

Queen City Corvette Club, Inc.

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Queen City Corvette Club (QCCC) newsletter is published monthly by volunteers and members of QCCC. Subscription rates are free for members. Guests can receive up to three months of newsletter issues, then are removed from mailing list if they haven't participated in any QCCC events. Cost for postage and production is paid for through membership dues. Membership list and financial data are not published for guest copies. For change of address and all other QCCC inquiries, write to: **Queen City Corvette Club, P.O. Box 473072, Charlotte, NC 28247.** QCCC is a non-profit club (501-C7) which raises money for and participates with various local children's charities. Dues and donations are not tax deductible. We strive to promote exciting, safe & fun ways to enjoy our Corvettes. We hold business meetings on the second Saturday of each month. Our monthly business meeting usually incorporates a social time afterwards. Our socials are always fun and are focused around food & drink. We've had swimming parties, bar-b-ques, cookouts, day trips and weekend trips. We participate in mountain tours, holiday parades and several homecoming parades at local area high schools. We also participate with several sister Corvette clubs in car shows, drag racing, and autocrossing. After an initiation fee of \$7.00, club dues are only \$8.00 a month, per family, and are to be paid quarterly. These dues go to cover the costs of running the club, mailing newsletters, and subsidizing the costs of our meetings. Club officers serve as volunteers.

To become a member of the QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB, you must own a Corvette and attend at least two (2) monthly business meetings within a six-month time period. Express your wishes for membership during a monthly business meeting, be voted in and begin paying dues.



Dear Fellow QCCC Members:

This Holiday season has been a very rewarding time for QCCC and all the wonderful members. I know Kim and I have been very blessed this season through the many opportunities available to us to be able to assist the less fortunate and also be able to have the great fellowship with others in QCCC. We would like to thank each and everyone one of you for making that happen and we look forward to an even better year in 2001.

Our club is in fantastic shape! You have all contributed in bringing this club to new heights. Our membership, according to the rolls of December 1999, has grown from 91 members to over 155 members, presently. That's an increase of 72 % !! I don't know if we will sustain that type of phenomenal growth in 2001 but there does not seem to be any indications as of now for any turndown.

Of course with this growth come many additional challenges. Over the course of 2001 we will address these challenges and ask for everyone's support and assistance to make 2001 an even greater year than 2000.

As we wind down our past 2000 millennium year let's take a moment to reflect on the past activities and many social events. We have been just about everywhere from the low country (Savannah), to the mountains (Balsam Inn & Boone), to the ocean (The Winds @ Ocean Isle), to the Cherokee Indian reservation (some members were even held hostage), to Ohio, (God forbid), to a Murder Mystery and on and on. Oh ya and for those of you who have not been there we have also been to Judy & Jodie Austin's at Lake Norman. This equates as a day trip for most just to make the round trip. However, you will never regret the experience. I have been told recently that the Austin's are building their own power plant because their Christmas lights are pulling all the available power from Statesville. You get the point. It's been fantastic.

Don't forget to get your reservations in for our club prom and banquet on January 20th. The rooms must be reserved by December 31, 2000 to get in with the club block. The banquet cost of \$20 / person is due to Eddie no later than January 13th.

Also, please don't forget to stop and say thank you to the 2000 QCCC Board of Directors for the outstanding job they all did this year. They put in a lot of extra time and effort for us. In addition, Kim and I would like to thank everyone for your support, friendship and comradery throughout the year. We will certainly do our best to make 2001 another successful year. Thank you.

Sincerely,

P.O. Box 473072 Charlotte, NC 28247



January 2001

Thank you to Nancy Runnion.

Meetings - The January and February club meetings will be held at P J's Place in Matthews. P J's is located at 600 Matthews Mint Hill Rd, old highway 51, in Matthews. Be there by 6PM!

Banquet - The Awards banquet reminder January 20. If you plan on attending the awards banquet this year at the Wyndham Gardens hotel please make sure you send \$20 per person to Eddie Burt. Eddie must receive your payment no later than January 13. Also, when making room reservations, mention QCCC to get the special room rate!

Events -

QCCC - Tentative planned events for 2001:

- Savannah April 27-29
- Daniel Boone Inn October
- Outer Banks / lighthouse tour
- Mountain trip Cashiers / Highlands

Non-QCCC -

- Daytona Rolex 24 hour race in Daytona Beach Fla. February 2-4. for more information: <u>www.c5registry.com</u>
- Car Guys performance driving school Lowes Motor Speedway, February 16 & 17 For more information: <u>www.carguysinc.com</u>

Volunteers are needed for 2001 social committees. The club is now at a size where it is difficult if not impossible for one person to plan the social events. Your input, ideas, and help would be most welcome in planning the 2001 events. If you have been to a place or know of an event that you think would be of interest to our club let me know.

