

Cowtown Low-Down

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Check out Great Deals at Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet!



On the Boulevard

by Hector Sandoval

In September of 1964, I started my high school senior year. All summer I had gone to Whittier Boulevard on Friday evenings to see all the hot cars. I watched with envy, all the nice cars that the older guys had and I just dreamed of one day having one myself

and cruising the boulevard with a hot date.

As I sat at the A&W (in my pop's old Chevy) my eyes were always focused on the Corvettes. That was, as far as I was concerned, THE car!!!! I graduated from high school in May of '65 and shortly after I was drafted. The Vietnam War was going strong and the US needed young men to fight the war. I went into the Marines and a year later I found myself in the foxholes of Southeast Asia dogging bullets and shrapnel. I did okay dogging bullets but was too slow when it came to shrapnel. That was fine with me because bullets hurt more. Anyway, while sitting in those God Forsaken foxholes, we would always talk about home. I would always bring up those lazy summer evenings at the A&W. The hot Vettes were always my focus and of course my fellow Marines had their own stories. I always hated the interruptions when Charlie lobbed mortar rounds into our compound. How dare they interrupt our talks about those summer evening at the A&W on the boulevard.

Returning home from Nam, I went in search of a new hot car. I looked at the Corvettes but alas, how could I afford one making less than \$200 a month. I promised that when I got out of the Marines I would get a real job and save up for one. Well, getting married before I got out and starting a family shortly there after made my dreaming just that, a dream. Again, I told myself "one of these days". However, time just rolled on and the dream was rolling with time.

Four years ago I told my former wife (Ginny) that I wanted to look at the Mercedes SLK 350

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April 2007

- 31-1 NCCC Wichita Falls
- Texas Outlaw Corvette Club (TOCC)
- 1 CTV 'Welcome Home Heroes'
- 1 Palm Sunday
- 1 April Fool's Day
- 2 Walt Zschirnt's Birthday
- 3 Bob Morrison's Birthday
- 3 Greg & Judy Berndt's Anniversary
- 4 Kerry King's Birthday
- 5 Jake Michael Lewis's Birthday
- 6 **CTV Membership Meeting**
7:30 at Coors Facility
- 6 CTV Vote for Outstanding Male & Female
- 6 Texas Roadhouse socializing after Membership Meeting
- 6 Good Friday
- 7 **Susan G. Komen**
Race for the Cure
& Jack's Off the Wall brunch
- 7 Karla Gandy's Birthday
- 8 Easter
- 10 Jan Brefczynski's Birthday
- 10 Laura Garabedian's Birthday
- 12 Priscilla Briney's Birthday
- 15 CCP Blue Bonnet Cruise
- 16 Jimmy Lewis's Birthday
- 16 Allen Shanholtz's Birthday
- 17 Anne Rumzek's Birthday
- 18 Paul Meyer's Birthday
- 18 Board Meeting
- 19 Low Down Deadline
- 19 Cindy Morrison's Birthday
- 19-22 Hot Springs Corvette Weekend
- 20 Play day at Hallett
- 20 Lynn Stearman's Birthday
- 21-22 NCCC Hallett & Tulsa Drags Competition Corvettes of America (CCO)
- 22 Audrey Samuel's Birthday
- 22 Scott & Cheri Pierce's Anniversary
- 25 Committee Meeting
- 25-29 Big Bend Open Road Race
- 26 Sharon Zschirnt's Birthday
- 28 Walley & Kathy Carpeaux's Anniversary
- 29 Janice Arvay's Birthday

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President's Report

*I thought this article was so interesting.
 I love the old ads. Please enjoy.*



July 1990 **NOTE:** These Chevrolet Review pages were originally printed in the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America, 1990 magazine, the Generator & Distributor copyright! <http://home.earthlink.net/~scrippsbooth/chevbowtiehistory.html>

Chevrolet Bowtie History. The Chevrolet Bowtie has been one of the World's most recognized trademarks since 1913, when William C. Durant first introduced the symbol that represents Chevrolet's winning success!

