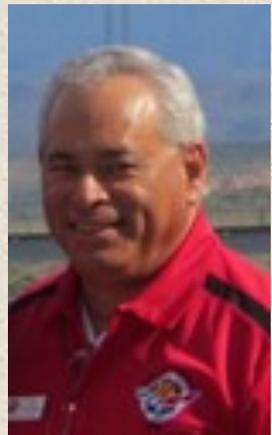




# CROSSTALK

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Step Up, Be Counted! That pretty well describes the approach Dave and Denise Lott took last year in terms of organizing and hosting CCA activities. Their individual and combined efforts to drive programs and activities for the benefit of club members clearly defines why they were recognized as the top Host Couple at our January Awards Banquet. Congratulations to both Denise and Dave for their outstanding efforts in support of the club. Next time you see them, I hope you'll offer a note of thanks for their outstanding efforts.

To keep CCA running at full speed with activities, we need members who are willing to host a single event, sponsor a driver, a movie night or step up and put together that program you've been thinking about. Team up with another couple and make it a fun activity setting up the program. We've got over fifty family memberships in the club, so it should be pretty easy to fill up our activity calendar with great activities for the whole year. Dave and Denise have done a great job, but let's give them a little break in 2016.

March is Corvette beautification month - Ok, it's not, but it should be since we will be driving our cars in the Ostrich Parade and following up with Corvettes in the Park the following month. The parade is a fun community event we do to support Thorobred Chevrolet and the City of Chandler. We are a regularly featured part of the parade and provide crowd pleasing rides for city and parade dignitaries. The good news about driving your car in the Ostrich Parade is that only the outside has to shine. No one is going to see under the hood so you can wax the outside for March and jump on the engine compartment and interior in April for Corvettes in the Park. And even if you are a light weight and not into sprucing up the engine compartment, you can still enter your car in the show - just don't open the hood - Please!

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Why you should display your car at Corvettes in the Park? Simple, it's a great show that reflects very positively on our club and its members. Others in the Corvette community seem to think we've got a premier Corvette show on our hands. The venue, the number of cars, places to eat and socialize - a true winning combination. And the more cars in the show the greater recognition and acknowledgement the Corvette Club of Arizona receives from spectators, the downtown merchants, the City of Chandler, Thorobred Chevrolet and other local Corvette clubs and owners. If we all do our part, we can easily break a record and have 120 beautiful Corvettes parked at A.J. Chandler Park for the 2016 edition of Corvettes in the Park.

Be an active member of CCA and enjoy the rewards with our proud family of Corvette owners.

Sincerely,

*Jim*





## CCA CHICKS MONTHLY LUNCH

HOSTED BY DENISE LOTT AND NORMA MARSH

Ladies, you are all invited to our monthly lunch gathering whenever your schedule permits. It is a time to celebrate birthdays and holidays, and to share some of the special happenings in your lives.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month, 11 a.m.**  
**Poolside Café, Oakwood Country Club, Sun Lakes**

In February we had a special treat. Sheryl Katz and her "Four in a Chord" quartet came to entertain us with songs for Valentine's Day. They started with "Celebration" and then did two of their favorite Valentine's Day songs: "I Don't Know Why (I Love You Like I Do)" and "I've Got a Crush on You". Toward the end of the luncheon, since we had no February birthdays, they serenaded a belated birthday wish to our January honorees (Denise Lott, Patti Kerber, Barb Bassett, and Esther Enriquez) with what they refer to as their peppy, fun, non-traditional version of "Happy Birthday"!

If you would like to be included in the monthly reminder, please email Norma, [njoymarsh@aol.com](mailto:njoymarsh@aol.com).



## UPCOMING MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### March

- Beverly Davenport
- Mark Godina
- Jennifer McDonald
- Bob McDougall
- Karen Mion
- Dale Pavlicek



### April

- Joe Hitzel
- Sheryl Katz
- Bob Logan
- Linda McCarty
- Gary Porter
- George Ray
- Mike Terrey
- Cory Wendland

