

The Glass Dispatch
Tri-State Corvette Club, Inc
P.O. Box 771
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Next Meeting:

January 20 at Pizza Chef in Newburgh

Dine at 6:00 pm

Meeting at 7:00 pm

Tri-State Corvette Club Members

As I have said to a lot of you, this has been a wonderful year for our club.

The club started out as always on the first of January with a cool road trip to get the year off to a good start. This year was no exception, with some thirty beautiful Corvettes

on the roads of Kentucky for a destination to Rough River Dam and State Resort Park. The drive was just beautiful, the food excellent, the friendship the very best. Thanks to all who made it a wonderful drive.

TSCC is looking forward to a buster year with programs of all types to satisfy even the pickiest member. Hope you can find one that will satisfy your needs and join in on some Corvette fun. Your not to busy that you can't get out of the house and have some fun for yourself. Remember life is way to short, don't miss out on it.

My deepest thanks to all our members for the kindness you have shown me this past year in helping in the All Corvette Car Show as well as the Car Cruise-in. What a wonderful year it has been and only because of our World Class TSCC Members.

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Happy Birthday

Birthday wishes going out to the following members for the month of January.

Duane Burns, Ed Campbell, Robert Dabe, Lois Gears, La Donna Maaffenbeier, Doug Stevens

A \$25,000 Corvette for you

Just reading a story about what the best car buys are for under or around \$25,000 and guess what I found, nothing but our number one car the Corvette. Needless to say they did have some other cars listed but the story on our fabulous Corvette was second to none. The story was based on the 2001 – 2004 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 but let me tell you the Corvette in the words of these folks, "the Corvettes of today are bulletproof." If you should have one in your garage you are ahead of the game. The well known Lingenfelter Performance Engineering Group say the Corvette Engines are indestructible as well as the robust running gear. If you would like to keep something for your kids and enjoy it along the way and you have a Corvette of any kind take good care of it, could some day be a treasure.

Thank You

Tri-State Corvette Club would like to thank all members who served this Corvette Club In 2008. Your help and support to this Corvette is more than I can say, Thanks!

Out going 2008 Officers & Board of Directors

President -----Bob Bean
Vice President ---- Phil Bernick
Secretary ----- Ruth Turpin
Treasure ----- Marilyn Bean

Board of Directors:

Denny Gries Gary Turpin Gary Kruger Mark Smith Dan Jaquess (A) Ken Norris



How about this little RED Corvette in your Garage?



Jerry Garrett and his wife Suzanne took the 56 to the 2008 National NCRS this year. If you know Jerry you know he goes for nothing but Top Flight Class in anything he does. Jerry, thanks for making our Corvette Club an even better club with your detail in showing of a super nice NCRS Corvette that would make anyone proud.

How about a Club Vacation Road Trip this Year!

Some of our TSCC members have been asking if we will have a vacation road trip for 2009. Like Willie Nelson, the Black will be on the road again. What would you say about a trip to the South East of this Beautiful Nation of ours. We have been all over the West "North & South" also the North East but not into the Deep South East. We can solve that with a Club Trip this year to these locations. TSCC will depart on Labor Day weekend, leaving Evansville, IN Saturday September 5th for Asheville, North Carolina to visit the Biltmore Estate from here go on to South Carolina touring Rainbow Row and other out of this world sites in Charleston, South Carolina. After touring Charleston travel on to Savannah, Georgia for some night fun. After all the fun you can stand in Savannah we will move on to St. Augustine Florida. After the wonderful sites of St. Augustine we will head for Southern In. & home. The trip will start on Sept. 5th & return home on Sept. 13th. total of nine days. If you feel you would like to make this wonderful run with some crazy Corvette Club Members let me know. This Corvette Club is so blessed to be in a Country that can offer wonderful times to the folks of this great land of ours, please take advantage of it. Come run with us on an adventure only the folks in this Corvette Club can enjoy. If for some reason you feel you don't want to drive the plastic on this trip (I wouldn't know why) you can drive a metal "what ever they are" car, but you will have to be in the rear of the pack. (We wish not to ruin our image! ha). Time is short don't let the fun get away from you, come run with the plastic.