We have all heard the legend how Durant copied the bowtie design from the wallpaper in a Paris Hotel. The 50 Year Anniversary issue of The Chevrolet Story, printed in 1961, and reprinted in part in the October 1986 G&D, told the story this way: *"This was also the year (1913) that the famous Chevrolet trademark was first used on the cars. The distinctive trademark has appeared billions of times on products, advertisings and sales literature as the mark of dependability, economy and quality in motor transportation. It originated in Durant's imagination when, as a world traveler in 1908, he saw the pattern marching off into infinity as a design on wallpaper in a French hotel. He tore off a piece of the wallpaper and kept it to show friends with the thought that it would make a good nameplate for a car."*

BETWEEN SOUP & CHICKEN. In her book, My Father, Margery Durant wrote her version of how her father designed the Chevrolet Bowtie: *"As in the case of the Buick, my father drew nameplates on pieces of paper at the dinner table. I think it was between the soup and the fried chicken one night that he sketched out the design that is used on the Chevrolet car to this day."*

WIFE HAS THE LAST WORD. A story in Chevrolet Pro Management Magazine, October 1986 told that W.C. Durant did not copy the design from the wallpaper in a French hotel room, and that according to Mrs. Durant, the bowtie emblem was first seen by her husband in

an illustrated Virginia newspaper, while they were vacationing in Hot Springs, Virginia around 1912. Mrs. Durant was quoted as recalling, *"We were in a suite reading the papers, and he saw this design and said, 'I think this would be a good emblem for the Chevrolet' "*.

The 75th Anniversary issue of The Chevrolet Story, gave both bowtie story versions with the comment that Billy Durant, himself, confirmed the Paris hotel story, which was later refuted by his wife with the Sunday newspaper in Virginia story. Chevrolet Media Productions then wrapped things up by writing: *"Whatever the source, the Bowtie proved to be a recognizable winner, and is still the marquee of today's Chevrolet."*

The source of Mrs. Durant's account is Lawrence R Gustin, who interviewed Catherine Durant for his book, Billy Durant, where he recorded her story of the bowtie. Ever since I read Catherine's logical explanation 17 years ago, I have been on the lookout for the true source of the bowtie.

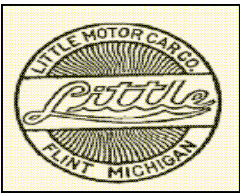
COALLETES BOWTIE. This past year I have been reading that great Southern newspaper, The Constitution, from Atlanta Georgia, looking for how the Whiting, Little, Chevrolet, Monroe, and Scripps-Booth were actually marketed in this southern hub city between 1910 and 1917, when I 'spotted' a Coalettes bowtie ad (pictured on the page to the right), I think I experienced the same excitement Durant did almost eighty years ago, when he might have 'spotted' the same ad in the same paper. The date of this ad was November 12, 1911 -nine days after the Chevrolet Motor Co. was incorporated.

LITTLE COALS. Notice some of the similarities between the Coalettes and Durant designed Chevrolet Bowtie! Both started with a 'C', had nine letters, had the suffix 'let', and were hard to pronounce-in a French way. Both emblems had a dark background with white borders and white letters. The main difference was the Coalettes letters were slanted and used a stylistic type, while Durant used a more formal type and squared off the center bow, three letters wide. (continued on next page)

President's Report

It looks like the reason the Southern Compressed Coal Co. designed the bowtie logo in the first place was to highlight the large, middle 'E', to help the public pronounce this coined word easier. Maybe, this is where Durant got the idea, "Pronounced Shev-Ro-Lay." I looked up the suffix '-let' or '-lette' in the dictionary and was surprised to find it means little or small. Therefore, the coined word Coalettes means "Little Coals." I would think the Southern Compressed Coal Co. had the Coalettes name and bowtie emblem registered as a trademark and will look through the trademark registrations at the Patent Office in the future.

This is really a great ad! I bet Durant tore it out of the newspaper to save for future reference. Note how this ad copy stressed performance, economics, neighborhood availability and "positively leaves no clinkers." Coalettes seemed to have many good features-I wonder if it ever became successful?



THE ORIGIN OF THE LITTLE NAMEPLATE TOO? One more closing observation is the Coalettes ad (pictured to the right) using a round circle with the company slogan, "The Little Coals with the Big Heat." Mr. Durant's Little Motor Car Company also used a round nameplate emblem with the name LITTLE inside with a "heated red" background- just a coincidence?

FIRST CHEVROLET BOWTIE AD? Here is the earliest Chevrolet Bowtie ad I have found in a newspaper. This "Look for this Nameplate" ad was found in the Washington Post for the October 2, 1913. The printing is not the greatest, but I think it is interesting because the bowtie appears to be drawn by hand, the 'CH' did not print well, and the Chevrolet name was printed in a not correct slanted type. However, this crude layout should encourage other members to research and locate better ads.

