

# *Fiberglass Flyer*

Monthly Publication of **Corvette** Annapolis



## **2012 Chevrolet Corvette Daytona Prototype**



photo courtesy of Continental Tires

Richard Westbrook and [Antonio Garcia](#) combined to lead all but 19 of the 103 laps to win the Porsche 250 in the No. 90 Spirit of Daytona Corvette DP - the first Daytona Prototype victory for the team and the first victory for the new car in GRAND-AM Rolex Series competition. [www.grand-am.com/news](http://www.grand-am.com/news)

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

*Greetings Fellow Corvette Enthusiasts!*

How 'bout that early spring weather? Looks like we get an extra-long driving season this year. It's Corvette Time!

This will be a short letter. I do want to thank the Andersons and the Morelands for putting together our Bowling Party at the end of March. We had a blast. And dinner afterwards was great with everyone hanging out and spending extra time having fun. Stay tuned for more info about upcoming club events. We have a really good lineup this year.

We are continuing to experiment with alternative sites for our monthly club meetings. Thanks to Steve Emond for setting up "On the Border" (near Lowes off of Rt. 301 in Bowie) for our April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Watch your e-mails for more info. In May we will be at the Annapolis Library.

One more reminder - if you are not getting the Corvette Annapolis Yahoo Group e-mails, ***please let me know***. And remember that we changed the password for the Members Only section of the website. If you don't know the new password, or the user ID, please

contact any member of the Board of Directors.

There are lots of Corvette activities on both the club and East Region NCCC calendars this year (as always). Pick out something and have fun with your Vette and your fellow club members. No experience required!! Of course the most important upcoming event is the Corvette Annapolis Rallye on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Save the date, and I hope everyone can participate. If you've never done one of these, don't worry about it. Come on out – it's a lot of fun. The Andersons have done a terrific job of putting this together. Thank you!

It's turning out to be a great year. Nancy and I look forward to seeing everyone again soon.

Save the  
Wave!  
Pete



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## EDITOR'S DESK

**Our cover this month is dedicated to the new Corvette prototype developed for Daytona by Grand Am Racing.** AutoBlog.com issued this press release back in November last year: This 2012 Chevrolet Corvette Daytona Prototype raced in the Grand-Am Road Racing Series making its competitive debut at the Rolex 24 at Daytona International Speedway this past January.

Okay, all you Corvette people, it's time to put the winter games behind us. You tested your racing mettle at **All Sports Grand Prix** with gasoline-powered go-Karts; then worked those muscles and joints with 10-pin bowling last Saturday. **Winners** of the competition posted on page 7. Now get ready for our next two events where mettle goes to the pedal. April 28 will be a three sanction **Tortoise & Hare Road Rallye** hosted by Leif and Jamie Anderson (Gimmick, Poker, and Chance). Registration begins 9 am, starting point is Green Turtle, Edgewater, Maryland. Then on May 5, Joe and Susan Bearnese will lead a caravan through **The Covered Bridges Tour** through Lancaster, PA. departing Saturday, May 5, from Saw Mill Creek Park & Ride on Dorsey Road. On April 14, the club has a cruise-in planned down to Sonic Drive-in, Route 2, Edgewater. Stay tuned for further details on all events.

Last month, **Mike Gauss** was featured in a guest column to discuss House Bill 585: **Single Registration Plate – Specified Vehicles.** HB 585 was

introduced and read first time on February 6, and assigned to Environmental Matters; Article -Transportation. I am re-iterating a portion of the Bill as it covers the conclusion of the issue. Page 2, Line 27 of the Article – Transportation reads: (2) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING, FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES, A MEANS OF INDICATING ON A VEHICLE FOR WHICH ONE REGISTRATION PLATE WAS ISSUED UNDER §13-410(A) (1)(1)2 OF THIS SUBTITLE THAT ONLY ONE REGISTRATION PLATE IS REQUIRED TO BE DISPLAYED ON THE VEHICLE. In conclusion, Page 3, Lines 3-4: AND IT BE FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012. [end] Thanks Mike for attracting State Delegate Donald Elliott on this important matter to all Corvette owners.

