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"The general purpose of CSCC is to encourage planned trips, events and social activities for members of CSCC; to act as a source of technical information; to establish rules and regulations covering all activities of CSCC; to provide and regulate events and exhibitions of Corvettes; and to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways; and to own personal property as needed for the foregoing purposes."

Meeting Information

Monthly business meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of the month.

The next meeting:

7:00 P.M. Thursday Nov. 3, 2022 Meeting Location

Mike Maroone Chrevrolet North 1570 Auto Mall Loop, Colorado Springs, CO 80920 (719) 377-3741



click here for map

Hello Corvette Enthusiast,

Board Meetings

Meetings are held the Tuesday prior to the business meeting.
The next board meeting:

7:00 P.M. Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022

Chris Capshaw 1645 Pinon Glen Circle, CS 80919 (Chris' HOA Clubhouse)

(The chairperson for each event should attend the board meeting prior to their event.)

After the November meeting, join us for dinner, dessert, or just drinks!
Old Chicago

4110 N Academy Blvd, Colorado Springs, CO 80918

97 Members Present at the October Meeting

John Ames Gail Applekamp Scott Applekamp Juan Ayala Lucia Bell Robert Bell Steve Bello Jr. Barrett Benson Luther Benson Dan Biggs Juanita Bochnak Howard Bufkin Mike Burks Andy Butterfield Debbie Butterfield Chris Capshaw Jonathan Capshaw Peter Claus Elaine Collins Tim Collins Scott Cronk Shay Cronk Nani De Felice Pete De Felice Elliott Delman

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Richard Haugen J. (Jubal) P. Speers Guests At the October Meeting – Welcome! Corvette 2021 Torch Red Coupe 1981 Red Coupe 2019 White

October Meeting Minutes

The October meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Chris Capshaw.

Club Charity Check Presentation – Vicki Ury and Mike Neufeld

Wayne Hutchinson from the Foundation for School District 11 was present to receive the checks. He expressed how thankful the two automotive programs are for the money they receive. Vicki presented him with a check for \$4,850 from the club and Mike presented a check for \$2,400 from Daniels Long.

2023 Officer Nominations & Election - Chris Capshaw

The CSCC Officers and Board for 2023 are:

President – Chris Capshaw
First VP – Steve Smith
Second VP – Tom Phillips
Treasurer – Anita Smith
Secretary – Jodi DeSchepper
Governor – Walt Jenkins
Board Member – Todd DeSchepper
Board Member – Denise Phillips

Treasurer's Report – **Anita Smith** reported that the club is still comfortable and stated how much of our budget that we have spent so far for the year.

Secretary Report – Jodi DeSchepper. No corrections to the September minutes as they were approved as printed in the September newsletter.

Past Events:

Gunnison Getaway – Jodi DeSchepper

Had wonderful weather and a fun day. 21 Vettes in the show and 9 for the rallye. Made a profit of \$600. Comfort Inn was very accommodating. A big thank you to all the volunteers.

Fall Colors Cruise - Chris Capshaw Had 28 cars. Beautiful colors and a nice lunch at Colorado Mountain Brewery.

New Business:

Christmas Baskets - Chris Capshaw

We are about ½ way to our goal. Please consider donating to this very worthy cause.

Club Charity Nominations – Chris Capshaw Nominations must be received by the board no later than Oct. 25th. Must be a 501c3 and established in El Paso County. Voting will be held at the Dec. club meeting.

Museum Update - Barrett Benson

Many raffle tickets for sale. Exciting news that plant tours will starting in Nov. Museum is changing. They are running out of space and new buildings will be built. Many other changes are also taking place. Be sure to let Barrett know If you are buying raffle tickets or purchasing insurance from NCM.

New Cars – Upgrades – Special News: Steve and Anita Smith recently purchased a 2023 70th Anniversary edition C8.

Steve Bello's recommended that if you are happy with service then please leave a positive review for the establishment.

