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VILLAGE VETTES CORVETTE CLUB

2021

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

The March Membership meeting Cruise-in drew about 40 Corvettes and their owners at the Eisenhower parking lot prior to the meeting. It was fun to sit around and socialize. The membership meeting was highlighted by the National Corvette Museum member recognition presentations by Ron Tanner. More on that elsewhere in this Newsletter

Our April 8 membership meeting will include a presentation by "on The Spot Detailing" at the suggestion of Rich Rose who tells us this process has become popular among VVCC members.

The May 13 membership meeting will be proceeded by another Corvette Cavalcade for charity which will again show our support for the UF Villages Hospital Pandemic Relief Fund and this year, the local Police Dept. Participation requires registration and a \$35 contribution. We will gather at St. Timothy"s parking lot at 4:30pm on meeting night, proceed to the Hospital a check presentation, then head down Buena Vista to Eisenhower Rec Center where will present a check to the local Police Dept. Please register to make this event a success. The membership meeting will begin at 6:30pm. If you cannot attend and would like to support our charities your donation would be greatly appreciated

Check the web calendar as there are some great upcoming events.

As the migration north of our "Snowbird" members begins, I want to express the Board's appreciation of the support the Club received from all its members in this historic "pandemic year". I hope when the "birds" fly back in this fall, we can see a return to a new "normal".

Be safe!

Charlie Tagman President 2020/21

VILLAGE 'VETTES CORVETTE CLUB RECOGNIZES NCM MEMBERS



The theme of the March 2021 membership meeting of the Village 'Vettes Corvette Club in The Villages, FL was "NCM Member Recognition Night" during which the Club's 111 NCM members were recognized, honored and thanked for their support of the Museum.

The event was hosted by Ron Tanner, NCM Master Ambassador. According to Tanner, Club member support for the Museum has increased significantly since October 1, 2020 when a new NCM membership drive was initiated by the Club – 34 new NCM members have been added since that date representing a 44% increase in NCM membership. 58 of the 111 NCM members participated in the Recognition Night event which Tanner thought was a great turnout considering seating limitations mandated due to the virus and people being cautious. Given the tremendous increase in support by Club members, Tanner believed the time was right to publicly recognize and thank each NCM member.

Each NCM member was called to the podium and presented a Recognition Package consisting of a NCM Member Patch for their Club shirt, and a NCM Member Decal for their Corvette. Tanner concluded the event by speaking to the NCM members as a group, saying "On behalf of the National Corvette Museum, and I as the NCM Ambassador, thank you for your support of the Museum. No matter how small or large your support of the Museum, whether simply renewing your membership dues each year, contributing large sums of money, buying Corvette raffle tickets, or anything in between, your support is very important to the Museum and is greatly appreciated. Please wear and display your Member Patch and Decal proudly as do I, and be recognized as an NCM supporter."

Note to NCM Members: If you did not participate in the March 11 "NCM Member Recognition Night" event, you may either pick up your Recognition Package at the NCM Ambassador table during the April 8 VVCC membership meeting, or call/text Ron Tanner at 402.651.0474 to make arrangements to pick your Recognition Package up at his home.

A FUN TIME WAS HAD BY ALL AT THE CRUISE-IN BEFORE LAST MONTHS MEETING













Memorial Day Flag Placement



The club is planning on supporting the placement of flags at the graves of veterans for Memorial day at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell.

We would like to have a large turnout of club members and their cars for this event. Placement is scheduled for May 30. We meet at <u>Eisenhower R.C. at 8am</u> and caravan to Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL. Immediately following this event we will travel to Pudgee's in Floral City, Fl for the Best Foot Long hotdogs, plus burgers, fried bologna sandwiches

Removal is scheduled for June 6th. You will be able to sign up for either placement, removal or both. Details on removal will be provided at a later date.

The placement involves placing flags at the graves of fallen veterans, reciting their name and thanking them for their service. Total time involved in the activity is approximately 90 minutes. The more volunteers the quicker it will go.



Removal involves removing the flag, wiping the stick and checking for cracked, ripped or otherwise damaged flags. The flags are then bundled in rolls of 20 and placed in bins for storage. This activity takes approximately 2 hours depending on the number of volunteers.

Both activities are worthwhile and an excellent way to show our gratitude for our veterans. We will be providing updates and specifics in future newsletters.







