

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona The "Talepipe" Newsletter



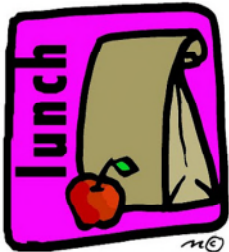
AUGUST 2021

**President: John Doria; Vice President: Gary Swanson; Treasurer: William Simmons;
Secretary: Jamie Hawes; Directors: Elizabeth Byrne, Ed Doyle, William Geize;
Newsletter Editor: Jean Doyle**

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month (through November, 2021) at the Red Lobster Restaurant, 2625 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach. We invite you to dine with us (Dutch treat) at 5:30 p.m. and stay for the meeting, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Coming Up

LET'S DO LUNCH IN TITUSVILLE



Pier 220 on the Max Brewer Memorial Highway in Titusville is the spot for our newest Dining on the Run. Fresh Seafood in a relaxing environment right on the water is what Pier 220 offers.

We will meet at the Sunshine Park Mall on Rt. 1 in South Daytona on Sunday, August 1st, and leave from there at 10:15 a.m. for the cool drive to Titusville. Gary Swanson will lead us there.

LET'S DO DINNER AT HALIFAX PLANTATION:

One thing you can always say about the Corvette Cruisers is that we love to eat. After all, we aren't known as "Meals on Wheels" for nothing. This time we will dine at the beautiful Halifax Plantation in Ormond Beach on Tuesday, August

24th for Dinner Night Out. Let's leave from Bealls in Ormond at 5:00 p.m. to get there around 5:30. In the past, the club has had our Christmas Party at Halifax and one main complaint was the location was hard to find in the dark. Know that when we dine in August, it will be light when we get there and light when we leave, so finding our way out should not be an issue.



DAYTONA CAR CORRAL

If you are looking for a good deal, this just might be it!! On Saturday, August 28th, the Daytona International Speedway is sponsoring a Car Corral at One Daytona. Admission of \$50 includes a 300 level (good seats) ticket to the Coke Zero 400 that evening, and free parking, as your car will remain in the car corral at One Daytona. An additional passenger will cost an additional \$40. This is a great savings over and above the cost of a race ticket and parking. If the race is cancelled, your account will be credited for future use. Several from the club are planning to attend. If you are interested, contact Alex Snyder at 276-956-7226 or email at asnyder@nascar.com to purchase admission by **August 10th**. Then let John Doria know you are going, so we can park together.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Make sure to mark your calendars for upcoming events:

October 17 – FUN RUN (Jamie needs a helper.)

November 7-8 – Overnight trip to Amelia Island

December 6 – Christmas Party

News to Use

SHIRT SHOWDOWN:

As you may or may not know, the club has had a dilemma where it comes to procuring club shirts. Our original color of tangerine (and later Cantaloupe), is no longer available in any brand. Manufacturers are carrying only colors that are widely used in conjunction with sports teams. So, that's when the club went for the lighter weight shirt in the orange and white. Unfortunately, this shirt has since been discontinued, so we were left to go back to the drawing board. The Board of Directors has settled on a collared shirt in a brighter shade of orange in a light weight cotton weave to become the official club shirt. The ladies' style has a different neckline than the men's version. The price is yet to be announced but is expected to be similar to our present shirts (about \$28). Some members may wish to purchase the new shirt, but please know the shirt you presently have is always welcome at any club functions. As long as Syracuse, Tennessee, Auburn, Texas, and Clemson, just to name a few, continue to use a bright orange color, we should be safe from future cancellations. And by the way, the new color is called Team Orange. Goooooo Team!!



ELECTIONS ARE COMING UP:

We have one available slot to have a complete slate of officers for the 2022-2024 term. We are in need of a Recording Secretary, one who will only take and read the Minutes from the regular meetings and the board meetings. Jean Doyle will be the Corresponding Secretary and will perform all other duties of the secretary. The other officers will be as follows:

President – John Doria

V. President – Gary Swanson

Treasurer – Bill Simmons

Directors – Jamie Hawes, John Pona, and Bob Wolff

Many thanks to Bill Geize and his committee for the work they did in finding (coaxing) members to take on the responsibility. If you are interested in the Recording Secretary position, please, please, please let Bill know.

REWARDS

The Red Lobster has a Rewards program. Visit the Apple App store or Google Playstore and download My Red Lobster Rewards. Then you can scan the QR code from your receipt to receive points that can be turned into a free drink, free dessert, or free food depending on the number of points acquired. A similar rewards card was offered at Fridays, when we had our meeting there. If you are attending the meetings each month (and we certainly hope you do), you might as well start racking up points to get a nice little treat every so often. (If you still have your receipt from July 20, the code is on it, so scan it to start collecting points.)

