 10 (11)</b>	Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade – Hosted by John Herder (Date Needs to be Confirmed)
November 19	Corvette Indy Meeting ** Location to be reviewed & voted on **7:30PM 6PM for dinner and conversation.
December 3	Last Corvette Indy Meeting of 2018 ** Location to be reviewed & voted on ** The meeting 7:30PM 6PM for dinner
December 8	(Tentative Date) Corvette Indy Christmas Dinner Carmel American Legion

Look for Social Director Emails during the year for more information and look at the Long Calendar on the website which has expanded lists and information for Car Shows and other Events in the area..

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



#### **CORVETTE INDY MERCHANDISE MART**

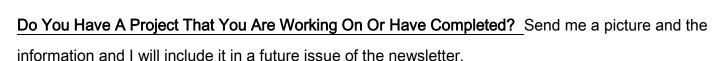
## "No Report"

Thanks Ross for all your hard work these past two years.

Ross - The Merchandiser

#### Exhaust Notes

Making sense of your automotive world



You can look forward to all sorts of interesting "Exhaust Notes" – car info – from Anthony in next year's newsletter. He is definitely a 'car guy' and already has lots of plans for 2018.

## Our Sponsor - Penske:



## The Bob Report

2000.00 below employee pricing on all 2017 Chevrolets on the lot at Penske

Employee pricing on 2018 Chevrolet Equinox on the lot at Penske

#### Welcome To New Members



It is Corvette Indy's pleasure to welcome new 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 – but **NOT** the best way to get to know lots of members! Be at McAlister's every Saturday morning and Ale Emporium every Tuesday evening. On Wednesday, meet at the Noble Roman's on 32 in Westfield and on Friday you will find members at McAlister's (same place as Saturday) for Brenda's great sandwiches. Then come to as many other **events** as you can. The number picks up during driving season but we are busy all year. 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 New Members

#### Joe Hirsch

#### Jim and Julie Richter

And we are so pleased to announce that three couples have changed their memberships from Corvette Indy only to full members through CI:

**Larry and Dona Stein** 

**Daniel and Stacy O'Toole** 

#### Jim and Shelley Noelle

## A "Word" (or two) from Greg B

Greg has been serving Corvette Indy in so many capacities – from chairing events and planning Drive n Dines to being President – for so many years now. As he steps back and takes a well-deserved break from so many leadership rolls, he had just a few more thoughts to share.

#### Thought #1:

Thank You Corvette Indy!

Since I plan to "retire" from club management and club officer duties starting next year, I want to thank the club members for allowing me to contribute and for supporting my efforts over the past ten years. When Donna and I joined Corvette Indy we were looking for a new home after several years in another club that has great people but is continually plagued by a few individuals that always seem to have some dispute or argument brewing that disrupt the chemistry and enjoyment of that club. What we found in Corvette Indy was a group of people that liked and cared for each other and who were open to new ideas and activities. When Pat Hogan asked me to start the Drive N Dines in Corvette Indy that I had started for the other club I complied and because of the positive reception of the club members it was a joy to help and so we continued to do so. I think Donna and I were members 57 and 58 when we joined so the club has been on an impressive growing spurt but the same friendly, welcoming and positive attitudes have continued to help define the strength of this club! During our run Donna and I have combined to hold several offices such as Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Social Director, Penske Liaison, Vice President, President and Face Book Coordinator and have enjoyed every assignment. We've helped start many new activities like the Saturday morning Drive N Dunk, the Corvette Show, Penske Cookouts and the Retiree & Hooky Players' Drive N Dine and have led our share of overnight trips and Drive N Dines. We have enjoyed it all and frankly the club has been a big help to me. When I retired from being a lifelong workaholic, the club gave me something to invest my new found available time in. I made a full time job out of some of the club activities and it probably helped keep me sane (although that's an arguable point). I'll turn 70 next year and I have faced reality that it's time to slow down, so with fond memories I plan to fade away from leadership roles and let others pick up the reigns. I didn't want to do so without thanking all the terrific members of Corvette Indy for the opportunities that I have had and letting you all know how much I have enjoyed it and how proud I am of Corvette Indy and all its members! I love this club! Greg B.

#### Thought #2:

Thank you Wylie!

