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Dear Gang,

Ding Dong, The Show is Gone! For those of you that worked so hard, I know that you breathed a sigh of relief just as I. But, I really feel good about it. I've worked on our shows for several years now and never have I received so many positive responses, unsolicited, in emails and phone calls from our participants. While the weather and gas prices no doubt did impact us, I am very proud of our Club for putting on one of the best we have had in my memory! Congratulations to Tom and Jerry, our co-chairs and each of our event chairpersons.

I've got a surprise at our May meeting. It's the winning "show photo" and will be presented to the Club member that is in it. So, don't miss May's meeting. You'll want to see this. And, as usual, we have a really dirty Santa 50/50 pot raffle.

Now, it's time to socialize. Glen and Larry have everything all done for our "After Show" Social in May. It will really help them if they have an accurate headcount of how many are coming. So, email either of them that you will be there.

Now, it's time to have some fun! The Trip General is hard at work on events for us, and kicking that off will be our trip to Jefferson, Texas to attend our former member's Corvette Show. Jefferson is a really neat place and offers a lot of interested items. All in all, a great place for a car show. Don will be emailing everyone with info on our caravan soon.

Our Club continues to grow with new members. We have had 26 new folks join our ranks in April. Welcome to each of you. We encourage you to make our meetings and get to know us. What better way than to participate in our events? You have chosen a great club that will enhance your corvette experience.

Save The Wave!

Phil



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Next club meeting is **Tuesday, June 7th** at the Whole Hog Cafe, **In the Riverdale Shopping Center at 2516 Cantrell Road in Little Rock.** The meeting starts at **7:00 pm.** Come early to eat and/or socialize. **See you there!**

Chaplain's Corner

Jack L. Blackshear, MD
CACC Chaplain

Did you read the recent article that the rapture will occur May 21? If this news is true, Believers in our CACC will be raised suddenly into the presence of Jesus. The caravans to Bowling Green will be thinner.

This is not the first prediction of end times, but many Biblical scholars tell us we are in it. Nobody knows the exact time, which will come "like a thief in the night". The important spiritual question for all of us is, "If I died today, where would I spend eternity?" Go to John 11:25, 26; 14:6. Only belief in Jesus provides the way to Heaven. You have a choice. Now is the time.

Blessings,

Dr. Jack

GET WELL SOON – Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers; Kathy & Larry Olsen, Kathy is recovering from bladder surgery, and Bill & Sue Culver, Bill is back at work on a limited basis recovering from surgery.

IN SYMPATHY: Our thoughts and prayers go out to; Michelle & Randy Reynolds on the loss of Michelle's mother, and to Patsy Herring on the loss of her grandson.

Upcoming Events: All of the event information listed in the newsletters is available on the club website in the previous newsletters and the monthly calendar; therefore, it will not be repeated here in detail each month. If you do not have access to the website give me a call, Jerry Reagan at 501-834-6361. If you know of any events that are not listed here let us know.

MONTHLY CRUISE INS



Advance Auto Parts on E. Kiehl Avenue organized by **Classic American Muscle and Streetrods Car Club**, come check out the hot cars.

2011 Schedule

Time: 3-5pm Jan-March & Nov-Dec. - 7-9pm Apr.-Oct.

May 14, June 11, July 9,

August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10



Cruisin in the Rock – River Market District & Riverfront Park 6-9pm.

Friday's May 20, September 9, October 21

There are no dates on their calendar for June, July & August

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CAR SHOWS, EVENTS & ROADTRIPS



Thursday – Saturday, May 19-21, 2011 Annual Corvette Beach Caravan – Dothan, Alabama – hosted by Circle City Corvettes. Join a Corvette caravan from Dothan, AL. to Panama City Beach, FL. There will be special guests, seminars, car show, golf tournament, parties, and a Corvette Memorabilia auction to benefit the National Corvette Museum. Come join in the fun. For info contact Kelly Walker at 334-790-7856 or corvette.kelly@yahoo.com Website: www.circlecitycorvettes.com. 1,318 miles roundtrip from Little Rock.



Thursday – Saturday, May 26-28, 2011 Corvette Forum Cruise-In, Bowling Green, KY – hosted by the National Corvette Museum and Corvette Forum.com. The annual Corvette Forum Cruise-In provides the on-line community a chance to meet in person. Participants are representative of the full spectrum on Corvette enthusiasts covering all generations and all kinds of interests. This year's program offers a wide range of seminars, local and long distance road tours and on-site activities including a presentation of the 2012 Corvette and the new Bowling Green Assembly Plant Manager. Advance registration closes at 5:00pm May 11th. Activities are open to Event Registrants only. Info at www.nationalcorvettemuseum.com. 828 miles roundtrip from Little Rock.



