

CAPITOL CITY CORVETTE CLUB
Chappy's Deli, 8441 Vaughn, Rd. Montgomery, AL
Tues. Apr 1, 2025

“April Fool's is proof that some people are only funny one day a year.”

- © Welcome: **David “Hop-A-Long” Dodd** – President called the meeting to Order on April Fool's Day (of all days to choose for this club! As Top Gun's Maverick would say: This is a Target Rich environment) at 4:04 in the morning. (just “Fooling”, the only person awake that early would be Mark Reese).
- © Brock Miller (a native of Wisconsin, just like Mary Kay) announced that Lake Michigan is now called Lake Wisconsin!
- © Our Vice President emeritus (Bo Marlin) finally made an appearance with his bride Ann! Long time no see!
- © Secretary: **Stef “Practically Perfect Meeting minutes” Eisen** – The March meeting minutes WERE NOT APPROVED due to numerous factual and made up errors (just “Fooling”, they were perfect as usual – at least as far as you know). There was a plan to not even to bother writing/publishing this month's minutes just to see if the club would approve non-existent meeting minutes!!! Then I changed my mind.
- © Treasurer: **Vickie “Treasurer or Tweasherer (think Elmer Fud)” -- Hey Roger is here!” Lavender** – I tried to pay attention to her “figures”, but we were so excited to see Roger that I forgot to write down the numbers (just “Fooling”, we have \$2,137.30 in Checking and \$4,552.16 in savings for a grand total of \$ 6,689.46). DOGE thinks we are doing a mighty fine job with our resources. Program note: Roger even drove his Vette! NO FOOLIN'!!!
- © Program Note: There are new sheriffs in town. Don't know who the good sheriff is or the bad sheriff, but Blade was sporting a white cowboy hat and Mike Scott was sporting a black cowboy hat. How cool is that!
- © Program note: March madness has invaded the sanctified space of the CCCC meeting. Michael Glass sported an Auburn shirt to 1). Celebrate Auburn's advancement and Bama's loss AND 2). to piss off Stef. It was all in good fun. If Bama can't advance, Stef becomes an Auburn fan!
- © Program Note: Blade has a new sales pitch for selling 50/50 tickets. He'll come by your table (with his cowboy hat) and mention that he hadn't yet sold the winning ticket and would you be interested in buying it! Not bad!!!
- © Membership Chair: **Pam “I didn't set up the shop tonight, but I still have stuff to sell” and “If you haven't paid your dues, I'll let you know before you leave” Smith** –
- © As of 31 March, the fabulous CCCC had 69 Family Members, 7 members renewed in March, and 52 attended the meeting tonight

- © April Birthdays:
- © 4 Saba “one of our favorite (but now retired) police” Coleman
- © 7 Curtis McGuire
- © 8 Doug “Cowboy” York
- © 9 Carolyn “I own I65 to Bowling Green” Middleton

- © 10 Dennis Hadaway
- © 13 Barbara Kelly
- © 14 Alan Davis
- © 16 Katy "Cowgirl" York
- © 27 Jeffry Pirofsky
- © 28 Dean Baskett
- © 30 Irma Street

*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

*We have a few extra Club Shirts and lined jackets and hats available. Contact Pam Smith for sizes.

