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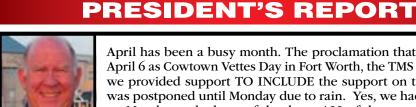
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April has been a busy month. The proclamation that proclaimed April 6 as Cowtown Vettes Day in Fort Worth, the TMS event where we provided support TO INCLUDE the support on the race that was postponed until Monday due to rain. Yes, we had volunteers on Monday and a heap of thanks to ALL of the event volunteers. We also walked in the rain on Sunday at the NKF Kidney walk while some drove in the rain at the autocross at Pennington Field

(hosted by TOCC). We have cruised to Nocona and toured a crackerjack collection of Corvettes. By the time you read this, we will have shown our Corvettes at our sponsor's dealership, Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet, and at the Lost Oak Winery (whinery if it rains even more) during the Vines and Vettes Car Show. Sprinkle liberally with meetings and other club business and I believe you will agree that this has indeed been a busy month. HOWEVER, never fear for......

May should be just as busy. When checking the calendar in the Low-Down or on the club web site for details, do NOT overlook the last day of the month. This is the date of our big 40th anniversary celebration, also at Red's. As a member of Cowtown, this is a BIG deal for each of us. For details on all Cowtown activities in April, please continue reading your Low-Down or check the web. While checking the calendars, you will also notice the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure on Saturday, the 10th. Cowtown always turns out for this event. Please consider joining us for a brisk morning walk. With activities increasing this time of year, so do the planning sessions. We need volunteers to support the car show and NCCC events committees. Yes, you are qualified.

We will conduct our membership meeting at Red's Roadhouse on May 2. We appreciate Red's invitation to join them each month. Please consider "shopping" at Red's for your culinary needs.

And as always.....

David Gill 2014 President

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SAVE THE WAVE



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Members

Gary Monigold 2014 C7 Torch Red Convertible

Jack & Billie Rogers 2014 C7 Night Race Blue Coupe

Frank & Lei Testa 2014 C7 Arctic White Convertible

2nd Time Visitors

Jason Valek 72 Stingray Coupe, Warbonnet Yellow



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JUNE 2014 NAtional Accordian Awareness Month						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	* Membersbip 6 Meeting 7:30 pm @ REDS ROADHOUSE in Kennedale	7 TVS / SCCC LS Autocrosses OKC, OK
8 TVS / SCCC LS Autocrosses OKC, OK	9	10	11	12	13 BLAME SOMEONE ELSE DAY!	14 * CTV Spring Scramble, Car Show, Funkhana & Rallyes
15	16	17	18 Board Meeting LOW-DOWN DEADLINE	19	20	21
22	23	24 SWIM A LAP DAY!	25	26	27	28
29	30					
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	1 Hot Springs Corvette Weekend	2 * Membership Meeting 7:30 pm @ REDS ROADHOUSE in Kennedale	3 NCCC - LCC Events : LS Autocross in Waco
7	8	9 LOST SOCK MEMORIAL DAY	10 NCCC -SWR Events : Hallett, OK Susan G Komen Race For the Cure
14 oard Meeting LOW-DOWN DEADLINE	15	16	17 * NCCC -CTV / CCT LS Autocrosses Mineral Wells, TX
21	22	23	24 NCCC - OKCC Autocrosses, OKC, OK
28	29	30	31 40th Anniv Party RED'S ROADHOUSE in Kennedale

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CELEBRATIONS

- 05/01 Harry Rumzek 05/01 - Glenda Mcmahan
- 05/04 John Williams
- 05/05 George Aggas 05/05 Judy Rollinger
- 05/06 Cynthia Rankin
- 05/08 Sylvia Hoaldridge
- 05/11 Alaine King 05/14 - Debra Bond
- 05/16 Rick Garabedian
- 05/20 Jim Jones
- 05/22 Viola Meyers 05/24 - Robert Gever
- 05/25 Terry Alton
- 05/26 Sonny Arnold
- 05/31 Mary Pittman