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*Jim Enriquez*

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*Howard Katz*

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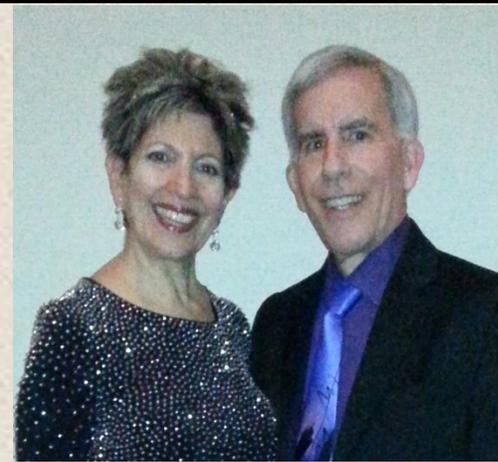
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## CCA AT DCA'S NEW YEAR'S PARTY

BY SHERYL KATZ



On New Year's Eve, eight CCA couples (the Bassetts, Campises, Enriquezes, Hagans, Hills, Katzes, Lotts, and Mions) joined DCA (Desert Corvettes of Arizona) Corvette Club to ring in the New Year, 'Sweet 16'! The gala, held at the Four Point Sheraton in Ahwatukee, kicked off with a 'BYOB' Happy Hour in a hotel Room Suite at 4:30pm. Some of the CCA early birds joined in the revel while others checked in to the Hotel and finished dressing for the Party.

At 6:00pm, everyone trickled into the Ballroom to start the evening. I must say, the CCA couples looked fabulous in their fancy attire; the women looked gorgeous and the men, quite dapper! Cocktail Hour lasted about an hour – a perfect opportunity to meet and greet, mingle with DCA, and take photos. Several CCA members knew some DCA members that were also attending, and hadn't seen each other in awhile, so it was a wonderful time to catch up.

The DJ was awesome. Not only did he play a huge variety of music, but had many zany activities planned for the entire evening. During Cocktail Hour and dinner, a slideshow of DCA 2015 activities throughout the year was projected on the wall. Based on those photos, one could say that their members sure had some fun events this past year. Yes, we now have some additional ideas to toss into CCA's 2016 events pool.



After dinner, time to get down and boogie... as party hats were donned, the lights dimmed to make way for a laser light show, and the music was cranked up for dancing. Every so often, festivities were toned down for a game. The 'Wheel Nuts', a group name for one of our CCA tables (Bassetts, Enriquezes, Lotts and Mions) won 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the Rebus Quiz, and Bob Bassett placed second for the Orator contest (telling a story without stammering with five criteria for 1+ minutes). Way to go 'Wheel Nuts' and Bob!

Rewards for the games were raffle tickets and throughout the evening, raffles were held to give away a variety of nice gifts. The Bassetts won a lovely Harry and David gift box tower and Nancy Hagan won a \$10 Einstein Bagel gift card.

After awhile of loud partying, several CCA couples took a break from the Ballroom to hang out in a more quiet area. It didn't take long before they raised a raucous in the Lobby, playing their own version of 'Advertaising', whereupon silliness and laughter reigned.

Soon it was back to the Ballroom... almost midnight and everyone was on the dance floor for the countdown and a round of Auld Lang Syne! More dancing until our feet hurt and then we all called it a night; welcome Sweet 16!!

The next morning the Hagans, Hills, Katzes and Lotts met for the breakfast buffet. More fun conversation, jokes, and laughter – a great way to ring in the New Year!!

## CLUB MERCHANDISE

### THE CCA MERCHANDISE WEB SITE IS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION

There are new items being added and a few items being removed (as they are no longer available). Both men and women's long sleeved shirts, two new hats, and a new car-shaped "bling" logo for women's shirts will be added to the web site. Sample shirts, jackets, and hats will be available at each meeting for members to see what is available, in what colors, and to try on to check out sizing. All members are encourage to check out the web site and look over the new items. Keep checking, as it should be updated soon. If you're unable to attend a meeting, feel free to call Pam Swanson and she will be available for a home visit.

### Online Store for Club Merchandise

GIFT CERTIFICATE\$

ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON LINE

Great for any occasion

Remember, if you are not sure of the size you need, do not order as it cannot be returned. Samples of most styles will be available to try on at CCA Business meetings.



Got Questions?

Contact Pam Swanson

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Phone: 480-496-9145



## CCA ON LINE

FROM WEBMASTER JIM KERBER



**HOMEPAGE UPDATE:** if you have visited our club website recently you may have noticed a change. The homepage has changed from the behind the wheel drive down a highway, complete with exhaust sounds from Corsa, to the familiar main menu page. This change was made to get rid of the old Thoroughbred Chevrolet "horse" logo that was embedded in the old homepage.

