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### **Vette Gazette**



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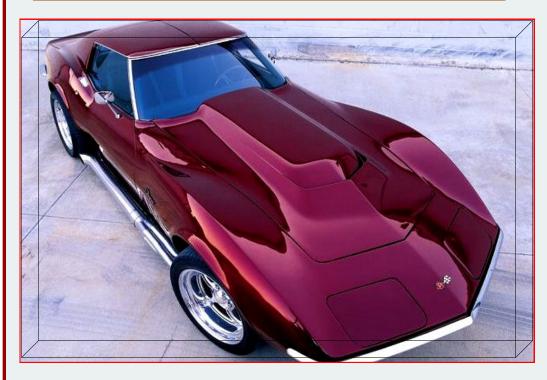
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### **Club Meeting**

**Date: 1st Tuesday Monthly** 

**Next Date: October 6th** 

**Location: Whole Hog Café** 

Address: 2516 Cantrell Rd., Little

Rock

Meet/Greet/Eat: 6-6:45

Meeting: 6:45-8pm

#### A Word From Our President

### Planning for the Show in April of 2016

The Annual CACC Corvette Show that we sponsor each April has become one of the most appealing shows in the Midwest. Our attendance in Hot Spring grows every year. We have expanded to include all available space in the Arena to display Corvettes and house the vendors, and are looking for more hotels for our guests. We increased and expanded our funds available for charity due to our success this year, and we expect the show next year to be even better!

One of the major responsibilities of the Club Leadership is to continue to improve everything we offer our guests. Some things that previously were successful no longer maintain interest. By the preferences of our guests, and observing events at other shows the size of ours, we gather information to develop some new and different ideas that we could integrate into our show.

Many of us who have been around several years have gained knowledge and experience vital to maintaining a current, competitive show that will draw the crowds we seek to invite to Hot Springs.

I believe that it is time for some new members to step up and volunteer to learn all about the show, to observe, assist and plan, to get more involved in executing all aspects of the show. In addition, our new members should be thinking about they would like to contribute and learn, to become significantly helpful in future shows.

Terry Stegall has done a fantastic job as Chairman of the Show for several years. It is time to lessen the load of one individual doing the lion's share of the work, especially the decisions that must be made in early planning. It is already time to print our brochures for next April's show, so we can take them to the big shows this season for their clubs to plan to attend our next show.

I have decided to develop a Leadership Team to lead the planning, coordinating, and decision making, along with myself, so that it will be a group effort. Any member of the Leadership Team will have authorization to make appropriate decisions as we go through this process again. I have selected 5 leaders with experience to join the team. The five members can act independently or as a group doing the various functions in preparation for the show. They will continue to keep me informed, as they have always done, and if an administrative decision needs to be made, I will always be available to make it, as they see fit.

I will also be asking each member of the Leadership Team to help people who are interested in a particular skill related to the Show, so that we can develop a new cadre of people to assist more and more in future shows.

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#### A Word From Our President

The Leadership Team will consist of Terry Stegall, Troy Sanders, Frank Russell, Jim Butler, and Tom Powal. These individuals have agreed to this construct, and they all have expertise in various areas of the show and the planning management, and are ready to go with plans for the next show. As you can imagine, everything that goes into the show has to be settled and planned before the brochure is printed, which is about 3 weeks from now. So.....it is time to get serious!

Please continue to support the shows and events that will arise in Arkansas and elsewhere in the coming weeks. CACC gains great support and appreciation when we appear at the events and we always have a wonderful time when we go somewhere together.



**Nancy Acre** 

### Chaplain's Corner Cont....

### **Good Works for A Heavenly Future**

Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

I recently saw the movie "Pearl Harbor" on cable. Toward the end of the movie Col. Jimmy Doolittle leads a squadron of volunteer aviators in a surprise raid on Tokyo. Doolittle is played by actor Alec Baldwin. During this sequence Doolittle utters the words "There is nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer". This statement resonated with me not only because I am a Vietnam vet, but over the years I have been both honored and privileged to serve as a volunteer for many different organizations. We hear a lot about "giving back" and "making a difference" with our time and treasure. The CACC has had an exemplary record of accomplishment with our annual Hot Springs Car Show and other charitable endeavors.

