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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We are in the final leg of our race to finish 2016. It did not start out as a race, but another year has sped to near completion. The good news is it has been a very active year within the club – once again, thanks to the efforts of our members!

We are set to move into 2017 with our newly elected Board with Marge Rhode as our President. The mix of new Board Members and tenured members will provide the blend we need to generate new ideas and continue the fellowship among our members. Though I will not be serving on the Board for the coming year, I plan to remain an active member in supporting club activities. My name already seems to be attached to our annual Corvettes in the Park show along with a sanctioned autocross, both events taking place in April. And speaking of car shows, our first Earnhardt Chevy Stampede was another well organized, smooth running show – the CCA trademark for car shows! Thanks to Garry Mion as Co-chair for the event and Howard Katz for his behind the scenes support for the show. Also, we cannot forget all the club members who volunteered for the show and those who entered their cars as well.

2016 presented a line-up of fun events throughout the year. We did have the added challenge associated with the sale of Thorobred Chevrolet and the change in our club sponsor. There were a lot of questions on both sides but it appears the transition was quite successful. As a club we will continue to work with our new sponsor, Earnhardt Chevrolet, to create a win-win situation for all parties concerned.

In closing, I want to thank everyone for their help and support during the year. As President, it is quite rewarding to see so many members volunteer their time and energies on behalf of club and our community. It has been a pleasure serving as your President and I look forward to the continued success of our club.

Sincerely,

Jim



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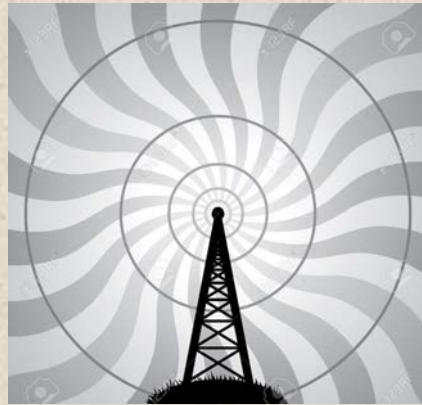
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TRIVIA

BY SCOTT FECK (ANSWERS ON LAST PAGE)



Q.What was the first car to have its radio antenna imbedded in the windshield?



Q.What car used the first successful series -production hydraulic valve lifters?



Q.Where was the first three-color traffic lights installed?

UPCOMING MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November

Kathy Golec
Pam Swanson
Dave Lott
Joyce Riffel
Betty Irish
Charlotte McSpadden
Frank Heavlin
Phil Duhaime



December

Bob Swanson
Georgie Robertson
Ellen Kemper
Gordon Leitz
Mike Myers
Patty Friesz
Alison Stover
Beth Godina

MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR

HOSTED BY ROB & RHONDA DEACON AND FRANK & NANCY HAGEN



The Deacon's (Rob & Rhonda) and the Hagen's (Frank & Nancy) volunteered to do the 2016 MMT during the 2015 MMT the Mundy's (Bruce & Jan) put on in Palm Springs which was very motivational & fun.

We picked Sept. 9th, 10th & 11th to drive to the Magical Mystery destination of our choice. That turned out to be Disneyland in California. We met at Litchfield Road & I-10 at 8a.m. sharp. That's when Rob passed out the map to our next stop. there were 6 maps total.

As we drove thru to California I started a 5 card poker draw. The first place winner, which was revealed at the last leg of the trip, was Pam Swanson with 3 of a kind. Prizes were given Saturday evening after dinner.

One of the stops, on MMT every Friday, has been for lunch. We ate at a golf resort called Bellatrix. Thanks for locating that one Rob! CCA had its own room overlooking the beautiful green golf course. Everyone had given their lunch order weeks in advance and the food and service was very good. At this point everyone got their packets with the pertinent info, including t-shirts, dash-plaques and of course their tickets into Disneyland.