**POTENTIAL BROWSER PROBLEM:** depending on your browser security settings, when you type in [corvetteclubofarizona.com](http://corvetteclubofarizona.com) in the address line, you may be redirected to a gray page with the current banner on top. If you see the grey page your browser, you will have an error message saying the browser is preventing you from being redirected to another page. Your browser should have an allow button. Either click the browser allow button, or click "click here" on the gray page to go to the main menu page. If you have any problems please contact me.

**MEMBER PROFILE UPDATES:** last year we did a major project to update member profiles, and as of May last year everything was pretty well up to date. Since then, I know several members who have bought new cars. If you bought a new car in the last 10 months (or changed mailing address, e-mail address, or telephone number) please send me the updated information and, if you want, a new photo, and I will update your profile **for free!**

## UPCOMING CCA EVENTS

### March

**3—Membership Meeting**  
Floridino's 7:00PM

**5—Ostrich Festival**  
Parade Rhode

**11—CCA Chicks Lunch**  
Lott/Marsh

**12—Dinner & Paint**  
Night Yarusso

**19—Monastery Driver**  
McDougall/Lott

**20—TVS Autocross**  
Sierra Vista

**24—Board Meeting**  
7:30PM Mion

**27—Easter Sunday**

### April

**2—Founders Day Driver**

**7—Membership Meeting**  
Thorobred 7:00PM  
Social Time @ TBD

**8—CCA Chicks Lunch**  
Lott/Marsh

**9—Corvettes in the Park**  
Dave Lott

**16—Highway Clean up**  
Sample

**21—Board Meeting**  
7:30PM Mundy

**23—Spring Autocross**  
Enriquez/Terrey



### May

**5—Membership Meeting**  
Thorobred 7:00PM  
Social time @ TBD

**7—Progressive Dinner**  
Appetizers - Rhode  
Entrée - Hitzel  
Dessert - Hill

**8—Mother's Day**

**13-16—Plastic Fantas-**  
tic San Diego - Mion

**19—Board Meeting**  
7:30PM Hagan

**20—CCA Chicks Lunch**  
Lott/Marsh

**23—Memorial Day**

**28-30—Superbash**  
Tucson

### June

**2—Membership Meeting**  
Floridino's 7:00PM

**10—CCA Chicks Lunch**  
Lott/Marsh

**15—Father's Day**

**No scheduled Board**  
Meeting



## ROADRUNNER EVENTS CALENDAR 2016 Schedule of Upcoming Events

Date	Event Type	Event Name	Host Club
3/19	PC & Gimmick Rallye	TBS March Event	Thunder Vette Set
3/20	AX & Matching Times	TVS march Event	Thunder Vette Set
4/9	People's Choice	Corvettes in the Park	Corvette Club of Arizona
4/23	AX & Matching Times	Spring Autocross	Corvette Club of Arizona
5/14	People's Choice	PC Car Show	Verde Valley Vettes
5/28-30	Mixed Events TBD	Superbash	Tucson Corvette Club



## AWARDS BANQUET

HOSTED BY THE ENRIQUEZES & THE RHODES

After celebrating our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday last year, we decided to start 2016 with a new theme, *Stayin' Alive Since '75* and the song of the evening was, naturally, *Stayin' Alive* by the Bee Gees!

As people arrived appetizers were passed, drinks were purchased, photos were taken in front of the 'red carpet', and squares were purchased in the football pool for the playoff game between the Arizona Cardinals and the Green Bay Packers. There were also photo albums to look at from the early years of the club starting in, you guessed it, 1975.

When people were seated for dinner, Jim Enriquez spoke and took us back in time to the events and pop culture of the mid-seventies. Of course you remember the start of disco, but do you remember these:

*All in the Family* - America's top television show

Pet rocks

The #1 movie *Jaws*

Microsoft founded by Paul Allen and Bill Gates

Song of the year: *Love Will Keep Us Together*, Captain & Tennille



Then dinner was served which was a choice of beef filet, pork tenderloin, or a seafood combination of scallops and shrimp. When dessert appeared, Nancy Hill's came with some birthday candles and we all sang *Happy Birthday* to her.

Time for the award presentations. Dave Lott spoke first and thanked his 2015 board members for all their work. Then Jim Enriquez introduced his incoming board and distributed the 2016 shirts with the club logo and board position embroidered on each one, continuing the tradition that was started last year.

