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VILLAGE VETTES CORVETTE CLUB 2019

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

This year has taken off at a rapid pace. With Tim Berthiaume leading a group from the Village Vettes to the Tailwinds café along with an airpark tour. Then, Jim Loguidice and company continued to grow the Grand Oaks Resort event to a record number of cars. If only the weather had cooperated. But we all know who controls that.

Your newly elected Board of Directors continues planning 2019 events with Tim Berthiaume starting the year off in January with a tour of a 4-plane hangar in Weirsdale with a follow-on hibachi style dinner at Sakura (Spanish Spring location). The hangar and planes belong to Tim's friend John Carlisle, a former pilot during the Vietnam War, who owns 2 bi-planes plus 2 other planes. John was a successful race car driver and can share his experiences in both careers.

Past President Tom Swiers and Tim Berthiaume continue to plan the entire year with car show events and many new eat-n-rides along with new venues to visit. Tom has, at my last recollection, found someone to lead nearly every event this year. This is quite an accomplishment.

On Sunday, January 20th, the Village Vettes Corvette Club committee of Jim Loguidice, Mike White, Roger Stokes and Charlie Tagman partnered with the Grand Oaks Resort in Weirsdale and hosted a second cruise-in classic car show similar to 2018. The event this year pulled in 165 cars from various car clubs from The Villages and central Florida area. Except for the cold windy weather that forced an early closure everyone enjoyed the event.

If you have not already done so, do not forget to sign up for our pre-meeting dinner at Cody's in Mulberry Grove on February 14th and plan to attend our Valentine's Day event featuring a Blues Brothers Tribute Group from Leesburg. Past President Mike White is making this a special event for our ladies.

Stay tuned for an exiting year...Remember, our club is what you make it...get involved today!

Don Chaney

MEET MEMBERS JEFF HUBER AND CATHY HEUER

Jeff Huber and Cathy Heuer moved to The Villages in 2014. Prior to relocating here they lived in Timonium, Maryland.

After attending the University of Baltimore, Jeff joined his father's HVAC business as an apprentice. He quickly learned the business and advanced to the position of sales representative. After his father's death in 1969, he became president and expanded the company's branch locations from one to five. In 1988, he sold the business to a large national HVAC wholesaler and continued to work with that company for 26 years until his retirement.

Jeff was also a member of the Maryland National Guard and served for 6 years earning the rank of sergeant.

Cathy graduated from Loyola University in Baltimore and worked as a public accountant in a local CPA firm. After five years, she accepted the position of Chief Financial Officer from one of the firm's clients, a local real estate builder, developer and property manager. She remained in that position for 31 years until she retired.

Jeff and Cathy met in 2012 when he joined the singles golf group that she helped to start several years earlier. After dating for a year, Cathy suggested they take a trip to The Villages. She had been there the year before and knew that it was where she wanted to move when she retired. In November, 2013, they visited The Villages and purchased their house in the Village of Collier.

They both retired in the summer of 2014 and relocated to their new Florida home. They got married in April of 2015 on the outdoor terrace at the Waterfront Inn overlooking Lake Sumter.

Jeff and Cathy are both avid golfers and play several times a week. They also recently joined a bowling league at Spanish Springs Lanes.

Jeff likes to take long walks in the morning and ride his bike through the neighborhoods and to Brownwood. Cathy was an aerobics teacher in Maryland and continues to enjoy dancing by doing Zumba, tap dancing and clogging. She also plays samba with a ladies' group every week.

They bought their Laguna Blue 2016 Stingray LT2 Coupe in February of 2016. They have a good time attending car shows and going on drives with the Villages Vettes.

Jeff and Cathy are in charge of providing refreshments for the monthly meetings. They enjoy seeing the smiles on the members' faces when they walk into Eisenhower Recreation Center with trays of cookies.