Keep on Vett'n
Kim West, CTV President '07

Trivia question, for a cool prize:
What year was the first Corvette to use a computer?
Last month's answer was 1956

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Washington Post—October 2, 1913

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smoke odor, or clinkers. Scarcely any ashes
—needs no kindling—holds lasting heat.

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ing" things about
"COALETTES" it is hard to
decide what is the best thing
to say first. However, MORE
HEAT, BETTER HEAT and
LONGER IDEAL for your
money is good enough a plenty
to open up the "COAL-
ETTES" conversation with.

When you buy fuel, you are
not so much interested in the
BULK you buy as you are in
the HEAT THAT YOU ARE
GOING TO GET OUT OF
THE BULK YOU BUY, AS
YOU BURN IT.

That's where "COAL-
ETTES" has the call on ANY
FUEL ON EARTH; as by ac-
tual government test it has
been shown to possess ONLY
FIFTH MORE THERMAL
HEAT UNITS TO THE TON
THAN A NET HEAT UNIT
COAL.

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CARBON FUEL, and after
ignition, is smokeless and
odorless; positively leaves no
clinkers and scarcely any
ashes.

It is constantly uniform in
size, shape and quality, con-
venient to store and cleanly to
handle.

"COALETTES" positively
FITNESS THE FULL CON-
SUMPTION OF EVERY
PARTICLE, and gives an in-
crease heat. "IT IS GREAT
FOR GRATES" as it gives a
constant glow when once
started.

"COALETTES" is an inno-
vation in fuel, requires and
convenient, unexpensive in
the luxury of heating meth-
ods and material.

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your neighborhood grocer,
just as you do apples or pot-
atoes, and it going to be a great
convenience for small families
having limited storage space
for fuel, as they can buy in
small quantities in standard
pound paper bags, at an ad-
vance in price, just when they
need it, and no more or as lit-
tle as they may wish to buy at
a time.

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The Atlanta Constitution—November 12, 1911

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Vice President's Report

CTV's board and committees are in full speed, working hard for you. 2007 has already proved to be a productive year and it doesn't look like there will be a deceleration anytime soon.

By the time this newsletter is printed CTV will have held the 100%er Practice Autocross and Funkhana in Mineral Wells. Be sure to look at the play by play in next month's issue.

April's 100%er will be the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. Karyn Fowler works very hard on this event every year. Help support a worthy cause, become an entrant for \$30 or support the cause by donating to one of your fellow CTV members that have entered. If you can't make the race, you can still make your 100%er by joining us for lunch Jack's Off the Wall at 11:00.

I was hoping to get a drag day scheduled for CTV on May 5th as 100%er. I found out this week, that will not be happening. However, I am working on planning a different activity and would still like to see it happen May 5th. So all of you who are working hard for the 100%er this year, save the date, more info will follow.

On to committees update. Frank

Testa is chairing our new Sponsorship Committee. The committee has began putting together a great package. Keep your eyes open for more information form Frank. I am excited about this committee and the possibilities for all of Cowtown Vettes.

I encourage each member to look at the committees and ask yourself what might be of interest to you or where you would like to help out. The more participation we have, the stronger our club is. We receive what we give, 10 fold. I have been sticking to the results of this year's Membership Survey, I hope all of you who participated in that survey are enjoying the fruits of your labor.

One last thing, for anyone who hasn't been to one of the 'After the Membership Meeting Outings', you are missing out.

Last month we went to Bennigan's (see photo), April 6th will be Texas Road House off Beach and 820—hope to see you all there!

Bobby Gorman

CTV Vice President '07



Technical Information

Clay bar. To check to see if your car's finish is clean, first rub a small section with a towel then feel your paint with your finger. It should feel smooth. Next take a cellophane wrapper from a cigarette pack, place 2 fingers in the wrapper and gently rub the same area. If the surface feels rough, pitted, or sticky, your paint needs to be cleaned. Clay bar removes brake dust, industrial fallout, tree sap, road tar, and is great for bug residue. Claying is the only way to truly clean your paint finish and prepare the surface for waxing. Go to any auto store that sells wax products and you will find clay bar. Some companies include a lubricant with the bar, but this can be made by mixing ½ cup car wash liquid to 16oz of water and storing the mixture in a spray bottle.

