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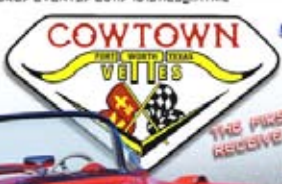
10TH ANNUAL ALL CORVETTE SHOW

MORE INFO: WWW.COWTOWNVETTES.ORG/EVENTS/2011/10/10SYNCS_HTML

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 15, 2011
10 AM - 2 PM

SHOW LOCATION:
4921 OVERTON RIDGE BLVD
FT WORTH, TX

LOTS OF
DOOR
PRIZES



THE FIRST 100 ENTRIES
RECEIVE 1 FREE T-SHIRT



PROCEEDS TO
BENEFIT LOCAL
CHARITIES
INCLUDING THE
50/50 RAFFLE

SETUP:
9 AM - 10 AM

CLASSES:

- VETTE GENERATIONS
- SPECIAL EDITIONS
- RACE PREPARED
- CUSTOM / MODIFIED
- 100K MILE DRIVER
- BEST OF AWARDS

PARTICIPANT'S CHOICE JUDGING

AWARDS: 2:00 PM

EARLY REGISTRATION BEFORE 10/10

\$20 SINGLE ENTRY

\$30 DISCOUNTED - 2 ENTRIES*

LATE REGISTRATION AFTER 10/10

\$25 SINGLE ENTRY

\$40 DISCOUNTED - 2 ENTRIES*

* = SAME FAMILY

2010 BEST OF SHOW
STEVE PARKER
'57 Vette Reg



In this issue:



UPCOMING EVENTS

October

***10/7 MEMBERSHIP MEETING**
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Coors Hospitality Room

***10/15 ALL CORVETTE
CAR SHOW**

4921 Overton Ridge, FW
7 a.m. - Check-in, 9 a.m Set-up

10/19 BOARD MEETING
7:00 p.m. Coors Board Room

10/31

Happy Halloween

November

***11/4 MEMBERSHIP MEETING**
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Coors Hospitality Room



11/10 VOLUNTEER NIGHT
6:00 p.m. Tarrant Area Food Bank

***11/12 PROGRESSIVE DINNER**
Begin at 6:00 p.m. at home of
Bill & Jane Buehler

11/16 BOARD MEETING
7:00 p.m. Coors Board Room

11/24 **Thanksgiving**



* Denotes 100%er Award Eligibility Event



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hello Cowtown Members,

I am so proud to see such a great turn out of volunteers and participants in our last few club events last month as well as this month. It is so nice to see so many club members taking time out of their own lives to make these club events a success. This month is a very busy month for our club. At our monthly meeting it will be an opportunity for you to place a name of someone on a ballot to run for office within our club. If you are interested in any position, I would encourage you to make it known so that your name can be placed in the voting. I encourage everyone to look at our award winning website, to see all the activities that our club is involved in this month. We have a huge car show coming up this month with a lot of preparation already happening as well as many sanctioned autocrosses in the area for our club members to participate in. Please come out and support our members as they enjoy their Corvettes. As I have said many times before, the club's success depends on us as members. Find an event that you love and just enjoy your Corvette with others who have the same passion as you do.

On a side note I want to say "Thank You" to our Vice President, **Candy Beck**. At our last meeting she stated she will not run for office this next year and I just wanted to let her know it has been an honor to serve with her. Her passion and desire to make our socials a success goes beyond anything I have ever seen. You are a great representative of our club and I thank you for your service.

Let's have a great Month!!

John Armes
President
armesgs@gmail.com

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I was not able to bring a car to the **Car Display at Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet** on 8/27, but I was able to stop by and visit for a few minutes. Wow... what a great turnout we had to support Bruce Lowrie and the Boy Scouts! And since it wasn't even a 100% event... I was really impressed and very proud to be a member of this Club!

As I write this, we just finished up with our big **NCCC event at Texas Motor Speedway** a few days ago. Well, we did it again... Cowtown Vettes has pulled off THE premier, most well attended NCCC event of the year in the Southwest Region!! Way to go Cowtown!

