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Member Spotlight

on

Dick and Ann Krull



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Next Meeting

Saturday, May 14 in
the media center at
Texas Motor
Speedway. See page
2 for details

- 11:30 - Lunch
- 12:30 - Meeting

Classic Judges Needed

by Johnny Downs

I still need about 5 people to judge cars at Classic XVI. I also need two or three to be team leaders. They should have previous experience. For everyone else, no experience is necessary. We will have a judging school at the May club meeting. We also need someone who would consider being head judge next year to learn the ropes. Join us – judging is easy, fun and you have total control to make or break the day of some too serious Corvette owners. Sign up by contacting Johnny Downs at ediewoww@aol.com or 214/340-6400 or 903/564-3069.

Going Once, Twice, SOLD To the Highest Bidder!

CLASSIC XVI AUCTIONS COMING May 20 & 21!

by Nancy Hester

Auction Proceeds to benefit:

- Make A Wish Foundation
- Speedway Children's Charities
- National Corvette Museum

Donation Challenges:

Just a reminder to these LSCC groups to come up with an item for the Silent Auction, listing their group as the donator:

- Cruise Night Crew
- Out-of-Town-Road Trip Cruisers
- Drag Racers
- Open Road Racers
- KhanaCross Racers
- Merchandise Crew
- Membership Gang
- LSCC Board of Officers

And ALL LSCC Members, clean your garages and shelves and donate to the auctions too!

Call Nancy NOW, so she can start listing the items, you can always bring your item to her later, but she needs to know as soon as possible what's coming in. 972-222-6111day phone.

THANKS for the great donations last year and so far this year! Thanks for your continual generosity, helping to raise over \$16,000. last year!!

Bidding:

Don't forget to come and bid on the many items and services at the Live and Silent Auctions. Silent Bidding begins Friday, May 20 from 5:30-8:30 and resumes Saturday, May 21 from 5:00 until about 10:30pm. Live Auctions will have a couple of items Friday, during dinner and the majority, of course, will be Saturday night. Please come and bid and help support our 3 great organizations.

Volunteering:

Yes, of course it's fun. Call now and tell Nancy when you can help on Friday and Saturday - all hours available, whatever time you can spare is greatly appreciated.

Thank you Volunteers!

So far, I'd like to thank Donna Dawley, who's been my right hand for the last couple years, and for doing it again this year - Thank You. Also, thanks go out to these members, who also helped in past years too: Steve and Jo, Marti, Darla, Lisa, Lori, Susanne, Jean and Martha. Thanks for volunteering again this year.

Lone Star Corvette Classic XVI

at

Texas Motor Speedway

May 20-22

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is the 20th of each month.

President's Corner

by Allen Kaus

OH NO, It's May!!! This has to be the busiest, most hectic, stressful months of the year. The Classic is just overwhelming for all of us involved. Terrell to TMS, Terrell to TMS, and just how many trips does it take for me to get everything to the Classic? Cases and cases, boxes and boxes, and don't forget that either. HELP!!!! So if you are one of +/- 900 members not helping at this year's Classic, Where are you?? It's never tooooo late. Ok, nuf said about that.

April was a great month, Dallas Auto Show, khana, drag racing, Big Bend, parade laps at TMS, car shows. So many members participating in all sorts of activities. Keep up the good work. May again is jammed packed with things to do. So search through the newsletter or go to our Website (www.lonestarcorvette.com) and find something that looks like fun. And again, I hope to see everyone at the Classic.

Allen

February Meeting

by Rusty Taylor, Vice President

Well, the sun is shining, the weather is getting warmer, and the top is coming down on my vette, (and yes John, I do windows...), that must mean the classic is getting close!!!! So everyone mark your calendars for Saturday, May 14th, at the media center at TMS. Lunch will be served at 11:30AM, the meeting starts at 12:30PM. We will be going over the last minute details for the Classic, signing up any volunteers who are straggling around with nothing to do. So if you have any questions or want to volunteer, please be at the May meeting. We will also be voting for a new recreational officer at the May meeting. Hope to see you at that the meeting!!!!!!