05/02 - Tom & Donna Mchenry 05/06 - Don & Kathy Segreti 05/14 - Jack & Karla Gandy 05/15 - Jason Blocker 05/19 - Bill & Jane Buehler 05/23 - Todd Dalton 05/25 - Sam & Cathy Castorani 05/25 - Mark, Lou & John Kirby 05/27 - Lance & Linda Vickers 05/31 - Kevin & Cathy Anthony 05/31 - Kerry & Nancy Mcgovern

Kidney Walk Vational Foundation



Members braved the rain in support of NKF on April 6th 2014

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT



Cowtown's 40th Anniversary Celebration is in full swing with the official declaration of April 6, 2014 as Cowtown Vettes Day by the Fort Worth City Coun-

cil. We have taken the official club photograph and celebrated with cake at the meeting in April. On April 26th we will have proudly displayed our Corvettes at Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet. Excitement is building towards the Big Party at Red's Roadhouse on May 31st. If you haven't paid to attend please contact Becky Clark. The committee is working hard to bring you a funfilled evening with friends to celebrate this special occasion.

The 100% er event for May is the No Frills Autocross in Mineral Wells on May 17th and 18th. This is an income generating event for Cowtown and is one of the ways the club is able to fund such things as the Annual Awards Banquet and the 40th Anniversary Party. It is important that we have members participate as drivers and workers. Members from clubs throughout the region will be attending our event and we want to ensure that they feel welcomed and enjoy the two days of autocross. If you want to try an autocross for the first time you do not need to pay for all of the races. You can register to race only one or as many as you like. Cowtown is the host club for Saturday, May 17th, so workers are especially needed and appreciated for this day. You do not need to have experience to help. Rick Watson has sign-up sheets for various positions. You can also come as a spectator which just might stir up an interest in autocross.

Although it is not a 100% er event, the Susan G. Komen Walk is Saturday, May 10th and members are encouraged to participate. Following the walk members will meet at the nearby IHOP for brunch. If you cannot walk you can still make a donation to the Cowtown team. Karen Fowler has more information if needed.

town friends.

I am working on several possible socials that will be open to everyone but will not be 100%er events. Doc Lambert, one of our members, has volunteered to give us a tour of the Air Museum at Meacham Field. As soon as a date is set, final plans will be given. Members will meet at the Museum for the tour and an optional lunch will follow.

Another social will be an afternoon showing of Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show at the coliseum in the Fort Worth Stockyards. The show features trick roping, trick riding, trick shooting, bullwhip acts, and singing cowboys. After the show you can watch the longhorn cattle drive down Exchange and then explore the shops and restaurants at your leisure. Members will meet at the coliseum.

These will probably be scheduled for June and July. Since I mentioned July, the 100%er event will be the 4th of July Parade which gives members a chance to show off America's Sports Car on America's Birthday. Start thinking about how you might want to decorate your car. Pictures of past parades can be found on the website in newsletters for previous years.

Do you know what a Funkhana is? How about a Gimmick Ralley or Poker Run? If you want to know the answers plan to attend the Cowtown Spring Scramble at Fat Daddy's in Mansfield on Saturday, June 14th. This will be the 100%er event for June. In addition to the above mentioned activities there will be a people's choice car show. Members will show their skills at navigation, driving, and various Corvette related tasks. Registration forms are available on the NCCC website and our own website. Lunch can be purchased at Fat Daddy's at any time during the event. It's a day to be a little crazy, find out how strong your marriage is, and enjoy good food with your Cow-

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COWTOWN CRUISER



Upcoming cruises include:

May 17th, 2014, Marsha and Terry Alton will be leading the "Cruise to Hico and the State Steak Cook-Off". They will depart from the Cracker Barrel at I-20 and Winscott Rd. at 9:00 AM. They have arranged parking at the

Hico First Baptist Church with a steak dinner starting at 5:00 PM. For more details see the flyer on Cowtown's website.

June 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2014, Mark Kirby is planning a cruise to Jefferson, Texas and the Big Cypress Classic Car Show. Please see Mark's Big Cypress Cruise flyer also on the website.

July 12th, 2014, Mark Kirby is planning a "Peach Cruise" to Terrell, Texas for lunch with desert, peach ice cream, at Ham's Orchard. We did this cruise 3 or 4 years back and it was great fun.