If you have questions, comments, suggestions, or would like to volunteer to be part of the social committee please contact me at **PPelkey@carolina.rr.com**

Minutes from December 9, 2000 QCCC Business Meeting

The December 9, 2000 business meeting and Christmas party was held at the Country Inn in Matthews. Officers in attendance were Fred Fischer, John Meadows, Eddie Burt, Nancy Runnion, and Jeff Estridge. Greg Beavers was acting secretary.

The meeting was called to order by President Fred Fischer @ 6:45 pm.

Fred gave a brief introduction as to the evenings planned activities and entertainment by Ken Watts and the group Cross Roads. He then announced the evenings buffet arrangements with priority table selections. He also informed everyone (especially Fred L.) the cost of \$12.95 also included taxes and tip. Diane Branche then led everyone in the evening blessing.

The meeting was then set aside until everyone had an opportunity to finish going through buffet line and the evening's entertainment could proceed. During the evenings entertainment a chosen select few were summoned to assist in the Christmas singing. Those chosen were Fred Fischer, Steve Branche, Sue Stickels and Caroline Lentz. During this fine show of vocal entertainment we were treated to our fine group singing Jingle Bells (backwards). You needed to be there for this one.

At 9:00 Fred reopened the QCCC Business Meeting and announced the evenings meeting would be abbreviated so we would have enough time for the gift exchange.

Recognition was given to Don & Hilda Yost as the longest standing (Don stated he was sitting) members of the QCCC.

À reminder was given to everyone to make their hotel reservations by December 31st if you are staying at the Wyndham and to have your banquet monies (\$20/person) to Eddie Burt no later than the January 13th Business Meeting. These must be prepaid. Greg Beavers reminded everyone the hotel room is \$72 / room including breakfast and check in time can be 1:00 pm for those of you who will be involved in the afternoon ladies activities with Nancy.

Ann Hillyer addressed the membership concerning a special request she had of a physically challenged little girl in the need of a key board in order to assist in her communication. The club had previously committed its total charitable funds allowed by the by-laws for the year so QCCC could not contribute to this. A QCCC member and his wife had the pleasure to be able to assist in this and pay for the needed key board.

A reminder was given reflecting the need to have volunteers for the needy children Christmas dinner at Good Ole Days on Christmas day at 3:30 pm. Contact Jeff Estridge for the details on this event. It is very worthwhile and rewarding.

The Christmas gift exchange was announced to begin. Nancy stated there was 115 members and guests in attendance at this Christmas party.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Beavers

1969 Corvette: By the Numbers by Tony Prior



I recently sold my 89 Conv and purchased a 1969 /427 4 speed Coupe. It's a pretty nice car, runs very strong but it is 31 years old and un-restored. The car was built late Feb / Early March 1969. The motor was built 1/31/69.

The NUMBERS: S/N 1943795720244 , Engine Block T0139MH, Engine Stamp 19S720244

Now for the **REAL** numbers...

2 front brake calipers-\$140 Labor to remove calipers –45 minutes Labor to remove 1 stinkin' caliper bolt-2 hours Travel time back to parts store to get correct front right caliper- 1.5 hours Gas Tank-\$240 Gas Tank Sender unit-\$65 **Towing-No charge, thanks David** Coma -5 davs **Beer-** Lost count Flat Right Rear Tire- no charge **Remove Wheel Lug Nuts- No Can Do** Bring car to Eddie Burt- 2 or 3 days later, lost count by now, back in the Coma Remove wheel lugs with 100 psi impact wrench-1 hour **Drain Radiator- 30 minutes Remove Radiator-1 hour** Remove water pump and belts and stuff-**30** minutes Drive to radiator shop to have radiator checked- 30 minutes

Radiator check out-\$40 (it was fine, thank God) Go get radiator bring it home-60 minutes Get new Water Pump and Belts-\$75 Put it all back together- 6 hours- NOT **COMPLETE ! More Beer-Lost count** Bring radiator back to repair shop for small leak that I put in it -1.5 hour Take hood off car-10 minutes **Remove radiator housing –30 minutes** Go to hardware store for stuff-1 hour Put it all back together -6 hours Go back to the hardware store for more stuff -1 .5 hour Go get longer belts at the parts store-1.5 hour **Install new belts-30 minutes** Start Car- Check water temp Yipes! **Overheating** !! **Remove and replace bad new thermostat** -\$6 piece of junk Start Car, check temp. 190 stable. YES !!! Hello Houston, we have a launch!! Drive car, Smoke the Tires-

Listen to the 427 Roar - worth the whole price of admission!