I helped recruit Wylie when I was President because I thought he would be a good leader for the club. He was reluctant at first but finally agreed to serve as Pat Hogan's VP for a year and run for President the following year with me as his VP the first year so he didn't feel alone. As you all know, Wylie has made a great President and has kept the club going in the right direction. I had little to do that year as VP because Wylie hit the bricks running. Please join me in thanking Wylie for his 2 years of service as President and for all he and Rita have done for Corvette Indy. Thank you Wylie for a great job and for selecting some leaders going forward that will serve the club well! Greg B.

#### Thought #3:

Thank you Bill!

The Lapham's have good reason to not like me. Besides talking Erika into taking over the newsletter from me 5 years ago, I helped recruit Bill into taking over the Web Master job. At that time Corvette Indy did have a web site but the previous Web Master was maintaining the site using a dial up network. If you don't remember the ol' dial up network besides making really funny noises when you connected they were very, very, very , very slow. One can image that if you are trying to maintain a site where it might take you 45 minutes to upload a single picture then you aren't going to want to do it very often or put a lot of content on it. Bill accepted the task ahead and put his considerable computer skills to work. He made us an entirely new web site and added a ton of pages for events, our pictures, our cars, our schedule, an archive, club management data, how to data, etc. etc. He has created and maintained a web site that the club can be very proud of and I don't think there is another Corvette web site in our region that even comes close. Creating it was just the start. Over the years Bill has continued to improve the site and add other features and he is world famous for how quickly he accomplishes his updates. Often it seems like Bill has already updated the site with the latest event's pictures by the time we arrive home from our events! Thank you Bill for all of your work, for a world class web site and for your continued efforts on behalf of all of us in Corvette Indy! Greg B.

#### Thought #4:

Thank you Erika!

Since I was the one that talked Erika into taking over the newsletter from me several years ago it seems fitting that I should be the one to thank her for the outstanding job she has done! After five long years she is hanging up her Newsletter sweater and passing the baton over for a new Newsletter Editor to add his flair and talent to this effort. Speaking from experience, don't make the mistake of thinking the newsletter task is something that one takes a couple hours after a meeting putting together and then clicking "send". In reality it is a month long job where you are constantly organizing the next edition, writing articles for it, finding newsworthy items of interest and adding in materials others might send you. Don't forget the tasks of going out to sources like

face book and the club web site to add in the activities of the previous month and the schedules looking forward. After that you then have to add the meeting notes and late edition news flashes. It is a time consuming task and Erika has dedicated the last 5 years to doing this for us and we have always had a newsletter that we could be very proud of that was both informative and entertaining. THANK YOU ERIKA for 5 years of terrific newsletters! Greg B.

#### **Final Thought:**

I'm done writing thanks

Thank you, Greg for all that you have done for Corvette Indy. We know that we can count on you to be there in the future when we need your help, support and expertise!

**Recent Events:** Reminder - Please check the website regularly (<a href="www.corvetteindy.com">www.corvetteindy.com</a>) for complete coverage of everything CI has going on. Space limitations prohibit me from covering each activity in its entirety.

## Corvette Indy Christmas Party Dec. 9

A large group of Corvette Indy members enjoyed another wonderful Christmas Party at the American Legion on Saturday Dec. 9. It was a very special evening of great friends, great food and great fun. Thank you to everyone who had a part in organizing this terrific event that was such a wonderful way to conclude another outstanding Corvette Indy year. Be sure to check the website for "tons" of pictures of the event.



#### Ale Emporium - 11/21/2017

Great crowd tonight. Jan brought cookies to help celebrate Thanksgiving. And I try to help Sherry take away her pain after her surgery on her arm with a shot of Crown. So happy Thanksgiving to all see you next week.



#### Drive n Dunk -11/25/2017

A beautiful Saturday morning brought out 16 Corvettes and nearly 30 Corvette Indy members for the weekly Drive & Dunk at McAlister's Deli. One member talked about having 77 family members at their house for Thanksgiving dinner. Other conversations included comments about our first bi-weekly club meeting at the Carmel American Legion Post #155. The next and final club meeting of 2017 will be on Monday December 4 at the Legion. Members are asked to bring an unwrapped toy to donate to the Legion's annual toy drive for kids.



#### Ale Emporium - 11/28/2017

Great crowd showed up. Enjoying the nice warm weather. So anyway a great time as always and great food and still best price in town.



#### Noble Roman's Cruise-in - 11/29/2017

With a evening in the 50's and dry a number of Corvettes and 20 members made it to the Wednesday Noble Roman's drive-in. Who knows just how long the weather will hold out for this weekly event.





