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UPCOMING EVENTS

January

1/1



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

1/4 MEMBERSHIP MEETING
 6:30 p.m. - Cowtown 101 Orientation Session
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Meeting
 Coors Hospitality Room

1/16 BOARD MEETING
 7:00 p.m. Coors Board Room

February

2/1 MEMBERSHIP MEETING
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Coors Hospitality Room

2/3 SUPER BOWL PARTY
 Pappa's Burgers
 Time: TBA

2/14



2/16 VALENTINE'S DINNER
 TBA

2/20 BOARD MEETING
 7:00 p.m. Coors Board Room



*** Denotes 100% Award Eligibility Event**



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



By the time you read this, 2013 will be upon us. You may have even had a glimpse at the new C7 Corvette. I am beginning the year with the Sheppard's prayer: "O God, please don't let me screw this up!" – Alan Sheppard, 1961. I intend to work diligently to keep the club on track while promoting as much fun as is practical and safe.

Although a couple of committee chairs remain to be filled, we are starting the year with many returning veterans and some well-trained co-chairs. I appreciate your willingness to step up and trust that your committees are fully staffed with able and willing members. Our events have a history of success attributed to those willing to do the work so that we all can have a fun time. I encourage each of you to find a committee on which to serve.

I hope all of you who attended the Christmas party had a good time. Although the butt of a few humorous antics, I had a great time. The food was great. The decorations were quite seasonal and tastefully done. And....I want to compliment the ladies (Jo Anne Smith and Donna Rosett) one last time on a "job well done."

As I write, I am viewing the tragedy that is unfolding in Connecticut. I love this club and want nothing but the best for its members but, during these holidays, let us all keep life in perspective. Hug your kids and their kids and do whatever you must to keep them safe. Give prayers of thanks for those who make your life enjoyable whether they are friend or relative. Do what you can to make the world a better place. And, by all means, drive safely.

I hope each and every one of you has a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to serving as your club president.

Save the wave (and keep a few hugs handy as well).

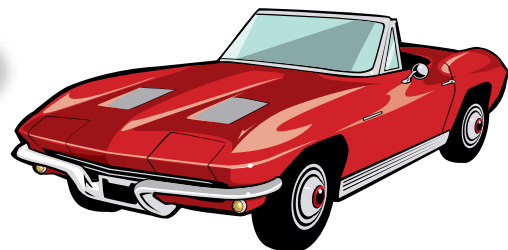
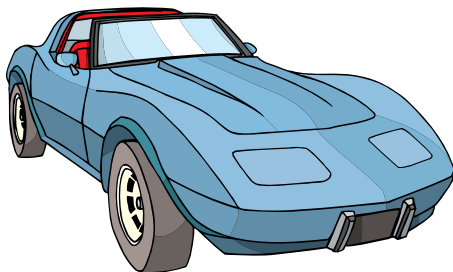
David Gill

2013 President

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Outgoing 2012 President John Armes and 2013 President David Gill at the Christmas Party with Marines representing Toys for Tots.



JANUARY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 6:30 CTV 101 Orientation * Membership Meeting 7:30 Meeting	5
	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 <i>Board Meeting</i> <u>LOW-DOWN DEADLINE</u>	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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FEBRUARY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 * Membership Meeting 7:30 Meeting	2
3 * Super Bowl Party Pappa's Burgers Time TBA	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 	15	16 * Valentine's Dinner TBA
17	18	19	20 <i>Board Meeting</i> <u>LOW-DOWN DEADLINE</u>	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		

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CTV Committees 2013

AUDIT

<Open>: Chairperson



CAR SHOW

<Open> : Chairperson

<Open>: Co-Chairperson



CHARITIES

Jane Buehler: Chairperson

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Jo Anne Smith: Chairperson

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Donna Forsythe: Co-Chairperson

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

WELCOME!

New Members

Welcome to our new member.