Driving the C8 "Near the edge"

When people first see our new C8 Corvette they often ask "how fast have you gone in it?". Now we can honestly answer "We have driven it close to the edge of its capability". Yes folks Darry and I attended the Ron Fellows Performance Driving School for C8 owners. It was a blast and we learned how truly awesome a car we have.

The School is held at The Spring Mountain Motor Resort and Country Club in Pahrump Nevada. We flew into Vegas and drove

the 45 miles to Pahrump. (You will need a rental car to get around the resort property.) Check in was easy and the accommodations were basic and clean. Meals are available at the resort or you can drive into Pahrump for dinner.





The next morning after an orientation lecture we were divided into three groups of 5 people each, Green, Blue and Red. Each group embarked on a separate exercise either in car or in the

classroom. Most of the instruction is hands on, in the car. Each person is assigned their own C8 for use during the two day school. Exercises included braking, accident avoidance, wet handling, skid pad, launch control, autocross (car control) and multiple lead follow track sessions. Lectures focused on various aspects and features of the C8



including the various driving modes, the electronic dashboard displays, settings and controls. Lectures also included instruction in the physics and techniques of high performance driving.



The morning of the second day our groups were designated fast medium and slow. This allowed each driver to advance according to his or her capabilities (yes there were two women in the class). The track sessions were then grouped by speed. In the afternoon, the fast group was further refined into very fast and fast, the track sessions used a common technique called lead follow.

The instructor would lead around the 1.5 mile track, each of the cars in his group would have an opportunity to follow directly behind him for 3 laps, then they would rotate to the back. The instructors will tell you if you push them they will go faster, if you drop back they will slow down. Speeds varied by group around the 10 curves and elevation

changes of the track. My sub group (very fast) was topping out at 119 mph on the front straightaway and 112 mph on the shorter back straightaway. The corners were taken at speeds varying from 45 mph on the hairpin and 80 mph on the fast sweepers. Average lap speed for my group was 79 mph, the slower groups averaged somewhat less. Each person had the opportunity to drive as fast as they could push the car to perform.



All in all I thought the school was fun, informative and well run. Darry enjoyed the school as well but she felt, from a woman's perspective, she would have preferred more concentration on the various operating aspects of the car's capabilities in exercises and lectures at the expense of one or more of the 5 track sessions. In the school evaluation Darry will suggest that they provide an alternative course for people who want to attend the school with their spouse or significant other but would prefer fewer track sessions and more concentration on other aspects of the car. We both agree that the course will certainly give you and increased appreciation for the excellent job GM has done in designing and building this incredible car.



Paul Bova





Corvette Racing Disappointment at Sebring



Corvette Race team photographer Richard Prince

Corvette Racing ended an up-and-down day with fourth- and fifth-place class finishes in the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring. Both Chevrolet Corvette C8.Rs faced adversity throughout, and the team nearly won for the 13th time at Sebring International Raceway.

No. 3 Corvette C8.R of Antonio Garcia, Jordan Taylor and Nicky Catsburg placed fourth in the GT Le Mans (GTLM) category after leading much of the day in the second round of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship. Garcia began on the class pole position, and the trio controlled from the outset and led 211 of 334 laps. After winning the season-opening Rolex 24 At Daytona, the No. 3 Corvette team appeared on its way to a Florida sweep before Garcia was spun from the lead with less than 10 minutes remaining.

On the opposite side of the Corvette garage, the No. 4 Corvette C8.R trio of Tommy Milner, Nick Tandy and Alexander Sims had a day to forget. Beginning the race second in GTLM, the No. 4 C8.R developed an electrical problem from the outset that hampered the Corvette's performance. Milner, Tandy and Sims – who finished second in GTLM at Daytona – were fifth in class Saturday at Sebring.

Despite a couple of mid-race setbacks, the Garcia/Taylor/Catsburg trio re-established themselves as the race entered twilight with a mix of fuel savings and solid strategy. A fortunate pit stop before a full-course caution period with less than two hours to go allowed the No. 3 Corvette to take the lead, although never by more than three seconds.

Garcia drove the final 2.5 hours and attempted to work his way through traffic when he was forcefully hit under braking by the second-place GTLM car and sent spinning out of the hairpin Turn 7.