In thanking those who work behind the scenes all year, we wanted to give special thanks to John Simonson, the Executive Manager of Thorobred Chevrolet, for his unfailing support of the Corvette Club of Arizona. Members were asked to sign a large thank you card so that it could be delivered to John at a later date.

CCA is a very active club and that's completely due to the members who organize and host all the events throughout the year. To recognize those active couples, the hosts devised a new way to value their work. We assigned points, from 1-4 points per event, based on things like the time commitment and pre-planning required, the coordination of people, and how large the event was. So, for example, on the low end, couples earned one point for events like the Vette Set dinners, Euchre nights and Chick lunches, and on the high end, couples earned four points for coordinating MMT, Thorobred Thunder and Corvettes in the Park. Based on this weighted system, 23 couples earned a total of 112 points and these couples earned the top three spots and prizes:



## AWARDS BANQUET (CON'T)



1<sup>st</sup> Place with 19 points – Denise & Dave Lott  
Corvettes in the Park, Founders Day, 2 Packages From Home work parties, 3 Euchre nights, 4<sup>th</sup> of July potluck, Brunch & Bingo, and 3 Chicks lunches.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place with 12 points – Marge & Bill Rhode  
Awards Banquet, St Patrick's Day party, Ostrich Festival parade, 2 Euchre nights, Vettes & Bombers, and Brunch & Bingo.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place with 11 points – Sheryl & Howard Katz  
Progressive dinner, Plastic Fantastic, Mining Camp driver, Vette Set dinner, Bowling Green trip, and New Year's Eve organizer.

Then there was only one award left to be announced – the Outstanding Member of the Year. The winner was instantly recognized when I started listing his accomplishments, especially since he was our president the last two years. Congratulations to Dave Lott, and we thank him for his years serving on the board and his constant support of CCA activities!

The surprise entertainment for the evening was provided by Todd Bristol through Applause Productions. This experienced game master got everyone involved in lively, sometimes even rowdy, question and answer games. Most questions were general information, but some were about 1975 events, 1975 Corvettes and CCA itself. And there were a couple of dance off contests too that were show stoppers! Contestants earned raffle tickets, sometimes individually and other times as a team. Everyone seemed to enjoy the contests and at the end, winners were drawn from the large bowl of raffle tickets that had been won.

We couldn't end the evening, or this article, without thanking those who supported our efforts:

Darlene & Frank Heavlin and the Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel  
Patti & Jim Kerber for creating the invitations  
Bruce Mundy for providing the sound system and musical entertainment  
Garry Mion, the photographer

Thanks also to all the members who attended.



## NCCC GOVERNOR'S REPORT

BY BRUCE MUNDY



The first quarter 2016 NCCC National Meetings in St. Louis were held on February 26-27.

The 2016 first quarter NCCC Roadrunner Region Governor's meeting will be held at 12 o'clock noon, March 19 2016, at the Sierra Suites Hotel in Sierra Vista, Arizona.

The Governor's meeting will be in conjunction with the combined Thunder Vette Set - New Mexico Corvette Association's 2-day Spring Event which includes a Peoples Choice Concours, Gimmick Rallye, and Social Get-together and Dinner on Saturday, March 19. Then on Sunday, March 20 there will be two Low Speed and two Matching Times Autocross events. This a great opportunity for all you Stingray and Z06 folks to try out your new machines and racing school knowledge. Looking forward to seeing everybody there. CCA usually has good representation at this event - the weather is expected to be good if a little windy. The flyer and registration form is available on the NCCC Roadrunner website at [NCCCCompetitionDatabase/2016/Programs/ListEventsForRegion](http://NCCCCompetitionDatabase/2016/Programs/ListEventsForRegion)

CCA's Corvettes in the Park will be April 9, 2016 in Downtown Chandler. Registration and payment is available on the CCA website. [Corvetteclubofarizona.com/Corvettes in the Park pre registration](http://Corvetteclubofarizona.com/Corvettes_in_the_Park_pre_registration)

The following information regarding competition events was given to the Governors by the Regional Competition Director. I am repeating it here so that anyone considering sponsoring a competition event can comply with these requirements.