- © Member Updates:
- © Please keep Jon Briggs and Family in your thoughts & prayers on the passing of his father.
- © Please keep CCCC members Jimmy Middleton, Dennis Hogan and Teresa Green's mother in your thoughts & prayers. Also, Pam mentioned to keep Jean Baskett in your prayers. She took a fall and is hurt. Heal up fast Jean!!! Apparently, Jean hit her face as she fell, and in typical dentist fashion, Dennis asked how her teeth were.
- © Welcome Guests:
- © Matt & Tallis Dyar with a "Bluetiful Lotus" (Tallis description).
- © Racing & Leisure Event Coordinator: **Mark "I got new heads for Sassy" Reese** -
- © Stan's racer blew up the motor AFTER they were told that they were too fast for their class and they had to slow down the car!
- © Little Talladega Gran Prix Raceway has an open track day 26 April. Mark and Stef are going. Interested? Contact Mark.
- © Program Note: 1 April was the 4th anniversary of Jeff Williams death. Mark wore one of Jeff's favorite shirts to commemorate the date. Keep your friends close, tomorrow is not guaranteed.
- © Vice President & Car Show Coordinator: **Mario (Blade) Williams**- Upcoming Car Shows
- © 12 April, Pelham Car Show "Bikes 4 Kids" from 10:00 – 3:00 on Pelham Parkway.
<https://allevents.in/pelham/bikes-4-kids-2nd-annual-car-show/200027937554550>
- © 12April, Liberty Car Show, Chelsea, AL; 8:30-1:30
<https://www.lbccchelsea.com/events/liberty-car-show/2025-04-12+08%3A00%3A00>
- © 12 April, Baugh Ford 15th Anniversary Celebration Car Show, Clanton AL; 10:00- 2:00 (Just for you Dave Windham) <https://allevents.in/clanton/baugh-fords-15th-anniversary-celebration/200028001017046>
- © 19 April, Advance Auto Parts Car Show, Pelham, AL; 2:00-5:00
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1804972323406519/>
- © 19 April, Pell City Car Show, Pell City, AL; 9:00 – 1:00
<https://allevents.in/pell%20city/pell-city-car-show-2025/200027744724711>
- © 26 April, Car Show at the Outlets in Leeds AL; 11:00 – 2:00
<https://allevents.in/leeds-al/car-shows>

- © 26 April, Dreamland BBQ Cruise In, Montgomery, AL; 4:00 until they kick us out.
- © 27 April, Spring Festival Car Show Prattville, AL; 2:00 – 4:00
<https://happeningnext.com/event/spring-festival-car-show-eid3a0cc75v2k>
- © 3 May, Trenholm State Cruise In (Troy Highway), Montgomery, AL; 10:00 – 2:00
<https://www.trenholmstate.edu/cruise-in/>
- © 3 May, Heart of Dixie Car Show, Prattville AL; 3:00 – 6:00 No Internet info available.
Contact: 313-2374
- © 3 May, Bass Pro Shop Car Show, Prattville, AL; 9:00 – 2:00. No internet info available
- © 4 May, Smoke and Chrome Car Show, Billingsley, AL; 12:00 – 4:00
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1057068226437369/>
- © 10 May, Classic Car Motoring Car Show, Irondale, AL; 10:00 – 3:00
<https://www.irondaleautoclassic.com/>
- © 31 May, Vette Spectacular Car Show, Birmingham, AL; 9:00 – 2:00
<https://www.midalc Corvetteclub.com/vette-spectacular-2024>
- © 31 May, 14th Annual Armed Forces Car Show, Ft Benning, GA.
<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=2439766023045034&set=a.322904228064568>
- © 3 May, Train Shed Car Show, Montgomery Train Shed; 10:00-2:00). No Internet information available, but contact Billy Moses (334-300-1333) if you want to show your car. This is always a FABULOUS event.
- © 10 May, Irondale Classic Car Show (Irondale, AL, 11:00-3:00). See
<https://www.irondaleautoclassic.com/>
- © 14 June, Car Show @ Ace Hardware, Deatsville, AL; no interent information availalbe yet.
- © Program Note: Blade is doing a lot of great work in gathering this information and then Stef is digging into the Internet to get URLs for readers to link to for registration/detailed information. Question: Is this effort worth it? If so, let us know. Thanks!
- © Web Master: **Julie “Everything is Fine on the Internet and our Website” Hall** – keep the updates/picutres coming Helps keep the wensite relevant/up to date.
- © NCM Ambassador: **Carolyn “I won’t make the meeting because Jimmie just had surgery – no wait, I’m here!” Middleton** - Report on current happenings at the Museum.
- © NEW NCM CEO As of 17 March 2025 – David Hill: Recognized as Oklahoma’s Most Admired CEO, hands-on Corvette owner and restorer, including a 1967 & 1971 Stingray, involved in many philanthropic efforts
- © Yes, 8 Corvettes were stolen from the Bowling Green Assembly Plant: Michigan man arrested in connection with the thefts. If they had been at Mark Reese’s Garagemahal, the dogs would have stopped/eaten him.
- © Possible effect of 25% tariffs on Corvette Prices: 41% of Corvette parts are sourced from the U.S. and Canada, so 59% are sourced outside US and Canada (25% tariffs will apply to that 59% or 14.75% increase in prices on those items). Estimated prices for a base Stingray would go from \$70,000 to \$80,000.
- © Corvette Production Likely Slowing Down; 66 seniority employees might be placed on “Indefinite Layoff Status” – with the layoffs expected to begin in mid-April. Number may change as they consider employee transfers, retirements, or other adjustments.
- © ZR1 Production was slowed due to limited availability of the high wing as part of the