Roger Gleason

1969 Black Coupe



First Time Visitors

Jerry & Ginger Allen

2012 Red Grand Sport

Dennis McMahan

1979 Black Coupe

First Time Visitors Who Also Attended Car Show

Steve & Rhonda Weible

2009 Crystal Red Coupe

Larry & Mary Yrigoyen

1990 Saddle Convertible

Donna Forsythe

Membership / Welcome Chairperson

ctv-membership@yahoo.com

CELEBRATIONS

1/3 KELLY JOHNSON
1/3 DIANE YOUNG
1/9 BRITTANY LEWIS
1/10 DAVID GILL
1/11 KEN SEGEL
1/11 DON WELLS
1/12 CAROLYN ATKINS
1/13 BECKY CLARK
1/17 BARB GREENFEDER
1/17 RED GREENFEDER
1/20 INA KENNEDY
1/23 YVETTE LEWIS
1/27 LARRY HOALDRIDGE



1/2 WALT & SHARON ZSCHIRNT
1/9 JOHN & NANCY DICK
1/10 INA & PHILIP KENNEDY
1/28 JERRY & DEBBIE LINDSEY

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT



As we begin a new year I would like to thank you, the members of CTV, for giving me the opportunity to serve as your vice-president. I know there are a wide range of interests and places of residence in the membership of this club which makes the task of organizing socials a challenge. I will try very hard to make this a fun year of activities appealing to many of you and in locations convenient to most. If you have an interest, activity, or place

you enjoy and would like to share it with your fellow members, please let me know. Your input would be greatly appreciated.

After the rush of the holiday season we all need a rest so there will be no social in January. There will be two 100%-ers in February. A Super Bowl Party is planned for Sunday, February 3 at Pappa's Burgers (I-30 and Forest Park). The Dallas Cowboys will probably not be featured but maybe your favorite team will be competing. Come cheer them on and enjoy great fellowship and good food.

If you can't make it to Pappa's you can treat your loved one to a romantic dinner in Italy. Well, maybe not really IN Italy but good Italian food comes pretty close. The traditional Valentines Dinner will be Saturday, February 16 at a place yet to be determined (possibly Carino's near Hulen Mall). I know that is after Valentine's Day but it gives us a break after the Super Bowl Party.

Looking ahead we have a practice autocross, NKF Walk, Susan Komen Walk, and actual autocross planned for the coming months. More details on these events will be provided in future articles. I thank you again and look forward to serving you.

Carlanne Hickman

2013 Vice President

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CTV Rookie of the Year Award

COWTOWN ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD (ROY) will be presented annually to the Rookie member who accumulates the highest number of points according to the schedule listed in #7 of the Standing Rules, Policies & Procedures in the Cowtown ByLaws. A Rookie is defined as a new member to the Club who has not previously been a member of the Club. Rookies accumulate points the calendar year following the year that they joined the Club. All records are maintained and the determination of the Rookie of the Year is made by the Membership Committee who will select and present the award at an Awards Banquet. (See the #7 in the Standing Rules, Policies & Procedures in the Cowtown ByLaws for details on what counts towards ROY Award; or contact Membership.)

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR 2013 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

GEORGE AGGAS
MICHELLE AGGAS
JAMES BLASÉ
ROGER GLEASON
INA KENNEDY
PHILIP KENNEDY
CAROL LONEY
MIKE LONEY

CHRIS MALCOLM
CINDY MALCOLM
LONNIE MEARS, JR.
SHERRY MICHENER
JIM PERRY
RITA PERRY
GENE PRICE
MARTI PRICE

MARY RHODES
WES RHODES
CHARLES RICHERRSON
MIKE TOOMBS
SHELLY WHEELER
WALTER WHEELER

CONGRATULATIONS TO ROBERT GEYER who earned ROOKIE of the YEAR status for his hard work and attendance at everything throughout the year as well as serving as our Newsletter Distribution Chairman!!

CTV Committees 2013

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James West: Chairperson

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Kim West: Ambassador

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Becky Clark: Chairperson

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NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

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PARLIAMENTARIAN

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SOCIALS

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Pat Gill: Co-Chairperson



TEXAS MOTOR SPEEDWAY

Rick Garabedian: Chairperson

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Scott Wheeler: Co-Chairperson



TIMING

Candy Beck: Chairperson

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NCCC EVENTS



As you all know, Doug McMahon is relinquishing the steering wheel after three years as NCCC Events Coordinator. I will be taking his place and with his continued support, hopefully 2013 events will follow into a smooth transition. As Doug has mentioned in the last couple of Low Downs, I am looking for a co-chair for NCCC events for the upcoming year. As evidenced by myself, you don't have to be a Racer to be involved in this, you just have to want to get involved and have fun!

For 2013, the NCCC Events have been spread out for everyone's scheduling ease.

