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To become a member of the QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB, you must own a Corvette and attend at least three (3) monthly business meetings and two (2) events within a six-month time period. Express your wishes for membership during a monthly business meeting, be voted in and begin paying dues.

The President's Thoughts.

We hope everyone had a great holiday season and enjoyed being with family and friends. The 2009 New Year is just around the corner and it is shaping up to be an exciting and fun year for Queen City Corvette Club. We would like to thank all of the members and guests that made 2008 one of the best. Our Board Members and

QCCC staff did a superb job last year. Thank you for all of your hard work and we know we can count on you for advice and help in 2009.



Our new board is already hard at work on the calendar for 2009. The social committee has met and has a very aggressive and fun filled year in the works. Be sure to let Adina or her committee know of your ideas and willingness to help implement them. The automotive committee is also working hard on 2009. They have secured our 2008 sponsors, City Chevrolet and Hendrick Chevrolet and Cadillac, for 2009. Thanks to John and Nelson for a good job. Phillip our new VP is working on some new meeting places.

The annual banquet is coming up on January 17th at the Embassy Suites. This is one of the highlights of the club every year. Be sure to get your reservations in early. You will not want to miss the silent auction items for charity and a very fun evening. More information can be found in this newsletter and on the web site. See you there!!!!

Last but not least, I would like to thank our 2008 Board Members Q Gross, John Meadows, Linda Meadows, Margo Gross, Kay Weisberg, Eddie and his helper Jane Burt. Our staff E. O. Oakley, Paul Mariano, Paul Pelkey, Charlie and Iris Binder, and a special thanks to (our new official club photographer) Bob Denney. Oh, I almost forgot "Mr. Sock" who retired early.

Without you, 2008 would have been just another year. Our 40th year was great. We will keep the Corvette spirit alive and flourishing.

"Save the Wave" and remember all racing Corvettes are Yellow,

Boyd

PS: I have set up a new email address without any blocks. It is:
boyd-qccc@earthlink.net

VP REPORT

Hello everyone.

I look forward to serving as your new Vice President for the 2009. Our first meeting is Saturday, January 10th at Troutman's BBQ in Concord. Everyone please wear your favorite team apparel. (I will be wearing Panthers attire.) Dinner is at 5:45pm and the meeting will start at 6:30pm. The cost for the meal is \$11 per person. Please bring the exact change.

The menu is as follows:

- BBQ or Fried Chicken
- Green Beans
- Creamed Potatoes
- Tossed Salad
- Hush puppies
- Banana Pudding
- Tea, water or coffee

I need to know the number of people planning on dinner by January 6th. Email me at pglewis@comporium.net.

February's Valentine Party will be at the Captain's Galley in Matthews. The cost for dinner will be \$14 per person. Again, bring the exact change. Time for the event will be determined later. The menu will be a buffet which includes a variety of broiled and fried seafood, slaw and a dessert. This is a banquet facility so we will have music and dancing. Make plans to attend and have a great Valentine's Day.

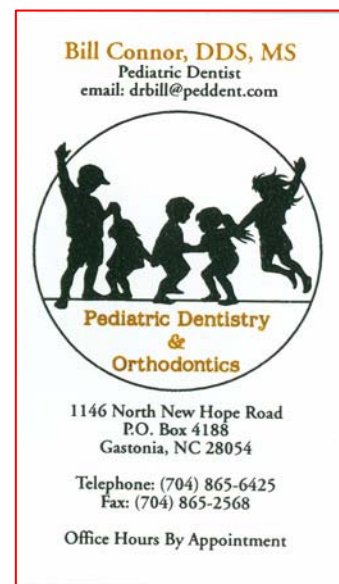
Look for more information on the web site for these two events. If you know of potential meeting sites for the club, please let me know.

