

The Prez Says

October was a busy month for us, starting with our monthly meeting. **Rich Steinbach** presented our slate of officers who all our running unopposed.



These officers are **Beth Butcher-president, Sue Smith-Vice President, Barb DiPol- secretary, and Diane Bernardo-treasurer.** Diane has been our treasurer for many years and does a fantastic job. Thank you **Diane** for agreeing to do this again. These officers will be voted on in November.

On October 16, our activities director **Sue Smith**, lead a group of 20 plus to the car show on route 60 at the truck stop. It was so much fun. There was 50's and 60's music, beautiful cars and a lovely cool evening for Florida. We then all went to **Outback** and shared a meal together.

Judy and Brad lead us to **The Quilted Giraffe** for our Mystery Dinner Cruise. The restaurant opened the doors for us on a night they are usually closed. We were the only people in the place. The meal and the company was wonderful. Thank you **Brad and Judy.**

Remember, it's the end of the year and a lot is going on so check the website and your emails. We have the last meeting of the year, **Toys for Tots** at **Brad and Judy's** home, annual dues should be paid in November and our **Christmas Party** at **Capt. Hiriams** on December 3. The **Christmas party** is 40 dollars per person and reservations are necessary. Please contact **Diane** or myself.

I want to thank everyone for their help and support for me this year
Remember the Wave,
Susan

Activities

COMING IN NOVEMBER

7 - Tuesday - Board of Directors Meeting
Officers and Directors are asked to please attend,
Club members are always welcome!

9 - Thursday - General Membership Meeting
C.J. Cannon's at the Airport Terminal Building

11 - Saturday - Toys For Tots Party

23 - Thursday



COMING IN DECEMBER

3 - Sunday - CHRISTMAS PARTY

25 - Monday



Officers for 2018, Will Be Confirmed At Nov. Meeting

The Nomination Committee submitted four members that have volunteered as candidates to fill the elected offices for 2018.

They are

Beth Butcher



President

Sue Smith



Vice President

Diane Bernardo



Treasurer

Barbara DiPol



Secretary

Since they are all un-opposed they were confirmed at the November meeting by a hand vote. Installation will be at the annual Club Christmas Party on Sunday.

At the Board meeting in January, 2018 the elected board will appoint the balance of the board which consist of Webmaster, Newsletter editor, Historian and Activities Director(s).

Anyone interested in applying for one of the appointed offices please contact Beth. Susan automatically stays as the Officer At Large.

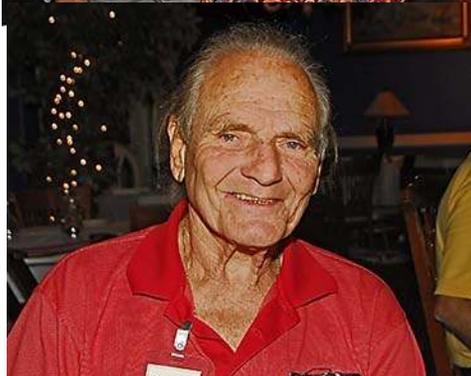
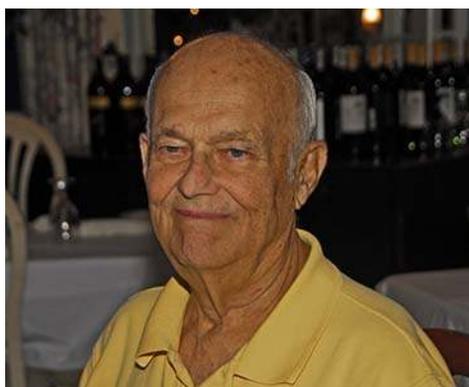
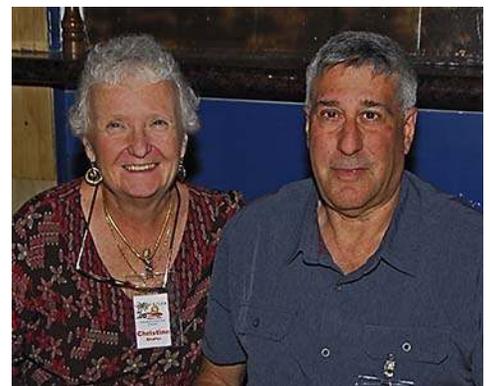
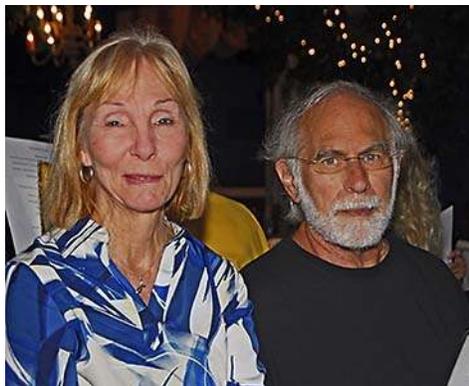
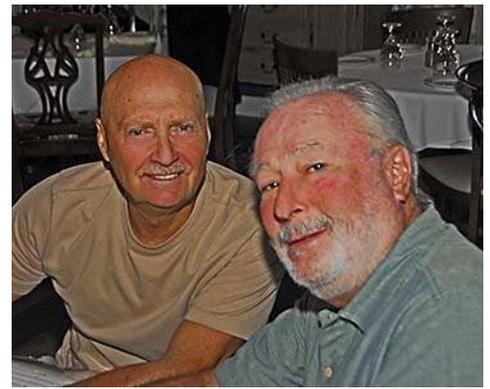
October Dinner Cruise