Mary Kay looks on while our VP does windows prior to the parade lap at TMS.

2005 KhanaCross Championship Series

coordinator Greg Hester 972 329-9901 or
972 222-6111(day)

7 RACES:

* 4 race minimum for points contest

March-19	11am
April-23	11am
May-20 (not for points) at CLASSIC XVI	12pm
June-18 (not for points) at Meeting	10am
July-16	7pm
August-20	7pm
Sept.-24	11am
October-22	11am
Nov.-12	11am

CLASSES:

Mods (any modifications, see Greg for class placement)

Z06/C-6

C-5

C-4

C-3

C-1 & 2

Non-member/Non-Vette

PLACES:

1ST, 2nd & 3rd Place Certificates given at each Race.
Cone-Head Award given at each race for the one with the most or most entertaining cone movement. Yes, it's for Fun !

*Year-End Club Points Contest: Must race 4 times, overall points are figured with a handicap for each Class for Year-End trophies given at the Christmas Party.

RULES:

Entry Fee is \$15.00 each or \$25.00 couple
Races held at Cedar Valley College in Lancaster
No Race Tires
Street Legal Cars Only
Insurance required/waiver to be signed
Plus 1 second penalty for each cone moved
Bring your own drinks (No Alcohol!!)
Bring food dish to share (Khana provides meat)
(2 night races- just bring desserts!)
Arrive early to help set up course and tables.
Times listed are Start Times.
Be there to walk course before race starts.
Be Safe
Have Fun

Business Meeting Minutes

Due to the newsletter deadline and meeting date, the minutes of the April 24 meeting at Young Chevrolet were not available at the time of printing.

The minutes will be read at the May meeting.

Drag Racing 2005

By Martha Kaus



Ahhhh, Ennis, my favorite track to drive to. I catch FM34 off 175 to Ennis. Two lanes, oh so smooth, little traffic (if any), and country all around. Roll the windows down, crank up the music. About half way, my favorite stretch-straight, like driving into a canyon with a long, long, loooooong bridge, awesome. You can see forever. I just can't help myself, 120!! Ok, now I'm pumped, let's race!!

We had a great time at Ennis. The sky opened up, it sprinkled, but—, then it went away and we raced. Twenty-three people raced for our club. With one exception, it was a really good day. One of our C-5ers spun around between the start line and the first 60' and kissed (SMACKED!!!) the wall. In my five years of racing with LSCC, I've only known of two benders happening. They were both at this track with C-5s, and spun it around at the start. This one got the front passenger corner whereas the other one got the back driver's corner. Bummer! But it's only a car; no one has gotten hurt, just shook up. Remember, AK totaled my vette driving TO Ennis on 635. However, when I spun my car several times on the highway and buried it in the mud, it was probably the most fun I've ever had in my car (if I hadn't later found out that I punctured the front clip). Anyway,

Our team brought home three plaques:

Jimmy Nixon - Runner-up in Factory in a '86 C-4

Jimmy O'Neal - Runner-up in Electronics in a '66 Biscayne

Marty Heitkotter - Semi in Electronics in a '99 Firebird

Our next race is Sunday, June 5th at Thunder Valley (okthunder.com or 405-872-3420) in Oklahoma. This is a ¼ mile track. The gates open at 9am, \$20 to race, and \$10 to watch. If you want to caravan, call us. This track is north, up I-35, almost to Norman, OK. Several of us are going up Saturday and spend the night. We can for sure caravan on Saturday. We do have others that drive that morning. If you want to spend the night Saturday the 4th, we are staying at Ruby's in Purcell (405-527-5577). Lots of trailer parking. Get your room reservation now! If you want a room and can't get one or if you have a room and can't go, call us first so that maybe we can work it out. Racers get extra points for coming here to compensate for the distance.

Don't forget drag racing at the Classic. It doesn't count in our series points but it sure was a lot of fun last year. It is on Friday May 20th at 9am at the Denton track. Normally any old car will do, but for the Classic, it is strictly Corvettes only. I will have to leave my normal racing buddy (my Camaro SS) in the garage and opt for one of our (slower) vettes.