Getting started: (1) Tear the clay bar in half and work it until it becomes soft. (2) Wash car and make sure there is no dirt on the finish. (3) Lubricate a small sec-

tion of the car about 3' x 3' with the mixture in the spray bottle. (4) Mold the piece of clay into a small flat ball and rub gently. If the clay starts to stick, put more lubricant on the surface. (5) After rubbing the area, take a clean soft towel and wipe the area. (6) Recheck the area with the cigarette wrapper. If the contaminants are gone, continue to another area until the entire car is done. If the clay bar is dirty, just pull and kneed into a ball until the bar is clean.

Special Hints: If you drop the clay bar, do not use it again, throw it away. It will pick up dirt and scratch the paint. Never use a clay bar in direct sunlight or on a hot surface.

Once the entire car is complete, wash again and you are ready to wax. Clay bar works great on windows and wheels.

Any questions, call me.

John Breczynski, CTV Car Show '07

Next month: Waxing

Charity



Hello CTV Members

We have a lot of things going on, charity-wise, in the upcoming months ~

- March 31, 2007 - Put the Brakes on Breast Cancer car show (kicking off the Race for the Cure event)
- April 1, 2007 - Welcome Home a Hero at DFW airport and
- April 7, 2007 - Susan G. Komen, Race for the Cure in downtown FTW

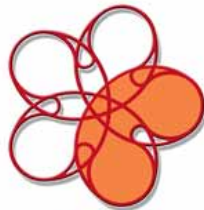
Details for the above can be found in previous emails I have sent, in previous newsletters and on our club website. I hope to see as many members as possible at these events!! I have been in touch with the Make-A-Wish Foundation and have some exciting news to report at the next membership meeting.

Happy Easter and Passover to everyone!
Karyn Fowler
CTV Charity Chairperson '07

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By-Laws

PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGE

The following By-Laws change will be voted on at the April 6th Membership Meeting. It will be effective immediately if passed by a 2/3rds vote of those present. Your vote counts!

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Greenfeder
CTV Parliamentarian '07

ARTICLE II

2.2 Primary Member:

To become a primary member, one must be 18 years of age, attend three (3) meetings, or attend two (2) meetings and either one (1) monthly Club social or one (1) NCCC sanctioned event, and be

voted in by a majority of the members present at the meeting in which the prospective member is presented for membership. All criteria must be met within a period of six (6) months. Upon acceptance by the membership, one must pay dues to the NCCC Governor.

Proposed change to read:

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Car Show



Greetings everyone!

The Fort Worth Rod and Custom Car Show took place on March 2-4, 2007. Cowtown Vettes had 10 cars on display. Thanks to Bob and Cindy Morrison, Craig & Laura Satterfield, Chris & Darlene Sullivan, Bob Vance, Doc & Debbie Lambert, Red & Barb Greenfeder, Bill & Jane Buehler, Darren Bonas and Hector Sandoval (*not pictured here but is this month's centerfold*) for all their hard work getting their cars ready for the show; this is no easy task. Cowtown had 7 cars that won awards in their division. First place for Doc (C2), and John (C4); second place for Chris (C4) and Craig (C6); third place for Bill (C5), Bob (C4) and Red (C6).

Thanks to Fred Rossett and Don Wells for loading the equipment and Doug for the art work and taking pictures.

John Breczynski
CTV Car Show '07



Competition



What is YOUR passion? ...do you enjoy showing your Vette, cruising, autocross, drag or open road racing? If you answered yes to any of those or if your passion is only to participate and compete to earn the 100%er

and/or the Rookie of the Year Award, then you are a Cowtown Competitor ☺ For more information on these functions, you can check out the "NCCC Functions" and "Other Competition" pages on our website:

<http://www.cowtownvettes.org/bp/Competition.html>

Our 2007 Event Training, Practice Autocross & Funkhana took place on Saturday, March 24th, at the Mineral Wells Heliport. We do hope that all of you had a chance to come out to enjoy taking a few runs on the autocross and/or the Funkhana course to enjoy your Vette and fellowship with the other Members.

I would like to thank all of the members that stepped up to make this event a success - it took everyone along with teamwork to make it happen. For more on this event, check my article in May along with the event pages on our website.