Thus a case might be made that we are simply saved by God for our good works on Earth to transfer to Heaven for eternity. Nothing could be further from the truth. Yes we need to be wise stewards during our temporary time on this planet both for ourselves and our fellow human beings. But it is critical to note that in the afterlife we are not saved by good works HERE but for good works THERE. We all have an abundance of grace due to Jesus taking all our sins with Him on the cross. So by all means please continue to mightily strive ever forward to helping the less fortunate and underprivileged. However never forget that grace holds the ultimate key-always has-always will.

Ruth 2:12 The Lord repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge.

God bless and thanks for listening.



**Charlie Kinslow** 

# Happy Birthday To You!!



I would like to apologize to all of my June babies for failing to include your birthdays in the newsletter. I also came across some other birthdays that I missed earlier this year. I hope everyone enjoys/enjoyed their special day! -Kim

# **Belated Jan-April Birthdays**

# **Belated June Birthdays**

# **September Birthdays**

Ed Cothren	Jan 2
Mary Mobbs	Jan 25
Chris Marshall	Jan 21
Michelle Benoit	Feb 28
Larry Bocksnick	March 4
Mark Soenksen	March 13
Vicki Adams	April 11

# **August Birthdays**

Rodney Dunn	Aug 4
Bill Mobbs	Aug 6
Billy Morris	Aug 6
Hollis Shadden	Aug 7
Herbert Harrison	Aug 8
Doroghy Willoughby	Aug 9
Ashley Phillips	Aug 9
Donny Head	Aug 9
Gary Watson	Aug 11
Valerie Rennie	Aug 13
Susie Dunaway	Aug 13
Charles Goss	Aug 14
James Morrison	Aug 15
Larry Smith	Aug 15
Dan Fornero	Aug 17
Keith Eremea	Aug 19
Larita Berg	Aug 19
Ken Leslie	Aug 22
Billy Wells	Aug 25
Joe Whittington	Aug 26
Tricia Stiles	Aug 28
Nancy Beene	Aug 31
Norma Beaver	Aug 31

Melissa House	Jun 2
Cindy McColgan	Jun 6
Melvin Morehead	Jun 6
Bruce Kohrs	Jun 6
Charlotte Watson	Jun 6
Shawn Jones	Jun 6
Joyce Gallea	Jun 6
Sandie Russell	Jun 7
Kenneth Eubanks	Jun 7
Jim Brown	Jun 7
Roy Collins	Jun 7
Jared Jones	Jun 8
Shannon Soenksen	Jun 11
Lee Woods	Jun 12
Mark Mobbs	Jun 15
Wesley Harvey	Jun 18
Glenda Tipton	Jun 18
Arlene Stegall	Jun 19
Roy Nolen	Jun 22
Annette Nolen	Jun 22
Angela Marshall	Jun 23
Julie Gardner	Jun 25
Tom Sefcik	Jun 25
David Caple	Jun 26
Lou Ann McPherson	Jun 27
Cynthia Hopson	Jun 29
James Oliver	Jun 30
Tammy Holley	Jun 30
Janel Broadhurst	Jun 30

Tim Howard	1-Sep
Ron Head	1-Sep
Marlon Doucet	1-Sep
Jane English	2-Sep
Graham Smith	6-Sep
Christina Malin	9-Sep
Judy Brazil	14-Sep
Bernard Bradford	15-Sep
Keith Little	16-Sep
Patsy Eubanks	16-Sep
Ron Daugherty	19-Sep
Phillip Burch	19-Sep
Rex Decker	25-Sep
Charles Kinslow	26-Sep
Lendi Wells	28-Sep

Dwight & Melinda Jester, 2003 Yellow Z06, Hensley, AR.

Saturday, July 18th CACC was invited to attend the "Families Are Special" barbeque event at the United Methodist Church in North Little Rock. This special program helps average income families unite with children in need of adoptive homes. Attendees were treated to great barbeque from various local restaurants, an exciting silent and live auction and a rib-tickling dance routine by special guests Craig O'Neil and Officer Tommy Norman. O'Neil and Norman helped to raise hundreds of dollars for this very worth while cause.