2016 MMT CONTINUED

HOSTED BY ROB & RHONDA DEACON AND FRANK & NANCY HAGEN



We arrived at the Marriott Suites of Anaheim around 3:30. We all had a designated area for parking & we didn't need to move the cars until the drive home on Sunday, hooray!

Pizza night was at 6pm, at Oggi's, right across the street from the Marriott hotel. We had arranged to have the patio for as many hours as needed. All was prearranged.

During the process of putting MMT together we found out there would be 7 birthdays, all in September. So we brought cupcakes from home with the help of the trouble truck that the Katz's (Howard and Sheryl) volunteered to do. Thank you Sooo much! You guys were a God send for hauling the snacks, waters, and oh yes, the alcohol. Sorry about the ants in the back of your SUV due to the residue of the cup cakes. Aiyaiyai! Of course the cup cakes came after the pizza, salad and drinks.



The birthday people were: Rob Deacon, Frank Hagan, Nancy Hagan, Dawn Dziezynski, Dave Golec, Norma Marsh & Bill Rhode.

Lit cupcakes for the birthday people and pictures and singing ensued. Before and after the pizza and cupcakes people collected in the Deacons suite for snacks & wine.

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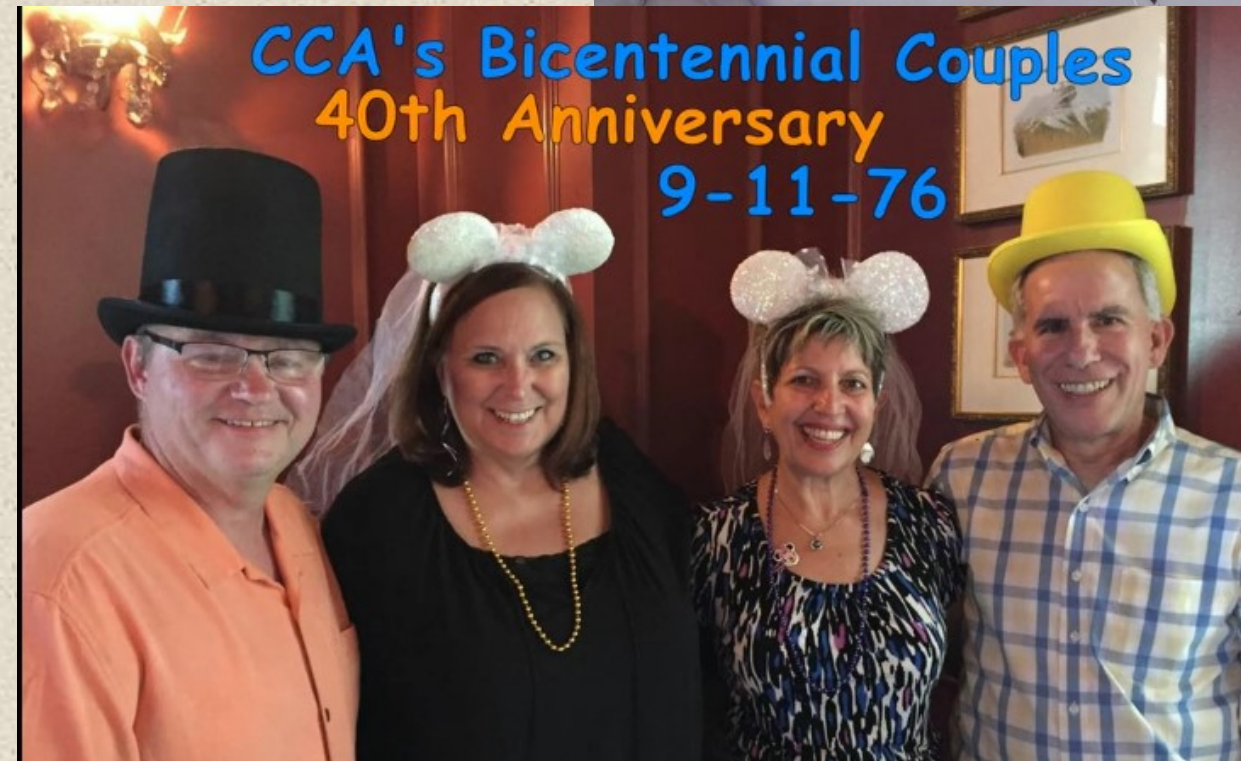


Saturday morning breakfast was a buffet (full breakfast) in the hotel restaurant from 6a.m to 8a.m. The breakfast was also included in the MMT package. Good food and good service was stated.

