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President's Message

Ron Best

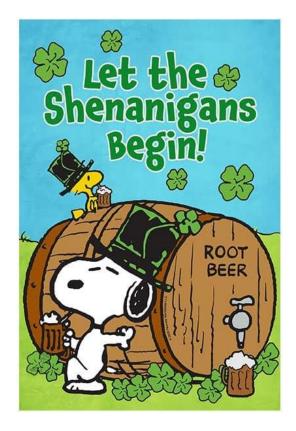
Happy one month closer to spring!



We have events starting to fill in the calendar for the next few months. Keep an eye on the website as Terry is putting things out there as soon as we get plans and dates confirmed. Looking back at February, Robert had a good crowd for the Lane Museum event. I hope everyone enjoyed the tour there. We had our rescheduled lunch train event last weekend. It was still a little chilly with the wind, but some folks even got their Corvettes out and we did a highway run to Bardstown. We enjoyed having pretty much our own train car for our group. After the train ride, Pete and Tracy Dillenbeck coordinated a stop by Heaven Hill for a tour & tasting that several participated in as well.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming events. We will get details online and have sign-up sheets available at the meetings.

Pull off the car covers, it is cruising time!



Upcoming Events

CLBG Events

Sat Mar 2 – 6:00 p.m. – CLBG Membership Meeting – NCM Chevrolet Theater Sat Mar 9 - 8:00 a.m. - Corvettes & Coffee - Providence - 3031 Nashville Road, BG **Tue Mar 19** – 5:00 p.m. – Tuesdays With Torie – Outback Sat Mar 23 – 8:30 a.m. - Derby Museum & Churchill Downs Registration deadline March 14. Cost \$17 per person. Click here to go to CLBG website for details and to register. Sat Apr 6 - 6:00 p.m. – CLBG Membership Meeting – NCM Chevrolet Theater Sat Apr 13 – 8:00 a.m. – Corvettes & Coffee – Q Coffee Emporium - 5851 Scottsville Rd, BG **Tue Apr 16** – 5:00 p.m. – Tuesdays with Torie – Chuy's Sat Apr 20 – Trooper Island Charitable Cruise – Click here to go to CLBG website for details and to register. Sat May 4 – Kentucky Derby Party – Click here to go to CLBG website for details and to register Sat May 11 - 8:00 a.m. - Corvettes & Coffee - Providence - 3031 Nashville Road, BG Tue May 21 - 5:00 p.m. - Tuesdays with Torie - Blaze Pizza Sun Aug 25 - 10:00 a.m. - Corvette Sunday - Flat Rock Fellowship Baptist Church -

Go to CLBG website for details and to register. Click here: Corvette Sunday

NCM Events

Apr 25-27 - 27th Annual Michelin NCM Bash Aug 29-31 – 2024 National Corvette Caravan

Other Events

Mar 15-16 - Corvette Expo - Pigeon Forge, TN

May 11 - Corvette Cruise-at Wilderness Trace Distillery, Danville, KY.

May 16-17 – St Jude Corvette Drive – <u>Click here for details</u>.

May 17-19– Good-guys Rod & Custom Cars – Nashville Speedway, Lebanon, TN – <u>Click here for details</u>.

Birthdays

03/01	Linn Marsh	03/18	Gail Mazza
03/01	Cheryl Brawley	03/21	Janet Karpinski
03/03	Tracy Harder	03/22	William Gregory
03/03	Jan Woitas	03/24	Wanda Johnson
03/07	Stephan Lee	03/26	Lori Willis
03/08	Lee Beckman	03/26	Missy Garner
03/09	Richard Davis	03/26	J O Brown
03/10	Michael Sabo	03/29	Mary Sanders
03/10	Clarence Lancaster	03/29	Brenda Goodnight
03/14	Bruce Hazelton	03/31	Thomas Smith
03/14	Beth Jordan		

Wedding Anniversaries

- 03/07 Ronald & Charmaine Reiter
- 03/11 Rich & Diane Blair
- 03/20 Ron & Wanda Flowers

Club Membership Anniversaries

Congratulations to our members celebrating the anniversary of their club membership.