### **THOUGHTS & PRAYERS**

Dona Kinslow
Pat Booth
Keith Olsen
Jerry Reagan
Keith Hopson
Brian House
Tom Powal
Tammy Holley's daughter
Rick Head
Anna Batzos



#### **For The Record**

# Central Arkansas Corvette Club Minutes for August 4, 2015

<u>President</u> = Nancy Acre welcomed everyone to the meeting with 88 members and 6 guest present.

Our Chaplain = Charles Kinslow gave the blessing.

<u>SGT At Arms</u> = David Pierce introduced the club Ambassadors and New Ambassador Felicity Donahue (grand daughter of Ron and Sandy Head). David also introduced new members and guests.

<u>Vice President</u> = Troy Sanders talked about how the different clubs that participated in our Hot Springs Show, we should do our best to repay them by attending their shows as a good will gesture.

<u>Secretary</u> = Frank Russell ask for the July minutes to be approved and they were. Frank also made the announcement that with the joining of Dwight and Melinda Jester, it has moved our membership up to <u>350 active members</u>.

Frank also read off the club prayer list; on the list is <u>Jerry Reagan</u>, <u>Keith Hopson</u>, <u>Kathy Olsen</u>, <u>Tom Powal</u>, <u>Rick Head</u>, <u>Brian House</u>, <u>Tammy Holley's Daughter</u> and <u>Anna Batzos</u>. Frank also reported on the Lunch Run to Smok'n Buns with 22 members attending and the Twin Peaks lunch run with 16 members attending. Member Randy Davis was back for a visit from being stationed in Washington and enjoyed the lunch run.

Frank tried to stump David Pierce with a Corvette trivia question, but after I had to give David so many clues he finally got the answer. I will still be searching for more trivia to stump him.

<u>Treasurer</u> = Larry Botsford gave his financial report. In the Club account there is \$16,735.30 and in the show account there is \$32,958.39. There are no outstanding bills at this time.

#### For The Record Cont...

<u>President = Nancy Acre presented recommendations from the CACC Board of Directors for distribution of monies to our Charities at the meeting.</u>

A vote was taken and approval was given for the recommendation of the Board to the charities. Nancy stated that the Board does not take lightly the handling and distribution of club monies. We look at all aspects of the charity, like how is our donations being used and how much of each dollar gets to the needy.

# Monthly reports from our Directors:

Rita New = talked about the up coming Ronald McDonald House Halloween dinner and vette display. Sandie Russell will be taking care of the cooking and Rita will be taking care of the vette display out side. If your interested in participating contact Rita at 501 944 0149. The date is Saturday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>.

<u>Joyce Johnson</u> = talked about the work she has been doing for the 2016 HS Show, with her help and Terry Stegall, they have convinced Craig O'Neal to MC our Friday night dinner at the Corvette Weekend Show.

<u>Vince Parker</u> = talked about the lack of car shows due to the heat, so he doesn't have many photos. He is asking anyone that has pictures to send him at vparkerp69@yahoo.com

<u>Randy Elms</u> = talked about the web site and how he is wanting more members to get signed in and use it. He can help you get hooked up. His email is <u>reelms@yahoo.com</u>

<u>Terry Stegall</u> = talked about the HS Show, he still needs 3 or 4 members to step up and volunteer for co-chairman for the show. Let's don't leave Terry holding the bag. He is in need of some help. By dividing the co-chairs up, one for each day so there is no over load on any one person.

<u>Guest Billy Brooks</u> = from A-State Corvette Association was at the meeting to promote the Bale Chevrolet all G M Car Show on Sunday Aug 16<sup>th</sup> from 11/am to

#### For The Record Cont...

4/pm at Bale Chevrolet 13101 Chenal Parkway L/R. The show is restricted to only G M Cars or G M Power cars.

<u>Ricky New</u>, Trip Coordinator asked how many members were going to the Pensacola show and the show in Slidell, Louisiana. He wants to do a weekend day cruise but due to the heat wave we are in, he has postponed until the weather gets cooler.

### Reports on events we attended:

Glen Acre = talked about the Families Are Special Event that was held at the Methodist Church on JFK in N/L/R. They raised more money this year than any of the previous 6 years that the event has taken place, we had a great turn out of CACC members. Also, several of our members were featured in the Arkansas Gazette newspaper. Great job.

