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**On the Cover:**

If you have to have a wet bar, might as well make it from a red 1959!

**Monthly Meeting**

Held every third Friday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. at Friendly Chevrolet, 2754 North Stemmons Freeway, Dallas. All members, visitors and Corvette owners are welcome. Following each CCT membership meeting, a CCT after club social event is hosted by a CCT member, starting at approximately 8:30 p.m.

**Monthly Board Meeting**

Held before the monthly Membership Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Friendly Chevrolet. All members are invited to attend.

**Our Friendly Rep!**

Friendly Chevrolet's representative to the Corvette Club of Texas is still pending. When you need to replace your Corvette with a new C7, or when you are upgrading the family car for a new one, be sure and give Friendly a call at 214-920-1900.

In addition to his regular work schedule, the rep is normally at the dealership during our monthly Friday night membership meeting.

**Upcoming Events**

Before attending any event listed in this calendar please double check with the organizers for any last minute changes. CCT is not responsible for the accuracy of any listing except of **CCT events**. For **NCCC events** check <http://www.corvettesnccc.org/>

**2015**

- Jul. 04 Westcliff West Neighborhood Parade 10:00 AM**  
Annual 4th of July Parade. See flier for more info about meeting time etc.
- Jul. 17 CCT Board Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet 7:00 PM**  
The board meeting is held at the Friendly Chevrolet snack bar one half hour before the general meeting. All members are welcome.
- Jul. 17 CCT Membership Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet 7:30 PM**  
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- Sep. 3-4 National Corvette Museum High Performance Drivers Education**  
At the new NCM Motorsports Track. Check the NCM website for more details
- Sep. 3-5 21th Anniversary Celebration at National Corvette Museum Date Tent.**  
Check the NCM website for more details
- Sep. 15-20 NCM's Museum in Motion at COTA in Austin for the Tudor Races**  
Check the NCM website for more details
- Sep. 18 CCT Board Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet 7:00 PM**  
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- Oct. 16 CCT Board Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet 7:00 PM**  
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- Oct. 16 CCT Membership Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet 7:30 PM**  
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- Nov. 5-7 Vets 'n Vettes at National Corvette Museum Date Tent.**  
Check the NCM website for more details
- Nov. 23-25 National Corvette Museum High Performance Drivers Education**  
At the new NCM Motorsports Track. Check the NCM website for more details

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**From the Editor**

Paulette and I just got back from a 2000+ miles trip to Chicago to visit with my mother on her 95th birthday. We had a great time with her and catching up with old friends in the Chicago area. We even had time to do the tourist bit, going to Millennium Park in Downtown Chicago and of course eating at many good restaurants in the area. It was, basically, a loong drive and eat.

And no, we didn't drive the C7. We took our Suburban because the Corvette was too confining, both on passenger space and cargo capacity. But, considering we weighed about 8000 lbs with the car, people and cargo, we did pretty well getting about 19.7 MPG overall.

Found out, when we got back, that we were really lucky. The last 1000 miles, or so was done with a 3 inch nail in a rear tire. Driving that far on it ruined the tire on the inside so it couldn't be fixed. But is was a very slow leak, so we made it home safely just using a compressor one time. Decided to put on a full set in an abundance of caution. Turns out four tires for the Suburban, including warranty and life time alignment, cost about same as the two front tires alone for my 2012 Corvette Grand Sport.

*Joe Wagner*

**After Meeting Drive & Eat**

Sign up at a meeting or email [jwagner@gte.net](mailto:jwagner@gte.net)

Month	Host
January 16th	Carol and Mitch Factor
February 20th	Sharon Norris
March 20th	Paula and Bob Mischel
April 17th	Gilbert and Charline Crouch
May 15th	Sandy and Richard
June 19th	Darlie and Bob Kee
July 17th	Ken and Jeanette
August 21st	Deb and Mike Garrison
September 18th	Sharon Norris & Cory Ingram
October 16th	Mitch and Carol Factor
November 20th	Marvin and Donna Snyder
December	See you at the CCT Christmas Party!

**CCT Event Coordinator**

Sign up with the CCT Activities Chair or any officer.

