



AUGUST 2016

VISITING A SPECIAL COLLECTION!

On Saturday, August 6th, a contingent of 18 cars cruised up to J.C. Osteen's home to view his car collection and shop. The weather was cooperative and we enjoyed a nice cruise up Highway 27 (Police escort included). J. C. and Judy Osteen were very gracious hosts and had cool drinks to supplement the breakfast pastries provided by the club. The collection was quite impressive and inclusive of Corvettes and many other rare and interesting models. The club members in attendance got a rare insight into the renovation process of classic cars, the types of details that must be addressed when being judged for Bloomington Gold, Duntov or other similar certifications and some interesting historical anecdotes of the car culture. What a great way to spend a Saturday morning!



AUGUST MYSTERY DINNER CRUISE

On August 18th, we had our monthly Mystery Dinner Cruise. This month we followed OSKER up to Oscars Pizza in Havana. After a few shared jokes about OSKER's current temperament, (The horn button popped off in Alex's lap just before we left letting us all know that OSKER was indeed his usual grouchy self.), we headed out west on I-10 to 27 and then north for the easy 20 minute cruise to Havana. We had a great turnout of 26 diners. Everyone had a good time, the food was great and as always, the conversation was wide ranging. Oscar's is located off Main Street in Havana and the cars parked comfortably in the rear where a number of interesting shops are located.

Next month's Mystery Dinner Cruise is scheduled for September 15th. Don't forget to mark it in your calendars. Call or text Russ Sobczak at 850-491-2158 by noon on the 15th to reserve your seat at the table.



The promise of food and drinks seems to attract them.....

REMEMBERING BILL MORMILE

Our local Corvette community lost a good friend in August. Bill Mormile passed away after a battling a protracted illness. Bill and his white 61, convertible were fixtures at many local car shows. He was always happy to talk cars and was a great supporter of our Corvette hobby. Bill was a strong force in the regular Saturday afternoon meeting of the Vintage Vettes and was well known for winning quite a few trophies in local shows. We will all miss his energy and support during those great afternoon conversations. We offer our sincere condolences to his family and close friends.

CRUISIN CORVETTES WANTS YOU!

Our wonderful club runs totally on the effort that we voluntarily put into it. Right now there are a number of opportunities to get involved in some of our annual events. Working on the annual car show committee, organizing a mystery dinner cruise, helping out with the annual Xmas party or just jotting a paragraph or two for the newsletter are all great ways to help out without very much effort. A little really does go a long way! Think about it a jump in. You can learn a lot about your club members and the cars they drive and you might even pick up a new skill along the way. Send Chris Keena an e-mail or text message at 850.727.6567 if you can donate some of your time

REPRESENTING THE NCM

As many of you know, I thoroughly enjoy representing the National Corvette Museum as your Ambassador! The job entails providing updates to the club about museum activities, providing access to the raffle tickets and generally organizing activities that can benefit the museum monetarily and from a public relations standpoint. Over the course of each year I earn points for various activities such as raffle ticket sales, recruiting new members for the museum, providing newsletter items and club reports. An ambassador must earn at least 60 points a year to maintain active status. If the number of points earned exceeds 200 in a year, Master Ambassador status is awarded. So this year I decided to try and reach Master Ambassador and with your help I am happy to report that I made it! Last week I received the certificate and new name badge in the mail. Normally the presentation is made during the annual Ambassador meeting at the anniversary celebration but since I could not attend this year - they were kind enough to go ahead mail it to me. Thank you all for your support this year and I will see what interesting things I can come up with in 2016-17.

UPCOMING AND NOTABLE!

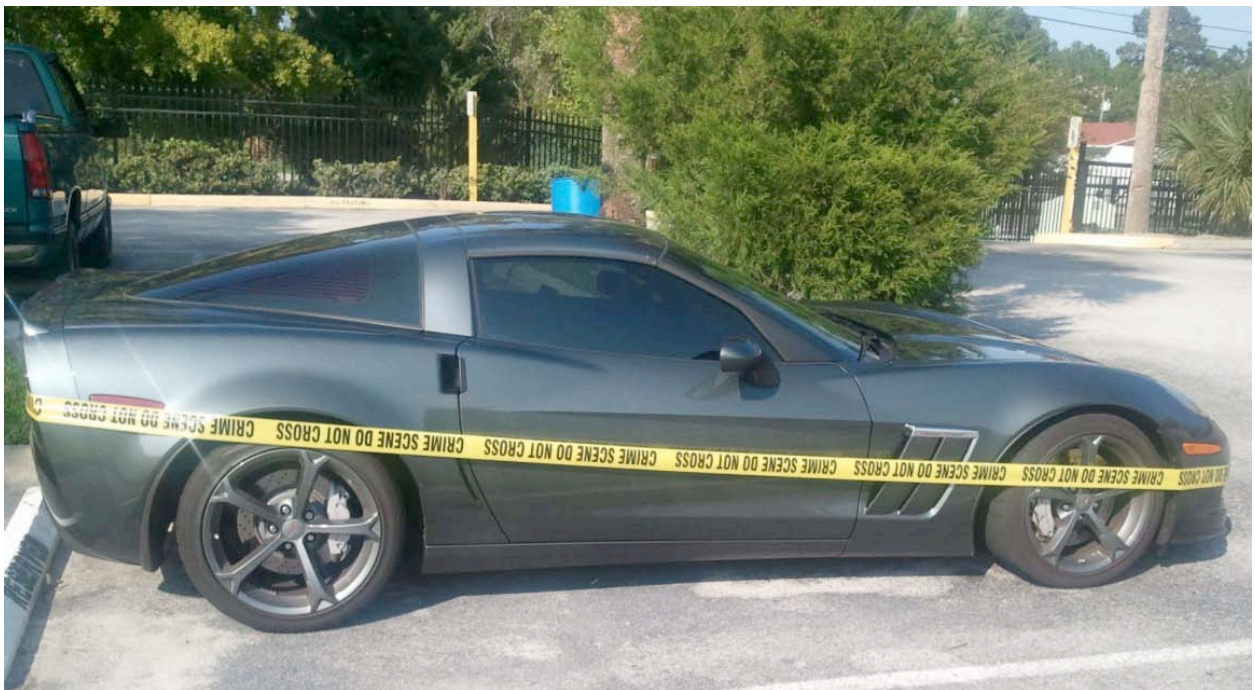
- September Business Meeting – September 8 – Longhorn Steakhouse, 7PM
- Cruise to visit Lemoyne – September 9th – Meet at FCCU at 5:45PM.
- Tallahassee Cars and Coffee – Texas Roadhouse, 8AM – September 17th
- Mystery Dinner Cruise – September 15th – 7PM.
- Charlotte Trip – Bank of America Race and Tour Hendrick Museum – October 7-10.
- ***Donations for the Lighthouse Girls Xmas Gift Fund now being collected!***