The CTV events below are listed on the SWR 2013 Schedule – please mark your 2013 calendars. I'll be discussing these at the January meeting and will have sign-up sheets for volunteers:

- March 17 (Sunday) – *Practice Autocross* (non-sanctioned)
- Location: tentatively planned for GM in Arlington
- April 20th & 21st (Saturday & Sunday) – the *No Frills joint Low-*

Rick Watson

NCCC Events Coordinator

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Speed NCCC Autocross Event with Corvette Club of Texas (CCT)

- Location: TBD
- June 1st (Saturday) – *Spring Scramble*; tentative plans would be an event similar to this year's Fall Scramble, without the rain
- Location: tentatively planned for Fat Daddy's in Mansfield
- September 21st & 22nd (Saturday & Sunday) – the **17th Annual Super Speedway Weekend** at Texas Motor Speedway
- Location: Texas Motor Speedway

For our new members, the autocross races are great places to come out and race or, if you're not a racer, come out and volunteer to work one of the corners and meet the rest of the members. Karen and I volunteered to work the corner at our first autocross event almost five years ago and we both agree it's the most fun we've ever had, and it's the best seat in the house!

Again, I'd like to thank Doug McMahon for all his hard work as NCCC Events Chairman for the past three years and for his patience in showing me what it takes to run this program.



WEBMASTER



2013 already ...and the C7 will be unveiled on 1/13/13 at the Chicago Auto Show; I personally sure hope the renderings are not what it will end up, especially the rear end.

On our website you will find recent event pages/photos for the Christmas Party & Awards Banquet and the Cook Children's Christmas Party. For capturing photos at the events we would like to thank Raley & Jo Anne Smith, Doc Lambert and Doug & Glenda McMahon. Most of all, don't forget your camera when you go out to enjoy any of these events or even events you participate on

your own; we do welcome YOUR photos! This is also the time of year that all the standing webpages (i.e. calendars, elected officers, cruiser, etc.) undergo year-end/ year-beginning changes. If you spot something on a webpages which appears to not have been changed, please contact me so I can take a look. This is the club's website which is viewed from all over the world – so we want it to be up-to-date and always correct.

I am considering expanding the efforts of Webmaster to a small group effort; maybe splitting off areas such as the Misc. Car Show & Competition Calendars, maybe even event pages, or social media, etc. – there are lots of options and opportunities. Maybe some of it needs to also include the social media piece. If you have an interest, please contact me.

Do you do Social Media? ...Facebook or Linked-In? If so, are you a FB friend with Cowtown Vettes and the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC)? The social media venues are not to replace our traditional website but to provide additional avenues to promote our club, our socials and our events. Events that are open to guests are ones that events are created on the social media; invites are sent to the Club's social media friends where they can accept, decline and

Doug McMahon

2013 CTV Webmaster (macsvettes@att.net)

even state maybe on their attendance. When they do this, it also generates traffic for others to see the event where some of the potential new participants come from. After the events, we typically select a few pictures to share some of the fun we had; with a link to the event page on our traditional website so they can find more photos and information. Not only does this get a potential new participant or member to that event page but they also browse around our website looking at other fun we have. You can find our club's Facebook account off the link on our Cowtown website (left bottom). NCCC also has a Facebook account now as well; it is also linked off the Cowtown website – lower left.

Cowtown Email Distribution Lists: As of 12/31/12, anyone that has not renewed was dropped from the email lists. Chairpersons, some of these lists go with your functions so if you are a new chairperson, your email will be added. If you have questions around the distribution lists, please get in touch with me. Members, if you change your email address, mailing address, your Vettes, etc., please let membership know so that your address can be updated in the Membership Database along with the various email lists. Cowtown has over thirty email distribution lists, many geared around specific activities or functions, like NCCC, various committees, convention, etc. so, if you'd like to be added to a specific list, get in touch with me. If by chance you are not receiving the CTV-All emails then your correct email address must not be in the system; contact us. Send all email and address updates to: ctv-membership@yahoo.com.

If you have suggestions, questions or comments about how we are managing your Club's website and/or Facebook account, please don't hesitate to give me a shout. I also encourage you to shout if you find any pages that have issues or if there is something you would like to see or things you dislike; after all this is your website and I am only the caretaker of your website.