Our October 100% social will be the **Cowtown Vettes All Corvette Car Show** on 10/15. It will be in the same location we've used for several years now... just south of the Hulen Mall in the Michael's / Bed Bath & Beyond parking lot area. Again, if you want to get 100% credit, you need to work the event and / or enter your car(s) in the show.

Our November 100% social will be our **Traditional Progressive Dinner** on 11/12. We'll start with appetizers at 6:00 PM at the home of **Bill & Jane Buehler**, who live in the east Fort Worth area. The main course will be at **Ken & Diane Segel's** home in Keller, where you will enjoy some homemade lasagna and garlic bread. After dinner, we'll head to Bedford for dessert at **Donn & Candy Beck's** home. In addition to bringing an appetizer or dessert to share (based on the chart below), the cost is \$10 person (\$20 per couple) which covers your lasagna, garlic bread, and iced tea, plus we have a lot of beer and Coke left over from the TMS event! A map to the Buehler's home will be provided at the November membership meeting and on the website. Maps to the other two homes will be available the night of the dinner. I won't be at the October membership meeting, but you may give your money to Jane Buehler that night or you can give it to me anytime on or before the November membership meeting, which will be the deadline to sign up.

If your last name begins with **A-L**, bring a **DESSERT**

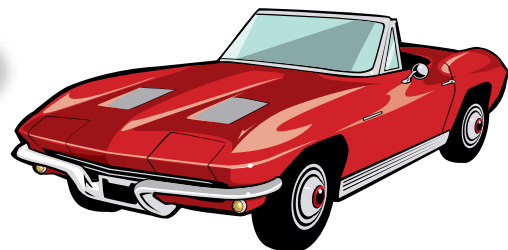
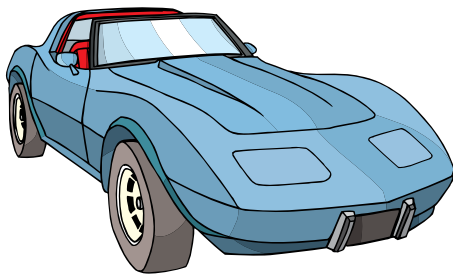
If your last name begins with **M-Z**, bring an **APPETIZER**

We don't have an official 100% social in December; however, we will be having a fabulous **2011 Awards Banquet and Christmas Party** on **December 17th** at the **Omni Fort Worth Hotel** in downtown Fort Worth. John will be presenting the banquet budget to the membership at the October membership meeting, so assuming it is approved, the cost will be \$30 per person / \$60 per couple (\$50 per non-member guest) and this cost does include your valet parking at the hotel! The menu is almost finalized, so be watching your email for the menu soon. And don't forget, if you plan to stay the night at the Omni Hotel at the great rate of \$128, you have until 11/17 to make your reservation via the online link that I emailed to everyone not too long ago.

Since I'll be in Eureka Springs for the October membership meeting, David Gill has offered (after just tiny bit of arm twisting) to pick a place for the October "after-meeting-social" and handle those arrangements... he'll make that announcement at the meeting.

Candy Beck
CTV, Vice-President
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Please call or email me if you have any questions / concerns / suggestions about the Social Calendar. See you at the Car Show!!



OCTOBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7 <i>* Membership Meeting 7:30</i>	8 <i>BRCC Corvette Show Granbury 7:30 a.m.</i>
9	10	11 <i>Car Show Committee Meeting 7 PM Coors Board Room</i>	12	13	14	15 <i>* CTV All Corvette Car Show- 4921 Overton Ridge, FW 9 AM</i>
16	17	18	19 <i>Board Meeting LOW-DOWN DEADLINE</i>	20	21	22
23/30	24/31 	25	26	27	28	29

Bold italic type denotes CTV events

**** Denotes required attendance and participation for 100%er Award eligibility***

NOVEMBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 <i>* Membership Meeting 7:30</i>	5
6	7	8	9	10 <i>Volunteer Night Tarrant Area Food Bank 6:00 PM</i>	11	12 <i>* Progressive Dinner FW/Keller Area Time: 6 PM</i>
13	14	15	16 <i>Board Meeting LOW-DOWN DEADLINE</i>	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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GOVERNOR'S THOUGHTS



CTV Committees 2011

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CAR SHOW

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Fred Proctor: Co-Chairperson



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Donald Hickman: Co-Chairperson



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Karyn Fowler: Co-Chairperson



Renewal Time, Renewal Time, Renewal Time!