July 17, 18, 19, & 20, 2014, Doug is working on a Blue Bell / Shiner South Texas Cruise.



...keep on cruisin'

2014 Cruiser Chairperson donaldhickman@sbcglobal.net

Date to be Determined, Carlanne and I are working on a cruise to the WinStar World Casino in Thackerville, Ok. Details to follow.

2014 Cruiser Competition,

2014 Cruiser Packets are available electronically or in paper form. Always remember the Cruiser Program is about getting out and enjoying your Corvette, and to make it a success, we need members to suggest places to go and to sponsor cruises for the coming year. They don't have to be weekend cruises but can be short 1/2 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 at http://cowtownvettes.org/CCP/cruisersch.html for upcoming cruises and any last minute changes.

2014 Annual Vette Photo Contest, don't forget to capture your Vette in interesting or unusual places for the "What I Saw Along the Way" photo contest.

Plan to join us on one or all of the cruises.





2014 SUSAN G. KOMEN **RACE FOR THE CURE**



The 2014 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure is scheduled for Saturday, May 10, 2014, in the Ridgmar Mall area in Fort Worth. Good news, we will be walking the route backwards so we'll be going DOWN the big hill instead of UP the big hill! Please see last months Lowdown for complete details.

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2014 Time: 7:30 A.M. (see below for where to meet) Place: Ridgmar Mall area

Please register online.

Our team name is "Cowtown Vettes".

Email me at karynfowler14@gmail.com if you have any problems registering.

See you May 10, Karyn Fowler





NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM



Good news! The CTV board voted to send \$500.00 to the Museum's sinkhole relief fund.

There are many ways to support the museum but I thought this was a special collector's item: In an effort to help raise funds for the Museum's sinkhole relief,

General Motors has donated some C7 Stingray Press Kits



that enthusiasts can receive for a \$500 donation. The press kits were available to media and select VIPs at the January 2013 reveal of the Seventh Generation

Corvette. The kits are new and in a sealed box. To secure yours, visit our website and select the Sinkhole C7 Press Kit option and designate your donation amount to be \$500. In addition to receiving your kit you will also get a donation acknowledgement letter, and the donation will count towards our annual Winner's Circle recognition (those who give \$1,000 and above in a calendar year). To donate while they last go to: https://store.corvettemuseum.com/services/ buildingform.asp

Articles about the Mallett:

http://www.roadandtrack.com/features/web-originals/one-couples-personal-story-of-the-corvette-museum-sinkhole http://www.nytimes.com/2014/04/12/automobiles/corvette-number-eight-pulled-from-national-corvette-museum-sinkhole. *btml?* r=0

http://www.clarksvilleonline.com/2014/04/09/national-corvette-museum-recovers-final-corvette-sinkhole/





The 8th and final car, 2001 Mallett Hammer Corvette Z06, has been pulled out of the sinkhole. Donated by Kevin and Linda Helmintoller in Decem-

ber 2013 in the hope that it would be used for driver training and/or hot laps at the Corvette Museum's new motorsports



Kim West NCM Ambassador

NKF Walk Sunday April 6th 2014 - In the rain...





AUTOCROSS & TMS

Texas Outlaw Corvette Club - Low-Speed NCCC Autocrosses at Pennington Field in Bedford, TX **April 6, 2014**

Cowtown participants





April 6, 2014 Members work Security Detail at Texas Motor Speedway. Linda & Dollie with the Harlem Globe Trotters and the world's largest big screen

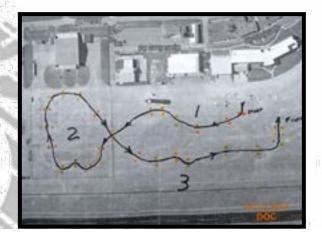


April 12 & 13, 2014 NCCC Events @ TSTC in Waco, TX **Cowtown participants and supporters**





Course layout / map



Remember to "SAVE THE DATE" : CTV Volunteer Nights at TAFB June 10th and November 13th

January 27, 2014

Jane Buehler, Charity Chairperson Cowtown Vettes PO Box 1974 Fort Worth, TX 76101

Dear Jane Buehler, Charity Chairperson:

Not all battles are fought on the battlefield. When a service member or Veteran is injured or diagnosed with a serious illness, the emotional, financial, and physical stress can be devastating. The military and veterans' families we serve perhaps say it best:

home.

