



## **Vette Gazette**

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#### Presidents Corner by Gerry Gismondi



Gerry

We had an excellent meeting in August with many members participating by expressing their views. Pam arranged a fun time at the Alabama Theater in the tradition of her predecessor as it rained on the way home LOL. The golf outing was a huge success. I had the pleasure of handing out many prizes to the winners of several categories. The 19 players voted unanimously to do it again in November.

We have been notified by the museum that our club display in the Enthusiast Area has run its course....wow a year has past so quickly. Corvette Marque Club of Seattle will now take our place for a year.

It is imperative that some members bite the bullet and participate in our great club. What makes a club great is its membership. Please contact me NOW with your interest in chairing the 2019 Corvettes at Myrtle Beach June 1st. We also need nominations for President, Secretary, Activities Director and Editor or possibly assistant Editor for the Vette Gazette. IF YOU DON'T DO IT, IT WON'T GET DONE.

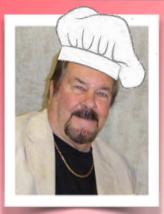
And remember to "Save the Wave"

Regards, Gerry



#### Melvin Baker - VP





Melvin Baker

#### WHERE WE WERE - Woodland Creek Grill

I was finally able to capture a place in the southern region - most restaurants down that way don't need us! But 84 of our members enjoyed what some said was the best meal they have had. The beef melted in your mouth, a salmon cooked to perfection and the chicken was to die for. Salad, veggies and it all was followed with peach cobbler all a mode!

Sorry if you missed this.....IT CLOSED MONDAY 8/13/18 .....SO SAD!

And, as always in Myrtle Beach - change is the norm.

OVERTIME - 19 years and out, TRUE BBQ - burned to the ground

SIMPLY SOUTHERN - new owners, no interest AND SO ON AND SO ON

Here we go for September with an annual picnic - no meeting - just fun.

We've had a successful year able to punish every diet and now to wrap up the year we have;

October - Mexico Lindo with \$2.99 margaritas and a generous buffet
November - Mulligan's Irish Pub - what Irish pub doesn't have corned beef & cabbage
December - Carolina Seafood with a ham & turkey carving station for
Mr. Willie's (executive chef's) holiday buffet

Info flyers will be posted in every monthly Gazette (thanks to Bob Carey) with prices and menu selections

If you have a favorite spot you wou	uld like to have	our club	visit here	e is my	criteria;	
1) Parking 2) Seating capacity	3) Pricing	4) then	I'll invite s	several	members t	C
gather, test the food, and give feed	dback.					

So.....lemme know

Compliments1992@aol.com Mel Baker, VP MBCC

#### **Bob Carey - Editor**



**Bob Carey** 

After a week on the west coast visiting our son, Susan and I are back home to our dog and friends. During our trip we had to leave our foster pup (a 10 year old blind toy poodle) back at All4Paws shelter. We were only out of town for 2 days when we got word that Marley had been adopted. Great news that reflects the good work they do. I am sure it won't be long before Susan brings home another rescue to keep our adopted pup company.

Now I can get back to following Corvette racing in this years Weather Tech Series of IMSA. I have posted event information about this series in the past, and to bring you up to date, Team Corvette is doing much better than our local ball team, the

Pelicans, that has failed to make the playoffs for the first time in many seasons. Team Corvette is ranked 1st and 4th at the moment with only a few races left this season.

Checkout IMSA TV here.



2016 Corvette Z06 C7.R Edition

#### More on the mid engine Corvette



### Mid-Engine Corvette: Everything We Think We Know. (from Road & Track) Is a mid-engine C8 Corvette on its way?

The mid-engined version of everyone's favorite American sports car, the Chevrolet Corvette, is coming. Or at least, a lot of auto industry folks think it's coming, thanks to all the rumors, leaked info, and test mules that have been spied recently. After decades of speculation and renderings, this is what we know so far about the most fervently anticipated American sports car in history.

#### It's Going Racing, Possibly with V6 Power

While prototypes are out on public roads doing testing now, the racing version of the C8 was just spotted at Road America getting ready for the 2019 season. As with all Corvette race cars dating back to the C5-R, the C8.R will be built by Pratt and Miller and entered into the IMSA WeatherTech Series. A run at the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 2020 is possible, too.