Until next time, Tony

Ho,Ho,Ho - Merry Christmas DSS Families!



The Queen City Corvette Club hosted three families from Division of Social Services this year. On Saturday December 16, many QCCC folks gathered at Eddie and Jane's home in Weddington to sort the gifts that QCCC members most generously contributed to this event.

We loaded three SUV's to capacity and headed out to make our deliveries!

There were four bicycles, food in plenty and gift wrapped boxes galore! As we arrived at the delivery homes, our anticipation grew. The gifts kept coming and coming! Our families were all overwhelmed. The living rooms were filled, Grandmothers had grateful tears and the kids were "blown away".

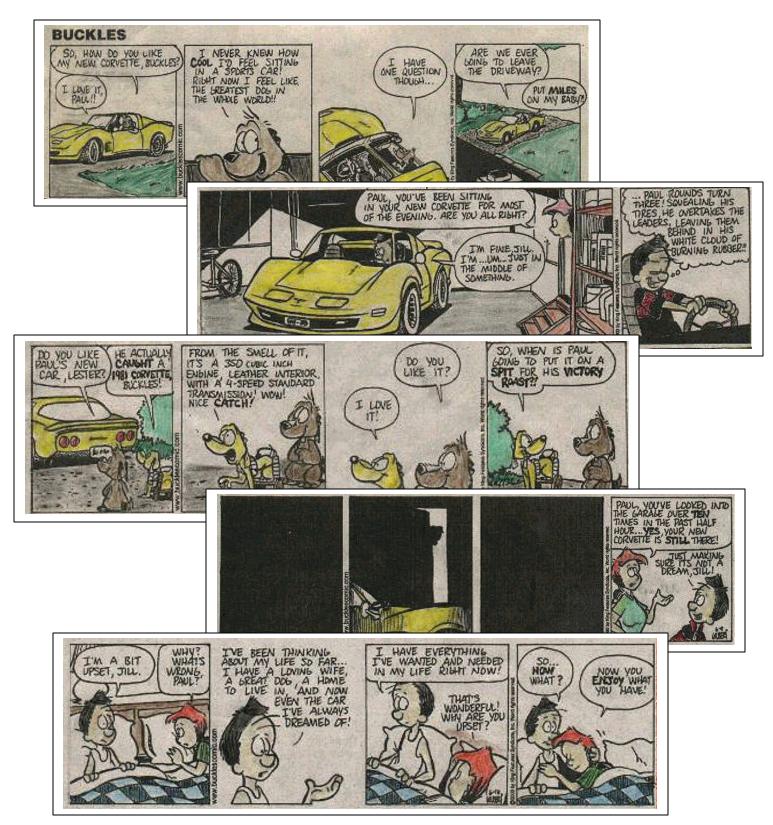
This was a GREAT experience and helped those who participated to regain their Christmas spirit. Worthwhile, well done, and long lasting!

Terrific Job QCCC! Thanks!

Fred Fischer, Past President

Truisms for Corvette fanatics...

A Christmas gift to Paul Pelkey from his Father in Law that he thought might apply to many of us!



CAROLINA REGION NCCC ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA

February 17, 2001

HOTEL

Four Points Sheraton 2701 South Ocean Boulevard Myrtle Beach, SC

- Room Rate: \$44.00 per night, plus applicable taxes. All hotel reservations must be made directly through the Sheraton Hotel. The cut-off date for this rate is January 16, 2001.
- Reservations for Hotel Room: 800 992-1055
 The Banquet will be held on Saturday, but we hope that as many of you as possible can join us on Friday the 16th and Saturday the 17th for an extended fun weekend.

BANQUET

- Buffet dinner free beer cash bar DJ and dancing.
- \$30.00 per person NCCC, \$35.00 NON-NCCC. Checks should be made payable to Carolina Region NCCC and can be mailed to :

Nelson Hoenig 18 East Branch Court Columbia, SC 29223 (803) 736-0650

ACTIVITIES

- Friday Open -- so that you can enjoy the great Myrtle Beach restaurants and local entertainment and shopping. Or later, Friday evening, our Hospitality Room – beautiful ocean view – beer, cokes, snacks. Maybe a little "Remote Car Autocross"
- Saturday morning "Photo Rally"
- ♦ Saturday afternoon 3:00 Governors' Meeting
- Saturday night 7:00 Awards Banquet

DEADLINES

- January 16, 2001 deadline for hotel room with group rate
- February 8, 2001 deadline for banquet reservations

SEE YOU AT THE BEACH!

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