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"Cancer" Corvette

I purchased my 1st Corvette in 1982, a new Silver Coupe. Since our two sons were still young, the Vette was not a good Mom-School car, so I was forced to sell it after about one year. As time went on, I got into Hot Rods. I built a 1972 Model T Ford with Chevy power all chrome and all of the goodies of the time. The "T" was featured in *Hot Rod Magazine* much to my surprise. After selling the "T," I had a

1955 Belair two-door post that was Black and Silver Flake with a big block + nitrous. It was not just a look, but it was a great drag car. Later, I got out of cars and into motorcycles. I had a Honda, Yamaha, Norton, Harley and Suzuki...all street bikes.

Then, in 1999, my world caved in when I was diagnosed with lung cancer. I was given a choice of two (2) years if I did nothing or a high-risk surgery. Thanks to the Glory of God and a wonderful surgeon, I had the tumor and lung removed. I have now been cancer-free for 10 years.

I kept seeing the C5s and really did like the body style. My wife bought me a new 2002 coupe as a reward for living from cancer. Since we got the Vette, we both love the car and have taken two (2) long road trips. Our 1st was to Pidgeon Forge, TN for a large Rod Run and the next trip was to Boston, MA; Vermont, Maine, Canada and a stop at Bowling Green, KY on the way home.

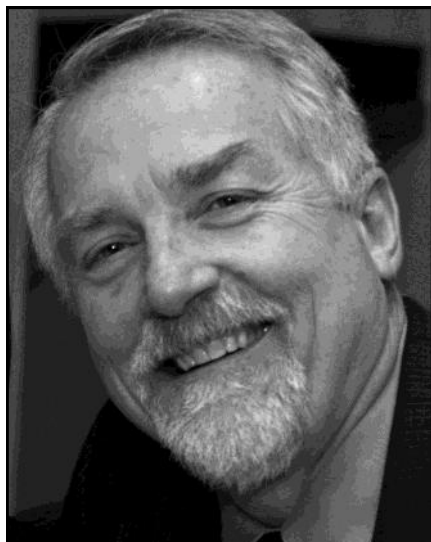
We are happy to be new members of Cowtown Vettes and hope to be a good members for years to come.

Jesse and Darlene Green

Weatherford, TX

Bill Berryhill

Gone from us April 22 ~ but Not Forgotten



*You'll be missed,
Bill!!*



CTV CALENDAR 2009

➤ DENOTES 100%ER EVENT (*)

➤ 5/1 ~ MEMBERSHIP MTG *

7:30-9:00 PM

COORS HOSPITALITY ROOM
135W @ JOHN MCMILLAN PKWY.

➤ 5/2 ~ CAR SHOW *

@ BRUCE LOWRIE CHEVROLET

(SEE DETAILS ON THE CTV WEBSITE
& ELSEWHERE IN THIS LOW-DOWN)

5/10 ~ MOTHER'S DAY

5/20 ~ BOARD MTG

7:00 P.M. ~ CONFERENCE ROOM

COORS DISTRIBUTOR
135W @ JOHN MCMILLAN PKWY.

5/30 ~ PHOTO SHOOT

FOR 35TH ANNIVERSARY ~ TMS

(SEE DETAILS ON THE CTV WEBSITE
& ELSEWHERE IN THIS LOW-DOWN)

5/30 ~ MEMORIAL DAY

(OFFICIALLY OBSERVED 5/25)

➤ 6/13-14 ~ NO FRILLS
NCCC EVENT*

MINERAL WELLS, TX

(SEE DETAILS ON THE CTV WEBSITE.)

➤ 7/18 ~ JACK GANDY'S RALLYE*

(DETAILS WILL BE FORTHCOMING
IN THE LOW-DOWN & ON THE CTV
WEBSITE.)

➤ 9/19-20 ~ 13TH ANNUAL SUPER
SPEEDWAY WEEKEND @ TMS *

9/19 ~ FW KIDNEY WALK

FW STOCK YARDS

(DETAILS ARE FORTHCOMING.)

➤ 10/17 ~ 8TH ANNUAL VETTE SHOW*

(DETAILS WILL BE FORTHCOMING
IN THE LOW-DOWN & ON THE CTV
WEBSITE.)



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PRESIDENT

Four months have passed and many of the members of our club family have been involved in the many activities Cowtown Vettes has offered. If you have not been able to join us for whatever reason, the year's events have just started. CANDY LOWREY has planned two events in May and more exciting socials thru November. If you missed DOUG McMAHAN's cruises, there are more planned. And for our members showing off their Vettes, make sure you let JOHN BREFCZYNSKI know how you placed.

At the April membership meeting, I advised our members that HECTOR SANDOVAL (Jr. Board Member) had to resign his Board position due to work. The Board will miss his input. At the May Membership Meeting, we will be taking nominations for Jr. Board Member. If you are interested in serving in this position or wish to nominate a fellow member, the following qualifications must be met:

- A. Must be a member for at least nine months prior to the beginning of the term of office.
- B. Must be a member in good standing.
- C. Must be a member who has not served as an Elected Officer of the Club.
- D. Should have attended a minimum of two Board meetings in the election year.

If the position cannot be filled with a qualified candidate, it may revert to a one-year Board Member position.

