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# **Meeting Information**

Our monthly business meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of the month.

The next meeting:

## 7:00 P.M. Thursday April 4, 2013

#### **Meeting Location**

**Daniels Long Chevrolet** 

670 Automotive Drive Colorado Springs, CO 719-632-5591



#### **After Meeting**

Dinner or just drinks Join us!

Texas Roadhouse 595 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street Colorado Springs, CO

#### **Board Meetings**

Board meetings, open to all members, occur the Tuesday prior to the business meeting. The chairperson for each event should attend the board meeting prior to an event.

The next board meeting:

#### Tuesday, April 2, 2013 7:00 pm

Jane Creighbaum 7080 Ashley Colorado Springs, CO 719-591-4435

### **Members Present at the March meeting**

Don Adametz Dave Hall Don Anderson Shauna Hall Rich Hallum Mike Baxter Steve Bello Johnny Harris Barrett Benson Judy Harris Charlie Boland Paul Heatwole Tom Hoeppner Dana Cherry Gail Creighbaum Barb Hoeppner Richard Holzwarth Jane Creighbaum Brian Dahl Walt Jenkins David Dempsey Gaylord Klessig Kitty Divis Bob Knowles Jeremy Eldridge Donna Larson Jessica Eldridge TJ Larson Robert Litten Jerry Fox John C. Gue Laurie Loewen Lorren Loewen

Jerry Ludke Jeff McCutcheon Debbie Mendoza Rick Mendoza Nancy Miller Roger Miller Rob Miskowitch Jim Nile Judy Nile Rik Noring Pete Olejnik Alta Olejnik Denise Phillips Jerry Phillips Rick Prescott Nick Renfro Reta Rogers

Steve Rummel Dan Schuck Skip Seiling Anne Silvers Jeff Smith Dan Steele Diane Stermer Jerry Stermer Dick Strauch Patty Strauch Paul Thompson Tom Ury Vicki Ury Gwenda Valentine Larry Valentine Terri Wheeler

#### **Guests Present**

Name	Corvette	Meetings Attended	Sponsor
Kathy Bitney	2009 Callaway	3-Dec/Feb/Mar	Cherrys
Bob & Donna Ribisi	1999	2-Feb/Mar	Barb Hoeppner
Joel Tunello	2010 Grnd Sprt	1-Mar	Terri Wheeler
Dave & Charli Trespass	'69/'98 Conv	1-Mar	Lorren Loewen
Tim Wardell		Previous Member	

# **March Meeting Minutes**

The March meeting was called to order by Tom Hoeppner at 7:05 p.m.

**Guests were introduced** by Diane Stermer. Kathy Bitney was voted in as a new member.

Treasurer's Report - Lorren Loewen reported on balances in designated funds and budgeted funds. Since it is the beginning of the event season, available funds are zero. No one asked for money.

**February meeting minutes -** Rik Noring noted that the Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Daniels Car Show will be a sanctioned event pending a Chairperson (Dana Cherry and new member Kathy Bitney later in the meeting volunteered to Chair/Co-Chair).

Gwenda noted that the announcement in the February newsletter of the "New This Year - Supplement to the printed Member Roster" was a little premature. By a show of hands, however, members overwhelmingly showed support for the supplement. Thus noted by Walt Jenkins our webmaster, the project may be inching its way up to the top of the priority list. In lieu of a cash bribe, a little arm twisting might still be helpful.

With those notations, motion was made to approve the February minutes as printed in the March newsletter.

#### Car News or Upgrades -

Paul Thompson reported new seat covers. He was pleased with the work and displayed a sample of the embroidery work done by Tayco.

Tom Hoeppner reported on the near tragedy in his garage with his fuel injection unit. With a lump in his throat and heart beating wildly, he recounted the event with words like smoke, fire, panic attack, and some reference to a hero and understanding wife. All is well now, with new unit in hand.

