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President's Corner

Welcome, I want to introduce myself. Most of you know me. I am Danny Davis, your new president. I have been in the dump trucking business over 45 years. I live in Villa Rica with my wife Yvonne. We have 2 grown sons Jason and Joshua. I have been president of the car club several times and a member for about 17 years. I enjoy this club and back it 100%. I have a '65 Chevy C-10 pick-up and my wife has a '55 Chevy Belair 2 door post. We love to travel to car shows as far as Biloxi.

I enjoy the hobby of old cars. This year I hope to have good weather and big crowds at our events. I also look forward to meeting our new members and welcome them to the club. Please voice your opinion on different ideas that can help our club grow and become the best in this area. Our car show in October has always been a big event each year with nowhere to park another car. I plan that again this year and would like to have your help to make it happen. So, let's get started and oh yes, can I sell you a load of gravel?

Danny Davis

Vice President

My name is Bryant Deal and I'm your Vice President. Here's a little about me. I've been

with the club for about 8 years, and I've really enjoyed it. I've made a lot of good friends,

I have an '05 Mustang. I've always had a love for cars, and as most of you know, I favor the Ford Mustang! But even though my love is the Ford, I do like all cars...and believe it or not, even Chevrolets, lol! I'm looking forward to being the Club's VP. If there's anything I can do, please let me know,

Bryant Deal

Sponsorship Report

I'm Don Edwards, and you already know me! This is my second year as Sponsorship Director. I am pleased to serve the club for another year in this capacity.

It has been a difficult year in retaining our sponsors, however with some work we can retain almost all we currently have.

Our younger generation find the social media as their link to communicating. I personally am not a fan, but oft times we have to use what works, when an in-person visit is not an option.

Try an e-mail or phone call, even the dreaded text, or a post card. Remind them of their benefits as sponsors (mainly cheap advertising)!

On a matter of a personal note. I would like to express my thanks to two GCC members for assisting me with my winter projects.

Rick Horne gave his assistance in replacing the rubber seals in my vent window frames for the Fairlane GTA after a visit to former platinum sponsor Hart Chrome.

Michael Valentine provided a photo-shoot of my '63 Mercury Marauder, as I am planning to sell it and needed this for the ad.

I am thankful that we have a club where members are willing to use their skills to assist others! Thanks guys!

There are no renewals for February 2022, but we do have several delinquents from 2021 that we need to work on:

American Pie, 12/29/21	Gene Duke
Scott Evans Dodge, 12/14/21	Gene Duke
Leigh Shirley Ins.	Billy Glover
Walmart Villa Rica, 8/8/21	Danny Davis
The Lazy Donkey, 9/1/21	Danny Davis
Los Cowboys, 9/12/21	Danny Davis
Hyde Hauling, 9/25/21	Danny Davis
Mayfield Body, 10/15/21	Danny Davis
DKS Roofing, 10/18/21	Danny Davis
McCord HVAC, 10/20/21	Danny Davis
Don Rich Ford, 12/12/21	Danny Davis
Great Classics 98.9, 1/12/22	Danny Davis
Chat and Choo, 6/25/21	Danny Davis

Don Edwards

Secretarial Report

This is my second year as secretary of the club. I feel the secretary's job is to accurately record the business of the group so we can refer to the history as we progress and grow. The minutes are an excellent way to keep up with what is being discussed even when you can't attend a meeting. Of course, the only way to know all the details and opinions is to be present at the meetings! (Since we had no January meeting, there are no minutes attached to this newsletter.)

I suppose you'd say I'm in this club because of Nick and his fascination with cars. However, I've always liked to drive a sharp looking vehicle, too. My first car was a white 1968 Mustang, presented to me my senior year in

college. It was a 6 cylinder with a 3-speed straight stick. I did not have much experience driving a manual transmission, so the condition for me to take the car back to school was to stop at the top of a steep hill and proceed without rolling back too much. Many tries, and a few ugly words later, I was given the green light to drive an hour back to school!

Decades later I have a 1952 Chevy pickup, a 2008 Corvette, and a 2020 Blazer....all of which are red! (Nick sold my Mustang, shortly after we got married!)

Lynn Ware

Treasurer's Report

This is Domel, and I am happy to be your new Treasurer for 2022.

A little about myself...

I just turned the big Five -0, I served 21 years in the US Army, and I am the proud father of three beautiful young adults now. Baby girl is graduating from Valdosta State University this May 2022, and going straight into a master's program.

I recently opened the "WeSmoke Cigars" shop, offering fine cigars and accessories, on Wilson Street in Villa Rica. I enjoy listening to all kinds of jazz music and smoking cigars...but only on the weekends.

Fun fact! I have owned a '67 Chevelle, '72 Chevelle, '67 Impala, '71 Chevy C-10 pick-up truck... and now a '66 Chevelle Malibu.

Domel Harris

Our Next Meeting

Our February 2022 meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 1st, at the Olive Tree Restaurant in Villa Rica. If you plan on eating, please be there around 6pm. Our meeting will begin at 7pm.