I want to thank RICK GARABEDIAN for volunteering for NCCC Event Chair. Rick will need all of our support by signing up as workers in Cowtown Vettes NCCC Event in June and September.

Remember This Is Your Club

Don F. Wells

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VICE PRESIDENT

We had a great turnout for the **Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure** this year! The weather even cooperated. It was a little cool at the beginning, but at least it didn't rain (or snow!). And if you missed out on Fuzzy's Taco Shop, you really missed out. I'm always looking for new and different places for breakfast on the weekends, so Fuzzy's has been added to the list. It was great!!

In May, we're going out to **Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet** for an All Corvette Display on **5/2**. They open at 8:00 a.m., so we need to try and get all the cars in place by then, if possible. We'll be finished around noon, then we'll head over to the Railhead on Montgomery Street @ Vickery (1 block south of I-30) for some BBQ!! You MUST be present at Bruce Lowrie in order to get credit for 100%er... even if you don't bring your car (which I'm not sure why you wouldn't!). The purpose is to support our Sponsor, so that's why you have to be present at Bruce Lowrie in order to get credit for 100%.

In June, the 100% event will be the **Autocross Events** on **6/13** at Mineral Wells. This will be a great opportunity for us to get our "event skills" all polished up and pristine just in time for our **BIG** event in September. Be sure to watch for more details elsewhere in the newsletter and also at the May and June membership meetings.

Our second social event for June is on **6/27**. We'll be supporting our newest Sponsor, **Corvettes of Dallas**, with a cruise to their location in Carrollton where they will be providing us with lunch! Some of the things Corvettes of Dallas has to offer the Corvette Enthusiast are: service for 1954 -2009 Corvettes, performance (from exhausts to twin turbos), dyno testing, parts, clothing and accessories. In addition to having full access to all areas of the dealership, they are offering us a **discount on dyno pulls**. Normally, the cost is \$59.95 for three (3) pulls, but you'll get yours for **\$49.95** on 6/27. DOUG McMAHAN will be putting together the cruise, so watch for more details in the near future on that.

Mark your calendar for July 18th!!! I've managed to talk JACK GANDY into doing one of his world famous Rallyes!! At this point, all we have is the date, so be sure to watch for more details over the next couple of months. Jack always manages to put on a fantastic Rallye!

See ya soon!

Candy Lowrey

CTV CHARITY REPORT

Summer Wish List, 2009

Shown below is the Summer Wish List for **Cook Children's Medical Center**. All Items are needed currently.

- Items for infants, including the following:
 - o Rattles and squeeze toys
 - o Light up or musical toys ad infant mobiles
 - o Long-sleeved, legged sleepers for infants (preemie – 9 mos)
 - o Vibrating bouncy seats
 - o Board books
- Items for older children and teens:
 - o Game Cube games (rated E) or GameStop gift cards
 - o Current DVDs (rated G or PG)
 - o Comedy series DVDs for young adults (The Office, etc.)
 - o Word finds or puzzle books
 - o Relaxation CDs
 - o Craft kits
- Craft items for use in the playrooms and at school:
 - o Scissors (prefer Fiskars brand)
 - o "Fuzzy" posters and projects
 - o White or craft glue (We do not need glue sticks at this time.)
 - o Coloring books
- Toys for prizes after difficult procedures in the Emergency Department and other areas:
 - o Individual Matchbox or Hot Wheel cars
- Items for distraction during tests and procedures:
 - o "I Spy" or "Look and Find" books
 - o No-pill bubble tumblers and bubbles
 - o Portable CD players or portable DVD players
- Clothing for children:
 - o Boys' and girls' underwear (all sizes)
 - o Boy' and girls' pajama bottoms, lounge pants, or comfy shorts and t-shirts (all sizes)
 - o Boys' socks
- Clothing and toiletries for parents and teen patients:
 - o Toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, trial-size cans of shaving gel, trial-size shampoo and conditioner
 - o Underwear (men and women, all sizes)
 - o Adult socks, lounge pants or pajama bottoms for men and women
 - o Sport bras (all sizes)
- Additional needs:
 - o Birthday gift wrap
 - o 24-piece or 100-piece puzzles
 - o Multi-packs of Play-Doh (miniature containers)
 - o Fisher Price medical kits
 - o Klutz or Chicken Socks books
 - o Fisher Price "Little People" toys
 - o Regular playing cards

Donation Guidelines

- All donated items must be new. This is important since many children have illnesses that make them more susceptible to germs.
- Unwrapped (no gift wrapping) packages are appreciated! This makes it much easier to match the right toy with the right child.
- Since we are unsure of the beliefs of each family, we do not distribute toys with a theme that may be perceived as violent (guns, swords, bows and arrows, etc.).
- We only use "G" and "PG" movies and video games with an "E" rating.
- We cannot distribute any CDs with a "Parent Advisory" label.
- We have families with many different belief systems so it is important that donations not be religious in nature or content.

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35TH ANNIVERSARY

➤ HOW ABOUT YOU???