#### Mid-Engine C8 Corvette: Spy Photos



Car and Driver Rendition May 2018

#### Fun Fact

It has been ten years since The Great Recession that almost ended GM and the Corvette. But it turns out when GM filed for bankruptcy, it saved the company and the Corvette.

In early 2008, GM was buckling down, looking at ways to save money. One of the decisions was to cancel the development of a new C7-generation Corvette, despite the best efforts of then-GM product-chief Bob Lutz. These cost cutting efforts did not work and in 2009 GM declared bankruptcy.

In 2009 Tadge Juechter, chief engineer of the Corvette, prepared to do his best to save the Corvette, and the Bowling Green, Kentucky plant. To do this, he had to convince bankruptcy courts and U.S. Treasury Department that the Corvette was worth saving. To his, and the Corvette team, it turned out that the government team knew something about the Corvette and asked about the plans for the new C7. The government team knew how to count beans and saw that the Corvette made money for GM. But it was more than just the money, it was also that the Corvette was an extremely valuable brand that is known globally.

In the end, the government team decided that the C7 had to be added to the to-do list coming out of bankruptcy. So, we owe the government for giving us the best Corvette to date.

The above article is from Corvette Mike. See other interesting information about Corvette, like - <u>CHEVY OFFERS FACTORY ZR-1 KILLER</u> for those that are looking for more than 755 HP.



#### Patricia Miller - Memberships



Patricia Miller

**Happy September Members!** 

As I write this I am still in cooler Connecticut! Have really made the rounds - slept in 5 beds - to my son's and my daughter's in CT, to Boston, and twice to Cape Cod. Will be real nice to get home to NMB!

We have 229 active members: 103 family and 23 single memberships.

Vincent and Susan Masi were presented to the club at the August meeting - Welcome!

AND AS USUAL -

If you lose your name badge I can order you another - the cost is \$10. If you'd like your car model and year added to your name badge, the cost is \$8.

I have MBCC cling-ons for your car. They are static plastic - will not inflict any damage! The cost is \$22 for 2. If you are interested in purchasing a set, let me know at penny121@icloud.com. I always have some with me at club meetings, as well as the car stickers (\$3.00).

If you attend club events where everyone will meet and caravan to the particular event, please come with a two-way radio so that you can communicate with others in the caravan, especially the leader. All two-way radios should be tuned to Channel 8. In addition, we now have club shirts that can be worn to group events. You are not required to purchase a shirt, but if you want to, the information will be at the end of the Vette Gazette.

Should there be any changes/corrections to your address, phone number, email, etc., please let me know at <a href="mailto:penny121@icloud.com">penny121@icloud.com</a> so we can keep our roster upto-date and you don't miss out on any of the fun.

Please also let me know if there is an illness or passing of a member. Thank you.

See y'all in October! Patricia

#### Pamela Baker - Activities





Pamela Baker

Can you believe it is September already?

There is something for everyone planned this month. I hope to see each of you joining in the fun.

We have our 2 cruise-ins: Milardo's Pizza in Murrells Inlet on the 5<sup>th</sup> and Papa's Pizza in Little River on the 18<sup>th</sup>. It seems like we are big fans of pizza!

Then a dinner at Taco Mundo in Barefoot Landing in NMB at 5 pm on the 12<sup>th</sup>. We all love to try out a new restaurant!

The Cape Fear Corvette Show in Wilmington, NC is on the 16th. We are traveling as a caravan up north & hope to have a record turn out & dazzle them with our cars. If you would like to join us, please email me at pbakermbcc@gmail.com. We are leaving at 8 am, with awards at 2 pm.

Our annual club picnic will be on Sat. Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> at Huntington Beach State Park from 11 am to 4 pm. The cost is \$10 per couple, \$5 for a single. The park will charge admission of \$3.25 per senior unless you have a state park annual pass. We are supplying the main dish. Please bring either an appetizer, salad, side dish or dessert. There will be games to play. Bring a lawn chair if you would like to get some sun. Send an email to <a href="mailto:pbakermbcc@gmail">pbakermbcc@gmail</a>.com to sign up if you would like to attend.

