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**THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER by Sherry Arigo**

One of the first orders of business we had to take care of for 2008 was to get our activities organized. After all, let the fun begin. We had a great turnout at my house with 17 people discussing what we wanted to do for the next year. There were lots of ideas thrown out there, but of course we can't do them all. This year we are going to participate in a lot of other club's shows and rallies. Not only do we need the points, but also, we will enjoy our cars and have the benefit of seeing how other clubs run their events. This year we really have a variety of things we are going to do. Like I said, we will be participating in car shows and rallies as well as having our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Catered Bowling Party on March 2, watching car racing with a blueberry breakfast at Kathy and Joe Barney's house on March 15, watching a Navy Lacrosse game from a skybox (first 30 people to sign up) on March 29, The Rod and Reel Club in North Beach on June 29, the Club's 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party at the Bonfish on July 20, Carlisle Weekend August 22-24, OC weekend on Oct 3 with Freestate Corvette Club, the weekend of Oct 24 going to a Bed and Breakfast in Western Maryland, Toys for Tots at Kerbeck's in Atlantic City the first weekend in November, and last but not least, our Annual Christmas Awards Party on December 6, which I am working on the surprise already. **Of course we will be having our annual Crab Feast, but we're not sure when and where.** If you have a yard that can accommodate all of us, please talk to Linda Petersen. As some of you may know, Steve and Joyce Angell and John and I are putting our houses up for sale and can't have the party at our homes. So if you would like to step forward and help us out, just let us know.

Of course I didn't mention everything we have planned, just a few, so again this year we are going to be very busy. We will be doing auto crossings as well. So you better rest up because once the weather turns nice, you won't have time to prop up your feet let alone take a nap!

We are going to have our fun show at Sport Chevrolet on April 20<sup>th</sup> along with our silent auction. Again this year I am asking "everyone" to please help out with the auction and get items donated. Every year the same people come forward. This is all of our responsibilities to at least donate one item, nothing used, all new items, such as gift certificates, gift baskets or items on which you know you would like to bid. Please start now because our show is earlier this year. You can contact Sue Davis or Anita Snyder. Also, our July 12<sup>th</sup> fun show will be held at the Greene Turtle at 4pm. We are going to do a twilight show. We thought this would eliminate being outside in the summer heat in the middle of the day.

So we will try it and see how it works out. This is a Saturday night and we are hoping to get lots of cruise in people.

Our September 7<sup>th</sup> fun show will also be held at the Greene Turtle as well, but at our regular Sunday morning time. The Greene Turtle has been very generous to us with donating money for trophies and we have the convenience of having the restaurant and restrooms right at our disposal.

Please note that our **February meeting will be held on February 5<sup>th</sup>, which is the first Tuesday of the month.** The library was not available on the second Tuesday. We will however, go back to the second Tuesday in March for our meetings.

On January 27<sup>th</sup> we will be caravanning to Jaspers for Brunch; we will be leaving WB at 10am. As usual we always have a great time at Jaspers. If you signed up, please show up. If you can't make it, please have the courtesy to call Linda Petersen so we aren't waiting for you and the restaurant isn't holding extra seats.

Please mark your calendar for the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting so you can sign up for our upcoming events in March. We have a lot to look forward to with our cars and great friends!

Get Ready, Get Set, Go Vette,  
Sherry

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### ***You are most likely a Corvette owner if....***

- 1. You've ever bought a piece of clothing to "match the car."*
- 2. You have multiple cars in the family, but everyone refers to the corvette as "THE car"*
- 3. You've driven an hour and had to take a day off work to buy a \$10 car part (that does not affect the operation of car in anyway).*
- 4. Your car is 26 years old and you find out that it still has the original fuel filter, and you're HAPPY!*
- 5. You have more than one car, and the one that is 20 years older than the other runs 10 times better*
- 6. You know the exact DATE, which your car was built (Jan 16, 1974)... but forget your girlfriend/wife's birthday (Uh, I was going to get you something honey but I...)*
- 7. You know the exact day you bought your car (April 3, 1999).... But forget your anniversary.*
- 8. You've ever explained (in detail) to your wife/girlfriend who "Zora" is...*
- 9. You know that "Corvette" is a small French ship known for its maneuverability.*
- 10. You have 100% cotton towels for your car and you use old, worn-out ones in your bathroom.*

**Corvette Annapolis**  
**Minutes of January 8, 2008 Meeting**  
**Susan Davis, Secretary**

**Meeting Called to Order:** President Sherry Arigo called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at the Annapolis Public Library followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

**1. President's Report**

The Shows and Rallies Committee will meet at Arigo's at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 19, 2008. The President reported that everyone had a great time at the Holiday Awards Banquet and is already looking forward to next year's surprise, as Sir Rod Stewart was a great hit this year.

