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The President's Corner - Don Haller

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The Prez Says

As usual I am the last person to provide my monthly submission for the newsletter. Perhaps I can blame it on the fact that this will be my last submission to the President's Message before I hand over the quill to the next CCA President, whoever that should be. We will find out soon enough!!

I'd like to leave you all with some of my thoughts and a vision for the future of Corvette Club of America. However, before I can do that I need to preface it with a little background of how we got to where we are today and then mostly I'd like to leave a short message for my vision of the future for Corvette Club of America.

Before I became President of CCA in 2009 I had been a member of the club for about five years with some experience as the NCCC Governor for the club, but other than that I really had no real experience or major plans for CCA. As I later became President of the organization I soon realized that this position provided me the opportunity to make a difference in the club and to see some real good become of my newfound position at the head of the board. I started to look for areas that I felt would make the club a better place for the member. I began asking myself some basic questions about what would make the club more engaging and foster an environment for any Corvette owner, not just the guys that like racing, or the ones that spend hours detailing every little surface of their cars, not just collectors or extraverted people or people that could spent thousands on mod after mod. I wanted an inclusive club that offered something for everyone, even the member that doesn't have such a big voice or the member that is a bit shy, or even the one that feels his Corvette might not be as nice as then next guys. I wanted a Corvette club that any Corvette owner could join and feel a part of the gang and be proud of being a member! Well, I think I have just about accomplished this during my term as CCA president. Although we still have work to do, I think we have come a long way in the past three years and have made lots of new friends and gained lots of new and enthusiastic members.

Over the past several years the following have been my vision and direction for this club:

- Find a sponsor and foster a relationship with that sponsor. A sponsor for CCA that would support our programs and provide the individual attention our membership deserves.
- To create an NCCC Autocross program and procure the equipment to be self sufficient while doing it
- Increase activities so there would be more and differing events for members to choose from
- Increase membership from 150 or so to over 200; I wanted to break the 200 member barrier
- Reinstate our 501c status

- And revise the club bylaws.

I had to stay on an extra year as president to see some of my visions begin to materialize... or let me rephrase that, see other people accomplish my visions! That's because it has taken dedicated people to pitch in and help get this stuff done. So, "Thank You" to all the people (you know who you are) that dedicated long personal hours to make things happen for CCA over the past several years with me.

I started this column saying I wouldn't dwell on the past and, well I slipped a bit there and may have to shorten my "Future" discussion a bit. However, not without saying, that I truly hope the new leadership of CCA will continue in my path of trying to improve everything we do. I do believe whoever takes the helm will follow in the direction I have steered us over the past few years.

Still, I have ideas for the future that I either did not get to, or resources were just too limited to make it happen. So, If I had a wish list for the next couple years with CCA It would go something like this:

- Complete our 501c reinstate
- Finish the complete re-write of the CCA Bylaws
- Open the car show to all Makes (with sponsor approval)
- Rally for more interest and help with the Autocross program
- We need to keep fostering a better relationship with the National Corvette Museum
- Foster a better relationship with Lincoln Tech Administration
- Spend more time with our sponsor Sport Chevrolet
- See a new collaborative website completed – currently I have been in discussion with Richard Roe to create a new website that will allow individual members to contribute to their own area of specialization. For example the Competition Director will be able to load his own content, the President will be able to easily modify his messages to the membership, Calendars and banners would be easily updated by members with access. This would all work on the lines of other social network sites like Facebook and Twitter. This is a great way to get good and recent information online for our members to see.
- I'd also like to see CCA get more involved with the Baltimore Grand Prix
- Gain more interest in unifying and traveling together to events like Corvettes at Carlisle and Ocean City weekend.
- More and more and more.... I could keep on going

As you see, my list of accomplishments is much smaller than my future wish list. That is probably because the areas on my future wish list are those areas I have wanted to pursue but seemed to either not have the time or have failed in gaining the momentum to get them off the ground and moving. With the New Year ahead of us I ask each one of you to decide for yourself how you would like to see CCA in the future and bring those ideas and energy to the next meeting or outing. Remember that this club is only as good as the people that invest their time and energy. I thank all of you for a wonderful three years as your club president and I look forward to many more years as a dedicated member of Corvette Club of America.

