

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona The Talepipe Newsletter



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Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at T.G.I. FRIDAYS, located on the corner of Granada Avenue and A1A in Ormond Beach. We invite you to dine with us (Dutch treat) at 5:30 PM, and stay for the meeting, which begins at 7:00.

Vacation Edition #3

Coming Up

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME SEAFOOD??

If the answer is yes, then this Dining on the Run is for you. A nice trip to Titusville to Dixie Crossroads on Sunday, August 5th, is the order of the day. We will leave from Sunshine Park Mall at 10:00 a.m. and continue south on Route 1 to Titusville. Dixie Crossroads is located at 1475 Garden Street. This has always been one of the club's favorites. Check out the menu at www.dixiecrossroads.com/menu.asp and select your dining pleasure.

A LITTLE CULTURE NEVER HURTS! Time for our semi-annual Dinner Night Out, and this time we will take a trip to Germany.....well, not exactly. But, word on the street has it that the

next best thing is a trip to the Willow Tree Café, 205 E. 1st Street in Sanford. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 28th to enjoy a rousing good time at this fun-filled restaurant with authentic German cuisine. Who doesn't love an ice-cold mug of Munich Gold with some Sauerbraten or Wiener Schnitzel? Since we won't be there for their Oktoberfest celebration, we will just have to make our own party. Let's leave from Kohl's parking lot in Port Orange at 4:15 p.m. for dinner at 5:30. Club shirts are NOT required. This place is so popular that weekend reservations must be made 3-5 weeks in advance. Dunke Schoen and Auf Wiedersehen.



LABOR DAY WEEKEND CAR SHOW:

Saturday, September 1st is the date for the first annual SPLASH-IN on the HALIFAX, a

demonstration of sea plane landings, a car show, free food, and other events. The show will run from noon to 4:00. Please email Richard at Richard.Wetherby@gmail.com and let him know you are planning to attend, so parking spaces can be reserved. We will leave from Beall's in Ormond at 10:45 a.m. to caravan to the show. Wear your official club shirt.

COMING DOWN THE PIKE: Jamie is planning a group tour of the Daytona International Speedway for our club members in conjunction with the September DOTR lunch at Alfie's. Tour first, then lunch. Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 8th to save the date. More will be discussed at the August meeting.

Announcements

1 **LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION...**we need one. The club's Halloween Party is in need of a location at which to party on Saturday, October 27th. The Wolff's have graciously hosted the past three years, so now it is time to pass the torch. Would anyone be willing to take on this task? Think about it and let Jamie, our social chair, know if you can host.

2 **RETIREMENT NEWS:** The December issue of "The Talepipe" will be my last. I am way overdue for retirement, as that issue will make the 89th issue I have composed. (Hey, I thought retirement was 65!!). It's time the club got some

fresh perspective on the Newsletter after hearing my babble for almost 8 years. I'm making this announcement now so the club has plenty of time to ponder and select a follow-up plan.

3 **SAD, SAD NEWS:** The club just received the news that Barry Phillips, a member since 2017, passed away on March 1, 2018. Many of you did not get to meet Barry as he was suffering from a throat ailment when he first joined. The problem affected his voice and he was not able to speak without difficulty. Unfortunately, the problem turned into throat cancer, for which Barry fought the good fight with treatments and surgeries. Sadly, the cancer had spread and eventually won out. He was only able to attend a few club events, so many did not get to know Barry. We are sad we didn't have a chance to get to know you better. A donation to Halifax Hospice will be sent from the club in Barry's honor. Rest In Peace, friend.

Reviews

GOOD MORNING REVIEW: On Sunday, July 1st, Bob and Linda Wolff, Jim and Ginny Quinn, Richard Wetherby, Rick Demichina, Will Masotta, Art and Leslie Armstrong, Edie and Liz Byrne, Gary and Cindy Swanson, Bill Geize, Bill Simmons and Ed and Jean Doyle met at Bealls Shopping Plaza in Ormond for the 5.8-mile hop to D.B Pickles. We were anxious to try out their new breakfast menu and judging from the comments during and after the meal, all were pleasantly surprised. Though I can only speak for my table of nine, service was very good, the staff was friendly, the food was excellent and plentiful, and the coffee kept coming. Thankfully, we were seated in the separate dining room because there

was no shortage of laughter emanating from our two tables. One patron even wanted to join our club and asked if his Prius would be acceptable. SURE!! All and all, D.B.Pickles was a great experience and one we will certainly put on our “return to” list. (Photos by Jean)

This & That

Pat and Sandy Cassella’s 1972 War Bonnet Yellow Vette is on its way to the United Kingdom. They sold it and are presently in the market for something to replace it, perhaps, as Pat stated, one a little newer. Good luck with your search.