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QCCC Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 2, 2008



The December Board meeting was held at John & Linda Meadows home and was called to order at 7:15 PM. Officers present were, Quentin & Margo Gross, Eddie Burt, Boyd Kurt, John & Linda Meadows and Kay Weisberg. Guests were Jane Burt, Adina Ledford, Phillip Lewis, Nelson Sprague and Jim Weisberg.

Officer reports were as follows:

Q Gross - President

- Welcomed new 2009 Board members present at meeting.
- Reviewed Male & Female Rookies of the Year nominee process for the December meeting.

Boyd Kurt – Vice President

- Reviewed December meeting plans and gift exchange.
- January meeting plans are set for Troutman's Barbeque in Concord.
- Attendance gifts have been ordered for banquet.

John Meadows –Automotive Director

- Air National Guard gifts will be collected at the December meeting and distributed during the week following meeting.
- Parade obligations will be fulfilled.
- Will be working with Nelson to renew Hendrick Chevrolet contract for 2009.

Kay Weisberg – Social Director

- Reviewed annual banquet plans – January 17th Embassy Suites, Concord.
- Deadline to pay for banquet will be January 10th.
- A 50/50 raffle will be held during the banquet with 50% to go to Charity fund.

Eddie Burt – Membership Director

Letters have been sent to renew advertising contracts for 2009 newsletter.

Linda Meadows - Treasurer

Reviewed expenditures and budget. Final budgets in line with projections.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Margo Gross, Secretary

A business card for Kay Weisberg, REALTOR*, with the award-winning Roger Berrey Team. The card features a portrait of Kay Weisberg on the left. The background is blue with the RE/MAX logo (a red and white parachute) in the top right. Contact information includes: 8035 Providence Road, #320, Charlotte, North Carolina 28277; Cell: (704) 576-3625; Office: (704) 543-6680; Fax: (704) 542-9718; E-Mail: kayw@carolina.rr.com. The card also includes the NLS logo and the text "Each Office Independently Owned and Operated".

QCCC Club Inventory Fiscal Year 2009

Equipment Item	Equipment Status	Location
1 QCCC Official Seal		Boyd Kurt
1 Speaker system w / microphone		14523 Harbor Estates Road
1 Official Oversize Meeting Gavel		Charlotte, NC 28278
1 Green Tub With Club Historical Records		
2 QCCC Banners & Racks		Nelson Sprague
1 Club Tent		1028 Hollybank Drive
Assorted Corvette / Chevrolet Banners		Matthews, NC 28105
1 Club Flag		
Poker Run Cards		
50/ 50 Tickets		
1 Fire Extinguisher		Eddie Burt
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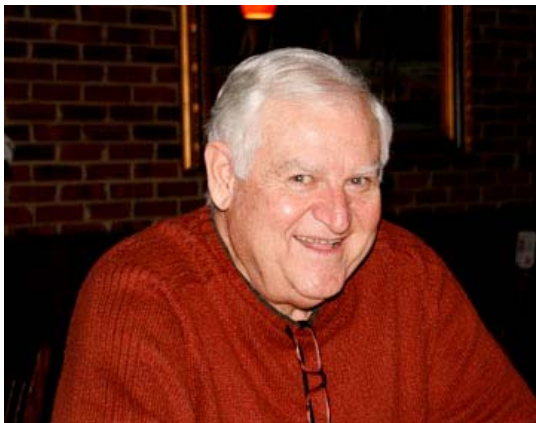
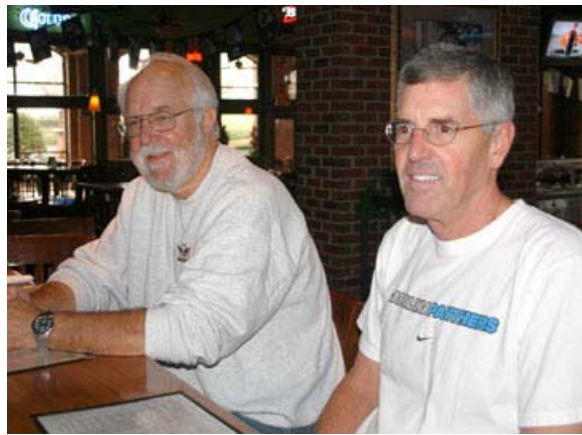


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The Scene from December Men's Lunch



QCCC Meeting Minutes

Saturday, December 13, 2008



The December business meeting and holiday dinner was held at the Pleasant Hill Presbyterian, Charlotte, NC and was called to order by President, Q Gross at 7:00 PM.