We are putting this letter out early so members can get vacations in line and make plans to attend. More to come about our Corvette trip in the upcoming News Letters.



Note: This letter was written in late 2008.

One Club members idea of what a car club is to him.

I wanted to send you an unsolicited letter concerning the club and what we have gotten in return since we joined in 2001. Hopefully, you will share this with the old and, especially the new members in the Club.

From Larry & Cindy Farmer,

In 2001, Cindy asked me what I had planned for retirement and I really didn't have a clue since I don't golf, exercise, play pool, fish, hunt, drink, or anything else of a normal nature. Several months later, I was driving past a car lot and spotted this beautiful redheaded convertible. I knew then what I wanted to be when I grew up...again.

When Cindy and I met in 1974, I had a 1972 hardtop/convertible 454 with almost every option available, except the L-88 option (racing engine). We agreed to sell the car in 1976 and get a "family vehicle" like a blazer...I had no idea over 30 years ago how much I was going to miss my car.

You see, I was one of several of the original Charter members of the club, but when my car went away, there was no interest in staying in the club. Now after 30 years, my love for my corvette returned. From the time I was 16 years old I had numerous specialty and muscle cars, but my 72 Vette was the pinnacle. When Cindy allowed me to purchase our 1998 convertible in 2001, I started reliving my youth.

You can read it in all the Corvette Magazines; once a car guy, always a car guy, especially when you have your first Vette. I believe this to be true in my case, and I know some of the spouses just do not understand this obsession. Fortunately for us, this is one obsession that is legal.

Now getting to the purpose of my letter; Cindy and I have been on almost every cruise/trip the club has offered the past 7 years. Doing Route 66 was my dream trip since 1969 as that was the year I last traveled that route in a Buick GS 400 Convertible that got 150 miles to a tank of gas...but it was only .25 a gallon then. That was the year that Johnny Cash sang a "Boy named Sue" and we heard it every 15 minutes over 5,000 miles!

In 2003, we had 6 Corvettes with CB radios doing the Route 66 trip. It was like sitting in your living room while talking to your friends about all the scenery. We saw more of the United States in 2 weeks than most people do in a lifetime! Our Corvettes performed flawlessly for over 6,000 miles, while most of us were getting over 25 mpg. Unbelievable performance, unbelievable scenery, unbelievable experience!!! Personally, we had a 12 cd changer with all the oldies from The Who, Led Zeppelin, The Eagles, ZZ Top, Elvis, Neil Diamond, Barbra Streisand, Chicago, Three Dog Night, etc.

We stood on the corner of Winslow Arizona and what a fine sight to see! Played the Eagles songs while waiting for Cindy to finish shopping...like this was something new. We saw Devils Tower (in Close Encounters of the Third Kind), and hundreds of prairie dogs near the monument, saw the Grand Canyon at dusk, stopped at the Painted Desert and the Petrified Forest, raced with the State Police in the Mojave Desert, cursed the drivers in L.A., drove the Pacific Coast Highway 1 to Pebble Beach, slept in Clint Eastwood's motel, drove the crookedest street, Lombard Street in San Francisco, drove around beautiful Lake Tahoe, then Reno, Salt Lake City & the Tabernacle, Jackson Hole, The Grand Tetons, Old Faithful, Yellowstone, Cody and Buffalo Bill's Museum (awesome), did a rodeo there, then drove one of the nation's most scenic highway to "Top of the World," near Bear Tooth Pass on Chief Joseph's Highway, Red Lodge, Mt Rushmore, Walls Drugs, St Louis and home.

Many of us took over 700 digital pictures, and saw the USA in our Chevrolet. That trip was one in a lifetime for us. We got to meet new friends and develop a bond with everyone on the trip. It took several days to synchronize our bladders, but it all worked out. Memories we will cherish forever.