It is that time again to renew your annual membership in Cowtown Vettes and NCCC. You will find an insert in this LowDown, the same as the one I emailed to CTV-all earlier. Please fill out the form and include a check to me at the October or November membership meeting. You can also mail it to me at the address on the form. The deadline is the November meeting on Nov. 4, 2011. After Nov. 4 there will be a \$10 late fee. I must have them into National by Nov. 15. Please complete the form in its entirety, especially your email address. This is the info we use to update Cowtown's membership directory and the NCCC National Database.

I would like to THANK YOU for having confidence in me to continue as your NCCC governor for another year. I will continue to be your liaison to keep you updated on NCCC.

CONGRATS to all of Cowtown for another huge successful event at Texas Motor Speedway! I heard lots of great things about the event and the track. It was lots of hard work but we had fun. Again the Southwest Region guests went home happy!

September, as usual, was a very busy National Meeting, with 2012 candidates, proposed by-laws and rulebook changes. I will send the proposed by-laws and rulebook changes to anyone who contacts me. I will not email the whole club unless you are interested.

October is always a very busy month. Lots of racing, Eureka Springs, Cowtown's Carshow and hopefully, cooler weather. Check out the website for all that is going on.

Hopefully, we can renew 100% of our membership to this great club.

Glenda McMahan
2011 NCCC Governor
glenda-gm@att.net



10/02 - Jane Buehler
10/06 - Carlanne Hickman
10/08 - Polly Guedry
10/10 - Don Littlefield
10/18 - John Armes
10/19 - Karen Watson
10/20 - Cathy Anthony
10/23 - Gail Moore
10/26 - Charles Gerth
10/26 - Steve Lewis
10/28 - Diane McBride
10/30 - Donald Hickman

10/01 - James & Kim West
10/04 - Fred & Diane Eichenberger
10/07 - Donald & Cynthia Rankin



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We were very happy to welcome **Deborah & P.J. Jackson** to our September meeting. Some of us first met them at the Bruce Lowrie Car Display when they stopped by on invitation from Raley & Jo Anne Smith. They have a **Black 2009 Coupe**.

We also had **Randy Garrido** visiting. Randy was in hot pursuit of a Corvette that he was planning to own by our next meeting. We hope to see him back to tell us about his new purchase.

Our other visitor was **Denny Welsh**. I am sorry that I did not capture what year Corvette Denny has but hope that he will join us for the October meeting.

Donna Forsythe

Membership / Welcome Chairperson
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CAR SHOW COMMITTEE



I'm writing this report and looking at the calendar, realizing that there are 24 days before CTV's **10th Annual All Corvette Car Show** on **October 15**.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

I know some of you will be in Oklahoma City for seven (7) autocrosses at the Sheriff's Facility. However, I know that those of you not racing will not want to miss CTV's premier car show event of the year. Register before October 10 and pay the early fee of \$20 for one (1) car, \$35 for two (2) cars in the same family; or register after October 10 and pay the late fee of \$25 for one (1) car, \$40 for two (2) cars in the same family. Registration forms will be available at the October 7 membership meeting.

A worker sign-up sheet will be emailed to everyone shortly. I hope that you will volunteer your time for one of many tasks to be done the day of the Car Show – help with set-up on Saturday morning (early), parking, directing entrants to their respective spots, registration, hospitality, door prizes, raffle tickets, photography and counting car show votes. If you are unsure of what you would like to help with at the Car Show, you may also sign up as a 'floater.'