**Door prizes-** Provided by Daniels Long, the Creighbaums, and the Hobbs. Those winning door prizes were TJ Larson, Jeff McCutcheon, Brian Dahl, Rik Noring, Laurie Loewen, Barb Hoeppner, and perspective member Dave Trespass.

Designated Event for Charity –the annual Daniels Long Car Show was nominated by Lorren Loewen, seconded by David Hall, as the one event to be selected for profits to go to our Say YES charity. There being no other nominations, the nomination was approved.

Club Merchandise – New apparel will be available before each meeting at 6:30 p.m. To place an order, or if you have questions contact Laurie Loewen or Barb Hoeppner.

**Governor** – Rik thanked Walt Jenkins for good food and job well done in planning the Awards Banquet.

Rik Noring encouraged members to present event ideas to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Vicki Ury, or to Rik.

The next event is the March 23<sup>rd</sup> LaJunta, CO 3-low speed events. CSCC is assisting the Pueblo Corvette Club and sharing the profits.

Fill the gas tank, and head for Fruita, CO that night for the double-header weekend. Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup> is another sanctioned event. Check the webpage calendar for online registration and timely updates.

April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> is our annual drivers' school and 3 autocrosses. It's a great time for men and ladies to get seat time and instruction from our veteran drivers. Open to guests and new members. Experience the thrill by riding along.

**GarageTours**-The March 21<sup>st</sup> tour will be hosted by Rick Mendoza. Plans include tour of the Say YES! facility, followed by dinner at the Mason Jar.

Anyone wishing to host a night during the months April – December please contact Tom Hoeppner.

**Good News/Bad News suitcase**-Rich Hallum is scheduled to return the suitcase at the April meeting.

"Highway Beautification Project": David Hall reported April 6<sup>th</sup> as the next trash pick-up date. Meet at 8:00 a.m., followed by breakfast. Check details and map for location on the webpage event calendar.

**50/50 drawing** collected \$138; \$69 goes to the General Fund; \$69 won by TJ Larson.

Corvette Raffle Tickets-Barrett Benson announced he had only 8 raffle tickets left for the last C-6 to come off the production line.

Meeting was adjourned: 7:50 p.m.

### **Special Notice**

# Next Month - Voting on proposed changes to By Laws and Standing Rules

## See page 4

As President Tom Hoeppner has reported, discussion and a review of the membership requirements has been taking place over the last several months. The results of the review have been compiled into proposed changes to both the By-Laws and the Standing Rules. Please review the comments and text provided on page 4 to familiarize you with the issues, prior to the next meeting.

Proposed By-Law changes are required to "be included in the notice of the next meeting of members". Prior notice of proposed changes to the Standing Rules and General Policies is not required. However, they have been included as a courtesy.

#### **April Calendar**

Sat	Mar 23	3 Autocrosses – So Colo Corvette Club/CSCC Assist	LaJunta, CO		
Sun	Mar 24	3 Autocrosses Colorado Western Corvette Club	Fruita, CO		
Sat	Mar 30	SCCA Autocross	World Arena		
Tues	Apr 2	7pm Board Meeting	Jane Creighbaum		
Thu	Apr 4	6:30 pm – Come early for Merchandise Sales	Daniels Long Chevrolet		
Thu	Apr 4	7pm CSCC Club Meeting	Daniels Long Chevrolet		
Sat	Apr 6	8:00 am "Highway Beautification Project"	See details on webpage event calendar		
Sun	Apr 7	April Fool's Day Rally	DtRC - Down the Road Corvettes		
Sat	Apr 13	SCCA Autocross	Front Range Airport		
Mon	Apr 15	Newsletter Deadline for submissions	secretary@coloradospringscorvetteclub.org		
Thu	Apr 18	Garage Tour	Need Volunteer (check webpage for update)		
Sat	Apr 20	CSCC Driving School	PPIR		
Sun	Apr 21	CSCC 3 Autocrosses	PPIR		
Sun	Apr 21	3 Autocrosses	Central Wyoming Corvettes		
Fri	Apr 26	NCCC Governor's Meeting	St. Louis		
Sat	Apr 27	NCCC Governor's Meeting	St. Louis		
Tue	Apr 30	7:00 pm CSCC Board Meeting	Gwenda Valentine		
Thu	May 2	6:30 pm – Come early for Meerchandise Sales	Daniels Long Chevrolet		
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#### **Facebook Link**

