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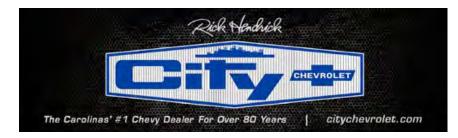
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The **Queen City Corvette Gazette** is the official newsletter of the Queen City Corvette Club (QCCC), established in 1968, and is electronically published and distributed monthly by volunteers and members of QCCC. Additional information regarding QCCC is available at our website: www.queencitycorvette.com. QCCC is a non-profit club (501(c)(7)) whose members all share a common appreciation and love of America's Sports Car – the Corvette. Dues and donations are not tax deductible. In addition to various social activities for members, QCCC raises money for and participates with various local charities. We strive to promote exciting, safe and fun ways to enjoy our Corvettes. We hold business meetings on the second Saturday of each month. Our monthly business meeting usually incorporates social time. After an initiation fee of \$10.00 per person, club dues are \$100 per year to be paid semiannually or annually. These dues go to cover the cost of programs, events, running the club, and subsidizing the cost of our meetings. Club officers and supporting staff serve as volunteers. To become a member of the QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB, you must be at least 21 years of age, own a Corvette and attend at least three (3) monthly business meetings within a twelve-month period. Come check us out – we love to meet fellow Corvette Enthusiasts! For additional membership information, visit https://queencitycorvette.com/Membership/ or contact our Membership Director at membership@queencitycorvette.com/Membership/ or contact our Membership Director at membership@queencitycorvette.com/Membership/ or contact our Membership Director at membership@queencitycorvette.com/Membership/ or contact our Membership Director at me

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PERPETUAL EMOTION MACHINES

President's Message: The Final Voyage

Bill Cruthis

I have a lot of different emotions as I think, "What do I need to share with my Corvette Family in this my last article as your President?"

First, when I reflect back to deciding to be a board member, as V.P. and then President, I remember thinking there were some things I would like to implement and other items I wanted to see our organization endeavor in. Second, as President, I remember thinking Keith was handing me a very well-oiled machine, just don't screw it up. As I look back at the seven active Past Presidents I imagine each had both of these same issues. You gain a lot of respect when you walk in the other's shoes for a couple of years. You realize they have pretty big feet. Each President is different, each setting their own goals, working with their own style and their Board, they have all been successful. So to all seven of them, I salute them and say thanks for saving me an opportunity. So why step away from something you are enjoying? I truly believe that for the organization to continue to thrive it needs a shot of new blood every couple of years. New ideas, new approaches are needed, plus it allows others to grow. One thing I can say without any hesitation, the members on your Board, to a person, always have the best interest of QCCC in mind regarding every issue.

So how did we arrive at this point? My life like everyone's, bounced around like a pinball. Sometimes big decisions were made on a moment's notice. As a 15 year old in a 27 year old body, I hastily decided to leave the cold winters of Illinois and go where I could enjoy my Corvettes for more than 3 months a year. As with most hormonal males, alcohol and a female were involved. Then with my Buddy Holly birth control glasses, (ugly black frames with coke bottle lenses), that relationship lasted about 30 days. Bottom line I arrived in Charlotte on November 26th, 1974. I did not know a single living thing other than my dog that came with me. A chance meeting with a QCCC member sent me to the QCCC Clubhouse where a beer keg was on tap every Wednesday night. Needless to say, cold beer, and 25 new friends and I was home free. Had it not been for QCCC, Travis, Darrell, Bill Ingram and all the rest, I would have surely packed up and moved back to my roots. Then in the mid-eighties as career took the fun out of life, I drifted away even as far as Arkansas to serve my time at Wal-Mart. I religiously kept both Corvettes throughout all those dark days. Then in 2009 a chance meeting between QCCC's Wade and Sue Stickels and Judy rekindled an old flame. So it was time to come home again and part of giving my time was to in some little way repay QCCC for saving me, as a young very green behind the ears youth.