Our cruise host for the evening were **Brad and Judy Grandage**. It would be a night with lots of rain. We headed south on U S 1 in Vero. Our crew invaded the **Quilted Giraffe Restaurant**. I did not count heads but I think we had about twenty five and in our group were several new members (welcome aboard). The restaurant is usually closed on Tuesday and opened for the club.

The food looked great, I had veal and it was very tender and cooked to perfection. Tom had steak and said it was also good. Louie said he was going to take half of his dinner home, but ate almost everything saying how good it was.

It was a fun evening with good friends and great food. Thanks from all of us to **Brad and Judy** for our great dinner cruise.

Save the Wave,
Hollyann



50th Anniversaries

At our October General membership meeting we had three couples celebrating their 50th wedding



anniversary with us and with cake. **Stan and Andy Smykowski, Rich and Susan Steinbach, and Terry and Sue Smith** all have celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in the



last couple of months. In a group as small as ours it is very rare that we would have three couples celebrating such a milestone. Happy Anniversary to each of you, it is wonderful to see your happiness.



If you have important events in your family please let me know so we can let other club members hear what is happening.

Hollyann

2nd Consecutive GT Le Mans MFG Title

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Championship No. 12 since 1999 in production-based racing series
Chevrolet earned its second consecutive Manufacturer Championship in the IMSA Weather Tech Sports Car Championship's GT Le Mans (GTLM) category Saturday at Road Atlanta. A second-place finish in the 10-hour Petit Le Mans for the No. 3 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette C7.R gave Chevrolet its 12th GT Manufacturer title dating back to the 2001 American Le Mans Series season.



Corvette Racing won four times in 2017 with the Corvette C7.R, powered by a 5.5-liter small-block V8. Drivers Antonio Garcia and Jan Magnussen also claimed the GTLM



Driver Championship, and the No. 3 Corvette won the GTLM Team title.

Historically, Corvette Racing has recorded 106 victories 98 in the IMSA ranks. Among those 106 victories are eight at the 24 Hours of Le Mans, three in the Rolex 24 At Daytona and 11 in the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring.

Earlier this year, Chevrolet also earned manufacturer championships in the Verizon IndyCar Series and the Pirelli World Challenge's GTS class.

October Club Event Car Show at Truck Stop & Dinner at Outback

Our October activity was planned by **Sue Smith**, members met at the Travel Center of America Truck Stop on state road 60. The truck stop was having a cruise in. A number of our club member went to check it out.

The next stop was the Outback Steakhouse for dinner. Sue had



made restaurant reservations for all of us. We had a nice evening and a very good dinner.

Thanks to **Sue** for planning the monthly event.

