

# 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 at 6:00 PM, and stay for the meeting, which begins at 7:00.

## **ANNIVERSARY CRUISE CELEBRATION:**

This October marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona. So, instead of our usual Breakfast or Brunch on the Run, we are doing something special to celebrate. On Sunday, October 21, the club will take a brunch cruise on the Sundancer Yacht out of Yacht Harbor Marina in Palm Coast. The cruise, from 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon, offers a variety of foods and “bottomless” Bloody Marys and Mimosas. Hopefully, everyone has made his/her reservations by now, but just in case you haven’t, call **1-877-446-6465** and be sure to mention you are with the Corvette Cruisers so we can all be seated together. We will meet at Beall’s in Ormond at 8:00 a.m. We DO NOT have to wear our club shirts, but the yacht has a dress code of “dress casual.” Men may wear dress shorts such as Dockers, Ladies may wear dress shorts, capris, or sundresses. Jeans and/or tee shirts are not acceptable attire.

**OCTOBER 7....**Flagler County Corvette club presents “Corvettes at the Beach.” Meet at

Beall’s in Ormond at 8:30 a.m. for the drive up I-95. Don’t forget to pack your lawn chairs and your cooler.

**DUES ARE DUE THIS MONTH...**actually they are due by the end of the October meeting. Pay up or you may lose your standing. Since we have a limited number of members, there may be someone waiting to take your place. The price remains the same at \$75.00. If you are not going to be at the meeting, you may mail your check to Alice Luther, our treasurer, at 21 Weidner Place, Palm Coast, 32164.

**EVER WANT TO BE SOMEONE OR SOMETHING ELSE?** Well, on Saturday night, October 27<sup>th</sup>, you will get that chance. Come to the Halloween party at the Crowder’s and be anyone or anything you want to be, (other than yourself, of course). Costumes are required. Bring drinks for you and a snack to share. Prizes will be awarded. The witching hour begins at 7:00.

**DEADLINE IS APPROACHING:** The Silver Springs Corvette Show will be November 10<sup>th</sup>; but your registration must be received by October 30. The \$30 fee includes a commemorative dash plaque, a coupon for a lunch special at the park, the park attractions, music by Old Skool, and being totally surrounded by Corvettes of all ages, colors, and diversities. Last year our club won the best participation award. Let's do it again. Register NOW.

**NEED YOUR INPUT:** At the meeting in September, an Interest Survey was handed out to those in attendance. Five suggestions for club trips were included and described and each person or couple was asked to rank their choices 1 through 5, with 1 being the favorite choice. Of course all items will not appeal to everyone, but this survey will give our social chairman a direction before she puts a lot of time and effort into planning these events. If you were not at the meeting, I would love for you to let me know how you feel about the choices and whether you think you would go. Respond to [jeandoyole@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jeandoyole@cfl.rr.com).

- **TOUR OF THE STETSON MANSION** (Deland) - \$20.00 per person. 1hr.40min tour of the beautifully restored 8000 sq. ft. estate of the famous hat maker. See the country's most elaborate inlaid parkay floors, leaded windows with over 10,000 pieces of glass, and items too numerous to mention in the rebirth of the nation's treasure. (Probably would take place in Dec or Jan to see the Mansion with its Christmas decorations.)
- **LAKERIDGE WINERY:** (Clermont – about 25 miles from Orlando) - \$2.00 donation for the Wine and Seafood festival on Mar. 23. Includes a 45 minute

complimentary winetasting tour of the winery, local artists and crafters, live outside music and entertainment, plus tasty seafood specialties available for purchase.

- **SPRING GARDEN RANCH:** (DeLeon Springs – North America's largest standard bred training facility. Take a walking tour of the barns, paddocks, and the recreation center, followed by lunch at the restaurant overlooking the clay track and the training of the horses. Sulky races occur there in the spring. (perhaps April)
- **MEL FISHER MARITIME MUSEUM:** (Sebastian, FL – about 45 minutes from Kennedy Space Center) \$5.00 senior rate and possible group rates. This museum houses exhibits from the 1715 Spanish Treasure Fleet, and the \$450 million dollar treasure find from the "Atocha", and other famous shipwrecks. The larger Mel Fisher Museum is located in Key West.
- **THE SUNRISE TO SUNSET OVER NIGHT TRIP:** Watch the sunrise over the Atlantic as we eat breakfast at a local restaurant (with an ocean view), then hop in our Corvettes, travel across the state, enjoy lunch at a real castle, complete with a moat, then check into a hotel/motel (to be determined), have dinner on the gulf coast in time to see the sun set over the water. (Aug or Sept of 2013)

If you have a suggestion for a day trip, please let Joan Crowder or any board member know.