The samples for Club Jackets were available at the club party and at this evening's meeting. This is the last chance to order. President Arigo asked everyone to please consider volunteering for meeting treats for this year.

**2. Activities Chair,** Linda Peterson discussed upcoming events.

**Tuesday, January 15, 2008:** Greene Turtle Dinner. Leave WB at 6:00 p.m. (Fundraiser)

**Sunday, January 27, 2008:** Brunch at Jaspers. \$16.99 per person plus 18% Gratuity. Leave WB at 10:00 a.m.

**Sunday, February 24, 2008:** Nautilus Diner in Crofton. Time: TBD

**Sunday, March 2, 2008:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bowling Party at Annapolis Bowl on Generals Highway, same place as last year, at 2:00 p.m. **The Party begins at 2:00 p.m. Arrive early for shoes, etc.** The Club pays for the catered party, and as such **must limit attendance to members only.** Please email Sherry Arigo or Anita Snyder if you are bowling and eating, or just eating.

**Saturday, March 15, 2008:** Pancake Breakfast at Kathy and Joe Barney's to watch Sebring Pre Race and Start. 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Sunday, April 20, 2008:** Sport Chevrolet Show and Charity Silent Auction. **EVERYONE MUST BRING AN ITEM TO DONATE!** Please don't leave it for the same few. The more items you donate the more chances you have to win a dinner gift certificate. For each item you donate you enter your name in a drawing for the gift certificate.

**Volunteers to host the Club's Crab Feast and Picnic are being sought.**

**3. November Minutes and Holiday Party Minutes:** Discussed and approved as written.

**4. Treasurer's Report:** Presented by Anita Snyder and approved as presented.

**5. Governor's Report:**

Charlie Parsons informed us that NCCC would not be mailing the new rulebooks to NCCC members; however, the rulebook is available on the web site for everyone to read and print out. He also presented a flyer with the upcoming CPCC Corvette Club Concourse and Fun Show on January 25 and 26, 2008 in Harrisburg, PA.

Charlie will be attending the NCCC Meeting March 8, 2008.

## **6. Club Competition Director's Report:**

Pete Klein gave an update on future events, rallies and shows.

## **7. Visitors:**

Ron Weider, 2004 Commemorative Edition Lemans Blue Convertible.  
Kirk Ferguson, 2006 Z-06 Coupe  
Bill Kunz, 2006 Z-06 Coupe

## **8. New Business:**

The February meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of the month, February 5<sup>th</sup>. In March we will return to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

At the Board Meeting it was decided that we would have Articles of Incorporation drafted by an attorney.

Club points will run September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2008 to allow for tabulation prior to the Awards Party. This time period will run concurrently with the dues year.

**9. New Cars:** Judy Kennedy has just purchased a 1982 red Corvette.

**10. 50/50 Drawing:** Carroll Hynson won the 50/50 and Michael Calvert won Amour All

**11. Meeting Treats:** Provided by Kathy Rattell

**12. Meeting Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Sherry Arigo  
President

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## ***Corvette* Annapolis MEMBERS' CORNER**

### **What Happened in February**

#### **February 20, 1954**

- The Ford Motor Company shows the Thunderbird two-seat convertible in Detroit. The Thunderbird is a major part of General Motors' decision to continue production of the Corvette.\*

#### **February**

- The basic design of the 1956 model Corvette is completed.\*

#### **February 18**

- John Fitch drives a stock 1956 Corvette at NASCAR Speed Week in Daytona. He sets a new Flying Mile record of 145.543 mph.\*

\*Polsson, K. (2000). Corvette Timeline [On-line] Available:

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/library-archives/timeline/1951.shtml>