The front-left of the C8.R was damaged, and Garcia had to pit with a flat tire. The damage was too great, and the No. 3 Corvette missed the podium.

The outcome spoiled a weekend in which Corvette Racing and Chevrolet celebrated a 25-year technology partnership with Mobil 1. Both of the Corvette C8.Rs sported liveries that matched the Mobil 1 brand.

On a personal note, being a fan of yellow Corvettes, I was saddened by the replacement of my favorite yellow cars with the new silver/red cars. But I guess I will get used to them.



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

Welcome to Our Club's Newest NCM Members!

During the period March 1-31, 2021 the following VVCC members became NCM members:

New Individual NCM Members

Douglas Featherstone

New Family NCM Members

Les & Cindy Nordhagan

Many thanks to each of you who elected to support NCM by becoming a new NCM member or renewing your existing NCM membership!

Upcoming NCM Corvette Raffles



2021 Build Your Own Corvette (or Take \$65,000)

Drawing Date: 4/23/2021 @ 3 PM CDT; Price: \$250.00 Each; Tickets: 1,500



2021 Arctic White Coupe; 2 LT Equipment Grp; Adrenline Red Interior Drawing Date: 4/24/2021 @ 3 PM CDT; Price: \$20.00 Each; Tickets: Unlimited



2021 Red Mist Coupe; 2 LT Equipment Grp; Natural Napa Leather Interior Drawing Date: 5/20/2021 @ 2 PM CDT; Price: \$100.00 Each; Tickets: 2,000



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Ticket request form for the above raffles – simply clip it, complete, and send to the NCM at least 7 days prior to the raffle selected. The cost of Corvette raffle tickets are tax deductible.

Upon receipt of your completed ticket request form with payment, if tickets are still available, a raffle ticket stub will be completed with your contact information and placed in the raffle ticket drum.

RETURN TICKET FORM BELOW WITH PAYMENT TO: Attn: Raffle National Corvette Museum 350 Corvette Drive Bowling Green, KY 42101

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Corvette Build Sheets & Window Stickers

Your Corvette Collection just isn't complete without a copy of your build sheet and a reproduction window sticker! The National Corvette Museum offers build sheets and window stickers for any Corvette assembled in Bowling Green since the GM Plant opened in 1981.





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Build Sheet

There's a lot of nifty paperwork associated with cars. Most people throw the stuff out shortly after buying their car but in some cases the original paperwork is still available with the car. The Build Sheet, often considered "the holy grail" to many folks is a cool item to find. It is often the only means of verifying exactly what options came with your particular car, and helps you determine how many Corvettes were produced exactly like yours. The build sheet is what goes down the line with the car when it is being assembled. It indicates to the line worker exactly what goes on that specific car. Build sheets vary in size from year to year, $8\frac{1}{2}$ " X 11" up to 11" X 17" and you have the option for it to be laminated. To purchase a Build Sheet, call Betty at the NCM Library / Archives Office at 270.781.7973, or email her at **betty@corvettemuseum.org**.

Build Sheet (Paper) – \$40 Members / \$50 Non-Members Additional Paper Copy – \$12 Members / \$15 Non-Members Lamination – \$5 each



Window Sticker

Also called a Monroney Label, this is the sticker that is affixed to a new car when it is delivered to the consumer. A law was passed by Congress in 1958 requiring all automobile manufacturers to affix a price label to all new automobiles showing Manufacturers Suggested Retail Prices for a vehicle and all options installed at the factory. This law was proposed by Senator John Monroney, and was to begin with new 1959 models. If your car is a show car, this informational piece is a must! Some car shows such as Bloomington Gold require you to have a list of options on the car. What better way than a reproduction of the window sticker? *If you order a reproduction Window Sticker, a Build Sheet will be included as well.* To purchase a Window Sticker / Build Sheet combination, call Betty at the NCM Library / Archives Office at 270.781.7973 or email her at betty@corvettemuseum.org.

1981 – Current: Window Sticker/Build Sheet Combo – \$85 Member / \$100 Non-Members Additional Copy Window Sticker – \$12 Members / \$15 Non-Members Lamination – \$5

Please advise our VVCC NCM Ambassador Ron Tanner if you purchase a Build Sheet or Window Sticker/Build Sheet Combo.