We now have two (2) Gold sponsors – BRUCE LOWRIE CHEVROLET and FIRESTONE TIRE on Granbury Road; one (1) Silver sponsor – DISCOUNT TIRE of Forest Hill; six (6) Bronze sponsors – SOUTHTOWN PAINT & BODY; KINNEY'S MUFFLER SHOP; MACSVETTES PHOTOGRAPHY; SOUNDWORKS; CRAIG MURPHY, DJ and ADVANTAGE AUTOWORKS. Thank you, KIM WEST, for coordinating our Sponsorship Program this year and to those of you who help make Kim's easier by obtaining some of the sponsors.

Don't forget to check out the various car show schedules that appear on the CTV website.

The following CTV members have participated in car shows in the area during the month of September:

Jack Gandy – 1st Place (Best of Show) for the Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant United Way People's Choice Car Show; Chili's St. Jude Children's Hospital car show at Lynn Smith Chevrolet, Burleson

John Armes - Chili's St. Jude Children's Hospital car show at Lynn Smith Chevrolet, Burleson

If you have participated in car shows this year, please let me know by **midnight, November 13, 2011**. You may be eligible for the Annual Car Show Award that is presented at CTV's Christmas Party & Awards Banquet to the CTV member amassing the most car show points throughout 2011.

Sylvia Hoaldrige
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Chairman

& *Fred Proctor*
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Co-Chairman

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COWTOWN CRUISER



The weather is really nice now and only getting better to get your Vette out of the garage and cruising down the highways. Get out and enjoy your Corvette with that special someone or a group of friends. Did you know that within a half a day you can easily earn a bronze or silver level award? These 'get-u-started' routes on the Cruiser page on our website; and no, it isn't too late to start this weekend. As several of the participants have shared "it isn't about the points but the places that chasing that point has let me see and experience" ... "I've seen things I never would have if I hadn't been going down the back roads to a small town for that city point" ... "I pulled thru this little town and I don't think they had ever seen a Corvette in person" and the list goes on. While some may think it is a little odd to pull up and take a picture with a road sign or a historical building – look at the fun, the neat places and fellowship you can have while enjoying "America's Sports Car – the Corvette" ... and as a side-benefit, it also promotes our club.

Jack Gandy is working with Donald on a possible local cruise on Saturday, November 5th; check our website for more details. It would be nice to get in few local cruises before the end of the year. If you have an interest in hosting one, contact us and we will get you started; we even have some cruises that we can help you plan out. When a 'sponsored cruise' is booked, it will be placed on the 2011 cruise schedule, you can find them on our website at: http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/cruiserpgm.html#CRUISE_SCHEDULE

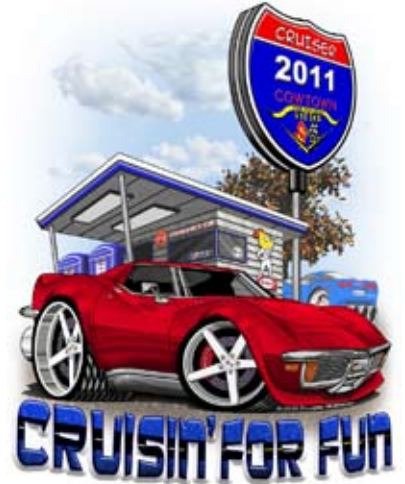
The 7th Annual Cruiser Photo Contest is well underway however there is still one month to capture photos from neat places your Vette took you in 2011; those of you going to Eureka Springs have LOTS of opportunities. You can even compete in this contest you don't even have to participate in the Cruiser Points Program. If you take a trip in your Vette you can surely take a photo of it somewhere neat ... it can even be a group of Vettes at somewhere neat – gather your three photos (per person) and have them ready for the November Show; where your peers will vote on the photos. The winner(s) will be recognized at the Annual Cowtown Awards Banquet in December. Check out the contest information at: http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/2011/CCP_PC_11.html

If you would like clarifications, or if you have a question or comment about the Cowtown Cruiser Program (CCP), please feel free to give one of us a call or drop an email.!