*...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!!!*

COWTOWN CRUISER



The Cowtown Cruiser Program (CCP) was started in 2005 for those who like to enjoy their Corvette in a relaxing yet adventurous way. It is an annual competition to see who will be the year's Top Cruisers. The program focuses on driving your Vette to club, regional & national functions along with capturing places you have driven on your own. This can include places visited on vacations or just short weekend trips. For more information on the Cruiser Program, see our website or contact me to obtain your points sheet and log. Photo albums from past winners and other participants are available to view.

COWTOWN CRUISER PROGRAM

The 2012 Cruiser Program concluded with 15 participants and the winners were:

First Place: Doc Lambert – Gold Level with 339 Points

Second Place: Carol Savage – Gold Level with 236 Points

Third Place: Karla Gandy – Gold Level with 213 Points

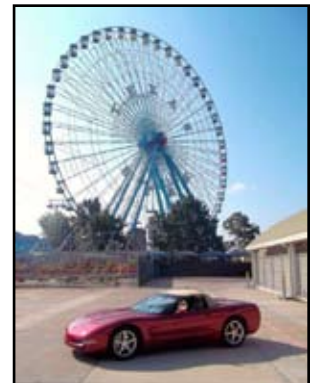
Third Place: Jack Gandy – Gold Level with 213 Points

Gold Level Participants: Carlanne Hickman** 181 Points, Cydnie Geyer* 175 Points, Robert Geyer* 175 Points, Donald Hickman** 172 Points, Doug McMahan 166 Points, Glenda McMahan 158 Points, Fred Proctor 112 Points, John & Nancy Dick 87 Points, and David Gill 80 Points

Silver Level Participants: Connie Dunn* 64 Points and Tony Sokoloski* 60 Points

Bronze Level Participants: none for 2012

(* = 1st Time Participants ** = 2nd Time Participants)



ANNUAL CRUISER PHOTO CONTEST

The 2012 Annual Cruiser Photo Contest concluded with 28 photos participating and Doug McMahan won 1st Place and we had a tie with Carol Savage and Robert Geyer winning 2nd Place (two of Robert Geyer's photos won 2nd Place votes).

The 2013 Cruiser Competition starts January 1st. New Cruiser Packets are available electronically or in paper form. Always remember the cruiser program is about getting out and enjoying your Corvette, seeing the countryside, going places you'd typically never see, and representing Cowtown. You can cruise on your own or on our sponsored cruises. To make the 2013 Cruiser Program a success, we need members to suggest places to go and to sponsor cruises for the coming year. The cruises don't have to be weekend cruises but can be short ½ day or all day trips for lunch, dinner, events, shopping, or just seeing something unique. If you have a destination in mind, we'll help you plan a route. As always, please check the Cruiser Schedule <http://cowtownvettes.org/CCP/cruisersch.html> for upcoming cruises and any last minute changes.

...keep on cruisin'

Donald Hickman
2013 Cruiser Chairperson
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& Carlanne Hickman
& Co-Chair
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Don't forget to capture your Vette in interesting or unusual places for the "What I Saw Along the Way" photo contest to share the places and things you've seen and enjoyed over the year.

We welcome any suggestions for improving the program and hope to see new participants in the year ahead.

Christmas Party and December



The tables are set



Debby & PJ enjoy cocktail hour



Toys were donated for Toys for Tots



Doug & Patricia, Doc & MaryAnne



Cory presents Charity Award



100 % Award Winners



Committee Chairs



Karen gets President's Award



Top Cruisers



Kevin received Governor's Award



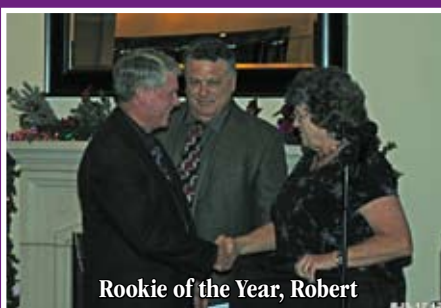
A thank you gift to the outgoing President



A very special award to David



Outstanding Members, Donna & Doug



Rookie of the Year, Robert



Car Show Awards to Doug & Glenda

and Awards Banquet er 8, 2012



GOVERNOR'S THOUGHTS



At the Christmas/Awards Dinner I had the privilege of awarding members who represent Cowtown at NCCC events regionally and nationally. We do that in two ways; participation and total points.