At 9:15 the bus was at the entrance to pick up CCA people only. This bus trip allowed anyone on this trip to come back & forth every half hour if so desired. Also included in the MMT package.

Lunch was on your own in the park. Dinner that evening at Ralph Brennan's Jazz Kitchen was outstanding.

We celebrated two couples 40th wedding anniversary. The Katz's (Sheryl & Howard) and the Leitz's (JoEllen & Gordy), both wed on the exact day on 9/11, 40 years ago. The restaurant made a beautiful yellow and white cake with raspberry filling. I must mention too that the food was wonderful along with the service.



2016 MMT CONTINUED

HOSTED BY ROB & RHONDA DEACON AND FRANK & NANCY HAGEN



Prizes were given out for participating in a puzzle quiz that everyone said was too stressful, sorry guys! Some of the winners were the Rhodes, McCarty's, Golec's, and the Enriquez.

After dinner some went back to the hotel and some went back to see the fireworks & do more rides.

The Sunday buffet opened at 6am and after breakfast couples left at various times to head on home.

During the dinner at Brennan's, an announcement was made for the next couple that volunteered to put on the MMT for 2017, the Campise's (Roc & Diana) and the Rhode's (Bill and Marge). Looking forward to it guys.



CCA CHICKS CELEBRATE 1ST ANNIVERSARY

HOSTED BY DENISE LOTT AND NORMA MARSH

WHAT'S COOKIN WITH FOOD & FUN!



It's now been over a year since the Corvette Chicks started gathering for lunches. While the members of the group may vary from month to month, depending on everyone's schedules, it has always been a fun gathering with lots of catching up and sharing going on. In September we caught the eye of the Communications Department by having so much fun, and they put us in their newsletter.

To mark our first anniversary, Norma wrote the following poem:

*The Corvette Chicks come to Poolside Café.
They gather for lunch to chit chat and play.*

*They drive their Corvettes and park in the lot.
Arriving at 11:00, right on the dot.*

*Some drive from far and some live near by.
All greet each other with a hug and a "Hi."*

*Activities vary with food, dance and song.
We celebrate and laugh till it's time for "So long."*

*Our friendships grow each time that we meet.
Those Corvette Chick gals are dear and so sweet!*



As you can see, these ladies were celebrating with a balloon, silly hats and a cake.

Things are changing in the Oakwood area, and while our gatherings will be in the same complex, we will move across the street to the new Stone & Barrel Restaurant in the main building of the Country Club.

We get together the second Friday of each month at 11:00 a.m.

To receive a monthly reminder, add your name to our list by writing to our list by writing to njoymarsh@aol.com





CCA ON LINE

FROM WEBMASTER JIM KERBER



Our website recently went through a major transition that you never noticed. Shortly after writing my article for the previous edition of Crosstalk I was notified that our web hosting company decided to go out of business. They were talking about closing all operations within 2 or 3 weeks. This started our search for a new host company, transferring our domain name AND at the same time relying on our website for entry registration for our fall car show, Earnhardt Chevy Stampede. After looking at several hosting companies we chose GoDaddy and initiated the transfer process. We were able to keep the old website in place and running while transferring files to GoDaddy and testing the website until the domain name transfer was complete in early October with no downtime. I wish to thank our Board for making quick decisions to accomplish this transfer. Our previous host company, BaNet, was very cooperative in maintaining hosting services during this transition and expediting the domain name transfer. GoDaddy provided great technical support to make this transition as seamless as possible.

