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President's Corner

November begins a new fiscal year for the Corvettes of Buffalo. The club will be starting out the New Year in good shape financially and with a stronger membership than ever before. As discussed at our last meeting we have 98 members with additional prospective members showing interest in our club. The club hosted two successful events in 2007 that generated enough income to increase our charitable contributions by 50% more than previous years with enough remaining in our treasury to cover our initial expenses for the New Year.

As the club grows in membership, we also grow in talent and experience. We have many members that know almost everything about their corvette generation and more. And with internal resources like that, you can get some help and/or guidance on almost any issue or upgrade you may be interested in doing to your corvette. All you need to do is attend club meetings or events and ask your questions! I thought it was great at our last meeting when a member asked about how to store your corvette for the winter. Immediately, Frank Pastore and others offered several methods to keep your corvette safe for the winter.

The November meeting is also an important month because we conduct elections of Officers and the Board of Directors. All members in good standing are eligible to vote on the candidates which were nominated. Your attendance at this monthly meeting is very important!

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What's Happening

*Nov 10 COB Club Meeting Clarence Church
7 PM*

Elections of Officers for 2008

Cast Your Vote

2009 ZR-1 Spotted at Laguna Seca

GM pulled out a 2009 ZR-1 prototype yesterday afternoon and took it for a few laps around the legendary Laguna Seca race track Painted in the same yellow paint as the C6-R racecars, several people grabbed a few good shots of it. The car is reportedly tucked back in its truck and headed back to the Detroit area.

[As reported by Corvette Action Center.](#)

Catch the Video at vettetube.com



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Meeting starts 7:00 p.m.

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Submissions must be in by 26th

As your President for the past year, I believe the club has been successful thanks to many members that have volunteered to chair committees and activities. I would like to thank everyone that helped on all the committees. Especially Marianne & Frank Pastore for your help with the Membership committee. Thank you Ruth & Bruce Mussehl for your help on the Sunshine committee. Thank you Nancy Graber for your help with the Phone committee. Thank you Ray Schafer for your help as our NCCC Governor. Thank you Craig Eckert for your help as our club Parliamentarian. Thank you Maureen Polowy for your help with the Refreshment committee at the monthly meetings. Thank you Jim Bonus for a great job as our club Webmaster and Newsletter editor. Thank you Pete Ricigliano for your help with the Concours activities.

Just a reminder, the club does NOT have a regular monthly business meeting in December. We do have a Christmas Brunch event scheduled on December 9th, which is fun and usually well attended. I hope you can join us at this event.

Save the Wave!

Skip Polowy

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Candidates for 2008 Officers

President

During 2007, it has been my pleasure to serve the Membership of the Corvettes of Buffalo as your President.

At the October meeting, I accepted the nomination for the President of Corvettes of Buffalo for 2008 and will do my best to continue operating the Club business in the same professional & organized manner.

We had a successful season of Corvette activities, thanks to great weather and good participation by our members. It has been said many times by me and past COB Presidents, the more you get involved in club activities, the more fun you will have.

As I said last November, it is important to listen to your ideas and look for new events (or restaurants) in 2008. Our activities calendar needs input from the membership. I look forward to hearing from you at our meetings, cruise nights, car shows or club events.

Skip Polowy

Vice President

As we look back on the year of 2007 and see all the accomplishments, fun and successes COB has had as a club, I look forward to 2008. We went to Blackthorne, Nashville, Carlisle, Rhode Island and many other places. We cruised to Syracuse, Sprague Maple and many local car shows & cruise spots. Our car show and caravan turned out to be a success and very financially rewarding. This will help us pay for our Christmas and installation banquets. I was very proud to be an officer that helped and would like to serve COB again next year.

Pete Ricigliano

Dear COB Members,

I graciously accept the nomination for Vice President of Corvettes of Buffalo for 2008. I believe my 8 years of experience as past President and Board Member will be an asset to the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Board Members, and the membership of COB.

I look forward to taking an active role in planning activities for the membership in the upcoming year and promoting our club in the community.

Thank you.

Frank Pastore

Treasurer

Fellow C.O.B. members,

I wish to thank you for the nomination as Treasurer of the Corvettes of Buffalo.

As in the past I will serve the position, for the best interest of the members of Corvettes of Buffalo. Thank you again.

Yours truly and fellow member

Mel Skeide

Secretary

To all members

I would appreciate your consideration for my re-election to Secretary, for this 2008 election. I look forward to serving Corvettes of Buffalo in this capacity to the best of my ability. Thank you for your support.

Respectively,
Linda Bonus

Candidates for 2008 Officers

Board of Directors

I would appreciate your consideration for my re-election to the Board of Directors of Corvettes of Buffalo. I have also previously served as your Vice President.

Club activities that I have been directly involved with include:

- Budget Committee
- By-Laws Committee
- 2007 Caravan Cruise Committee
- Watkins Glen opening weekend cruises

Other areas that I consider important to COB and the Board are:

- A solid financial position
- Continued club growth

Thank you,

Jim Lawson
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I would appreciate your consideration for my re-election to the Board of Directors. This has been my first year on the board and I enjoy being a part of the control and management of the affairs and business of our organization. We have had a GREAT YEAR, thanks to the efforts of all of you members. Our membership is growing, because everyone enjoys the many activities and I'm sure next year we will be just as successful.

Thank You In Advance For Your Support!

Reas R. Graber
OOOAHHH

To all members

I would appreciate your consideration for my re-election to the Board of Directors of COB, for this 2008 election.