PARDON FROM THE GOVERNOR

... a report from the NCCC Governor

Well, I had not planned to be at the April membership meeting. I thought my work at Texas Motor Speedway would keep me from attending. When SHARON ZSCHIRNT and I were able to leave earlier than expected – we were riding together – and found ourselves driving right by the meeting place, it was a no-brainer to come to the meeting. After all, who can resist 35th anniversary cake (and free beer)? I didn't have a presentation planned, so my off-the-cuff remarks about NCCC sanctions were probably more confusing than normal. More about that later... I also have to apologize to our new members, JOHN & NANCY DICK and DONALD & CYNTHIA RANKIN, for not having the NCCC membership forms with me.

NCCC sanctions...

These are permission to conduct an official NCCC competitive event which follows the rules in the NCCC rule book and awards valuable NCCC points to the competitors. Each NCCC club is allowed to conduct up to seven (7) NCCC sanctioned events each year. This year, Cowtown Vettes will be conducting seven (7) low speed autocross events at Texas Motor Speedway. We plan to present six (6) autocrosses, time permitting, on Saturday, September 19, and one autocross on Sunday, September 20. But, wait; it gets more complicated. Our friends at Brazos River Corvette Club in Granbury are unable to use their seven (7) sanctions this year. They are permitting CTV to use these sanctions. CTV will host three (3) of the BRCC sanctions on Sunday, September 20, giving our guests four (4) autocrosses to enjoy. Along with the six (6) on Saturday, we will have a total of 10 autocrosses during the weekend. This should help increase the draw for our TMS event, which is one of the best in the Southwest Region. But that's not all. We will host the other four (4) BRCC sanctions -- as autocrosses -- at a low-key weekend on the Mineral Wells Ring, June 13. These events will be similar to our recent practice autocross at Mineral Wells. But, wait, there's more. Our friends at Corvette Club of Texas have had to reschedule their fall events (normally held at the Grayson County Airport near Sherman), so they will host their seven (7) sanctions as low speed autocrosses in conjunction with the events we host for BRCC at Mineral Wells. A total of 11 autocrosses on June 13 & 14 should help the attendance for that weekend. Incidentally, all of these autocross events are 'First Choice' events for the Southwest Regional Championship Points Trail, but that's a topic for another time.

NCCC sanctions can be used for other competitive events such as rallyes, drag races, concours, etc. At this time, autocrosses are preferred by most competitors and 'points chasers.'

Somehow it doesn't seem much clearer when I've explained it more carefully.

What's Coming Up...

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|------------|---|
| 5-2/3 | NCCC National Governor's Meeting - St. Louis, MO |
| 5-23/24/25 | Oklahoma City Corvette Club (OCCC) and Corvette Club of Oklahoma City (CCOC) – First Choice Weekend; (6 low speed auto-Xs at the Sheriff's Track, Saturday and 4 drag race events at Thunder Valley on Sunday). |
| 5-23 | Southwest Region Governors' Meeting; Oklahoma City, OK |
| 6-6/7 | Southwest Region Fundraiser – 14 low speed auto-Xs at the Sheriff's Track in Oklahoma City (7 events by TVS [not part of the Fundraiser] and 7 events by THT.) |
| 6-13/14 | BRCC (hosted by CTV) and CCT- 11 autocrosses at Mineral Wells, TX |
| ... | |
| 8-8/14 | NCCC 50 th National Convention – Colorado Springs, CO |

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MEMBERSHIP

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS & VISITORS!

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

- DONALD & CYNTHIA RANKIN
 - 2006 Blue Convertible & 1975 Dark Red Convertible
- JOHN & NANCY DICK
 - 2003 Metallic Gray Coupe

2nd TIME VISITORS:

- JASON BONSER & TINA SAGLE

1st TIME VISITORS:

- JASON JOHNSON & LINDSEY YOUNG
 - 2009 Coupe Cyber Gray-Black
- RICKY YOUNG
 - 2006 Convertible Red/Black

Nancy Wells

BIRTHDAYS



5/1 ~ Glenda McMahan

5/1 ~ Harry Rumzek

5/5 ~ Judy Berndt

5/8 ~ Sylvia Hoaldridge

5/11 ~ Elaine King

5/14 ~ David Larsen

5/14 ~ Chris Stackpole

5/16 ~ Rick Garabedian

5/17 ~ Blake Lewis

5/22 ~ Viola Meyers

5/24 ~ Chris Sullivan

5/26 ~ Sonny Arnold



ANNIVERSARIES



5/2 ~ Tom & Donna McHenry

5/13 ~ Craig & Laura Satterfield

5/14 ~ Jack & Karla Gandy

5/17 ~ Keith & Jan Fitzgerald

5/18 ~ Mitch & Donna Keating

5/19 ~ Bill & Jane Buehler

5/25 ~ Sam & Cathy Castorani

5/31 ~ Kerry & Nancy McGovern

5/31 ~ Kevin & Cathy Anthony



NCCC SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

The NCCC Scholarship program is funded through donations from Clubs, individuals and corporate friends such as MID AMERICA MOTORWORKS. The NCCC Scholarship Committee awards \$1,000.00 scholarships to worthy young people who have some connection with NCCC through a Father, Mother, Grandfather, Grandmother, etc., who has been a member of NCCC for at least three years. "Some connection" implies that the Applicant's relatives should have knowledge of the various requirements of the Scholarship Program.

If the relative is not the Applicant's parent, the relative must write a letter to be included with the completed application indicating the following:

- His/Her relationship to the applicant
- His/Her NCCC Member Number
- That He/She will be the Applicant's Sponsor
- That He/She has been closely involved with NCCC for a period of three or more years.