**Note:** Stay up to date on all Club activities, visit our website: [www.corvetteannapolis.com](http://www.corvetteannapolis.com) . Click on **Events Calendar**. Activities will continue to be refined and updated so we are not competing against other East Region events. Also noteworthy to new club members: **Rules of the Road** on our website.

Thanks to Frank Cimba for providing a very personal story this month, one similar to a road trip that Bill and I shared last year. I'm not familiar with C4 attributes, but I can tell that nothing beats a road trip in a C5 or C6. Don't miss Frank's story.

Speaking of road trips, it was pointed out at our last meeting that the annual NCCC convention for 2013 will be held in Bowling Green, Kentucky, June 24-28. I would





# News

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## EDITOR'S DESK cont'd

personally organize a club road trip, as arrangements for the convention become known. If you have any interest in seeing the Corvette Factory Tour, National Corvette Museum, and being part of the annual convention program, mark those dates on your calendar, June 24-28, 2013.

Just a reminder: Everyone has a corvette story: How, Why, you became a Corvette owner. Just send a write-up to me at [cedarside823@comcast.net](mailto:cedarside823@comcast.net). Short and sweet, or epic tale.

Are you following **Corvette Annapolis on Facebook**? Thanks to

their new Timeline format and ease to upload photo albums, I've added our two latest events: **Grand Prix Go Karts**, and last week's **Bowling Party** at Severna Park Lanes.

Thank you,  
**Elaine Phillips**  
**Editor, Fiberglass Flyer**



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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS . . .

**Roger & Terry Armstrong**  
2002 C5 Burgundy Convertible

**Patricia Bartz & Mark Hughes**  
1971 C3 Ontario Orange Coupe

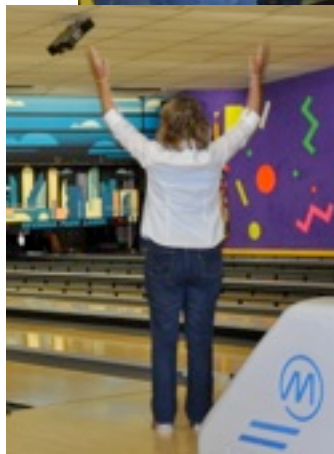


APRIL 2012

# Corvette Annapolis Bowling Party, March 31

Severna Park Bowl  
840 Ritchie Highway  
Severna Park MD 21146

Event Coordinators:  
Bridgett Moreland, Jamie Anderson



Results on page 7.

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and the WINNERS are . . .

| HIGH GAME               | HIGH SET<br>(total points)               |
|-------------------------|--|
| Barry Hagedorn - 200    | Barry Hagedorn - 571<br>(195-200-176)    |
| Leif Anderson - 184     | Leif Anderson - 477<br>(184-140-153)     |
| Steve Kennedy - 166     | Steve Kennedy - 437<br>(166-154-117)     |
| Jamie Anderson - 152    | Jamie Anderson - 380<br>(101-127-152)    |
| Bridgett Moreland - 137 | Bridgett Moreland - 358<br>(137-102-119) |
| Robyn Hagedorn - 128    | Robin Hagedorn - 321<br>(128-99-94)      |

congratulations to all



APRIL 2012



# Corvette

## ANNAPOLIS

**Save  
the  
Date**

**April 28, 2012**

# Presents



## **Tortoise and Hare Road Rallye**

**Registration begins at 9:00 am. First car out @ 10:00 am.**

**Entry Fee: \$25 for two sanctions or \$30 for three.**

### **Sanctions:**

ER-372-005 - Gimmick

ER-372-006 - Chance - Poker

ER-372-007 - Chance - Game

### **Green Turtle Restaurant**

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## Competition Corner

With all the press coverage of Danica Patrick's entry in the NASCAR racing, I was remembering the recent article about the death of Corvette Hall of Fame inductee Betty Skelton. So I thought I'd share some information about her and her affiliation with in Corvettes and racing.