#### http:/facebook.com/coloradospringscorvetteclub

Those who don't have a Facebook account can still click this link to see what the page looks like, but it would be view only...no editing allowed. To sign up for a Facebook account, click on the link above. For those who do not want to sign up for an account, when the login box appears, click "Close" on the lower right corner. Then proceed to select events for pictures or articles. NOTE: In order to update the page with comments, photos, or videos, a person with a Facebook account must go to this page and click the "Like" button.

# We shared our condolences with Gaylord Klessig in the passing of his wife Marlys.

During a time
Like this

we realize how much our family
and friends

really mean to us...

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be remembered

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MARLYS. I APPRECIATE
THE CLUB AND
MEMBERS KINDNESS.

#### Greet, Eat, and Meet



Rick Mendoza's invitation and good weather brought the following CSCC members out Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup>:

Skip Seiling and Reta Rogers
TJ Larson and Amanda, Terri Wheeler
Dan Schuck, Kathy Bitney
Lorren Loewen
Christy and Rich Hallum
Ken and Janna Hoffman, Robert Litten,
Don Anderson, Dick Ary
Tom and Barb Hoeppner
Larry and Gwenda Valentine
Pat Strauch





# Highway Beautification CSCC Member Project



Join us <u>Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup></u> at 8:00 a.m. for about an hour of work, yes, work. Our community service project is the section of Hwy 85/87 at mile marker 134.

We meet and park at the Farm Crest Convenience Store at Main Street in Security and Hwy 85/87.

http://mapq.st/16k9aKV

The club will provide safety vests, trash bags, pick-up handles (may be limited), & plastic gloves. It is suggested to bring your own gloves if you want something more heavy duty.

We will go to breakfast afterwards, probably at the Village Inn on Lake and South Circle.

Our Task Master - David Hall Co-Task Master - Lorren Loewen

#### **Proposed Changes to By-Laws and Standing Rules**

BY-LAWS - Article II

Proposed Change to Section 1.0 - MEMBER

#### Eliminate requirement for attending 2 meetings in a 3 month period. Paragraph will then read:

To become a member, one must: pay dues; be at least 18 years of age; own, or be principal operator of a Corvette; be a spouse or significant other of a Corvette operator; **attend 3 meetings within 12 months** as a visitor; and be approved (as a member) at the prospective member's third meeting by a majority vote of the members present at the CSCC meeting. Prospective primary members shall be voted on individually.

#### Add complete new paragraph that reads:

NCCC members of other Clubs; or Rocky Mountain Region members that wish to transfer their membership to the CSCC may do so by:

- 1. Filling out a CSCC on-line (or hard copy) membership application;
- Obtaining a CSCC sponsor;
- 3. Providing the membership application and a written request for membership (in writing) to the sponsor (that explains the reason for transfer and how they plan to benefit the club).

The sponsor will then attend a Board meeting; provide all required information; and serve as a reference for the individual. The Board will review the information and determine (by a majority vote) if the potential member should go through normal meeting attendance process, or if they may be voted for membership at the next possible meeting.

#### Add additional note (at end of section) that reads:

Note: If a CSCC member allows their membership to lapse for any reason, they may rejoin by meeting the requirements in the Standing Rules and General Policies, Section 1, Dues)

#### Section 1.2 - DEPENDENT MEMBER

Change existing paragraph to allow Dependant Members to vote after 18 years of age (versus no voting allowed at any age). Paragraph will then read:

The child of any primary or spouse member, who is between the ages of 16 and 21 years of age, shall become a dependent member upon payment of \$10.00 annual dues. They shall be entitled to all rights and privileges, **except they may not vote until age 18**; and they may not hold office. Participation in speed events will be in accordance with National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc. (NCCC) rules.