All scholarship applications MUST be completed correctly and mailed to:

**John Osborn
Scholarship Committee Chairman
P.O. Box 5032
Lafayette, IN 47903**

All applications must be residing in P. O. Box 5032 no later than the deadline date for the year. The deadline changes from year to year depending upon the date of the Annual NCCC Convention. **The 2009 Received Deadline Date is May 9, 2009.**

(Pardon from the Governor ~ Continued from page 4)

Additional information is available on the official flyers that are posted on the Southwest Region Website. You may also contact me.

Scholarships

Don't forget to take advantage of the Southwest Region Larry Kolb Memorial Scholarship Program. June 15 is the deadline for submitting your application for the educational scholarship. Please see me if you need any help taking advantage of this offer. I have application forms. They are also available on the Southwest Region Web site.

Awards Banquet

A good turnout from Cowtown Vettes at the 2008 Southwest Region Awards Banquet in Waco. It's always fun to get together with our friends from the Region. I was pleased to see my fellow CTV members get some awards for the 2008 competition season. Those getting awards included DOUG McMAHAN, GLENDA McMAHAN, VIOLA MEYERS, PAUL MEYERS, BOB MORRISON, CINDY MORRISON, CATHY ANTHONY, KEVIN ANTHONY, ROBBIE SCHNEIDER, MO WHEELER, SCOTT WHEELER and DOC LAMBERT.

It was good to see the cowbell was back in force this year. It was even better to hear it ring a lot!

Governors' Meeting

I represented CTV at the Southwest Regional Governors' Meeting in Waco on March 29. Mary Anne Kolb was accepted as Treasurer. We spent some time approving rescheduling of some of the competitive events. We were reminded of the scholarship deadlines. I picked up some extra copies of Blue Bars for guests and new members.

It looks like there will be a Southwest Region patch. It will be produced this year and will sell for \$5.00. I will have a more detailed report on the Governors' Meeting soon.

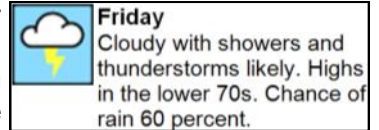
Don't forget to write or call... /Scott

When Pontiac designers hit rock bottom, somebody shamelessly proceeded to provide them with picks and shovels. - unknown, describing the Pontiac Aztek.

COWTOWN CRUISER



At the time this article was written, we were getting ready for the 3-day BLUEBONNET RUN down to the *Texas Hill Country*. The weather forecast was calling for an 60% chance of rain on our Friday departure date however, only a slight chance for Saturday, so on we went. After all, it is only a “myth” that Corvettes melt in the rain! ...and, isn't there some kind of “rule” that rain (very much needed) is only suppose to happen during the work-week so we have beautiful weekends?



The weekend cruise group filled up quickly, with twenty-two rides and forty-four people signed up months in advance. If the numbers hold, this will be our largest ever weekend cruise group.

Stay tuned next month for photos and information on this 3-day cruise - next time, clear your calendar so you too can join us for the cruise.✍

Other Cruises: A couple of members (regular cruise participants) are in the talking stages for a local lunch type cruise. We also have a custom automotive business south of the Metroplex which has contacted and invited us to come take a tour of their facility; which might be worked into one of these local cruises.



The Fall Foliage weekend cruise to the *Beaver's Bend* area over the weekend of October 23-25. Besides enjoying the fall foliage time of year, we will be staying at some nice accommodations, enjoying fun back roads and a tour or two. Current thoughts are that this cruise will be limited to either fifteen or twenty Vettes (for various reasons).

2009 Cruises Sponsors... We are still campaigning for a few *Cruise Sponsors*; each to plan at least one cruise this year - even if just for lunch or dinner somewhere. So, step up, sign-up and commit on putting together a Cowtown cruise; I'll even assist in getting you started.

While it isn't required to participate, we do have a new **2009 Cruiser T-Shirt** available for \$12 each; available in white or gray. Cruiser packets, electronic points logs, are available at no cost - contact me.✍

Cruiser Orientation is something I've been asked to consider hosting; with topics such as how to plan a cruise, how to find & enjoy the windy roads, cruiser program points, etc. so if you are interested let me know.

You can find more information on cruises and the CCP program is located on our website; check the following URL for the latest info on all sponsored cruises:

http://cowtownvettes.org/CCP/cruiserpgm.html#CRUISE_SCHEDULE



The 5th Annual “What I Saw Along the Way” Photo Contest continues. This annual photo contest is open to anyone that enjoys their Corvette; you don't even have to compete in the Cruiser Program to enter. From now until November 6th, you can take photos of the neat places you cruise enjoying your Corvette.


At the November Membership Meeting, these will be displayed (entered), allowing the members at the meeting to vote and select their favorite photo. **Don't delay, start snapping photos of neat places your Corvette takes YOU!** The Contest rules can be found at:


http://www.cowtownvettes.or/CCP/2008/CCP_PC_08.html

If you need clarifications, have a question or comment about the Cowtown Cruiser Program (CCP), please feel free to give me a call or drop me an email.