5 years - Carolyn Marks

5 Years – Barry & Janet Brown

Cruisin' to Lane Motor Museum February 10, 2024

The Club started the 2024 cruising season off early this year, taking advantage of the great weather we are having in the last half of Winter. Robert Elrod organized and led this trip. Forty members made the first stop, 5 Chefs restaurant in Portland, TN. Good food. 'Nuff said.

Following lunch 28 continued to the Lane Motor Museum in Nashville, TN. Their collection of mostly diminutive vehicles is a real treat, especially for the first-time visitor. So many tiny cars, so much unique engineering! This truly is a fun museum. An extra special extension of the tour took the group to the basement, where Derek Moore, the Lane Curator, showed off the Vault, where the collection is stored when not on display or is being worked on. Who doesn't love a peek in the basement?!



Corvettes and the Mecum Kissimmee FL Auction

Mecum holds the granddaddy of all of its auctions each January in Kissimmee, Florida. It can only be described as the biggest car show/sale that you are likely to see. January 2024 saw 4,383 vehicles on the grounds of the Osceola Heritage Park. Out of those thousands of cars, there were over 500 Corvettes crossing the auction block during the 14-day car-a-palooza.

Here are a few of the eye-popping results of the auction, including the top-10 sellers:



1. 1967 L88 Coupe.

 1967 Rally Red L88 Coupe – Bid up to \$2,800,000 but it didn't sell and moved into the "the bid goes on" category. It's marked as sold now, so a deal was made, but the final sales amount is being kept on the downlow. Still, we must imagine it was over \$3 million after the buyer's premium.

- 2. The very first 1967 L88 and the very last 1969 L88. These two corvettes sold as a pair for \$2,585,000.
- The world's only black-over-red 1963 Z06/N03 split-window coupe sold for \$935,000.



2. The first and last L88s.



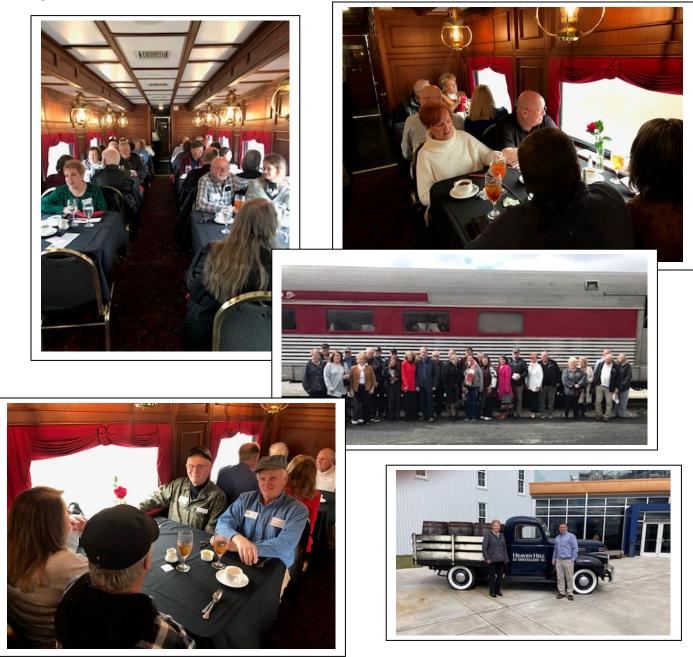
- 4. 1963 Harley Earl Styling Car sold for \$803,000.
- 5. 1963 Z06 Split-Window Coupe, Daytona Blue-over-Saddle Leather combo sold for \$770,000.
- 6. 1953 Kindig-It CF1 Custom Roadster sold for \$770,000.
- 7. 1969 L88 Convertible went for \$495,000.
- 8. 1962 Bloomington Gold Convertible, unrestored Sold for \$456,000.
- 9. 1963 Split Window sold for \$412,500.
- 10. 1963 Z06 Sebring Silver with a black interior Sold for \$385,000.

In case you thought that only the early generations captured the big dollars, there was that a 2019 Chevrolet ZR1 Coupe with only 317 miles on the odometer that sold for \$189,750!



My Old Kentucky Dinner Train February 24, 2024

After a snowstorm in January rudely interrupted the planned event, Ron and Sheila regrouped, rescheduled to February, and led the way to Bardstown. Everyone enjoyed a great dinner aboard a vintage train, as well as the view of the countryside from the diner car windows. After dinner, some chose to visit Heaven Hill Distillery for a tour and tasting.