#### STANDING RULES AND GENERAL POLICIES.

Section 1.0 A - FINANCIAL POLICY; Dues

Add a new paragraph that allows a prior member, which allows their membership to lapse, a timeframe to renew. The new paragraph would read:

(4) CSCC members that allow their membership to lapse up to 9 months can renew their membership by paying a \$10 penalty, and paying all current membership dues for CSCC, NCCC, and RMR. Annual membership renewals are still required in October.

#### Section 1.0 D - THE PRIMARY CLUB CHARITY

Document when/how nominations are to be submitted; and change membership approval date to December (versus January) to help ensure more members are available and not on vacation as they might be early in January.

- **D.** The Primary Club Charity shall be a local not-for-profit organization and donations will be made as follows: **Add new paragraph (that incorporates existing paragraph (3) to read:**
- (1) Nominations for the club charity shall be submitted in writing (to the Board of Directors) no later than their November board meeting. The Board, by a majority vote, will determine if the nomination may be taken to the membership at the December meeting for a vote by members present.
- (2) Motions for a primary club charity will be made and voted on at the **December** business meeting.
- (3) A minimum of one (1) event will be designated annually as the official fund-raiser for the current year's club charity, and that should typically be done within two months of determining the club charity.
- (4) A minimum of one-third (1/3) of the CSCC dues will be donated to the official club charity annually. The amount will be based on fiscal year renewals and given to the charity at the beginning of the calendar year.

## Garage Tour - February 21st by Bud Silvers

Thursday morning the weather did not look good, but we decided to take a chance that it would not snow too much. That decision worked out very well, and I really want to thank all who braved the weather and came. I believe about 20 people attended.

Early in the evening, I made two demonstrations of cutting threads on a lathe in my upstairs workshop. All, who attended the demonstrations, seemed to enjoy seeing and hearing an explanation of the process.



The balance of the tour took place in my downstairs workshop/office. I had just finished the restoration of a 1946 MG-TC which is a British sports car and acknowledged predecessor of the Corvette. The TC was on display in the downstairs workshop.



Anne made some secret recipe White Chili, along with cornbread and salad. There were also some interesting snacks. Have you ever tried chocolate covered bacon? Walt tried it before he even knew what it was! Way to go Walt. One of the attendees was an MG friend named Carl Goodwin. Carl started



racing back in 1953 and was good friends with John Fitch, who was a well know driver in the 50's. Carl shared some interesting stories from his exploits. All in all, it was a good time for all. Thanks again to all who came

#### . Regional Awards Banquet- By Tom Hoeppner

Each year, the Rocky Mountain Region holds an awards banquet to recognize outstanding achievements of Clubs and individuals from the prior year. In addition to the CSCC being the number 1 ranked competition Club in 2012, we garnered 4 of the top 15 awards for men, and 6 of the top 15 awards for ladies, posed with personalized numbers they'll get to use for all of 2013.





Rankings for the ladies include: Shauna Hall (2nd); Laurie Loewen (3rd); Vicki Ury (6th); Carlie Noring (Tied for 7th); Florece Noring (12th); and Barb Hoeppner (15th).

Rankings for the men included: Roger Miller (2nd) (Prior TORCA member...now a CSCC member); Jeff McCutcheon (3rd); Rik Noring (4th); Lorren Loewen (5th); and David Hall (6th). Also included in the special recognition was Rick Mendoza (1st Place) for Car Show competitions and Roger for (1st Place) for Rallye competitions. Gwenda Valentine finished a close 2<sup>nd</sup> for top worker in the Region.



The Club also received a "Community Service Award". The recognition included information about our Christmas Basket project; support of High School Homecomings; and our Charity...the Say Y.E.S. organization."