The Fisher House program was established over 20 years ago to show our service men and women that we care about them-particularly in their time of need. Since then, Fisher House Foundation's unique mission of providing "a home away from home" for our nation's heroes during a personal medical crisis has become an essential resource for so many deserving military families. We would not be able to make such an impact without your continuing support.

On behalf of the Fisher family and the many military and veterans' families who benefit from your generosity during their most difficult times, we thank you for your contribution of \$300.00, designated for the Dallas VAMC Fisher House on January 15, 2014.

Sincerely, FISHER HOUSE FOUNDATION, INC.



President

For IRS purposes, this letter serves as your receipt and acknowledges that no goods or services were received in consideration of your gift of \$300.00. Fisher House Foundation's EIN is 11-3158401.

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CHARITY REPORT



It was the scariest time in our lives, but being able to stay at a Fisher House took a lot of weight off our shoulders... Thank you for not only giving us a place to stay, but a

We want to keep you informed about Fisher House Foundation's programs and share stories about the families your gift will impact. Please go to www.fisherhouse.org to sign up for the monthly ePatriot newsletter and/or our biannual magazine, The Patriot. We will never share your

Jane Buehler

Charities Chairperson

SW Region Clubs

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	May 01
	May 3-4
BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC)	
Granbury, TX • SW-540 \checkmark	May 10-11
CEN TEX CODVETTE CLUB (CTCC)	
CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC) Waco, TX • SW-200	
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CORVETTE CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY (CCOC)	
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468	May 17
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CORVETTE CLUB OF TEXAS (CCT)	May 24-25
Dallas, TX • SW-074 $($	
CORVETTE OWNERS ASSOCIATION	Jun 07-08
OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST)	
San Antonio, TX • SW-143	Jun 14
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COWTOWN VETTES (CTV) Fort Worth, TX • SW-055	Jun 15
Fort worth, 1X • SW-055	Aug 25-29
EAST TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB (ETCC) Lufkin, TX • SW-577	Aug 29
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LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB (LCC)	
Austin, TX • SW-207	Sep 20-21
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MID-COAST CORVETTE CLUB (MCCC)	
Lake Jackson, TX • SW-170	Sep 20
NORTH TEXAS VETTES (NTV)	
Fort Worth, TX • SW-555	Sep 27-28
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OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB (OCCC)	
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131	Oct 4-5
SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC) Houston, TX • SW-063	
↑ Thousion, 17 5 ₩ 005	Oct 18-19
SUN CITIES CORVETTE CLUB (SCCC)	
Albuquerque, NM • SW-085	Oct 25-26
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TEXAS COMPETITION	
CORVETTE CLUB (TCCC) McGregor, TX • SW-569	Nov 1-2
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MOTORSPORTS CLUB (TCMC)	Flye
Houston, TX • SW-568	i iyo
TEJAS VETTES (TV) Plano, TX • SW-163	
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TEXAS OUTLAWS CORVETTE CLUB (TOCC)	
Graham, TX • SW-198	
TIN HALL TOYS (THT) Santa Fe, TX • SW-392	
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TULSA VETTE SET (TVS)	
Tulsa, OK • SW-248	

2014 SANCTIONED COMPETITION SCHEDULE					
DATE	LOCATION EVENT				
May 01	Your Club	Nat'l Club Website Contest - Contest Closes	Nat'l		
May 3-4	Waco, TX	1st CHOICE - 10 LS Autocrosses	LCC		
		Driving School / Track Day (non-sanctioned) Friday the 9th			
May 10-11	Hallett, OK	1st CHOICE - 7 High-Speed Events	SWR		
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		1st CHOICE - 7 LS Autocrosses	CTV/		
May 17-18	Mineral Wells, TX	1st CHOICE - 7 LS Autocrosses	CCT(BRCC)		
May 17	Mineral Wells, TX	SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 7 PM @ TBD in TBD	SWR		
	ΟΚϹ, ΟΚ	1st CHOICE - 7 Autocross Events			
May 24-25	Noble, OK	1st CHOICE - Drags @ Thunder Valley in Noble, OK	OCCC		
	ΟΚϹ, ΟΚ	1st CHOICE - 7 LS Autocrosses	TVS		
Jun 07-08	Sheriff's Facility	1st CHOICE - 7 LS Autocrosses	sccc		
			СТУ		
Jun 14	Mansfield, TX	1st CHOICE - Spring Scramble, Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes	(BRCC / CCT)		
Jun 15	Your Club	Nat'l Newsletter Contest - Final Issue DUE	Nat'l		
		NATIONAL CONVENTION 2014			
Aug 25-29	Savannah, GA	& NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l		
Aug 29	Savannah, GA				
Sep 12-13	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l		
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ers for these events can be found at http://ncccswregion.org/schedule.html