What does my/our future hold? Next year with board approval I would like to do a monthly article in the newsletter: QCCC Man Cave/Garage of the month. Then the membership picks the annual winner from the 12 for an award at the banquet. I hope to continue to help write

the vintage gang articles as they give new members insight into our colorful past. What do I see for QCCC? Some pretty big challenges. First, we need to look for a way to push the youth movement. Someway to find young Corvette owners and get them as excited as we are (not that we are old, mind you). We are getting a nucleus now to start working with. This needs some urgency, we cannot kick this can down the road much further. As we have grown, sponsorship now becomes a major challenge. Just what are we worth to potential sponsors? What should sponsors expect in return from us? The sponsorship policy and procedure guidelines that are being developed by next year's board are critical and the concept is full of I.E.D.'s. Our new MAL will begin working on this at once. As we dive into this issue I would highly recommend that we work closely with our primary sponsor, City Chevrolet, so that all of this can be jointly processed. We are very fortunate to have as our primary sponsor, City Chevrolet, and the backing of Mr. Rick Hendrick, the owner of the largest private collection of Corvettes in the world. Next year's board also will need a quick jump on arranging the Charity Car Show as we incorporate Blooming Gold again. Tommy and Gary have grown this show to great heights. It will take a lot of planning next year. Due to the growth of the car show I believe it is time to have an Automotive Director for automotive events, and a Chairman of the car show. This Chairman would be responsible for the car show with assistance from the Automotive Director. As the show grows, the membership will suffer from lack of other automotive events since the show is a full time job. Lastly, where does this crazy world take us? Why belong to any car enthusiasts group going forward? Point #1. We'd better stick together. You can see the attack on fossil fuel cars as we go forward. That is why you should belong to the National Corvette Museum. There is strength in numbers. It is not hard to predict how the government will continue to push us into a loss of freedom in the private automobile. Self- driving pods, activated by a cell phone app, guided by GPS, it is all coming very fast. Expect continued push for electric and hydrogen cars all in a false scheme to save the planet. In reality, follow the money. It has nothing to do with climate. It has to do with power and control over the lemmings. I have lived long enough now to know that power absolutely corrupts and absolute power yields total corruption. Sadly, most youth today do not give a hoot about cars and will be guided easily into the corral. At some point the minority still in fossil driven vehicles will be taxed out of them. However, together we stand a chance of delaying this. I cannot imagine an America without the freedom of transportation in the automobile. The Corvette community in Charlotte has made great strides and will stand united. Let's continue to reinforce those bonds.

As I sign off like Mash and Cheers and so many others, I am going to list separately some of the accomplishments our great organization has attained in the last 3 years. You folks are unbelievably active for your age. Keep in mind this list is only of new or extra things you have accomplished beyond our normal routine.

Once again, thanks to all of you for allowing me the privilege of serving as you President. To get to know you all has been a tremendous pleasure. As Jim Valvano said, "Any day that you laugh, cry, and think is a great day." You all have constantly brought those three emotions to my days as your President. I only hope that I have given as much as I have received. May God continue to bless each of you and this outstanding organization.

For the last time, get out there in the left lane and put the hammer down it will make you smile.

Love to all, Bill

Why does QCCC stay on top?

Passion, work, caring: In just 3 short years QCCC has done all this!

National Corvette Museum

- 1. Purchased a granite bench with club logo
- 2. Hosted NCM at our last 2 car shows
- 3. Held an annual trip to NCM in July last 2 years
- 4. Awarded 15 year NCM club pin
- 5. Built club display at the NCM
- 6. Bought one acre at the Motorsports Park
- 7. Became NCM lifetime club member
- 8. Major contributor to organization of 325 Corvettes heading to NCM for 2014 Caravan

Membership

- 1. Grew to 355 members 57% NCM members
- 2. Developed new member packet/mentor group
- 3. Developed new status for membership: active, associate, provisional, and participant
- 4. Started Lifetime Achievement Award inducting Eddie Burt, Bob Denney, and Travis Meredith
- 5. Developed vintage member group/ceremony
- 6. Moved member directory on line
- 7. Expanded # of advertisers & devised tiers for participation
- 8. Revised and updated by laws