Congratulations and a sincere thank you to all CSCC members that worked at; chaired; or

participated in rallies, car shows, autocrosses or any of our club events last year. Due to your work and support, the CSCC has won the Regional Championship award 2 years in a row.

The awards recognize what a great Club we have and the wonderful support we all give to the various events. Thank you to everyone for an awesome year!

# **Scavenger Hunt Rally-** By Jane Creighbaum 1<sup>st</sup> place winners: Team #1, Walt Jenkins, Nancy Miller, Bob

and Donna Ribisi.



**2nd place**: Team #5, Rik and Florece Noring, Mark and Laurie Hauschild.



**3rd place:** Team #4, Daniel Schuck, Kathy Bitney, Tom & Vicki Ury

50/50 Raffle - Big winner for the day was Bob Ribisi. In addition, he



was on 1<sup>st</sup> place team, won 2 door prizes, and the 50/50 raffle worth \$40....continued.....

We were blessed with a beautiful sunny day for our first rally of 2013 the Scavenger Hunt Rally. Great weather brought out fourteen corvettes which made up seven teams of four on each

team. The fun began at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.



Entrants were assigned to teams then headed out the

door to scavenge for 50 items and complete two check points. The rally ended at Fargo's pizza.



Everyone had a great time and no difficulty finding most of the items. One of which was a signed business card from a uniformed police officer. Wow, it must have been a slow day for our cities finest.



Thanks to our door prize sponsors: Zip Corvettes, Buffalo Wild Wings, Cole Promotions, Fargo's Pizza and Wild Blue Car Wash.

Special thanks to all our workers: Gwenda and Larry Valentine, Tom and Barb Hoeppner, Caleb and Jennifer Holloway, Adrienne and Ryan Holzwarth, Jerry Phillips and Gail Creighbaum



#### **Get To Know Your Fellow Members**

An interview with Todd and Denice Butts By Diana Dittman (done via e-mail)

How long have you been a CSCC member? Joined Oct 2005.

What Corvette do you currently own? Purchased a 1980 Coupe in 1986 from William's Chevrolet, upon Todd's return from Korea. Purchased a 1986 in 2002 from fellow soldier during Todd's recall to active duty during Iraq Freedom

Marital Status? Married for 39 years (this year).

Where are you from? Todd was born in Pipestone, MN; his family left the farm when he was 4 years old. He grew up all over the western U.S. Denice was born in Pasadena, CA. and grew up in Arcadia, CA.



How did you meet? Met in 1970 at the Moon Light Roller Rink in CA; Denice was 14 and Todd was 17. After dating for four years, they married.

**Employment?** They moved to Garden City, KS and Todd went to work for Eby Construction, started Garden City Community College and worked 2 part time jobs. After graduating from OSU, Todd took his commission into the U.S. Army. Assigned to the Armor branch of the Army, he started Basic training as an Armor Officer. He was then selected to go to flight school and became a Rotary Wing Pilot. He went to the Transportation Advance Course when he changed branches from Armor to Transportation. He then went to the Rotary Wing Test Pilot Course. He served his first maintenance Test Pilot assignment in Korea with the 4-7 Calvary. Todd retired from the Army the first time in 1996 and started an engine DYNO service in CA with some of his childhood friends. In 2002 the Army had a recall for the Iraq Freedom and Todd returned to the Army and retired for the second time in 2006.

Denice graduated from the Sawyer Business College in CA. and then took a secretarial job at the Garden City National Bank in KS. Upon moving to Colorado Springs, she became a Mary Kay Beauty Consultant. She became a Mary Kay Director within 6 months and has continued to build her business for 31 years.

**Pets?** Two cocker spaniels Max and Reba, both 6 years old. They adopted Reba from a Puppy Mill Rescue Service. **Favorite club activity?** They enjoy all of the club activities. **Hobbies?** They both like water skiing, snow skiing, dirt bike riding, gardening, working on and driving their Corvettes. **What is the best vacation you ever took?** They went to Hawaii for their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and had a wonderful time. Todd is still planning something for their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year.