Remember, it's not how fast you go, but how consistent you are. Most of the cars that compete in our series are slower ones. You must have on long pants and a shirt with sleeves. Bring a helmet if you have one. Beginners are always welcome. Almost any of us will help you at the track. You can always check the Club Calendar on the website (lonestarcorvette.com) for updates, info, and directions. Any questions? Call us at 972-524-7333 or 972-467-0271. Zoom, zoom, zoom. See 'ya at the track! MK



Marty Heitkotter, Jimmy & Glenda O'Neal, and Jimmy Nixon receive their awards at the Texas Motorplex drag races.

Join us back at the Motorplex on October 16 or at one of the races between now and then.



Jimmy O'Neal puts some space between the front tires and the track



Marty Heitkotter puts some heat into the rear tires

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If you would like to help in any of the above areas or have ideas relating to that area, please contact the designated coordinator.

Your help and/or ideas are always welcome!

Renewals

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Gary & Ann Sewell
Bill & Kimberly Wilkins
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Welcome !

NCM Notes

By Johnny Downs

ZR1/C4 Gathering:

For anyone who missed the Lone Star Weekend at the National Corvette Museum, or anyone who did make the trip, but just didn't get enough NCM fun, here's the trip.

Curt Troster (972/495-4438, 214/869-4570) will lead an LSCC caravan to Bowling Green for this event, which takes place May 12 – 14. There will be drag racing, autocross, road tours, Corvette plant tours, museum tour, bar-b-q dinner, auction, car show, vendors, seminars and more.

If you have not been to the museum or want to go back, give Curt a call. This is one of the best events of the year.

Memberships:

Free membership! Well, almost free. I have about 50 raffle tickets left for the '06 C6 red coupe to be given away at the museum Labor Day. Anyone who buys a ticket between now and the end of the June meeting will be in the drawing for a one year family membership. The tickets are only \$10.00.

If you can't wait and want to join NCM now, I have NCM member and lifetime decals and patches. For as long as they last, I will give you a patch and decal when you turn in your membership application to me. Also, I have some nice gifts you can choose from, depending on the membership level. These include clocks, owner's manuals, and calendars.

As you should know, because of our lifetime club membership, LSCC members receive a 25% discount on individual and family NCM memberships. Until recently there was no discount on lifetime memberships. However, at the present time we receive a \$50.00 discount on lifetime memberships. How long this will last, I do not know. If you wait, you chance losing the discount opportunity.

So, join the museum at a discount, get a free decal, patch and gift and help YOUR museum.

Bricks:

What a great way to help the museum and also create a small monument of your own for future generations to try to figure out. Put your name on it, describe your car on it, put your kids' names on it, commemorate a special date, use your imagination. The bricks are \$100.00 for NCM

members, \$125.00 for non-members. Contact me for order forms.

Thanks to Karl and Audrey Samuel who purchased three bricks last month!

Flint Bricks:

These bricks are from the original Corvette plant in Flint, Michigan which was recently torn down. The bricks have a commemorative plate with serial number of your choice (subject to availability) up to five digits. The price for specifically numbered bricks has been \$200.00, but it is now reduced to \$100.00 for NCM members only.

Free Corvette Sales Brochures:

I still have a limited supply of new Corvette sales brochures from the museum. I have received a number of them. I will have them at the May meeting. If you purchase a membership, a brick or even a \$10.00 raffle ticket, you can pick up your choice of these highly collectible pieces of Corvette history. The available years are: '84, '86, '87, '90, '91 (red cover), '92, '98, and '99.

For more information on anything concerning NCM contact Johnny Downs, 903/564-3069, 214/340-6300, ediewoww@aol.com, or Steve Jones, 972/317-2444.

“Volunteer” Try It, You’ll Like It!

by Greg Hester

Hey Y'all

Greg here again. I can still use volunteers for the Driving Events on Sunday, May 22, at the Classic XVI. I know some of you are just itching to help Sunday in the Infield at TMS, well I have just the activity to scratch that itch - “VOLUNTEERING”.