Drive n Dunk - 12/02/2017

What started out as a pretty routine Corvette Indy Saturday morning Drive & Dunk at McAlister's ended up with Alan C's freshly wrapped C6. The King of Bling's black coupe had just been finished in a 3M Psychedelic wrap. Needless to say, the wrap attracted a lot of attention. Eleven Corvettes and over twenty Corvette Indy members enjoyed

another beautiful but cool Saturday morning.





#### SBAIN 2017 Christmas Party

John and Diana Albright attended the SBAIN holiday party Saturday December 2, 2017. There were lots of new families and we moved around the room to meet them. Santa arrived and received hugs all the way to his chair. Twenty eight children share their special wishes. One little girl asked for world peace. Diana shared that SBAIN would be receiving a gift from Corvette Indy in the near future. We got many hugs of appreciation for your generosity.

Diana also noted that: My Santa photos are not great but I wanted to give the parents the best shots. Most of mine were taken from the stage. Interestingly we had no infants this year and the youngest was three. Also, some of the parents shared that they wanted to have their children ride in the Vettes but that the walk overheated some of the kids. I will see if we can get it in earlier next year





#### Noble Roman's Cruise-in - 12/06/2017

One lone Corvette and its owner, Wylie Etscheid, braved the cool temps for our weekly dining experience at Noble Romans in Westfield. Sixteen club members were in attendance for the midweek food and fellowship.





#### Friday Night at McAlister's - 12/08/2017

A nice group of 9 members headed out on the Friday evening before the Christmas Party to McAlister's. Glad to see that Jerry didn't get snowed in Syracuse NY. Jimmie and Donna even braved the cold weather and treated streets with their Corvette.





Drive n Dunk - 12/09/2017

No Corvettes today as a light snow swept down from the northwest. Conversations were wide and varied and included tonight's annual Christmas party at the American Legion Post #155 in Carmel and golfing at Top Golf. Thanks to Brenda and her staff at

McAlister's for taking such care of us at our Saturday morning gatherings.





#### 2017 Christmas Party 10/09

The annual Christmas party was again held at the Carmel Legion which easily held the nearly 120 members that were in attendance. The weather was clear and cold for a crisp evening to celebrate the Christmas and Holiday Season. With the tables decorated before 6, everything was ready as the rest of the members arrived for an hour of mingling before the buffet that was served at 7 to the then hungry group. The meal was scrumptious with the Legion's cook Mary out doing herself with ribs that could hardly be picked up as they were so tender and fried chicken that was great. Once everyone was full, and probably some ready for a nap, there was a visit from Santa and his elf. They gave out candy canes and then had pictures taken with some of the members while the evening's entertainment started up. This was also after Paul presented Wylie a plaque for his service to the club the past two years as President. Then Wylie surprised Bill with a shirt for his continued service as club Webmaster. Bill will be continuing on after his latest appointment from incoming president Ray. Then the music returned with John Vess getting up to lead the group singing karaoke of traditional and some not so traditional Christmas songs. As the evening progressed other guys joined in as Charlie, Wylie, Greg, John, Jim, and Keith sang away with further assistance from ladies Marg, Donna B, the three Sherry's, Sherry W, Sherry S, and Sherry C, along with Sharon, Donna D, Kim, and Janet lending their voices to the evenings enjoyment. There were even a few slow songs for those that wanted to dance. As the evening wound down there were some that headed out before 9 while the party continued until the 10 o'clock hour and the last songs were sung so that the legion personal could finish cleaning up. As everyone left they took a final look at the Christmas tree that had a great pile of presents now under it to be distributed to families in need. Also during the evening an additional \$400 was collected for the 4 families that the club is sponsoring during this year's holiday season.



#### **Upcoming Events:**

## Corvette Indy Duffer's Club - Winter Does Not Stop "The Duffers"

(usually Tuesdays)

Golfing has moved to TopGolf (near IKEA and Portillo's) in Fishers. Contact Paul Habecker (paul@print-tek.us) if you would like to join the group for some golf fun.

Jim Shaver sends out notices weekly about upcoming plans.

## Winter Parties

The winter months mean that we have very few opportunities to drive our Vettes. But, that doesn't mean that we can't continue to enjoy time together with our Corvette friends. We have two winter parties coming up that will give us that chance. One has become a winter tradition for CI in recent years and the other is a brand new event that should be great fun. Mark your calendars right now so you don't miss out. Both parties may have to somewhat limit attendance. I don't think many members have homes that would accommodate all 300 members! Sign up with Jim Shaver ASAP.