#### What is your dream corvette?

An autocross car - Todd would like to get a 2002-2004 ZO6

Todd was working on his 1986 and listening to the radio. The 2005 Daniel Chevrolet annual car show was in progress and being advertised on the radio. He went to the show to find out some information about his Corvette and to buy some parts. He met Pete Olejnik and Pete talked to him about the club, gave him a copy of the newsletter, and invited Todd to attend the club meeting. The rest is history! Thanks Todd and Denice.

#### The Final C6 Vette-by B. Benson; bsgaured@g.com

On Thursday, at 8:04 a.m. February 28, 2013, the last 2013 Corvette rolled off the line at the Bowling Green Assembly Plant. 215,100 C6 Generation Corvettes were made since production began in 2005. The last C6 Convertible, an exclusive 427 Collector



corvettemuseum.org 1-800-538-3883

Edition outfitted with the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary design package, will join other historic GM vehicles at the GM Heritage Center in Warren, MI.

The celebration was short lived as less than 30 minutes after the last C6 was built, workers began remodeling the plant to prepare for the launch of the all-new C7 Stingray. The task of tearing down and re-tooling will require about four weeks. Workers are expected by March 25<sup>th</sup> to begin learning the entirely new process required to build the Stingray.

The Assembly Plant, which hosts up to 50,000 visitors each year, is temporarily closed to the public, but tours are expected to resume in late fall. However, the museum has arranged an exclusive tour on June 27<sup>th</sup> during the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birthday event. I wish all of you were accompanying me as one of the 250 enthusiasts taking this special tour. I'm anticipating it will be even more fun than previous tours I've taken!

#### **National Corvette 2014 Caravan News**

Colorado: <a href="http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/">http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/</a>.

National: <a href="http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/co/">http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/co/</a>.

The National page has general information and the Colorado page has more info on route, activities and hotels. Registration is now open for the event.

#### Summer Fun -

submitted by Vicki Ury

Like our club, other Corvette clubs offer wonderful, fun, and exciting events, especially in the summer. Here are two:

The Lake Tahoe Corvette Club has scheduled their 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvettes at Lake Tahoe car show weekend June 13 – 16, at the MontBleu Resort Casino and Spa located on the south shore of beautiful Lake Tahoe in Stateline, NV. The cost is \$150 per couple and \$125 for singles. Room rates at the MontBleu are \$89 for Thursday and Sunday and \$139 for Friday and \$149 for Saturday. Mention "Corvettes at Lake Tahoe" – Group Code #STVET13. Attend for all 4 days or just a day or two. More information is at <a href="www.laketahoecorvetteclub.org">www.laketahoecorvetteclub.org</a>. If you have never been to Lake Tahoe – it is beautiful and this sounds like a worthy *road trip*.

The Sioux Falls Corvette Club is sponsoring their 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Black Hills Corvette Classic, which will be held July 16 – 21 in Spearfish, SD. This event has been attended by many of our club members over the years. The Noring's, Ury's, Dittman's, and the Bochnak's have all enjoyed the event. It is a fun weekend filled with activities from guided tours of Mt. Rushmore and Devil's Tower to a large Corvette car show on the main street of Spearfish. Seeing 500 Corvettes is quite the site! The "home base" of the event is the Spearfish Holiday Inn but there are many hotels in the town of Spearfish. For more information, please visit www.blackhillscorvetteclassic.com. It is suggested to book rooms ASAP if you plan on going.

#### "Say YES" Kids and Air Force Basketball - Article by Tom Hoeppner - Pictures by Todd Butts and Stacy B.



On March 9<sup>th</sup> Colorado weather decided to provide a challenge for the fans and dumped snow and ice, with heavy winds. However, that didn't stop a lot of our group from going to the game as scheduled. After all, it was a night to share with our Charity; recognize the AF seniors; and watch the AF play nationally ranked #12 New Mexico.

