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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.

Because the weather was not cooperative in May, our car show with City Chevrolet has been rescheduled for June 20th. Please be sure to mark that date on your calendar. We want to have a great showing for our sponsor City Chevrolet. Their introduction of the new 2010 Camaro was great and we had a good turnout of QCCC members for the kick-off. Also don't forget Eddie and Jane's BBQ on the 13th of June. We guarantee it will be fantastic.



Did everyone enjoy the meeting at the NASCAR Technical Institute? We had over 101 people attend. This was the largest meeting we have had this year. What a great place for a meeting. We look forward to having another meeting there. Thanks Phillip and Pam.

So far, we have had a very busy 2009, and more exciting events and trips are planned for the balance of the year. Be sure to check the website and your emails for more information. To help in our planning, please remember to sign up early. If you don't sign up, we may assume that there is a lack of interest and the event might be canceled.

Our QCCC Board and staff are working hard to make 2009 the best year ever. Thanks to all of them for their hard work and dedication. They make my job easy.

“Save the Wave” and remember all racing Corvettes are Yellow,

Boyd



National D- Day Memorial

PS: Please let me know how we are doing. Phone, email or just talk to me and let me know. boyd-qccc@earthlink.net

VP REPORT

The featured members for the month are Eddie and Jane Burt. They have been active members of the club since January 1995. Eddie is the current Membership Director, with Jane assisting.



Eddie was born and raised on a farm in Ringgold, Louisiana which was thirty miles from the site Bonnie and Clyde were killed. His first job was as a shoe shine boy and he worked for his father in a gas station on the weekends. He was graduated from Byrd High School and was the captain of the basketball team. His coach in High School was Scotty Robertson who became head coach of the Detroit Pistons and later the assistant coach of the Phoenix Suns.

In 1956 he went to work for Equitable Life Insurance as the mail boy and worked his way up to the senior management team. He retired from the company after 37 years.

Eddie has four children, two sons and two daughters. Eddie Jr. teaches at UTI in Houston, TX; Gary is a CPA and works for Shell Mobil in Bakersfield, CA; Beverly is a conference planner at the Hilton Anatole in Dallas, TX; and Brenda works for Exxon Mobil in Houston, TX, and is also an accountant.



Jane is a native of Charlotte and was graduated from Myers Park High School. She attended UNC Greensboro and was graduated with a degree in Business Administration. Jane went to work for AXA-Equitable directly out of college. She started in the collections department and held numerous middle management positions. She obtained the classifications of CLU, ChFC, FLMI and ACS. Jane provided service for the first variable life insurance policy and implemented the national call center for the company. It is here that Jane met the love of her life Eddie. They married in 1985. She left Equitable in 2001, after 24 years, and worked for her brother in law as a Bookkeeper/Treasurer. She is currently employed with Mark and Adina Ledford's Red Baron Transportation as a sales representative. She loves the family oriented atmosphere and feels the trucking industry is fascinating. Jane has one sister, Judy who lives in Salisbury, a niece Olivia who is at UNCC and a nephew, Thomas who is attending Virginia Tech.

Eddie fell in love with Corvettes after taking a 1963 road trip with a friend along Route 66 in a 1962 Vette. Eddie's first Corvette was a 1966 with a 427/450 hp/4 speed. He participated in many drag strip events. This car and 65-70 trophies are currently gathering dust in the garage. This Corvette has the original motor, convertible top, windshield wipers and 1966 inspection sticker. The car was featured in Corvette Fever magazine in July 2007. He presently owns a 1975, a 1992, Jane's car, and a 2004 convertible.

Eddie loves Corvettes, basketball and western art. Jane, as everyone knows, is a Beatles fan. She has a master collection of albums and George Harrison's autograph. They have been active in the club for fourteen years, holding numerous positions over the years. Eddie has been a past Vice President and Treasurer. He has been the Membership Director for eight years. Jane has held the positions of Secretary and Social Director. Over the years they have won too many awards to list here. Eddie's favorite is Outstanding Member of 2007 and Jane's is the Jerry Scienski Memorial Award. They were the King and Queen of the banquet on three separate occasions.



Their favorite club activities include the yearly Burt's World Famous BBQ, out of town weekend trips, Auto Fair, weekly dinners and above all making friends. I asked Eddie and Jane how long they planned to stay on as the Membership Director and his reply was, "As long as we are having fun." I urge all club members to follow the example Eddie and Jane have set, and volunteer your time in support of our club. The more people we have who participate in events and planning, the better our club will be in the future.

