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"Our enthusiasm and passion for the Corvette has brought us together to learn, enjoy and fellowship with each other while enjoying this great American sports car."

## Hello Cruisin' Corvette Members!

I am sure you are all aware of the problems we have been having with viruses on our web site. We are in the process of building a new site for our club. We are still at <a href="www.cruisincorvettes.com">www.cruisincorvettes.com</a>. Take a minute to go out and have a look. This is still a work in process, but I think it will be perfect once we have had time to get it fully operational and "tweaked". We all look forward to, once again, having a central location to post our calendars, pictures and notices for our members and other clubs to see.

Attached to this newsletter is an updated calendar of events. The planning committee has decided that as we approach the holiday season, it would be best if we limited our club functions. We all seem to get pretty busy with family events. We are looking forward to next year and have already begun planning. We will be having our Annual Chili Kickoff sometime in January, but haven't settled on an exact date yet. I will let you know as soon as this is decided so you can all participate and help us "kick off" another great year for our club.

As we begin winding down 2010, there are still a few things that need to be done. Your 2011 officers will be elected at the December 2<sup>nd</sup> business meeting. Today is the last day to make nominations for each of these positions. If you have someone you would like to nominate and haven't yet done so, get in contact with Mike Russo immediately! Mike will be contacting us via e-mail shortly to give us the ballot of nominees. If you have any questions about this, give Mike a call.

Attached to this newsletter is your invitation to this year's Annual Holiday Party. We are having it at the University Center Club, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor on Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. We have the facility reserved from 7:00 – 11:00 and will be having a sit-down dinner once again this year. If you are interested in attending, it is very important that you send your menu selections and check in early. Please make your check payable to Cruisin' Corvettes but mail it to my home address: Amber Dyess, 1795 Lakewood Drive, Cairo, GA 39828. This will allow me to get the reservations quicker as seating will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. Verbal reservations CANNOT be made. You must mail your check and menu selections. Since seating is limited, participation is limited to MEMBERS ONLY. As we did last year, we will be having a White Elephant gift exchange. For those of you not familiar with this, it doesn't require any shopping. Simply choose an item from your home, something you would like to share or re-gift to someone else. Be creative!! We really had a blast with this last year. Bonnie Nielsen has so graciously volunteered again this year to do the decorations. Everything was absolutely beautiful last year and I can't wait to see what she does this year. If you would like to volunteer to help Bonnie with the decorations on the Friday afternoon of the party, please let her know.

As we did last year, we will be purchasing Christmas gifts for the girls at the Lighthouse Children's Home. The method we used last year, having one person purchase all the gifts for the girls worked out very well. Each girl got the same amount of gifts and I think they were extremely happy with the selections. Debby Russo has volunteered again this year to do the shopping for us. A HUGE thank you goes out to Debby for this. She has already been shopping for about 4 months to make sure we get the best choices for the girls. We are asking each family to contribute \$50 towards these gifts. If you are able to do more, that would be great. If you are unable to donate \$50, please send whatever you can. It is heartwarming to watch the girls receive our gifts. We will deliver the gifts to the girls on December 18<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the Waffle House on Mahan Drive @ I-10 at 11:15 and will have a pizza party with the girls. Please bring desserts and drinks. If you have not had an opportunity to visit with the girls, I highly recommend you try to make this trip. These girls are all very exceptional. If you would like to contribute, please make your checks payable to Cruisin' Corvettes.

Membership renewal time is coming quickly upon us. I have attached a membership application for those of you that might need to update your contact information. If there are no changes, it is NOT necessary to complete the application, simply mail the check for your annual dues.

Bye for now -

Amber Dyess Cruisin Corvettes