Since that trip in '03, we have been to Branson, Gatlinburg, and numerous trips to Effingham Illinois, and we have cruised Southern Indiana along the Ohio (Indiana Route 66), and several trips to Patti's at Kentucky Lake.

Several Years ago, we had a larger caravan that visited Booth Bay Maine and Bar Harbor. Visited Cadillac Mountain, saw several lighthouses, and absorbed a little bit of the beautiful state of Maine. This was an awesome trip visiting Niagara Falls, Baltimore, and the East Coast, crazy drivers in New York, and finally stopping in Williamsburg before heading back to Indiana. Also got to watch Mike Hudson devour a 28 oz steak faster than most people can eat an appetizer.

Last year, several of us had mentioned how much we enjoyed our return trip from Route 66 that we decided to re-visit the Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, and do Glacier National Park on the Canadian/Montana border. We rode the red buses up the mountains, stayed in one of the grand old lodges in the park, and saw wildlife you will never see in the Midwest. We also re-visited Mt Rushmore, and Walls Drugs in South Dakota. We only had 10 days, but managed to travel around 4,300 miles with near perfect weather and all the corvettes performed almost flawlessly.

This past year, we joined a small group that visited the Southern Caribbean on the cruise ship Carnival Valor. Ken and Karen Norris created this trip and you can see the travelers on this trip in the latest issue of "Evansville Living Magazine." Cindy had the flu for 3 days on this cruise, but still managed to get off the last island and acquire some jewelry. We always have a great time on these Ocean cruises, but it is real special with friends having a common interest too.

I suppose that sharing our experiences with some of the newer members is most important because oftentimes new people wonder what makes our club great. I can tell you; it is the desire to do things that other people can, and want to do...together! We manage to take really nice trips yearly; we find some great places to eat, and not so great places to visit (Baghdad Cafe in the California desert). From Maine lobster to ice cream everywhere we go, we always manage to find some really neat places.

These things would never have been accomplished on our own, nor would they have been as much fun alone. Traveling with good friends, enjoying Baseball, Apple Pie, and our Chevrolets is what makes this experience as great as it is. Of course there are numerous activities throughout the year including cruise ins, car shows, parades, and various other events enjoying the camaraderie in our Corvettes.

I know the next planned trip will be in the Southeastern part of the United States visiting some beautiful old towns along the East Coast. Hopefully, every member will have the opportunity to enjoy one of these truly exciting trips held almost every year during the good weather seasons. So, save your money, get a CB for your car, and plan to have the trip of a lifetime with some really great people.

If anyone has any reservations about our having a great time on almost any event...just ask me or Cindy. We joined to have fun, and we have never been disappointed. This next trip in September '09 will be a little shorter than those long western trips, so it may be a good one to get started on. We have been fortunate enough to have visited most of the stops on this next trip and we guarantee that you will find the planned itinerary to be most memorable. Things that you will never see anywhere else in the United States.

According to Bob Bean, you will visit the Biltmore House (largest house in America and it was the first to have electricity and indoor plumbing, over 255 rooms, and many exciting features not even found in luxury homes today...this place is awesome. We will also travel to Charleston, Savannah Georgia, St. Augustine, and return via Destin Florida. Each of these towns have great architecture, and great historical amenities.

So, if you are nearing retirement, or have spare time to visit and travel with the club...you will have the most memorable time of your life. We have made so many new friends, visited many new and old places, and enjoyed the performance of driving one of the world's finest/affordable sports cars. It just doesn't get any better than this!!

Hope to see you at the next event (New Years Day) and many more events throughout the year. Thankfully, we have a president who enjoys being involved and provides the members with many exciting events and be part of a very active club. Tell your friends and let's make this club even bigger and better next year.

Larry & Cindy Farmer



Congratulations to Club Members Amy & Tim Seib on their new baby and what a beauty she is!

