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WHO DOIN' WHAT AN' WHERE IT HAPPENIN' ? Space constraints mean it is not always possible to show every

thing on this calendar. Please check the website in addition!!!

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February 2020 NATIONAL GRAPEFRUIT MONTH

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

HAPPY NEW YEAR ! everyone!

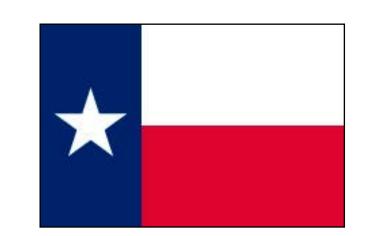
Hopefully everyone who came to our Christmas Party in the Fort Worth Stockyards had a great time.

This new decade heralds changes and challenges all around, including Cowtown Vettes. Let's hope we can all find and enjoy our particular niche interest, whether it be cruising, autocrossing, shows, or maybe just plain driving our Corvettes!!

Be safe!!

Don Wells President

president@cowtownvettes.org





VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT





LINES FROM LARRY

Let me start by wishing everyone a Happy New Year and I hope your holidays were joyful.

Next, thanks to all who attended our annual Christmas Party and Awards banquet. I only wish we had more people attending. But, based on some of the comments I've received looks like I did an okay job, so I guess I'll do it again next December.

For the new year we have some "new" board members and together with the officers I hope we can figure out a way to increase club participation. I'm trying my best to come up with new/different activities which interest a wide range of members. If you have an idea which you think would be of interest to the club members let me know, my email address is located on page 2 of this prestigious magazine, as well as at the bottom of this article.

To start the new year, I have scheduled an event suggested by a club member, it's taking a tour of the Amazon Fulfillment Center in Coppell. It is scheduled for Tuesday January 14th at 11:30, and I've decided to make this a cruise also, so we will meet at the old FURR's restaurant parking lot on 183 just the road up from Buffalo West. We will meet at 10:15 with a leave time of 10:30. At this time I have 19 people signed up to go and I can have up to 35. Afterwards I think we can stop at one of the local restaurants have some lunch before heading home.









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Membership

New Members

Rick Whitcomb



Visitors

Mary Ann Kolb



01/10 Stacy Dowdy 01/10 David Gill 01/11 Don Wells 01/13 Becky Clark 01/15 William Nolan 01/17 Barb Greenfeder 01/17 Red Greenfeder 01/18 Larry Schaapveld 01/22 William Owens 01/23 Yvette Lewis

01/03 Diane Young



01/02 Walt & Sharon Zschirnt 01/09 John & Nancy Dick 01/09 John & Barbara Morton 01/13 Dan & Tamra Novak 01/28 Jerry & Debbie Lindsey



Ann Walker Membership / Welcome Chairperson membership@cowtownvettes.org





Since the last edition of the Lowdown, the following Events have been added to our website:

1. Cook Children's Party 2. Christmas Party & Awards Banquet

As we start a new year, you will want to go to the website and see what all is scheduled and coming up fast so you can get registered for the events you wish to attend. The website will have the latest updates and any cancellations due to weather, etc. So... check it often for the latest info on your event.

Some members have already ordered their new C8 Mid Engine Vette and at the bottom of the home page click on the Red 2020 Corvette - MOTORTREND Car of the Year and see all the options and variations now available.





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So, I guess we can all start on our 2020 Christmas List and dream of the options we want Santa to bring.

I want to thank all the members that helped with pictures and content for our website last year and look forward

> to their support this coming year.

> Next, I would appreciate input from our members as to any additions or changes that you would like to see on our site. A website is an evolving entity that is only as good or useful as the data and usefulness it offers the user. So... any ideas or thoughts will be appreciated.

Visit www.cowtownvettes.org often for the latest information and see all the past years events and your favorite pictures.

Thanks again and Happy New Year!