If you have any questions about any of the Cowtown Competition Programs, please feel free to contact either myself or one of the chairpersons in the specific areas. ...Doug McMahan - Competition Chairperson '07

The following are members that are eligible for the CTV Rookie of the Year 2007

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|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Stephen Arvay | Kathy Carpeaux | Pat Makovy |
| Janice Arvay | Edward Gonzalez | Scott Pierce |
| Beth Batista | Candice Gonzalez | Carolyn Potter |
| Doug Batista | Kerry King | Michael Sammet |
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On the Boulevard

(continued from cover) We picked a nice Sunday morning and headed to Long Beach CA. to test drive one. She did not like the vehicle and on our way home she reminded me of my dream, of owning a Corvette. "Why don't we go look at them?" she asked. Without a skip of my heart beat I headed to the local Chevrolet dealer. Of course I went directly to the Z06 model on the showroom floor. Once Ginny saw the price tag she swallowed hard and gave me a negative look. I knew what she was thinking so I said, "let's go home". On the way home we discussed (yea, more like fought) the 'whys' and at the end she said she would consider an older model Corvette. Her thoughts were that an older model had to be cheaper. "Well", I said, "now you are making sense". Of course I was right back at the boulevard admiring the 60's Corvette. Why not a '64? That year was the start of my senior year and was also the year of those memorable summer evenings.

That evening I went onto Ebay to see what was available. I saw a beautiful Daytona Blue 1964 Corvette available and there was no reserve. I immediately made my bid. For the next few days I kept close watch and assured that I always had the top bid. Days later I put my final bid one minute before closing and at closing time my competitor did not bid enough. I WON!!! I had the winning bid at \$32K. When I told Ginny all hell broke loose, "Thirty two thousand for an old car??? What in hell were I thinking?" she told me. I was confused and told her I thought she had agreed. Her words

were: "I would consider it". Well, it is a guy thing to not understand women and so I was in the doghouse but the proud owner of '64 Corvette.

Well, four years have passed and although I have divorced, I made sure that I was not going to part with my '64. Ginny got the house but I got the Vette!!! Doesn't seem fair you may think, but one can't take a house to a car show or on a nice drive on a lazy summer evening! Again, it is a guy thing.

Let me introduce you to my baby. She is a beautiful (in original condition) Daytona Blue Vette with dark blue interior. She has several options and they are: leather seats, 327 cubes 365 HP with a factory "30-30" solid-lifter cam, and a Muncie 4 speed close ration tranny. She sports original knock offs and has a 3.70 positraction and all her numbers are matching. She owns a nice enclosed trailer so she does not have to bare the elements when taken to car shows. She is garage stored and shares a room with an alcohol burning Funny car. She does have a younger brother, a 2004 Commemorative Z06, but he is kept in another garage. Her owner is a little exotic and has two garages and a 2400 sq. foot shop to keep all his toys in.

So, if you are ever in the Springtown area, stop off to say hello. There is always a cold one or two in the fridge and never a lack of good stories about the good old days on the boulevard. By the way, I am still looking for that hot date??????? A dreamer you say, well dreams do come true.

(centerfold on pages 8 & 9)



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Our Club History continues... we have a few Members competing in Car Shows and Cruises already. I would like to thank Richard Downing &

Lisa Savage for sharing photos and a video this past month for the web & albums. If you would like to donate printed photos or even loan your photo CDs to Cowtown, we do select various photos during the year to have printed; allowing us to permanently place in them in the Club's albums / scrapbooks.

2006 NCCC SW Region Top Competitors:

The SW Region Annual Awards Banquet was held on Saturday, March 17th. Cowtown Vettes made history again with us having the *SW Region Top Competitor Man & Woman for 2006*, Paul Meyers and Glenda McMahan. In addition we had four more in the *SWR Top 10*, Doug McMahan was 2nd, Manda Gorman 3rd, Viola Meyers 4th and Bobby Gorman 5th.



For **Individual 2006 NCCC Awards** (men & women respectively), Doug & Glenda McMahan took 1st place in *Drags* with Paul Meyers in 4th.

For *Speed Events*, Paul Meyers and Glenda McMahan took 1st place while Doug McMahan finished 3rd, Manda Gorman ended in 3rd, Viola Meyers was in 4th and Bobby Gorman finishing in 5th.



For *Funkhana*, Glenda McMahan & Manda Gorman tied for 1st place with Doug McMahan & Bobby Gorman finishing 3rd.

Regional Awards (=>200 points for 2006) were

awarded to Kevin & Cathy Anthony, Bruce & Yvette Lewis and Bob & Cindy Morrison.