Vettes Corvette Club and the Grand Oaks Resort

Tom Reynolds, Event Leader



Vettes Corvette Club and the Grand Oaks Resort hosted the Second Annual "Grand Oaks Classic Car Cruise-In" on Sunday, 20 January '19. The sponsored United States Eventing Association (USEA) the event occurred on the final day of the Grand Oaks Horse Winter Horse Festival, featuring the Horse Trials for the Extreme J u m p i n g



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FEBRUARY 2019 UPDATE - Here's the latest news and offerings from the NCM.



Save \$50 on NEW Family Memberships!

Show your love for Corvette! In celebration of Valentine's we are offering Family Memberships for HALF PRICE! (a savings of \$50 off the regular price of \$100). What's even better? That \$50 is tax deductible! Family Memberships include:

- Two membership cards
- Two silver member lapel pins
- Annual subscription to our award-winning America's Sports Car magazine
- Free admission to Museum for member and immediate family* **
- Discount on NCM sponsored events
- 10% discount on merchandise from the Corvette Store and catalog***
- Discount on insurance from NCM Insurance Agency, CarFax Reports and ClassicCars.com listings.
- Discounts on car rentals and hotels
- Access to Members Only section of website, including Monthly Corvette Calendar Wallpaper and Special Videos

To take advantage of this special offer, visit this link to the Corvette Store for a new Family Membership. <http://portal.criticalimpact.com/go/1/710c7b4bd17a8182b2ac606a69ec8ba1/25995/9a1beec5f6dab08d/15145cd40275a4643947229f28c3afba>

During the checkout process, enter VALDAY19 in the DISCOUNT CODE box. You will receive a membership packet in 4-6 weeks. Offer expires February 28, 2019

REMINDER – Whenever you do any type of transaction with the NCM, such as joining or renewing membership, purchasing raffle tickets, getting a quote or actually signing up for insurance, visiting the museum, buying build sheets or window stickers, etc., **please remember to contact me at either the above email address or cell phone to insure our Club receives recognition for supporting the NCM.**

Upcoming events (cruises and car shows)

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2/14 - Thursday - Blues Bros. – at February membership meeting

Event Leader – Gene McConkey

2/21 - Thursday – De Leon Springs State Park – The Old Spanish Sugar Mill

The Sugar Mill Restaurant is open from 9:00 to 5:00 on weekdays and 8:00-5:00 on weekends and holidays. Cook your own pancakes on the grill located in the center of each table & go for a Eco pontoon boat ride. Swimming & picnic area available.

Trip leaders – Steve & Mary Ann Rubini
strubini1@hotmail.com

2/26 - Tuesday - Lake Harris Hideaway
11912 Lane Park Rd,
Tavares, FL 32778
Lunch

Trip leaders: Sandra Achor-Martinson & Gary Martinson
sandraachor305@hotmail.com – poormaleman@msn.com

3/6 - Wednesday - Carmine's Café – Italian
8810 SW State Rd 200 # 115
Ocala, FL 34481
Dinner

Trip leaders: Bob & Gia Navigato
Rookieaz2001@gmail.com

3/16th & 3/17th – Saturday & Sunday – Venice
Corvette Club – Annual All-Corvette Car Show
Drive to Punta Gorda Saturday morning. Tour the Muscle Car City Museum followed by lunch. Drive to Venice for dinner and an overnight stay. Attend the Venice Corvette Club car show on Sunday. Return to The Villages Sunday or spend the night in Venice and return on Monday.

Trip leaders – Tom & Elaine Swiers
tom@swiers.com

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3/30 - Saturday

Chris Cruz Artistry (Custom Auto Paint & Graphics)
Drive to DeLand in the morning and observe Chris Cruz in action. A lunch to follow.

Trip leaders – Tom & Elaine Swiers
tom@swiers.com

4/11 - Thursday - (NOTE-DATE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER)

The Port Hotel & Marina, Margarita Breeze Restaurant
1610 SE Paradise Circle
Crystal River, FL 34429
352-795-3113
Lunch

Trip leaders: Jim Loguidice
jlog323@hotmail.com

4/13 - Saturday

Village Vettes - 6th Annual BLESSING OF THE VETTES

Trip leaders: Jim Loguidice & Mike White
jlog323@hotmail.com

4/26 - Friday

Village Vettes Car Show – Lake Sumter Landing

Event Leader – Charlie Tagman
ctagman@aol.com

Future Venues that we are scheduling are Barberville Pioneer Settlement and Howey-in-the-Hills Mansion tour. Details are not available at this time.