Happy Holidays and New Year
Don Haller
President CCA 2009-2011



*Keep that smile on your face, your foot down on the pedal, and give me a curve
Blast the radio. Wow, what a life. So much fun driving a Corvette
Jean Wade - 2000 Red coupe Membership, director 301-253-6074 vettehon@aol.com*

The Editor's Corner— Jon Thorn

CORVETTE RAMBLINGS

Well, we have another large issue of the Courier for you this month. It has been a busy year for us and part of this month's edition is focused on a review of the year's happenings. I hope you enjoy it.

We are rapidly approaching the end of the voting process for next year's club officers. If you have not yet voted, be sure to support your club by participating in the election. Votes are due to Jean Wade by December 13th.

Also be sure to see the flyer for our Winter Dinner Party on January 28th later in this issue and get the reservation form back to Jean Wade by January 21st at the latest.

There was some late breaking news from the NCM that I'll include here. They announced the 2012 Corvette Hall of Fame Inductees today: Gary Claudio in the category of GM/Chevrolet; Patrick Dolan in the category of Corvette enthusiast/historian; Bob McDorman also in the category of Corvette enthusiast/historian; and Andy Pilgrim in the category of Corvette Racing. I know that some of our enthusiastic competition oriented members will be glad to hear that Andy Pilgrim is included. It appears that he did pay attention to the driving tips that Pat Roney provided him <g>!

There is also some late breaking, unfortunate, news impacting the Baltimore Grand Prix. The Baltimore Sun reported this week that the Grand Prix owes more than \$12 million and has less than \$100,000 on hand. The city and state is taking steps to collect taxes and other moneys that are owed. The Maryland Comptroller has placed a lien against BGP officials. There is a group attempting to reorganize and take over control of the race series so we will have to keep an eye on this over the coming months. The online version of the Baltimore Sun story is available at <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/baltimore-city/bs-md-ci-grand-prix-books-20111207,0,5222100.story>

Finally in another bit of NCM news, registration for the 2012 Bash is now open on the NCM site. The bash will be held April 26-28, 2012 and you can now register online.

I hope you all have a great holiday season. If you want to help make it a great holiday for some very deserving kids plan on joining us at Sport Chevrolet on Sunday December 18th at 2PM to help assemble bikes for the annual Bikes for Tikes event. There will be more news on this coming out in an email but if you have any questions feel free to contact me.

Save the Wave!

Jon Thorn, Corvette Courier Editor

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Competition Chair— Rich Taylor

CORVETTE COMPETITION**Competition Report**

The competition year has come to an end, but we are already planning for the 2012 competition events. We will start the season off with our annual Go-Kart Race on February 25th at Allsport Grand Prix in Dulles, Virginia. We have four autocross events planned starting in April including four Auto-cross Primer classes for beginners and possibly a couple of intermediate autocross classes for the more experienced drivers. We are also planning to hold one Muscle Car Mania Drag Race in August, so start practicing your shifting and reaction time skills. For the road racers, there will be group participation in several High Performance Drivers Events (HPDEs) at tracks such as VIR, Summit Point, Watkins Glen and maybe even Sebring or Road Atlanta. This includes Chin and NASA sponsored events. I've included the 2012 Chin Motorsports and NASA event calendars for your planning purposes. Also, the National Corvette Museum (NCM) is again sponsoring an HPDE at VIR that has been confirmed for June 25th and 26th. Registration will open in February and I will send out a reminder so that you don't miss out, as this event fills up fast. One other major event is the Baltimore Grand Prix which was a major success this year. This is a major event on the ALMS racing calendar. We attended as a club this year and had a great time. This event will be held the first Friday, Saturday

and Sunday in September 2012.

CHIN MOTORSPORTS ANNUAL CALENDAR RELEASE: 2012 EDITION

Here it is: The largest calendar of non-competition track events offered in the country!