Members

- 1. Added new board position of Member At Large
- 2. Added new staff positions of Club Historian & Communications Coordinator
- 3. Retired Bob Denney after 19 years as photographer and added six new shutter bugs
- 4. Sponsor City Chevrolet added offer of new Chevys & Corvettes at Supplier Pricing
- 5. Sold recycled Corvette apparel for funding

Events

- 1. Grew the car show to new heights/added Bloomington Gold to our show
- 2. Retired Burt's BBQ and started Davidson's Farm BBQ
- 3. Started annual Greater Charlotte Corvette Club gathering at Kannapolis Intimidators ballgame
- 4. Advanced our involvement to help Road Runners Corvette Club with Corvette Angels Christmas
- 5. Added Corvettes In The Round outdoor meeting
- 6. Advanced the Chili Cook Off at January meeting
- 7. Added Valentine Dinner/meeting in February
- 8. Held new event Rt.16 road rally

Activities

- 1. Corvette Fever Program with monthly award winners and banquet yearly winners
- 2. Brief appearance of the QCCC Corvette Fever Theatre Past Their Prime Time Players
- 3. Made and sold 150 calendars with club cars
- 4. Made and sold 226 club cookbooks
- 5. Made and sold t-shirts for Corvette Fever & Corvette/Porsche Challenge, Drive 'em if ya' got 'em Banquet 2015 & Stars and Stripes Banquet 2016
- 6. Made and sold posters for Corvette Fever & Corvette/Porsche Challenge, Drive 'em if ya' got 'em Banquet 2015 & Stars and Stripes Banquet 2016

Miscellaneous

- 1. Awarded best club participation at VIR
- 2. Awarded best club participation by Rolex at Daytona
- 3. Designed and preserved in shadowbox all 5 club jacket back patches
- 4. Found old 8mm films of Corvette/Porsche Challenge from 1975 & preserved to disc

And that is just the new stuff we added. QCCC Rocks!



SEE YA IN THE LEFT LANE

HAMMER DOWN!

365 HP, 505 HP, 650 HP,

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THE PASSING OF THE ETERNAL FLAME

FROM BILL CRUTHIS TO PAUL MITCHELL DECEMBER 2016







The Carolinas' #1 Chevy Dealer For Over 80 Years

Queen City Corvette Club Discount Pricing Rick Hendrick City Chevrolet

Effective June, 12, 2015

Queen City Corvette Club members are entitled to discount pricing for New Chevrolet Cars, Trucks, Commercial Vehicles, Used Vehicles, Service Labor (15%), and Parts Purchases (15%) at City Chevrolet. The Vehicle Purchases will need to be titled in the Name or Business of the QCCC member, or a member of his/her immediate family. Friends and Referrals of QCCC members will also receive discounts for Sales and Service (10%). "Friends" Vehicle transaction prices will be set by the General Manager of City Chevrolet, Cam Stewart. 704-591-8800

New Vehicles

- QCCC members pay "Dealer Invoice" or "Supplier Pricing" whichever is less from Chevrolet. Rebates or Incentive's will be applied to reduce the purchase price. Affiliate and Commercial rebates may also apply to further reduce the purchase price.
- The General Manager reserves the right to limit this offer to "In Stock" or "On Order" vehicles. Extra costs may apply for Locates, Transportation, or Specialty Vehicles.

Pre-Owned Vehicles

- Vehicles in-stock and available for retail sale may be purchased for inventory amount plus \$500. Extra costs may apply for Transportation, or Specialty Vehicles.
- All vehicles sold to QCCC members must first pass NC State Inspection through our service department. We service every retail vehicle sold at City Chevrolet prior to sale.
- City offers over 7000 Used Vehicles online that can be transferred in for delivery. The
 prices of these vehicles are on our website CityChevrolet.com. Shipping costs may apply.