January 20 – The Laphams' Annual Winter Party
7 PM
More details to follow

March 3 – Tom and Nancy Piercys' 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Winter (Heading Toward Spring) Party

More details to follow

## We Are Family

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

### In Our Thoughts

With Deepest Sympathy -

We extend our deepest sympathies to Al and Terri Forey on the passing of Al's mother on Saturday. Our hearts are with you.

Keep Charlie Sherman in your thoughts as his January surgery approaches and for his family's recent loss.

Keith Riley has chemo treatments coming up and will definitely need good thoughts and club support.

#### **On A Positive Note**

Donna Bowron's Mom is improving and getting around better

Rita has time to just enjoy the holiday season, having completed her treatments

<u>PLEASE</u> 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 <u>corvetteindynews@gmail.com</u>

#### **Meet The Member**

We have met lots of wonderful members during the five years that this feature has been part of the newsletter. Thank you to all who have participated. CI continues to grow, and there are so many more members to get to know.

And remember, you can read all of the past Member Interviews in the past newsletters on the website.

#### **CORVETTE COOKIE CUTTER COLUMN:**



Homemade candy is always a favorite at Christmas time. Finding an easy recipe helps with the busy days of the season

# Microwave Peanut Butter Chocolate Swirl Fudge Ingredients

24 oz pkg white almond bark, broken in half 3 - 1.5 oz bars milk chocolate candy (like Hershey) 12 oz peanut butter – or more to taste

#### **Directions**

Line an 8 inch square pan with wax paper or parchment paper — leave long tails extending over the edges for easy removal of the fudge from the pan

Place ½ of the almond bark in a microwave safe bowl

Heat in microwave in 30 second intervals, stirring after each melting until smooth Will probably total 1 to 3 minutes melting time

Add peanut butter and mix well

Add the remaining  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the almond bark and push to the bottom of the bowl Heat in the microwave for 1 minute

Stir to break up any large pieces

Continue heating and stirring at 30 second intervals until completely melted Pour fudge mixture into the prepared pan

Melt chocolate bars in microwave safe bowl – heating and then stirring at 30 second intervals for 1 to 3 minutes until completely melted

Drizzle melted chocolate over fudge

Swirl the chocolate into the fudge using a knife

Refrigerate until solid – about 1 hour

Lift out of pan and cut into squares



#### **December Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Happy Anniversary to	
Greg and Donna Bowron	Dec. 27
Happy Birthday to	
Lou Rivieccio	Dec. 10
Mike Tann	Dec 15
John Albright	Dec 22
Pam Kellam	Dec 22
Greg Bowron	Dec 27
Greg Toolan	Dec 31

If you would like to see your special dates included, please email them to me at <a href="mailto:corvetteindynews@gmail.com">corvetteindynews@gmail.com</a>



## Things You Need To Know

## New Babies

CI always enjoys welcoming "New Babies" (Vettes) to the family. But, today we take particular pleasure in welcoming two beautiful new actual grand-babies.



Jimmie and Donna Driscoll are proud to introduce their new grandson Waylon Michael Driscoll



Frank and Cathy Coolidge would like to introduce you to Quinn Coolidge

# Long Winter's Nap

A long standing tradition with the winter CI newsletters has been to include pictures of members' 'babies' enjoying their 'long winter's nap' as they wait patiently for warm, spring weather and the open road. In keeping with that, here are Greg and Donna's kids that they have 'put to bed for their long winter's nap'.



## **Look At What Jimmie D Made!!!!**



Scan this Qr code with the barcode scanner on your Smartphone and you will get the link to Cl's website. Super quick way to get to Corvette Indy's site. Many thanks to Jimmie for creating this.

## **A Very Special Corvette Is For Sale**



# Dayna Louise Stout 3/21/1956 - 5/15/2011

Many of Corvette Indy's more long-term members will remember, with affection, Dayna Stout. We lost her in 2011 after a valiant battle with cancer. Her brother is now offering her much loved Corvette for sale. It is a 2004 red coupe with 34,000 miles. Asking price is \$17,000. If you are interested, please contact our member – Mel Minion - melminion67@gmail.com



## For Sale

Have you checked the For Sale section of the website? You will find more items than are included here, as well as Ross the Merchandiser's Club Merchandise. Be sure to take a look at the ever changing selection.