- Jan - **Sebring** - No event scheduled. American LeMans series is using the dates we used in 2011.
- Feb 25-26 - **Homestead/Miami** - First event in '12 - Saturday/Sunday at HMS. A TracQuest event
- Mar 03-04 - **VIRginia Int'l Raceway** - Kick it off in the Mid-Atlantic region! Full Course. Sat/Sun
- Mar 12 - **Road Atlanta** - First 2012 visit to RA is the 2nd Monday in March. A TracQuest event
- Mar 17 - **Homestead/Miami** - Return to Homestead on the 3rd Saturday of March. One day only.
- Mar 24-25 - **Sebring Raceway** - FINALLY! Our first 2012 visit to Sebring is Sat/Sun after the 12-HR race
- Apr 14-15 - **Atlanta MS Park** - *PROVISIONAL* Progressing nicely, but still contingent on completion
- Apr 21-22 - **Sebring Raceway** - Returning to Sebring for our 2nd springtime visit. Saturday or Sunday
- May 05-06 - **Sebring Raceway** - Like clockwork, we're back at one of the greatest tracks in the USA
- May 21-22 - **Watkins Glen Int'l** - Our Mon/Tues springtime visit to The Glen! A TracQuest event
- May 28-29 - **Mid-Ohio** - Memorial Day, Mon/Tues, one week after The Glen event. TracQuest format
- Jun 04 - **Road Atlanta** - Return to Road Atlanta on the 1st Monday in June. 1-day only
- Jun 09-10 - **Sebring Raceway** - The last event of the Spring season at SIR. Sat/Sun, TracQuest style
- Jul 02-03 - **VIRginia Int'l Raceway** - It's our summer visit to VIR; Mon/Tues, before the 4th. TracQuest
- Jul 14 - **Homestead/Miami** - For our FLA enthusiasts, returning to HMS for a Sat only event
- Jul 14-15 - **Barber MS Park** - Our first visit to Barber this year is mid-summer. Sat/Sun, TracQuest
- Jul 28-29 - **Road Atlanta** - The first of two summer weekends at Road Atlanta. Saturday/Sunday
- Aug 18 - **Sebring Raceway** - The summer visit to Sebring. Not as hot as Road Atlanta! Sat/Sun
- Aug 25-26 - **Road Atlanta** - 4 weeks after our previous Road Atlanta event. Saturday/Sunday.
- Sep 03-04 - **Watkins Glen Int'l** - The Labor Day event. Mon/Tues. A HIGHLIGHT of the Chin calendar!
- Sep 22-23 - **Barber MS Park** - First event of the Fall season... Barber in September. Epic. Sat/Sun
- Sep 29-30 - **Road Atlanta** - Now, the fall season at Road Atlanta. Saturday/Sunday
- Oct 13-14 - **Sebring Raceway** - First big event of the Fall season, back to Sebring. Saturday/Sunday
- Oct 28-29 - **VIRginia Int'l Raceway** - Following the 13-HR race, Sunday/Monday it's Chin Motorsports
- Nov 03-04 - **Sebring Raceway** - Once a month in the fall, we're at Sebring... Saturday/Sunday
- Nov 10-11 - **Atlanta MS Park** - A Fall season visit to the new track north of Atlanta. Saturday/Sunday
- Nov 24-25 - **Road Atlanta** - A PEAK event of the Chin calendar. RA the last weekend in Nov. is HUGE!
- Dec 08-09 - **Sebring Raceway** - Yes, returning to our home track for the 8th visit in 2012. Sat/Sun

NASA 2012 Preliminary Schedule

<i>TBD</i>	<i>Lime Rock Park, CT HPDE ONLY</i>
<i>April 20 -22</i>	<i>NJMP Lightning Course</i>
<i>April 30- May 1</i>	<i>Watkins Glen, NY HPDE ONLY</i>
<i>TBD</i>	<i>Lime Rock Park, CT Full day HPDE</i>
<i>May 25 - 27</i>	<i>NJMP Thunderbolt Course</i>
<i>July 13 - 15</i>	<i>Pocono Long Courses</i>
<i>Aug. 10 - 12</i>	<i>NJMP Lightning Course</i>
<i>TBD</i>	<i>Pocono Long Courses</i>
<i>Sept.</i>	<i>NASA Natl. Championships - Mid-Ohio</i>
<i>TBD</i>	<i>Lime Rock Park, CT</i>
<i>Sept. 28 -30</i>	<i>Watkins Glen, NY</i>
<i>Oct. 26 - 28</i>	<i>NJMP Thunderbolt</i>

Here are a few photo reminders of all of the competition fun that we had in 2011.



Arrive and Drive Group preparing to head out on the track at the Allsport Go-Kart event.

Al Hegarty carving the cones



Fearless Fred Long attacking the course



Rich & wounded Warrior ready for takeoff



Nice Burnout



Andrej Balanc of NVCC showing us how it's done



An ACR Cobra came to run





Racers at Summit Point Raceway getting ready to run.



The CCA Compound at VIR



Chef Suzy Preparing the Grill at VIR

If you have any ideas for competition related events or would like to coordinate a track event, please contact me at anytime.

