

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona The "Talepipe" Newsletter



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

Coming Up

LET'S DO BREAKFAST:

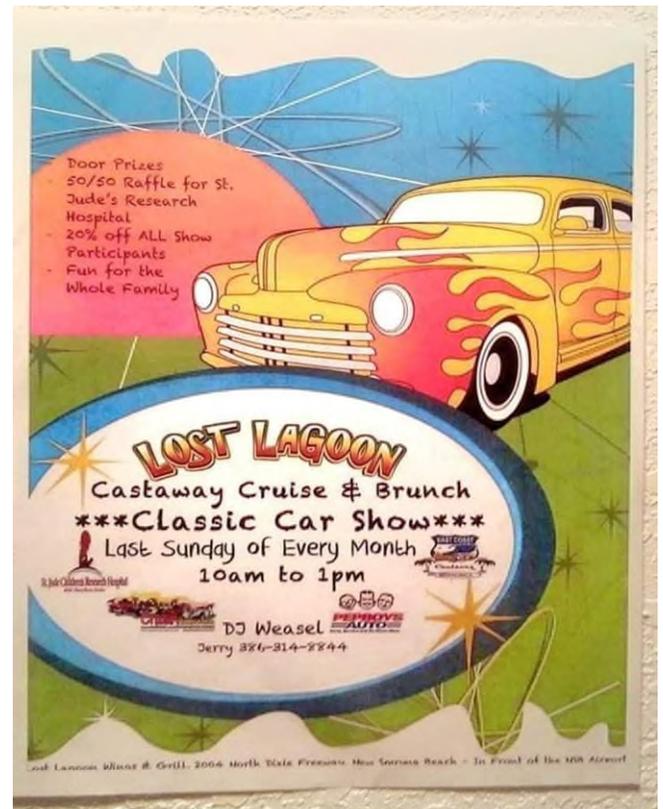
Rise and shine for an early morning breakfast at Peach Valley in Port Orange. We will leave from Sunshine Mall, 2400 S. Ridgewood Ave (Route 1) in South Daytona, at 8:15 a.m. on Sunday, August 7th. Along with the



usual breakfast fare, they offer some unique items, such as avocado toast, a smoked salmon bagel, or fiesta rancheros. Their omelets are great as are their waffles, pancakes, and signature apple fritters, so wake up early and join us for a yummy breakfast. Wear your orange club shirts so we can wake the place up!

LET'S GO CRUISIN' (AND EATING, TOO, OF COURSE)

The date is Sunday, August 28. Shine up your 'Vette and let's go to the Lost Lagoon Cruise-In and Brunch. We will leave from Sunshine Mall in South Daytona at 9:30 a.m. Pack some chairs.



There aren't too many car events in the Florida summer months, but this one is a relaxed, park-on-the grass kind of show. Brunch is good, and you may win a door prize. Club shirts are not required.



The Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona are happy to welcome two new couples to the club:



Don and Susan Veatch, originally from Northern VA and TN respectively, make their home in Margaritaville.

Don and Susan drive a beautiful restored 1959 Roman Red Convertible.



Emery Simkulak and Fran Alderson, who moved here from PA, also make their home in Margaritaville. They took Museum Delivery of their

gorgeous 2022 Hypersonic Gray Coupe.

Something to think about.... A total of 63 years separate these two cars. Wow!!

If you haven't had a chance to meet these lovely couples, please introduce yourself to them and make them feel at home. They love Corvettes and they love to eat ... a perfect fit.

Announcement

A position on the Board of Directors has opened up. If you think you might be interested in serving as a Director, please contact John Doria by August 5th, either by phone or text at 386-453-9812. The term will continue through November of 2023. You will be filling the unexpired term of Liz Byrne, who resigned the position to take a break. We thank Liz for her many years of service

as a Board member and look forward to her continued membership in the club.

Reviews

PIZZA PARTY

Pizza Night at Giuseppe's is becoming a regular thing with the Corvette Cruisers. The Corvettes took over one whole end of the parking lot when twenty-two members, four prospective members and one guest descended on the restaurant. From looking around the table, it is evident that Giuseppe's is not just a pizza place anymore. Many other dishes such as spaghetti, sandwiches, and salads graced the tables. There is, however, one main complaint with Giuseppe's, and that is the acoustics. There is nothing to absorb the sound in that big open space, thus it is a little difficult to hear each other, especially with the noise from our group alone. But our desire to eat superseded our desire to be heard, so "Cheers to Giuseppe's Steel City Pizza," where the pizza is always hot and the beer is always cold. Happy to see such a large crowd which included Liz and Edie Byrne, Arnie and AJ, Ed and Jean Doyle, John and Rose Pona, Bob and Debbie Dutcher, Julius and Brenda, Patrick and Aliah Wall, Khalid Akarri, Gary and Cindy Swanson, Shirley Gerstel, Bill and Bonita, Bob and Linda Wolff (with granddaughter Mia), and prospective members Emery Simkulak and Fran Alderson, and Don and Susan Veatch.