...keep on cruising' & “Save the Wave”
Doug McMahan – 2009 CCP Chairperson

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Your Cowtown Website... I would like to again thank to Doc, Walt and Sylvia this past month for assistance in pointing out a couple of areas that needed attention. We only have a few more months to get it in tip-top shape for the 2009 NCCC Club Website Contest. With your assistance we can be a strong contender for this contest. If you are interested to view the rules and what the judges are looking for, go to:

<http://www.corvettesnccc.org/WebSite09.html>

We always welcome event pictures and information for use on the website and in the *Cowtown Scrapbooks*. This past month, we thank David Gill along with Marlene Pattillo & Suzanne Ansley (both in SJCC) for photos at events. Remember, it is never too late to provide additional photos to be added to either our website or the *Cowtown Scrapbooks*. You can upload them to the web instead of taking time to burn a CD or email them; contact me for details.✍

CTV Membership Directory: By now, you should have rec'd a notice from Membership about the latest update of the Membership Directory being available online. Be sure to check your information and let us know if there are any adjustments that need to be made. Get with Membership at a club function or drop an email to:

ctv-membership@yahoogroups.org.

Cowtown Email Lists: If you change your email address, please let membership know so that we can update your address on the various email lists; you can send any updates to the email list above.

If you have questions about an email list for various venues which you might like to participating in (i.e. *Open Road Racing, Car Shows, Cruising, NCCC Convention, Competition*, etc.) please contact me.✍

If you have any suggestions, questions or comments about our how we are capturing our Club's website, please don't hesitate to give me a shout.✍

--Doug McMahan - 2009 CTV Webmaster

**...whatever your Corvette interest is, pursue your passion, keep the spirit of fun and fellowship in mind ...and most of all...
HAVE FUN DOING IT!!!**

(CTV Charity Report ~ continued from page 3)

- The following may not be included in donation: latex balloons, food or candy.
- All fliers must be approved by Cook Children's.

Delivering Gifts

Gifts may be delivered to the Information Desk at Cook Children's from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. They may be delivered on weekends from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

If you would like to set up an appointment to deliver your items, please contact KAT DAVITT at 682-885-4241 or email her at katd@cookchildrens.org.

Due to privacy, safety and infection control issues, gifts may NOT be delivered directly to the patients.

If you have additional questions, please contact me.

Thank you.

Jane Buehler

CTV Charity Committee Chairman

NOTE: If you have not marked 6/11 on your calendars, please do so and plan to join your fellow CTV members at the Tarrant Area Food Bank.

35th ANNIVERSARY PHOTO TAKING PLACE MAY 30!!!

We do have our photo scheduled to be taken at Texas Motor Speedway on either Saturday, May 30. We will start staging Vettes at 10:30 a.m. with a photo shoot around high-noon in Cowtown.

In the 30th Photo, there were 72 Vettes and 101 Members and *I'm sure we can top that this year, correct?*

Currently we are short one 2009 Corvette to place in the foreground opposing a 1974 (founding year) - *unless KERRY & NANCY McGOVERN's ZR-1 comes in before then?*

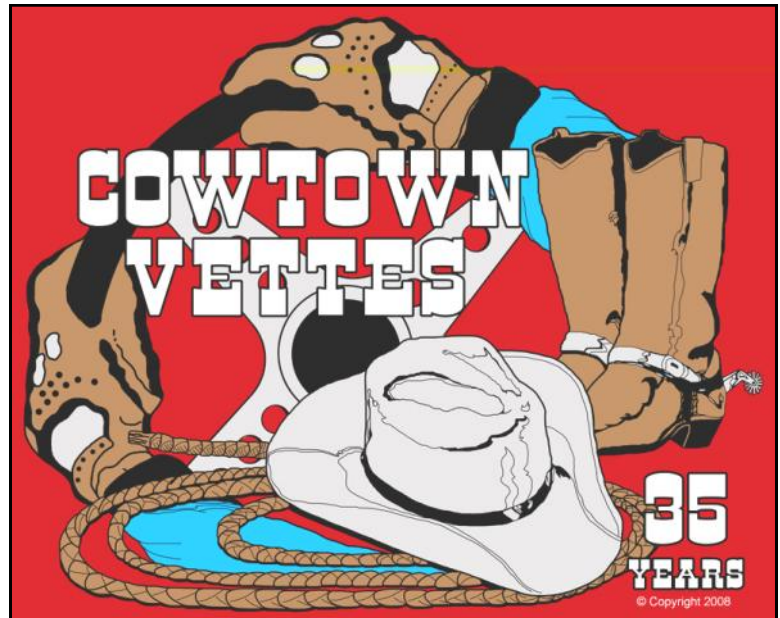
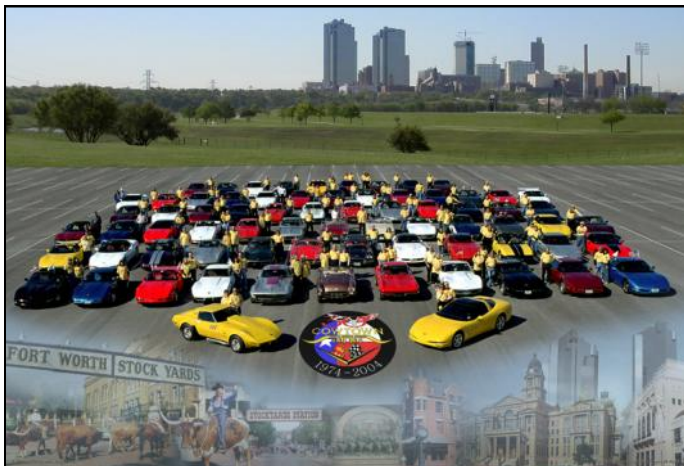
The 30th Anniversary photo (below) was taken in a parking lot with the Cat's Baseball field in the background. After several days of digital re-work, we had the Ft Worth Skyline and a few hologram images of scenes around FW at the bottom. While we won't be cloning that same look this year, it will be "tweaked" as necessary to come up with an awesome final product.