Living Life in the Fast Lane

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CCA Competition Chairman

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NCCC Governor — Ron Hamrah**NCCC Report****Points of Contact Listing**

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NCCC Governor's Report

By Ron Hamrah, NCCC Governor for CCA

As Christmas approaches, and as a career military veteran, I am including a photo I took last year as well as some web links for anyone interested in providing end-of-year support to this generation of military vets.

As the Wounded Warrior Point-of-Contact for CCA, I am working with the staff at the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, MD to coordinate their participation in our 2012 CCA activities. Let me know if you would like to assist.



Wounded Warriors arriving in DC (WRAMC) from San Francisco (Pacific Ocean May 21, 2010) enroute to Virginia Beach (Atlantic Ocean July 24, 2010)

<http://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/>

<http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>

<http://www.fisherhouse.org/>

Check out the following informative websites:

East Region NCCC website at <http://www.ernccc.org>

Corvette Forum at <http://forums.corvetteforum.com/index.php>

Special Discounts for NCCC Members - <http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Friends.html>

National Corvette Museum - <http://services.corvettemuseum.com/portaltools/ncmf/membership.cfm>

Insurance Link - <http://www.ncminsurance.com/>

EAST REGION NCCC Vette-work

All NCCC members are invited to join the East Region Vette-work, the heart and soul of Corvette enthusiasm. <http://ernccc.ning.com/?xgi=0o5HhRuMrv1zb1>

If you have CORVETTE ITEMS FOR SALE There is a new App that will handle classified ads better than the Forum did. You will find a new section called "Listings" where you can list items.

What are you doing August 2014 ?

If you missed the 2009 National Caravan to Bowling Green, KY, you missed seeing 8,000 Corvettes from across the US and Canada as well as Corvette enthusiasts (without their Corvettes) from Holland, Germany and (23 of them from) Australia !!! Don't miss the next caravan. Check it out at <http://www.corvettecaravan.com/> Contact me or ask any of our CCA members who participated.

VERIZON CELL PHONE SERVICE DISCOUNT

If you are a military veteran and use Verizon for your cell phone service, you can get a 15% discount on your service. All you need to do is take a copy of your DD-214 to a Verizon store and tell them you would like to have the Vets Discount. Tell them the discount code is 117818. You should get a 15% discount off your monthly bill. You can even fax them your DD-214 for the discount.

EAST REGION CLUB SPONSORED EVENTS

Due to the lull in East Region club activities during the winter, this section will resume in the March newsletter.

At our last East Region NCCC meeting, the issue of conducting rallyes based on competitor skill rather than random chance was discussed. If you have a preference or comments to offer, please email me.

SADNESS WITHIN NCCC

On Saturday, December 3, 2011, the Nashville Corvette Club, Nashville, TN lost a loyal member, a past President and a dear friend to many. Johnny Biffle left us after losing a hard fought battle with lymphoma. On behalf of our CCA Membership, I have sent our condolences.

On December 4th, 2011 the NCCC lost Tim Harless, a 40 year member of the Anderson Corvette Association in Anderson, IN. Tim had served as President for several terms. On behalf of our CCA Membership, I have sent our condolences.

NCM Ambassador — Terry Popkin

National Corvette Museum Report

Give a VIP Tour this Holiday Season!

Give a gift that will have your friend or loved one talking about it for ages! The Museum now offers certificates for VIP Tours. The certificate gives the recipient the opportunity to schedule a VIP plant and museum tour at their convenience within the next year.



VIP Tours are \$250 and is good for a group of four people. Additional persons can be added on for \$50 each, maximum of 7 tour participants total. To purchase your gift certificate, contact Gary Cockriel in the NCM Delivery Department at 800-205-4248

NCM Motorsports Park - Quick Facts

A New Venue for High Performance

With over one mile of frontage on Interstate 65 and located across from the National Corvette Museum (NCM) and the Corvette Assembly Plant, the Motorsports Park will be one of the most centrally located and easily accessible driving facilities in the country.

The Park will be situated on approximately 184 acres. The NCM has already purchased 70 acres and is in the process of purchasing and rezoning the remainder. The rezoning is estimated to be completed by the end of the 2011 and the purchase completed by March 31, 2012. An option has been obtained on the adjoining 224 acres that may be used for future park development.

The track will be designed by professionally accredited track consultants in accordance with accepted professional design standards, including Sports Car Club of America specifications.

The top priority of the NCM Motorsports Park will be education and safety.

The National Corvette Museum located in Bowling Green, KY is a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit foundation. As the largest car museum in the world dedicated to a single model, the NCM is committed to preserving the Corvette's past, present and future. Our strength comes from our over 36,000 members.