The next meeting will be the annual Burt's BBQ on June 13th. Please see the website for details. Be sure and to bring your side dishes and chairs. The July meeting will be at Pier 51 Seafood Restaurant in Rock Hill on July 11th.

Signing off from Rock Hill SC, the top Corvette center of my universe where all Corvettes are Pewter, this is your VP, Phillip. Have fun and drive safely.

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QCCC Meeting Minutes

for Saturday May 9, 2009

Held at: NASCAR Technical Institute, Mooresville, NC

Officers in attendance: Boyd Kurt, Adina Ledford,
Nelson Sprague, Eddie Burt



Boyd Kurt, President:

- Called meeting to order at 6:30 pm
- Thanked Adina, Pat Bonino, & NASCAR Tech for tonight's refreshments
- Requested a motion that was made, seconded, and approved to accept the April minutes
- Introduced Pam Liner of NTI. Pam welcomed QCCC and described NTI's educational objectives and program
- Introduced the QCCC Officers and asked for their reports

Eddie Burt, Membership

- Invited Visitors to stand and introduce themselves and their cars:
 - Tim Weems - 2001 Quicksilver Z06
 - Ted & Chris Harley - 1982 Coupe
 - Matt & Dena Deiger - 2007 Red Convertible
 - Wes & Susan Hibbard - 1962 Fawn Beige Convertible & 1978 Anniversary Edition
 - Rick & Peggy Hoke - 1968 Red Convertible
 - Jim & Jill Peterson - 1967 Red Roadster
 - Ken Krupa - 2003 Red Convertible
 - Tom & Wendy Mounts - 2004 Red Z06
- Held election of new members: Rich & Merrilyn Harmon - 2009 Black Coupe
- June 13 QCCC meeting will be at the Burt's for the annual BBQ
- September 17-20 weekend trip to Daytona Beach – make your reservations NOW to get the QCCC discounted rate, as all "held" rooms have been taken and the QCCC rate will be honored only on an "as available" basis

Boyd Kurt for Florence Prather, Treasurer

We have money in the bank.

Adina Ledford, Social

- Reviewed upcoming events:
 - May 16 - Knights Baseball Game is postponed – will send email with details
 - May 23-24 Vettes in the Valley weekend trip – Pat Bonino is coordinating & Tommy Loftin will be leading the way along the back roads. Contact them directly for further information.
 - May 24 – Lake Norman lunch cruise
 - June 5 -7 – Myrtle Beach weekend trip
 - June 20 – Car Care Day at Wally's and Ladies Luncheon
 - July – Mystery Road Trip

- August – Scavenger Hunt before the meeting at Northcross Bowling Lanes
- September – Dayton Beach weekend trip
- October – Helen, GA weekend trip for Oktoberfest
- October 10 – Country Fair and QCCC meeting at Tom & Debbie Rockhold’s

Nelson Sprague, Automotive

- April 24-25 - weekend trip to Blowing Rock was a lot of fun and Linville Caverns were very interesting
- May 2 - “Cars & Coffee” had 5 QCCC cars attending
- May 2 – Camaro unveiling at Hendrick Chevrolet in Monroe had 20 QCCC cars attending – 15 Camaros were ordered!
- May 6 – Camaro unveiling at City Chevrolet in Charlotte had 11 QCCC cars attending – 50 Camaros were ordered! QCCC Door Prize winners: Barney & Donna Peterman each won a car detailing, and Jane Burt won an oil change
- May 16 – QCCC Car Show at City Chevrolet from 9 to 3 - please arrive by 8:30 am. There will be lots of trophies and you can bring more than one Corvette!
- June 6 – High Performance Driving School at Kershaw - Nelson will be going to observe
- June 13 – Poker Run to Morrow Mountain State Park – see info sheet on table
- 25 QCCC Belt Buckles have been ordered
- July 4 Parade in Indian Trail – details will be available at the June meeting
- October 3 – Car Show at Hendrick Chevrolet in Monroe

Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador

- Please let Paul know if you buy a raffle ticket online or contribute to the National Corvette Museum
- 22 QCCC members attended the C5/C6 Bash and had a GREAT time celebrating the unveiling of the new GRAND SPORT
- September National Caravan to the NCM – there will be a 2-day party in Charlotte before departing on Wednesday. If you want to drive 10 laps around Lowes Motor Speedway, payment is due by May 15. QCCC members will occupy 5 corporate tables at the Hall of Fame Dinner! Pay your Table Master ASAP.