# *Corvette* Annapolis MEET THE MEMBERS

*By Elaine Phillips*



On a recent Saturday I used GPS to visit **Mike, Sherry and Teddy Calvert**, but really didn't need to...it's an easy drive off 32 to the end of a lovely cul de sac in Columbia, Maryland. Mike and Sherry are recent transplants to the USA from their life-long home in merry ole England. But don't get me wrong, they are happy and lovin' life in the good ole USA. After all, back home, gasoline is \$8-9 a gallon and taxes are 17% on everything. So Mike is quick to say the cost of living is much cheaper here. I was excited to do this interview and hear the pros and cons of their transition to the States. I personally visited Great Britain in the 80's and confess it took several days before I could start enjoying my vacation. What I learned from the Calvert's, however, was a complete readiness to adapt to the American way of life. As such, they are quite settled and comfortable in their new abode as is Teddy Bear, their adopted tabby who warmed up to me at once. Teddy was a rescued cat, given surgery for a serious leg injury and by all appearances, doing very well. Mike and Sherry have grown children still living in the U.K: their daughter, Phillippa, is 29 and pursuing a career in clinical psychology; son, Ian is 27 and works in the IT industry and a regular visitor to the US... but, Teddy is the baby. Do they offer any notables regarding America? Sherry says that would be learning to drive on the other side of the road and, learning her way around the county. Otherwise, they are quick to inform me there's a good bit of bureaucracy in America, and it's a bit of a pain, (obviously since 911).

Back in the U.K., they both drove Porsche's; Mike a 928GT with vanity tag: MTC 116, and Sherry, a Boxster S convertible, (my personal favorite) with tag: 4174 SC. They belonged to the Porsche Club of Great Britain. (visit <http://www.porscheclubgb.com/frame.html>). Sadly, the Porsches had to be sold prior to their transfer. In 1966 Mike ran a rally team that won the British Rally Championship with a Mini Cooper S. From 1979 to '81, he ran the Formula 2 Motor Racing team in Great Britain, which also competed in Europe. So, it is now February 2007, Mike and Sherry are in the U.S.; exit Porsche, enter Corvette and Mike has one on order. One month later he takes delivery of an '07 Atomic Orange C-6, his everyday ride. You wouldn't expect a Porsche man to tool around in anything less, now would you? And Sherry's ride? Mike bought her a 2007 Mazda CX7 (sight unseen) to include GPS. In her words, "loves everything about it". And their first cars you might ask? ...the Original Mini Cooper (then-parent, Rover; today, BMW; visit [http://www.automobilemag.com/reviews/0306\\_oldmini/index.html](http://www.automobilemag.com/reviews/0306_oldmini/index.html)).

In 1980 Mike set up a business with three colleagues; which by '88 was floated on the stock market. He left in '91 to set up another business, which was bought by AYH; which was bought by Arcadis NV, Arnhem, Netherlands in 2005, and he became one of their 10,000 employees. But during that time, Mike was working from the U.K. with American clients. In the Fall of 2005, during one of his many travels to the U.S., Mike came over to bid for a casino license for the Isle of Capri Casino & Hotel Resorts. By that time, his company realized he had more work over here than Britain, so he and Sherry accepted the company's offer of a transfer to the states. Mike Calvert is VP Project and Cost Management in the development and construction industry for Arcadis U.S., Inc. And Sherry, she unabashedly responds her status is simply "adored," which by all appearances, is quite true. She and Mike met in their high school years at Hulme Grammar when she was sweet 16. She's a loving wife, homemaker, and member of both the local book club and ladies garden club. She has toyed with the idea of a job, but she and Mike want to see America, as often and as much as possible, and working simply wouldn't allow that kind of flexibility.

Mike's hobbies are cars, skiing, power boats, food, and travel in that order. Sherry responds with: reading, cooking, gardening, line dancing, and traveling. Mike's study is handsomely appointed with posters reflecting his lifetime activities. And, he holds one debenture share for the Porsche Club of Great Britain. For their favorite Corvette club activities, Mike loves our car shows and the rallies; Sherry thought the Christmas Party was the top. They had paid a visit to G'burg early on, but gradually migrated over to CA and love it. I think they will be great contributors to our club. (No pressure here, Mike ☺) Please welcome Mike and Sherry Calvert to *Corvette* Annapolis.

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

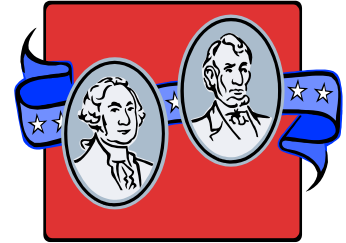
- 2 Deanna Triplett
- 4 Charles VonBocker
- 7 Janice Williams
- 14 Paulette Hynson
- 14 Pat Sharkey
- 16 Peggy Campbell
- 19 Dave Davis
- 20 Rich Rattell
- 21 Kathy Sharkey
- 21 Beverly Ricer
- 23 Sonny Brown



**FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**



**February 2008**



Sunday

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Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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3	4	<b>5 First Tues. CA Meeting-- Annapolis Library 7:00 p.m.</b>	6	7	8	9
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<b>24 Nautilus Diner, Crofton - 2:00 pm (Leave WB at 1:15 pm)</b>	25	26	27	28	29	March 1