GOVERNOR'S THOUGHTS



The wonderful month of May is here! It will be our 40th anniversary party and a great time with all that is planned. I plan on being there and I hope you do too!

April started the competition year off with

two events both rainy. I'm not complaining Convention is August 25-29 in Savannah, GA. Sign up now about the rain but let's hope May events will not be so wet, or miss out. I am excited about this convention! It will be because there's an event every weekend. The competition hot but Savannah has lots to offer and we will get to visit old will take place from Waco to Hallett to Mineral Wells, back friends and make new ones who love the corvette like we do. to Oklahoma for the drag weekend, we finish May with our 40th party. What a great month! Check out the schedule on The Southwest Region Scholarship program deadline it June the regional website linked off cowtownvettes.org If you 15, 2014. Rules are on the website or check with me, I always are interested in giving autocross or drags a try, we have have one or two printed out and with me. several of us in the club that would be more than happy to I will see you on the road enjoying your corvette this month, share our knowledge and experiences. and remember to wave!

Our jointly hosted event with Corvette Club of Texas in Mineral Wells is always a fun busy weekend. Plan to come



We had our practice autocross on March 29th at the Mineral Wells Air Park. I wan to thank all of you who came out and volunteered to help. Without you these events would not happen.

I would like to recognize the following chairpersons:

- Doug McMahan Course Design and Set-up.
- Richard Downing Corner Workers
- Carlanne Hickman Registration
- Bob and Cindy Morrison Staging
- Candy Beck Timing
- Donn Beck Timing equipment
- Glenda McMahan Timing boards
- David Gill Safety and Tech
- Scott Wheeler Starter
- Don Littlefield Club trailer.
- Donald Hickman Generator and fuel.

24 drivers registered and run the event, Carlos Rangel in his Mustang ran the most laps at 24.

In May we will have our No-Frills autocross with CC at Mineral Wells. I'll have the sign-up sheets at the May membership meeting. Our event wiil be on Saturday, May 17th, CCT will host their event on Sunday, May 18th. We will once again be using the Holiday Inn Express in Minera Wells as the host hotel. Rooms for this year's event are \$72.00 per night. The group room block is under COW and we have 10 one-bed rooms and 10 two-bed rooms The cut-off for rooms is May 5th. Lunch will be from Mesquite Pit BBQ and will be \$6.50 for both participant and racers.

and show the club your support by working or running the event. There will be a governor's meeting at the hotel Saturday night if anyone is interested in how the NCCC SW Region is run.



Glenda McMahan

2014NCCC Governor glenda-gm@att.net

NCCC EVENTS

h	In June we will have the third annual Summer Scramble
nt	tentatively planned at Fat Daddy's in Mansfield on Saturday,
d	June 14th. This is a fun event for the club because there's
e	something for everyone to participate in. Although it is
	still a few months out, I am looking for three chairpersons:
g	• one for the car show (nothing like our October show)
0	• one for the Funkhana (someone with a warped mind
	for this)
	• one for the rallyes.
	If you would like to chair one of these events please let
	me know.
	In September we will host our 18th annual Super Speedway
	weekend at TMS September 20th and 21st. Hampton Inn
	& Suites will again be the host hotel for the weekend. We
	have a block of 30 rooms here. 10 standard double, 10
	standard king, and 10 king suites. The cut-off to make a
	reservation in this block is September 5th. The Saturday
	night dinner will be catered by Shinolas again this year
n	and the cost will be \$12.50 per person.
	SWR 2014 Schedule:
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у	• June 14th CTV (BRCC/CCT) Summer Scramble. Location:
у	Fat Daddy's in Mansfield.
'e	Event meeting (location to be determined).
ıl	• Sept. 20th & 21st CTV (BRCC) 18th Annual Super
e	Speedway Weekend. Location: Texas Motor Speedway
V,	Event meeting (location to be determined).
5.	Rick Watson
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S	NCCC Events Coordinator
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TECH TALK - with Raley Smith