The final photo shoot event details will be found on our website as soon as they are available.

Don't forget that all of the latest information around Cowtown's 35th Anniversary activities can be found by clicking the 35th logo off our Home page.

Don't forget to validate your Membership / Vette record in the Directory & keep the Photo Shoot dates open - we want everyone there!

...**THANKS!** Doug McMahan



WANTED YOUR CORVETTE INFORMATION???

As we prepare for the 35th Anniversary Photo, we will be arranging Vettes by Generation and Color - keeps like colors separated ☺.

At the April Membership Meeting, there will be a printout listing each Member and their Vettes, which are currently entered in the Membership Directory.

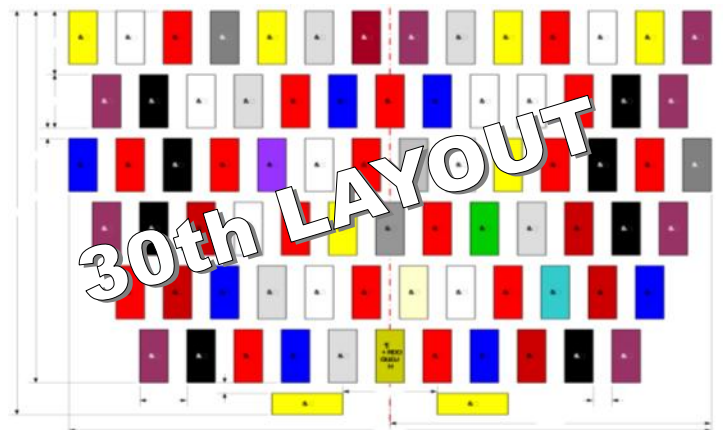
We would ask that you the following:

1. If you will be Participating in the 35th Photo...

- **Validate the Vette entry** - making any necessary corrections on the printout
- **Place a check mark** beside EACH Vette that you plan to bring to the photo shoot

If you will not be at the April Membership Meeting, please let me know via email (macsvettes@charter.net)

...**THANKS!** Doug McMahan



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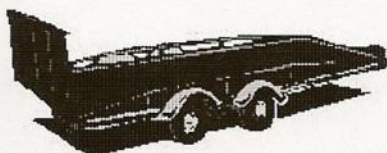
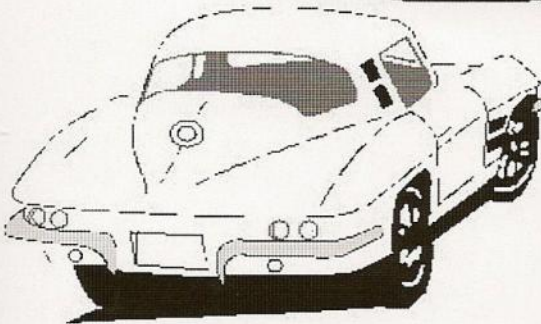
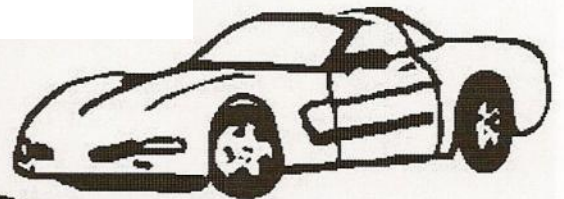
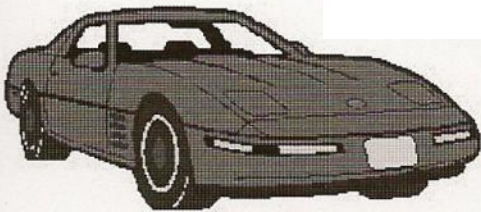
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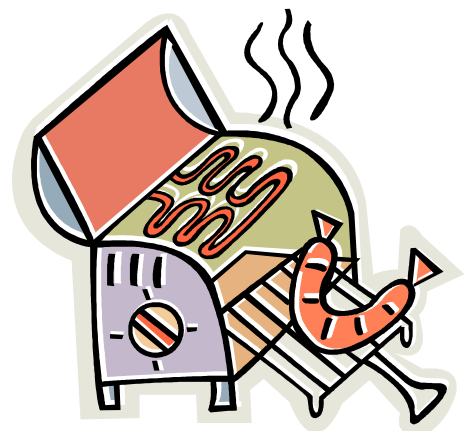
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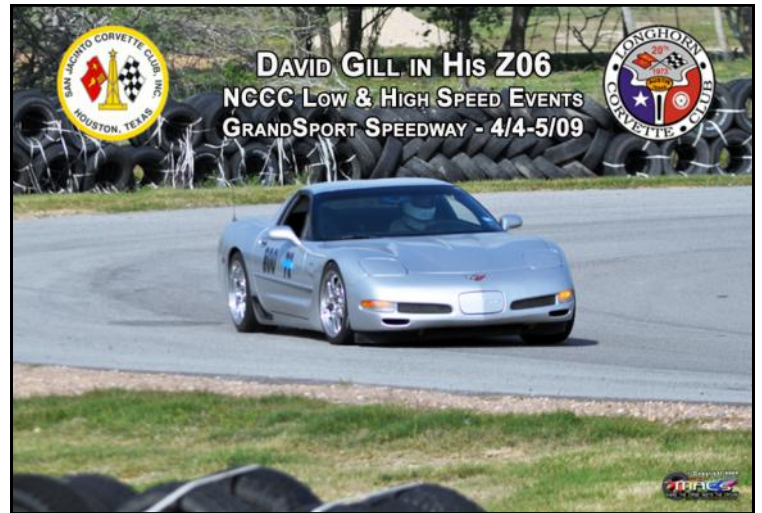
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March 28, 2009 - Waco, TX