Parts & Service

Parts or Service Labor will receive a 15% discount off the posted Customer pay rate.
 15% discount may not be combined with other coupons or specials. We also offer Restoration Parts and services through GM, ZIP, Ecklers, and Corvette Central.

Referral Bonus

 If you refer a non-QCCC member and they purchase a vehicle, we will thank you with @\$100 referral Gift Card for supporting the partnership.



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An Unbelievable Story

I will try to be brief. I want to share a journey with the membership. As you know I just took delivery of Collector Edition serial number 8 at our sponsor City Chevrolet. GM Cam Stewart was instrumental in acquiring this order for me. I had told Darrell Kirkley that the car needed a blue stripe around the rims to really set it off. Darrell always knows a guy, but said he was having trouble locating one for this. When I arrived today to pick up the car, the rims had a flawless blue painted stripe on them. The car arrived yesterday at 11 a.m. Cam had the car taken immediately to the body shop where their expert hand painted the blue stripe and I mean perfectly. Then he would not take any compensation for doing the work (painted on a lift, tires on the car by hand with a brush). Keep in mind City Chevrolet still had to prep the car which was done and sitting on the showroom floor at 10 a.m. when I arrived. I would say you have to trek a long journey to find folks that would go to those lengths for you. I am so glad to call Darrell and Cam my friends. If you think this is not awesome, look at the photo. What a great car buying experience. This car is totally dynamite. If you want your wheels striped, this is the guy to do it. Look for his ad in our newsletter next year.

Bill Cruthis, President

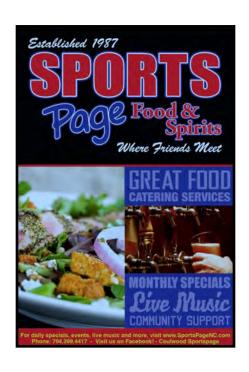
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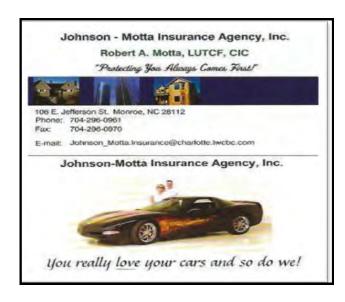






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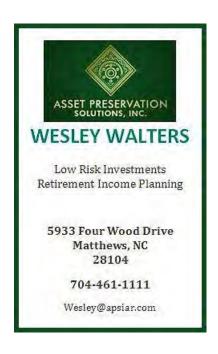














Tales and Trails from Up Yonder

Paul Mitchell, Vice President

CORVETTE SOUNDS

Sung to the tune of Jingle Bells

Dashing down the roads In a high horse Corvette car O'er the hills we go It's fun and we want to go far Sounds from exhaust ring Making spirits bright What fun it is to shift and brake On a beautiful road tonight Corvette sounds Corvette sounds Love the noise they make Oh what fun it is to drive Mash the gas and hit the brake Corvette sounds Corvette sounds So good to hear them roar So drive them fast, drive them far

Thank you to all members of Queen City Corvette Club for another fantastic year. We had so many good times, and all our projects and events were successful.

It'll make your spirit soar

I am looking forward to another great year in 2017.

And, as always -

Love 'em, drive 'em, cherish 'em. It'll make you <u>and</u> your car smile.



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Calendar Snapshot of Planned Events for the Next Few Months:

Decem	ber		
10	QCCC Business Meeting & Christmas Party	Details & Information	
	2017		
January			
14	QCCC Business Meeting & Chili Feed	Details & Information	
Februa	ıry		
11	QCCC Business Meeting and Valentine's Day Dinner	Details & Information	
25	QCCC Annual Banquet		
March			
11	QCCC Business Meeting	Details & Information	



Bonino Banter - The Social Scene

Merry Christmas to Our QCCC Family

There are so many memories and experiences that happen in December. We celebrate the true meaning of Christmas by each year having special events, decking our homes with traditional decorations and getting together with family and friends in our homes sharing special food and fellowship. This is also the last month of the year where some things come to an end. For QCCC this means typically that some of our Board Members will be cycling off the Board by virtue of having served a long time and wanting a rest or simply wanting to allow other members to bring in fresh ideas.