### Notes on items that emerged during 2015 Roadrunner rallies:

1. No local, professional, educational, or other specific knowledge can be required to answer questions or identify items on your rallye course.
2. Rallyes should avoid questions in high traffic or congested areas.
3. All rallye questions must be answerable from within a Corvette traveling **no slower** than 10% under the posted speed limit.
4. All rallye questions must be answerable from within a Corvette while looking forward.
5. No rallye question can require looking rearward.
6. All rallye questions must be answerable from clues on the rallye course without the use of computers, smart phones, etc.
7. Each rallye must be at least 10 miles long. I.e., five combined rallyes would require a course of at least 50 miles.
8. No person who helps design the rallye, develop clues or questions, etc. can participate in the rallye for NCCC points.

### Funkhana note from 2015:

A funkhana must involve a driver and navigator driving a Corvette for at least some portion of the event.

### Autocross notes:

1. No one under the age of 12 can be a passenger in a car at an autocross, including the parade lap.
2. Helmets must be Snell-approved and less than 10 years old, class M or SA.
3. An autocross combined with a Matching Times must have at least 4 runs, two for each event.
4. When combined, the 2 runs out of 4 used for the Matching Times runs must be announced at the Driver's Meeting.
5. When conducting multiple autocrosses, each must have at least 2 runs, plus 2 more runs for each Matching Times.

### Notes regarding using the Competition Database to create sanctions, upload flyers, and post results:

The Chair and Governor must "approve" every entry after selecting "Update Event." I.e., after uploading a flyer, you must then "approve" it.

Actual street addresses are necessary for each event in order for Travel Points to be accurately calculated.

Make sure your event's sanction type is always "National."

Sanctions must be created within the Competition Database and approved at least 45 days in advance of the event.

When creating your sanctions, remember to include the time for the event in the date block.

Flyers must be posted and approved within the Comp BD at least 45 days in advance of the event.

Results must be posted in the Competition Database within 15 days of the event.

Once a sanction and flyer are approved, contact me if you need to make a change.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

BY GARRY MION



As this is my first report I'd like to start out by saying "Thank You" to Joe Hitzel for serving as the club's treasurer the past few years.

The club started the 2016 year with a register balance of \$9557.02, and currently has a register balance of \$6712.62. Major expenditures during the two months had to do with costs associated with the club's Awards Banquet in January.

Looking forward, income has started coming in from registrations for Corvettes In the Park, of which net proceeds (income minus expenses) are donated to Packages from Home.

As I become more familiar with our accounting systems, I'll be able to provide overview information about the club's various income and expenses.

On a final note, I would like to give my thanks to Bob Swanson for completing a 2015 Treasury Audit, along with his recommendations for how to improve accuracy and accountability in 2016.

## PACKAGES FROM HOME

HOSTED BY THE BASSETTS



On Wednesday, January 27th, and on Wednesday Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, CCA members crammed into the Packages from Home facility in the Phoenix Memorial Hospital Campus for packing parties, followed by a great Mexican lunch at La Canasta.

In all, we packed 138+ boxes, all jammed with items that are hard to find overseas. We couldn't send them Mom or Apple Pie, but these packages filled with Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Crackers, Popcorn, Girl Scout Cookies, Tabasco, Canned Chili, Hot Chocolate, Drink Mixes, Soups, Teas, Coffee and lots of mini chocolate bars and a hundred other small items do help to make them feel a little closer to home.

Jammed is the right word, because by the time these boxes are ready to be sealed, there is only room on top of the goodies to add a handmade card or letter

from local elementary school students thanking the recipient for their sacrifice to protect for our safety. The last touch was a slip of paper bearing the CCA crest and letting them know that we gratefully packed the boxes.

On the 27<sup>th</sup>, the TV crew from KPHO 5 filmed a two minute segment which can be found at <http://www.cbs5az.com/story/31144644/valley-organization-giving-back-to-military-members>. If you have not been on one of these packing parties you would not believe the amount of treats we cram into a box, or the feeling you get knowing you are doing something to say thank you for the service our armed forces are providing for us. I would like to thank all the members who volunteered this year, and as this is an annual CCA event, I would also urge everyone to get on the list for next year. It is two hours of frenetic activity followed by a leisurely lunch and a great feeling in your heart.

This event is Dave Lott's very own, but he was prevented from organizing it this year, and I was privileged to step in and finish it for him this year.



# I DANCED WITH ZORA

BY BARB BASSETT



In 1979, Bob and I traveled to Vancouver with our Okanagan Corvette Club (OCC) in our 1960 Corvette. We met up with several other clubs for the Canadian Council of Corvette Clubs convention (equivalent to NCCC). Quad C, Western Region is comprised of clubs from Manitoba west. The convention that year was special and exciting with the arrival of Zora and Elfie Duntov as Special Guests. They flew into Vancouver airport on the Friday night and we greeted them with a very long line of Corvettes waiting in the arrival area parking. All of our Corvette buddies were extremely excited to view our first glance at the famous couple. Thrilling is probably a better word for that night.