Month	Coordinator
January	Open
February 7	Paul & Mary Wolter - Nacona Mardi Gras Parade
March 28	Jim Luele - Haltom City School Car Show
April 26	Paul & Mary Wolter - Vettes & Vines Car Show
May 29	Paul & Mary Wolter - Cruisin Galveston
June	Open
July 4	Paul & Mary Wolter - 4th of July Parade
August	Open
September	Open
October	Open
November	Open
December	Open

**CCT General Membership Meeting Minutes****May 15th, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40.

A headcount was taken for the after meeting social at Texas Land and Cattle. Twenty members responded.

Next month's breakfast will be at Brick House Tavern & Tap.

Treasurer's report- Jim Luele talked about the amount in the club's treasury.

Minutes - approved.

Governors Report - Talked about the auto-cross weekend in Mineral Wells. He also talked about the cruise to Galveston. So far 8 cars from the club will be going.

There was much discussion about the Christmas Party. There was a motion, a second and a vote taken. The party will be at the Speedway Club, with the club subsidizing \$20.00 per person to attend.

For lack of time, the meeting was adjourned late.

**CCT General Membership Meeting Minutes****June 19th, 2015**

Minutes of the June general membership meeting were not received from the Secretary by the Newsletter deadline. If the minutes are submitted after publication a new version of the Newsletter will be created and put on the CCT website.

**The CCT Brunch**

The CCT brunch will be held Saturday, July 11, 2015 at 9:30 am at:

**The Egg & I, Prestonwood**

15203 Knoll Trail Dr. (near Montfort & Arapaho)

Dallas, TX 75248

(469) 375-0750

<http://www.theeggandirestaurants.com/locations/dallas.html>

This is a new location for us but is owned by Ryan Colarossi, just like the Carrollton location.

Send an RSVP to [Paulette@themoralefairy.com](mailto:Paulette@themoralefairy.com) or call 817-253-4030. Always call or text with last minute changes, please.



**Kee Notes**

We had a full house at the meeting Friday, June 19th It was nice to mingle with old and new members.

Many great activities are planned for the next few months so be sure and read our flyers.

Darlie and I hosted the dinner at Olive Garden with approx 23 members enjoying the food and fellowship. We have the following volunteers for hosting after club dinners:

- Ken and Jeanette July
- Deb and Mike Garrison August
- Sharon Norris & Cory Ingram September
- Mitch and Carol Factor October
- Marvin and Donna Snyder November

Our selected charities have received their gifts from the CCT Members.

The annual CCT Christmas Party will be at the restaurant at Texas Motor Speedway Club and the deposit has been paid. We will have further details throughout the year from the Garrisons.

Don't forget the Westcliff July 4th parade. We will be throwing candy for the children and doggie treats for our dog friends who attend the parade.

Bob Kee, President

**Charles' new baby safe at home**

Photos by Paulette Wagner



**June 2015 Meeting & Dinner**

By Charles Whitaker

The regular meeting of the Corvette Club of Texas was held on June 19th at Friendly Chevrolet and, by my count, there were 25 people in attendance. Our president, Bob Kee, conducted the business meeting.

Paul Wolter, NCCC Governor, reported on the autocross sponsored by the Texas Outlaws Corvette Club at the Texas Motor Speedway. Our club will again pair next year with the Cowtown Vettes Corvette Club for our autocross. It was announced that the National Corvette Museum Delivery package will include a free membership in NCCC starting in June this year. Jim luele gave the treasurer's report and Mary Wolter said that there have been no changes in the membership since last month. Don and Valerie Hewett, former members of our club, are making tentative plans for a Corvette trip to Hot Springs this October.

Donna Snyder talked about the year when she was the NCCC Lady's autocross championship winner. She is very proud of her accomplishment and we are all proud of her.

Pat Kimminau asked if anyone knew where the club display case is located and no one has seen it. I suggested that it still may be in the old meeting room that has been converted to an equipment room. I was going to look for it when I took my new Corvette in to get the license plats installed and a free hand wash of my new convertible, but I forgot to look.

Plans for the 4th of July parade in Ft. Worth were announced and we hope that you will participate in it.

Thanks to Joe Wagner for converting an e-mail message that I sent to him about the National Corvette Museum Delivery of my new 2105 Corvette Convertible that I purchased from Mark Eddins, the owner of Friendly Chevrolet. Joe puts together such great newsletters month after month for our club and thanks to Paulette for sponsoring the monthly brunches.

All of these efforts are what make out club such a nice organization. It takes a lot of work from a lot of people to run the club.



