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Dear Gang,

Its Friday am prior to Vettes and Turkeys and I'm wrapping up the last few details. From the number of RSVP's it appears that we're going to have a good crowd and a great time. But, my thoughts today are with Sam and Cindy and Shannon.

Over the years, the nature of my work required me to represent my company in activities that contributed to the community. As a result, I have belonged to many organizations whose principal aim was to make a difference in the quality of life for its citizens. I can truly say that I have never been associated with one that enjoyed the close fellowship our club enjoys. That is never more demonstrated than when we have a situation affecting our member's families or our member's health. Such is the case now. I know that each of you, as I, are gravely concerned that Cindy overcomes her illness and is able to be back with us soon. To that end, I request prayers for her from everyone.

All of this, along with my 70th birthday has made me aware that I have far fewer tomorrows than yesterdays and how important it is to tell those of whom you hold in high regard, just how much you love and appreciate them. So, know this. Both Margie and I hold each of you in the highest regard, treasure your friendship, and hold tight to the joy you give us. It is a privilege and honor to represent you as your president.

Kindest regards,

Save The Wave!

Phil



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Next club meeting is **Tuesday, September 6th** 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

Mark 10:15 says if we don't receive the kingdom of God as a little child, we won't enter it. That is a puzzling scripture for a grownup.

While browsing through eBooks last week, I found one that caught my eye – a look at Heaven through toddlers' eyes. A doctor missed a ruptured appendix and the little boy almost died of peritonitis. During his surgery he had no loss of vital signs but in the weeks following recovery he gave some amazing recollections of events that were; well, out of this world. I read it and had an epiphany (long overdue).

If you are like me, you filter everything through life experiences and it gets complicated. Not so with children. It has changed me, made me re-look at my faith and thanking God that He sometimes sends emissaries back to remind us Heaven is for Real. Well, now I've gone and told you the title. Check it out. Even go to YouTube.

Blessings,
Dr. Jack

Condolences: Please keep Shannon & Mark Soenksen in your thoughts and prayers, Shannon lost her Grandfather unexpectedly Tuesday morning, he lived in California. We also wish you a safe trip to California and back.

Get Well Soon: Our thoughts and prayers go out to Sam, Cindy, CW, Jordan & family, Cindy had a stroke which resulted in bleeding from her brain and is recovering in SICU at Baptist Hospital in Little Rock. Please pray for Jim Mimms, his son Dave and family, Dave had a motorcycle accident which resulted in his brain swelling and having one foot amputated, he also is in SICU at Baptist Hospital in Little Rock.

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 & Streetrods Car Club**, come check out the hot cars.

2011 Schedule

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

September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10

CAR SHOWS, EVENTS & ROADTRIPS

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**Vettes on the River
Hosted By
Pat Booth
For
Club
Members
Only**

Saturday, October 1, Vettes on the River – Club member Pat Booth is opening her beautiful place (9021 Pinnacle Valley Road) by Maumelle Park in Little Rock to all club members for an end of summer event. Chef Michael will be in charge of providing the main entrée. Everyone that attends is being asked to bring a chair, side dish or dessert plus any adult beverages they want. There will be frozen beverages for all to enjoy. There will be tours of the deer pens both does and bucks. There will be a tour of the trophy room. A must see part of the visit. All of you so called hunter will go away humbled by what you see. We will have a band after dinner and we expect all to get up out of their chairs and dance. Hopefully, there will be a couple of 2012 Corvettes on display to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Chevrolet. Please drive your Corvette to the event as there will be special parking for you, anyone driving a “metal” car will be parked in a different area. R.S.V.P. will be required bowtie53@gmail.com as they will need a head count in order to provide enough food for all. More details later, don't miss this event!!



Thursday – Sunday, October 6 – 9, Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend, Eureka Springs, AR – Thursday - registration 10am and Short Course Auto Cross, 10am-3:30pm at Fletcher Chevrolet in Springdale, AR, 6-9pm registration and 7-9pm Tech & Info Seminars at the Inn of the Ozarks Best Western Convention Center, Eureka Springs, Friday – registration 10 – noon and Fuel Economy Run at the Land-O-Nod Victorian Inn, registration continues 3-7:30pm at the Pine Mountain Square Gazebo, 3:30-4:30pm Photo Tours depart Pine Mountain Square (35 corvettes per group). Saturday – 7:30-9:30am registration at the Land-O-Nod, 9:30-10am Owner's Choice Car Show staging at Pine Mountain Square the Show is 9am – 1pm, Awards 1-2pm at Pine Mountain Square, 3:30 – 4:30 Poker Run registration and departure at Pine Mountain Square. Parade of Champions departs Pine Mountain Square at 8pm. Sunday – Departing Get-Together at Pine Mountain Square.