Officers Present: Q Gross, Boyd Kurt, Eddie Burt, Margo Gross, John Meadows, Linda Meadows and Kay Weisberg.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the November business meeting.

New members voted in: **Michael & Jennifer Clay, Glen Dick, Virgil & Kelli Dumire, and Tony & Debby Russ.**

Q Gross, President

- Recognized and thanked 2008 Board members for all their help
- Thanked E.O. Oakley for maintaining the QCCC website and Charlie & Iris Binder for the great work they do on the newsletter each month and also recognized Bob Denney for the great job he does photographing all the many club events.
- Reminded members that Rookie of the Year & Outstanding Member of the Year will be voted on at tonight's meeting.

Boyd Kurt, Vice President

- January meeting and dinner will be held at Troutman's Barbeque in Concord. Dinner will be at 5:45 with meeting starting at 6:30. Cost of dinner will be \$11.00 per person. Please bring exact change.
- February meeting has been arranged by Phillip Lewis. Arrangements have been made for a valentine dinner meeting at Captain's Galley on Independence. Cost will be \$14 per person.

John Meadows, Automotive Events Director

- Thanked everyone for their help this year and for all the support.
- Contract with **Hendrick Chevrolet** has been renewed for 2009. They will again contribute \$1500 of which \$1000 will go into the charity fund and \$500 to the club.
- Thanked everyone for the generous donations to the families of the Air National Guard.

Kay Weisberg, Social Events Director

- Reviewed annual banquet details. Cost will be \$32.50 per person for members or \$70 per person for nonmembers.
- For those who ordered Murder Mystery photo books cost is \$10.
- Gift exchange will follow at conclusion of meeting.
- Reviewed annual banquet plans which have been set for January 17th at the Embassy Suites in Concord. Deadline to make reservation for attendance is January 10th. Checks must be received by January 12th. Payment should be made payable to QCCC and either brought to January business meeting or sent to 2009 treasurer Florence Prather.

- For those who wish to stay overnight after the banquet Kay obtained room rates of \$79 per couple at the Wingate in Concord. Members should mention QCCC to obtain rate.

Linda Meadows, Treasurer

- All monies have been received from **Hendrick Chevrolet** and added to Charity fund.
- Reminded members that Charity funds will be also be raised at the banquet.

Eddie Burt, Membership Director


- Introduced tonight's guests.
- Membership is at 231 members – 126 families.
- In 2008 club sold 20 advertisements; to date 12 have renewed for 2009.

Paul Mariano, National Corvette Museum Liaison

Reminded members to let him know if they are interested in going on the 2009 Caravan.

Motioned was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by
Margo Gross, Secretary

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Automotive Report

QCCC Members,

The holidays are past and Barbara and I are looking forward to another great year as members of QCCC.

First, I want to thank everyone for electing me to be Automotive Director.

During 2008, our club participated in many very nice events. Some were for fun, food and showing off our cars while others included helping others through our charitable giving. My hope is that we can continue to provide you with these opportunities again in 2009.

At our December 13th meeting, we collected gifts for the families of the Air National Guard who have one or possibly two parents deployed overseas and who need assistance to make this a merry Christmas for their children. On Wednesday 12/17/08, E.O. and Ann Oakley, John Meadows and I delivered those gifts to Air National Guard Major Cecil and his staff for distribution to the appropriate families. QCCC not only covered the entire list given to us by the ANG, but also provided \$495 in additional gift cards to help any other ANG family that might have been missed. You also provided \$255 in prepaid telephone cards the service men and women can use to call home this season. The estimated value of your giving was over \$2,500. THANK YOU for your support.