Jan-Feb Birthdays & Anniversaries



Happy Birthday to:

Matthew Bates	1/30
Raylene Carroll	1/31
Lee Culberson	1/13
Karen Edwards	1/13
Sheryl Sanford	1/11
Bryant Deal	2/15
Mike Fichera	2/18
Sandra Mills	2/28
Ann Roberts	2/27
Judy Steed	2/8
John Thornton	2/14
Gail Turner	2/17

Happy Anniversary to:

Michael & Sharon Fichera	1/16
John & Jeannette Ranero	1/22
Mike & Debby Russo	1/3
Ken & Gloria Reed	2/23

Area Car Events:

Car Shows:

Birmingham, AL - February 4-6, 50th Annual O'Reilly Auto Parts **World of Wheels** at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex. Info: Adam McLean, 205-655-4950.

Cruise Ins:

Cruise Ins are largely off for the season. There may still be a few, but none are known of in our area. Consult publications noted below for any up-to-date listings.

Compiled by Yvonne Davis

(For further details on these shows and more, refer to "Ragtops and Runningboards", or refer to websites like <http://southeastwheelsevents.com/>)

Website Changes

We have made a few changes to our website. Recently I tried to refer someone to our website to get our mailing address. It wasn't anywhere I could find, and I didn't remember the PO Box number! I had to get it from an old newsletter!

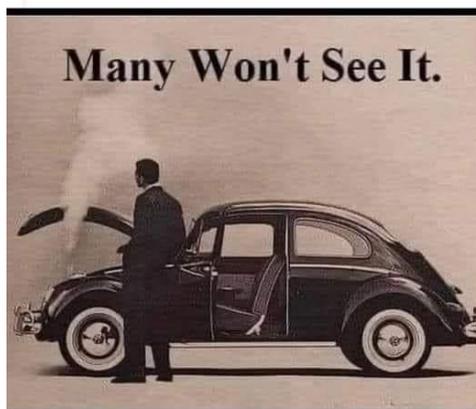
Today you will find the address in the footer of each page.

We have also added a contact sheet link in the header and in the footer in case someone needs to reach out to us in an email. The sheet will be directed to a blind email address which I will monitor. I will either forward it to the proper officer or provide an answer myself. We haven't had an email contact link for several years and it has been missed.

We have also removed the bulletin board link on the website. We have not had a new listing for quite a long time, so the bulletin board was empty. It has been removed, but it can be replaced in the future if there is a need. *Nick*

Smile! (thanks to Lela Roberts)

Just say got it, Don't ruin it!



Found a use for old dentures



THESE TORNADO DAMAGED CORVETTES ARE BEING SENT TO THE CRUSHER

Over 120 C8 Corvette Stingrays Were Damaged In A Catastrophic Tornado in December (Taken from MuscleCarsandTrucks.com)

by Cody U. December 29, 2021, 1:59 pm

The devastating tornados that ripped through Kentucky in December of 2021 [left their mark in more ways than one](#). This included extensive damage done to the [General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant](#), [the National Corvette Museum](#), and [the NCM Motorsports Park](#). As a result of the aftermath, over 120 C8 Corvette Stingrays have been deemed unfit for sale and will be scrapped.

(Click below picture for a fly over of the cars awaiting their fate.)



Image Via Kornel J. Werner on Facebook

Per a [Corvette Blogger post](#), somewhere between 115-122 C8 Corvette Stingrays will never see the road. GM made the call to scrap the vehicles as the company was fearful of contamination from water during the storm, and wind damage taken in the wake of the Kentucky tornado. [MC&T](#) previously reported a roof fire had also been the culprit of [shutting the factory down in the month of December](#), it is unclear if any of the Corvettes were the victim to the fire directly. The unlucky C8 Corvettes set for destruction are not able to be sold to the public, even though [we're sure there would be takers](#).

The Bowling Green Assembly Plant is where all the Corvettes have been built since 1981. Yes, that includes the upcoming [2023 Corvette Z06](#) that [debuted in October of 2021](#). That Z06 sports the most powerful naturally aspirated V8 to ever be put in a production car. The street legal race car harnesses a mid-engine 5.5 liter LT6 that provides 670 horsepower at 8,400 rpm. That's good enough to post a 2.6 0-60 time on the drag strip.

So You Think You Know How to Operate a Car?

The following was taken from an Owners Manual of a 2021 car. By Nick

Shifting out of Park

This vehicle is equipped with an electronic transmission. To shift out of P (Park):

1. Ensure the engine is running.
2. Apply the brake pedal.
3. Press or pull the desired shift switch. For N (Neutral) press and hold the N (Neutral) switch until the N indicator illuminates red.
4. The P indicator will turn white and the gear indicator will turn red when the vehicle is no longer in P (Park).

If the vehicle cannot shift from P (Park), a Driver Information Center (DIC) message may be displayed. Check that the ignition is on, the engine is running, and the brake pedal is applied when you are attempting to shift out of P (Park). If all of these are met but the vehicle will not shift out of P (Park), see your dealer for service.