Betty Skelton the former acrobatic pilot and Corvette test driver was known as the "fastest woman on Earth". Betty was inducted into the Corvette Hall of Fame in 2001. Her contributions to Corvette included roles as a test driver, car show technical narrator and one of the founders of Corvette News (which later became Corvette Quarterly). In 1953 after retiring from aerobatic flying, Betty was piloting charter flights when she met NASCAR's Bill France Sr. Bill invited Betty to Daytona Beach in 1954 where she drove the Pace Car, a Dodge sedan, to 105.88 mph on the beach, setting a stock car speed record for women. In 1956 she joined Campbell-Ewald, the advertising partner of General Motors. She became the first woman technical narrator at the major auto shows where she would talk about the cars and demonstrate their features. Zora Arkus-Duntov put her to work as a test driver where she set numerous speed records with Corvettes. In 1957, she drove to Daytona

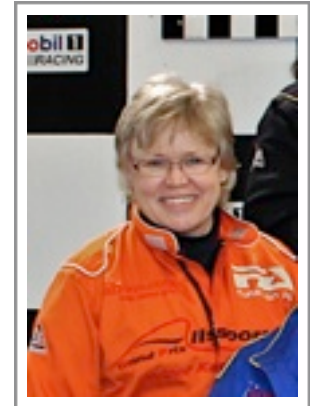
a special translucent gold Corvette, designed by Harley Earl and Bill Mitchell, to serve as the NASCAR pace car. She also became the official spokeswoman for Chevrolet. Skelton was the first woman to drive an Indy car setting several records for

speed and acceleration at Daytona Beach and on the Bonneville Salt Flats of Utah. In 1956, she broke a transcontinental speed record, driving from New York to Los Angeles, covering 2,913 miles in 56 hours, 58 minutes. In addition to her Corvette Hall of Fame honor, she is also a member of the National Aviation Hall of Fame as well as the Motorsports Hall of Fame. Betty remained loyal to Corvettes and owned a red C5 Corvette convertible that matched her hair. "I just like to go fast" she said in 2008. "I enjoy it, I really do." Skelton died in August of 2011.

(Sources: Corvette Blogger, Wikipedia)

Next month: Shirley Muldowney known as the "first lady of drag racing".

**Nancy Klein**  
**Competition Director**



## Competition Calendar: ERNCCC

| DATE    | EVENT/SANCTIONS     | CLUB              | PLACE              |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 4/1/12  | AutoX (2)           | CCA               | Columbia, MD       |
| 4/21/12 | Rallye (2)          | Tri County Vettes |                    |
| 4/22/12 | Rallye (4)          | Free State        | Columbia, MD       |
| 4/29/12 | Fun Show (3)        | BACC              | Havre de Grace, MD |
| 5/5/12  | Covered Bridge Tour | CA                | Amish Country, PA  |
| 5/6/12  | AutoX (2)           | CCA               | Columbia, MD       |

Updates for East Region are posted at: <http://www.ernccc.org>

## Corvette Annapolis Member Column

*Frank Cimba*  
ASE Certified Mechanic



### See the USA . . .in your Chevrolet

I'm sure a few of you will remember the jingle, a Chevrolet commercial, sung by Dinah Shore. You do remember Dinah Shore don't you? I decided last month to "see the USA in my Chevrolet Corvette." Debbie and I went to Florida for a little mid-winter break. The deciding factor was that our son, who works for Ford racing said that he could get us "hot passes" for Daytona. We had never been to the race in Daytona and this seemed to be the perfect year. I thought that doing the trip in the Vette would also be fun.

As we started planning for the trip, I decided to replace the exhaust on my 2004 Corvette to a Corsa system. This was a good choice; much quieter. I was confident my C5 could carry our luggage for a week. As we were loading the bags in the car I suddenly wasn't so sure. No problem, everything fit perfectly. We left on a Thursday evening and drove for six hours. At midnight we were in Smithfield NC. and decided it was a good place to stop for the night. We left

the next morning and arrived in St Augustine, FL, by 5 p.m. our destination for the day.