<u>Frank Russell</u> = also talked about the Great Arkansas Beer Festival for craft beers. Several of our members volunteered to serve Beer at the State House Convention center. A percentage of the proceeds went to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. A great big thank you for all that helped.

Glen Acre = talks about the club Picnic, it has been put off until we have cooler weather. There will be judging of our cars by (A State Corvette Club) and demonstrations on the fine art of cleaning our cars for our car show.

A surprise Birthday Cake was given to <u>Diana Evans from Glenda Brazzell</u>. Everyone with a birthday in August was recognized and the cake was cut for anyone wanting a piece.

<u>Frank Russell</u> = also pointed out that with the help of Terry Stegall, the club bought a new P A sound system for the club, this has been needed for a good while and it seems to work just fine for our meeting room.

Meeting adjourned, Frank Russell, Secretary



#### For The Record Cont...

### Central Arkansas Corvette Club Minutes for September 1, 2015

President Nancy Acre welcomed members and guest to the September meeting. We had 78 members present and 3 guest.

Dr. Jack opened the meeting with a prayer and a blessing.

Presentation of contributions to our Charity, Spina Bifida was Natalie Wooldridge.

Presentation of contributions to our Charity, Beyond Boundaries was Tiffany Mattzela.

Troy Sanders-Vice President talked about attending the Morrilton Car Show. He said it was a good show and they're where several cars there.

Larry Botsford-Treasurer gave his report. The Club Account has \$16,548.87. We have \$32,955.68 in the Show account. This is before the Charity Checks.

Frank Russell Secretary said the club has 350 members at this time.

#### Director Reports:

Rita New added four members to our club prayer list. We need to pray for Barbara Shell, Pat Brown, Pat Booth and Jerry Reagan. She also talked about Ron and Donny Head's older brother passing away. Janel Broadhurst has Rocky Mountain fever. Please keep our members in your prayers.

Ricky New-Trip Coordinator talked about upcoming shows in Sept and October, and David's Burgers Cruise in. It is held the first Friday of each month.

Joyce Johnson talked about her efforts in getting vendors and speakers for the Hot Springs Show 2016.

Randy Elms asked the members that haven't been on the web site to please go in and use it. If you are having problems please contact Randy. Only about 50% of our members are using this site.

David Pierce announced a new Club Ambassador, Brooke Williams. Congratulations Brooke.

Nancy Acre talked about putting a Hot Springs Show leadership team in place with the following members:

Jim Butler

Tom Powal

**Troy Sanders** 

Frank Russell

Terry Stegall

This teams objective is to give Terry Stegall some help with the planning of the Hot Springs Show.

#### For The Record Cont...

Terry Stegall talked about the progress of the show. Selling ads for our 2016 Hot Springs Show Brochure. Terry asked that you please volunteer for the show. It takes a lot of people to help put this show on. If you would like to volunteer please contact Terry Stegall.

Glen Acre along with Larry Jones talked about the upcoming CACC picnic on Sunday, September 20, starting at 12 noon. Members can bring desserts if they like, everything else will be provided. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers from the grill. Cooking will start at noon and continue until everyone has been served. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs.

There will be a members only car show at the picnic. The Judging will be done by the A State Corvette Association, so shine em up!

David Pierce did the fifty/fifty pot: winners Dan Fornero (\$55.00) and Jeri Smith (\$55.00)

Nancy Acre announced that our monthly newsletter would go to every other month.

Jimmy Plataka talked about attending the Roger's Car Show and how he enjoyed it.

Dan Tucker talked about the Eureka Springs Show. He said rooms are filling up and if you are planning on going to go ahead and book a room now.

David Pierce talked about the War Memorial Car show.

Meeting Adjourned

Frank Russell, Secretary





### **How It Started With Me by Vince Parker**

#### The Hopson's CACC Story by Frank Russell

The year was 2011, and Pat Booth was having a cook out at her house on Pinnacle Valley Rd. Some of us caravanned over to Pat's house, and while parking the cars in Pats yard I noticed that the last car in line was a "non-corvette". I ask the two people that got out of the car where their corvette was, and he said "They're all back in California." They introduced themselves as Keith and Cynthia Hopson from Victor, California and shared with me that they had 4 corvettes. We welcomed them to the cook out. They told us that they were out to see the sights in Little Rock and saw this line of Corvettes going down the road and decided to join in to see where they were going. They were in town visiting their son that lives in Greenbrier. They enjoyed the fellowship of our club that day so much they decided to become members. It has been a while since they have visited their son in Greenbrier due to Keith's health problems, but they enjoy reading the club emails and monthly newsletters. I told them to be sure to let me know when they plan their next visit so that I can plan a club get together.