You will have so much fun and meet so many interesting people “Volunteering” Sunday in the infield, you will wonder why didn't I VOLUNTEER for the Sunday Track Events at the Classic before. I can't answer that burning question, but I do have the remedy - “VOLUNTEER”! It really is fun, so try it, you'll like it.

To get on the “Volunteer” List, you can call me at 972 222-6111 or call Audrey Samuel at 817 448-9055 or you can come to a meeting and sign up to “Volunteer.”

Anyway, the more, the merrier, so “Volunteer.”

Race Ya'
Greg

On The Road

By Johnny Downs

Wings and Wheels Extravaganza Amarillo, Texas May 6 – 7

Last year the Amarillo Area Corvette Club moved their event to the Tradewinds Airport and added airplanes to their car show. It was a rousing success. I expect a sizeable group from Lone Star to attend. Tom Snodgrass will lead our caravan. We will depart from the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Denton, I-35 at Hwy. 380, at 9:00 a.m. in Friday the 6th. Tom's number is 214/507-7438. I have entry forms with more information. The Amarillo club supports our classic. Help us support their show and its charities.

Vettes on the Shore Biloxi, Mississippi June 10 – 12

A number of LSCC members have participated in this event and they keep going back. It is easy to see why. It is an indoor show, with lots of beautiful Corvettes, in the air conditioned Mississippi Coast Coliseum, the hotels are next door, the beach is across the street and casinos are everywhere. What more could you ask for? We will have an LSCC caravan. Charlie Magill will lead the group. Contact him at 972/771-5560 or cmagill@dallasisd.org.

Vettes on the Rockies Breckenridge, Colorado July 28 – 31

Several members have asked if we are planning a trip to Colorado again this year. The answer now is yes. Charlie Magill has agreed to lead the trip. See contact info above.

If you have not been, this trip is a must. Beautiful weather, beautiful scenery and beautiful Corvettes. What could be better than winding mountain roads and 70 degree temperatures in August?

If you might want to participate in this great event, I suggest you go ahead and make hotel reservations. The host hotel is the Beaver Run Resort 800/525-2253 or www.beaverrun.com. I have registration brochures, or you can go to www.LGCACorvette.org for details.

Ponca City Corvette Show Ponca City, Oklahoma June 3 – 4

Several LSCC members have already made plans to attend this event. It promises to be different and entertaining. The show will be held at a beautiful old estate built in the early oil boom

years. In addition to the beautiful mansion, there are several museums on the grounds.

For a change of pace you can check, or participate in the "Draggin' Grand" classic car cruise in downtown Ponca City Friday night. There's also a classic car show Saturday at Lake Ponca Park.

The host hotel for the Ponca City event is the Holiday Inn, 580/762-8311. Ken Smith will lead our caravan. His phone number is 214/704-7374. For more information on this show, go to www.chokeestripcorvetteclub.com.

For information or to sign up for any event, contact Johnny Downs, 214/340-6300 office, 903/564-3069 home, or ediewoww@aol.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PARK CARS AT THE CLASSIC

We need about 18 volunteers to park cars for the Car Show on Saturday morning, during the Classic. We work on the Friday evening before the show, from about 4:00 – 6:00 pm, putting up signs at TMS to direct the cars to their proper place, and on Saturday, we work from 7:30 am until 10:30 am directing the cars to their spots. We man the outside gates directing cars to the right gate to enter, stand inside letting each car know which way to turn to get to their correct place, and help the drivers get their cars parked in the right position.

We park the cars by category, so the attendees can look at them, voters can pick their favorites in the Show N Shine, and the judges can quickly and accurately evaluate the entrants in the Judged Division. That means we get all the cars into their correct Category (Member, Non Member, Show N Shine, Judged) and Class (53-62, 63-67, etc). It's a lot of work, but it's also a lot of fun – you get to meet almost every entrant personally.