All trips, whenever possible, will be planned for Saturday or Sunday. Dates and other specifics of each trip are subject to change.

What are your preferences? Let Jean know.

## SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST ON THE RUN:

Twenty-two members were on hand to say hello to our old meeting place at the Clubhouse Restaurant at the Daytona Beach Golf club. A sea of tangerine comprised of the Gatzes, Dave and Maya, the Quinns, John and Sally, the Armstrongs, the Wolffs, the Gerstels, the Crowders, the Comptons, the Blakes, and the Doyles invaded the premises to take over the dining room. It was good to see Glenn (the owner/manager) again, who was looking fit and reported feeling good after his battle with cancer. He seemed genuinely happy to see our group. We told him we would be back to see him again soon. (photos by Jean, John D. and Dave.)

## OKAY, SO WE CAN'T BE LUCKY ALL

**THE TIME:** There was no winner in the 50/50 drawing this month. It seems Ginny forgot that she had the money can with the tickets and didn't give them to Alice at the Board Meeting. Then she put the can near Jim's Corvette Club items to bring to the meeting. Yep, you guessed it. Jim didn't notice the can to bring it to the meeting, so to make a long story short – no tickets, no winner. The 50/50 will resume next month.

## MILESTONES

**Birthday wishes** go to Arthur Armstrong on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Warren Brasch on the 20<sup>th</sup>, Lois O'Leary on the 25<sup>th</sup>, and Mickey Fritz on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Golden Anniversary Wishes** go to John and Alice Luther for 50 years of wedded bliss.

**Condolences** go to John Doria on the death of his beloved father-in-law.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS** met at the home of Jim and Ginny Quinn on Tuesday, September 11. Many items were discussed and decided.

The DOTR or Dining on the Run (new name) schedule is as follows:

- Nov.4 Halifax Plantation Ormond Beach (B)
- Dec11 Christmas Party @ Marios (D)
- Jan 6 Columbia's St Augustine (L)
- Feb 3 Old Sugar Mill DeLeon Springs (B)
- Mar 3 Cap's St. Augustine (L)
- Apr 7 The Clubhouse Daytona (B)
- May 5 La Fiesta Ormond Beach (L)  
(to celebrate Cinco de Mayo)
- June 2 Arnie's at Pine Lakes Golf Club Palm Coast (B)

Other Events coming up

- Jan; ATC Car Show in Daytona
- Feb; Daytona 500 Party at Quinn's.
- Mar; Tom Gibbs Show
- April/May; Mini Golf Tournament
- May; Art of the Automobile

## CORVETTE NEWS from Ed:

Beginning September 14, tours of the Bowling Green Assembly Plant were temporarily stopped to begin preparations to build the next generation C-7. Currently, there is no time line of when tours will resume.

The 2013 production began in May and will run for about 9 months, until February, 2013. C-7 production should begin in April, 2013. The official introduction will be at the Detroit Auto Show next January. In the meantime...check out the Photo of the Month as rumors run rampant on the design.

**ERAU AIR SHOW:** Though this is not a club event, you may want to mark this exciting air show on your calendar. The area of the beach around the Daytona Beach pier is where the action will be on October 13, with a repeat performance on October 14. Embry-Riddle puts on this show for the community free of charge, although you may have to pay to park. Watch the newspaper for specific details.

### SWEDEN VISITORS:



Those of you who were at the July meeting may remember some visitors from Sweden who stopped by to say hello. Frank and Dave received an email from Mans Videgard, thanking the club for its hospitality and sending along a picture of his '91. He will be coming to town for the Turkey Run in November and plans to bike down to the Keys. His friend bought an '89 C-4 and will be sending it by container to Sweden along with his daughter's '96. Greetings from a true Corvette lover.



**NEED A NEW IDEA TO CARVE YOUR PUMPKIN?** Check it out. The eyes are represented by the Corvette flags and the mouth is made of the familiar Chevy bowtie. Some people are just so clever!!

**PHOTO OF THE MONTH (as seen on the home page):** Here are some of the latest spy photos of the new C-7 caught in action complete with camouflage to keep the true design top secret. If you will click onto <http://rumors.automobilemag.com/spied-2014-chevrolet-c7-corvette-caught-again-interior-looking-upscale-170675.html> , you can get a glimpse at what may be in store for the new design. Especially interesting is the new look for the interior seats/headrest area. But remember that GM is especially creative in disguising the total look of the car until its unveiling at the Auto Show.

And remember, if you have a picture you would like to see as the Photo of the Month, please send it to [jeandoyle@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jeandoyle@cfl.rr.com) .