...keep on cruisin' & "Save the Wave"

Doug McMahan & Donald Hickman

2011 Cruiser Chairperson (macsvettes@att.net) & Co-Chair



WEBMASTER

This past month has been a busy one with our club hosting two NCCC events. The Bruce Lowrie Exhibition and the Corvette Heartbeat Weekend event pages have been posted and by the time you read this we hope to have the 15th Annual Super Speedway Weekend event pages posted.

Facebook: Yes, Cowtown is on Facebook and has been for some time now; and some of you have found us. You might ask, why Facebook? ... everybody (almost) uses it, don't they? ... we recently used it as a marketing tool to publicize and invite people to both the Corvette Heartbeat and Super Speedway events; even people outside of our region – Renee Cardenas (the current #1 NCCC competitor from MI) stated he initially saw the announcement on Facebook. While this venue is very new for our club, it is a tool which we can utilize this to promote and share our Club, our events, our sponsors and NCCC. Make Cowtown Vettes your friend on Facebook today!

Cowtown Email Lists: If you change your email address, mailing address, your Vettes, etc., please let membership know so that your address can be updated in the Membership Database along with the various email lists. Cowtown has over thirty email distribution lists, many geared around specific activities or functions, like NCCC, Open Road Racing, etc. so if you'd like to be added to a specific list, get in touch with me. If by chance you are not receiving the CTV-All emails then your correct email address must not be in the system; contact us. Send any email and address updates to: ctv-membership@yahoogroups.com

If you have suggestions, questions or comments about how we are managing your Club's website, please don't hesitate to give me a shout. I also encourage you to shout if you find any pages that have issues or if there is something you would like to see or things you dislike; after all this is your website and I am only the caretaker of your website.

Doug McMahan

2011 CTV Webmaster (macsvettes@att.net)

*...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!!!*

COMPETITION REPORT



Since the last membership meeting we have completed our two NCCC autocross events for the year. The NCCC event at the parking lot of the GM assembly plant in Arlington proved to be a lot of fun for all - from the drivers and volunteers, to the spectators - including some GM workers I noticed watching our event.

Cowtown's big NCCC event was the autocross event at TMS September 17-18. It looked like all the workers/drivers had a great time. Those who attended the dinner on Saturday were treated to a very good dinner and evening. Great conversation, wonderful food and the host hotel was great. Our Cowtown NCCC planners and staff did an great job on this event!

John Dick

Competition Chairperson

NCCC EVENTS

Jim and I (as your 2011 event coordinators) would like to personally thank all of you who stepped up for Cowtown to host two NCCC events in September; that was asking a lot from you and you stepped up – **THANK YOU!!!** The hosting of two events in the same month was not pre-planned; it all started with the loss of the Mineral Wells facility, followed by the less-than desirable conditions at the Glen Rose location and then other autocross locations being booked on open SWR NCCC weekends all which created huge challenges. Finally we were down to only two real backup plans, 1) move the event to the Waco airport or 2) accept GM's offer of their facility on Labor Day Weekend; which as you know we chose.

Making these events happen required some dedicated **Functional Chairpersons**; we sincerely appreciate their diligence in making their areas of responsibility perform. These two events could not have been done without them nor YOU, our members who came out to work them – **THANK YOU!!!**



NCCC EVENTS - FUNCTIONAL CHAIRPERSONS		
Functional Area	9/3-4/11	9/17-18/11
	CTV	CTV
Auto Tech	Walt Zschirnt	Paul Meyers
Charities	N/A	Sylvia Hoaldrige
Club Equipment	N/A	Hector Sandoval
Corners	N/A	Richard Downing
Course Design/Setup	Doug M / Jim F.	Doug M / Jim F.
Course Setup/D.T.	Doug M / Jim F.	Doug M / Jim F.
Hospitality	N/A	Phil & Barb Higbee
Oval Laps	N/A	Rick Garabedian
Pre-Staging	N/A	Cindy & Bob Morrison
Registration	Donna Forsythe	Donna Forsythe
Rig Parking	Steve Hunley	Steve Hunley
Sat Lunch	John Armes	Donna - Ticket Dist.
Lunch Tickets	Donna Forsythe	Donna Forsythe
Sat Night Dinner	N/A	Phil & Barb Higbee
Staging	Cindy & Bob Morrison	Don Wells
Starter	Scott Wheeler	Scott Wheeler
Timing	Candy Beck	Candy Beck
Timing Boards	Glenda McMahan	Glenda McMahan
Timing Equipment	Donn Beck	Donn Beck
TMS Event Coord	N/A	Rick Garabedian