HOW ABONT A MAKEOVER? want to change your cars look a bit? Bored with it and not ready to upgrade?



Yeah, me too; too much unbroken yellow and wanted a different look; so I toyed with things I could do to change and improve the appearance of my Millennium Yellow coupe. I decided the easiest, cheapest and most reversible project would be to add some vinyl stripes. After searching the internet many times and going back and forth over design types, whether to do it at all, and if it could be a DIY project, I finally found a design that I liked, actually a design only recently offered by the supplier I had found who had a large selection of available designs. I called the supplier, VetteStripes.com (note; this should be considered as my personal experience and not as a promotion of this particular supplier) who happens to be located

in Kennedale and spoke with the owner, Mike. He helped me decide on the best color options for my Corvette and assured me that he would give me enough instruction on installation that I would have no significant challenges doing the install myself. I asked Mike to make a small change to the design and we settled on a price; he called the next day and said they were complete and ready for pick-up. When we picked them up (he works from his residence) he took me into his garage, which BTW is home to a really nice '98 Supercharged Vette Convertible, and gave me some pointers on doing the install.

A couple of days later I got my nerve up, washed the Vette, dewaxed the areas where the vinyl would be applied, washed it again and pulled it into the garage where I had the vinyl, a table and tools ready and a heater going. The most time consuming portion of the install was measuring and re-measuring to find offsets from centerline on the hood and removable top – you don't want to make a mistake here. The vinyl segments around the emblems are selfaligning so I started with these and found them to be quite easy to apply. Then, with Jo Anne's help, we moved on to the larger pieces and in about 3 hours from start to finish we were through. We like the results and have received some positive comments. Some have even been surprised that we did it ourselves.





A few pointers in case you want to try it: have ample room around the car; do it in a closed garage to minimize contaminates; measure two or three times to mark the borders precisely; wipe each section down before applying the vinyl (speaking from experience here) to be sure nothing has settled on the area; and be sure to get the vinyl positioned before squeegeeing it into place. Tools you'll need are masking tape, a shower type squeegee (10 to 12"), spray bottle, soap and water solution (I used baby shampoo - about 10 or 12 drops in a quart of water), and an exacto knife. A wife/helper that you can give orders to is also helpful.

Check the results out and decide for yourself if it's something you might like to try.



Facebook: are you a Cowtown Vettes "friend" on Face-Since my last report, we have added coverage for two events; the Super Bowl & book? If not, please do so in order that you can see and Valentines Socials. I would like to thank participate in the many comments that we receive from some of our teaser photos. When you "like" an event and/or photos on our Facebook page it also helps promote and make tos; ours were used for Valentines. Start-Cowtown more visible. The more visible we are, the more ing in March we should see an increase in activities as the weather gets more potential members we reach for club membership. This exposure also helps us with attendance at events; like our desirable to take that Corvette out to NCCC events or the annual car show. NCCC Nat'l also has a Facebook along with some specific pages around conventions each year; we would invite you to become a Facebook friend with NCCC as well.

Jo Anne & Raley Smith for the SB phoenjoy it. So, Please DO NOT forget your camera when you go out to enjoyCorvette Fun, regardless if it is a club event or something you went and participated in.