**** - See our webpage for details
and other car related events.**

The Villages® DAILY SUN

FRIDAY 01/18/19

2017 Chevrolet Corvette Z06

Mike and Janet Weese knew just what they were looking for when they bought their 2017 Corvette convertible. It had to be red — “torch red.” After looking for the very shade he wanted at several local dealers, Weese resorted to searching the internet for the right car. Finally, he found “the one.” **Page E5**



Villages Auto Clubs

A look at club events happening in and around The Villages. **E21**



Automotive History

A walk down memory lane with notable events from the past. **E23**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

List of New Members Since Jan. 1, 2019:

Frank and Michelle DiGiovanni

live in the Village of Rio Grande. They are originally from New Jersey and drive a 2007 Atomic Orange C6 Coupe.

Bobbie and Marilyn Elliott

live in the Village of LaBelle. They are originally from Pennsylvania and drive a 1974 C3 Blue Roadster.

John and Jackie Farnandez

live in the Village of Buttonwood. They are from Maryland and drive a 2003 C5 50th Anniversary Burgundy roadster and a 1968 C3 Blue T-Top.

Mark and Dixie Hart

live in the Village of Charlotte. They are from Pensacola, Florida and drive a 2000 C5 Fixed Roof Coupe (FRC).

Claude Kazmierczak

lives in the Village of Fenny. Claude is from Buffalo, New York and drives a 2016 C7 Red Coupe.

Kevin Kirk

lives in the Village of Orange Blossom Gardens. Kevin is from Western, PA and drives a 1961 C2 blue Convertible and 1966 C3 Blue Coupe.

Bob and Debi Rowen

live in the Village of Desoto. They are from Fairfax, Virginia and drive a 2009 C6 Grey Coupe.

Ernest and Elaine Wolf

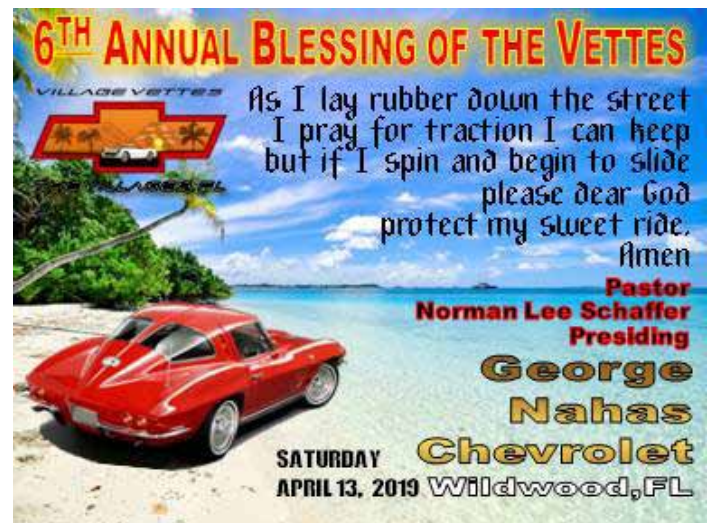
live in the Village of Osceola Hills. They are from Blair Village, Georgia and drive a 1990 C4 Green Coupe.

Let's give a warm welcome to our newest member!

Collecting Toiletries for those in Need

Joe Apichella will be collecting toiletries at all meetings. Simply bring them in and drop them in the rear of the room. If you are on a cruise or staying in a hotel or simply feel like buying products, please bring them to our meeting and Joe will deliver them to St. Theresa's Catholic church for distribution to the people in the Ocala Forest or Women in prison who have been asking for them. The feedback Joe has been getting is that they are very happy with these products.

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, April, 13 2019 - for our 6th
Annual Blessing of the Vettes!!!





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