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## CLUB MEETINGS

Club meetings are held on the first and next to last Thursday of each month beginning at 7:30 PM. All meetings are held at the YR Club on Rt. 611 in Easton except during the months of May through September, when the first meeting of the month will be held outdoors at Hackett Park weather permitting. **All meetings are subject to change depending on weather conditions.** To find out the status of a meeting, call Brad and listen to the message on the machine.

It is not required but suggested that you join the YR Club. If you are planning to eat at the club prior to the meeting, please call after 3:00 PM and make a reservation. The YR Club number is: 610-252-6971.

**MAY MEETINGS**

**OUTDOOR 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>**

## FROM BEHIND THE WHEEL - THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is a lot of stuff going on this month with the club in addition to the kick off of cruise season on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at The Northampton Crossings Mall. There are plenty of shows and cruises with a variety of formats to choose from. All the events for May are listed on the next page with meeting times etc. May always means we start our outdoor meetings at Hackett Park. Each month from May through September, we conduct our first meeting of the month at the top of the hill in the pavilion. Meetings start at the same time as the indoor ones and you get a chance to bring your Corvette to a meeting. This is only for the first meeting of each month as our second meeting will be at the YR Club.

This is my 5<sup>th</sup> year serving as President of this club and our membership is strong in number. We presently have 112 members on the roster including 5 Life Members and 2 Honorary Members, leaving 105 as Active Members. Looking at the roster and thinking about how many members participate in club events, I would estimate at least 35% of our active members do not participate at all. I would guess this is a pretty common percentage with other car clubs and organizations after speaking with officers from several other clubs. Attendance at meetings is a different situation with work schedules and other obligations being varied throughout the year. The Easton Area Corvette Club isn't in the top 5 priorities of my life but I do enjoy the company of our members and sharing our experiences with our Corvettes. I am not bringing this up to be critical of anyone in particular or their level of participation in club activities but I find it interesting that no matter how many members there are in an organization, there is a core group who tends to participate the most. There are times when I get a bit discouraged by the lack of participation, but I have always said it is your choice to do as you wish with your Corvette. Everyone has a different idea of how to have fun with their Corvette and there is only so much time to have that fun. All I ask is that you think about your participation with your club and ask if you think you are getting your money's worth. To add a bit to this, I think it is important to support other clubs by attending their cruises and shows. How can we expect continued support from other clubs at our cruises and shows if we don't reciprocate? There are a few new shows on the schedule for this year so why not give them a try.

OK, I will get off my soap box now and get to some other club related business. Vettes for Pets Twelve is off to a pretty good start with a few registrations already in for the August 9<sup>th</sup> show. We need to get sponsors for the T-Shirt and book as soon as we can. The forms for the ads will be available at each meeting as will applications. We always need door prizes and items for the Chinese Auction so think about who might be willing to make a donation for a great cause. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to bring them up at a meeting because new ideas are always welcome and lead to a great show!

In closing for this month I want to take a minute to thank Steve Jurczyk our webmaster for adding some unique touches to our web page. There is plenty of information about our club as well as some interesting stuff about Corvettes and cars in general. You can access some of the past newsletters and we have also added a link to the Race for Adam Foundation and a flyer for fundraising with Starter's Pubs, check them out. Have a great month, stay safe and **See You On The Road** Brad



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## MAY SHOW & EVENT SCHEDULE

Our May schedule is filling up quickly so let's hope for some great weather. Here are the shows and events scheduled so far. Applications are on our web page so you can print them out and send them in. Please make sure you put down you are with the Easton Area Corvette Club if it isn't on the application and there is a spot for it. **All club events will meet at the Park and Ride unless otherwise noted.** There will be a few new shows in the June and July schedule as well in an effort to try something new.

**Sunday, May 3rd** - Allentown Area Corvette Club's Springfest at DeSales University. **Meet at 9:30 AM** if you are going with the club, **this is a club event.**

**Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** - Liberty Region Corvette Club's Spring Corvette Show at Reedman-Toll Chevrolet in Langhorne, PA. The show starts at 9:00 so we will **meet at 7:30 AM** for **this club event.**

**Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>** - Wind Gap Car Show. **Meet at 8:30 AM. This is a club event.**

**Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>** - Memorial Motor Madness at M&M in Hackettstown, NJ. Applications are now on the web page and some of you may have received them in the mail as well. We will **meet at 7:30 AM** for this show that starts at 9:00. **This is a club event.**

**Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>** - Easton Memorial Day Parade. This annual event has been a **club event** for many years. We will **meet at 8:30 AM** so we can get to the assembly location on Jackson St. The Parade is scheduled to start between 9:30 and 9:45. This is a nice parade to honor those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom. A few hours of our time is the least we can give back.

**Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>** - Iron Pigs Baseball at Coca Cola park. The game starts at 1:35 PM. We aren't sure if we will bringing our Corvettes to the game for a pre-game parade around the field yet but there is a possibility. Limited to 30 people. **This is a club event.**

## APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ON LINE

Applications for the following shows are on the EACC web page:

**Vettes for Vets - Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Cavalcade of Corvettes - Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Classy Cruisers Show & Shine - Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Vettes Cruisin for Pets - Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Skyline Drive In-Vette-Tational - Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Tatamy Car Show - Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>**

As more applications become available for future shows, they will be posted on our web page. If you do not have access to a computer to print them out, check at a meeting for a hard copy of the application.

**2009 ROSTERS  
NOW AVAILABLE  
AT MEETINGS**

## 2009 CRUISIN' AT THE CROSSINGS

We are Cruisin' at The Crossings on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>! Our permit was approved by Lower Nazareth and we will be down at the Sam's Club end of the parking lot. We are going to need help with setting up, the gate, parking cars, door prizes and any other thing that pops up during the evening. Directing the traffic to and from Sam's Club is going to make or break our cruises this year. We will need to leave an aisle open through the cruise area until 6:00 just as we used to do at Kohl's in the past. I do not want any club members to be confrontational with anyone from any of the merchants, customers or cruise attendees. If something comes up, send them to me or contact me. Kohl's is on board for another year and will continue to provide us with discount flyers for our cruises. These are good for the entire month not just the night of the cruise. I know most of the other merchants in the Northampton Crossings Mall are going to be glad to see us back after last year's disappointing cruise season. Anyone who is going to help us set up, please be there no later than 4:00 so we can make sure everyone knows what we need to do during the cruise. If you have walkie talkies, bring them. Communication is going to be a key if we are going to be successful. We can always use door prizes. Take a look at some of the stuff you might have won at other events or even pick up one item to donate the next time you are in the store. It does not have to be an automotive related item to be used for a door prizes. If you have any questions, please let me know. All we need now is great weather!

## LAFAYETTE COLLEGE ALUMNI PARADE

For the last few years, the Easton Area Corvette Club has provided transportation to the Lafayette College Alumni when they return to College Hill for their annual reunion. We have been asked again this year and have committed to their request. The college makes a very generous donation to our club for providing this service. We have been asked to provide a minimum of 12 to 15 (more is better) Corvettes for this brief ride around college hill. The date is Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> and we are also invited to stay for lunch after the parade. Please let me know if you are interested in participating this year. We will meet at the Park & Ride at 10:30.

## IronPigs Baseball

We have room for a few more people for the Iron Pigs baseball game on Sunday afternoon, May 31<sup>st</sup>. The club has paid for 30 people to attend this afternoon game that will include lunch in the picnic area. This is another "Something Different" event that was suggested by the membership. There is a possibility of having our cars on the field before the game but this has not been confirmed yet. If you would like to go, contact Steve Mangano. The cost is \$25 per person.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS



4<sup>th</sup> - Debbie Opitz  
 8<sup>th</sup> - Chris Briglia  
 11<sup>th</sup> - Art Breiner  
 13<sup>th</sup> - Joe Radaskiewicz  
 14<sup>th</sup> - Gerry Goodin  
 16<sup>th</sup> - Bill Crouse  
 22<sup>nd</sup> - Jim Karch  
 26<sup>th</sup> - Lou Soto  
 29<sup>th</sup> - Mel Jongema  
 31<sup>st</sup> - Fred Scott



## NEW MEMBERS

**Welcome**  
**Ann Hoffman-Bonekemper**  
 2004 - Red Convertible

## CLASSIFIEDS

This classified section is available to members of the Easton Area Corvette Club FREE of charge. Members can advertise anything you would like to trade or sell as long as it is auto related. The ads will run for three months and will be removed unless otherwise notified. If the item you are selling is sold, please notify me so the item can be removed from the next newsletter. The items listed are also on the EACC Web Page at [www.eastonareacorvetteclub.com](http://www.eastonareacorvetteclub.com).

*NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR MISPRINTS!*

### 1973 VW Convertible

Very Good Condition - Two Owner Vehicle  
 Low Mileage - **Asking \$7,999 or Best Offer**  
 Contact Glenn Kehler @ 610-759-6535

### 454 Big Block Chevy Engine

1972 T Block with 1971 Corvette Heads  
 Runs Good - Engine is out of car  
**Asking \$2,800 or Best Offer**  
 Contact Frank Jongema @ 610-588-3169

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES

7<sup>th</sup> - Steve & Lori Mangano  
 10<sup>th</sup> - Bob & Mary Zartler  
 17<sup>th</sup> - Jeff & Jan Nonnemaker  
 22<sup>nd</sup> - Bob & Sharon Jarrow  
 27<sup>th</sup> - Chuck & Donna Bradbury  
 27<sup>th</sup> - Roger & Linda Czek  
 27<sup>th</sup> - Chris & Jane Wismer

## Serving Our Country

A few years ago, some of our club members had sons serving our country in Iraq and Afghanistan. Fortunately, everyone made it back home safely and the section of the newsletter wasn't needed any longer. Well we all know the war goes on and Harold Drake's son Andrew has been deployed once again. It is important that these brave men and women that serve our country have contact with those of us here at home. If you would like to contact Andrew, his address is:

SSG Andrew Drake  
 HHC 3 BCT 82<sup>nd</sup> ABN Div.  
 ISF Cell  
 FOB Loyalty  
 APO AE 09313

## Redner's Employee Owned Save-A-Tape Program WAREHOUSE MARKETS

Through the "Save A Tape" program, Redner's Markets offers local schools, churches, youth sports teams and other non-profit organizations a way to raise money by collecting register receipts for a 1% rebate on all collected receipts. Through this program alone, Redner's has donated over 1 million dollars to more than 3,000 non-profit organizations. **We are collecting tapes again this year to add to our Vettes for Pets Donation to The Center for Animal Health and Welfare. Contact Denise Orey if you have questions or tapes.**

## Cruise For Adam SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2009

12:00 - 4:00 PM

(Rain or shine)

at Farmersville Elementary School  
 7036 William Penn Hwy  
 Easton, PA 18045

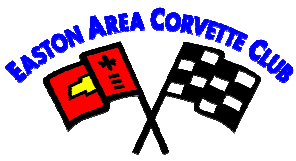
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50/50  
 DRAWING

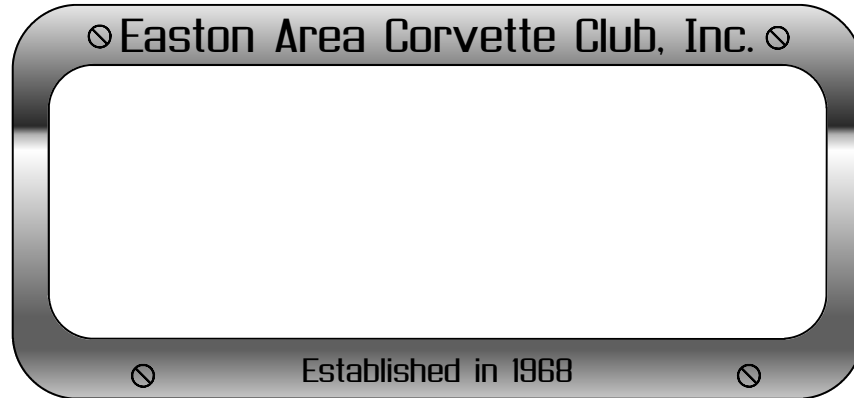
Music

FOOD

BAKE  
 SALE



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# Vettes for Pets Twelve

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2009

9:00am to 3:00pm - Registration 9:00 to Noon

Pre-Registration by: August 5, 2009 - \$17.00 \* Day of Show - \$20.00

Great Door Prizes & 50/50 Drawing

The first 200 Participants Receive a Vettes for Pets T-Shirt and Dash Magnet

Music By DJ Brian Keith *All Proceeds Benefit*  
The Center  
for Animal Health & Welfare

Handling: Proceeds: 50% for Animals and 50% for Animals

Applications Now Available

On the EACC Web Page

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

# LET'S GO CRUISIN' AT THE CROSSINGS

THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH

MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> - JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> - SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

& OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup>  
6:00 TO 9:00 PM

(OCTOBER CRUISE 5:00 TO 8:00)