### William "Keith" Hopson and Cynthia Hopson

Cars: 1964 coupe-Sting Ray, 1970 convertible - Stingray, 1984 coupe, 2007 coupe

### 1. What initially sparked your interest in the corvette?

"I first felt the excitement of a quick acceleration when my uncle came by our home with his new 1958 Chevrolet Impala (348 big V-8) and took my father, my older brother and me for a QUICK ride! The next day my father and older bother and I went to the Chevrolet dealership in Waco, Texas, to look at the new model cars. There was a Corvette in the showroom, and I immediately fell in love!! I told myself, someday I was going to own one of these."

#### 2. How long did it take you to acquire your first corvette?

"Having a young family and needing passenger space in 1970, I bought a red 70 Chevelle 396, 4 speed with cowl induction. But this was not quite it!! It was not until 2007 when I bought the 1964 and 1970 and 1984

(I considered these my 60th birthday presents). Then I bought the C-6 in 2008."

### 3. What makes you happiest about owning a corvette?

"I love the way you can feel the road. And of course the acceleration and the response . It is easy to maneuver on the freeway. And I love the feel of driving on hills and curves."

#### 4. Do you prefer spirited driving or leisurely cruises?

"There ain't nothing leisurely about a Corvette!! I drive my Corvettes spiritedly."

### 5. What is your favorite model year or generation?

"My favorite model is the C-2 midyear."

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# **How It Started With Me by Vince Parker**

### William "Keith" Hopson and Cynthia Hopson Continued....

# 6. What do you think of the current C7 Stingray?

"I think the new 2015 Stingray is awesome!!"

# 7. Do you think the C7 Stingray ZO6 model will have enough power to compete with the European supercars?

"I do think the C7 Z06 has lived up to Corvette lover's expectations."

### 8. What is your most memorable moment in a/ your Corvette?

"Every time I drive my '64 is a memorable moment."

### 9. Have you done or plan on any modifications to your Corvette?

"I have not modified any of my Corvettes, I like them the way they are. However, the previous owner of the 1964 put in 4 wheel disc brakes, 350 ZZ-4 race engine, updated rear end and Corbeau racing seats."

### 10. Where do you see the next generation of the Corvette heading?

"I do not know if I would buy a mid-engine design in the next generation of the Corvette, but I am open to it."









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**David's Mystery Lunch** took place on Saturday, July 11th. CACC members had a funfilled day searching for clues in a race for a free lunch. No one was able to find all the clues, but they all had a great time trying! Everyone met for lunch at Cotham's in Scott and dessert down the road at Sue's Pies and More.





















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A few members were present to witness the **Ronald McDonald House**Groundbreaking Ceremony for the NEW and IMPROVED Ronald McDonald House on Tuesday, July 21 at 9:00 am at the corner of 10th Street and Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive in Little Rock. We look forward to Open House!



Several CACC members attended The **1**<sup>st</sup> **Annual Supreme Fixture Co., Inc. Car Show**. The show was held August **1**<sup>st</sup> in Little Rock, AR. Proceeds went to benefit **Make A Wish**.

### Phil M Davis—Gone But Not Forgotten



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### **First Friday**

NLR, AR-David's Burgers Cruise-In First Friday monthly 6PM-Until

CACC After Show Picnic
TBA

### **CAMS Cruise Night**

NLR, AR-Maumelle Sonic Second Saturday monthly 6-8PM

### Cabot, Greystone-Sonic Cruise In

4th Saturday monthly 6PM-Until

#### **Fort Root Veteran Drive**

Check website for needs list Items collected each meeting night

#### The Greater New Orleans Corvette Club

24th Annual ExtraVETTEganza All-Corvette
Car Show
October 17th at Bayou Country Village in
Slidell, LA.