New Sebring Tour Offered

Museum in Motion Tours bring Corvette enthusiasts together to enjoy driving their Corvettes and visiting new, unique, interesting and



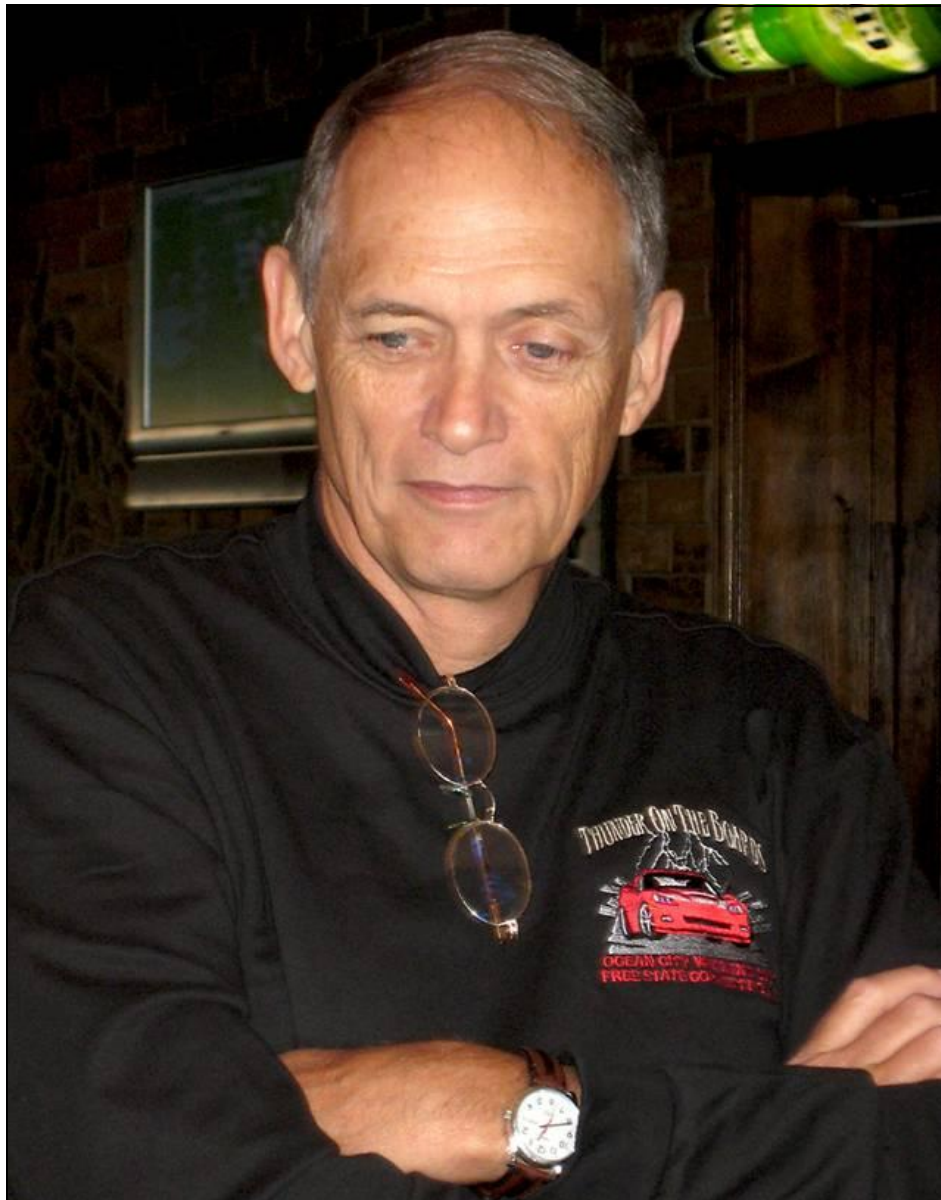
exciting venues. The Museum event season kicks off with a tour originating in the Florida Panhandle and ending with two days at the 12 Hours of Sebring kickoff ALMS race.

Tour participants will visit places such as the Naval Coastal Base with its Deep Dive and Experimental Diving facilities, State Parks, the Don Garlits Museum of Drag Racing and St Armand's Circle in Sarasota before settling in for two days of immersion in Corvette Racing at Sebring as part of the Corvette Corral.

The member tour fee, inclusive of hotels, admissions, Corvette Corral and some meals is \$1985 for one vehicle/two people (non-member fee is \$2065 and includes memberships). Registration is now open and will close February 17, 2012 but these tours sell out quickly so don't wait too long.