For us, this means we have three Board members cycling off our Board at the end of December. Bill Cruthis - President, Chris Wood - Membership Director and Keith Cross - Member at Large.

Bill Cruthis was one of the earliest members and held offices back then, served as Vice-President and as President. He has done a great job bridging the old and the new by encouraging our charter members to become active again, forming a Vintage Category to recognize longevity of our members and creating a Historian staff position to preserve our 49 years of history. He and several of the old-timers write fascinating articles for our newsletter to share many shenanigans that happened back then. We have been fortunate to have Bill's insight about this aspect of our club. During his time as President, much has happened to bring our by-laws up to date.

Chris Wood has served as our Membership Director for almost 5 years. He has been extremely instrumental in organizing this position to handle incredible growth over these last few years. Chris has not only been gracious and extremely user friendly as potential new members hear about us on our website then contact him to learn what we are all about, but he has developed a very thorough new member packet to answer the many questions a new member might have about how we tick! We have appreciated his - thinking outside the box - over oodles of issues that we are mulling over. He has contributed much of our verbiage for the changes in the by-laws and helped develop extra categories of membership to accommodate widowers who want to remain a member in what has become an extended family even without owning a Corvette.

Keith Cross served as Vice-President and President and most recently as Member at Large - a new position added to the board from Chris Woods' suggestion. During his years in office he shouldered our club serving as the host club for several states for the National Corvette Museum Caravan in 2014. This took a lot of fund raising and work to bring a large delegation from three states to Caravan up to the Anniversary celebration at the NCM. He started many traditions that hold today in the form of events, monthly meetings that encompassed more activity and recognition of members. He started the ball rolling to get us to look at an old set of by-laws that needed desperate updating. Most recently as the Member at Large he did hours of research along with Carolyn Zimmer concerning our Insurance policy and Liability issues that needed addressing to be up to date.

I could go on and on but these three are only a few of many through the years that behind the scenes contribute many, many hours of effort to make QCCC what it is today. So now their time will come to an end on the board, but they will - I am sure - continue to be active members in our club. We want to thank them and all who have served before them for all they have done! Let's reflect and enjoy the memories as we go through this month of December and celebrate this Christmas.

Love to all our QCCC Family
Pat

News from the Automotive Desk



Christmas Time is here, Happiness and Cheer,

Fun for all that children call their favorite time of year.

Snowflakes in the air, Carols everywhere,

Olden times and ancient rhymes of love and dreams to share.

Sleigh bells in the air, beauty everywhere,

Yuletide by the fireside and joyful memories there.

Christmas Time is here.

The Christmas Season can get so busy, with Black Friday, Cyber Monday, Parades, Santa, extended shopping hours, and a busy work time of the year for many of us; all things that easily distract us.

A Charlie Brown Christmas breaks it down and helps us remember and understand the importance of the Christmas Season: Faith, Family and Friends.

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday Season:

Gary and Gwen



Building a Great Corvette Club One FRIENDSHIP at a time



"Character is easy when it doesn't cost anything." $\sim Unk$.

"Don't let the world change your smile, let your smile change the world!" $\sim \mathit{Unk}.$

"A surefire way to cure depression during the holidays in 10 easy steps:

Step 1: Do something good for someone less fortunate than you.

Step 2: Repeat Step 1 nine more times." ~ Greg Laurie



WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS
Thank you for joining us!



When I was very young, I used to mark the time of year by its proximity to Christmas. Christmas was filled with excitement, fun, anticipation, Christmas music, presents, family get togethers, school vacation and maybe even some snow if I was really lucky. As I grew older, I was taught and learned Christmas meant so much more than this. My perceptions truly changed.