Saturday & Sunday, May 28-29, 2011, 7th Annual Vettes in the Valley Corvette Show at the Festival Grounds in Maggie Valley, NC - Registration Fee is \$45.00 and includes entrance to Show/Festival Grounds, vendors, music, door prizes, entry in People's and Participant's Choice Corvette Show & Judged Competition, Road Rally & Loud Exhaust Contest. If pre-registered by May 6 you will receive one free event t-shirt and a free Meet & Greet at Maggie Valley Inn & Conference Center on Friday. For lodging info call 1-866-926-0201. Check www.smokyevents.com for more info. 1,244 miles roundtrip from Little Rock.

**ALL
CORVETTE SHOW
JEFFERSON, TX**

Friday & Saturday, June 3-4, 2011, Big Cypress Corvette Show, Jefferson, TX, presented by Jefferson, TX Chamber of Commerce. Hollis Shadden one of our transplanted club members is the Chief of Police in Jefferson, he is heading up the show guarantees it will be a fun filled weekend in a historic old town. **Friday Evening** - 6:00 pm Larry & Glenda Bocksnick of CACC will lead a cruise that will end at Glory Dayz, a 50's style diner in Jefferson, for food and drink around 7:00 pm. Late nite Nite-Caps @ the motel! **Saturday:** - registration will open at 7:00 am for the early risers. Pre-registration is \$20, Day of show is \$25. Registration form is available online at www.jefferson-texas.com, all downtown red-bricked streets will be closed for the show & shine, Awards at 2:00 pm, Trophies: 1st thru 3rd place for generations C1 thru C6 + 1 Best of Show + 1 Mayor's Choice, Poker Fun Run with a twist starts around 4:00 pm & is \$5. Tag-alongs are welcome. **Saturday Evening** - Your Choice!!!...One or All !, A guided driving tour of Jefferson, narrated by Hollis Shadden, will showcase many of the interesting historic places, Steam Train Rides and Carriage Rides, A Ghost Walk, Live Music at Auntie Skinner's. **Sunday** - 8:30am breakfast at a local restaurant & goodbyes to the locals & other clubs, 10:00 am back to motels & checkout, 10:45am caravan back to Little Rock with drop-offs along the way.

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Thursday – Sunday, September 15 – 18, Vette’s at the Beach, Pensacola, FL
 Club Roadtrip to the Miracle Strip Corvette Club’s Vettes at the Beach. We will leave on Thursday, September 15 and drive to Pensacola (505 miles). Friday, September 16 we will; hit the beach, go shopping, go to the Navel Air Museum or whatever you would like to do in sunny Florida. There is a Friday & Saturday Night Gathering at the Hampton Inn. Saturday, September 17 is the corvette show in a parking lot near the beach (what a view), The annual “TASTE of the BEACH” will be going on that weekend right next to the Corvette Show. Sunday we head back. The host hotel is the Pensacola Beach Hampton Inn at 2 Via De Luna Drive 800-320-8108 rooms are \$129 for the Sound side and \$149 for the Gulf side rooms, just tell them you are there for the Miracle Strip Corvette Club event the rooms go to \$200 after 8-17-11. The MSC also has a block of rooms at the Cabana Inn at 40 Ft. Pickens Road 800-934-5470 for \$69 a night until 9-10-11. If interested email jreagan04magneticredcorvette@comcast.net. 1010 miles roundtrip from Little Rock. Come have a beach BLAST!

Events in this section were listed in detail in one of the previous 2011 newsletters; the information is available on our website under the old newsletters or on the calendar:

- Saturday, June 4, 2011, Hot Rod Power Tour begins in Cocoa Beach, FL.
- Tuesday – Saturday, July 12 – 16, 40th Annual Black Hills Corvette Classic - Sioux Falls, SD & Spearfish, SD
- Friday & Saturday, July 22-23, 2011 the 8th Annual Grand Lake Corvette Show – Grove, OK,
- Sunday, July 24, 2011 – Sizzlin Hot Car Show – Little Rock, AR
- Thursday – Sunday, August 11-14, 2011 Vettes ‘n the Midwest, Joplin, MO
- Thursday – Sunday, August 4 – 7, Vettes on the Rockies – Breckenridge, CO
- Saturday, September 24 – 4th Annual Corvette Meet & Greet – Camdenton, Mo

National Corvette Museum - Calendar of Events – 2011

C45/C6 Bash – April 28-30	Anniversary Celebration – September 1-3
C4/ZR1 Gathering – May 12-14	Z06 Fest – September 15-17
Corvette Forum Cruise-in May 26-28	R8C Reunion – September 24-October 1
NCM Le Mans Tour – June 6-15	NCM Benefit at HOD Autobahn CC – October 3
VIR HPDE June 27-28	Historic Motorama Reunion Tour –October 19-23
Mosport ALMS Road Tour – July 18-24	Vets ‘n Vettes – November 3-5
*Check the NCM website www.corvettemuseum.com for updates and more information.	



