



CAPITOL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Chappy's Deli, 8441 Vaughn, Rd. Montgomery, AL -- Tues. Sep 3, 2024

☆ Welcome: **David Dodd** – President “**must be getting ready for**

deer season as his beard is developing a “winter coat” Dodd called the huddled masses to order at 6:37 CDST. That’s TWO MINUTES LATER than the August meeting... I detect “meeting creep!” (or is that creepy meetings?). Just like American politics, the room was “divided” – when he asked “Ya’ll ready to get started?”, half the room said: “Yes! Let’s get this over with!” while the other half the room said: “No! We want to just meet and eat (the free ice cream).... This meeting stuff cuts into our nap time.” As usual, the second half quieted down when Madam President threatened to take away all the Kit Kat bars/other chocolates off of the tables and quoting a famous French philosopher after someone complained about the threat of no chocolate (or was it bread): “Let them eat cake!”

☆ Secretary: **Stef “Truth is more fun than Fiction – sort of” Eisen** - Minutes of Last Meeting – yada, yada, approved. Convincing fiction mixed in with just enough truth to get by an audit (Remember, the IRS budgeted to hire 37,000 new auditors so they won’t have to track/tax wait staff’s tips!).

☆ Treasurer: **Vickie “Yea” Lavender** – started off with: “If you brought us a check in the last month, we have it! Just haven’t “deposited” it yet.” (So where is this black hole of uncashed (I mean undeposited) checks residing?) As of Aug 31, 2024, we have money. For those OCDers who demand details, we have \$2,727.73 in checking (who’s checking we never know), \$4,578.72 in “savings” (saving for what?), for a total ransom of \$6,851.55. To Vickie’s credit (now there’s a dangerous word to use for the treasurer), she did run the 50/50 while VP Windham was off being a new Grampy.

☆ Membership Chair: **Pam “All these New People!” Smith** – Pam did not get to open her store tonight, but there is plenty of merchandize options to select your fabulous fall wardrobe. Just get with pam (along with your money!). Because Pam didn’t have to tend to the store, she got to eat her dinner in relative peace! She even (and I am quoting her) “got to sit with the commoners tonight” to enjoy her repast. Yes, Princess Pam, we are not worthy -- 😊

- The Fabulous CCCC has (AO 31 August) 84 Family Members, with 2 New Members in August. We had 41 people with nothing better to do to attend the meeting

- September Birthdays:

9 Kalandria (Nene) Smith

10 Michael Glass

17 Jon Briggs

19 Kathy Poe

20 Larry Coleman Jr.

21 Donna Dotch

25 Averil Loague

28 Charles Williams

29 Robin Heitland

*If you have any new updates such as Vanity Tags, Cars, Addresses, Email, Phone Numbers, please keep us updated. This keeps the Roster current, and you can keep getting info on club events.

*We are taking membership dues for 2025

*New Club Apparel are now available. Shirts, Windbreakers, Hats. We have extra anniversary shirts available for sale. Contact Pam Smith for sizes that are available. We also have a few extra Club Shirts and lined jackets available. Contact Pam Smith for sizes.

Welcome New Members!

Dolores "I braved the 2024 Maxwell Car Show/Airshow and still joined the Fabulous CCCC" Osborne-Hensley of Pike Road, with a 2023 Gunmetal Gray Corvette.

Joe & Candy McClendon of Montgomery, with a 2006 Red/Camel Convertible Z06 Corvette

Member Updates:

*Carl McDevitt has a new 2024 C8 Riptide Blue Z51Corvette.

*Bob "I ain't got 'nothin' Elmore mentioned some minor news.... Just a drop dead gorgeous C8 Z06 (Triple Black). AWESOME! I think the plate will read something like: rulbrkr2 – am I right Bob? Bob has some C6 accessories for sale if anyone is interested. Tops with covers, etc. He had fun with the Museum Delivery Experience.

*Congratulations to Grandparents Dave and Kathy Windham and Great Granddad Phil Booty on the birth of their new Corvette Driver, baby girl, Charlie Jade.

*Congratulations to Mario (Blade) Williams (2nd place) and Gus (Bumpy) Maxie (3rd place) on winning some Big trophies at the Corvette Car Show in Irondale, AL. Thanks for representing the CCCC! If you haven't seen the pics of their cars all lit up you should check them out on FB. Just for reference, the 1st place winner builds show cars FOR A LIVING..... so they represented us extraordinarily well!!!

Guests:

Welcome Greg Houser of Prattville with a 2015 C7 Arctic White Stingray.

Welcome Lauvone Turner of Montgomery with a 1999 Torch Red Convertible.

(Both joined the CCCC tonight!!)