Larry Carrey Webmaster webmaster@cowtownvettes.org

COWTOWN CRUISER



2019 was another fun year for the Cowtown Cruiser Program for those who participated. Though our numbers were small it was a lively competition among those of

us who competed. An added bonus, since several of us traveled together this past summer, was having someone along to point out things that would count and be willing to stop for a picture.

The top 3 competitors were:

1st: Robert and Cydnie Gever 2nd: William Nolan and Mary Pittman 3rd: Doug and Glenda McMahan

There were also a large number of great photographs submitted for the "What I Saw Along the Way" photo contest. There were so many great photos that it was definitely hard to choose a favorite. There were also several first time participants...so thanks to those folks.

The winners were:

1st: David and Becky Clark 2nd: William Nolan and Mary Pittman 3rd: Robert and Cydnie Geyer

Many thanks to all who participated in both competitions.

Now on to the more pressing issue....how do I get you to become involved in this program or actually any other CTV program/competition. I rack my brain every month when it comes time to write this article...how do I make this program sound interesting to my fellow Corvette owners?? How do I make them understand that once you get past the page of rules, it can really be quite a bit of fun...or at least a challenge. I hope you will re-read the following portion of the cruiser article from last month and take it to heart "We have lots of new folks in our club...my best suggestion for how to become a part of the group is to find a place to "plug in". Do you want to race?? Do



you just enjoy getting out and driving your car?? Are great restaurants, wineries or breweries your thing?? Chances are if any of these things tickle your fancy they do it for someone else also....find a friend and grow your "group"....the comments Larry Dyer made at the last meeting about getting involved and stepping up to the plate as an officer would also apply to getting involved in club activities....the more you are involved...the more fun you will have....and after all "it's a car club... it is supposed to be fun!"

If you are actually reading this article and will let William Nolan know he will buy the first person to tell him a drink at the next meeting.

William will be stepping down as Cruiser Chairperson in 2020 and hopefully someone with new, fresh ideas will step up to the plate.

> William Nolan Cruiser Chairperson

wmmnolan@msn.com Robert Geyer Co-Chairperson

CookChildren's.

The New Year is here!! Hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year that includes many special memories made with family and friends.

As of this writing, it is my understanding that no other member has volunteered to chair the Charity Committee for Cowtown Vettes and Don Wells assumed that I would continue so it looks like I will be heading up these special activities once again in 2020. I do have a year of experience from last year that I hope to utilize, and I know Jane Buehler and others are willing to help and guide me with this program.

I first want to thank all of you again for your support with the 50/50 raffle at the meetings and at the car show this past year. Your generosity enabled Cowtown Vettes to reach the Charity goals that were set when I assumed the position last January. We provided support to the National Kidney Foundation, the Tarrant Area Food Bank, Cook's Children's Hospital, Don't Forget to Feed Me Program, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Fisher House in Dallas, and Toys for Tots.

Hopefully, you saw the pictures from the Christmas Party that showed the support Cowtown Vettes members gave to the Toys for Tots program with the toys that were brought to the party as well as the financial donation we made. There were 3 United States Marine Corps officers at the dinner, and they were presented the toys and the monies for our participation. Thanks to Karen Watson for arranging for the officers to attend and be a part of our festivities. Jerry and I









National Kidney Foundation"



were fortunate to be able to sit at the table and visit with these three young men and they were so nice to talk with.

The Cook's Children's Hospital Christmas party was held after I wrote this article and I am sure you will be able to see pictures of the success of this activity on the Cowtown web site as well as in the Lowdown.

At the January meeting, you will have the opportunity to select charity programs/activities that you would like to participate in during 2020. If you have a suggestion for a program that we can participate in, please email me at debglind@aol.com or call me. A variety of programs will be listed, and the members will select their top choices.

Looking forward to 2020!