- carbon fiber aero package. Production has moved forward now that GM has secured additional TOM carbon fiber aero packages. ZR1 will be a low-volume, short-term model
- © Chevy Corvette Wins Kelley Blue Book 2025 Best Resale Value Award; Corvette has a 5-year (75,000 miles) resale value of 61% of original sticker price (higher than MSRP)
 - © Average resale value of the top 10 cars is 58%. Average resale value of the average 2025 model-year car is 44.6%. Corvette also won this award in 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020.
 - © Some C7 Corvettes recalled for power steering loss; affects 2017 and 2018 Corvettes; they have a defective printed circuit board in the steering gear assembly. Results in open circuits and loss of power steering and the need for stronger biceps.
 - © 2025 Corvette ZR1 Owner Requirements. Set in place to curb “flipping” practices – reselling high-demand vehicles for vastly overinflated prices. Owners receive an official retention letter at delivery that requires them to retain the cars for: 2025 E-Ray and 2025 Z06 – Must retain for 6 months and 2025 ZR1 – Must retain for one year. If they sell or transfer before this period, they lose the ability to order future “high-demand” models from GM & new owner loses most of the factory warranty.
 - © 2026 Corvette Zora spied at Nürburgring racetrack in Germany. It’s a new hybrid Corvette. Will serve as a flagship model and pack hyper car levels of power. Missing split rear windshield. New Front mounted vertical radiator that hints at the hybrid powertrain. Release may be pushed back to 2027. Interior has been fully camouflaged (that does not happen unless there is something to hide). Gauge cluster surround has been pushed back to protrude less toward the driver. Wall of buttons on the C8 are either gone or located lower on the center console.
 - © Corvette Raffles: April 17, 2025 – 2025 Sea Wolf Gray Corvette Convertible - \$200/ticket; 1,500 tickets; 1,100 tickets left; April 25, 2025 – 2025 Red Mist Corvette Z06 Convertible - \$300/tickets; 1,500 tickets; 1,000 tickets left; April 26, 2025 – 2025 Artic White Corvette Coupe - \$20/tickets; unlimited tickets; May 22, 2025 – 2025 Riptide Blue Corvette Coupe - \$250/ticket; 1,500 tickets; 1,200 tickets left
 - © National Corvette Museum Events: National Michelin Birthday Bash – April 24-26, 2025; 31st Corvette Museum Anniversary – August 28-30, 2025.
 - © Tell Carolyn Middleton if you: Buy a raffle ticket, Purchase NCM Membership or renew your membership, Purchase NCM car insurance or renew your insurance, Get an NCM insurance Quote, and/or Attend an NCM event.

Business:

1. Want to have fun, enjoy the comradery, drive your corvette with other corvette enthusiastic and always have food involved? Here is the solution! We are offering member dues for a low yearly cost of \$36. Pam & Vickie will love to take your money. Make checks payable to CCCC.
2. Wed. Apr 16th @ 11am: Ladies Luncheon @ First Watch 7224 Eastchase Pkwy., Montg., AL.
3. Sat. Apr 19th: Cars and Coffee at Riverside Chev 10am-11:30 am. Let’s try our lunch plans again. We will be having our first “Country Road” Lunch Ride to Kowaliga Restaurant in Alex City. Approx. drive time from Riverside is approx. 30 min drive. Unfortunately, they do not take reservations.

Country Road Lunch Rides.

If you have any suggestions let us know. Don’t worry you don’t have to organize it; just let us know an area for driving and -- of course -- eating.

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 & 2025 Calendars. Don't throw away those calendars from the mail, they can used..</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 + Toothbrush/Toothpaste
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: Mary Kay won \$85!!!!!! And then, against her husband's wishes, she donated ALL of it back to the Fabulous CCCC! Mark, the 2nd lift will just have to wait....

More comments/business? NO! We want to go home!!! Adjourned (quickly) at 1913 CDST.

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.)

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