Governor's Report – Walt Jenkins

RMR Update: 3 sanctioned events remaining for the year. Renewals are coming up.

NCCC Update: National elections are being held now. There are several new rules that will go into effect if approved. If interested in what may change please contact Walt. The convention for 2023 will be held at Bowling Green. Sign up opens on February 1st.

Upcoming Club Events & Activities: Oct. 16th – Fall Autocross

Walt Jenkins state that the autocross will be inside at PPIR. Many volunteers are needed. Setup will be on Saturday. It should prove to be a fun day. Food vendor cancelled so please bring your own lunch.

Oct. 28th - Trunk or Treat

Bob Knowles explained that this is sponsored by the Wounded Warrior Project. Please decorate your Vettes and selves and support this great cause. He provided the location and time. Please contact Bob or Tom Phillips for more information.

Oct. 29th – Highway Beautification Chris Capshaw asked everyone to come out and help. The more the less time it will take. Starts at about 9:00 AM.

Nov. 6th - S'No Flakes Rally

Tim Collins stated that volunteers are needed and to please pray for no snow. It should be a fun filled day for everyone.

Door Prizes Winners - Thank you for door prize contributions from Daniels Long and an anonymous donor. Congratulations to all the winners.

Good News – Bad News Suitcase Went home with T.J. Larson for \$40.

Introduction of guests – Tom Phillips

Guests in attendance were: Richard & Kristal Harrison, Richard Haugen and J. (Jubal) P. Speers Welcome to the club Richard & Kristal Harrison and Richard Haugen!

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Minutes by Jodi DeSchepper



Charity Check Presentation

Oct/Nov 2022 Calendar

Sat Oct 29 Highway Beautification
Tue Nov 1 7 pm CSCC Board Meeting
Thu Nov 3 7 pm CSCC Club Meeting
Sun Nov 6 S'No Flakes Rallye
Sun Nov 20 DCA Turkey Rallye

Gary Walters, Ted Severn Chris Capshaw Mike Maroone Chevrolet North Tim and Elaine Collins

Calendar dates as of October 15, 2022.

For the latest updates, flyers, and pictures, check out events on our webpage: www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org

Colorado Gold Submitted by Chris Capshaw

Why are we so thankful to be living in Colorado? One of the reasons is we get to witness Mother Nature's glory every fall. September 24th was a beautiful crisp Fall morning, and twenty-eight gorgeous Corvettes assembled at Rudy's BBQ, to participate in our club's annual Fall Colors Cruise. We cruised to Woodland Park, where we happened to share a parking lot with the Rocky Mountain Mustangers Mustang club, who were also out enjoying the colors. The Mustang owners came over to admire our Corvettes, but for some reason that couldn't be explained, we did not do the same for them. Maybe it was because there were two defectors from our club with the Mustangers. Anyway, we continued through Divide, Victor, and Cripple Creek, and then made a stop at the Hornbeck Homestead. We then continued our trek back to Colorado Springs, where most of us made a lunch stop at the Colorado Mountain Brewery. The service was wonderful, as was the food, and adult beverages. A great day overall, brought to us by Mother Nature.















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Non-member – Corvette For Sale Advertising \$100/month For website & newsletter advertising (Deadline – 10th of the month)

Bonaventure Apple Fest Submitted by Chris Capshaw

On a great September Sunday, the Bonaventure Retirement Home held their Apple Fest. The home invited our club to show off our Corvettes, and thirteen members answered the call. Special parking was designated, and the Corvettes got a lot of attention from residents, staff, and people from nearby neighborhoods. A very nice surprise happened, when former club member Melvin Swindale, a resident of the home, spent hours visiting with club members. Awards were given out, and Mike and Winnie Bochnak took home first place, while Jack and Alice Lester, and Tom Phillips secured second and third places, respectively. Other members who enjoyed the event were; Chris and Jonathan Capshaw, Mike Dittman, Steve Dombrowski, T.J. Larson, Rick McGuffin, Carol Mendoza, and Thomas Trinidad.

















