

# Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona

## The Talepipe Newsletter



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Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at T.G.I. FRIDAYS, located on the corner of Granada Avenue and A1A in Ormond Beach. We invite you to dine with us at 6:00 PM, and stay for the meeting, which begins at 7:00.

**A WELCOME GOES OUT TO ...** Herb and Shirley Gerstel, our newest members, who have attended the last three meetings. Herb and Shirley make their home in Ormond Beach and drive a 2010 Blade Silver coupe. We are happy you decided to be Corvette Cruisers. Welcome!

**BUSY MONTH AHEAD:** April is set to be a busy month with our usual BOTR, the mini golf tournament, the club picnic, and our major charity event of the year, as well as the Easter and Passover holidays. So, **Mark Your Calendars.**

- ✓ **April 15** --- The Breakfast (Lunch) on the Run will be a trip to Sanford to Joe's Crab Shack. Since this restaurant is scheduled to open on the Daytona Beach pier later this year, we can give it a test run to see how we like it. Meet at the Sunshine Park Mall in South Daytona at 10:15 am.
- ✓ **April 20** --- The first round of the Mini Golf tournament will begin on course 1 at the Pirates Cove golf course on A1A in Ormond Beach. Come on out and join the fun. You don't have to be a

great golfer to participate. (Few of us are.) And remember, ice cream afterwards!!!

- ✓ **April 21** --- Make sure you have this date circled on your calendar for the club's annual picnic at Reed Canal Park in South Daytona. Enter from Nova Road. Food will be catered by Dustin's and delivered at 11:30 a.m. Bring your drinks, but no alcohol allowed in park.
- ✓ **April 21-26** --- Deliver items for the "Trash to Treasures" Yard Sale to the Quinn's by 7 p.m. on the 26<sup>th</sup> to allow time to be priced and marked. Volunteers will be appreciated on the 26<sup>th</sup>. **NO CLOTHES PLEASE.** Everything else is good. Call Jim at 761-3403 to ensure someone will be home.
- ✓ **April 28** --- Trash to Treasures Yard Sale and charity event opens to the public at 8:00 am. **We must be there by 6:45 a.m.** Our Corvettes will be on display, so have yours all shined up and l-o-o-k-i-n-g g-o-o-d!! Don't forget your chairs and some cold drinks. There will be shade. Please plan to come – we want to have a good showing.

**MOM'S GETS GOOD REVIEWS:** Five couples braved the threat of severe thunderstorms and possible tornado warnings to make the trek to New Smyrna Beach for breakfast at Mom's. Mom did not disappoint. The small, busy restaurant delivered BIG. Friendly service, fresh flowers on the table, and heaping portions of really good food made the experience well worth the trip. Bonita Richardson and Bill Simmons, Sandra and Ray Gatz, Sally Clutter and John Doria, Linda and Bob Wolff, and Jean and Ed Doyle all said they would give Mom's a "thumbs up." Check out this photo of their special Belgian Waffle. Yummy! (Photos by Bill and Jean)



**ART OF THE AUTOMOBILE:** Coming up in May – Big Al's car show on Beach Street in Daytona on May 4-5. This 2-day, free event will be a club function and will again be featured on the TV show "Car Crazy." Register on-line at [www.artoftheautolifestyle.com](http://www.artoftheautolifestyle.com) to give the organizers an idea of the number of cars to expect. This is a great show, folks, with displays from million dollar Bugattis to rat rods, and everything in between. Hope you will be able to make it to this fun event. Specifics on times, place to meet, etc, will be discussed at the April club meeting and will appear in next month's Newsletter.

**BIRTHDAY NEWS FOR APRIL:** Those celebrating birthdays in April include Carole Connelly on the 5<sup>th</sup>, Bill Simmons on the 21<sup>st</sup>, and Alice Luther and Jack Keimber share the 25<sup>th</sup>. Happy birthday to all.

**50/50 WINNER:** Dave Huber took home \$23 from the 50/50 drawing at the March meeting. Dave has won several times in the past year. Perhaps he will share his secret. Dave??

**CORVETTE NEWS:** Black has been the #1 selling exterior color for the past eight years, but guess what? It is NOT even available on the 2012 Corvette. Carbon Flash Metallic is close to black but is only available with the centennial package for a \$4950.00 upcharge. Was black affected by the earthquake in Japan which caused a shortage of raw materials for some of the Corvette colors? Don't think so since black IS available on the 2012 Camaro. Go figure!

**This just in** – new colors announced for 2013 include Night Race Blue Metallic and BLACK. Discontinued colors are Carbon Flash Metallic and Carlisle Blue. Somebody's playing in the paint room.

**TOM GIBBS CORVETTE AND CAMARO DISPLAY:** The Corvette Cruisers had a great showing with fifteen Corvettes making the trip up I-95 to the Tom Gibbs dealership in Palm Coast – making us the largest representation by a club and thus winning the best club participation award. Congratulations to us! Lots of members won door prizes such as a car detailing certificate from the Auto Butler, a Corvette computer mouse, a do-it-yourself detailing kit, liquid car wash, a circuit tester, a voltage

indicator and some other items. The biggest prize of the day, the 50/50 drawing, worth about \$250, was won by our own Tim O'Leary. Enjoying the day in Palm Coast were Leslie and Art Armstrong, Chuck Konopsky, Leann and Frank Fedele, Sally Clutter and John Doria, Jean and Ed Doyle, Joan and Skip Crowder, Ginny and Jim Quinn, Maya Branden and Dave Huber, Yvonne Mandley and Jack Keimber, Alice and John Luther, Shirley and Herb Gerstal, and Bonita Richardson and Bill Simmons. (Photos by John D. and Jean)

**PHOTO OF THE MONTH (as seen on the Home Page):** Did you know that the Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona is represented at the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky? This is a photo of the engraved brick in the walkway leading to what used to be the front entrance of the museum. Now that the museum has been remodeled and expanded, the front has now become the back, but our brick is still in a very prominent place. Look for it if you happen to be visiting the museum any time soon.

**WHO'S WHO IN THE CORVETTE CRUISERS ...** Jean hasn't received any pictures of our members yet to include in the Who's Who section on the Home Page. Bill Simmons did send a very interesting story about some exciting adventures he and Bonita have experienced with their Corvette. Be sure to click onto Who's Who and read Bill's and Bonita's story. But remember, you don't have to have a story. Send a picture of you and your Corvette(s).