**In Memoriam
Denny Burns
1946 - 2011**

It is with great sadness that I report on the passing of former CCA member Denny Burns. Denny was the owner of a very nice 1965 Corvette convertible with a great sounding aftermarket motor. He was an old school street racer and drag racer who enjoyed driving and working on his car. After moving to Hagerstown from Gaithersburg a few years ago, Denny joined the Mason Dixon Corvette Club. Whenever I cruised with the club, I always tried to drive behind Denny so that I could listen to his sweet sounding exhaust with that nice lope from the performance cam that he installed. He will be greatly missed. I've included an excerpt from his obituary below.



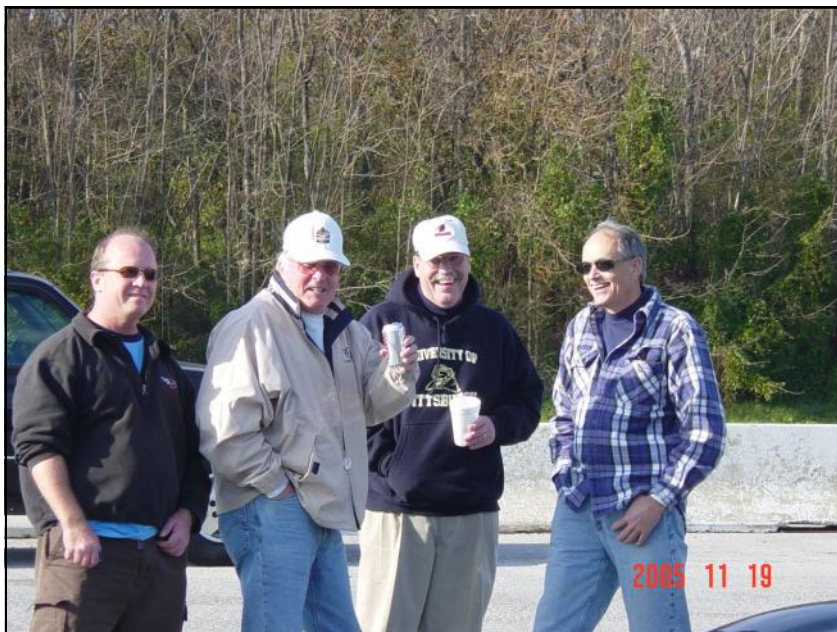
Paul Dennis Burns, 65, of 11116 Parkwood Drive, Hagerstown, Md., passed away Monday, Nov. 28, 2011, at the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore.

Born Tuesday, Aug. 6, 1946, in Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Paul Winifred Burns and Ruby Elizabeth Baker Burns.

He graduated from Thurmont High School in 1964. He was employed with the National Institute of Health for 38 years. He was a member of the Elks Lodge 378, Red Men Tribe 84 and the Mason Dixon Corvette Club.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Sandra J. Burns; sons, Paul Dennis Burns Jr. of Gaithersburg, Md., and Gregory Scott Burns and wife, Martine, of Frederick, Md.; brother, Darryl Eugene Burns of Monterey, Calif., and seven grandchildren.

Contributed by Rich Taylor with photos from Larry Spilman



CCA Annual Election for the Board of Directors

Its that time of year when you get to vote for your new Board members and officers. I'm excited to tell you that we have two candidates each for the positions of President and Vice President. Pat Roney and Rich Taylor are running for President and Bob Couse and Jim Parisi are running for Vice President. See their biographies below before casting your votes.

[Remember that in order to vote you must have renewed your membership for 2012.](#) If you have not sent in your renewal to me you can copy and paste the ballot and send both of them into me at the same time. You have until Nov. 26th to renew your membership and have until Dec.13th to cast your votes.

Vote for One President

Pat Roney

Rich Taylor

Vote for One Vice President

Bob Couse

Jim Parisi

Jean Wade
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President - Pat Roney - Bio

Hello fellow Corvette enthusiast. I am Pat Roney and I am running for President of the Corvette Club of America for the 2012 year.

I bought my first Corvette January 2007 and just happen to meet Phil Canal and Fred Silver at a coffee get together the very next day. They were so enthusiastic about the Corvette Club of America that I decided to join. My first meeting was the February business meeting and needless to say I fell in love with the group of people know as the Corvette Club of America. I attended most of the club activities, shop nights, and meetings the first year and currently it is rare for me to miss one of our meetings, shop nights or events. I almost always work the events and have had a ball doing so.