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The CACC Show Circuit

By “The General”
Don Butler

Centerville Drag Strip – April 2, 2011

“DRIVER’S – START YOUR ENGINES”, “Centerville CACC Spring Nationals...We thought March would never end with all the foul weather as we were anticipating our day at the drag strip. Despite the early hour departure, Corvettes just kept on arriving at the Hwy 10 Kroger and at 8:30 am we rolled out of there with 30 cars. The crisp Saturday morning made for a spectacular scene as we toured along Hwy 10, up Hwy 9 and west along Hwy 10 again to Ola where we startled all the folks at the corner convenience store...actually they are getting used to us appearing on the weekends and are glad to see us. We took a needed break here preparing for the short drive to Centerville and the track. Before leaving the rest stop the Porsche club entered the yard while on their way to the curvy hills of northern Arkansas and we had to chance to chat and let them ogle our race cars.

It was a wonderful day at the track and it was evident why the “Able - Yellow Stinger Bee” had set a track record at this strip...what a machine!! We also had Kris’s NOS “Black Magic Woman” and it performed well but not to Kris’s high standards. If you have any doubts...get in line for a launch in the passenger’s seat...even Pete was lookin’ for the Toilet Paper!! Gary & Kathy Seiler had a regretful spinout on the slalom course that resulted in some front end damage. We hope all is well with them and that they are getting their yellow convertible back on the road.

Mid afternoon the caravan continued to Russellville where we ate scrumptious hamburgers at CJ’s and said our Adios’s to everyone that had joined the group.

Following are numerous pictures taken during this exciting event and I’m sure this will be a repeat next year.



Hwy 10 Kroger Launch Site



Lineup at the Drag Strip Entrance

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Pre-Entrance Wagers



Participant Lineup at the Track



Centerville Track Grounds



Jerry Snapping Pics of Competition



“Yellow Stinger Bee”



“Black Magic Woman”

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"The Shootout"



"Time Isn't On Your Side"



"A Fort Smith Friends Mid-Year"



"The Casualty of the Day"

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CENTRAL ARKANSAS CORVETTE CLUB'S 2011 HOT SPRINGS CORVETTE WEEKEND

Based on what the participants' comments the weekend was a corvette success. We had folks from Arkansas, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas. We very much appreciate them coming and supporting the event. We will need to be sure and reciprocate and attend their events.

Can't say how much we appreciate the hard work of all the club members, you put on another great show and put forth an extraordinary effort. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!! Hope you all had as much fun as the participants. Below are some pictures of the event:



Dr. Jack doing the opening prayer, Cindy & Robyne



C.W. brought in the American Flag for show opening



Robyne singing America the Beautiful & Cindy



Best of Show 2011

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Denise and Julie setting up Silent Auction



Kaye, Brenda & Donnette setting up Silent Auction



How sweet it is.



That stinger sure stands out.

The Silent Auction was very much work but it turned out to be our second money maker, with registration being first. Folks had a lot of fun bidding on the things they wanted you had to keep checking back to stay on top.



Jim & Sharon checking out the vendors



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Lee & Robyne working on Silent Auction.



Phil & Cindy auctioning Margie's drawing.



Joyce, David, Ron & Stan judging.



Gwatney Performance with Mike's vette.

Hey that's David, the famous NCRS judge and CACC club member, helping out with the judging. Our judging is nowhere as stringent as the NCRS events. You would think it was as you watch the participants clean those beautiful CORVETTES.



Dan, Janet and Dallas at McClard's



Charles, Larry, Buddy, and Mike

The picture of McClard's sign with the three fantastic vettes was taken by Dan Galineau one of our Louisiana corvette friends. Dan and Janet have been to all of the CACC Corvette Weekends that I have and more.

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Pete & Mike judging the "BUD"



Silver and Chrome!



University of Oklahoma fan lined up for parade.



Is that Mercury the god of speed or Alan?

Next are some early bird party and parade pictures.



Event participants at the early bird party.



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Sam & Frank



Rebecca, Lola, Stan & Phil



Jerry, Brenda, Charles, Cathy, Jimmie, Dallas, Dan, Janet & Patsy



Pete & Janel



Don and Tom



Margaret putting up with Tom & Jerry

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Alan & Terecia



Sharon



Tom & Kristi, you can't see the huge corvette flag.



Rick & Lee in the Friday parade.

Central Arkansas Corvette Club Minutes of May 3, 2011

Phil Davis, President, opened the meeting with 50+ members present. Phil started the meeting by introducing new members and guests: Bill Atherton who joined at the first of the year, drives a 2006 red convertible, Pat & Jim Brown, from White Hall, drive a 2007 red corvette, Jim is a Firefighter, Herbert & Donna Harrison, drive a 2010 triple black convertible and a 1977 Corvette, Jack & Marge Bennett, drive a 1992 black convertible.