Thank you Club Members!



COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB S'No Flakes Rallye Sunday, November 6, 2022



GIMMICK RALLYE SANCTION #RM-183-R01

Starting point:

1170 Interquest Parkway (Behind Drury Inn) Colorado Springs, CO 80921

REGISTRATION OPENS: ON-LINE

REGISTRATION CLOSES: 10 AM - November 4, 2022

Tech Inspection 9:00 AM – November 6, 2022 Driver's Meeting 9:50 AM – November 6, 2022 First Car out at 10:00 AM – November 6, 2022

\$30 Per Car (Driver and Navigator), \$35.00 at event

Please fill out the pre-registration form; or register the day of the event. https://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCCOnlineRegistration/Programs/Registration.php?eventId=16

NCCC Rules will be used for this event

Governor

Walt Jenkins 719-337-1143 **Chairperson**

Tim & Elaine Collins 719-528-1391 Tim.thecollinsgroup@gmail.com

Directions:

I-25 and Interquest Parkway (Exit 153), East on Interquest, First Traffic Light turn North, Registration will be in the Drury Inn parking lot.

You are invited to the Colorado Springs Corvette Club Christmas Party

An Old-Fashioned Christmas

Thursday, December 15, 2022 The Pinery North 9633 Prominent Point, Colorado Springs, CO

\$25.00 per person – non-refundable



Social Hour at 6:00 pm Dinner at 7:00 pm Entertainment at 8:00 pm

This is a CSCC Members only Party, Reservations due by December 1, 2022



Hosted by the CSCC Officers and Board Members

Please contact Anita Smith, <u>treasurer@coloradospingscorvetteclub.org</u> to make reservations and for payment information



Get to Know Your Fellow Members

An Interview with Tony & Kristi Gonzalez

by Diana Dittman

How long have you been a CSCC member? Since April of 2021. Tony said, "I felt like we were members after the first meeting. Great experience."

What Corvette(s) do you currently own? A 2007 black ZO6. (Scary fast and a blast to drive!)

Marital Status? Been married for 38 years since June of 1984.

How did you meet? They are high school sweethearts! They met freshman year of high school. They were both on the varsity tennis team and would hang out with the group. Tony asked Kristi to dance at a party. Also, Tony played clarinet in the band (he didn't want to divulge that and fancied himself playing the saxophone instead) and Kristi was a flag girl (color guard). Tony also admitted that he would watch Kristi through the fence during swimming class (outdoors in Tucson, AZ). He said that she was cute! They started dating and would double date with Tony's older brother (who had a different girl on each date). They would go to the drive-in with friends as well. After high school graduation Kristi went to college and Tony joined the Air Force. They got married two years later.

Where are you from? Tony was born in Flagstaff, AZ and grew up in Tucson. Kristi was born and raised in Tucson.

Employment? Tony joined the Air Force right out of high school. He was a Communications guy (computer maintenance/network engineer) for his whole career and loved every minute of it. He even worked on the C-130 Comm Jammer Aircraft. They were stationed in Korea, Washington, Florida, South Carolina, Arizona, Panama, Saudi Arabia, and in Colorado. He retired in 2007. Since then, he works as a defense contractor for the Department of Defense. Kristi was a stay-at-home Mom for 10 years. When her son, Alex, was born with a tiny hole in his heart he had an ultrasound and Kristi decided that she wanted to have a career as an x-ray technician. She worked in trauma and the O.R. While in Germany she became a mammogram technician and did ultrasounds. She became the operations manager at Optum in 2021.

Kids? They have three children (two daughters and a son). They have five grandkids with another one on the way. Their son works at NORAD for the Department on Defense.

Pets? None.

Favorite club activity? They like the cruises the best (spending time with fellow Vette lovers). They also like the car shows.

Hobbies? Before the Corvette, Tony was into riding Honda dirt bikes. He says that he still rides when there are no CSCC events going on. Kristi loves shopping for the grandkids. Tony says she just loves shopping in general. (And it shows by her large shoe collection!) Nothing wrong with that! ©They also like to go to small local breweries.