Follow this link to see what is for sale: <a href="http://www.corvetteindy.com/for-sale.html">http://www.corvetteindy.com/for-sale.html</a>

## 2005 Corvette Convertible

I am selling my 2005 supercharged Corvette and would like to let the club members have the first opportunity to purchase it before I pursue other means of selling it. Here is the description of it. Rick Miller



Silver with Black top and silver interior

34,500 miles

Aftermarket Pro-Charger supercharger

Rear wheel dynamometer results: 519 Horsepwer @ 475 Ft-Lb Torque which is equivalent to

610 Horsepower@ 559 Ft-Lb Torque at the engine

flywheel (where all factory HP and torque is measured) assuming 15% inefficiency in the driveline (transmission, rear end, etc.)

Flowmaster exhaust system

6 speed manual transmission with short throw shifter

Head up display

Navigation system

Bose stereo system

Satellite radio

Leather seats with heating on both seats

Manual convertible top

Michelin Pilot Sport AS+ tires with less than 2,000 miles on them

Sears Gold Die Hard battery installed in 11/2016

Polished aluminum wheels

**Outstanding condition** 

Contact Member Rick Miller richardgear 100@gmail.com

## **2006 Corvette Convertible**

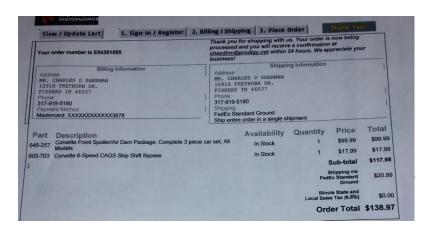
Immaculate 2006 Corvette Convertible, "Loaded", Only 17,600 Mi. 2<sup>nd</sup> Owner, Adult Driven, HUD, Dual Pwr/Heated Seats, CD, Bose, Automatic with Shift Paddles. Serious Inquires. Was \$30,900.00 New Price \$29,500 317-292-1527 **Chris Foster** 



## For Sale - Charlie Sherman

For Sale by Charlie Sherman are new in box 3 piece front spoiler for a C6 with the 1 to 4 shift eliminator. Also almost new (tan) Weather Tech floor mats from my 2008. Original MidAmerica Motorworks Invoice pictured below Best offer.

Email me at <a href="mailto:chasdinc@prodigy.net">chasdinc@prodigy.net</a>



#### 2007 Corvette - Mike Webb - See the New Price

Sadly, member Mike Webb has found that his interests have changed and it is time to move on from driving his Corvette to different pursuits. Consequently, he offers for sale the following:

2007 White Chevrolet Corvette with Z51 handling package. 2 owners. 4 BRAND NEW MICHELIN RUN FLAT TIRES (fitted 11/26). Front brake rotors brand new. Battery replaced August 2016. 3LT package

including leather memory seats, heads-up display, Bose stereo. Many factory option including removable black tinted glass roof, GCA exhaust (similar to Borla system, sounds great), clear bra fitted to front end + mirrors + door edges (car has zero stone chips). Additional extras include; Replica black ZR1 alloy wheels (originals available, sold separate), iSimple iPod connect adapter. Car has been very well looked after and always garaged. All maintenance carried out by Penske Chevrolet for routine servicing and oil changes (all receipts available). Car always filled with Shell V-Power. Car is in stunning condition and looks brand new. Runs perfectly, sounds great, and the white with black roof and wheels is a great combo

New Price 57,000 miles \$25,300 OBO



Contact Mike Webb at mikewebb83@gmail.com



## For Sale: C5 Window Valet (Used in the 'Ghost')

Special deal: \$45.00 obo

This will either raise or lower windows using your standard key fob. *This is a really convenient accessory* 

See <a href="http://www.corvetteindy.com/bobs-window-valet.html">http://www.corvetteindy.com/bobs-window-valet.html</a> for more info.

Have the instructions and be glad to help you program it.

Asking \$45 OBO **Bill Lapham 454vette@live.com** 

## Floor Mats For Sale

Member Evan Meagher has a set of C7 Floor Mats for sale:

**Set 1** - \$40, C7 original black mats, like new condition.



I can be emailed, texted, or called at:

Evan Meagher <u>evansspace@gmail.com</u> 317-418-4492



#### **Corvette Racing – Jim Alvis**

Another contribution thanks to Greg Bowron



## Making of a Champion: Jan Magnussen

The sixth in a series of articles highlighting each champion driver in the 2017 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, "Making of a Champion" shares some previous experiences and

"backstory" that led to this driver becoming a champion.