John Meadows, Member

Please bring your older Corvettes to the Car Shows as they are VERY popular

Boyd Kurt, President

Meeting adjourned at: 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Burt, Acting Secretary



Blowing Rock Road Trip




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Automotive Report



QCCC Members,

General Motors is making a good effort to ensure they continue to exist as an automobile company. In May GM required all Chevrolet dealers to throw a party for the unveiling of the new 2010 Camaro. The sales of the new Camaro have been very good at our two sponsors' dealerships. The general managers of both City Chevrolet and Hendrick Chevrolet Cadillac appreciated our attendance at their respective events. We must remember if it is good for the Chevrolet brand, it is good for Corvette.

As we all know by now, inclement weather required us to postpone our May 16th City Chevrolet Car Show till June 20th. This change also requires that we move our Car Care Day from June 20th to July 18th. Please review the QCCC calendar for all these changes. Additional flyers will



be sent out reminding you of these events. The City Chevrolet Car Show is one of our two biggest charity fund raisers and we want to show our sponsor that we appreciate their support for our club. Please try to attend this event if at all possible.

For those members not going on the Myrtle Beach trip the first weekend in June, I will be going to the PDS hosted by Carolina Regional Mustang Club in Kershaw, SC on Saturday, June 6th. I am not participating in the school; just going to observe and have a pleasant afternoon with friends at the race track. I will send out a note the week before to see if there are any members who would like to join me.



At the June business meeting there will be a sign up sheet for the July 4th parade to be held in Indian Trail, NC. We do not currently know how many cars we will need, but I have been told that they will let us know before the meeting.

The QCCC belt buckles have been ordered and we have been told the shipment date is to be in June. We are hoping that they will be available for distribution at the June meeting.

Your support and participation in all club activities is appreciated,

Nelson

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SOCIAL NOTES....

I know it's been a month, but I just wanted to let everyone know about our trip to Blowing Rock in April. We had about 25 of us for the weekend. The hotel (extra pool and all) was lovely, and right in town. We walked to everything! We had a great lunch at Canyon's just outside Blowing Rock as we arrived. The view was amazing! After checking in to the hotel, we all walked around town, did some shopping, and then went for dinner. We had a private dining room, and the food (including the green melon ball) was fabulous! Saturday we toured Linville Caverns. Saturday's dinner at the hotel was good as well, and the bartender even made two "corvette" drinks just for us! Yummy! The weather was great, and everyone had a wonderful time!



The Lunch Cruise aboard the Catawba Queen on Sunday 5/24 was GREAT!!! The weather, for the entire boat ride was BEAUTIFUL! We had big patches of blue skies! We had about 24 members join us for this fun afternoon! We all enjoyed a nice lunch, and learned about some of the houses and islands we passed along the way!

UPCOMING OVERNIGHT TRIPS...

MYRTLE BEACH – 6/5-6/7

Not just a "weekend at the beach" but an awesome car show weekend as well! Help support our neighboring Corvette Club by participating in their Car Show. Registration includes their Welcome Party, the Car Show, and their Awards Banquet. It is a great deal for the cost. For those not interested in participating in the car show and related festivities, we have a dinner planned for Friday night, and two different dinners to choose from on Saturday night. Saturday we will go see Le Grand Cirque and then head to Jimmy Buffet's Margaritaville afterwards! We have over 50 members joining us for this amazing weekend! It's not too late – sign up today!!!

Link to Corvettes at Myrtle Beach: <http://www.myrtlebeachcorvetteclub.com/id6.html>

Link to the Landmark Resort Hotel: <http://www.landmarkresort.com/>

Link to email me to sign up: adinaledford@yahoo.com

DAYTONA BEACH – 9/17-9/20

Join us for a long weekend at The Shores. The hotel has been confirmed, and this weekend event will be hosted by Jane & Eddie Burt. I think they have already sent out an email with the details, and a good number of members have already booked their rooms!

Link to The Shores Resort Hotel: <http://www.shoresresort.com/>

Link to Jane & Eddie to sign up: eddieburt@carolina.rr.com

We have A LOT going on! Coming up this summer, we are planning a “Mystery Day Trip”, a Scavenger Hunt, and are re-scheduling the Asheville day trip as well. We had a few schedule changes in May, so we are still working on exact dates that will work for everyone! Coming out via email in a few weeks will be information on our COUNTRY FAIRE and our trip to HELEN, GA – both in October.