Vin and Tracy Giglio are selling their 1974 Lazer Red Corvette, just in case you or someone you know may be interested. It may be sold by the time you read this but check with Vin if interested.

Congrats to Ken Hawes, who just purchased a 2019 Honda Ridgeline RTL truck, in “Scarlet Pearl”, which sounds like a great color name for a Corvette as well.

If you made any changes in your car/truck life, whether it’s Corvettes or any other, let us know. We are car/truck people, so any news about our vehicle wheeling and dealing is noteworthy.

Birthdays for August include Richard Wetherby and Patsy Lutz, who share the 3rd, Liz Byrne, Edie Byrne and Steve Terrell who share the 6th, Rick Minor celebrates on the 14th, Lenny Valentine on

the 15th and Anita Slaton on the 19th. Happy Birthday to All.

Our only couple celebrating an anniversary in August are Bill and Evelyn Neway. Congratulations!!

Money News: Since Cindy Swanson was the only one with a July birthday, she was asked to draw the winning number for the 50/50 drawing at the July meeting. Yep, you guessed it, Cindy drew her own number. (How often does this happen??) Twenty-nine bucks is a pretty nice birthday gift.

Corvette Chatter

CRAIGSLIST FIND: Some of the different ways that enthusiasts may judge the rarity of Corvettes is by how many were produced in total, or those produced with any special options, or simply how many were painted in a particular color. A rare color may not make a Corvette any more valuable, but just knowing there are a fewer of them out there tends to make the cars more special in the eyes of the owner.

The C4 Corvette prices are depressed right now, and they are becoming great starter Corvettes or for owners wanting to dip their toes into the C4 generation without spending a lot. So, if you’re in the market for a C4, why not go after one in a rare color?

A Copper Metallic 1994 Corvette convertible was advertised for sale in Texas on Craigslist for \$10,400. It’s an automatic with a Light Beige interior and a Beige convertible top. There were only 13 convertibles offered in that color combo with an automatic transmission. Despite having

104,310 miles on the odometer, the car is in excellent shape based on photos with the ad. C4 Corvettes may not be at the top of everyone's shopping list, but they are great cars that can be purchased for a fraction of their original MSRPs. Finding a 1 of 13 makes it just a bit more special! Who said you couldn't find a good deal on Craigslist?

THE NUMBERS GAME: For the first half of 2018, the top Corvette Dealers in the country are led by Kerbeck in NJ and McMulkin in NH with 503 and 342 respectively. Jon Hall is listed in 32nd place with 29 'Vettes sold through June 30.

Fun Corner

While enjoying their evening cocktails, the wife asks her husband, in a very seductive voice, "Have you ever seen Twenty Dollars all crumpled up?"

"No," said her husband.

She gave him a sexy little smile, unbuttoned the top 3 or 4 buttons of her blouse, and slowly reached down into the cleavage, and pulled out a crumpled Twenty Dollar bill.

He took the crumpled Twenty Dollar bill from her and smiled.

She then asked him, "Have you ever seen Fifty Dollars all crumpled up?"

"Uh... no, I haven't," he said, with an anxious tone in his voice.

She gave him another sexy little smile, pulled up her skirt, and seductively reached into her panties... and pulled out a crumpled Fifty Dollar bill.

He took the crumpled Fifty Dollar bill and started breathing a little quicker with anticipation.

"Now," she said, "have you ever seen \$50,000 Dollars all crumpled up?"

He said, "No!" trying to hide his anticipation.

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She said, "Well then, go check the garage."

Submitted by Rick Demichina

Photo of the Month

(as seen on the Home Page)

August is considered the hottest month here in Florida, and perhaps everywhere in the country. This Photo of the Month is meant to cool you off a little when you look at it. The Corvette you see covered in snow belongs to our very own member Dave Huber, who bravely (or foolishly) drove his Corvette to Connecticut during a wintertime retreat. Glad to see Dave and the car made it back in one piece, because if anyone has tried to drive a Corvette in snow, well you know the rest of that story.