The next website transition will definitely be noticed. Howard Katz has volunteered to be Webmaster next year so I can be Activities Chair. Howard is hard at work developing a new, user friendly website with improved current technology features and significant security improvements. The new website will contain the same information as the current one, have better accessibility on mobile devices and be easier to navigate. More details to follow, from Howard....

Jim Kerber
CCA Webmaster



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*NOTE - September 2016 Business Meeting on Thursday
September 1, 7:00 PM at Floridino's Restaurant in Chandler*



Corvette Club of Arizona Club Merchandise

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meetings**

**Remember, if you are not sure of the size you need,
do not order, as it cannot be returned**

Any Questions? Contact Pam Swanson

OCTOBERFEST

HOSTED BY BRUCE & JAN MUNDY AND DENISE & DAVE LOTT

Full Moon and Music by Candlelight Combo usher in Octoberfest



With a full patio at the Palo Verde Country Club, Corvette Club of Arizona and the Fun Lakers of Sun Lakes first toasted and dined and then toasted and danced under the full moon. Denise and Dave Lott arranged a tasty full German buffet for the occasion and worked as liaison to the country club and the Fun Lakers.

They took reservations and coordinated with the two groups. The combination of the two groups allowed for a large group festive atmosphere typical of Octoberfest.

Dirndl clad Denise and Lederhosen clad Bruce led a polka line dance. Denise amassed a small flock with a rousing chicken dance. Denise and Dave as well as Barbara and Bob Basset drew dancers to the floor with polkas and waltzes. Cameras whirred and clicked madly throughout the evening.

The Candlelight Combo played and sang in German and English. Bruce hefted his tuba and electric bass as well as being main roadie and sound man. In lacy traditional Dirndl dress, Jan was both MC and accordionist. Jan, who studied accordion in Germany, sandwiched lots of



OCTOBERFEST CONTINUED

HOSTED BY BRUCE & JAN MUNDY AND DENISE & DAVE LOTT

Will Stewart, a retired music educator, added his trumpet and guitar to the mix along with his fine tenor voice. The group has been playing together for over fifty years. Jan, Bruce, and Will met as students at ASU. Will was best man at Jan and Bruce's wedding fifty years ago.

Jan, Bruce, and Will picked the combo name one night in the early seventies when they were rehearsing for a gig and the power went out. They then practiced by candlelight. Candlelight was not an unusual name so they added Combo to the candlelight. It seemed appropriate since they book as single, duo, or trio, depending on the venue. If you missed hearing them at the fest, you can hear Jan and Bruce at their website www.candlelightcombo.com.



OCTOBERFEST CONTINUED

HOSTED BY BRUCE & JAN MUNDY AND DENISE & DAVE LOTT



HIGHWAY 89 MOUNTAIN DRIVER

HOSTED BY DAVID EDGINGTON AND JIM ENRIQUEZ



On October 8th, we had a great crowd of 15 Gorgeous Corvettes and 29 Corvette Enthusiasts to participate on a Mountain Driver up Highway 89 to Prescott. I don't have proof of this, but I suspect that whoever designed Highway 89 (affectionately known as "Yarnell Hill") probably was a lover of Corvettes (that's my story and I'm sticking to it). The road going into Yarnell (where the tragic fire happened a few years back) and then the roads into Prescott exuded great joy for any serious Corvette Enthusiast! There is nothing like twisting mountain roads and hairpin turns to see how fantastic these cars can handle. It is fun to chuckle at the signs indicating the speed at which you can safely take curves in the "average" car. As Garrison Keillor used to say about children, we say about our Corvettes - they are well "above average." Of course, on our Drivers, no one is ever pressured to drive above their comfort levels. We do want to be safe and not make anyone uncomfortable. But for those who delight in flinging their Corvettes through serpentine roads and powering out of turns, it was hard to beat this roadway. The only thing better is AutoCrossing (which I highly recommend to any who have not tried it - perfectly safe and absolutely fun!).