Okay, you've read this three times and you think you've got this figured out? Great. But suppose the car is in the garage, and you have a dead battery one morning. You have another car, but it is blocked in by the one with the dead battery. What do you do?

Being an old car guy, your first instinct is to simply put your disabled car in neutral and push it out of the way! Think again. Refer to #1. The engine must be running! Catch 22? Since you've done a lot of work on old cars, your next instinct is to just disconnect the shift linkage and manually put the transmission in neutral. Think again! Reread the first sentence. This is an electronic transmission! There is no linkage! Unplugging the wires have no effect with a dead battery. Guess you need to go to the store and bring back a new battery, but you have an electric push button hood release. Do you know what to do now? Now reread the last sentence "...see your dealer for service".

So now you have your new battery installed and you're ready to go get a car wash. That's what you thought!

Car Wash Mode

This vehicle includes a Car Wash Mode that allows the vehicle to remain in N (Neutral) for use in automatic car washes.

Car Wash Mode is not to be used for vehicle towing. If the vehicle needs to be towed, see Towing the Vehicle p.372

Caution: The vehicle is not designed to stay in N (Neutral) for extended periods of time. It will automatically shift into P (Park) if left in Car Wash Mode.

Car Wash Mode (Engine Off – Driver in Vehicle)

To place the vehicle in N (Neutral) with the engine off and the vehicle occupied:

1. Drive to the entrance of the car wash.
2. Apply the brake pedal.
3. Shift to N (Neutral).
4. Turn off the engine and release the brake pedal.
5. The indicator should continue to show N. If it does not, start the engine and repeat Steps 2–4.
6. The vehicle is now ready for the car wash.

Car Wash Mode (Engine Off – Driver out of Vehicle)

To place the vehicle in N (Neutral) with the engine off and the vehicle unoccupied:

1. Drive to the entrance of the car wash.
2. Apply the brake pedal.
3. Open the door.

4. Shift to N (Neutral).
5. Turn off the engine and release the brake pedal.
6. The indicator should continue to show N. If it does not, start the engine and repeat Steps 2–5.
7. Exit the vehicle and close the door. The vehicle is now ready for the car wash.
8. The vehicle may automatically shift to P (Park) upon re-entry.

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**WHY DID I INSIST ON A NEW CAR!!!
I SHOULD HAVE KEPT MY OLD '96!!!**

(My apologies to John Thornton!)

Our Sick - If it weren't for bad luck, he'd have no luck at all!

The good news is that Dennis Steed has finally been released from Emory Hospital after suffering a heart attack around Thanksgiving, and then complications that required a return visit. He missed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's, although he got to celebrate at Emory with Judy by his side. After returning to Carrollton just a few weeks ago, feeling much better after his last stay at Emory, he decided it was time to celebrate with some REAL food from Jerry's Country Kitchen... where he slipped and broke his femur! Dennis is now out of Tanner and at home with a walker. Judy is looking for an inflatable balloon that she can blow up around him! Please keep them both in your prayers. Dennis sends his regards to all the club members but regrets that he will miss Tuesday's meeting. Behave yourself Dennis! *Nick*

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Through the generous donations of our sponsors, the Golden City Cruisers Car Club is able to continue our support of area charities. Please use these Platinum Sponsors when you have a need!



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<u>Autozone, Carrollton</u>	<u>Autozone, Villa Rica</u>
<u>Carroll Food Mart, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Carrollton Car Stereo, Carrollton</u>
<u>Cecil Harris Insurance Agency, Carrollton</u>	<u>Chat and Choo, Villa Rica</u>
<u>J. Collins Funeral Home, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Danny Davis Trucking, Villa Rica</u>
<u>DKS Roofing Specialists, Douglasville</u>	<u>Don Rich Ford, Villa Rica</u>
<u>Great Classics 98.9, Carrollton</u>	<u>Haney's Drug Corner, Carrollton</u>
<u>Hearn Monument, Carrollton</u>	<u>Hyde Hauling, Dallas</u>
<u>Jacky's Landscaping Materials, C'ton</u>	<u>Kopps Creative Carton Co., Villa Rica</u>
<u>Lafitte Mop Company, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Lake Carroll Lawn Equipment, Carrollton</u>
<u>The Lazy Donkey, Carrollton</u>	<u>Lewis Thomas Body Shop, C'ton</u>
<u>Liberty Chevrolet, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Los Cowboys, Villa Rica</u>
	<u>McCord's HVAC & Refrig., Villa Rica</u>
<u>Morgan Oil Co. Carrollton</u>	<u>My Financial Services, Villa Rica</u>
<u>O'Reilly Auto Parts – Villa Rica</u>	<u>The Olive Tree, Villa Rica</u>
<u>Pro Tech Car Wash, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Shot Spot, Carrollton</u>
<u>Smith Brothers Supply, Carrollton</u>	<u>Wal-Mart Super Store, Villa Rica</u>
<u>West Georgia Truck Accessories, Carrollton</u>	<u>West Georgia Shopper, Carrollton</u>
<u>Wing Citi Café, Carrollton</u>	<u>Wrightway BBQ and Wings, Bremen</u>

10/24/21