I was honored to be the Competition Chair for our club from January 2008 through June 2010 during which time we started autocrossing and doing track events at Summit Point and New Jersey Motorsports Park as well as continuing putting on our 2 drag races each year. I also started the February indoor Go Kart racing event that is meant to get us ready for the Corvette season. This has become an annual event and is growing each year.

My goals, if elected, would be to continue the great work that Don Haller and our board have accomplished over the past few years. I believe that our club's emphasis should be on the social side with Cruiz Ins, car shows and charitable fund raising events as well as maintaining our competition group advances that we have made over the years. Throw in some neat trips such as the trip that we made this spring to the National Corvette Museum and we should have something for everyone.

My particular style is to listen to the ideas of our members and try to provide the activities that they would like.

I would appreciate if you would give consideration to supporting my run for president by casting your vote for me.

Thanks for your consideration.

Pat

Pat Roney
Candidate For
President



President - Rich Taylor - Bio

Hi fellow CCA members,

For those who may not know me, I am the current Competition Chairman for the club and I'm an avid car enthusiast. I have also served the club as Vice President under Don Haller. I have a 2003 Corvette Z06 that I race at drag races, road courses and autocrosses. I also have a 1969 Corvette Stingray that I drive to car shows and cruise-ins. In addition I have a BMW M3 and a supercharged Mustang GT. As you can see I'm a real addict who enjoys racing, driving and working on cars, especially Corvettes. I joined CCA in 2004 and have attended and supported most of the club sponsored events throughout the years. As Competition Chairman I am responsible for setting up our drag race and autocross events and also coordinate our participation in non-club sponsored track events such as High Performance Driver Education events and events sponsored by other NCCC Corvette Clubs. I developed an autocross training class to allow those who are interested to learn about autocross and to find out if they would be interested in participating. This has been a great way to attract new participants in our events. This past year the Board decided to purchase our own autocross timing equipment which gives us the independence to control our own events and to maximize the revenues to the club. I have also coordinated our drag racing events which have included a car show that has been coordinated with the Maryland Camaro Club. We have also invited Wounded Warriors from Walter Reed Hospital to our drag races and given them high speed rides down the track to brighten their day.

I assist with most club events including our major car show at Sport Chevrolet each year, and attend most of our club sponsored events such as wine and brewery tours, lunch cruises and charity benefit events. I run the 50/50 raffles at shop night and at many of our other events. At shop nights I have coordinated tech sessions on how to work on Corvette braking systems to change pads and rotors and to bleed the fluid. I have also given sessions on NCCC judging for our car shows. I provide assistance to many of our members during shop night to accomplish repairs on their cars in order to share my knowledge of cars and to promote the benefits of belonging to the club.

I am married and have two adult children and one grandson. My education is in mechanical engineering and business administration and I currently work for Lockheed Martin Corporation in Rockville, MD as a Senior Manager of Quality and Process Improvement. In addition to being a car enthusiast I am a sports fan and follow football, basketball, boxing and UFC events.

I am running for CCA president in order to assure that the high standards of leadership that have been set by Don Haller and our previous presidents are continued in the coming years, and to broaden the participation of our members in club activities by providing a wide array of activities that appeal to the interests of all members. By casting your vote for me you will ensure the continued success of our club in providing an open environment for all members to participate in a wide array of events that cater to their love of Corvettes.

Sincerely,

Rich Taylor

Rich Taylor
Candidate For
President



Vice President - Bob Couse - Bio

My wife and I have been CCA members since 2008 when we bought our first Corvette, a Cyber Gray Coupe. We have two children and three grandchildren. I retired in 2008 after 38 years with the Bechtel organization and continue to do some consulting as an advisor to a venture capital fund and provide expert witness testimony in the heavy construction industry.

Last year I served as your club vice president and am again seeking your approval to continue in that capacity. While I have keen interest in supporting the club and its activities, I am only able to commit to a support role at this time, rather than pursue the President position.

Since joining the club, I have been an active member of the competition group and have helped stage autocross events as well as compete. I have also been active in participating in the HPDE events at Summit Point, Watkins Glen, VIR and NJMSP.

While the competition elements of the club activities have become a passion, I am no less enthusiastic about supporting other events. I have been a catalyst in promoting the early development of the full club calendar, not just the NCCC events, so that the club members can plan their participation in other social events as well. I have supported: our annual car shows, Trikes for Tykes, the Toys for Tots, go-cart racing, qualified as an instructor for the Teen Driving School sponsored by a sister club, and helped with the club picnic.