The only event that has a set date now is Car Care Day, February 21st at Wally's "Garage Mahal". Events we have in the planning stage are: St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 14 and Lowes Auto Fair on April 4 & 5. You can review the QCCC calendar for tentative dates of the other car shows (City Chevrolet, Charlotte and Hendrick Chevrolet Cadillac, Monroe) and the various holiday parades. Your participation as club members in these events is very much appreciated.



Your input is requested for ideas for other events or day trips for the coming year. If you have already submitted your ideas on the social committee request form, you do not need to duplicate that information. We will combine our lists. We are looking for ideas that might be considered outside the social events. One such event could be a drag race day to ZMax if it is authorized by the raceway.

After the close of our January business meeting, I would ask any member of the 2008 charity committee who would like to continue in that job and any member interested in being part of the committee to meet with me for a very brief time to start planning for 2009.

Thank you in advance for your support and participation.

Nelson

Helping the Community: Charity Food Collection

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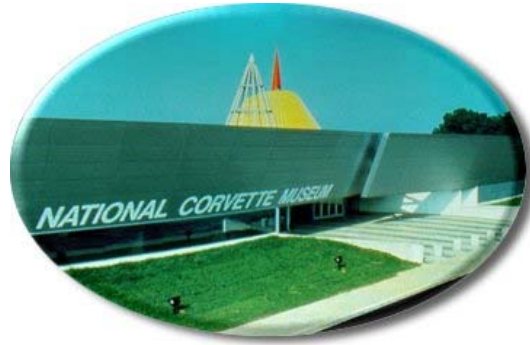
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NCM Corner



It's that time of the year that produces mixed feelings. Corvette activities are going into hibernation but the holiday festivities are in full bloom. So, somewhere in-between those two emotional states, there are moments of stability where we can begin planning for the next Corvette season. Before we know it, the car shows, excursions, and weekend trips will be rushing at us and then it's decision time. Fortunately, our club has crack social and automotive teams so most of the hard work is done for us. Adina Ledford, and her committee, along with Nelson Sprague, are incorporating the NCM calendar within the club schedule, so all events will be easily displayed for your personal choices.

We now have nine cars registered for the C5/C6 Bash at the museum in April. Rooms at the Hilton Garden Inn have been secured at a special rate of \$115.00 plus tax, making the five-day trip very affordable. If you would like to join the merry band for a memorable trip to the NCM, just let me know you are interested at www.vettltd@aol.com and I will e-mail you all the info you need to make the decision.

By the time you read this, Christmas will be behind us and I hope you took advantage of the Corvette Store at the NCM to do some of your shopping. The NCM, like all of us, has been impacted by the economy and every little bit each of us can do helps the situation. Admissions are down 11%, which translates to lower store sales and naturally less revenue from gate receipts. With the expansion nearing completion, you can help by purchasing a hexagon brick for the Corvette Boulevard in the new addition or with a small donation. All help is greatly appreciated and you will have a sense of satisfaction that you are helping to sustain one of the most important sites of Corvettedom.

James Young of Santa Rosa, CA won the build-your-own Z06 raffle and Robert Amor of Sioux, SD won the Mexican Riviera Cruise.

The newest selectees for the Corvette Hall of Fame are Duane "Sparky" Bohnstedt, early Corvette designer, John P. Hinkley, historian and writer, and Corvette racers, Anthony "Tony" DeLorenzo and Gerald (Jer) Thompson. They will be inducted during the 15th Anniversary Celebration on the Labor Day Weekend.

Tune in to the NCM website on January 8th to see if you are the lucky winner of the 2009 Victory Red coupe. Tickets are still available on-line.