Saturday, October 15 – Fall Foliage Tour & Pangburn Corvette Rally with Chili Dinner – Organized by CACC & Corvettes of AR, Ltd. – The day will start with respective clubs leaving their meeting locations and converging on Rose Bud, AR for a breakfast get-together at the Rambler Restaurant. From there we'll swing northwest by a scenic route and loop around into the Mountain Home area for lunch at a selected restaurant. After lunch we'll swing southeast through the colorful hills and along the White River to Pangburn, where the high school is throwing a Corvette Rally and chili dinner from 5-7pm. For more info contact Don at 501-258-4336 or donjbutler@gmail.com

National Corvette Museum - Calendar of Events – 2011

Anniversary Celebration – September 1-3	NCM Benefit at HOD Autobahn CC – October 3
Z06 Fest – September 15-17	Historic Motorama Reunion Tour –October 19-23
R8C Reunion – September 24-October 1	Vets 'n Vettes – November 3-5
*Check the NCM website www.corvettemuseum.com for updates and more information.	

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One upmanship – As you may recall Phil our club president received a call from Jay Leno in response to a call that Carter had made regarding our April show. Well Tommy could not be out done, so when he attended the 2011 Pebble Beach Concourse d' Elegance he looked up Leno and got his picture made with him. Now that Tommy knows Leno personally, we will have him work on getting Jay to our 2012 Corvette Weekend.



Saturday, August 6, 2011 – Batesville, AR - The 4th Annual River Cities Cruisers Car Show at Mark Martin's Ford Dealership. By Don Butler "The Trip General"

"OUTSIDE TEMPERATURE GAGE READING 107F & WE'RE OFF TO A HOT SHOW!!"

The prospect of another day of excruciating HOT weather was enough to keep all but a few hardy members of CACC from attending this 4th annual event at the Mark Martin Ford dealership in Batesville. Along with the very early departure of 7:45 am, the 'Road Warriors' figured this would put the icing on the cake and minimize some of the competition. We had also invited the COA club of Searcy to join our caravan to Batesville and the early rise and departure had similar effects on their club. Unlike other shows where we frowned on other Corvette competition we've had so much fun with these folks that competition never crossed our minds....well at least up to Awards time.

Once again Sam's Club in Sherwood was the departure location. Myself, Pete Dean, Frank Russell, David Pierce, and Scott Utley fired up the engines at 7:45 am and headed northeast on Hwy 67/167. Cara was waiting impatiently at the Cabot exit and Herbert joined the caravan at the Ward exit. We got off at exit 44 in Searcy and stopped at the Conoco station but no Corvettes. I called Danny Rhodes and he shortly joined us there and had given us the wrong exit...it should have been exit 46 where they generally meet. At this location we picked up 2 cars and a pickup and another Corvette along Hwy 67. We followed Hwy 67 to Bald Knob and then went north on Hwy 167 to Batesville. Having called ahead to the River City Cruisers they were expecting our caravan of Corvettes and were excited to see us roll in. Gary and Kathy Seiler made the trip and joined us at the 'Oasis' for some conversation and then toured the show.

Following are a series of pictures of the day at this hot show...enjoy!!

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'A Shady Spot for Searcy Departure'



'CORVETTE Corner @ the Show'

The upper right picture shows the camaraderie of 3 Corvette clubs at the show: Central Arkansas Corvette Club, Corvettes of Arkansas, Ltd., and the Bay Vettes Club (Fairfield Bay). The yellow Z06 in the center belongs to Don Leith and it is he and his family that are hosting the Sunday Social on August 28th that CACC is invited to.



'CACC Oasis – Generator, Fans, & Coolers'



'Don, Philip, & Danny Strategizing'



'Show Car Lineups'



'Shined Up & Ready for Judging'

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'Pete & Scott Enjoying the Shade'



'Frank & Herbert Tired from Shining'



'Tops Back Up for a Cool Down'



'One of Our favorites'

We toured the museum today and looked at many of the wall postings but didn't have the camera to get any pictures. There were 2 registration groups: Pre 1996 and Post 1996 with no announced Corvette classes so our discussions during the day didn't leave us with much hope but we were having fun anyways despite the heat.