Having served on the board for the last two years, editing the Newsletter and being the Web master I hope I have earned your trust and your vote

I look forward to serving Corvettes of Buffalo in this capacity to the best of my ability. Thank you for your support.

Respectively,
Jim Bonus

To All Corvettes of Buffalo Members,

I respectfully submit this letter to the Members of Corvettes of Buffalo for consideration to place me on Board of Directors.

I have been in Corvette Clubs for 33 years and in COB for 12 years. I previously served on the Board and was Vice Pres. several years ago. There is no doubt that the Club is headed in the right direction and I will do all I can to help continue the progress that all the members have contributed to. Next year is already shaping up to be a good one and with a dedicated board and committed members it will be the best ever.

Respectfully,
Jim Brett

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Christmas Brunch

The 2007 Corvettes of Buffalo Christmas Brunch will be held on December 9th at the Millennium Hotel at 2040 Walden Avenue. It is located at the I-90 Exit 52-E. We will be in the Walden's Restaurant, which will be closed to the public during our event. Starting time is 11:30 am and serving will be until approximately 12:45 pm. Sign up sheets will be provided at the October and November COB meetings. Cost for this event will be \$10.00 per member and should be paid at the meeting. Prospectives and non-members' cost is \$21.32. Checks can be mailed to Mel if need be. We will need a final head count and payment by December 1st.

The Brunch Buffet will consist of Assorted chilled juices, Sliced fresh fruit, Assorted breakfast pastries, Scrambled eggs, Breakfast potatoes, Crisp bacon & Grilled sausage, French toast with syrup, Pasta with red sauce, Baked herbal chicken, Sliced roast sirloin, Coffee, Tea, Decaf. Walden's Restaurant features an elegant setting overlooking the lush tropical courtyard.

We hope to see everyone there for this Holiday get-together.

Dick & Sue Brownlee

November COB Birthdays

1 st	Eugene Wojcik
4 th	Ed Seifert
4 th	Craig Eckert
7 th	Mary Boyle
14 th	Arnold Wosilait
23 rd	Rod Reisdorf
25 th	Dorothy DeVantier
27 th	Linda Bonus
27 th	Susan Krezmien

COB Anniversaries

4 th	Mary & Rod Reisdorf
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Installation Dinner & Dance

Our annual COB Officers' Installation Dinner & Dance will be held at

*Suzanne's Fine Dining
on Saturday, March 15, 2008.*

All members/prospective members who attend will receive a very special keepsake

Please send/e-mail Lynn Ienco a picture of your favorite Corvette (for those of you who own more than one). We need to limit the number of pictures to one/couple.

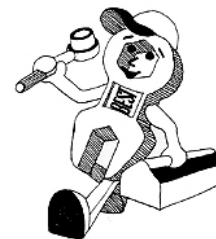
Lynn's e-mail address: redcruiser@verizon.net

Her mailing address is: 49 Cable Street, Buffalo, NY 14223.

We will be giving you more complete details in the near future.

Carol Kinney, Lynn Ienco, & Pamm Seifert

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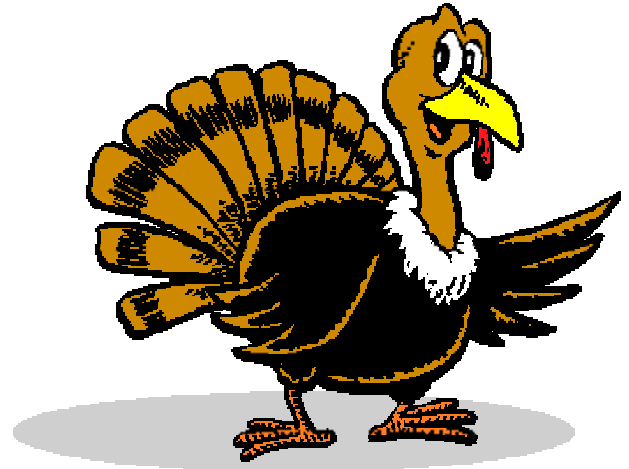
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Corvette History

- **November 1, 1997:** Corvette Assistant Chief Engineer, John Heinrich is re-assigned to Chief Engineer of GM's F-Body platform which builds the Firebird and Camaro.
- **November 2, 1990:** In a small shopping center in Bowling Green, Kentucky, the National Corvette Museum Annex is opened.
- **November 2, 1999:** Chevrolet announces that it will enter a C5R Corvette race car at the 68th annual 24 Hours of Le Mans in France in 2000.
- **November 7, 1969:** The 250,000th Corvette (a Riverside Gold convertible) rolls off the assembly line.
- **November 16, 1997:** Corvette Designer, Larry Shinoda, (famous for the 1963 split window Corvette) dies of kidney failure.
- **November 1960:** The CERV I (Chevrolet Experimental Research Vehicle) is first shown in public at the Riverside International Raceway. It is a mid-engine, open wheel, single seat prototype racing car
- **November 1992:** The date of building 1997 Corvettes is planned to be September 3, 1996.
- **November 1992:** Dave Hill, an engineer in General Motors' Cadillac program, accepts a job offer to become Corvette Chief Engineer
- **November 1992:** Mercury Marine, in Stillwater, OK, completes building all LT5 engines destined for Corvette ZR-1s for the year
- **November 1996:** The 1997 Corvette is unveiled to the press.


Have A Happy Thanksgiving



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Pratt & Miller Engineering has designed and developed a new limited edition Corvette C6RS that provides an exceptional level of performance and refinement for enthusiasts.

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