In addition to these fun events and trips, Nelson has many car shows and parades to participate in as well! There is something for everyone on the calendar of the QCCC!!!!

As always – please feel free to contact me with any questions, suggestions or ideas, or if you would like to help with the Social Committee!

Thank you!

Adina ☺

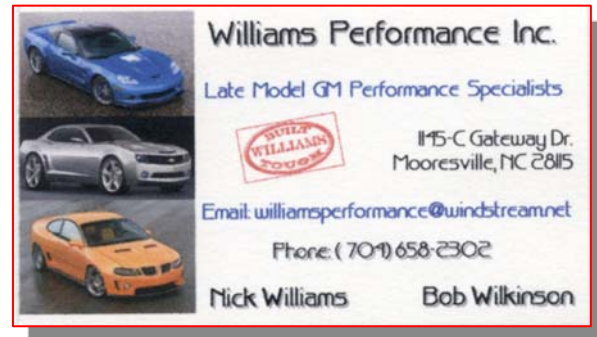


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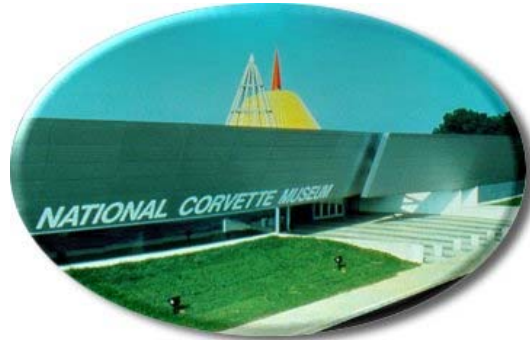


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NCM Corner




Whither thou goest NCM? With all the economic woes befallen GM, there has been much concern about the future of the museum. Although I firmly believe the NCM will always be a viable organization, there are certainly many pitfalls lurking to derail that viability. The economy has already had an impact on the income stream with a decrease in the foot traffic through the front door. People are just not traveling as much and surveys show travel will continue to be down this summer. Less admissions mean lower sales from the Corvette Store. The new cafeteria will also have reduced sales.

At this time, no one knows the fate of the Corvette. The new GM CEO, Fritz Henderson, avows its continued existence and improvements along with the development of the C7. I doubt that even one Corvette owner doesn't hope this is true. But, and that is a big but, we cannot be sure it will transpire. Should the Corvette cease to be manufactured it does not signal the death knell of the NCM. What it does mean, however, is a major source of income for the museum, the new Corvette raffles, will cease.

The fact is, the bottom line of the NCM could be severely impacted. Since the museum is supported solely by its members and other donors, we can keep it chugging right along but it may mean a larger commitment for each of us. Try to imagine what our lifestyle would be like without new Corvettes and the NCM. Not a very pretty picture is it?

So let us see how the GM bankruptcy shakes out, how Corvette production progresses, and how the museum financials fare. Then we can individually decide how much we want the Corvette lifestyle to exist and make the commitments required to keep it alive.

Save the Wave!
Paul Mariano
NCM Ambassador

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QCCC Members took a Lake Cruise!



Vettes In The Valley 2009

The 5TH Annual “Vettes in the Valley” Corvette car show was held at the Maggie Valley Festival Grounds on May 23 & 24, 2009. The event attracted over 400 Corvettes and registrants from over 12 states. There was entertainment, vendors, raffles, door prizes, Corvettes for sale, a road rally Saturday afternoon, and much more.

Queen City Corvette Club had 11 cars registered and received more trophies than any other club. Peach State Corvette Club had the most cars registered with 14 total. Tommy and Brenda Loftin received The Participants Choice Award and a large trophy for their 1961 Honduras Maroon convertible. This award was chosen by all participants who voted for their favorite car. Jack and Betty Ann Brunton received The Mayors Choice Award and trophy selected by Maggie Valley Mayor Roger McElroy. Steve and Laura Pelchat received The Founders Choice Award and Wade Reece Memorial Trophy for their 1960 Corvette in memory of Wade Reece, founder of Smokey Events, by his wife Beth, for her favorite Corvette. Tommy and Brenda Loftin took 1ST place C-1 Award and trophy for their 1961 Corvette, while Steve and Laura Pelchat received a C-1 Award of Distinction for their 1960 Corvette. Ken and Lois Watts also received a C-5 Award of Distinction



for their 2000 red coupe. Patti Hamrick and Betty Ann Brunton won prizes for the License Plate Poker contest.

and fellowship with lots of food and good times. We all had different lodging this year and have good reviews on the places we stayed at, from a five star Bed and Breakfast to a cozy retreat on a creek with an outside fire pit and shelter on Babbling Brook.