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Debbie Lindsey Charities Chairperson

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CTV CHRISTMAS PARTY

Fort Worth Stockyards , Texas December 7th 2019



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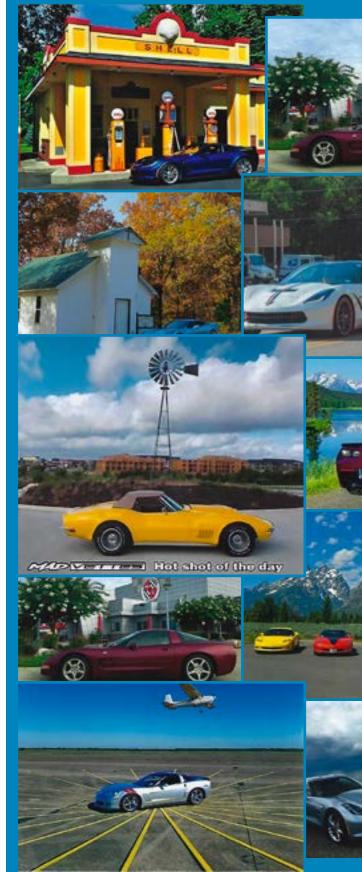
CTV CHRISTMAS PARTYOW

WHAT I SAW ALONG THE WAY IN 2019

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All over the United States, and maybe more.....

















NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM



As a young man having built many models and bought many magazines featuring Rat Fink and seen Ed Roth's cars featured in magazines, we can now see them up close and personal.

Thanks to Roth car collector and President of Galpin Motors, Beau Boeckmann, guests will be able to see the Orbitron, Mysterion, and Tweedy Pie, as well as Ed's personal truck that he would use to do his pinstriping work from.

On loan from The Petersen Museum is The Outlaw, and from the National Automobile Museum in Reno, Nevada is Beatnik Bandit.

This exhibit will run from January to December 2020

At the December National Corvette Museum fourth quarter board meeting, four new board members were officially added with their terms starting January 1. Joining the team are Shannon Lamarche, Michael LaRocca, Jerry Mosbacher and Neil Watanabe.

Corvette Raffles:

2019 Torch Red Stingray Coupe

Raffle Drawing 12/19/2019 Tickets \$100 / Limited to 1,500 Tickets **SOLD OUT**

2019 Black Corvette Z06 Coupe

Raffle Drawing 01/23/2020 Tickets \$250 / Limited to 1,000 Tickets Less than 300 Tickets SOLD as of 12/12/2019

2020 Black Corvette Coupe

Raffle Drawing 4/25/2020 Tickets \$20 / Unlimited Tickets



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As of publication, we are still needing a volunteer to spearhead the NCCC Events Committee. Applications on a postcard to our illustrious Presiden!

Meanwhile, dates to get excited about for our 2020 NCCC events:

- Practice autocross TBD
- 24th Annual Super Speedway Weekend April 18 19
- 9th Annual Corvette Scramble at Fat Daddy's June 13
- Autocross Scramble Weekend September 19 20



