

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 (Dutch treat) at 6:00 PM, and stay for the meeting, which begins at 7:00.

SEPTEMBER DOTR: If you have been paying attention, you will discover that there has been a change in plans for the September Dining on the Run. Originally, we were headed to Shrimp-R-Us in Welaka, FL, but a last minute change appeared to be in order after the Quinns checked it out. So after last month's short trip to Mango Sun (about 5 blocks) we are going to make up for it this month as we head to Crescent City (about 50 miles) to 3 Bananas Restaurant for lunch on beautiful Crescent Lake. Notice also, that because Labor Day weekend falls on the first Sunday of the month, DOTR will take place on **Sunday September 8th**. Let's meet at Bealls in Ormond and be ready to leave by 10:30 a.m.

relaxing dinner and a chance to see everybody in the evening light, for a change. SoNapa, which takes its name from a combination of Sonoma and the Napa Valley wine areas of California, not only serves up great wines, but also boasts a well-rounded American cuisine menu of steaks, chops, chicken, and seafood dishes as well as lighter fare. So plan to come - the party will not nearly be as fun without you. We will meet in the parking lot of the New Smyrna Beach Steakhouse at 5:00 p.m. For those of you not familiar with the location of the Steakhouse, head east toward the beach over the South Causeway, which becomes 3rd Avenue. The Steakhouse is located in the Bealls/Publix shopping center on the right at 723 E. 3rd Ave. (If you see the Boston Fish House on the left, you've gone too far.) You are not required to wear your club shirt. Watch for an email to come your way asking for a headcount for reservations.



MORE EATING IS IN STORE: Dinner Night Out is coming up. Mark September 24th on your calendar as the date we take a drive to SoNapa Grille in New Smyrna Beach for a



SEPTEMBER 27TH DEADLINE: The Flagler County Corvette Show, "Corvettes at the Beach," is scheduled for Sunday, October 12th. However, the deadline for pre-registration is September 27th, so get your money in BY THIS DATE. Pre-registration is \$30, which will save you \$5 over day-of-show registration. Those pre-registered will receive one event shirt and the first 100 will receive a dash plaque. The registration form can be found at <http://flaglercountycorvetteclub.com>. For those of you who do not have web access, forms will be available at the September meeting. This is our first car show club event of the fall, so let's have a good turnout as we have had in the past. (Club participation award pays \$200.)

"MANGO SUN" REVIEW: The reviews are in and it looks like Mango Sun will be a keeper. Eleven Corvettes, twenty members, (Frank and Leanne Fedele, Skip and Joan Crowder, Richard Wetherby, Herb and Shirley Gerstel, Art and Leslie Armstrong, Ed and Jean Doyle, John Doria and Sally Clutter, Harry and Carolyn Horchler, Dave Huber and Maya Branden, Mike Mills, Jim and Ginny Quinn), and two guests, (Mike's granddaughter Kaitlin, visiting from England and Richard's friend Bernie) enjoyed the hospitality and the delicious breakfast that Mango Sun had to offer. From homemade crepes, to overly-stuffed omelets, to creamy eggs benedict and everything in between, Mango Sun is the place to be. On very short notice (about 10 minutes, since it is very close to our meeting place), the staff had the tables set and ready for the blast of orange (or tangerine, or maybe mango) we brought with us with our

club shirts. (We matched the decor better than the wait staff, who were all dressed in bright orange!) Everyone seemed pleased as punch (mango punch?) with breakfast. Oh yeah, and the OJ was truly to die for. A little tidbit we picked up from the owner - he owned a '74 Corvette prior to purchasing the restaurant.

A NEW LOOK: If you look at the online version of the club calendar, you might notice a bit of a change. Since events other than those that are "official" are placed on the calendar, it's sometimes hard to recognize which ones ARE and which ones ARE NOT club events. From now on, all official club events will be printed in orange to eliminate any confusion. Anyone that knows of an event they wish to have included on the club calendar, please let Jean know.

