

# Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona

## The Talepipe Newsletter

August, 2011



**President: Jim Quinn, Vice President: Art Armstrong, Secretary: Jean Doyle, Treasurer: Alice Luther, Directors: Ginny Quinn, Chuck Konopsky, Bob Compton, Newsletter Editors: Ed and Jean Doyle**

Our monthly meetings are held at D. B. Pickles, located at 400 S. Nova Road Ormond Beach, the third Tuesday of each month. We invite you to dine with us starting at 6:00 PM, with the meeting starting at 7:00.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT:** Many thanks go to Bob Compton for his past contribution as Newsletter editor for our club. He has passed his "pen" over to us, Jean and Ed Doyle. We ask for your patience as we learn the ropes of putting the newsletter together and getting it out to you in a timely manner. Thanks, Bob, for your great work in keeping us all informed. We are happy to report that Bob will continue as the club's official photographer.

**OH NO!:** Brunch on the Run for July began with 12 members in 7 Corvettes on a scenic trip through the back roads to Whitey's Fish Camp in Jacksonville. Unfortunately, we arrived at Whitey's with only 11 members and 6 Corvettes. About half-way there, John Luther's '57 decided it didn't want to make the trip. The gas throttle linkage broke resulting in John sending an SOS to AAA. Alice continued on to the restaurant with John Reis and brought back an order of fish and chips for John to eat later. Hmmm -- some consolation for waiting for the tow truck in a drizzling rain!

**BOTR:** Breakfast on the Run for August will be at Toni and Joe's Patio in New Smyrna Beach on Sunday, August 7. Meet at Sunshine Park Mall in South Daytona at 8 a.m. for a nice cruise to a new eating experience.

**DAY TRIP TO MAITLAND:** On Saturday, August 13, we will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Target parking lot on Dunlawton Avenue in Port Orange for a trip to see the Corvette collection at Rogers Corvette. John Doria will be leading the tour and we will stop somewhere for lunch. (See Photo of the Month)

**BOARD MEETING TIDBITS:** The Board of Directors Meeting was held at the Doyle's on July 12<sup>th</sup>. Agenda items included BOTR's for the remainder of the year.

- August 7 – Toni and Joe's Patio -- NSB
- September – (date to be determined) Arnie's at Pine Lakes Country Club – Palm Coast (tied in with a visit to King Bowen's garage)
- October 2 -- Betty's on A1A -- Ormond-by-the-Sea
- November 6 – Boston's Fish House – NSB

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Several restaurants were suggested and considered for the site of our annual Christmas Party. But after much discussion, the Board decided to again celebrate the holidays at the Ormond Beach Steakhouse, which has received a majority of thumbs up in the past. Although a free drink will not be on the menu this year, there will be more door prizes.

**ELECTIONS:** Club elections are coming up in November. Won't you consider taking a seat on the Board? Art Armstrong will be chairing the Elections Committee to, hopefully, provide a slate of candidates from which to elect a President, a Vice President, and 2 directors. Alice has agreed to be placed on the slate for Treasurer, and likewise Jean for Secretary. The club would like some new leadership to bring some new ideas to the Club.

**FALL/SPRING TRIP??** Several suggestions have been made for a 3 or 4 night road trip either in the fall or spring, within a day's drive from Daytona. Sanibel and Captiva Islands and the Everglades have been mentioned. Also, an overnight trip was suggested to tour the Marjorie Rawlings House in Gainesville and onto Ocala for a tour of the Don Garlits Drag Racing Museum. Past trips include Amelia Island, Jekyll Island, Key West, Savannah, and Charlotte (NASCAR Hall of Fame). What are your thoughts and suggestions?

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** (Other than BOTR's)

- National Night Out Against Crime and parade through South Daytona – August 2 – Sunshine Park Mall.
- Day trip to Rogers Corvette in Maitland – Saturday, August 13. Meet at 9:00 am in the Target parking lot on Dunlawton Avenue. John Doria will be leading the tour. We will stop somewhere for lunch. (See Photo of the Month)
- Flagler Corvette Club Car Show – October 9. Registration is \$25 through 9/23. After 9/23, it will be \$30.
- Halloween Party – October 29. The Quinn's, who have hosted this party for years, will be out of town this year, so the club is looking for someone who might wish to host this fun event.
- Silver Springs Corvette Show – Sunday, November 12. Pre-registration is \$30. After 10/30, cost is \$35.
- Turkey Run – November 24-27 at the Speedway.
- Christmas Party – December 13.

**CLUB CRUISE:** One trip that IS on the books is a 4-night cruise to the Bahamas aboard Royal Caribbean's "Monarch of the Seas" on January 23. Although the tour is presently sold out, the tour guide is keeping an availability list. If you are interested, see Jean for details. Four couples are going from the club thus far.

**BIRTHDAYS:** August birthdays are John Reis on the 8<sup>th</sup>, Anita Slaton on the 19<sup>th</sup>, and Sandra Gatz on the 28<sup>th</sup>. A BIG "Happy Birthday" to all.

**REMINDER:** We hope everyone is enjoying the summer. Attendance at the meetings has been much lighter than usual, so don't forget to put the club meeting on your calendar.

**WELCOME BACK:** The Club was happy to welcome Skip and Joan Crowder as guests at the meeting on July 19. Skip and Joan were members of the Corvette Cruisers about 7 or 8 years ago. They drive a really sharp 2004 Lemans blue Z06 commemorative edition.

**PHOTO OF THE MONTH (seen on the Home page):** This rare Corvette is one of only two built with an all aluminum 427 engine and may be viewed during our trip to see the unbelievable private collection at Rogers Corvette Center [www.rogerscorvette.com](http://www.rogerscorvette.com) in Maitland on August 13. This car was recently inducted into the Bloomington Gold 2011 Great Hall [www.bloomingtongold.com/greathallcars.html](http://www.bloomingtongold.com/greathallcars.html)