Jan Magnussen was one month shy of his 25th birthday when his Formula 1 career ended, following a sixth-place result in the 1998 Canadian Grand Prix for the Stewart Ford team. And while he didn't know it at the time, it set the wheels in motion for a legendary career as a sports car racing champion.

"When I first started out, for me it was all about Formula 1," he recalls. "I did spend all my time just thinking about that, so when that didn't work out, there was a period in my life where I didn't quite know what I was supposed to do with the rest of my life."

Enter Panoz Motorsports. The race team founded by Dr. Don Panoz was fielding its own LMP1 race cars in a brand-new racing series also founded by Panoz: the American Le Mans Series. The team needed a driver and found one who hailed from Denmark.

"When I got the opportunity to come to the United States to drive for Panoz in the beginning, that's the first time I even thought about sports cars," said Magnussen. "I went out to test the Panoz with an open mind, not knowing what to expect. At that time, I hadn't even seen the car.

"I didn't know what to expect, so I came out here and immediately felt the biggest difference between racing in Europe and racing in the U.S. In the U.S., there's such a warm feeling. You can feel the team really embraces you and you're a part of something."

It was a feeling he liked. A lot.

"In the States, what I felt and what I fell in love with immediately was this team spirit that now you're a part of something with a bunch of other guys that want the exact same that you do," he said. "That really brought out the best in me, and I immediately knew I had a shot at a new career after Formula 1. I grabbed that immediately. After the test, I flew home, grabbed my stuff and left Denmark."

He competed in the first full season of ALMS in 1999 for Panoz, taking his first career victory at what now is known as Canadian Tire Motorsport Park. He remained with the Panoz team through the end of the 2002 season, before moving over the Prodrive Ferrari ALMS team in 2003.

Another career-defining moment came in 2004. While he didn't compete anywhere on a full-time basis, Magnussen was busy. In the GRAND-AM Rolex Sports Car Series, he was tapped to share Doran-Lista Racing's Lexus-powered Daytona Prototype with Didier Theys, winning a sprint race at Watkins Glen and competing in five of 12 races.

He also got the call from Corvette Racing to join the team as one of its endurance drivers, alongside full-timers Oliver Gavin and Olivier Beretta. He only competed in two ALMS rounds, but won one of them,

at Petit Le Mans.

He won another race, too, in 2004. He, Beretta and Gavin combined to take the GTS class victory in the 24 Hours of Le Mans. The next year, they did it again, this time in the GT1 class. And in 2006, they did it again.

That success, combined with another Petit Le Mans victory in 2005 and a win in the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring in 2006, opened a door that remains open to this day.

"We won Le Mans every year, Sebring and a couple of Petits, so there was a lot of success," Magnussen said. "When I finally got the shot at the full-time drive in 2007, it wasn't like joining a new team. I just had more weekends with the guys that I already knew. It wasn't a big problem for me, sort of finding my place in the team.

"I already knew them, but it's been such a fantastic opportunity. I'm starting, now, my 15th year with Corvette Racing, and that's a long time in racing. That's a whole career by itself. I feel lucky that at one point, 15 years ago, I made the right decision."

Since becoming a full-time driver for Corvette Racing, Magnussen has won three championships: the 2008 ALMS GT1 title co-driving with Johnny O'Connell, the 2013 ALMS GT championship with Antonio Garcia and the 2017 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship GT Le Mans (GTLM) crown, also with Garcia.

He's currently tied with Gavin for seventh on the all-time IMSA race winners list with 47 career victories, three of which came during the 2017 season – at Sebring, Circuit of The Americas and VIRginia International Raceway.

Following each victory, as well as at the WeatherTech Night of Champions, where he and Garcia picked up their awards for winning the season title, Magnussen's appreciation was clearly visible.

"I think now, at this stage in my career, I appreciate a lot more the hard work that goes on behind the scenes," he said. "Whereas in the beginning of my career, I didn't really pay attention to all that stuff, but it's needed to be in the front of a race or a championship. Now, I do appreciate all that stuff a lot more.