We are finished by 11:00, with plenty of time left to prep our own cars for the Show, or help with other areas as needed.

Please contact Audrey Samuel if you would like to be on this team. We would love to have you!!!

Robert and Linda Shellberg
Classic XVI Parking Coordinators

May Birthdays

Marybeth Collins 1
Chuck Kyle 1
Ray Dattoli 2
Lana Leahy 3
Pete Issokson 4
Steve Knight 4
Cynthia Turk 4
Pete McGill 5
Rosemarie Lietzke 6
Don Mackey 7
Vannrice Smith, Jr 7
Linda Armstrong 8
Launa Gaal 8
Hilliary Opseth 8
Paul Silver 8
Victor Cannella 9
Sharon Ratcliff 9
Shirley Williams 10
Mike Krieger 11
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Krissa Price 21
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Sharon Johnson 22
Dale Olson 22
David Penwell 22
Robert Franklin 23
Mark Brennan 24
Theresa Cunningham 24
Larry Goff 24
Susan Kingen 24
Janet Morehouse 24
Scott Eldredge 25
Cindy Krull 26
Anna Crumpton 27
Ray Garber 27
Dennis Gundy 28
Tom Loftis 28
Cliff Van Haren 28
Buck Elmore 29
Terry Kepler 29
Sara Teichelman 30
Bruce Lawyer 31
June Rader 31
Tim Verschage 31

Awards for LSCC Members

Corvette Expo at Enid, Oklahoma April 2, 2005

112 + Corvettes

84-90 1st Place: Paul & Michelle Perry '88 Yellow Coupe

91-96 1st Place: Mel & Lois Thomason '96 White Conv.



Preston Road Chevrolet Car Show in Celina , Texas

April 2, 2005

80's & up Corvette 1st Place & Best Engine:

Barbara Plasterer '94 Admiral Blue Coupe

80's & up Corvette 2nd Place & Best Display:

Jim Plasterer '95 Dark Red Metallic Conv



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D. \$35



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Dallas Auto Show Recap

by John Dobson

TMS race weekend took its toll on participation at LSCC car display in the 2005 Dallas Auto Show; nonetheless, we managed to have a wonderful display. Oddly enough, we had more early model than late model Corvettes this year. In the past, most of the display cars were C4s and C5s. I guess we know who went to the races! Thanks to those who displayed their cars: Kurt Ruppman, Vic Cannella, Ed Beachly, Craig Conde, Brad Neinast, Larry Benson, Martha Kaus and Allen Falk. Thanks also go to those who watched over the cars during show hours: Craig Conde, Dale Manor, Randy & Randee Elher (two shifts), Nolan Graham, Doug Drais (two shifts), Sully Sullivan (two shifts), Bob Paton (two shifts), Allen (one million shifts) & Martha (two shifts) Kaus, Larry Benson, Ernie & Betty Perkins, Philip & Karen Migliore, Terry Garrett, Susanne Johanson, Joel Hawkins, Hans Hacker, Kurt Ruppman (four shifts), Vic & Ronni Cannella, and any others who may have helped. The most-asked question about our display was "Who is that lady painted on the underside of the hood of the '70 convertible?" and the answer is... Norma Jean (aka Marilyn Monroe). A very special thanks goes to our dear President, Allen Kaus, for not only working one million shifts, but also for hauling the club stanchions and signs to and from the convention center.



Randy Ehler with the LSCC display at the Dallas Auto Show.



Susanne Johanson with one of the early model corvettes on display

Fredericksburg, TX Trip

by Roger Jones

Beer, Brats or Apple Pie

The sun was shining brightly as 18 Corvettes left Benbrook for a back roads tour to the Texas Hill Country. The maps proved elusive to both groups as roads not on the map were found. Soon we were all back on the planned route with the first stop in Hico, where some co-drivers were wondering what the speed limit is in Texas. On to Lampasas on more Texas back roads for a lunch stop at the Kountry Kitchen and to meet up with the 19th car. As we go close to Fredericksburg, the wildflower farm required a stop for refreshments, hot peach salsa, and to fill up some Vettes with wildflower purchases.