Saturday morning we left for Daytona about a 40 mile ride. After locating the credential building we signed for our passes and headed for the track. Parking for the race is in two huge parking lots about four miles on either side of the track. Buses are used to shuttle spectators to the track. We walked through the tunnel and into the infield. Once we were in the pits, we walked around taking in the action **that is Daytona**. I've been around racing all my life, but seeing the sights most people only see on TV, is something I will long remember. After walking around the Sprint Cup pits, we made our way over to the Nationwide pits. While walking through the garage area, we spotted our son and started talking to him. We watched the entire Nationwide race from behind the #6 car's pit box. The race was very exciting and on the last lap a crash occurred taking out the front 10 drivers. After the race we spent time walking through the pits looking at the carnage coming back to the garage on

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the end of a hook. You can't begin to imagine how much activity takes place in the pits once the race is over.

Sunday dawned cloudy with a chance of rain. The one hour trip to Daytona Raceway took us three hours! We finally arrived at the track about the 1:00 pm start time, but so did the rain. What are the chances that the race is postponed on the day the Cimba's go to Daytona? 100% of course! Our son, the weather watcher, informed us that Sunday did not look good for getting the race in, but neither did Monday.

We had plans to meet friends on Monday near Sarasota on the Gulf Coast, so we watched the race from our hotel room on TV. We did manage to see the #17 Ford win after the long delay for the jet dryer incident.

The highlight of the trip for me was a day trip to Punta Gorda to see Rick Treworgy's **Muscle Car City**. Two hundred of Chevrolet's finest Corvettes and muscle cars on display in a former WalMart store. Met other Corvette

owners in Florida for the winter and was invited back again.

Saturday morning we left the Florida sunshine for Georgia's rain and drove onto North Carolina, where we stayed for the night. Another six hour drive Sunday and we were back home. Round trip of 2500 miles in my C5 Corvette. The C5 is very comfortable and drives well at 80 MPH. Fuel mileage was 28-29 mpg. The only downside was fill-ups with premium gas at \$4.00/gallon. So what's my bottom line? I would **definitely** recommend that you take your Corvette on a trip and see the USA in your Chevrolet.

**Happy Motoring,  
Frank**



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information  
Rules of the Road**



Once upon a time many years ago the founders of NCCC gave birth to what we now know as the NCCC Annual Convention by [gathering a small number of delegates in Detroit, MI](#) for a weekend meeting. The purpose of that meeting was to establish an organization for all Corvette owners, which they did. They also managed to incorporate into that weekend some dining, some dancing, a GM facility tour and a competition event to round it all out.

While our organization has grown in numbers, so has the volume of business which is now

transacted at Governors meetings through each year. This growth has also brought about an expanded version of that early meeting to the Convention we know today. Today's Conventions are a week long extravaganza that are more involved and require long range planning to meet the interest and demands of NCCC's diversified membership. For example, Members are afforded the opportunity to take a Corvette vacation throughout our wonder filled contiguous United States, socialize and party with new and old friends, welcome all "comers" at the various competition events, be there to win a set of tires or better yet, a new Corvette from our Charity Raffle. Local tours and seminars are also available or perhaps you can just kick back with a good book poolside.

The links on this page will give you a view of our Convention activities. There are links to Conventions that have already been enjoyed including that very first one in Detroit, a link to the 53rd NCCC Convention to be held June 23 - 30, 2012 in Topeka, KS and even links to the Conventions that are still in the planning stages for future years.

**Start making plans for some "Corvette Fun" NCCC style!**





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### RECOMMENDED CORVETTE FORUMS:

[www.ernccc.org](http://www.ernccc.org) (calendar of events)

[www.corvettetraderonline.com](http://www.corvettetraderonline.com) (**for buying and selling cars**)

[www.SmokinVette.com](http://www.SmokinVette.com) (good information exchange)

[www.corvetteblogger.com](http://www.corvetteblogger.com) (good racing news)

<http://corvettemechanic.com/forum> (technical questions)

good site for corvette parts and pricing:

<http://www.gmnavdisc.com/default.asp?lang=en>

to update your navigation software disc.