☆ Racing & Leisure Event Coordinator: **Mark Reese** – had a sub.... and, as always, no-one can "sub" for the "Mark". That being said.... some old, bald guy got up and reminded the gathered about the Open Track Day at Little Talladega Gran Prix track (<https://talladegagp.com/>) on 28 September. Sign up and have some fun at the "Gran Prix"! You can go fast and not worry about the "Blue Light Special" in the rear view mirror. Notes: Huntress is still in the "operating room", but there are hopes she'll be roaring like a lion by the 28th. Also, No Tree 2 will make her track debut.... That could be cool or that could be scary (promise cool, Stef is still learning how to drive this beast).

☆ A special welcome to Saba Coleman (Larry's better half!) – Last year, the MPD had a car show downtown. A community outreach event that displayed all sorts of police equipment (and most of Greg Lyon's outstanding speeding tickets). It went very well, and at last year's event, an idea was floated to expand the display to include our cars as well. Saba followed through and here we are! Save 12 October for the show (12-3 PM). It'll be downtown Montgomery at Court Square Fountain. The theme: Cops and Community Car Show (National Faith & Blue 2024). They are partnering with the Church of the Highlands to present a family oriented, fun event. Free! Register by sending an email to Saba Coleman: scoleman@montgomeryal.gov

☆ Web Master: **Julie "the Web is cooking along" Hall** – presented her Mary Kay (no not Stefs' wife) outreach program to the assembled. For the new members who aren't familiar with Julie's outstanding program, the following should help: 1. Cancer Sucks; 2. The

treatments for cancer sucks too; 3. To help with the issues associated with cancer care (especailly chemo and radiation therapy), her Mary Kay cosmetic and skin care unit puts together “Cancer Care Packages” to gift to new cancer treatment patients. If you’d like to sponsor one of these packages, a \$20 donation to Julie’s program would cover the cost of the products – there is no profit in this project – everything is at cost. Thanks in advance. As someone who was a cancer caregiver for 4+ years (this is Stef writing), these comfort items really do help AND it also helps to know that someone out there is thinking about you on this difficult journey. Note: Keep the Muttersbaughs in your thoughts and prayers – Tim is dealing with cancer.

- ☆ NCM Ambassador: **Carolyn “I get twice as much time tonight since I wasn’t here at the last meeting” Middleton** – the lowdown on the **2025 Corvette ZR1 “Basics” (there’s nothing “basic” about this beauty)**
- ☆ First factory produced Turbo-charged Corvette; Hidden adjustable rear spoiler; Carbon fiber front splitter; Side intakes for enhanced brake cooling; Michelin Pilot Sport 4S tires – 20s in the front and 21s in the back; Magnetic Ride damper system; Accelerates from 80 to 200 (MPH, not KPH)! and back to 80 in 24.5 seconds; Flow through hood actively vents hot air -- thereby increasing downforce and cooling the engine; Carbon fiber side ducts & cold air intakes maintain optimum engine and brake temperatures; Massive carbon ceramic rotors; Badging – instead of Zora they have a badge of Tadge Juechter, retiring executive chief engineer of the new ZR1; Split rear window with hatch intakes; 10-spoke visible carbon fiber wheels; Covered underbody – smooth underbody minimizes drag and turbulence.
- ☆ Estimated Price - \$180,000 - \$205,000 – Estimated (ok, break out the smelling salts – there’s people all over the floor!)
- ☆ 1,064 HP Twin-turbo 5.5-liter V-8; The C7 ZR1 had 755 hp supercharged 6.2-liter V-8; the C6 ZR1 made headlines back in the day with a 638 hp LS9 – also 6.2-liter V-8. New ZR1 has more hp than TWO C6 Z06’s - do the math– $505 \times 2 = 1,010$. Redlines at 8,000 rpm. 8-Speed Dual Clutch transmission.
- ☆ Torque: 828 pound-feet of torque at 8,000 rpm; First eight hundred is available at 3,000 rpm; Torque is limited in the transmission’s first two gears to preserve the 8-speed dual-clutch automatic. Top speed – 215 mph +
- ☆ Why 1,064 hp? As told by Jordan Lee, the chief engineer of small-block engines: For every generation of Corvette, they wanted the next generation to have more horsepower. The C7 ZR1 was 755 and they figured 850 was a pretty good range. In their briefing, they were told to create a more powerful ZR1 (enough to differentiate it from the mighty 755-hp C7 ZR1 Corvette). The performance bar was set at 850 hp. They did their analysis, did their benchmarking and computer simulations, and it looked like 850 was going to work. The 95-hp bump over its six-year predecessor sounded mediocre but they were also prepping up to be the first-ever mid-engine model. So that did come with a lot of handling and weight-loss perks. Lee and his engineers discovered during the initial testing of the prototype engine that the engine was underperforming. They decided to push the threshold after carefully assessing whether the transmission and cooling system would suffice. With numerous tests, the envelope was pushed to 900, then 955, and it breached the 1,000 hp mark. Then, when the team understood that their vicious V8 was remarkably close to toppling the 1,025-hp Demon 170 V8, they went right ahead and surpassed the Dodge. The Demon 170 achieved its 4-digit hp figure on E85 fuel. Chevy managed to do

1,064 hp with regular pump gas.