The Fredericksburg Inn, located just a couple of blocks from the Main Street, would be home for the next couple of days. Evening dinner was at the Aushlander for beer and brats or other German food.

Saturday morning began with the Corvette tops down, in about 59 degrees, for a trip around some of the best driving roads in Texas. The first stop, about 10:30 in the morning, was at the Cider Mill in Medina for some apple pie, apple ice cream, apple strudel coffee or other things apple. Then west on Texas 337 for some twisty road driving. We stopped for a Corvette Hoods up car show for all the motorcycle riders that were on the same roads and for a group photo. After about 175 miles we ended in Kerrville with the afternoon free to shop, visit museums, wine tours or more driving.

After dinner a few Corvettes found their way to Luckenbach for some local "music".

Sunday morning was a trip through the Willow City look looking for Bluebonnets so we could take images with the Corvettes. At the end of the loop were fields of Bluebonnets to get pictures. We found out the loop road is mostly private as after staying in one location for some time we got asked to move on.

We then headed back north on Highway 16 with a group going to Enchanted Rock and the rest, already hungry for lunch, going to the Wagon Wheel in Goldwaite. Then back to DFW with a great road trip.



Roger Jones, who headed up the Fredericksburg trip, makes a friend at the lunch stop.

More pictures from the Fredericksburg trip - April 1-3



At lunch on the way to Fredericksburg



Sandy and Trish outside the Fredericksburg Brewing Co.



Out in the hotel parking lot before a road trip



George and Barbara enjoy the downtown area



The newsletter editor takes "Old Paint" for a ride



German food and beer at the Aushlander



Leaving the hotel for a scenic drive



Cruising the beautiful hill country



A stop at the Cider Mill in Medina for "everything apple"



Everyone smile!



Crossing the Guadalupe River



Nothing like sharing a slice of delicious apple pie

Photos courtesy of Roger and Sheri Jones & Terry and Linda "The Texas Walkers"



Getting lined up for some photos



Lined up for a Corvette photo



Look at this view!



Did I go the wrong way?



Cleaning up the cars for the trip home

Member Spotlight

Dick and Ann Krull

May-June, 2005

by Charlie Magill

Dick Krull grew up in Ft. Worth, Texas. Upon graduation, Dick left the big city for Lubbock and Texas Tech. Now I finally realize why his cars are black and or red. He is true to the Red Raiders of Tech. It was in Lubbock that Dick met his young bride – Ann. Ann earned a degree in Music (I knew one of these two were talented). On their first date, Dick had two tickets to a party, which he really didn't want to go to, but trying to be nice, he thought Ann would like it. Ann really didn't want to go, but she was trying to be nice and thought she would go for Dick as she thought he really wanted to go. That kind of "niceness" has allowed them to be married for 45 years. Of course, Ann says that Dick is still in training.

Together, they reside in Aledo, Texas. Isn't it strange that several of the last member spotlights have been members living certainly not in Dallas, but even the other side of Ft. Worth. This should just show other individuals that to be a member of the Lone Star Corvette Club does not require one to actually live in Dallas. Dick and his family are active participants of the club and its activities. I mention family as being active members as Dick's son, Chris and his wife are also active members of LSCC. Dick and Ann also have a daughter and 2 grandkids in Virginia. Thinking of grandkids, Dick collects Hot Wheels cars for his grandkids. He will place them in his pocket and have them retrieve them. The last time Dick did this though, his grandkid took one look at the car and said "Pop (what his grandkids call him), I have this one already".

Dick's birthday is October 3. I know he knows my birthday is still March 24. Come to think of it, Dick has the same birthday as Earl Harris, also a recent member spotlight. I guess you just have to look at those two and realize that Dick is a lot older than Earl. Of course, I don't know for sure, but I have heard Dick refer to Don Cast one time as he was leaving as "Dad, come back to the table". I guess that might really cast (play on words here) some years on Mr. Cast.