Club Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet



Our President, Bob Kee



NCCC Governor, Paul Wolter



Bob Kee &amp; Donna Snyder

Sandy & Richard Kapcsos sold tickets and collected \$32 for our raffle. We had 4 raffle prizes. Please bring your raffle prizes to the next meeting and get a free raffle ticket for each one that you bring.



Raffle Prizes



Sandy & Richard Kapcsos



Melissa Leslie



Jim Luele



Bob & Darlie Kee



Ken Bradley

Our dinner was held at the Olive Garden and we had 19 people for a wonderful dinner hosted by Darlie & Bob Kee. Thanks to them for a great outing.



The Olive Garden



CCT Members at the Dinner

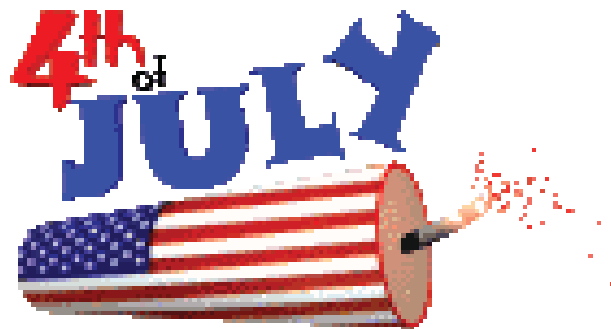


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## **Westcliff West Neighborhood Independence Day Parade**

**DATE: Saturday, July 4, 2015**

CCT will join Cowtown Vettes and other parade entrants as in the past years and drive in the Westcliff West Neighborhood located in Southwest Ft. Worth. **Bring candy to throw to the children and dog bones for the dogs along the parade route. Don't forget to fly the CCT & U.S.A. car flags on your vette. If you don't have flags CCT has car flags for purchase (see Mary).**

**MEETING LOCATION & TIME:** Paul & Mary Wolter, 4520 Fonda Dr., Arlington, TX 76017 @ 8:30 AM Saturday morning, July 4th. We will depart @ 8:45 AM and caravan to the parade location in Southwest Worth. (If you prefer, you can meet us at the parade staging location). Be sure to bring water, sunscreen and hats. The church typically has free cookies, drinks, etc. for us.

**PARADE LOCATION: From I-20:** Exit Trail Lake Drive, proceed North. At the traffic light at Granbury Road, stay in the left lane and go straight under the railroad overpass (remains of an old wooden trestle). Go straight, up a small hill by Westcliff Elementary, then down the hill to Manderly Place on the right. Turn right there and go into the First Congregational Church parking lot.

**PARADE STAGING: 9:30 AM - 1st Congregational Church**

**PARADE: 10:00 AM Start**

**PARADE ROUTE:** thru the Westcliff West Neighborhood, ending in Foster Park

**PARADE SPONSOR: Westcliff West Neighborhood Association**

The following link provides photos taken of the 2014 parade.

<http://cowtownvettes.org/Events/2014/070414-4th-P1.html>

**LUNCH AFTER PARADE:** We will caravan to and eat at Mexican Inn located at 1625 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ft. Worth, TX following the parade. We will not be joining CTV for lunch following the parade as it overloads the restaurant.

**Sage Words from Keith**

**Getting Ready to Go on 1st Annual "Corvettes Cruisin' Galveston"**

May 29, 30, 31 2015 <http://corvettescruisingalveston.com/>



Rebuild motor - \$1475.00

Rebuild transmission - \$775.00

In and out of motor and transmission, remove emission equipment, new hoses, belts, etc. - \$3600.00

Tank of gas - \$65.00

Lube job - \$35.00

Custom made shirt for the 'cruise' - \$30.00

Total - \$5980.00

Then there was entry fee and T-Shirt - another \$50.00

Room at Moody Gardens for 2 nights - \$150.00

Food and drink for the weekend - \$100.00

Tank of gas for the trip back - \$65.00

That totals to \$365.00

You may ask why I do it – because I'm a Corvette person. Been one since 1960 and as long as I'm able will keep on doing it. Total for the 3-day weekend - \$6345.00.

And it was worth every dime of it!