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Update - Participate in a 2021 NCM Museum in Motion Trip



Museum in Motion Tours bring Corvette enthusiasts together to enjoy driving their Corvettes and visiting new, unique, interesting and exciting venues. All arrangements are made on participant's behalf by the NCM! Here is the list of 2021 MIM offerings:

Sights & Sounds of New Orleans

March 30 - April 3, 2021 SOLD OUT

Tail of the Dragon / Biltmore Estates

April 25-28, 2021

SOLD OUT

• 9-Day Caribbean Cruise

May 14-23, 2001

CANCELLED

Branson Experience

June 1-6, 2021

SEE BELOW!

• 24 Hours of Le Mans (London, Paris, Le Mans)

June 4 - 15, 2021

Colorado Springs Area

July 11-16, 2021

Northeast Ohio Area

August 1-6, 2021

National Parks Tour (AZ & UT)

September 19-25, 2021

Space is limited on all MiM tours, so get your name on the reservation list early. **Contact Bryce at 270/777-4506 or Maci at 270/467-8804 at NCM to get your name on the list.** Feel free to contact Ron Tanner, NCM Ambassador at 402/651-0474 if you have questions about MiM tours.

<u>Museum in Motion Branson Experience Registration Now Open- But</u> Hurry!



How about taking a 'Museum in Motion" trip to the legendary Branson, MO? Branson's 76 Country Boulevard is famously lined with theaters, which once hosted mostly country music performers but today present diverse entertainment. Stay at the Hotel Grand Victorian which is centrally located on the 76 Strip, less than 3 miles

from world class shopping at the Branson Landing, and within walking distance from all of the best shows, restaurants, and attractions.



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This MiM will include a day drive to beautiful Eureka Springs as well as a Dogwood Canyon drive. Enjoy 'The Showboat Branson Belle Dinner Cruise and a #1 Hits of the 60's show. Free time is also on the agenda to explore Branson as you wish!

For Questions and registration contact Bryce at 270-777-4506 or Maci at 270-467-8804.

Please advise our VVCC NCM Ambassador Ron Tanner if you sign up for an MIM trip.

<u>Michelin NCM Bash – April 22-24, 2021</u>



It's not too late to register for the NCM Bash, but you need to hurry! On-line registration closes at 5:00 pm central time on Tuesday, April 6th. All activities are open to Event Registrants only. On-line registrants will receive a hard card credential, lanyard, event pin and dash plaque. Lifetime registration is \$20 pp, member registration is \$25 pp and non-member registration is \$35 pp.

To register for the Bash:

- Click this link On-Site Events National Corvette Museum;
- Scroll down the page and push the + expand the Michelin NCM Bash entry on the right dated April 22;
- Scroll down the expanded Bash page to CLICK HERE TO REGISTER;
- Sign in as an NCM member on the MEMBER LOG IN PAGE that pops up;
- Push Register Me Now! and complete your registration.

Please advise our VVCC NCM Ambassador Ron Tanner if you are planning to attend the 2021 Bash.

Become an NCM Member and Get the Benefits

- Free Admission to Museum Exhibits
- Discount on NCM Sponsored On-Site Events
- Discount on NCM Sponsored MIM Events
- 10% Discount on Corvette Store Apparel, Car Parts & Accessories
- Discount on NCM Auto Insurance
- Discount on Car Rentals
- Discount on Hotels
- 20% Discount on Carfax Reports
- 10% Discount on Air Evac/AirMedCare Membership



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- Discount on Museum Bricks & Tiles
- Discount on Build Sheets & Window Stickers
- Tax Deductibility of Dues, Donations, Raffle Tickets, Bricks & Tiles
- Reduce All or Part of IRA RMD Income by Gifting to NCM
- Annual Subscription to America's Sports Car Magazine
- Weekly NCM Email News Updates
- Access to Member Only NCM Website Section

If you are one of the VVCC Club members who do not belong to NCM, please join now to become part of the 36,000 or so fellow Corvette owners, including many VVCC members, who are NCM members. The first year price of becoming an NCM Individual member is only \$37.50 (or \$75.00 for 2 person Family membership) which is a 25% discount for VVCC members --- that's only **72 cents per week** for a person to become an NCM member. Annual renewal dues for Individual and Family memberships cost \$50, and all dues payments are tax deductible.