Dick is playing like he's retired right now from real estate and being a homebuilder. Ann says that although he may think he is retired, he still has one more house to build, as their home is up for sale as they wish to move over to Ft. Worth. Meaning that Ann wants a new home. Dick is able to get his cars when he wants. I think Ann is serious about getting Dick to build her a new home, which he will. Dick has always said that in the building business, if you're off by one inch, then you've got problems. The same thing can be said of marriages.

Dick met Ed Clark as he was going in a restaurant and asking who owned that plum red corvette outside. Mr. Clark responded by saying "I do, did you hit it?" Speaking of – Dick did back into Chris' (son) car one time. Of course, Dick says it was just once. So it might be a wise thing for all club members to take note of this piece of information and park accordingly at your own risk when you see Mr. Krull.

The Krull's have been members of LSCC for 5-6 years.

Dick likes the Z06 as his favorite Vette. Dick currently owns an 03 Torch red Z06. Dick consistently wins at the various shows he attends as his Z06 is one of the best ones in the southwest. Dick likes a good steak, loves to hunt and fish (although he does not hunt and fish as much as he used to). Right now, his new love is RV'ing. Both, Dick and Ann love to hop in the motor home and go visit the grandkids in Virginia and then follow the east coast up northwards. Dick is extremely proud of the way Chris has responded in taking care of his Ruby Red Corvette. I have heard Dick say that he wished he could get Chris involved with the family business and he is such a hard worker. I also remember Dick purchasing a racing jacket in Memphis on our way to the 50th reunion and then going back in the store to get one for Chris.

Thinking of going to the 50th, I was leading one of the packs, which the Krull's were a part of. As we got out of Memphis and into a construction zone, I noticed those orange cones up directing us from one lane over to another one. When I looked back in my rear view mirror, I saw Dick weaving in and out of those cones as though he was at a Khana. Needless to say, Ed Clark was right behind him and did the same maneuvers as well. Then it looked like all the other cars (non-vettes) behind them were playing the same way! Last year, the officials at the Biloxi car show mistook Dick for Wendell Strode of the Corvette Museum. It was kind of embarrassing for Mr. Krull as they even asked him if he would like to come up and address the audience.

Dick drove his cars for awhile, then purchased a trailer and seemed to like that aspect of it. Earl Harris wanted to buy his trailer, but Dick wouldn't sell it. Then after Earl bought a trailer, Dick decided to sell his trailer and go back to just driving. Notice, he wouldn't sell it to Earl when Earl wanted it. Hmmm!! Maybe that's why Earl wanted me to take that shot about one looking a lot older than the other!

One thing the Krull's do now, as a family is to follow the NASCAR circuit. It seems that each family member has their own driver or team they root for and they like to kind of rib each other as to whose favorite is ahead in the rankings or who won a particular race.

I guess if I were to direct a movie of the Krull's, I would have Dennis Quaid to play the lead role for Dick Krull and for Ann, I would probably ask Ann Archer.

Here's to good friends and good people.



Dick and Ann with Caleb, one of the grandchildren

Parade Lap at the Samsung/ Radio Shack 500

Lone Star Corvette Club members participated in a parade lap prior to the start of the Samsung/Radio Shack 500 at the Texas Motor Speedway on April 17.

Following the parade, most participants stayed to enjoy the race.



Members line up in the TMS parking lot prior to the parade lap (which actually was 2 full laps around the track)

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Gordon gets a little rest before getting out onto the track...

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...while Nancy directs participants to the appropriate staging location

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lined up along the back straight of the track...

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...and coming out of turn 4 onto the front straight

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The track allowed participants to visit the pits, here's the #20 Chevrolet

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Sparky was out to greet everyone

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GM Is First To Certify Horsepower and Torque Under New SAE Test Procedure - Corvette Z06 now rated at 505 horsepower

General Motors has become the first manufacturer to certify its horsepower and torque rating using the new Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) test procedure J2723.