Baby Izabella Annajean Seib is here. Izabella was born at 3:48 pm on December 30 2008. 7lbs 1oz and 19" long.



Officers & Board of Directors for 2009

President: Bob Bean
Vice President: Mike Hudson
Secretary: Ruth Turpin
Treasure: Marilyn Bean
NCCC Governor: Kevin Milton

Board of Directors:
Dan Jaquess - Mark Smith
Colleen Schmidt - Gary Turpin
Denny Gries Alt. Gary Kruger

Show Chairman –
Membership Chairman – Charlie Wright
NCM Ambassador – Mike Hudson

With the New Board and Officers presented I would like to start off the New Year with a Board of Directors Meeting. Time 6:15 at our next regular Club meeting. Thanks.



Member of the Month

Robert Morgan lives in Newburgh, In @ 8844 Arizona Dr. Bob drives this beautiful 1977 RED Corvette he just had to have after making a run with the Club to Patties Restaurant this past summer. Bob became an owner of a 1977 Corvette and a member of our club in 2008.

Bob enjoys the fun of being in the seat of his plastic like the rest of us. Happy to have you with TSCC, Hope you have even more fun in that beautiful red Vette in times to come. Welcome to your TSCC!



TSCC Minutes of November 18, 2008

There were 34 members and 1 spouse present at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President, Bob Bean. Bob welcomed everyone, including new member Duane Burns from Madisonville, KY. Duane owns a 2009 Red Z06.

Motion was made by Doug Stevens and seconded by Mark Smith to approve the minutes as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer Marylin Bean gave the financial report. It was accepted as read.

Bob Bean reviewed the October newsletter.

The Evansville Christmas Parade is November 23 and TSCC will participate. Meet at 1:00 pm Sunday November 23 at McDonalds at Hwy 41S and Washington Avenue. Members will go downtown as a group.

The Henderson, KY Christmas Parade is December 6. Meet at the Cracker Barrel at 9:30 am. Birthdays for November and December were recognized.

A Board of Directors Meeting was held prior to the monthly meeting.

The decision was made to give \$800 to the local Tri-State Food Bank.

It was voted on and approved.

NCCC Governor Kevin Milton said TSCC's NCCC dues have been paid. The 2009 Convention will be held in Colorado Springs, CO August 8-14.

Kevin also won the Parliamentarian position he was seeking.

Mike Hudson reported on the club's Christmas Party December 7. The party will begin at 3:00pm. Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm. Gift exchange game will be played after dinner. Gifts should cost between \$10 and \$20. Mike will be calling members to confirm their attendance.

Dale Fatland informed members there will be a Car Auction at the Tennessee State Fair Grounds on January 17-18, 2009.

There is a group picture in Evansville Living Magazine of the TSCC members who went on the Cruise in March 2008.

The November nominations for Club Officers and Directors were as follows:

President-Bob Bean nominated in October. No new nominations. Closed.

Vice President- Phil Bernick nominated in October. Mike Hudson was nominated in November.

Closed. Secretary- Ruth Turpin No new nominations. Closed. Treasurer- Marylin Bean No new nominations. Closed.

Board of Directors- Nominated at the October meeting.

Dan Jaquess, Mark Smith, Ken Norris, Dave Hurt, Tom Borries, Gary Turpin, Tim Seib, Denny Gries, Mike Hudson, Doug Stevens, Gary Kruger.

Nominated at the November meeting was Colleen Schmidt. Nominations were closed.

Ballots will be mailed to all paid members. Bring ballots to the Christmas Party or mail to Secretary Ruth Turpin address will be printed on the ballot. Ed Campbell and Ken Norris will assist in counting the ballots. Winners will be announced at the Christmas Party.

The amount of \$101 was given to our server at the Pizza Chef.

Half pot of \$42 was won by Phil Bernick.

Motion was made and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting is January 20, 2009 at the Pizza Chef in Newburgh, IN.