Our **Corvette Heartbeat Weekend** at the GM Assembly Plant was a huge success and details will be shared at the October Membership Meeting. This is the event that we co-host with Corvette Club of Texas (CCT) using four of the Brazos River Corvette Club (BRCC) bartered sanctions. This joint partnership provided the 38 competitors with an eleven event weekend which was down from 48 competitors last year. Several conditions resulted in the reduced turnout with the primary one being that the event date was posted late (due to two location / date changes) after many competitors had other plans. The other factor was the event being held over Labor Day weekend.

There were many positives for the event which workers and competitors really enjoyed with the primary ones being the location, the course layout and the driving surface. What was designed as a fairly technical course turned out to be one that the C5s chewed up taking the fastest times of virtually every autocross. We had one competitor that state they were very skeptical about coming to this event; after the event was over they stated "I typically never run parking lot courses – only road course events, however this was a great course and I really enjoyed it"

We had a great group of workers who came out to make this event a successful, safe and fun time for our guests – we thank you!!!! There were several CCT members that worked our four autocrosses and in turn had several members that stayed all day Saturday and even came back out Sunday to work the last four autocrosses to work with CCT; it was a great partnership. Paul & Mary Wolter of CCT sent a very nice email sharing their appreciation for all planning efforts that went into the event and thanked all the CTV workers that stayed to help them with their autocrosses.

We have been asked by several competitors and even our own workers if we are looking to repeat the event at the GM next year. The issue with using the GM Assembly Plant is that they can only guaranteed a two-day date on major holidays since the manufacturing plant is closed; so, you can guess what those seven weekends are. While a full weekend event like this year doesn't seem to be in the cards at this time, we will continue to work with GM to see if there

are any other options that might help us utilize their facility for the joint weekend event next year. It is looking very promising for us to be able to host our spring practice autocross there since it is a one-day event; and it can be hosted on Sunday (which the plant doesn't work).

Following up on my lead in topic for this article; we chose GM's offer for many reasons as you might imagine and when doing so, we didn't realize that it would take over four months to finalize a contract with them; that the negotiations would be dealing with Detroit however with lots of assistance by Bill at the Arlington

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Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet Car Display August 27



A good showing of Corvettes from 1956 on up.



Lots of time for visiting and eating.



FCOA Member Andrew shows off his catch.

Kidfish was on hand for a little catch and release practice.





CTV Tech chair was Walt Zschirnt.



Glenda McMahan handled the timing boards.



Donna Forsythe headed registration for CTV.



John Armes and Nancy Wells served lunch.



Mark & 1st timer John in a Z06



Corner Workers Rock!



Jim in their C4

Oops! Wrong Way!



Fred & Jason getting ready to race.

First time racer Jason in his C5.



Sylvia in her 66 RP



Fred races his C6.



Carlanne tries out her C5.

Corvette Heartbeat Weekend at the GM Assembly Plant September 3-4



COWTOWN VETTES CHARITY REPORT



THANK YOU, Thank You, thank you!!!



Thanks to the efforts of TEAM CORVETTES for NKF \$1122.00 was raised Saturday night during CTV's 15th Annual Super Speedway Weekend at TMS. This was made possible through the donations made by my wonderful Cowtown Vettes family and NCCC Southwest Region family. Y'all are absolutely awesome!!!