Those of you that know me, recognize I am an active participant in club business meetings and freely bring my experience forward to benefit the club. I have a strong interest in promoting club activities that are of interest to the membership. We have a large club and I would like to see them all engaged in at least some of the activities in 2012.

Thanks again,
Bob Couse

Bob Couse
Candidate For
Vice President



Vice President - Jim Parisi - Bio

Hi CCA Members, I am Jim Parisi also known as JP7. I am a car lover and enthusiast; Corvettes and fast cars are my passion. I have enjoyed with many of you the events sharing food and drink and our interests in Corvettes and related subjects.

I have presently a black 2009 Z06 and enjoy it to the max. My Corvettes of past include, a red 2006 Z06, a red 1974 convertible which I rebuilt from the frame up, a 1969 LT1 350-375 which I had for 28 years, and a 1964 blue convertible 327. I did the museum delivery for my 2006 red Z06 and I loved it.

I have attended the Reunion and the Z06 Fest with the Z06.com group and gave the tour for them at the Evans distillery after the Makers Mark tour.

I joined CCA in 2006 and have participated in all events over the years and was the finder of our present sponsor Sport Chevrolet. I have a very close relationship with them and have run the field along with Lee Shirley from laying out the field to set up and running the staging for the last three years. I have brought in numerous members and other car enthusiasts from other clubs to our racing and show events. I also have brokered many car sales for Sport Chevrolet and enjoy the car business. I have the sixth fastest stock time at MIR in a Z06, 11.3 seconds. I give John Armstrong one of our members who championed the launching of the Z06 my thanks for teaching me that process. I have worked drag racing, autocross, and meetings though not as much this past year due to two surgeries on my back (and thank you all for the card). I attend many shows and met people from other clubs who have come to our shows and racing events. I promote our shows at these events. I have donated to the Toys for Tots for all the years since being in the club supported the Sport Chevrolet bicycle giveaway for the last three years since its inception.

My Family, I have two great children who are grown Jessica 24, a medical student and future orthopedic surgeon, and Anthony 26 a computer technician. I am a single dad who raised both of them from age 4 and 6.

I am a project manager and liaison for the government agencies for the United States Postal service for the last 27 years. I worked as a physical education teacher for seven years in Aquatics for Montgomery College in the early part of my career.

I am running for Vice President and will continue to do what I say I will do for the club: To help with the leadership of the club and keeping the high standard that our past presidents have paved; To participate and be there. Voting for me will ensure that all people will be involved and enjoy the club events.

Thank you

Sincerely,
Jim Parisi

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Candidate For
Vice President



**Corvette Club of America Winter Dinner Party
Saturday, January 28th 2012 6PM until 10PM**

**Alfio's Cucina Italian
4515 Willard Avenue
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
301-657-9133
www.alfios.com**

(Right off Wisconsin Ave. near Mazza Gallery)

Parking: Free Valet Parking: or Free Self Park if needed.

6:00pm Happy hour Appetizers served until gone.

Open Bar 6PM until 9PM, Cash bar after that.

Appetizers: Brochette, Calamari, Small Meatballs

Entrees: details

Veal alla Pizzaiola –fresh garlic, tomato & olive oil

Cotoletta alla Marsala –milk fed veal cutlet Parma style

Eggplant Parmigiana

Chicken alla Marsala – fresh mushrooms

Salmon – fresh filet broiled with dill sauce

Filet Mignon Broiled to perfection

**Includes: Fresh Vegetables, Pasta, Bread, Desert, Coffee or
Tea**

All this for only \$35.00 per person!

Checks are to be made payable to CCA

**Please feel free to contact Jean by email for questions
vettehon@aol.com 301-253-6074**

If you can donate a door prize it would be most helpful.

***** Awards Banquet Reply *****

Please RSVP before January 21st

Member Name:

Number of people to attend: _____ X \$35.00 per person = \$_____

Guest Name: (If applicable)

Entrée Selection: (Pick one per person).

- Veal alla Pizzaiola _____
- Cotoletta alla Parmigiana _____
- Eggplant Parmigiana _____
- Chicken alla Marsala _____
- Salmon _____
- Filet Mignon _____

Dessert Selection: (Pick one per person).

- Rum Cake _____
- Spumoni Ice Cream _____

Please make check payable to CCA for total amount due and send along with this reply form to: Before Jan. 21st 2012

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