OTHER COWTOWN WINNERS
(MEMBERS NOT AT BANQUET)

VIOLA MEYERS - 4TH PLACE WOMENS OVERALL
PAUL MEYERS - 10TH PLACE MENS OVERALL
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KEVIN ANTHONY - 200 POINTS
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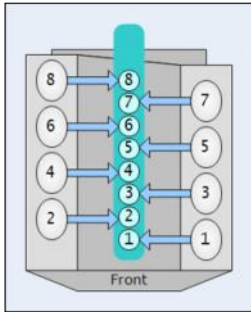


ATTENTION CTV MEMBERS ~ TECH ARTICLE

...we were cruisin' down the highway when.. .WHAT THE HECK? ...the engine started missing, feeling like it was hitting on six-to-seven cylinders instead of eight, then the service engine soon light appeared ☹

If you don't own a scanner to check codes, you can stop by an *AutoZone* and they will perform a scan for you; in this case the printout showed issues with the #4 ignition coil; *P0354 Ignition Control #4 Circuit*. Since AutoZone (nor other auto parts stores) don't typically stock these coils I would recommend contacting Tim (our parts rep at *Bruce Lowrie*) and he will fix you up. Replacing the coil is very easy - no matter what your technical level is; 15 minutes tops.

Tools needed: your hands and a 1/4" drive ratchet with a 10mm socket. It is recommended that you grab a deep socket since the coil bolts that hold the fuel rail cover have a shaft on top making them longer which typically won't work with a short socket.



1. Start by removing the Fuel Rail cover on the side of the engine that the bad coil is located - these just pop off the studs that hold them in place; not tools. Hint: odd are driver's side and evens are on the passenger's side of the engine.



2. Once you have the fuel rail cover removed, you will see four coils (per side), one for each cylinder of the engine. Using the diagram above, locate the coil which was identified on the scanner printout. Once you have located the problem coil, pull the white retainer clip (top arrow) which holds the wiring to the coil.



3. Next, pull the coil wire from the bottom and let it hang until you have the new coil mounted.

4. Next, you will need to remove the two bolts that secure the coils to the mounting brackets. Again, if the coil bolt is one that has a long shaft on it, that is one which holds the fuel rail cover on your engine; which typically takes a deep socket. Go ahead and remove both bolts and the coil wiring will keep the coil from falling down into the engine compartment.



5. Next, remove the wiring from the coil so that you can completely remove the ignition coil. The left arrow in the photo to the right points to the coil wire connector while the right arrow points to the wiring harness connector.



6. Ignition Coil Testing can be done with an ohmmeter:

- Connect the probes between the primary terminal connection and coil ground with an ohmmeter on the high scale. The ohmmeter's reading should be very high and around infinity. Replace the coil if it isn't.
- Use the ohmmeter on the low scale and connect the probes between both primary terminal connections. Replace the coil if the ohmmeter's reading is very low or zero.



- Switch the ohmmeter back to the high scale. Connect the probes between a primary terminal and the secondary terminal connections. The reading this time should be high, but not infinite.

Installation of the new ignition coil is as simple as repeating steps 1-5 above, in reverse order. Once it has been installed, start the engine and you should be firing on all eight again ☺

...Doug McMahan

SWR CLUBS

2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~ NCCC SW REGION

BRCC—BRAZOS RIVER CC

GRANBURY, TX SW-540

CCO—COMP. CORVETTES of OKLAHOMA

TULSA, OK SW-423

CCOC—CC of OKLAHOMA CITY

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK SW-468

CCT—CC of TEXAS

DALLAS, TX SW-074

COAST—CORVETTE OWNERS ASSN. of S.TX

SAN ANTONIO, TX SW-143

CTCC—CEN-TEX CC

WACO, TX SW-200

CTV—COWTOWN VETTES

FORT WORTH, TX SW-055

LCC—LONGHORN CC

AUSTIN, TX SW-200

MCCC—MID-COAST CC

LAKE JACKSON, TX SW-170

MTCC—MID-TEXAS CORVETTE ASSN

KILLEEN, TX SW-185

NTV—NORTH TEXAS VETTES

FORT WORTH, TX SW-555

OSCC—OKLAHOMA CITY CC

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK SW-131

SCCC—SUN CITIES CC

ALBUQUERQUE, NM SW-085

SJCC—SAN JACINTO CC

HOUSTON, TX SW-063

THT—TIN HALL TOYS CC

SANTA FE, TX SW-392

TOCC—TEXAS OUTLAWS CC

GRAHAM, TX SW-198

TV—TEJAS VETTES

PLANO, TX SW-163

TVS—TULSA VETTE SET

TULSA, OK SW-248

5/2-3

National Governors Meeting

St. Louis, MO

5/23-25

OCCC/COCC

Oklahoma City, OK

Saturday—6 LS

Sunday—2 ETD, 1 MTD, RD (Noble, OK)