Of the 439 cars that were there, most were C5s, C6s and C7s. Distance award went to some folks from Alabama. Largest club there was NAACC (National Afro- American Corvette Club) with 97 members. [Ed. note: there are 4 chapters of the club, one of which is in Houston. <http://naacc.net/>]

Saturday we were at the Strand in beautiful downtown Galveston. There were seven blocks of Corvettes and on the side streets at each block on both sides. What a sight to see!

I'll 'bet the farm' there will be a lot more next year, So glad I went.

YouTube event coverage: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d\\_lx-eytdeQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d_lx-eytdeQ) (approx.. 7 min., 200+ photos)

YouTube coverage <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W5vH5JSHE8I> (aerial shots are cool)

YouTube coverage <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cmfWAdstrKQ> (12. Min. with dialogue)

**Governor's Report (Submitted by Paul Wolter).**

We attended CTV's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Scramble on June 13<sup>th</sup> at Fat Daddy's in Mansfield and showed our '64 Corvette. Our neighbors Bruce & Deb Allen showed their stock '62 Corvette and restomod '62 Corvette, which won the People's Choice Award. Their friends, Ron & Carol, owners of Contemporary Corvettes in Bristol, Pennsylvania, drove the stock '62 Corvette to the car show and liked it so much they convinced Bruce & Deb that they needed to add the '62 Vette to their collection; so the Corvette now resides in Bristol.

Saturday evening, June 13<sup>th</sup> I attended the SWR Governor's meeting at the Ft. Worth Hampton Inn near TMS. Here are some of the items which were discussed at the

**Governor's meeting:**

- NCCC is giving new Corvette purchasers who take NCM delivery 1 year free membership
- Proposals for hosting the 2015 SWR awards banquet will be accepted at the September Governor's meeting
- First Choice Weekend requests for 2016 will be accepted at the September Governor's meeting
- Nominations for the 2016 Regional Executive will be made at the September Governor's meeting
- Longhorn Corvette Club and the Oklahoma City Corvette Club each donated \$500 for the SWR Scholarship fund
- The Waco Corvette Club Centex hosted a SWR fundraiser and donated the \$875 profit to the SWR Treasury

On Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> we watched the local Outlaws Corvette Club host 7 autocrosses in the bus parking lot at the Texas Motor Speedway. There we visited with former CCT members Don & Valorie Hewett who drove their new 2015 C7 from Hot Springs, Arkansas to participate in the autocrosses. They had 23 racers that participated in the autocross.

There will be no autocross events conducted in the SWR in July and August because the hot weather we typically experience is pretty much unbearable for both the event workers and the participants. The next local NCCC sanctioned event will be CTV's yearly autocrosses September 19-20<sup>th</sup> at TMS. They are hosting 12 low speed autocrosses. That event usually has approximately 60 racers and draws competitors from out of state.

The 2015 NCCC convention will be held in Lake Harmony, PA in the Pocono Mountains August 22-27. On-line registration opens February 1<sup>st</sup>. Convention information and registration is provided at <http://www.Corvettesnccc.org/> This will be the last new Corvette that NCCC will raffle off, since after paying for the raffle car there are no residual funds left to donate to the National Kidney foundation. The NCM and other organizations have been conducting numerous Corvette raffles each year, which greatly reduced NCCC raffle ticket sales.

The Southwest Region Schedule for the 2015 events is provided on the SWR website at <http://www.ncccsregion.org/schedule.html>

Be sure and join us for the annual Westcliff Village 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade this coming Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. See the flier in this newsletter for parade information. After the parade we will eat at the Mexican Inn located on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave in Ft. Worth.



The Rahaim Motorsports C7 Corvette Qualified in 1<sup>st</sup> Place in last week's NHRA Promod Class and then Red-lighted in the Final Round!

## **2014 Annual Membership Awards**

(given at the Christmas party - Dec. 13, 2014)

5 yrs: David & Kathryn Cooper

Bob & Darlie Kee (belatedly given)

10 yrs: Marvin & Donna Snyder

15 yrs: Mitchel and Carol Factor

President Awards: Paul and Mary Wolter

Way to go, club members!

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**Dec. 12      CCT Christmas Party at the Texas Motor Speedway Club**

More Information later

**CCT Board Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet      N/A**

--- No board meeting in December. Normally held one half hour before the Membership Meeting on the third Friday of the month.

--- **CCT Membership Meeting at Friendly Chevrolet      N/A**

No membership meeting in December. A short meeting may be held at the CCT Christmas Party.