NCCC EVENTS





TBD NCCC Event Coordinator ncccevents@cowtownvettes.org

SW Region Clubs

	DATE
BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC) Granbury, TX • SW-540	2/22-23 5
CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC) Waco, TX • SW-200 • CORVETTE CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY (CCOC) Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468	3/07
CORVETTE CLUB OF TEXAS (CCT)	3/08
Dallas, TX • SW-074 CORVETTE OWNERS ASSOCIATION	3/21-22 P
OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST) San Antonio, TX ● SW-143 COWTOWN VETTES (CTV) Fort Worth, TX ● SW-055	4/5-6??
EAST TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB (ETCC) Lufkin, TX • SW-577	4/18-19 F
LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB (LCC) Austin, TX • SW-207	4/25-26
MID-COAST CORVETTE CLUB (MCCC) Lake Jackson, TX • SW-170	Г / 01 02
OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB (OCCC) Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131 SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC)	5/01-02 5/16-17
Houston, TX • SW-063	5/23-25
TEXAS COMPETITION CORVETTE CLUB (TCCC) McGregor, TX ● SW-569	6/13-14
TEXAS CORVETTE MOTORSPORTS CLUB (TCMC)	6/13?
Houston, TX • SW-568 ′	6/20-21 A
TEJAS VETTES (TV) Plano, TX • SW-163	July
◆ TEXAS OUTLAWS CORVETTE CLUB (TOCC)	7/05-10
Graham, TX • SW-198	August
TIN HALL TOYS (THT) Santa Fe, TX • SW-392	9/11-12
TULSA VETTE SET (TVS) Tulsa, OK • SW-248	9/19-20
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SWR COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
2/22-23	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
3/07	DFW Area	SWR Awards Party & Banquet, hosted by the SWR Of- ficers Banquet Registration Deadline: TBD, 2020 (postmarked) Location: DFW Area - TBD Menu: TBD Room & Cost: TBD	ALL
3/08	DFW Area	1st SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 9 AM @ TBD	ALL
3/21-22	Palestine, TX	<i>Dogwood Festival in Palastine</i> Parade, Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes	τv
4/5-6??	Waco, TX	<i>Baylor Stadium Parking Lot</i> 4 Low-Speed Autocrosses 10 Low-Speed Autocrosses	СТСС МССС
4/18-19	Ft Worth, TX	<i>TMS - 24th Annual Super Speedway Weekend</i> 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events 5 Low-Speed Autocross Events Laps on the oval Sunday morning	CTV (BRCC)
4/25-26		<i>TSTC - Airport</i> 4 Low-Speed Autocrosses 4 Low-Speed Autocrosses	СТСС ТССС
5/01-02	St Louis	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
5/16-17	Salado, TX	Salado High School 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events	COAST
	Holland, TX	<i>Little River Dragway</i> 3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET (all 1/8? mile)	COAST
5/23-25	Stroud, OK	21? Low-Speed Autocross Events	CCOC, TVS
6/13-14	Mansfield, TX	Fat Daddy's Bar & Grill Spring Scramble, Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes (hosted by CTV)	CTV (BRCC / CCT)

2nd SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING @ TBD SWR TBD Ardmore, OK Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes (hosted by OCCC) ??? No Events - hot in our region NATIONAL CONVENTION 2020 Nat'l Indv No Events -still too hot in our region St Louis NATIONAL MEETINGS Nat'l

		TSTC - Airport	
u_///	Waco, TX /	7 Low-Speed Autocross Events	100
	Holland, TX	Little River Dragway	
		3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET (all 1/4 mile)	

Complete schedule and flyers for these events can be found at http://www.ncccswregion.org/schedule.html

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As Yogi Berra once said: "It's déjà vu all over again." Yes I am that old. It has been nearly 28 years since I last held the position as NCCC Governor of Cowtown Vettes. Glenda McMahan has left some pretty big shoes to fill, a statement most women do not like to hear, after serving in this position for the last 10 years. I will attempt to fulfill the requirements of this position to the best of my ability and keep our members up to date on Cowtown Vettes', Southwest Region and national NCCC activities, events and rule changes. There have been many changes in how things are done and it will be a challenge to get up to speed on the processes.

Back in the olden days when I was NCCC governor, Regional Competition Director and eventually VP Competition Director I was more involved and now I am attempting to regain some of my previous enthusiasm for competition and camaraderie.



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NCCC GOVERNOR



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Larry Hoaldridge also became NCCC Governor and Regional Competition Director because as he said: "If Jerry can do it, how hard can it be?". He declined to run for VP Competition Director because he said he wasn't that stupid.

RIP Larry

See the rest of you in the New Year.



Jerry Lindsey NCCC Governor jelelind@aol.com

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OBITUARIES



Sadly, we say goodbye to one of Cowtown Vettes founding members.

Kenneth Larry Hoaldridge, loving husband, son and lifelong friend, passed away Tuesday, December 10, 2019 surrounded by his wife, Sylvia, and several close friends. Even though Larry's fight was short, he fought a courageous battle against Interstitial Lung Disease and fought valiantly to the end.

Larry was born Tuesday, January 27th 1948 in Fort Worth, Texas to Reagan and Mazie Hoaldridge. He attended the University of Arlington and graduated in 1971 with a degree in Archi-

tecture. Afterwards, he followed in his father's footsteps and became a firefighter with the Dallas Fire Department and was a firefighter for 36 years, having retired in 2008.