SWR Governors' Meeting

6/6-7

THT/TVS—Regional Fundraiser

Oklahoma City, OK

14 LS

6/13-14

BRCC (CTV) / CCT

Mineral Wells, TX

11 LS

7/25-26

CCOC/SCCC

Oklahoma City, OK

11 LS

8/8-14

NCCC's 50th Convention

Colorado Springs, CO

9/12-13

National Governors Meeting

St. Louis, MO

9/19-20

CTV/BRCC ~ Texas Motor Speedway

Fort Worth, TX

10 LS

9/19

SWR Governors' Meeting

10/24

MTCC/NTV

Oklahoma City, OK

5 LS (not a 1st Choice weekend)

7 LS

10/31

TV/TOCC

Mineral Wells, TX

14 LS

10/31

SWR Governors' Meeting

11/14-15

National Governors Meeting

St. Louis, MO

NCCC Event Codes: C = concours; CD = class drags; ETD = e. t. drags; RD = record drags; MTD = Matching time drags; F = funkhana; R = rallye; LS = low speed autocross; HS = high speed autocross; MTT = matching time autocross; TBA = to be announced; TBD = to be determined; PCC = people's choice concours

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It doesn't matter if you want a set of "race", trailer, Vette or any other type of tires, give him a call and tell him that you are with *Cowtown Vettes* and that Doug sent you. We purchased two sets of tires this past week and saved over \$100 per set compared to their website pricing.

...so give **David** a call at **817-483-0009**

...Doug McMahan

35th ANNIVERSARY PHOTO

Rescheduled for MAY 30!!!!

We do have our photo rescheduled to be taken at *Texas Motor Speedway* on Saturday, **May 30**. We will start staging Vettes at 10:30 am with a photo shoot around high-noon in Cowtown. **PLEASE RSVP!**

By this time, Kerry & Nancy's ZR-1 should have been built and delivered. We will be placing a 2009 (hopefully) in the foreground of the Vette grouping opposing the Zschirnt's 1974 (founding year).

Don't forget to validate your Membership / Vette record in the Directory & keep the Photo Shoot dates open - we want everyone there!

...**THANKS!** Doug McMahan

Are your KIDS and / or GRANDKIDS enrolled in the *NCCC Future Corvette Owners Association (FCOA)* - if not - get with one of our Club Officers to ask more



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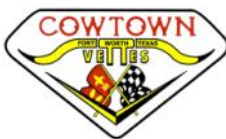
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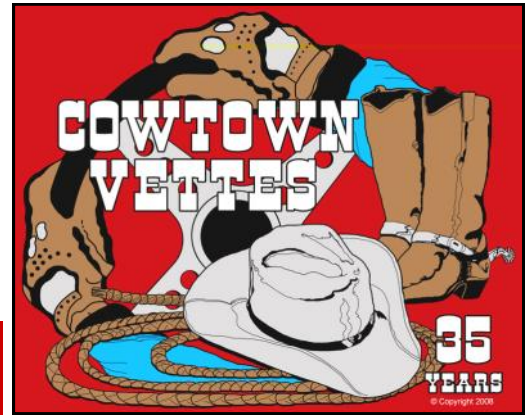


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If so, please contact Membership and help keep our records up to date.

COWTOWN NEEDS YOU!!!

Cowtown Vettes is a volunteer organization, in existence for all of us to all have fun and share our passion; America's Sports Car – The Corvette!

To keep this club running smoothly and with operating income, we do host various events; primarily our NCCC competition weekends along with an annual Corvette Show.

This year, we have been fortunate enough to secure an extra set (7) of NCCC sanctions to enable us to host two separate competition weekends. One of these events will be held Saturday, June 13th in Mineral Wells; much like our Practice Autocross was in March. We were also fortunate that another NCCC Club, CCT (Dallas) is joining with us on this weekend to make this an 11-event weekend. This should pull in more competitors, not to mention additional operating income.

Our second NCCC event is our Super Speedway Weekend at TMS the weekend of September 19th & 20th ...this is our Club's largest revenue generator! Last year, we were fortunate enough to sell out the event and, hopefully, we will do equally well this year.

Now we need to enlist your participation...to help Cowtown be successful; we need volunteers to work both of these events so that they are a success and Cowtown continues to be a success. Cowtown has a good reputation for putting on class events and the club needs your assistance to continue this tradition. We want to keep the competitors coming back to our events so that our revenue stream continues; so we can all enjoy the fun activities that we do as a club throughout the year.

Thanks in advance for volunteering to help Cowtown!

...Doug McMahan