More New Members!

We have seen a nice surge of new members in the past few months. Here are a few who came to the February meeting and accepted their new member packets from Rick Davis.





Club Members Make Donation to NCM

Ron Best presented Lexi Stewart, Development Coordinator at NCM accepted a check from CLBG for \$1,250 donation to NCM.



National Corvette Museum Ambassador Rich Sanders

There is still time to register for the 2024 Bash. Online



registration will be available until April 7th. You can register for the Bash at: <u>https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/</u> As of this writing most events still have plenty of availability, but that could quickly change as the event draws closer.

Volunteer Recognition reception ... Approximately a year ago the NCM established an ad hoc committee to focus specifically on volunteers. Mia Beathea was appointed to head up this group. A sampling of the topics that we have dealt with are the volunteer needs at annual events, ongoing programs, and pop-up events. Early on the group had an in-depth discussion concerning *recognition* and *retention* as it applies to the value of volunteers at the NCM. Everyone agreed that each of these areas impacted the other. From that discussion the first Volunteer Recognition reception was held on the kick-off evening – Wednesday – of last year's Anniversary. The feedback from that event was so glaringly positive that a similar reception is scheduled at the beginning of this year's Anniversary event.

Motorsports Park news ... The NCM Motorsports Park is gearing up for a truly exciting and fun racing season. The MSP has recently made the following two announcements:

"Get ready to rev up the excitement and roll the dice at our thrilling Corvette Casino welcome event! Step into the glamorous world of high-speed luxury as we transform MSP into a dazzling casino wonderland. Put your car on display, mingle with fellow enthusiasts, and indulge in unlimited gourmet hors d'oeuvres as you gear up for an evening of non-stop fun. Tickets include:

🏁 \$50,000 in gambling chips

- Whited hors d'oeuvres
- 🟁 Live Entertainment
- 🏁 Non-Cash Prizes

Take advantage of "early bird" pricing: http://tinyurl.com/4w85s3vk ".

This event is going to be held in conjunction with the Caravan and takes place on 8/28 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Another breaking story from the MSP is:

"It's been a big week around here with some fun guests on track. In case you missed the big announcement, <u>Graham Rahal Performance</u> is moving a portion of their Radical operations to the NCM Motorsports, and we got a sneak peek of a few cars on track. All the details here: <u>https://www.motorsportspark.org/ncm-motorsports-park.../</u>".



Corvette Raffle tickets are available as follows

- 2024 Arctic White Corvette Convertible to be drawn on 3/7/2024. \$200.00 per ticket. Tickets available: 1092 of 1500.
- 2024 Sea Wolf Gray Corvette Coupe to be drawn on 3/28/2024. \$100.00 per ticket. Tickets available: 1604 of 2000.
- 2024 Riptide Blue Corvette Coupe to be drawn on 4/18/2024. \$150.00 per ticket. Tickets available: 1392 of 1500.
- 2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible to be drawn on 4/27/2024. \$20.00 per ticket. An unlimited number of tickets to be sold.

Tickets can be purchased at: <u>https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/</u>

Recipe of the Month Oatmeal Waffle/Pancake Mix

From the kitchen of Mary Sanders. Mary has given us a delicious, and yet healthy breakfast favorite. I am anxiously waiting for blueberries to come back in season, and I will be in breakfast heaven! Thank you, Mary!

Mix Ingredients:

- 4 cups old-fashioned oats
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups wheat flour
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup instant nonfat dry milk
- 3 Tbs. baking powder
- 2 Tbs. cinnamon
- 5 tsps. salt
- 1/2 tsp. cream of tartar

Mix Directions:

- Mix all ingredients together well. Store in a sealed gallon size plastic storage bag or airtight container.
- Yield: 10 cups of mix.

Pancake/Waffle Ingredients:

- 2 eggs
- 2 cups mix
- 1/3 cup oil
- 1 cup water

Pancake/Waffle Directions:

- Beat eggs in a large bowl. Gradually beat in oil.
- Alternately add mix and water to mixture. Blend well.
- Preheat and oil griddle/waffle iron. Add your mix to griddle or iron and cook thoroughly.

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