Save the Wave

Paul Mariano
NCM Ambassador

QCCC AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday, January 17, 2009

6:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Embassy Suites, 5400 John Q. Hammons Drive NW, Concord, NC

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Cost: \$ 65.00 per couple for QCCC members (\$32.50 per person)
 \$ 70.00 per person for non-member

RSVP Required by Wed. January 10 to: Kay Weisberg – 704-576-3625
kayw@carolina.rr.com

Checks must be **received** by **Friday Jan 12**

Send checks to Florence Prather -

2000 Draymore Lane, Matthews, NC, 28105

Rooms have been reserved at the Wingate by Windham

7841 Gateway Lane, Concord, NC 704- 979-1300

Mention the Corvette Club. Rate is \$79.00/night and includes a hot buffet breakfast. Please reserve rooms by Jan. 1, 2009.

This will be a fun night with a cash bar, hot buffet dinner, dancing, slide show, and 50/50 raffles. Awards will be given out and our new King and Queen will be crowned.

Menu to include:

Chicken Saltimbocca, Pecan Roasted Salmon

And

Carving Station of Prime Rib

As Well As

Roasted Garlic Rice, Vermicelli Pilaf, Lyonnaise Potatoes

Green Bean Casserole & Sauteed Carrots

Fresh baked southern yeast rolls

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and

Chef's Dessert Assortment

Highlights From Christmas Party/Meeting







The Lake Wylie Parade....



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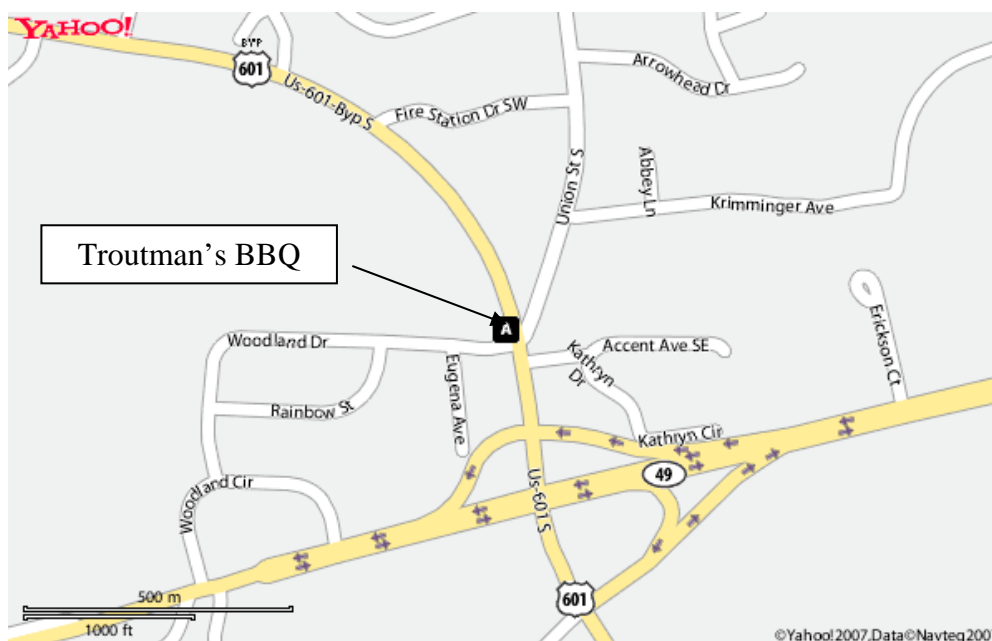
Note: 5:45 PM Buffet Dinner (Available for \$11.00 per person)
6:30 PM Meeting

Please sign up for Dinner Reservations by January 7th via email to:

(We need to know how many to fix food for!)

Phillip Lewis at pglewis@comporium.net

Dress: Wear your favorite sports team outfits. (Go Panthers)



Reminder:

Your annual dues are due! Please forward \$96.00 to: Florence Prather

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