NCCC Travel Awards: The following Members have met the requirements of attending non-Cowtown NCCCC Events; thus earning an **NCCC Travel Award**. This award can be won by workers as well as competitors - this year we have 3 first time recipients:

Doug Shilen	Donna Forsythe
Patricia Shilen	Kevin Anthony
Fred Proctor (1 st year)	Cathy Anthony
David Gill	Doug McMahan
Doc Lambert	Glenda McMahan
Donald Hickman (1 st year)	Jim Forsythe
Carlanne Hickman (1 st year)	

In addition to these members, several others were very close to qualifying for a Travel Award.

This year there were several Rallies, Funkhanas and Car shows in the Southwest Region and nationally. With each club receiving 10 National Sanctions, we expect more of these events in the coming years so keep that in mind when planning your Corvette activities for 2013.

We had lots of fun events in 2012, with some of them in the rain; one in particular was our Fall Corvette Scramble. For that 4 event day consisting of a Car Show, Funkhana and 2 Rallies, we had 28 people competing and 18 of those had never participated in an NCCC event.

Top Awards for NCCC Competition Events

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|---|------------------|-------------------|
| • Concours (Car Show) | M: Doug McMahan | W: Glenda McMahan |
| • Funkhana | M: Doug McMahan | W: Glenda McMahan |
| • Drags | M: Kevin Anthony | W: Donna Forsythe |
| • Rallye | M: Doug McMahan | W: Glenda McMahan |
| • Speed (high & low) | M: Kevin Anthony | W: Cathy Anthony |
| • Top Competitor – the Cowtown member obtaining the most NCCC points was Kevin Anthony. | | |

Governor's Award: This is a tough one since there are always so many people who pitch in and do so much to help me and our events to be successful. Early this year I had a couple of members in mind and as the year progressed, one kept standing out above the others. They are always willing to do whatever is needed, voluntarily and without expecting recognition.

With my involvement at the regional and national level representing Cowtown, we are not always around at membership meetings and socials and I needed someone to assist in my absence. This person always stepped up and performed these needs without hesitation so I recognized and presented a personal thank you gift to **Donna Forsythe**.

The next person I personally thanked was one that has always stepped up, willing and ready to do whatever it took to make our events a success. This person works tirelessly at a very important position at our NCCC events. The great job she does with timing makes it easy to do the event results after each event and she is always great to work with. I recognized **Candy Beck** with a token of my personal appreciation for all her hard work.

The 2012 Governor's Award went to **Kevin Anthony**. He has done whatever is needed by the club for our events but also represents Cowtown regionally as well as nationally.

He built and has maintained our wireless timing / printing equipment and continues to update it, keeping it functioning properly. When troubleshooting is required, he is there to solve the issues and does so without expecting any recognition.

Over the years, he has also loaned his race car to several competitors when they had issues with their cars; but this year he went above and beyond the normal. He loaned his race car at least twice to his toughest competitor who was not from the SWR, he was from Tire Town Corvette Club in Ohio.

Whenever someone encounters issues with their cars, regardless if it is someone needing some oil, a mechanical issue or even bodywork assistance, he is the first one to step up and pitch in to do whatever is needed.

These are just a few of the reasons I chose Kevin for the Governor's Award this year; he exemplifies both Cowtown Vettes and NCCC to the fullest – THANK YOU!

Check out the 2013 Competition calendar for all types of events, not just racing – come out and have fun with us. See ya in 2013!

Glenda McMahan

2013 NCCC Governor
glenda-gm@att.net



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 100%er AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR 2012:

Donn & Candy Beck
Bill & Jane Buehler
Jim & Donna Forsythe
Jack & Karla Gandy
Robert & Cydnie Geyer

David & Patricia Gill
Donald & Carlanne Hickman
Doc Lambert
Don & Virginia Littlefield
Doug & Glenda McMahan

Carol Savage & Jim Jones
Tony Sokoloski
James & Kim West
Scott & Mo Wheeler



COWTOWN VETTES CHARITY REPORT



2012 has been another great year for our volunteer and charity efforts. I want to thank each of you for your support and contributions!