Now as I prepare to hand-off the Membership duties to our new Membership Director, Paul Schmitt, I can reflect back on how my perception of this responsibility has also changed. Initially I viewed the role as the person responsible for meeting, greeting, communicating with, introducing, and being the point person for all guests and new members. This view was somewhat correct a few years ago. Now, as QCCC has grown, the role has changed. It is difficult to make sure all our new members quickly, easily adapt and understand what our club is all about. Because of this, the membership role is the responsibility of all of us. Each of us can be a "point person" for the new members when they first come into QCCC. So I challenge all our members to reach out, make the new members feel valued and a part of QCCC. Don't wait until they come to you because some will not. Offer to help if needed and guide them toward having as much fun with this group of passionate Corvette enthusiasts as you do.

Speaking of challenges, I want to take this opportunity to challenge the 2017 incoming board of directors to continue taking QCCC to the next level by finding innovative ways to lead our club to even more fun next year. Incorporate some new events into our calendar, solicit input and help from members we've never asked before and shake things up a bit. I thank each of you for taking on a responsibility that will prove to be a little more than you expected at times, but one that will be rewarding in the long-run. Finally, I'll leave you with this very important charge; never forget who you represent and why QCCC has been so successful over the years. In other words, present, discuss and vote on every decision based on what is best for the entire membership.

I want to thank you, Queen City Corvette Club, for having faith in me and allowing me to be the face of our Corvette Club as Membership Director to our guests. It has been an honor to represent you and my pleasure to greet the guests and welcome in the new members. I truly appreciate the opportunity you bestowed on me and hope you have been pleased with the outcome. I now pass the torch to Paul and know the responsibility is in very capable hands. He will, as I have, respect even more those who have held the position, Eddie Burt and Darrell Kirkley. Paul will take it to the next level and I can't wait to see



the new ideas he has. Thanks, too, to the outgoing board for your friendship, trust, and for keeping me in line when it seemed at times that I'd just never figure it out.

Now I'd like to leave you with a final thought. Many know of the infamous, and ultimately strained relationship between Steve Jobs and Apple CEO John Scully. But I'd like to offer for your consideration the circumstances surrounding Jobs' recruitment of Scully many years before. John Scully was an up and coming executive of PepsiCo. At age 30, Scully became the youngest ever Vice-President of PepsiCo Marketing and ultimately PepsiCo President. He was responsible for creating the "Pepsi Challenge" that put Pepsi in the same league as Coca Cola. Steve Jobs had a vision but lacked the marketing skills to get it to the masses. He knew Scully was the man for the job. Jobs and Scully met more than once as Jobs tried to lure Scully away from his comfortable and fruitful position at PepsiCo. Scully just couldn't see leaving what he considered to be *THE* perfect job at PepsiCo. Jobs had one last ace up his sleeve and at what could have been his last attempt to lure Scully, he said to Scully over dinner one night "*Do you want to sell sugared water for the rest of your life? Or do you want to come with me and change the world?"* That question changed Scully's mind and probably his life.

So many times we think we are too small to make a difference, whether in our club, our community, our state, or our nation. No

matter how you feel about the election results over the past eight years, you must admit, many folks who thought they didn't make a difference decided they would try. And they did. We see evidence of people making a difference all around us, many who think they would never have any type of impact at all. No, we're not going to change the world this Christmas, but we can make a difference in the lives of so many people. I've said before that Corvette people seem to just be able to "connect the dots." And whether it's in our club, our community, Church, state or nation, each of us *can* make a difference.

Peggy and I wish each of you a December in which you get all your decorating, shopping, cooking and partying done. Most of all, we wish everyone a *Blessed Christmas and healthy and happy New Year!*

See you at the Christmas Party! *Chris Wood, Membership Director*



National Corvette Museum



NCM CORNER

Another year is about to pass into the history books. The year has been fortunate for some and unkind to others. Some of our members have suffered health problems and we wish them full recoveries and a better year in 2017. For the rest of us, let us hope our good fortunes continue and we are able to enjoy our friends and activities. Let us not forget just how fortunate we are regardless of how time and circumstances have treated us. Our illustrious leader, El Presidente Cruthis, has said time and again, "we have won the lottery of life by just having what we have and enjoying the life style we have". It couldn't be better said.