As you can see QCCC was well represented and had some very fine cars to take the most awards of any club at the event. All of us had a very good time of friendship



We have already made reservations for next year and urge all of our members to join in the fun and festivities of Vettes in the Valley next year.

Bedford Virginia Road Trip To D Day War Memorial



As you can see, the members that went were well fed, had a good time and saw the dynamic memorial setup to pay tribute to the soldiers who were involved in the D Day invasion. On the following page are actual images of the Normandy Beaches were our troops had to fight for their lives.



Included here are views of the Normandy Beaches where the invasion took place, the American Cemetery in France, and the Memorial Center in the Cemetery.



Meet the New Members

Rich and Merrillyn Harmon
2009 Black Coupe



June 13, 2009 QCCC Meeting and Eddie Burt's BBQ

4:00 pm until

5:00 pm Eating

6:30 pm Meeting

50/50 Drawing and Raffles

Please bring covered dishes according to your last name as follows:

A – Q Side Dishes and Salads

R – Z Desserts

Bring chairs & your preference in beverages.

We need 10-12 canopies for shade/rain. If you would like to bring one, please call or email Eddie

Note:

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- Turn Right at the light, onto Tilley Morris Rd. Go 1.8 miles.
- Turn Right onto Weddington-Matthews Rd (Seminary is on the left). Go half a mile.
- Turn Right onto Amanda Dr.
- 251 is the second house on the left.

Highlights of the May Meeting at the NASCAR Institute





June 13, 2009 QCCC Meeting and Eddie Burt's BBQ

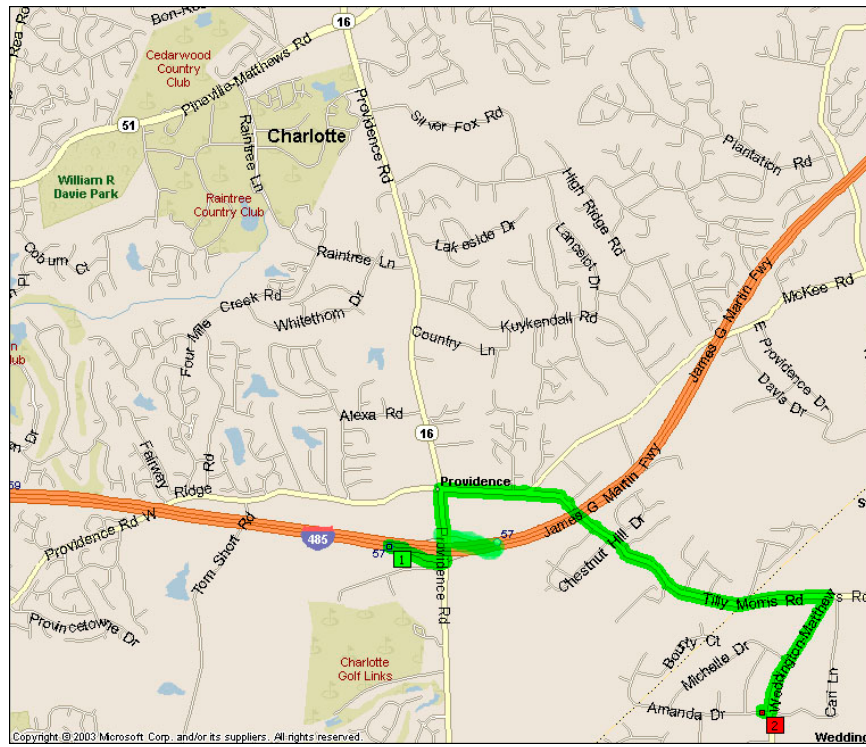
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Starts at 4:00 PM
Eat at 5:00 PM
Meeting at 6:30 PM



Please Refer to Page 17 for More Details

Don't forget to email Eddie to let him know you are planning to attend!

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