- ☆ What is the difference in the LT7? Twin turbo-chargers with a nominal 20.0 psi of boost – 2 turbos are weight and space savings since superchargers sit atop an engine and take up more space; Exclusive intake system; Both port and direct fuel injection; NO TRUNK; Stronger connecting rods; New pistons and head castings make for lower compression ratio of 9.8:1 – the LT6 is 12.5:1; Useful turbo anti-lag system to help maintain responsiveness (essentially no wastegates); Dry sump oil tank but it is sculpted to avoid turbocharger plumbing. This was also on the Z06 but it was never used
- ☆ Comparing the LT7 (C8 ZR1) and other Supercars
 - ☆ Mercedes-AMG One with an F1 engine and High-tech pushrod suspension and a \$5.5 million price tag. ZR1 has 1,064 hp vs. 1,063 hp
 - ☆ Ram 2500 Diesel Truck: Diesel Trucks are known for their torque -- The ZR1 with 828 pound-feet and the Ram 2500 Diesel Truck has 850 pound-feet
 - ☆ Power-to-weight ratio: 3,760 pounds quoted dry weight -- Power-to-weight ratio around 580 hp/ton. Even with fluids it will beat: Bugatti Veyron – 474 hp/ton, Porsche 918 – 485 hp/ton
 - ☆ Weight: Lighter than Tesla Model S Plaid (1,096 pounds lighter), Lucid Air Sapphire (1,666 pounds lighter); even with fluids, the ZR1 will be lighter than the “performance” EVs
 - ☆ More Downforce. With the optimal ZTK package, the ZR1 has 1,200 pounds of downforce at speed. Better than a Lamborghini Huracan STO with 926 pounds but less than Porsche 911 GT3 RS with 1,896 pounds

Business:

1. We are still taking membership dues \$36 annually for 2025. See Pam & Vickie. Make checks payable to CCCC.
2. CCCC Christmas party @ Arrowhead CC. Board members met at Arrowhead to go over the final details. As you know, inflation has caused the cost of many goods in the US to increase significantly, with this being said the cost of the room has increased from \$500 to \$750. It was going to be \$1000, but our diplomatic negotiator, Vickie, got the price to \$750. The club will absorb the \$250, so your price, per person, is still \$40.00. Make checks payable to CCCC.
3. SAT. NOV 2ND: CAPITOL CITY CORVETTE CLUB CAR SHOW. “CARS ON THE GREEN” @ VILLAGE GREEN PARK, MILLBROOK, AL 9am-2pm. Awards @ 1pm.
Club members, we need your help once again with raffle prizes. Please donate an item & as a reminder, you could ask your favorite restaurant/or other business if they could assist with our car show (take a flyer). We will announce their donation @ the car show. Everyone that pays for a vehicle entry, one raffle ticket is given to them. They can place the one ticket in any plastic container, next to the desired raffle prize. But remember, anyone can buy as many tickets as they wish, to have a chance, at a desired raffle item. The charities for this year:

(1.) Montgomery Children’s Center Adult Program	50%
(2.) Humane Shelters of Elmore and (3.) Autauga County	25% Each
4. Quilt: CCCC ladies quilting team had a great and productive time last month. Again, thank you to Debbie Muttersbaugh for her expertise / imagination. The donation tickets will be 5.00 each. We will also sell tickets the day of the show. The winner will be announced day of our car show Sat. Nov 2nd.
5. Email David Dodd or David Windam where you can help (or ask them where the help is needed). This is an “all hands on deck” effort. Please help.

6. Thank you, John Heitland! As you know, he sold his beautiful C8 and had “extras” for sale. He donated \$995.00 to the CCCC from the sales of those items. A few items are left.