"I pay a lot more attention to what goes on outside the car and outside the race weekends. In a way, it is sweeter, because I think I have a much better idea of the tremendous amount of energy, time and money that goes into our success." He also is able to offer good perspective to his 25-year-old son, Kevin, who is currently working on his own Formula 1 career and competed in the 2017 World Championship for the U.S.-based Haas F1 team. He's not Kevin's manager, however. He leaves those responsibilities to others.

"I've given him all the advice that I can," Jan said. "I think the most important thing that I have managed to pass on to him was to make sure that he's surrounded by a team of people that are working for him so that he can achieve his goals, because that's not something you can do on your own. It does take a lot of effort from a lot of people to try and put yourself in that position to be one of the 20 guys that get to do it."

As for himself, Jan Magnussen is two wins away from being in the top five on the all-time IMSA race-winners list. He's got five Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring victories, four victories in the 24 Hours of Le Mans and the Motul Petit Le Mans, and one Rolex 24 At Daytona victory.

All of that success begs a question. How long does Magnussen want to keep doing this?

"Until they kick me out," he replies. "That's it."

https://www.imsa.com/news/122017/making-champion-jan-magnussen

**Charley Robertson** 



Facebook Coordinator - Greg Bowron

Corvette Indy has a presence on Face Book and we are expanding our site. Jim Alvis is continuing to post information on Corvette racing and Corvette news updates. We are adding other items of interest such as the 7 week series we ran on Corvettes, C1 through C7 which included Corvettes of each series from our club. In addition, we are featuring individual Corvettes that club members own so send Greg some pictures of your Vette and information about it and he will feature your ride(s). A recent addition includes projects that members have done with upgrading their Vettes. We also list a schedule of upcoming events for the short term so it is a quick and handy reference point to see what you might want to participate in. If you can't find Jim's weekly email then just check our face book page. A new feature is an event listing that allows people to reply if they plan to attend or might attend and we can track anticipated interest through that. We want to grow our presence so please check it out, "like" it and invite your friends to "like" it too.

#### From The Desk Of Our NCM Ambassador - Jerry Croy



Thank you to Jerry Croy for continuing as Corvette Indy's NCM Ambassador. He is so knowledgeable about all things museum related and keeps us up to date on what is going on there. We look forward to another great year of Corvette Museum information from Jerry.

#### DRIVE N DINE HOSTS NEEDED!



Okay,...so it looks like driving may pretty much be over for this year. Road crews have been busy applying brine and salt to the roads, making them rather dirty to take our babies out on. And temperatures have dropped to the point where, even with heated seats, driving a Vette is not all that great. But, we can still think and plan for next year. Spring is only a little over 3 months away!



## <u>Lighter Sides and Corvettes</u>

Over the years, many members have contributed amusing items for this section of the newsletter. However, a few members have been my most consistent and reliable contributors. To honor their support of this section, today I am including one funny item from each of the following:

Greg Bowron Dick Pacetti John Rash Bob Young

Thank you to each of you - the newsletter couldn't have been funny without you!

#### Greg Bowron:



#### Dick Pacetti:

#### Senior Computer Skills......

Customer: Hi, good afternoon, this is Martha, I can't print. Every time I try, it says 'can't find printer'.

I've even lifted the printer and placed it in front of the monitor, but the computer still says he can't find it..

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Customer: I can't get on the Internet.

Tech support: Are you sure you used the right password?

Customer: Yes, I'm sure. I saw my colleague do it. Tech support: Can you tell me what the password was?

Customer: Five dots.

Customer: I have a huge problem. A friend has placed a screen saver on my computer, but every time I move the mouse, it disappears.

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Tech support: How may I help you?

Customer: I'm writing my first email.

Tech support: OK, and what seems to be the problem?

Customer: Well, I have the letter 'a' in the address, but how do I get the

little circle around it?

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This one and the next are our personal favorites!

A woman customer called the Canon help desk with a problem with her printer.

Tech support: Are you running it under windows?

Customer: 'No, my desk is next to the door, but that is a good point.

The man sitting in the cubicle next to me is under a window, and his printer is working fine.'

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And last but BUT not least!

Tech support: 'Okay Bob, let's press the control and escape keys at the same time.

That brings up a task list in the middle of the screen. Now type the letter 'P' to bring up the Program Manager.'

Customer: I don't have a P.

Tech support: On your keyboard, Bob.

Customer: What do you mean?

Tech support: 'P'....on your keyboard, Bob. Customer: I'M NOT GOING TO DO THAT

#### John Rash:



#### Bob Young:



## Me:



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