JOINING NCM/RENEWING NCM MEMBERSHIPS VIA VVCC WEBSITE

It's easy to join NCM (or renew your NCM membership) via the VVCC website as follows:

- Go to our website at www.villagevettes.com
- Log onto the website by clicking on **Member Login** in the upper right corner of your screen - have your User Name & Password ready.
- Click on the menu tab at the far right end of the menu bar.
- Scroll down the page to this selection of buttons.

NEW NCM Individual \$37.50 1st Year ST5.00 1st Year Renew NCM Family \$200.00 - 5 Years Renew NCM Family \$50.00 - 1 Year \$50.00

- Click the desired **NEW** or **ReNEW** button and follow the prompts.
- Pay via credit card on our secure on-line system.

How can I determine if I'm an NCM member?

Easy – when you are <u>Logged in</u> as a VVCC member on the VVCC website, push the **MEMBERS**ONLY tab on the home page; scroll down to and open the **Xcel Membership Roster**. NCM membership information is listed for each NCM member in the far right three columns of the Roster.

<u>REMINDER</u> – Whenever you do any type of transaction with the NCM, please remember to notify the VVCC NCM Ambassador (Ron Tanner) at either the above email address or cell phone to ensure our Club receives recognition for supporting the NCM.



Leno: Appreciation for hard work is fading, and old cars aren't easy

Jay Leno 04 March 2021



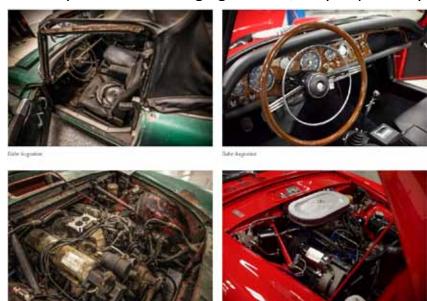
Once I had a gentleman on The Tonight Show who had climbed Mount Everest, which is an amazing feat that is nearly impossible for most people under the best of circumstances. But this guy was also blind. Imagine being 29,000 feet up, grabbing at snow, not knowing if it's night or day, with the wind howling and every breath a challenge, and you can't see anything. Anyway, he was a nice gentleman and an incredible athlete who afterward had been doing motivational speaking. I asked him how it was going and he sort of grimaced. He said the frustrating part was the meetand-greet after, when at least one person in every audience would come up and say, "Yeah, I was going to climb Mount Everest, but, you know, the kids have soccer and work is crazy and I just haven't gotten around to it."

Like it was so easy except, you know, soccer practice. Here this fellow had trained his whole life to do something that maybe one out of 10 million people can do, had endured incredible hardship, and had even overcome the fact that he was blind, and people were so dismissive of it.



Maybe it's because life has gotten pretty soft and we don't make anything for ourselves anymore, but we're losing respect for other people's accomplishments and hard work, for what the human hand can do instead of just the human brain. I hear this all the time from guys who have their cars restored and who have never turned a wrench in their lives: All mechanics are crooks, they'll overcharge you at every turn. They'll moan about the high cost of a paint job, for example, not realizing that the paint is \$600 a quart and somebody has to spend hours sanding it and finishing it because a good finish doesn't come out of a rattle-can of Rust-Oleum.

Our appreciation or understanding of other people's hard work is fading, and that rankles me. The last time I pulled a transmission out of something here at the garage, it took hours and my hands were bleeding and covered in grease, and I thought, "Some guy only makes a couple hundred bucks for doing that?" That's why I don't usually question a quote for something we need to get done outside the garage. Good work doesn't seem expensive when you think about how much actual effort goes into it, and that someone needs to be able to make a living doing it or else nobody will do it. Besides, I have yet to meet anyone who is getting rich by sandblasting rusty parts or rechroming bumpers. They're not overcharging—in fact, they're probably undercharging.



Well, nowadays we watch these shows where they restore a car in a weekend, literally, and it seems so easy. The sparks are flying and guys are trying to ram a big-screen TV into the dash, and after a couple of commercial breaks and some pounding music, the car is done. It gives people an unrealistic picture of what it takes to restore a car—the thousands of hours, many of which are never billed. Just the amount of research a restorer has to do, figuring out how things go together and what is supposed to be original, is huge.