However, before we gloat too much, be sure to face reality and realize the good times do not last forever. Time will take its toll and we shall look back and wonder where it all went. So, let us embrace the New Year and take advantage of all it will have to offer. QCCC will offer you many opportunities to roll out the Corvette and enjoy the open road with friends, food and g-forces. Take advantage of all you can while both you and your Corvette are road worthy.

Many of you have already figured out this life plan and have opted to attend the NCM Bash in April. By my count, there will be forty three (43!) or more Corvettes making the journey to Bowling Green. This event is going to seem more like a QCCC Club Meeting than a NCM function. Trust me, your support of the museum is well acknowledged. Keep up the good work and make the most of the world of Corvetting.

Barb and I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and most Happy New Year!! Hammer down on life's highway.

Save the Wave

Paul Mariano

NCM Ambassador

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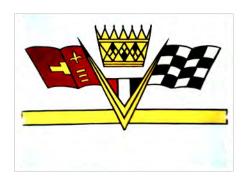
No. of QCCC Family Units	188
No. of NCM Members	106 (56.4%)
No. of Lifetime Members	40
No. of Duntov Society Members	5
No. of Spire Members	5

Vintage QCCC

With the Vintage Gang:

Bill Cruthis, Richard Craig, Darrell Kirkley, Bill Ingram & Travis Meredith

More "Adventures" from QCCC of Decades Past



Art is in the Eye of the Beholder

Most would agree artwork is twofold. First, the brilliance to envision the concept, then to put it onto the media of choice.

QCCC is fortunate to have at least one resident artist. Our historian, Travis Meredith, admits that while he loves drawing, he recognized early on that it would be a struggle to pay the bills selling artwork. It should be known that early on (most of the decade of the 70's), Trav, with the help of Sharon, produced the QCCC newsletter. This included gathering the articles, drawing them up, then hand addressing them and mailing to the membership. Please keep in mind there was no email, no computers, this was all done with typewriters, free hand art, and cheap postage stamps. He was also involved in the artwork and design of our first logo.

You also will see his artwork on T-shirts and posters in the current years. Examples would be the Corvette Fever poster, the 2015 Banquet poster and T-shirt, and the just-released 2016 Banquet T-Shirt and soon to be poster.

Today I am going to share 9 pages of Trav's talent taken directly from old newsletters. I hope you all enjoy his great sense of humor and talent. I also hope you all appreciate his efforts in the early days to keep QCCC vibrant and growing. There is no wonder he is a recipient of our Lifetime Achievement Award.

The rest of the Vintage Gang joins our current membership with a big salute to as fine a friend as any of us have ever had. Thank you Trav.

Submitted: Bill Cruthis, President QCCC



THIS IS NOT JUNK, MAIL...

GO GETA COLD ONE, SIT DOWN,

AND SELECTION.



RMER MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS OF ... the OW TO ATTEND!

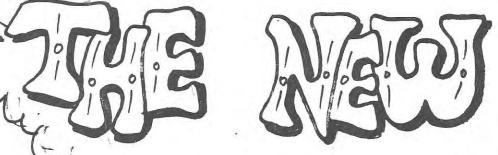


VETTE CLUB, Sec.