This money will be sent to the NKF Serving Texas, in Dallas, and will be put to very good use assisting with kidney screenings for kids of all ages, offering cost-free seminars (1-2 each year in the Dallas and Fort Worth areas) for dialysis patients, such as myself, to provide continued education to help us make informed decisions about our bodies and dialysis treatment. These are just a couple of ways your generous donations are being used.

A huge 'Thank You' goes to those who donated raffle items and auction items: BRUCE LOWRIE CHEVROLET via DON WELLS, COWTOWN VETTES, the HAMPTON INN, GARY & GWYNNE HANNA, DONALD & CARLANNE HICKMAN, STEVE & DOLLIE HUNLEY, DOC LAMBERT, DEBBIE LINDSEY, LONE OAK WINERY, DOUGLAS & GLENDA McMAHAN, TEXAS MOTOR SPEEDWAY and SHARON ZSCHIRNT

*God Bless Each of You,
Sylvia Hoaldrige*

Thank you to Kim West for initiating this club contribution and to the Board for their approval. As you can tell from the letter below, it was very much appreciated!

Jane Buehler

Dear Kim:

Carolyn told me that the Cowtown Corvettes decided to contribute their 50/50 raffle to my effort for the American Heart walk on this Saturday! I am so very thankful, blessed and honored. It means a lot to me to have your support. Please pass on my sincere and heartfelt thank you to your entire group for their help in fighting heart disease. I know that most of your members don't remember me from when I use to bartend back when your group first started meeting here, but y'all hold a special place in my heart since Lois Beck used to be my boss at Ford New Holland Credit. She was a special person and I still have fond memories of her, Donn, their two Dobermans and of course the many Corvettes that they had over the years that I worked for her. Your group also does so many wonder charity fundraisers, I wish more groups were as conscientious as you.

Once again, thank you for your support, it is really appreciated!

Kim Matthys
Executive Assistant
Coors Distributing Company of Ft. Worth



Put these upcoming dates on your calendar:

Thursday, November 10th - Volunteer Night at Tarrant Area Food Bank, 6:00 PM

Wednesday, December 21st - Cook Children's Hospital Children's Party, 3:00 PM
(note time change from previous years)

NCCC EVENTS

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plant he greased the wheels for us. Bill called me first thing Tuesday morning after the event to make sure their employees provided everything we needed to host our event; they were a great group to work with. After the event, Donna and Nicole with GM asked us for a short article with a few photos to include in their next company newsletter so we gladly provided them.

Our **15th Annual Super Speedway Weekend** was also a great success, with details coming soon after all the financials come in. This is our big annual event at Texas Motor Speedway where we use our seven NCCC sanctions along with three remaining sanctions from BRCC; providing the competitors with a ten event weekend. The event hosted a total of 72 competitors this year, which was up from 60 last year. This was especially good news for us while other SWR clubs this year have stated that they have had a smaller turn-out than in previous years.

Just to re-iterate, all of you who stepped up for Cowtown were greatly appreciated! The functional chairpersons took charge of their areas making everything happen with YOU the members stepping up to work alongside them. Some of the comments from our competitors this year were "this is the best event we have ever attended" ... "I finally felt comfortable on this track with this year's design" ... "y'all are doing a great job" ... "this was a class event; the best I have ever been to" and so on; lots of thumbs up! ... so those are accolades to all the workers!

This year was also a first for Cowtown in regards to the course layout; we ran it counter-clockwise which created a few challenges in the beginning as would be expected; our normal clockwise layout which had been run for many years was simpler since it was old-hat. However, if you have never heard me on my soapbox then I'll share it sometime if you are interested; however, I truly believe that all clubs need to change our course every year to some degree, we need to challenge the competitors to read and learn and this year we definitely accomplished that. Thank you for enduring a few unknowns and working on the kinks with us to make this happen; next time it will be much easier.

From what I heard, hospitality Friday night was great and the Saturday evening dinner was flawless; thanks to Phil & Barb who championed the tasks and made it happen with the help of several of you! We appreciate Chef Manny and his crew who prepared and catered a Mexican dinner; a total of 113 meals were served Saturday night which was no small task!