As we search for new locations for our Board & Membership Cowtown Email Distribution Lists: we continue to maintain a couple of dozen email distribution lists; these go beyond the Entire-Club list and the Officer list. Most of these are special interest such as Car Show committee, NCCC Events, specialty Cruises, Convention, etc. Our hosted distribution lists, we cannot add anyone to a list without them accepting it - so if you have requested to be added to a list, you will have an invite in your email inbox - you will have to accept it to be added to that list. These distribution lists are private, by invite only and not accessible by others outside of our club. If you have questions around the distribution lists, getting yourself added to any specific one, etc. then please get in touch with me. 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. 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@yahoogroups.com

Meetings, our website will be updated with the location and a map (if needed) to help you know where the meetings are being held. We have created the artwork and are obtaining a stand-up banner (as demonstrated at the March meeting) that will assist you in finding the correct room for our meetings, once you in the building where it is being held. Have you checkout out the Classifieds lately ...which includes For Sale by members / non-members as well as options to list what you are looking for? ...all at no cost to the seller or buyer? You will find flyers for our NCCC Events and Oct. Car Show that you can print off to register and/or share with others. Other things on our website that might be of interest are listing misc. events, meaning car shows, cruises, competition events, etc. You will find links to these under our Monthly Calendar URLs under the 7 generations. If you have a show to share, a car or parts to sell, etc. please don't hesitate to

forward that to me.

2014 NCCC Nat'l Club Website Contest: Cowtown is eligible this year to participate in the NCCC Nat'l Website Contest. As your webmaster for the Club's website, I need your assistance to make it as great and perfect as it can be (business as usual right ;). As you browse around it, if you spot something which appears to be incorrect or needs attention, please contact me so it can be validated and updated. Maybe you have an idea for something that would make it better, content or even looks; we would like to hear about it. This is the club's website, which is viewed from all over the world - so we want it to be always up-to-date and correct.

Cowtown Sponsors; know a business that might like to sponsor Cowtown at some level? Remember, if you have potential business that would like to see become a sponsor, please provide them with a sponsorship brochure or have them contact one of the elected officers. At the bottom of every page you will find a link for the Cowtown Sponsors page - on that page you will find a link for the sponsorship brochure which can be shared.

WEBMASTER

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 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.

Doug McMahan 2014 CTV Webmaster macsvettes@att.net



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COWTOWN VETTES MARKETPLACE







Hello everyone. Welcome to the Logo Merchandise store. There are lots of great things for sale with the Cowtown logo on them. Here's just a sampling of some of the things we have for sale:

Caps.	\$	7.50
Visors	\$	7.50
Sweatshirts	\$2	20.00
(2XL and up slightly higher)		
Long Sleeve T-shirts	\$1	5.00
(2XL and up slightly bigher)		A
Short Sleeve T-shirts	\$1	3.00
Men's & Women's Long Sleeve Denim Shirts	\$2	25.00
Polo shirts. All different styles	\$2	25.00
(Please note that on all shirt orders,	6	
2XL and up sizes are slightly higher)		
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If you want your name added to your shirt, it's only \$3 more!

Or if you want a Cowtown logo or a certain year Corvette on one of your own shirts it's only \$5!

Name tags ...\$ 12.00 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!

Karen Watson Logo Merchandise Chairperson rickandkaren@mindspring.com 817-232-3871



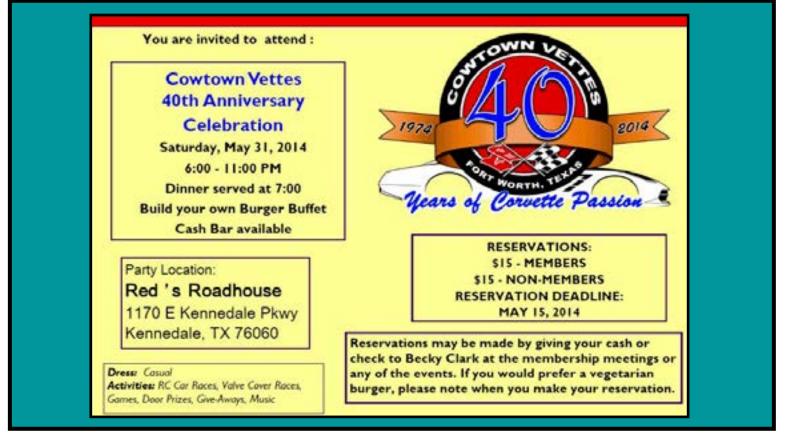
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