The 2007 NCCC National Convention is approaching fast. This is a week-long event in Nashville, TN, with competition, parties, banquets, etc. Several of us are attending along with enjoying a private Corvette Assembly Plant tour on June 15th, along with a visit to the National Corvette Museum. Following the convention, some of us are also going to run the "Tail of the Dragon" on the way home. Even if you can't make the entire event / trip, come join us for what you can and help us make some history this year. More information can be found at: http://www.cowtownvettes.org/misc/NCCC_Conv07.html

The NCCC 2007 National Club Website Contest

rules are out and we will be entering the contest since we are eligible again this year. The contest starts May 1 and runs until June 1, with the winner being announced on Friday, June 22, at the '07 NCCC National Convention. We have been working on a few ideas on changing the look of our website, so if you have any ideas, or opinions on our website, please get with me - [this is yours / Cowtown's site.](#)



If you have any suggestions, questions or comments about our how we are capturing our Club's history or website, please don't hesitate to give me a shout.

--Doug McMahan - CTV Historian & Webmaster '07

REMEMBER: whatever your Corvette interest is, pursue your passion, keep the spirit of fun and fellowship in mind ...and most of all... HAVE FUN DOING IT!!!

May 2007

4	CTV Membership Meeting 7:30 at Coors Facility
4	Chil i's Bar & Grill I social izing after Membership Meeting
4-5	National Governor's Meeting
12	Laps for Charity
13	Mother's Day
16	Board Meeting
17	Low Down Dead line
18-20	Lone Star Cl assic
19-20	NCCC - Waco Cen-Tex Corvette Cl ub (CTCC)
23	CTV Commit tee Meeting
26-27	NCCC - Okl ahoma Okl ahoma City Corvette Cl ub (OCCC) Corvette Cl ub of Okal ohoma City (CCOC)
28	Memorial Day <i>Bold, Ital ized Lettering denotes 100%'er award activity.</i> Email any upcoming date to the editor.



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Governor's Report



PARDON FROM THE GOVERNOR
At the March membership meeting I presented an overview of the NCCC Southwest Region – the geographic and political make up and the programs and activities available. I plan to

discuss the NCCC-sanctioned competition programs at the April meeting. These competitions are run at the national, regional and club (CTV) levels.

Mo and I had a great time at the Southwest Region 2006 Awards Banquet. Not only did we get to visit with a lot of old friends from around the region, we were proud to be sitting with a Cowtown bunch that brought home a lot of trophies. Congratulations!

I attended the first Southwest Regional Governors Meeting of 2007. Some highlights:

- Mary Anne Kolb has been appointed director of the Larry Kolb NCCC Southwest Region Scholarship Program. The Program is a good way to get money toward educational expenses – for yourself or your dependents. See the CTV or SW Region website for the details. Deadline for entry is May 1.
- The 2008 NCCC membership packet will have an NCCC pin for all members.
- There will be a driving school at Hallett Raceway

(Hallett OK) in conjunction with the competition events hosted by Competition Corvettes of Oklahoma. Successfully completing the school will qualify you for an NCCC high speed license. There will also be a Hallett Playday (practice) that weekend.

- Tentative budgets and schedules for 2008 NCCC Convention (Tulsa) were discussed. CTV is doing the logo merchandise. Doug McMahan and Don Wells presented the convention art work and the convention shirt bids.

My informal polling indicates that everyone has received their 2007 NCCC membership packets. If you have not received yours, let me know ASAP. Don't forget to check the award winning CTV website for flyers promoting upcoming competition events. Along those lines, if you would like to receive email notification of the flyers have your name added to the email distribution list by contacting our webmaster, Doug McMahan. Is this a great hobby or what?

Don't forget to write or call... /Scott

"I would rather lose going fast enough to win than win going slow enough to lose." - unknown



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February & March Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meetings are in the Hospitality Room at the Coors facility, the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Everyone is Welcome



**In the event of illness,
hospitalization, or death of a
member, a spouse, a child, or a
parent of a member please advise
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March Membership Meeting Minutes

Membership Meetings are in the Hospital ity Room at the Coors facili ty, the 1st Friday of every month.



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Cowtown Cruiser



The First Sponsored Cruise for 2007 took place on Saturday, March 10th. The small cruise group consisted of seven members and two visitors (Todd & Karina) which departed Benbrook around 8 AM; a little early for several according to the emails I rec'd. A few

members expressed that the cruise was too far for a one-day trip along with a few other reasons that were stated. Well folks, you missed a fun day with just enough stops to provide adequate leg stretching, along with a few stops for CCP points. Other than one river and a state park, the other stops were at Courthouses where we enjoyed walking around looking at Historical Markers and Veteran's Memorials.