"SURPRISE FOR ALL OF US"

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After all the whining...can you believe it!! Everyone entered in all 3 clubs won a trophy and when the dust settled CACC also got the 'Largest Club' award. Pete was glad he got up early to go get that 1st place prize and now he's contemplating a house remodel to turn Cathy's sewing room into a Trophy room.

Parting is such sweet sorrow....but the other clubs were worn out and we were ready to celebrate. Jerry had escaped the chains of grandchildren sitting and was heading our way and we were making plans for the winding route home. The 'Oasis' was packed up and Herbert left the group to head home and shop for school clothes. We started south on Hwy 167 to the junction with Hwy 14 & 230 west and parked to greet Jerry. Turns out he was thinking about Bowling Green and good thing we called him because he was flying east on 67. We got him turned around and headed west on Hwy 14 but he was 27 miles behind us. Our plan was to run across Hwy 14 to Mountain View and have a snack at the Wing Shack where we ate last week. This was the road we traveled last week by mistake but it is a scenic corridor and has plenty of twists and turns.

The Wing Shack was pleased to see us again as we parked across the front of the building. Seems like business picks up when the Corvettes are lined up out front. We didn't want to be in hot water for not calling one of our members while in town so we rang Sharon Russell and she happened to be at her cabin and came down to join us.

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'Wing Shack – Mountain View'



'The Prize Line-Up'



'Chow Time & Everyone Happy'



'David, Frank, & Sharon on the Porch'

Below is a preview of Vettes at the Beach in Pensacola Beach more coming in the October issue:



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Ron & Kaye "Best of Show"



Phil "Most Club Participation"



Margie & Cara working in the sand.



Bird sitting on Frank's freshly cleaned vette.



Mel & Donnetta's vette at Navel Air Museum.



Cindy & CW enjoying the beach.

More photos and news about the Vettes at the Beach road trip in the October Newsletter.

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Central Arkansas Corvette Club Minutes for September 6, 2011

The club meeting was called to order by Phil Davis, President, with 84 members and 4 visitors.

Treasurers report by Larry Botsford. Show account 9,834.00 and club account 11,391.00.

Phil explained the block buster 50/50 from last meeting and this meeting the club had 480.00 from last month's pot and what was collected from this meetings pot where put together and he will draw 6 names and the pot will be split 6 ways. The total pot was \$1200.00 and each winner was given 200.00 each. The winners were Pete Dean, Sharon Russell, Gail Holmes, Jerry Reagan, Lou Ann McPherson, and Roberta Belevy.

Phil announced that he just had his 70th birthday and had the club sing Happy Birthday to him. (Happy 70th Phil).

Phil talked about the Vettes and Turkey event coming up on September 24th•

Phil talked about member Mark Osborne's car being on the cover of Vette Magazine. Way to go Mark.

Phil talked about the board's proposal for the profits of our Hot Springs Show (\$3000.00) being divided between our 5 charities with 60% going to Spina Bifida and 10% going to the other 4 charities. It was brought up for a membership vote and passed. The checks will be written as soon as possible.

Phil introduced Billy Brooks, President of the Capitol City Corvette Club to talk about their Corvette Show on October 15th they are expecting over 300 corvettes to attend, head quarters will be at the La Quinta, 6th and Broadway, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Jerry Reagan talked about the Pensacola, Florida trip coming up on October 11th - 17th, 72 people, 39 corvettes have signed up.

Phil talked about the \$100.00 donated to the buy a brick at the Veterans Memorial displayed in North Little Rock.

Dan Tucker talked about the Bikers for Babies event September 17th from Toad Suck to the Clinton Presidential Library, to benefit The March of Dimes; also Dan talked about the Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend on October 6th - 9th.

Mike Frantz and Pat Booth talked about the Vettes down by the River Event October 1, at Pat Booth's home, gates open at 1 p.m. There will be a potluck dinner and a blues band, also a guest from a television show that aired in the early 60's. But, Mike and Pat are keeping that a secret.

Charles Ward talked about the Corvettes for a Cause Car Show to benefit Beyond Boundaries at Cabot on November 5th more information to follow.

Frank Russell Secretary