Hollyann

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS
Birthdays for November

Barbara DiPol	November 9
Fred Foley	November 17
Robert Mathias	November 18
Susan Mobini	November 21
Cathy Blaschke	November 23
Judy Mathias	November 25
Shirley Beringer	November 26
Dean Warcup	November 27

Birthdays for December

Kelly Flipse	December 14
Jean Jacobs	December 16
Louie Seo	December 19

Birthdays for January

Kris Dillon	January 11
Ro Bryant	January 14
William (Bill) Fenton	January 15
Stan Smykowski	January 18
Norma Warcup	January 31

Birthdays for February

James Kelly	February 10
Brad Grandage	February 13
Andi Smykowski	February 19
Dave Myers	February 22
Hollyann Quina	February 24
Joann Merklingshaus	February 26

Happy Birthday to everyone!

Chevrolet to Start 2019 Corvette Production In January

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Wow! Talk about a blockbuster couple of days in the Corvette world!

First there was our lunch outing to a McDonalds in Cadillac, MI by the development team in their camouflaged mid-engine C8 Corvettes.

Now we've learned that Chevrolet is planning on ending 2018 Corvette production early and will start 2019 Corvette model year production on January 29, 2018.

The news comes directly from Chevrolet, who communicated this information to their dealers in this week's order consensus email.

The announcement stresses that no major changes coming to 2019 and that all models, colors and options (except for the 2018's Carbon 65 Edition) are being carried over from the 2018 Corvette model year.

The email also included how Chevrolet will be restarting the Bowling Green Assembly Plant. They haven't provided an actual date for the plant restart so we are still going on early November.

As production resumes, the

Assembly Plant will start building Corvettes in these four colors: Corvette Racing Yellow, Black, Torch Red and Arctic White. As they ramp up production, they will begin adding Admiral Blue, Blade Silver, Watkins Glen Gray, Long Beach Red, Sebring Orange and Cyber Matrix Gray.



Carbon 65 productions will also restart and there are less than 100 available allocations available for the 2018 anniversary model.

Key Dates for 2018-2019 Corvette Production

The 2018 Corvette Model Year

Unallocated sold orders cut off on October 27th.

Assembly Plant restarts '18 production on November 6th

Final Orders for 2018 is November 16th.

Last week of 2018 production is

January 22nd.

2019 Corvette Model Year

Order Guide released on November 20th

Orders picked up on November 30th

Start of Production is January 29th

How will this early intro change anything for the NCM Bash? Probably not much other than we'll have the 2019 ZR1 to look at! Maybe even customer ZR1s will be there? We can only hope! It's been our contention that Chevrolet would be starting production of the ZR1 sometime in

the early spring of 2018, but we kept hearing "No, it's going to be a 2019 model." So it's safe to say now that the ZR1 will be a 2019 model, and my guess is we are going to hear more about it very, very soon.

Update:

GM has confirmed the news through the National Corvette Museum. Along with the info provided above, GM says that planned 2018 production should be about 9,700 units, making it one of the smallest production years in Corvette's sixty-five-year history.

IRCC "Mystery Dinner Cruise" Guidelines

If we all follow these guidelines, planning a Mystery Dinner Cruise won't be a mystery.

We meet at the OLD ABC parking lot on Miracle Mile and leave at 6:00 PM SHARP! Directions/Map, cruise route and host cell phone number should be distributed to each car before starting the cruise.

Location should not be more than one hour away, if you chose a restaurant that requires a long drive let us know in advance so we can make sure we have adequate fuel. Also let us know of any special circumstances i.e. eating outside during cool weather.

Meal choices should not exceed \$25 dollars.

Make a reservation for approximately 30 people and let them know that you will call at 6:00 PM the night of the dinner with a final count.

Let them know that we all need to sit together or in close proximity to each other.

Request at least two wait staff to insure that our orders are taken at the same time and most importantly that we all eat at the same time.

Separate checks is a must and request that a 20% gratuity be added

to each check to speed up the payment process.

Drawings/door prizes are at the discretion of the cruise host, but are not required.

If the restaurant you would like to use cannot meet these requirements, move on to your next choice. Sometimes no matter how much we plan in advance we have a bad experience, if this occurs please let the membership know at our next meeting so we do not visit them again on a future Mystery Dinner Cruise.

Remember the wave, Rich Steinbach