We reached the site where the Bald Eagles nest shortly after 12 PM. Upon arrival and seeing the size of the Eaglet, it was apparent that our timing was a little later than in past years. The Eaglet was much larger than past years and the three adult Eagles were no where to be seen. This stage in



the Eaglets life doesn't require the constant protection from the adult Eagles

We really wanted to see the adult Eagles so we opted to head on over to Llano and eat lunch at Cooper's BBQ. This allowed us to kill some time, in hopes that the adult Eagles would be there when we returned.

Upon our return there were still no adult Eagles and we were just about to depart for the trip home when one adult came graciously circling the area until it made its decent to the nest - well worth the wait ☺. We watched and photographed the adult and Eaglet for a bit then made our departure towards the Metroplex.

On the way home we made a side-trip to Ink's Lake State Park where we enjoyed the fun-twisty three-mile long two-lane road. More pictures and information can be found on the event pages on our website. The cruise took in 425 miles and a little over 7 hours driving, but it was a great day for it. Next year,



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<http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/cruiserpgm.html>

Our next club sponsored cruise is scheduled for Sunday, April 15th; a cruise to the 56th Annual Ennis Bluebonnet Trails Festival where lots of activities await. For more information on the festival, visit:

<http://www.visitennis.org/festivals.html>

You can visit the CCP page on our website to validate your CCP entry data and points for club and NCCC functions. Don't forget, anyone can sponsor a CCP Cruise

Date	Depart Time	Departure Location	Destination	Miles **	Pts *
04/15/07	9:00 AM	check website	Blue Bonnet Cruise - this will have a few stops along the way but will end up at the 56th Annual Ennis Bluebonnet Festival	180 round trip	8
<TBD>	8:00 AM	<TBD>	East TX Piney Woods Cruise	<TBD>	<TBD>
10/19-21/07	6:00 PM	check website	Georgetown / Gruene Cruise - NCCC Concoors & Funkhana followed by cruising, wineries, etc.	<TBD>	<TBD>
* Planned stops / points			** mileage is from downtown FW		

and if you have a great idea for a cruise but you don't want to lead it - get with me and we will take a look at it. Be sure to also check there for more upcoming cruises.

2007 CCP Photo Contest: Regardless if you are competing in the 2007 Cowtown Cruiser Program (CCP) or not, if you cruise in your Vette to neat places, you can still enter this contest. The Contest Rules are on our website at:



http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/CCP_PC_07.html

If you have any questions about Cowtown Cruiser Program or the Photo Contest, contact me.

...keep on cruisin'
...Doug McMahan - CCP Chairperson '07

June 2007

- 1 *CTV Membership Meeting*
7:30 at Coors Facility
- 1 On The Boarder social izing
after Membership Meeting
- 2 *Drive In Movies*
(Tentative & TBD 100%er)
- 14-15 CTV Caravan to Convention
- 16-22 *NCCC National Convention*
(100%er for participants)
- 17 Father's Day
- 23-24 CTV caravan from Convention
- 20 Board Meeting
- 21 Low Down Deadl ine
- 27 CTV Committee Meeting

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Cowtown Vettes Logo Merchandise

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Decal s	Inside and Outside	\$ 1.75
Embroidery	Name	\$ 3.00
Embroidery	C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6	\$ 5.00
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 next few months. Ensure your info and photo is up to date,
 See membership.

Membership

March Members Meeting: Members 52 and
 Visitors 13

Visitors: **David Gil I and Patricia Gil I ,
 Reid Mitchell I
 Bob and Candy Lowrey**

New Cowtown Vette Members



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Cowtown Vettes extends its sincere appreciation to Chip Jones and Nathan Ellis from Bruce Lowrie for attending our March Membership meeting. They provided gifts and door prizes for everyone at the meeting.

Chip emphasized that Bruce Lowrie wants to build the relationship with Cowtown and that Bruce Lowrie will continue to offer Cowtown members discounts on parts, service work and the GM Supplier Price on new vehicles (below invoice). Nathan will be our exclusive contact and he will be attending meetings, events, notify us of service updates/recalls, and special dealer promotions (which our website already reflects. be sure to check it out).

In conclusion, Chip reiterated, Bruce Lowrie wants the opportunity *"to earn our business."*