After a lengthy courtship, Larry and Sylvia married in 1975 among family and friends. Larry loved Corvettes: rebuilding, painting, concoursing and racing.

Larry was one of two charter members remaining active in Cowtown Vettes, a Corvette club organized in April 1974. He served as Governor of the Corvette club, as well as Regional Competition Director.

Larry will be remembered for his knowledge of Corvettes and other vehicles, along with the love and respect he had for his wife. He will be missed by those who knew him. In addition to the loving care Larry received from his wife, Sylvia, heartfelt thanks go to friends, as well as medical personnel at Kindred Hospital ICU and Hospice Plus personnel.

Larry is preceded in death by both of his parents, as wells as various aunts and uncles.

He is survived by his loving wife of 44 years, Sylvia Hoaldridge, and numerous cousins.

We also say goodbye another member.

Thomas William (Tom) Shelhimer passed away Saturday, November 16, 2019 in Cleburne, Texas.

Tom was born August 6,1941 to Marian Mackey (Miller) and Marlin Thomas Shelhimer. He was the oldest of two children. His sister and husband live in Littleton, Colorado.

He graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1963, where he earned a Bachelors in Business Administration. He immediately went to work for LTV. He worked there until 1997 when he took early retirement.

Tom and his first wife, Marilyn had two children, Brett Thomas Shelhimer and Dana Lynne (Shelhimer) Minissale.

On November 18th, 1989, he married a second time to Grace Ann Meeks who brought with her two children Jason and Sara.

After a short but valiant battle with lung cancer, Tom passed away peacefully surrounded by his family and close friends.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Ann, his 2 children, 5 grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

Tom's most recent enjoyment was his Blue Corvette C7 which he enjoyed driving around the local countryside as well as cross country.

He will be missed by all who knew him.



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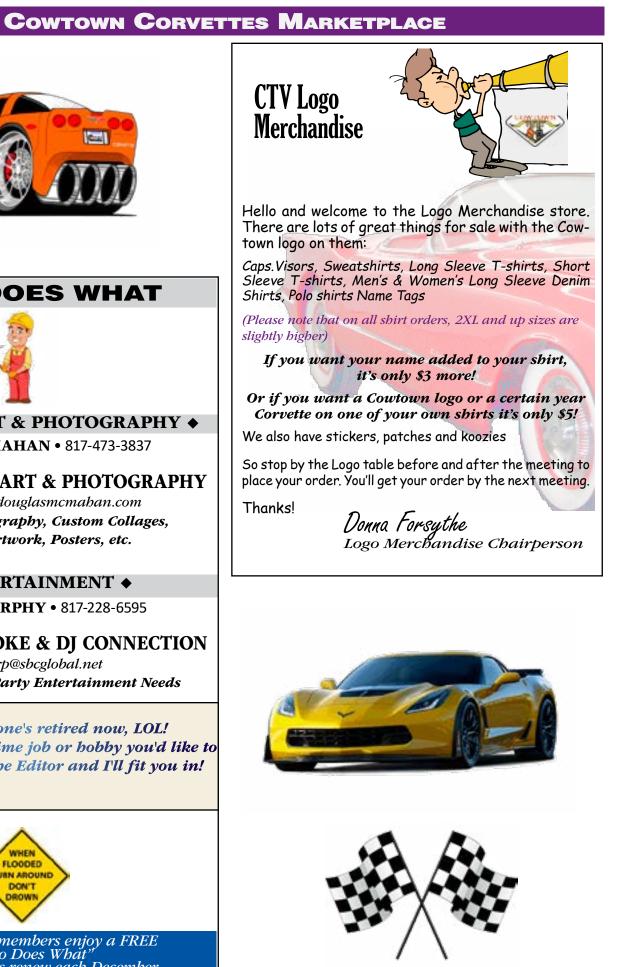
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Website: <u>http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html</u>



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