The April minutes were approved by a motion, second and majority vote of the membership.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Larry Botsford. The show account has \$10,036.22 with revenue tonight of \$1,000.00 collected from the show. The club account has \$12,263.54.

Phil announced he has CACC Window Cling Decals for sale for \$2.00 which were donated by a club member and proceeds will go toward charity.

Names were called out for members who have name badges ready for pick up.

Phil announced a Board Meeting/2012 Show Planning Meeting scheduled for May 19, 2011 at the Whole Hog Café from 6 pm to 8 pm. Board Members and all club members are invited to be there. Tom Powal will be there to have his budget approved and marching orders for next year's show.

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Shannon & Mark Soenksen were fined \$5.00 each for winning in the Top 10 Cars at the Pulaski Vocation Car Show and 1st place at the Toad Suck Car Show in Conway with both Shannon's corvette and Mark's camaro.

Stan Yates reported on Bill Culver's progress after surgery. Bill is doing well; he can't pick up over 20 pounds and is slowly gaining his strength back. Bill thanks everyone for all the cards, calls and prayers.

Phil Davis, President, announced the CACC Best of Show Photo Winner with a large picture of Silver C3 "Rocket Man," Alan Magee. Alan stole the show when he wheeled out for the Burn Out Contest with his "Rocket Man" goggles and cap on.

Larry Jones reported on the CACC after Show Picnic Social. Larry passed out directions to the park in Maumelle. The social will start at noon on May 15th, Sunday, with Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Drinks, Dessert furnished free by the CACC. Larry said just bring your car and show up and you don't have to wash your car. Just sit there and look out at the river. Bring your chairs, also.

The 50/50 pot winner was drawn with C.W. Eppinette winning. Two more names were drawn for a down and dirty 50/50 winner. C.W. took \$45.00 for the money prize, Roy Vega selected the club jacket, however when Lou Ann McPherson got her turn she took the jacket and Roy ending up with the Mystery Prize a fold up Corvette chair.

Phil asked for the Trip General to speak and discovered the Trip General was not present due to being literally stuck in the mud at his house. Phil told all the new members how the Trip General, Don Butler, received his title in the club. Don will be leading the club to Jefferson, TX, on June 3rd for the Cypress Creek Corvette Show, June 3rd and 4th. Hollis Shadden, a CACC member, who moved to Jefferson as the Chief of Police and the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring the 1st annual all Corvette show. Phil asked for a show of hands of those planning on attending and a majority of club member's hands were raised. Larry & Glenda Bocksnick, in their 2008 Silver ZO6 will lead the parade in Jefferson.

Phil announced the July CACC Meeting will be held in Hot Springs at Jose's Mexican Grill & Cantina, 5361 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, AR.

Jerry Reagan, Show Co-chairperson, gave a report of the past show April 14-16th in Hot Springs. There were 187 registrants for the show. The show netted \$4,281.48. Jerry explained the reason for many that did not attend. Northwest Arkansas & Razorback Corvette Clubs did not attend in force due to the Horse Races. Ozark Corvette Club had their show on the same day as ours. The President of Ozark Corvette Club said they wouldn't schedule the same time next year.

Jerry announced next year's show dates as April 19-21st, 2012. Tom Powal will be the Show Coordinator for next year.

Sharon Russell gave a report of Sponsorship for the past show. Her goal was for \$5,000. She has \$3,000 at present. Sharon also thanked Tom for the great seats and time had by all that attended the 2nd Horse Race at Oak Lawn on Friday, April 15th, as part of the show activities. She said it was very exciting in presenting the trophy to Taco Don.

Jerry Reagan informed the club of the Miracle Strip Corvette Show being held in Pensacola, FL, Sept. 17, 2011. He said the caravan would leave on Sept. 15th and return on Sunday, Sept. 18th unless some wanted to stay longer. The host hotel is Hampton Inn where the show will be held along the beach with rates of \$129 to \$149/night. The Cabana Inn has rooms for \$69/night, also, close by to the show. The show consists of Friday Night Gathering, Saturday, the Car Show, and Saturday night, another Gathering. Jerry said this club likes to really eat and have a good time. There are already a number of club members that have committed to going. Please let Jerry know if you are going.

Phil wanted everyone to know that club member, Jon Vannatta, has been deployed to Afghanistan rather quickly. Jon has a new email address and would love to hear from his club members.

For the end of the meeting, Phil asked for every member to stand and tell who they are, what kind of Corvette they drive and any other information they would like to share. It was a fun time and enjoyed by all members.

Phil adjourned the meeting.

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