Following a few pleasantries we proceeded to the host hotel for the "official meet and greet" and relaxed party. Of course it was difficult to get close to our very special Corvette guests however, I thought patience is a virtue and I'll just have to wait until it's our turn.

We entered *Course d' Elegance* the next morning with a lot of work to finish on our very imperfect roadster. I literally got out my paint brush and touched up the light yellow and white paint on our toy. We had new tires installed the previous day, so that helped the look of the roadster. Our engine was a brand new blue printed, balanced and magnafluxed 283, non-original engine, with about 240 horsepower; the original 3 speed standard and 370 rear end. We also worked on the engine compartment before the trip and all the organization of wires, hoses and cleanliness of the entire engine was really great.

Zora and Elfie made their way around the concours speaking to many of our buddies and commented specifically on our car and other C-1's, as you are all probably aware, he had a great deal to do with the design, engine and power train of that era. We were thrilled that he took such an interest in our car. I was so busy cleaning I forgot to get a picture of them with our car and us. (Just wait until you hear about the next thing I missed.)

Sunday was race day and you all know how much we love to wear rubber off our new tires. We were all thankful that it was a sunny and hot day for our race. The track that day was magnificent in that, the Riverside Corvette Club had secured a former WWII airport crisscross run way site. They crossed each other in the middle producing a plus (+) sign that was square. One finger was used as a staging pit and we raced up and around the other three fingers. This brought into the equation: three 180 degree turns with two 90 degree corners in the middle. The start / stop box was located adjacent to the exit of the pit and in the middle of the crisscross runway.

Men and women flipped a coin and we lost, so the ladies get to dust off the course with cold tires; and the oldest cars / slowest cars, go first. That's me....oh well, let's just do it! I sat there, top down, doing the usual mental check list, and visualizing how far the end of the runway was, and thinking about how fast I would be going and in what gear when I got close enough to brake and down shift for the first 180 degree turn. The walk through had helped slightly with these decisions. I told myself it really doesn't matter until I reach the perceived breaking / down shifting point and make a clean 180 degree properly without doing a 360 degree and therefore a disqualification. I start thinking about the other two fingers of the runway and decide, they will have to wait until I get there to know what to do!

There is just too much to think about.....Okay....I can do this.....



# I DANCED WITH ZORA (CONTINUED)

BY BARB BASSETT

Here we go....I hit the gas hard and let up the clutch to match, I hoped.... I do an almost clean start with just a little bit of rubber and smoke from the brand new tires; Bob won't mind it I hope! The car was going straight and the rear end had caught. It's hard to feel the break point on first run with new tires. I hear the revs and I think..... time to shift, now I'm in 2<sup>nd</sup> gear, well that was thrilling and OMygoodness I am going fast, ....and I don't have time or want to take my eyes off the track to read the tach or speedometer. Let's just say the engine was roaring when I shifted into 3<sup>rd</sup> gear, smooth shift, (I am thanking my brother for teaching me to drive standard) nice and smooth no grinding.....going steady and fast; all of a sudden it's time to make a choice.....Bob always says; "Brakes are cheaper than transmissions" so I brake hard and knowing the brakes on C-1s, doing so early might be good; I don't really know...yes, ...oh ya' down shift down into the 1<sup>st</sup> 180 degree corner and on popping the clutch the old solid axel car swung right around 180 degrees! Holy Schnikes Batman..... Lucky girl!

Thank goodness, I was pointed in the right direction. I had scared myself and then somehow was now back in control; there was just a little bit of rubber and smoke left at the corner. I hit the gas pedal hard shifted into 2<sup>nd</sup> gear, keep it straight, gas on, hear the revs, and shift up to 3<sup>rd</sup>; for only a few seconds, then here is the 1st 90 degree corner it's close; time to brake, I shift down to 2<sup>nd</sup> with less pop of the clutch & jerkiness than last time and the solid axel rear end slid drifted around the 1<sup>st</sup> 90 degree turn like it knew what it was doing, with good speed and grace, OMyGoodness again.....that was fun, I know I was giggling, laughing this time and yelling "Ya---hoo!"..... And my heart was just a pumping away so here we go again, revs up, shift up on the stretch into the 2nd 180 degree turn. Repeat, down shift....the solid axel did the smooth 180 degree turn and I'm headed for the 2<sup>nd</sup> 90 degree turn, I'm an old pro by now, ha ha! I ask myself, where the hell am I, oh ya, one more 180 degree turn to go. Yippie, this is fun..... Now gas on and head for the Stop box!