REMINDER

Just in case it may have slipped your mind, the letters DOTR stand for Dining on the Run. The important part of this phrase is the “On the Run,” as we have already learned the Dining part quite



well. So when the Board selects places to have our DOTR, they try to choose restaurants where driving a little distance is a must. If the restaurant is close by, a short scenic drive might be in store. We are a Corvette Club, after all, and what is more fun than driving or riding in our 'Vettes.

Reviews

DOTR FOR JULY

For the July Dining on the Run, Bill and Bonita, Bill G., Liz and Edie, John and Rose, Pat and Aliah, Bob and Linda (in the first long outing in their '64), Julius, and Ed and Jean, followed John and Sally as we met up with Gary and Cindy along the way. (Happy to report the '64 made a successful journey and kept up quite nicely.) Osteen's Diner, not to be confused with Osteen's Restaurant in St. Augustine, was ready for us when we pulled up in 9 Corvettes and 1 Ford truck. Parking was a little tough as this is a popular place (maybe the ONLY place in Osteen) and the lot was full. Though scattered about, we all managed to find a spot. An extensive menu offered fresh eggs from the hens and roosters on the premises adding to the delight of this little country diner. Service at Osteen's had to be the fastest ever. Immediately upon being seated, coffee was served in their style of "no two mugs alike", and orders were placed. Everybody was taken back when our food arrived in record time. Was there a mind reader working the kitchen that morning who knew what we would order? Since the food came out so quickly, the usual table chatting had to continue outside on the front porch following our meal, where we swapped stories before heading back to civilization. A nice drive,

in a nice ride, on a beautiful day, in sunny Florida...what could be better?

OUR NEW HOME:



Our monthly meeting for July was held at our new location at the Red Lobster on ISB. Service was a little slow at first, but picked up quickly. Servers were attentive and the food was really good. (High marks for the coconut shrimp!) Everyone seemed satisfied, and especially so with the room accommodations – plenty of room to spread out, but private enough from other patrons. It was great to see Shirley Gerstel again. About 20 members attended "opening night" on a rainy evening complete with lightning and thunder.

LOST LAGOON SHOW/BRUNCH:

Neither cloudy skies nor forecasted rain stopped thirteen members from heading out to the Lost Lagoon for the Sunday brunch (oh yeah, and car show). From the chocolate fountain for fresh fruit, to the perfectly fried bacon, the made-from-scratch biscuits with the yummy sausage gravy, and other items too numerous to mention, the Sunday brunch scored a hit with Bob and Linda Wolff, Bill Simmons, Bill and Evelyn Neway, John and Rose Pona, Julius Frittelli and Brenda Johnson, John and Sally Doria, and Ed and Jean Doyle. Though the price had increased \$2.00 since the last time we were there, (January of 2017 – can you believe it??), the food and the variety was excellent, and a \$2.00 increase was certainly deserved. They even had a cold cuts and cheese tray for those who weren't in the breakfast mood. Due to the rains all week prior, the car show participants were light in number, but there were still many interesting sights to take in.

This & That 'Vettes Etc.

Get Well Wishes: Anita Slaton is recovering nicely from knee replacement surgery she had at the end of June. She, Steve, and her doctor are all very pleased with her recovery. We can now add Anita to our “bionic” list, which is growing among our members. Isn’t modern medicine marvelous!!

Money Winner: The big money winner from the 50/50 drawing was Bonita Richardson for \$25.00. It’s about time she got rewarded for selling all those tickets.



Birthday Wishes go to Brenda Johnson on the 1st, Liz and Edie Byrne on the 6th, Anita Slaton on the 19th, and Aliah Wall on the 20th. Happy Birthday!!



Anniversary: Cheers to Bill and Evelyn Neway, who are celebrating an anniversary in August. Congratulations.



Got News?

Have you traveled anywhere since the Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted? Or do you have something planned for the remainder of summer or maybe into Fall? Also, if you know of any members who have been ill or hospitalized, or are celebrating anything, i.e., the birth of a grandchild, a new pet, any news at all, please let Jean Doyle know. We want to know what is going on with our members, especially those we haven’t seen in a while.

Z06 News:

General Motors has officially announced the reveal of the 2023 C8 Corvette Z06! Coming this fall. (But remember, the “reveal” doesn’t give any indication of when production will begin.)

CORVETTE DATA: Talking about the C-8’s recently, one of our members asked the question about how long the previous Corvette Generations had lasted. Since no two are the same number of years, here is your answer:

- C1 – 1953-’62 (10 yrs.)
- C2 – 1963-’67 (5 yrs.)
- C3 – 1968-’82 (15 yrs.)
- C4 – 1984-’96 (13 yrs.)
- C5 – 1997-’04 (8 yrs.)
- C6 – 2005-’13 (9 yrs.)
- C7 – 2014-’19 (6 yrs.)
- C8 -- 2020- ?

Fun Corner



"WE TESTED AN ELECTRIC VERSION. BUT RECHARGING IT CAUSED POWER GRID BLACKOUTS."