Click the image below for some great 360 <sup>0</sup> pics of the beach and park areas. The images will allow for rotation by click and drag at the link.



#### Mike Woldanski - NCM Ambassador



Please review the enclosed data on the Anniversary Event of the Museum. This is a very exciting program and funs for all that attend. I will be putting additional details together with the team captain for our region. Please feel free to start to think about this event, as this type of activity only comes every 5 years.

Mike Woldanski

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## The 6th National Corvette Caravan is slated for August 28-31, 2019.

Often referred to as the world's largest moving automotive event, the National Corvette Caravan is a celebration of America's Sports Car, culminating in Bowling Green, Kentucky, for the anniversary celebration of the National Corvette Museum. Hosted only once every five years, the next event is slated for Labor Day Weekend 2019 and will mark the Museum's 25th Anniversary. Leading the charge will be Jeffrey Duda of Hainesport, NJ, a Lifetime Member of the Museum and previous co-captain of the New Jersey 2014 and 2009 Caravans.

Regional caravans will form and join other caravans as they travel across the United States to meet in Bowling Green, Kentucky, for four days of festivities at the National Corvette Museum. An event such as this requires years of planning and coordinating. All help is appreciated! If you would like to volunteer to be a Caravan Captain, please email Jeff at <a href="mailto:nationalchairman2019@verizon.net">nationalchairman2019@verizon.net</a> Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina & Virginia & West Virginia

#### **Attention Corvette Enthusiasts:**

Are you ready for another caravan? If you missed the 50th Anniversary National Corvette Museum Corvette caravan in 2003, or the 15th Anniversary, National Corvette Museum Corvette Caravan in 2009, or the 20th in 2014, here is your chance to join other Corvette friends for the 25th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum by participating in the 2019 Corvette Caravan; which will be a milestone event in the National Corvette Museum's history. So get ready to join us and your fellow Corvette enthusiasts to plan this Caravan.

#### Mark your calendars for August 28 – September 1, 2019.

My name is Frank Sancineto. My wife Laura and I were captains for the 2003, 2009, 2014, Carolinas and Virginia Caravan. We had such a great time and met so many wonderful people we now call friends that we are going to be Regional Caravan Captains again for this milestone 25th caravan.

Please contact Frank Sancineto at <u>caravan25th@aol.com</u> or call 919-604-6978. We need volunteers in each state to make this happen. Please call or email me to let me know you can help.

#### Calendar of Events





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fil	Sal
26	27	28	12:00pm Lunch @ Benchwarmers in Myrtle Beach, 15%	30 6:00pm Pelicans Baseball Game & picnic in MB	31	1
2	3 Labor Day	4	5:00pm Milardo's Pizza and Sports Pub Click here for location	6	7	8
9 NO MEETING THIS MONTH	10	Patriot Day	5:00pm Taco Mundo dinner @ Barefoot Landing, NMB	13	14	15
9:00am Cape Fear Corvette show, Wilmington, NC @	17	18 5:00pm Cruise-in @ Papa's pizza, Little River, SC	19	20	21	Autumnal Equinox 11:00am Annual Club Picnic @
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3 5:00pm Milardo's Pizza and Sports Pub Click here for location	4	5	6

#### Website Calendar Link

#### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**



# Happy Birthday

Debbie Steele	2	Mary Ann Jagger	1	14
Bob Furfaro	7	Rick Serfass	1	6
Tim Wuennemann	8	Frank Papandrea	1	9
Beverly Rivest	9	Esmeralda Cobian	2	22
Chad Volentine	9	Donna Maisano	2	23
Ted Van Weeren	10	Lisa Mockus	2	25
Bob Casaubon	11	Gary Baechle	2	26
Betsie Babcock	13	Les Couper	2	27
Lew Christoffel	14	Pat Webb	2	28



Tom & Lynn Haller	1	Ron & Carol White	18
Gary & Karen Baechle	4	Randy & Sandi Ferrante	19
Jim & Sharon Spore	14	Armando & Esmeralda Cobian	22
Wayne & Andrea Lewis	14	Steve & Jane Megill	23
Keith & Gwenn McDaniel	16	Tom & Rosemarie Kilinski	23
Charlie & Debbie Meade	18	John & Marlene Grover	30

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