[www.corvetteforum.com](http://www.corvetteforum.com)

<http://ernccc.ning.com> << East Region Vette-work

<http://ernccc.ning.com/?xgi=005HhRuMrv1zb1> << East Region Vette-works invite link

### Copies of the Annapolis Fun Show DVD

produced by Ron Minor,

are available at the following:

[http://www.corvetteannapolis.com/merchandise/2011\\_COB\\_v\\_orderform.pdf](http://www.corvetteannapolis.com/merchandise/2011_COB_v_orderform.pdf)

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An updated Corvette Annapolis mini catalog of standard logo wear is posted on the club web site. [www.corvetteannapolis.com](http://www.corvetteannapolis.com). It includes instructions and pictures regarding the logos on the last page. Contact "Missy" at the Embroidery Store to place an order or to discuss your specific inquiries. Note: Place your order and Nancy or Pete can usually pick up your pre-paid item and bring it to the meeting.

## APRIL AND MAY 2012 CALENDARS

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4 - Allana Stephens

12 - Susan Bearnes

23 - John Olbrich

29 Frank Cimba

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL  
ARIES AND TAURUS**

### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

1 - Ivan & Vikki Torrence

12 - Dave & Steph Schulman

15 - Bentz & Maggie Puryear

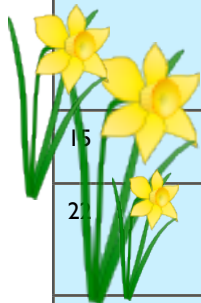
19 - Keith & Kathy Burns

26 - Leif & Jamie Anderson

**CELEBRATE**



| SUNDAY | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY  |
|--------|---|--|-----------|----------|--------|---|
| 1      | 2   | 3  | 4         | 5        | 6      | 7   |
| 8      | 9   | 10 <b>Club Mtg</b><br>On the Border<br>Restaurant<br>Rt.301, Bowie | 11        | 12       | 13     | 14<br><b>Cruise-in at<br/>the Sonic Drive-<br/>In, Edgewater.</b> |
| 15     | 16  | 17   | 18        | 19       | 20     | 21  |
| 22     | 23  | 24   | 25        | 26       | 27     | 28 <b>Tortoise &amp;<br/>Hare Road<br/>Rallye.</b>                |
| 29     | 30 <b>Meeting Treats provided by Marianne Emond</b> |  |           |          |        |   |



### MAY BIRTHDAYS

4 Debbie Gauss

21 - Patricia Bartz

26 - Elaine Watts

27 - Leif Anderson

31 - Pete Klein

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL  
PISCES AND ARIES**

### MAY ANNIVERSARIES

6- Pete & Nancy Klein

20 - Bill & Elaine Phillips

21 - Roger & Terry Armstrong

**CELEBRATE!**



| SUNDAY   | MONDAY | TUESDAY                                     | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                           | FRIDAY | SATURDAY  |
|--|--------|---|-----------|------------------------------------|--------|---|
| <b>Meeting Treats provided by Elaine Watts</b> |        | 1   | 2         | 3                                  | 4      | 5 <b>Covered<br/>Bridge Tour<br/>thru Lancaster</b> |
| 6  | 7      | 8   | 9         | 10                                 | 11     | 12  |
| 13 <b>Mother's<br/>Day</b>                     | 14     | 15 <b>CA Club<br/>Mtg. 7 pm<br/>Library</b> | 16        | 17                                 | 18     | 19  |
| 20   | 21     | 22  | 23        | 24                                 | 25     | 26  |
| 27   | 28     | 29  | 30        | 31 <b>MEMORIAL<br/>DAY HOLIDAY</b> |        |   |