For yours truly, the journey was better than the destination. Going there is 90% of the fun, especially with a rainbow of every Corvette color imaginable, following their friends on these wonderful roads. But for some, the destination was equally important. Eating lunch at the luxurious Prescott resort was a great experience especially with the spectacular view which could be seen through the bank of massive picture windows where we were seated (I wonder if Frank Hagan installed them years ago?). It is always good to share a meal with good friends like those in our club.

HIGHWAY 89 MOUNTAIN DRIVER

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Following a good meal, we had 3 options for the Corvette Enthusiasts:

- 1) Drive back down the very same mountain roads
- 2) Go sightseeing and shopping in Prescott
- 3) Drive back down to Phoenix via I-17 for ice cream (custard) at Culver's

Whatever the choice, it was a good and memorable time for all. If you were not able to join us, we hope you can get involved in a future event and enjoy these wonderful Corvettes.

A special thanks to Jim Enriquez who was a great help in teaching a green club member like me about the ropes in organizing an event like this. You are a good friend Jim!

Also thanks to those who took photos of the Driver including Patty Friesz who created a slide show:

<https://vimeo.com/189828750>
Password: PFVideos2Share

Thanks!

David D. Edgington



UPCOMING CCA EVENTS

September

1—Membership Meeting
Floridino's 7:00PM

5—Labor Day

9-11—Magical Mystery
Tour Hagan &
Deacon

15—Board Meeting
7:30PM Edgington

16—CCA Chicks Lunch
Lott/Marsh

Your event
goes here

**GET
INVOLVED!**

October

6—Membership Meeting
Earnhardt 7:00PM
Nominations of 2017
Officers

8—Prescott Driver
Edgington & Enriquez

14—CCA Chicks Lunch
Lott/Marsh

15—CCA Oktoberfest
Mundy & Lott

20—Board Meeting
7:30PM Swanson

31-Halloween



November

3—Membership Meeting
Earnhardt 7:00PM
Election of 2017 Officers

5—Earnhardt Chevy
Stampede
Enriquez & Mion

11—Veterans Day

11—CCA Chicks Lunch
Lott/Marsh

17—Board Meeting
7:30PM Katz

19—Highway Cleanup
Hill

24—Thanksgiving Day

December

1—Membership Meeting
Floridino's 7:00PM

3—Veteran's Home
Lott & O'Conner

10—Christmas Party
Lund & Feck

15—Board Meeting
7:30PM Enriquez

25—Christmas



ROADRUNNER EVENTS CALENDAR 2016 Schedule of Upcoming Events

Date	Event Type	Event Name	Host Club
10/9	PC & Chance Rallye	Monopoly & Poker Run	Verde Valley Vettes
10/23	People's Choice	Corvette Spooktacular	Desert Corvette Association
11/5	People's Choice	Thorobred Thunder	Corvette Club of Arizona
11/5	People's Choice	Vette Thunder	Thunder Vette Set



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*We joined for the car
We stay for the people*

Vette Set Dinner Romeo's Euro Café Gourmet Dinner - 5 Courses, 5 Wine Pairings The Hosts: Campise and Friesz's

The Chef:



Oops,
Relative
A couple
Of
Centuries
Ago →



Our private dining room
awaited.

Oh no, the glasses were
wineless. We clutched our
chest. All was not lost.



The menu was full of surprises, as Romeo set the 5 courses the day before. Some courses were new creations, which are not on the normal menu and others that were. He also chose a bottle of wine paired to the course being served. Our glasses were never empty. As you can see, we did go through a number of bottles, there was never a wine shortage.



She got a look
at Romeo for
the first time!



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A. The 1930 Cadillac 452, the first production V16



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A. Detroit, Michigan in 1919. Two years later they experimented with synchronized lights.