Even before the game started, it was obvious the fans sensed something special. I think the crowd fired up the AF team, and they decided they'd give it their best too. In what was a history-making game, AF won (89-88) on a 3-point shot with 3.5 seconds remaining in the game.

Our "Say Y.E.S." fans (the Club's charity) perhaps cheered louder than all the other fans, especially after the Falcon's mascot (the Bird) showed up for hugs and pictures. This was one for the memory books.

A special thank you goes out to the Air Force Academy ticket office that offered our Club 100 tickets, at a greatly reduced price, so that we could do something special for our Charity. Thanks to Rick Mendoza for coordinating the efforts with Say YES!

A "Gem"

<u>- By Rick Mendoza (abridged)</u> The March 16th St. Patrick's "Greet, Eat, and Meet" started at the VFW and ended in Woodland Park. We all ogled over that shiny "what do you call it" thing under Kat's Callaway hood! We all marveled at Jeff McCutcheon's unique front racing slicks! "Aren't racing slicks supposed to go in



the back", someone asked. Jeff responded, "No I put my new tires with tread on the back. You learn something every day!! Then we went into the VFW where a few of us had some Corn Beef and Cabbage and Kat's son Josh and some of

few of us had some Corn Beef and Cabbage and Kat's son Josh and our high techies were discussing Einstein's birthday and  $E = mc^2$ , or something like that.

To our surprise, 8 cars were there for the drive up the hill. So we departed the VFW and headed to Woodland Park. I don't have to tell you how cool it is looking in your rear view mirror and see a string of corvettes snaking through the canyons. People seeing us coming and pulling over and those "Wow look at them" smiles and looks that we got as we zipped by. Really fun with a little leap-frogging along the way, but always mindful that there was a Callaway with a young right foot back there somewhere just waiting to blow by.





We arrived at Woodland Park, parked at the Train Depot Rest Stop and went across the street to the Ute Pass Inn cafe. We walked in and pulled some tables together. 10 people walking in all at once, well the staff had to go to work. The service was a little slow by the conversation and fellowship was great. When the food arrived everything got quiet, which is usually a good sign about the food. Sitting in the cafe we could see across the street and people looking and taking pictures of the role of corvettes. We have had three GEM get-togethers and at each one people have stopped to look, and enjoy our "America's True Sports Car" The Corvette. It's fun to own and drive them, but I'm sure we all get some joy from

answering questions or just talking to people and sometimes the looks and thumbs up are just priceless. After everyone had their fill, it was time to pay up and continue. Blessed and spared from any weather, the temperature h noticeably dropped by the time we left the cafe. With clouds moving in over the mountains and my acute ability to smell snow, everyone pretty much decided to head down the hill and it was a great day to be a corvette owner.

It was again a planned but intentionally unorganized get-together, and it was fun to Greet, Eat, Meet (GEM) with members and especially to see Kat's visiting young son fit right in with the group. For sure, he's a future autoX.er

Next Sat. TJ, Kat (who's ready to call a GEM) and I will be going with others to the La Junta Autocross. So Guys and Gals, if you want to get out with your Corvette for an hour or 2 and if you have or know of a place that has ample parking (so you can park together), reasonable and good food, and seating for the group all you have to do is send out an email to csccvettes@googlegroups.com. Give a time, place and then you just be there. We have had 3 GEMs and I would say that 50% of the participation has been different people and cars each time. If you do it, they will come and you will get to know each other and their cars better.

If anyone is interested, email or call me. I'm glad to help, but would like to see this dynamic amongst the members that just enjoy getting out with their Corvettes and other Club members for an hour or two. God bless, Rick.

**Club Trailer Update** - Race season is upon us, and as promised, the Club trailer is better than ever. Tom Ury and Larry Valentine put their heads, tools, and expertise together and raised the bar, literally. Now the whatchamacallit screws to the thingamajig, and ta-dah, the timing display is raised 4 feet above the trailer, adjustable to sit at any angle needed for best visibility. No dangling wires. It's pretty slick.