What is the best vacation you ever took? They went to Hawaii, a dream come true. While living in Germany Kristi's highlight was going to Venice, Italy and taking a gondola ride. While stationed in Germany they also visited Poland, Spain, Czechoslovakia, Amsterdam, and they went to Octoberfest in Germany. The tent was so crowded that they drank their huge steins of beer outside.

What is your dream corvette? Kristi said that she would like an orange 1982. Tony's is a C8 ZO6. (Although they love their 2007 ZO6).

How did your love of Corvettes come about? Tony says that he grew up in a hard-core Chevy family. He loved Corvettes and knew he would have one someday. ("The true and only American sports car", he says.) Kristi also grew up in a "car" family. She learned how to drive at age 12 and taught Tony how to drive a stick shift when they were dating. Her Dad had a Chevy Nova racecar.

Anything else that you would like to add? They really enjoy all the CSCC activities. They are also part of the unofficial "Wolf Ranch" Corvette club with neighbors, Jack and Alice Lester, and Steve Dombrowski. Also only a block away are Pete and Nani De Felice. They love it when they hear each other start up their awesome Vettes. Another CSCC "small world" association is that Mike Burks was their son's baseball coach.

Thanks for the interview Tony and Kristi.





Barrett Benson bsqaured@q.com



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ARTIFACTS of the MONTH - WHEEL & PEDAL CAR

The Museum's recent selections for **Artifact of the Month** are: a wheel from its collection for August, and the Don Yenko pedal car for September.

Wheel: Important in the overall look of a Corvette, wheels also perform serious functions. Designers need to find the balance between creating something appealing to people aesthetically while also being structurally sound. Sketches are drawn, then images are rendered, printed, sculpted, modified, scanned, evaluated, and refined. Each step, including the numerous wheel designs, becomes a three-dimensional "document" called a *Design Quality Prove Out Model*.

According to retired Design Director for GM Performance Vehicles and NCM Hall of Fame 2019 inductee, Tom Peters, "We might have to be taking wheel surfaces away here and there to reduce the mass, thinking about being able to fit tools, clear the brakes, fit the tires, wheel weights. These are incredibly complex. All that must be evaluated." The process might go back and forth a few times until both engineers and designers are happy. They then create a model on the REN Board, a modeling board of dense material that can be cut accurately, to give a perfect three-dimensional representation of a particular part before making actual tools for production.

August's *Artifact wheel* will be featured in an upcoming exhibit, *Driven by Design*. Although it appears to be autographed, it is not. The signatures belong to those signing off on the model as "ready to release from design" before it moves on to production. "It's a document now, Tom says, "...an understanding and an agreement between disciplines — engineering, design, and manufacturing."

Yenko Pedal Car: Don Yenko accomplished many things as a racer and builder of high-performance Chevrolets. When not modifying Camaros, Novas, and Vegas with Corvette engines at his dealership, Don was working on a pedal car for his young daughter Lynn. Special pedal cars were offered as sales incentives at various dealerships to increase sales of the 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air. The Yenko pedal car is a 53-inch long, 24-inch wide kiddie-sized Corvette. Styled after the 1956 model, the car came with a one-piece molded high-impact plastic body, a low- and high-speed shift handle on the steering column, a two-speed transmission featuring nylon beveled gears, and heavy duty all-steel welded frame.

Lynn actively played with her first-generation toy, but didn't know what happened to it. Don had eventually given her special Corvette to a neighbor, who donated the car to NCM in December 2002. Visiting Bowling Green, KY to see her childhood toy brought tears to Lynn's eyes when she saw the pedal car that gave her so many hours of joy. The car is carefully maintained in its "as is" condition as a small part of the Yenko legacy at the National Corvette Museum.



August 2022 Artifact of the Month: Signed, Three-Dimensional REN Board Representation of Corvette Wheel

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