These days, Amazon will drop a package on your doorstep the same day you order it, so we're also losing touch with how long things take in the real world. A very famous country western star called me not long ago and said, "It's my husband's birthday, he's always wanted a 1953 Ford F-100, a red one, and I want to get one for his birthday. Can you get me one?" I said I couldn't promise it would be red, but I would look around. Then I asked when his birthday is. She said, "Thursday." I said, "This is Tuesday! I'm not going to find a car in two days. It takes awhile!" She didn't get it.

Next time you're walking a car show, before you judge some guy because his paint isn't perfect, think about how much of the work you do yourself. Unlike everything else we buy these days, there's nothing quick, easy, or cheap about old cars. And while few of us will ever climb Mount Everest, restoring a classic car is enough of a mountain for most people. Give them some credit.

TIME FOR ANOTHER CRUISE-IN "BLOOD DONATION" EVENT AT MOYER LOOP RECREATION CENTER PARKING LOT



Wednesday, 4/21/2021;

8:30 am – 3:30 pm at the Moyer Rec. Center.



As announced at our meeting on Feb. 11, the Village Nomads Motorcycle Club and the Village Vettes Corvette Club have teamed up to sponsor another combination

"Cruise-In and Blood Drive"

at the Moyer Recreation Center on Moyer Loop in The Villages Wednesday, April 21, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Members of both clubs may come at anytime and stay as long as they wish.

AND....

As they did last year, The NOMADS and Fruitland Park Police Dept. will be supplying hot dogs and condiments to all cruise-in participants and blood donors. So bring yourself, your significant other, your 'sweet' ride, your own beverage and your appetite

You may bring your own chair, cooler, umbrella for shade, etc.

A special thanks to Village Vettes member and Nomads president Bob Kerfin and OneBlood director Larry Fish.

The Cruise-In will be a display of magnificent motorcycles and gorgeous Corvettes, all for the enjoyment of our members and the public. And it will be an opportunity for members to voluntarily donate blood as well.

Donation is voluntary.

We encourage members to come and display their gorgeous rides whether they plan to donate or not.

Registration on our club website is not necessary Appointments to donate should be made on One Blood's web site:

http://oneblood.org

Click on: DONATE Enter Zip code: 32163

Enter Date: April 21 to April 21

Enter: 10 mile distance Select: MOBILE DRIVE Click on: SEARCH....

Result: Moyer Rec Center Event is Displayed

Click on: RED ARROW (>) and select your preferred

appointment time

In case of difficulties registering for a time slot, members may contact OneBlood Director Larry Fish:

Phone: 352-732-0175 Cell: 352-266-1020 Fax: 352-732-6251

Village Vettes Upcoming Events for April and May

Village Vettes Members:

Following is a revised listing of Village Vettes activities for April and May, all of which are included in the Calendar on the club's website. A new drive & dine on Tuesday, April 27th to Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant (dinner) and the "2nd Annual Corvette Cavalcade on Thursday, May 13th have been added.

April 16 (Friday) - Drive & Dine to Hollerbachs Willow Tree German Restaurant in Sanford, FL

We'll meet at Rohan Recreation Center at 3:45PM and will depart together at 4:00PM for a 90 minute "cruise" to Sanford, FL. A fun and very entertaining evening dining on authentic GERMAN CUSINE, singing, dancing, and laughing with the band, and making new friends. Sign up by clicking on the following link that takes you directly to the web page for this event.

https://villagevettes.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=214221&item_id=1347802

April 22 (Thursday) - National Parts Depot (NPD) - Private tour of a fabulous collection of 200+ cars located in Ocala followed by lunch at the Braised Onion

Don't miss out on this unique and exciting event!! You are registering for a unique and exclusive experience to view one of the most extensive & interesting private collections of automobiles here in Central Florida, the NPD PRIVATE MUSEUM. We'll meet at Mulberry Recreation Center at 8:45PAM and will depart together at 9:00AM for our short drive to Ocala, FL. The "walk around" tour, hosted by one of the owners of NPD and who actually purchased a majority of the cars, can take anywhere from 1.5 to 2+ hours so wear comfortable shoes and bring your cameras/cell-phones to take lots of pictures. Following the museum tour, we will enjoy lunch at The Braised Onion where we will order from their menu. Sign up by clicking on the following link that takes you directly to the web page for this event.

https://villagevettes.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=214221&item_id=1383461

April 27 (Tuesday) – Drive & Dine for dinner at Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant in Brooksville FL