Last but not least, I would like personally thank you all for stepping up to do your part to host these events; it made my job as your NCCC Coordinator for the past two years a great experience. These events are about our club and about hosting what is felt to be the premier NCCC event of the Southwest Region. We know that the revenues generated for Cowtown from these two events will be welcomed and we hope that you (the workers who stepped up) will feel proud as you reap the benefits starting with the many accolades from our guests along with the financial growth. We do have an awesome club, with something to offer all of our members and it takes us all to host the annual events which maintain the Cowtown reputation and the event quality our guests are accustomed to.

NCCC Events for 2012: We have been approved for our TMS date and we are still working on the date for the joint CCT weekend. The date bid on at the Governor's meeting on the 17th was in conflict so we are back at the calendar looking for options. We would ask that you keep the dates below in mind and on your calendar as we plan next year's NCCC Events:

- April ?? – Joint event with CCT
- September 15, 16 – TMS 16th Annual Super Speedway Weekend

October 8 – Granbury, TX: At the September Membership meeting Glenda spoke about the upcoming **6th Annual BRCC Corvette Show** and our need to be represented there. If you are not attending Eureka Springs (that weekend) and would be willing to represent Cowtown, ***we do need some volunteers!*** The two events above and YOU the members each benefitted from our members who supported their car show last year by showing their Vettes:

<http://cowtownvettes.org/Events/2010/100910-BRCC-P1.html>. Not only do they host a good show but there is lots to do while the show is going on; the downtown area of Granbury where the show is held has lots to offer you. We welcome you to participate this year so contact either myself or Glenda for more details. **NOTE:** NCCC Competitors, there is no SWR Event that weekend and they do have a competition class in their show; race cars are welcome!!!

Many Thanks!

Doug McMahan & Jim Forsythe

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2011 NCCC Events Coordinator & Co-Coordinator

TOP TEN REASONS TO BUY A CORVETTE

No. 10 - It doesn't rust

No. 9 - You have to have one to be in the club

No. 8 - Proven to be the production car with the most horsepower per dollar

No. 7 - It's a Hybrid - it burns gas and rubber

No. 6 - You can pull up to a Kia and say "Ha, ha!"

No. 5 - It's **America's Sports Car**

No. 4 - Don Wells might give you a discount on a new one (or not)

No. 3 - It's a two-seater - no kids can ride along

No. 2 - Chicks dig it

And the **Number 1** reason to buy a Corvette -

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Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468

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Dallas, TX • SW-074

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San Antonio, TX • SW-143

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Graham, TX • SW-198

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Tulsa, OK • SW-248

2011 SCHEDULE FOR NON-NCCC / NON-RACING EVENTS

BEING HOSTED BY REGIONAL CLUBS

Date	Location	Type	Event	Club
8-Oct	Granbury, Texas	CS	6th Annual Corvette Show	BRCC
15-Oct	Ft Worth, Texas	CS	10th Annual Corvette Show - lots of Door Prizes, Raffle Drawings, DJ and Awards for all classes along with Best of Show, Best Paint, Best Engine, Best Interior, etc... come join us for the fun	CTV

Southwest Region 2011 Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
10/1-2	TBD	1st Choice - Events	LLC/THT
10/15-16	OKC	1st Choice - 2 Autocross Events 1st Choice - 5 Autocross Events - All at Sheriff's Facility	CCOC/SCCC
10/22	Cresson, TX	1st Choice - 7 Autocross Events @ Motorsports Ranch	TOCC
10/29-30	TBD	1st Choice - Events	TV/TCCC
10/29	Ft Worth, TX	SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 8:00 PM @Hampton Inn on I35	SWR
11/11-12	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l



6th ANNUAL CORVETTE SHOW

Saturday, October 8th - Granbury, TX

Cowtown is seeking representatives to show their Corvette in this Car Show. If you are not attending the Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend and would be willing to represent Cowtown at this show, contact Glenda or Doug McMahan for more details

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Karen Watson
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