Check the Events Calendar on the website for more upcoming activities!

APPRECIATING THE FINER THINGS



Jessica Alba seems to like 79 Corvettes – Just sayin...OSKER!



One idea about making sure that no one parks near you.....

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM UPDATE!

Corvette Celebration! – The 22nd Anniversary Corvette Celebration and Hall of Fame Induction took place over the Labor Day weekend. Full reports will be forthcoming in the next issue of American Sportscar .

A Special Corvette Delivery – What a great idea! [Check this out!](#)

Membership Has Its Privileges! – Remember that being a member of the National Corvette Museum is not only a tax deductible contribution, but also gets you tons of perks like a quarterly subscription to America's Sports Car Magazine, discount in the Corvette Store, discounted registration on Museum events, free admission to the Museum, plus discounts on things like bricks, build sheets, window stickers, Corvette Plant tours, NCM Insurance, hotels and car rentals! Not only that but your membership helps us continue to preserve the history of the iconic sports car. Membership is only \$50 a year. Learn more and sign up online [here](#).

I didn't win either!! – Well, I didn't have to figure out how to drop everything and travel to the National Corvette Museum over the Labor Day weekend to pick up my new Corvette.....Darn it! But, I will keep trying. The good news is that one of our Florida Corvette friends from the Skyway Club won one of the Corvette raffles from last week. See the results [here](#).

GARAGE SALE!

Members with any unwanted Corvette items for sale that might be of interest to others can send the details and pricing info for inclusion in the next issue of the newsletter.

- **Corvette C6 Removable Top**, White, No hardware included. \$50 – Contact John Oppen (850) 508-8957.
 - **Aluminum grill for C6 Corvette**. Simple attachment to existing inlet. No screws or bolts required. \$35 – Contact John Oppen (850) 508-8957.
 - **Beautiful 1981 Red C3** for sale. Greg Laffitte - 229-560-9479
 - **1987 C4 Corvette Parts and Accessories – Cecil Bradley** via text at 850-688-3971 or email him at cfbradley9@gmail.com. Reasonable Offers Accepted
 - 1 Car-cover (Tan) with security grommets for C4 Corvettes (VG condition)
 - 1 Set of four 17" Corvette Wheels (VG Condition) with older tires.
 - 1 Set of New 4 Center Caps for 1987 Wheels
 - 1 - Kent-Moore ABS Tester (J35890) - works well (got it from Ebay)
 - 1 - Pin Out Box Tester(J35592) to be used with ABS Tester - got it from Ebay
 - 1 Set of two used half-shafts with older U-joints (removed from Corvette)
 - 1 - New Brake Master Cylinder for C4 (Never Used) - got it from Ebay
 - 1 Set of 1" Wheel Adapters for conversion from 16" wheels to 17" wheels; ideal for 1984-1986 Corvette or 1980's Camaro
 - 1 Set of Wheel Lugs with Gray Plastic Screw-On Caps
 - 1 Set of Factory Service & Electrical Diagnosis Manuals for 1987 Corvette (Fair condition)
 - 1 - Haynes Auto Service Manual for C4 Corvette (Fair condition)
 - 1 - 1987 Corvette Owners Manual (VG condition)
 - 1 - Air Filter Cover (Front Dam) - VG condition/never used
 - 1 - Used ABS Module (Taken from 1987 Corvette; Need to be Tested)
- Small Parts:*
- 1 - 1/2" wheel adapter
 - 3 Relay ASM (May need to be tested)
 - 2 - used front left wheel sensors (for ABS) - got them from Ebay

- 3 - Gaskets for Throttle or Intake Manifolds
- 1 - Head Gasket for V8 (C4 Corvette)
- 1 - New Temp Switch for V8 (C4 Corvette)
- 1 - Set of New four rod-end dust boots
- 1 - used Bosch Module (not sure what it is for, could be ABS related)
- 1 - New Part for Convertible Lock Pillar Trim

If you have any questions or suggestions about the newsletter, please contact:

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