BY SPON SORED









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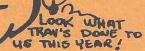
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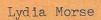
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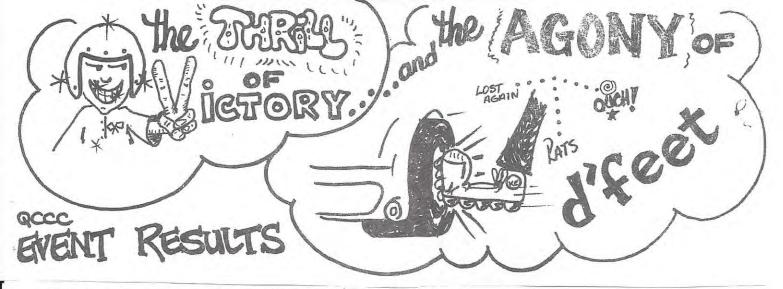
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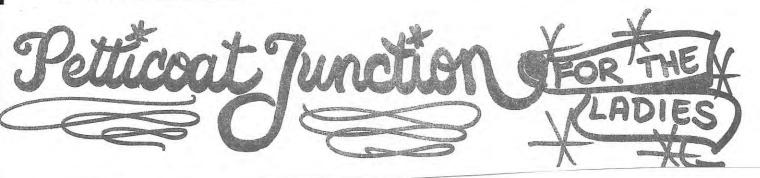
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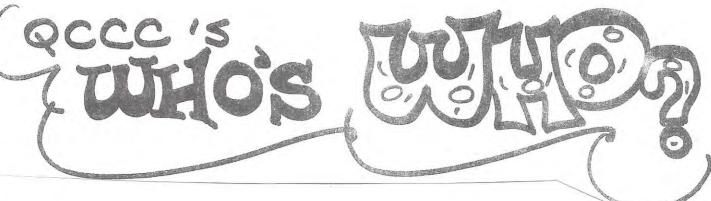


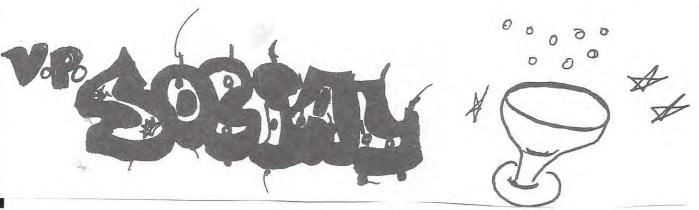




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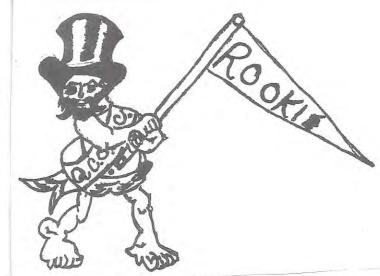




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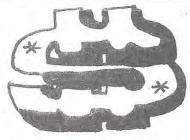






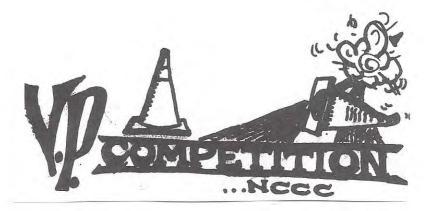


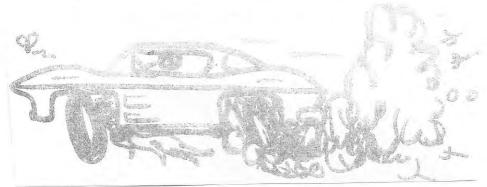




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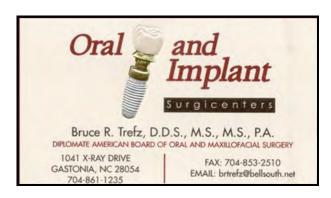
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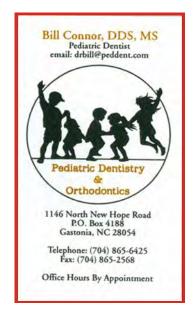
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QCCC Christmas Dinner/ Meeting December 10, 2016

Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church 15000 York Road Charlotte, NC. 28278



QCCC will furnish delicious home cooked Hams and drinks to compliment our pot-luck dinner. We will be getting out an email closer to the date to ask for sides and desserts to go with the Hams to round out our nice hot Christmas dinner. **

Social 5:00 pm
Dinner 5.30 pm
Short Business Meeting and some "fun" to follow dinner

**It is mandatory that you sign-up for this meal and bring an item to contribute to the dinner if you will be joining us to eat. We need to know specifically how many are coming to plan for how many Hams, paper goods, etc. to purchase.

You can also come to just the meeting at 6:30pm