OCTOBER IS MONEY MONTH: Start gathering yours together as October is the month Club Dues are due. REMEMBER that you must pay by the October meeting (October 15th) to be in good standing with the club. Prospective members on the waiting list will be notified following this meeting if any membership slots exist. If you won't be here for the October meeting, send your check in the amount of \$60.00 to Alice Luther. (Find Alice's address in the Members Only section of our Website.) Make sure it arrives by the 15th so you can be counted in the membership.

PROPOSED OFFICER'S SLATE: It is still not too late to nominate anyone you may think will make a good candidate for one of the club

officers for the two-year term of 2014-2015. A proposed slate announced in August is as follows:

President: John Doria
Vice Pres: Richard Wetherby
Secretary: Jean Doyle (again)
Treasurer: Alice Luther (again)
Directors: David Huber (again)
Skip Crowder
Jim Quinn (past president serves)

This slate is just a proposal. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the September meeting, so if you have someone in mind for any of these offices, please make your nomination be known. Choices are always good. It's the democratic way.

NOTES ABOUT OUR MEMBERS:

A new Addition to the Fedele Family:

After several months of being without a Corvette, Frank and Leanne purchased a beautiful 1972 Ontario Orange Convertible with an LT1 engine and very low mileage. Welcome back into the Corvette fold.

September Celebrations: Birthdays include Joanna Oswald on the 2nd, Yvonne Mandley on the 5th, Ray Gatz on the 6th, and Shirley Gerstal and Ed Doyle share the 23rd. Happy Birthday to all!!!



Anniversaries include Bob and Mickey Fritz, Al and Linda Blake, Ed and Amy Anderson, and Herb and Shirley Gerstal, who will celebrate number 59!! (They must have gotten married when they were 12.)

50-50 winner: The BIG money of \$11.50 went to Ray Gatz at the August meeting. Ray received some good medical news that day, so the drawing was just a continuation of his good luck.

UPCOMING EVENTS: A little peak into the future reveals the upcoming events for the remainder of the year:

- Oct 6th - DOTR (Breakfast) at North Turn in Ponce Inlet
- Oct 26th - Halloween Party (start thinking about your costume)
- Nov 3rd - DOTR (Lunch) at Dolphin View in New Smyrna Beach
- Nov 9th - Marion County Corvette Show at Don Garlits Racing Museum in Ocala
- Dec 11th - Christmas Banquet at Oceanside Country Club in Ormond Beach.

CORVETTE NEWS: Ed reports that news about the 2014 production has been very sketchy. Very little is leaking out about when the first production cars will be shipped to the dealers. General Motors has never given a concrete date, Car dealers have received their allocations and Jim Quinn reports that Jon Hall will receive 37, all of which have already been sold. A question arose at a club meeting as to whether or not the 2014 Indy pace car is the car that was purchased as serial #1 by Rick Hendrick of Hendrick Motors and NASCAR fame. Research indicates this is NOT the car. Rick will receive the #1 production car when it comes off the assembly line. All 2014 cars that

have been produced thus far are all test cars and will eventually be destroyed. This just in: Internet chatter on the Corvette Forum indicates that approximately 20 cars per day are now being produced, #1 of which is the Hendrick car, but they are presently on hold until released by quality control.

PHOTO OF THE MONTH (as seen on the Home Page): If you dig the new Stingray but miss the old ZR1, then Callaway might have just the ticket. According to the *AutoBlog* website, the Corvette tuner extraordinaire has teased that there's a supercharger kit on its way for the latest C7 that could make up the difference and then some.

While the 6.2-litre LS3 V8 in the previous-generation C6 packed 430 horsepower in base form, the new LT1 in the Stingray displaces the same but comes standard with 455 hp. So Callaway has 25 fewer horses to make up in supercharging the C7 up to the ZR1's 638 hp. That's still a lot of power to get out of an aftermarket supercharger, so we'll see how close Callaway can get it. We will find out as he and his company head to Corvettes at Carlisle in PA. But that hood image on the photo sure looks promising.

**WATCH OUT FOR THOSE SCHOOLBUSES
ON THE ROADS AGAIN.**