Jim Perry was the only two-time winner of our 50/50 raffle. Congratulations to all the winners:

January	Mo Wheeler	July	Rita Perry
February	Connie Dunn	August	Cliff Griffin
March	Kerry McGovern	September	Jim Perry
April	Sherry Michener	October	Rick Watson
May	Jim Perry	November	Sylvia Holdridge
June	Carlanne Hickman	December	Steve Hunley

Thanks to Sylvia for all her time and effort to raise money and promote awareness of the National Kidney Foundation. Many of us enjoyed participating in the walk in March. Thanks also to Karyn Fowler for leading the team and getting us ready to participate in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure just two weeks later. April brought tornados to our area and our club responded quickly and provided a donation to the Red Cross to help our neighbors in need. We supported the Tarrant Area Food Bank in June and November and even collected pet food in August. Thanks to Kim and James West for delivering the food to the "Don't Forget to Feed Me" organization. We closed out the year in December by volunteering our time and providing a donation to support the Cook Children's Hospital Christmas party. This is always a special time for the children and our members.

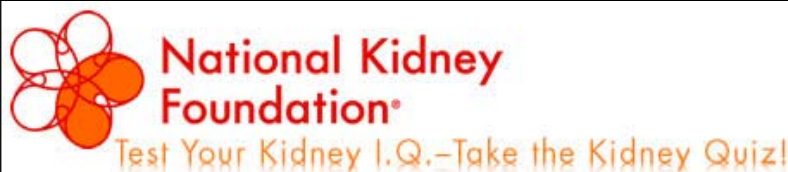
I would be amiss if I didn't mention the loss of our member, Jim Benware. The Jim Benware Memorial Fund was established in June and Jim's wife Linda was asked to designate where she wanted the money to be donated. Linda designated the funds be sent to the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and to the National Kidney Foundation. We miss Jim! Thank you Linda!

Thank you again to my husband, Bill Buehler and my co-chair Cory Armes! I couldn't get everything done at the meeting without their help.

Congratulations to Carol Savage, our 2012 Charity Award winner! We appreciate all you do for the club and others in need.

Happy New Year Cowtown Vettes!

Jane Buehler
Charities Chairman



**Charities supported
by Cowtown Vettes
in 2012**



SW Region Clubs

BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC)
Granbury, TX • SW-540

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CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC)
Waco, TX • SW-200

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CORVETTE CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY (CCOC)
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468

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CORVETTE CLUB OF TEXAS (CCT)
Dallas, TX • SW-074

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**CORVETTE OWNERS ASSOCIATION
OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST)**
San Antonio, TX • SW-143

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COWTOWN VETTES (CTV)
Fort Worth, TX • SW-055

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EAST TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB (ETCC)
Lufkin, TX • SW-577

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LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB (LCC)
Austin, TX • SW-207

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MID-COAST CORVETTE CLUB (MCCC)
Lake Jackson, TX • SW-170

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NORTH TEXAS VETTES (NTV)
Fort Worth, TX • SW-555

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OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB (OCCC)
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131

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SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC)
Houston, TX • SW-063

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SUN CITIES CORVETTE CLUB (SCCC)
Albuquerque, NM • SW-085

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**TEXAS COMPETITION
CORVETTE CLUB (TCCC)**
McGregor, TX • SW-569

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**TEXAS CORVETTE
MOTORSPORTS CLUB (TCMC)**
Houston, TX • SW-568

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TEJAS VETTES (TV)
Plano, TX • SW-163

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TEXAS OUTLAWS CORVETTE CLUB (TOCC)
Graham, TX • SW-198

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TIN HALL TOYS (THT)
Santa Fe, TX • SW-392

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TULSA VETTE SET (TVS)
Tulsa, OK • SW-248