This drive & dine was just added to the calendar by Lee & Linda Samson who have dined at Papa Joe's and have found that the food is excellent and the ambiance truly "Italian". A perfect reason to take the Corvette out of the garage and join other club members for an evening out with friends and fine dining. We'll meet at Eisenhower Recreation Center at 2:45PM and will depart together at 3:00PM for a 60 minute "cruise" to Brooksville for an early dinner. Sign up by clicking on the following link that takes you directly to the web page for this event.

https://villagevettes.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=214221&item_id=1416325

May 4 (Tuesday) – Drive & Dine for lunch at Cracker's Bar & Grill in Crystal Lake FL

We'll meet at Eisenhower Recreation Center at 11:00AM and will depart together at 11:15AM for a 50 minute "cruise" to Crystal River for lunch on the spacious waterfront deck at Crackers Bar & Grill, well known for their selection of seafood entrées. Sign up by clicking on the following link that takes you directly to the web page for this event.

https://villagevettes.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=214221&item_id=1333388

May 13 (Thursday) – Corvette Cavalcade

Last year our club was an early contributor to UF - The Villages Regional Hospital Foundation "PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS FUND " with our 2020 cavalcade to the hospital where we presented a \$1000 check. we then proceeded to Eisenhower where we presented \$500 to Villages Safety Dept. We will be continuing our support for these causes with another Corvette cavalcade on our May meeting night, May 13, 2021. Each participant will contribute \$35 (per car) or more upon registration. We again will be leaving from St. Timothy's Catholic Church (gathering at 4:00PM) and will proceed over to the Hospital or a check presentation. We will then proceed to Eisenhower Rec Center where a check will be presented to the Fruitland Park Police Dept. for their staff Fund. Our regular May Members meeting will be at the Rec Center at 6:30PM following the presentations. To participate in the cavalcade you must register which can easily be done by clicking on the following link that takes you directly to the web page for this event.

https://villagevettes.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=214221&item_id=1408536

May 19 (Wednesday) – Drive & Dine for lunch at Crump's Landing in Homosassa FL

We'll meet at Eisenhower Recreation Center at 10:00AM and will depart together at 10:15AM for a 90 minute "cruise" to Homosassa for lunch on the waterfront deck at Crumps Landing Waterfront Tiki. The menu features entrées ranging from seafood to burgers. Sign up by clicking on the following link that takes you directly to the web page for this event.

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Welcome New Members

List of New Members Since March 1, 2021:

Alan and Karen Andrews

live in the Village of Largo
They are from New Jersey and have a 2008 C6 Jetstream Blue/Tan

Doug and Ellen Featherstone

They live in the Village of Marsh Bend They are from Michigan and they have a 2021 C8 Torch Red/Black

Duane Griff

He lives in the Village of March Bend They are from Wausau, Wisconsin and has a 2020 C8 Torch Red/Black

Tee and Terri Harris

They live in the Village of Sabal Chase They are from Raliegh and they have a 1991 C4 ZR1 Red/Black and a 2019 C7 Yellow/Black

Tom and Anita Hill

They live in the Village of Labelle They are from Detroit, Michigan and they have a 2015 C7 Yellow/Gray

Burt Huntington

He lives in the Village of Pinellas

They are from Shawano, WI and has a 1961 C1 White/Black and a 2020 C8 Torch Red/Black

Ken and Julie Lambert

They live in the Village of Labelle

They are from Bartavia, Illinois and they have a 2015 C7 Artic White

Don and Sandy Regester

They live in the Village of Belvedere

They are from Fort Worth, Texas and they have a 2021 C8 Artci White/Tan

Richard and Jan Shafer

They live in the Village of Hacienda

They are from Maryland Eastern Shore and they have a 2015 C7 Torch Red/Black

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



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TOTAL MEMBERS 425					
FAMILIES	188				
SINGLES	49				
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C8	20	7%			
C7	98	38%			
C6	50	23%			
C5	37	17%			
C4	19	6%			
C3	21	8%			
C2	13	6%			
C1	9	3%			
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		RagTop	129	48%
NCM MEMBERS	Targa	105	39%	
NCM FAMILIES	75	Т-Тор	12	4%
INDIVIDUAL	26	Coupe	7	3%
LIFETIME	10	HTC	7	3%
SENIOR INDIV	1	FRC	5	2%
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		TOTAL	267	
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