DOTR:

The Dining on the Run to La Fiesta was a short run for sure, but twelve members and six guests decided to come out to celebrate the 10th of July. The restaurant had prepared a private room for us, and everyone seemed pleased with the

service and the food. Attending were Bob and Linda Wolff, Gary and Cindy Swanson, John and Rose Pona, Del and Patty Fot, Leslie Armstrong, Shirley Gerstel, prospective members Don and Susan Veatch, John and Tina Erickson, and John Keil and his son.

(Information provided by Gary Swanson)

This & That

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those born in August:

Brenda Johnson on the 1st

Edie Byrne and Liz Byrne on the 6th

Anita Slaton on the 19th

Aliiah Wall on the 20th

Fran Alderson on the 20th

No anniversaries in August. Must be too hot in August to get married.

A SPEEDY RECOVERY to Cindy Hardin who lost a battle with the steps leading into their RV in Colorado. She fell backwards and messed up her back, so much so that she and Keith had to cancel their plans to visit Canada. Sorry about your vacation, but happy to hear she is on the mend.

RUMOR HAS IT that Alan and Loudette Segal traded in their 2016 yellow convertible for an Arctic White 2019, either a Grand Sport or a Z06. Confirm the rumor, Alan. Picture please!!

MONEY WINNER: The lucky number pulled by Noah, Fran Alderson's grandson visiting from PA, belonged to John Pona. The payout was \$30, which might buy John some little something for his Corvette.....uh, maybe not.

CONGRATULATIONS to John and Rose Pona, who became grandparents to #5 on the very day they were eating pizza at Giuseppe's with the club. Priorities, right? (Just kidding, Hayden was born early in the day.)

VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE:

August 23rd is the Florida Primary. Let your voice be heard.

KUDOS TO OUR PAST MEMBERS:

Bill Geize was recently recognized as a docent at the Marine Science Center in Ponce Inlet. A docent is the highest level of achievement for an Education Volunteer at the center. Bill has been volunteering there since 2011. Congratulations, Bill! Now we know what is keeping him busy without a Corvette.

Sheila Minor was nationally recognized for her outreach work in partnership with Progressive Medical Research, an Alzheimer's disease research center in Port Orange. Sheila recently received the 2021 National Citizen Scientist Catalyst Award from the Global Alzheimer's Platform Foundation. Yay, Sheila! Congrats!

Vette News

THE NEWS IS OUT: GM has released the starting MSRP for the 2023 Corvette Z06. America's newest supercar will start at \$106,395 for the Coupe and \$113,895 for the Convertible. Those prices include the destination freight charge of \$1,395.

The other good news from Chevrolet has to do with ordering. Customers will be able to order their Z06's starting on July 28th.

There are three trim levels for the Corvette Z06 just as there are for the C8 Stingray. Buyers will be able to choose between the 1LZ, 2LZ, and 3LZ trim packages. (Minor differences in the trim packages between the LZ and the LT)

Those starting BASE prices are:

Z06 Coupe:	Z06 Convertible
1LZ: \$106,395	1LZ: \$113,895
2LZ: \$115,595	2LZ: \$122,595
3LZ: \$120,245	3LZ: \$127,245

If you want to see more detail about what all those extras are gonna cost you, go to:

<https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2022/07/15/pricing-for-the-2023-corvette-z06-has-officially-announced-starting-msrp-is-106395/>

AN INTERESTING FOLLOWUP:

In an ongoing survey presented by the *Corvette Blogger*, Z06 potential buyers were asked:

With the 2023 Z06 pricing now out, how will that affect your order:

- *I'm out as the higher-than-expected MSRP has priced me out of the market (55%)*
- Stay the same with no major changes (26%)
- Reduce the number of options wanted, but I'm still ordering one. (19%)

Total Voters as of 7/25 = 1,613

ARE YOU A GEARHEAD? Well let's see if you know the stories behind these obscure facts about the Corvette. The countdown begins:

10. There was no trunk from 1963-1982.
9. It was named after a warship.
8. A C7 can reach 53 mph in reverse.
7. The original Corvette Logo was illegal.
6. Only an automatic was offered in 1982.
5. Mid-engine concepts date back to the '60's.
4. FINS ARE IN: the mako shark inspiration.
3. The **unpopularity** of the split-window coupe
2. The '83...the year without a Corvette for sale
1. Wrap-around window: a pioneering marvel.

If you know all the stories behind these headlines, you might be considered a "gearhead."

Fun Corner