Easy Raising.....



Then lock pole into the brackets on side of trailer.



The Wizards....
Tom and Larry



Ta-dah!

# Pole screwed into the display & locked at selected angle.

#### - Email Distribution List - <u>csccvettes@googlegroups.com</u>

To send an email to the entire club, use the above link. All new members are added to the list using their email address from the Club roster. If you have questions about the distribution list, please contact <u>mikie.ulrich@amail.com</u>.

With this privilege comes responsibility. Please keep content specific to Club related or Corvettes. The By-laws state "Misuse of the CSCC website, Facebook page, website email, or distribution email, will not be tolerated and may result in club probation or expulsion. Please feel free to set up your own "group" for willing member participants and non-Club related content.

#### NCCC Rocky Mountain Region Website NCCC Rocky Mt Region Website

This link is also available on the CSCC web site. For a list of Regional Officers, Regional Clubs, expanded list of the regional Calendar of Events, Event Results, Race Number registration form, Rules and Forms, NCCC news, and more, visit and stay informed.

#### NEW! - "Printed Roster Supplement"

www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org

A supplement to the annually printed Member Roster is available in "Members Only" section of the webpage. New Members will be updated monthly. Print it, slip it into your copy of the printed Member Roster, stay current, and get to know the new members. Re-print the update as often as you wish. Check it out! Located directly under "Member Roster"

#### Want to Advertise?

If you are a member of the Colorado Springs Corvette Club, you may place a *personal* "For Sale" ad in the "**VETTE SET**" at no charge to you.

The cost of advertising for business ads for nonmembers are below and members' receive a 20% discount or two months free when they purchase one full year.

 Business Card
 \$10.00/month

 1 / 4 page
 \$15.00/ month

 1 / 2 page
 \$20.00/month





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Coming next month......A new ad from Daniels Long on this page.

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Daniels Long Chevrolet is proud to be the official sponsor of the Colorado Springs Corvette Club. Our partnership gives you access to VIP benefits at our dealership. If you have not received your Daniels Long Chevrolet VIP membership card, please talk to your club president to get one. *The VIP membership card must be* presented at time of service or sale to receive benefits.

- \$29.95 Oil Changes (corvettes only, 4 per member, per year)
- All Parts will be offered at 25% off retail pricing.
- Service and Body Shop labor will be offered at 15% off retail rate.
- All new vehicles will be offered at \$100 over invoice (based on availability, excludes current model year Corvettes or Duramax Diesels).
- Any New Corvette order will be offered at \$500 over invoice.
- All used vehicle inventory will be offered at \$750 under internet pricing.

Our experienced and knowledgeable sales, parts, and service teams have been notified of these benefits for CSCC members. When the VIP membership card is presented, all above pricing and benefits take precedent.

Additionally, we have a great *Thank You Cash* program, and just for being a CSCC VIP member we want to give you EXTRA cash rewards. Start earning today! Here's how it works; contact me personally (my contact details are below), give me your name and VIP membership number along with the name and contact information of the friend or family member interested in purchasing a vehicle and I will set up an appointment with them. If your friend or family member purchases a new or used vehicle, we will reward you with \$300 Thank You Cash! There is no limit to this offer. It's just our way of saying Thank You!

My team is committed to providing you with an excellent sales, service, and parts experience. Stop in or call anytime ... we are here to serve you!

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As the selected Charity for 2013, Say YES! receives 1/3 of the CSCC fiscal Year membership renewal fees, and one event scheduled in 2013 is designated as a fund-raiser. (The Daniels Long Car Show event Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> has been selected for 2013)

As with all nonprofits, they have continuing needs and wishes throughout the year. If you would like to receive information regarding additional opportunities for personal giving to Say YES!, you may contact Stacy Butler directly. Simply request to be added to the email list.

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