Okay.....time to brake ..... I hope I can stop this thing ..... now down shift gently, without tossing the back end around .....holy shit I'm doing it, still braking, harder than I ever have before. I just want to keep it straight and actually stop without hitting the BIG orange cone at the end of the box, or turning the car sideways. ....Lots of smoke and the crowd is very loud, cheering as I proceed to square off the new tires in the stop box.....I breathe and realize I made it! I did not touch the pylon at the end which would add an additional 5 seconds.....I just sat there and tried to breathe again, normally.

No one is allowed near the stop box except the worker who removes the Big Orange Pylon.....So why then is this person, a tall man, walking up from behind my car to the drivers' door? IT WAS ZORA.....OMyGoodness, what is he doing here? Zora says; "Madam, would you kindly remove your helmet?" I removed it as I looked up to him. "Good" he says; "I just wanted to make sure you were a woman. You handle my favorite car very well!" I was blown away. Still shaking from the run and then speaking to Zora I limped into the pits where Bob was walking beside the car, telling me, "I'm so proud of you baby!" That was a run never to be forgotten!

The Sunday evening dinner dance had a retro 1950's theme: poodle skirts and bobby sox for the ladies, jeans t-shirts and white sox for the guys. After the trophies were awarded, (I did win 1<sup>st</sup> in class and FTD), Zora came over to our table and asked Bob and me, if I would care to do a Viennese waltz with him. I did, and we danced.....So I danced with Zora, and talked about racing.....He offered me a case of oil he had won and I accepted.....I did forget to have him sign a liter of oil, or the box. I do have however the race and dance etched in my mind, forever.



# PANCAKE BREAKFAST #15 OR #20?

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Well we broke a record, 60 people showed up. The weather couldn't have been any better. The morning started out in the 40's, but as soon as the sun came out it felt warmer. We had three heaters turned on plus the fire pit was lit. So at 9a.m., we opened the bi-fold doors to allow for the people to flow in and out, thank goodness. We had three tables set up out on the patio and the line for the food was almost out the door. Yeah, CCA'ers like to eat.

On the menu was pancakes (of course), scrambled eggs, bacon, casserole of potatoes, and another casserole of sausage, peppers & onion & cheese supplied by Diana Campise. Dawn brought her frittatas. Sharon Lund made up her fabulous bloody mary's (thank you again

Bruce Lund for being the bartender). Oh and Nancy Hill brought ham to add to the menu. We had lots of berries and whip cream for the pancakes and coffee of course. I believe we went through 150 pancakes, 180 eggs, two gallons of orange juice, two bags of berries, five bottles of Almond Champagne, two gallons of bloody mary mix, and 175 slices of bacon.

A big thank you to Scott Feck and Dave Friesz for coming early to cook the bacon out at the back yard kitchen (and it was chilly). There are a few more thank yous to mention: thank you to Diane Feck, Kathy Golec and Dawn Dziezynski for cooking the pancakes and eggs. You ladies were awesome! I also have to say thank you to Patty Friesz for manning the door and collecting the fee and checking the people so we knew who showed up. This seems to get bigger and bigger each year.

As the breakfast wound down we brought out two sheet cakes to help celebrate two birthdays. One for Patti Kerber and one for Garry Mion. So everyone who was still enjoying the fabulous weather on the patio stayed and had some birthday cake before the morning ended. I had a lot of comments, verbal and cards sent, stating how smoothly this breakfast seemed to go. I want all who came to know it was all the generous help of the people that pitched in. Frank and I really appreciated most did without even being asked. Thank you for helping us make this event a success!



## TRIVIA

BY SCOTT FECK (ANSWERS ON PAGE 14)



Q. What was the first official White House car?



Q. Who opened the first drive-in gas station?

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## TRIVIA ANSWERS

BY SCOTT FECK

- Q.** What was the first official White House car?  
**A.** A 1909 white Stanley Steamer, ordered by President Taft
- Q.** Who Opened the first drive-in gas station?  
**A.** Gulf opened up the first station in Pittsburgh in 1913.