The 7.0L LS7 engine for the 2006 Corvette Z06, the first engine certified under the new test procedure, was rated at 505 horsepower @ 6300 rpm and 470 lb-ft @ 4800 rpm, five horsepower more than original estimates. "The new voluntary SAE power and torque certification procedure ensures fair, accurate ratings for horsepower and torque as it uses third-party certification," said Jim Queen, GM Vice President, Global Engineering and the General Chair for the 2005 SAE World Congress. "SAE technical standards level the playing field and this certification procedure is just the latest example of the value SAE has offered over the past century." Tom Stephens, Group Vice President of GM Powertrain stated, "We're very proud to be the first to certify engines with the new procedure and pleased with the LS7 certification results. Going forward, GM will certify its engines to the new procedure as we want customers to have accurate information when they make a purchase decision. GM encourages all manufacturers to do the same."

Corvette C6.R Finishes 1 & 2 at Road Atlanta

Corvette Racing made history at Road Atlanta when Johnny O'Connell and Ron Fellows drove the new Corvette C6.R to its first victory.

Following in the tire tracks of the championship-winning Corvette C5-R, the production-based Corvette C6.R notched Corvette Racing's 36th win at the Sportsbook.com Grand Prix of Atlanta. Oliver Gavin and Olivier Beretta were second across the strip to score a 1-2 finish for Corvette Racing. "Ron and I were able to get the last win in the C5-R, and to get the first win with the C6.R at my home track is very special," said O'Connell, who lives seven miles from the Road Atlanta circuit. "I knew in qualifying that this was the best car I've driven since I joined Corvette Racing. Ron and I did what we always do - push as hard as we can and stay out of trouble." Fellows concurred: "It's been a tremendous team effort by Corvette Racing since I joined the program in November 1997. I'm really proud to be part of it. I want to dedicate this win to an old friend who died last week," Fellows said. "He built a race track in Ontario and gave a lot of us a place to race. This one's for John Nelson." The next round of the American Le Man Series will be contested at the historic Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course on May 22. The race will be televised on CBS. For the complete release - visit the Corvette Racing site at: www.corvetteracing.com



The C6-R at Road Atlanta

Free Admission and Corvette Store Discounts for Dad During "Corvette Fun for Dad" Fathers Day Weekend, June 18 - 19

Bowling Green, KY - The National Corvette Museum will offer "free" admission and special discounts in the Corvette Store to all Dads visiting the Museum during Father's Day weekend, June 18-19, 2005. This special offer is available by mentioning our "Father's Day Special" at the admissions desk upon arrival. Dads will be given a coupon valid during the weekend promotion that offers 15% off regularly priced merchandise and 10% off sale price merchandise. Family members accompanying Dad will be admitted at our regular admission rate of \$8.00 for adults, \$4.50 for children and \$6.00 for seniors. Various discounts are offered to tour the Museum including AAA and military discounts.

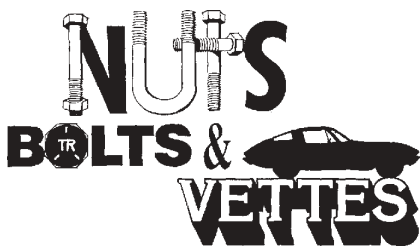
Guests visiting the Museum will have the opportunity to view some new exhibits recently added to the Museum's display collection including the Red and Black Spider Concept Prototype Duo, the 2004 Daytona Pace Car, 2003 LeMans Pace Car and the GTP Racer. The Museum offers a truly educational and historical journey to the past, present and future of Corvette. Over 75 Corvette displays are featured in unique settings that take guests on a journey from the beginning of Corvette's introduction to the current sixth generation model.

Guests visiting will also have an opportunity to "take a seat" behind the wheel of a sixth generation Corvette featured in our atrium, enjoy a 12-minute film in our Chevrolet Theater, shop in our 3,000 square foot Corvette Store, take a chance to win a new Corvette for only \$10 and experience the excitement and thrill of "America's Sports Car." Live webcams decorate the Museum hallways and exhibit areas, and guests visiting are viewable on these webcams that are broadcast world-wide via our website at: www.corvettemuseum.com.

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