2013 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
2/22-23	St Louis, MO	<u>NATIONAL MEETINGS</u>	Nat'l
		<u>SWR Awards Banquet, hosted by TBD</u> Banquet Registration Deadline: 3/??/12 (rec'd) <u>Hotel Deadline: 3/??/12 (block released)</u> Hotel Registration: \$TBD + tax	
3/9	Ft Worth, TX		SWR
3/10-12	Ft Worth, TX	SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 9 AM at TBD	SWR
3/17??	Arlington GM	<u>Test-n-Tune Autocross (non-sanctioned)</u>	CTV
3/23-24	Houston, TX	1st CHOICE Weekend	SJCC
4/6-07	TBD	1st CHOICE Weekend	TOCC
4/13-14	Waco, TX	1st CHOICE Weekend	CTCC
4/21-22	TBD, TX	1st CHOICE Weekend	CTV (BRCC)
4/26-27	St Louis, MO	<u>NATIONAL MEETINGS</u>	Nat'l
		Driving School / Track Day (non-sanctioned) Friday the 10th	
5/10-12	Hallett, OK	1st CHOICE Weekend - SWR Fundraiser	TBD
	OKC, OK	1st CHOICE - 7 Autocross Events	
5/25-26	Noble, OK	<u>1st CHOICE Weekend - Drags @ Thunder Valley in Noble, OK</u>	OCCC
6/1	TBD, TX	1st CHOICE Weekend	CTV (BRCC / CCT)
6/1	TBD	<u>SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 7 PM @ TBD</u>	SWR
	OKC, OK	1st CHOICE - 7 LS Autocrosses	TVS
6/8-09	Sheriff's Facility	1st CHOICE - 7 LS Autocrosses	SCCC
6/24-28	Bowling Green, KY	<u>NATIONAL CONVENTION 2013</u> & NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
6/28	Bowling Green, KY	National Club Newsletter & Website Contest Winners Announced	Nat'l
9/13-14	St Louis, MO	<u>NATIONAL MEETINGS</u>	Nat'l
9/21-22	Ft Worth, TX	<u>1st CHOICE - LS Autocross Events @ Texas Motor Speedway - Laps on the Oval Sunday Morning</u>	CTV
9/21	Ft Worth, TX	<u>SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 8 PM @ Hampton Inn on I-35 (just south of Texas Motor Speedway)</u>	SWR
	OKC, OK	1st Choice - 6 LS Autocross Events	CCOC
9/28-29	<u>Sheriff's Facility</u>	1st Choice - 7 LS Autocross Events	SCCC
10/12-13	TBD, TX	1st CHOICE Weekend	CTCC
	OKC, OK	1st CHOICE - 7 Autocross Events at Sheriff's Facility	COAST
10/19-20	Noble, OK	<u>1st CHOICE - 3 Drag Events @ Thunder Valley in Noble</u>	OCCC
11/2-03	TBD, TX	1st CHOICE Weekend	TV
TBD	2-Nov	<u>SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 7 PM @ TBD</u>	SWR
11/8-09	St Louis, MO	<u>NATIONAL MEETINGS</u>	Nat'l

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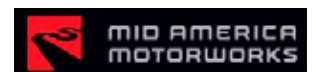
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Tech Talk

C-5 Gas Gauge

DISCLAIMER: While this worked for me, it may not work for everyone.

I noticed a few months back that when I filled up my car with gas the gauge only showed about 7/8 full. Oh well, no biggie I thought. Recently upon starting up, the gauge pinned out on empty the day after a fill up. Of course this caused the Driver's Info Center to proclaim "low fuel" and a bright red notice to show up on the dash and the heads up display - **"CHECK GAUGES"**. As is generally my process I Googled the problem and lo and behold this is not so unusual. What seems to be the problem are deposits building up on the fuel sensor package in the tank. The GM repair involves R&R the tanks and replace the sensor units, big bucks. A much touted alternate on the internet is the use of fuel additives such as Techron or Seafoam to clean things up. You may recognize the name Techron from Chevron commercials, and yes I located several references on line that implied that just running Chevron worked too. As I have been running Sam's gas I don't get that advantage, so I have added Techron to the gas tank. I haven't yet run across any references to ethanol contributing to this problem. Well, after running just

one bottle of Techron and in a half a tank of gas, my gauge has returned to action. I have also filled up the tank and the gauge shows really full.

I will probably start adding it four or five times a year to try to stay ahead of the problem. I may even do some comparison shopping for Chevron vs. Sam's gas, but Sam's is so close.

In theory, this could also help keep the injectors clean, but my principal concern is keeping the gas gauge working. So far so good. I have a C-5, but I suspect this could be a potential problem for both C-4 & C-6. My suggestion is that if your gauge starts reading incorrectly add a bottle of Techron, or some type of cleaner before trying any more costly "solutions".

Remember to check the air pressure in every tire on every car, trailer, and spare, you own, particularly when the seasons change.

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---Bill Buehler

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 Corvette on one of your own shirts it's only \$5!**

Name tags	\$ 12.00
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We also have stickers, patches, koozies, and tumblers (*only two of these left!*)

So stop by the Logo table before and after the meeting to place your order. You'll get your order by the next meeting.

Thanks!

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