*4 Wheel Spacers w/ lug nuts. \$75	*2 TIRES. Michelin Pilot Sports <u>w/o</u> rims. 265 30 ZR20. \$75 EACH	*2 Heavy duty strut supports for engine compartment. \$ 50 for both.	*Red Trunk Cover (C8 RALLY DRIVER) C8 profile. \$75
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Upcoming (the weather is getting nicer, there is PLENTY to do!!!) Events:

1. **Wed. Sep 18th**: Ladies Luncheon @11am: Verde Café @ Museum of Fine Arts. 1 Museum Dr., Montgomery, AL 36117.
2. **Sat. Sep 21st**: Cars & Coffee @ Riverside Chev., Wetumpka, AL 10-noon.
3. **Sat. Sep 28th**: 9-1pm Heart of Dixie Mustang Fall Car Show @ Bass Pro. Prattville, AL. \$25 1 lunch is included.
4. **Sat. Sep 28th**: Cruise-In at Dreamland BBQ (corner of Vaughn and Taylor Rd) 4:30pm-8:00ish. Thank you “Team Moses and McClendon” for these wonderful events! As a side note: Check out our very own resident Pablo Picasso – view his artwork on the CCCC Facebook “gallery”!
5. **Sat. Oct 12th**: (12-3 PM). Cops and Community Car Show (National Faith & Blue 2024) @ the Court Square Montgomery, AL. The MPS is partnering with the Church of the Highlands to present a family oriented, fun event. Free! Register by sending an email to Saba Coleman: scoleman@montgomeryal.gov
6. **Sat. Oct 19th**: Keith Kozak’s Halloween Party SAVE THE DATE! This is always a blast!!! Keith and Melinda are awesome hosts!!!! Directions and time upcoming.
7. **Sat. Oct 19th**: (7:30-12:00. Registration 7:30-10:30. Judging at 11:00/awards at 12:00). Faulkner University Car Show. No registration fee! Free donuts and coffee! Free tickets for the Falkner U football game and the campus police will keep an eye on the cars while you are at the game!!
8. Mon. Nov 11th: Veteran’s Day parade: SORRY! CCCC participation is CANCELED! Stef did not get a warm fuzzy from the last several meetings. There is a good faith effort, but just not enough horsepower to get from here to parade day. Nobody’s fault, just people have too much on their plates to add this to their “todo” list. Stef didn’t want all the club members to put in all sorts of work to get their rides ready to then show up a parade that is less than excellent. Maybe next year.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: TUES. DEC 03, 2024: December is the only month we do not have a monthly meeting (and the secretary doesn’t get to fabricate fact from fiction), because we have our Christmas dinner instead. Arrowhead Country Club 5-8:30 pm. Cost: \$40.00 per person. Want to play ‘Dirty Santa’? Just bring a new wrapped gift valued at \$25. Let the fun begin!

CHRISTMAS CARAVAN: SAT. DEC 21, 2024. For those that have not experienced a CCCC Christmas Caravan, here are the details: We have three hosts: Appetizer, Main Course, Dessert. We meet at the Dollar Tree @ 2081 Colliseum Drive., (Vista View Center), Montgomery, AL. We then drive, as group (at least we try to), to each host house. Participating in the caravan is great. Believe me, you will not go home hungry. Meet up between 4:15pm-4:45pm. ‘Oh what fun it is to

ride' begins @ 5pm. This a rain or shine (but definitely dark) event. C2 and C3 owners, check the vacuum lines to your headlight assemblies!

Charitable Items Needed:

A. **MOM (Medical Outreach Ministries):** Carolyn Middleton -- Items Needed:

<u>Lunch Bags</u> <u>White or Brown</u>	<u>Pens</u>	<u>Post It Notes-All Sizes + Note pads 4x6 or 5x7</u>
<u>Copy Paper</u>	<u>Spray Air Freshener</u>	<u>Paper Clips & 2024 Calendars. Those you may obtain from your mail and do not use.</u>
<u>Rubber Bands</u>		

B. **Homeless Sleeping Mat Ministry:** Vickie Lavender: Homeless Sleeping Mat Ministry is through several local organizations that weave and make sleeping mats for the homeless population out of plastic shopping bags. Other needs below:

Blankets Light Weight	Cracker Packets	Devotional (Scripture Bases)	Lip Balm
Personal Wipes	Small Treats	New Socks	Toiletry Items (from hotel stays)
Tote Bags (Large Reuseable)	Anything donated will be used, if not by this ministry, we have others we are working with that take the items we can't or don't use.		

50/50 DRAWING: Chris Jones had the lucky ticket and Windham wasn't there to skew the results, so we know it was fair! \$60.00 in winnings!

Reminder, please let Carolyn Middleton know, if you have received a car insurance quote, renewed, or have obtained a new policy, purchased a raffle ticket, new/renewal NCM membership.

Need a Club decal for your car? Carolyn Middleton can help. She has small silver & large decals. \$20ea (\$10 to cover materials & \$10 goes back to the club.)

Dates in bold, italicize & underline denote more than one event.

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