

# CRUISE NEWS

North County Corvette Club



**June 2012: Another successful Plastic Fantastic permits us to provide USO President/CEO, John Dooley, a \$2,500 donation. Thank you to all our members who made this a success!**

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Sam Rindskopf

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## Presidents Corner

September 2012

Greetings Fellow NCoCC Members,

Let me begin by once again thanking the previous Board for their service during the 2011-2012 Club year. And, a very special thanks to both Sam Rindskopf and Dave Regenhardt for two years of service as the President and Treasurer, respectively. Although I could not make it to this year's Award's Dinner at the end of July, I heard that everyone had a great time and that our new Vice President, Jim Snook, did a good job in my absence.

I also want to thank and welcome our new Board for the 2012-2013 Club year. I am pleased to serve with such nice people and look forward to leading our Club through another great year. I think we are already off to a great start with the Past President's Picnic. It was great to see everyone and their Corvettes on a beautiful (and hot) day in Ramona. And, of course, a big thank you to Donna and Sam Rindskopf for once again hosting the event at their beautiful home (with lots of parking for a slew of Corvettes).

Our new Activities Directors, Terry Thompson and Dave Regenhardt, are hard at work planning some great outings and events for the club. As mentioned at our last business meeting, September's event will be a visit to Speed Week in Coronado. They will also give a recap of upcoming events at each Business Meeting. However, if you miss the meeting or need some additional information about upcoming events, I encourage everyone to frequently visit our Club Website at [www.ncocc.com](http://www.ncocc.com) which is maintained and kept up-to-date by our superb Webmaster, Ed Daher.

Some of my personal objectives for my tenure as President of the Club are to have better communication with the members, to grow the membership of our Club a little, and to make sure we all continue to have fun! I am very much looking forward to leading the Club and getting to know all of our members a little better.

That's all for this month. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next Business meeting on Tuesday, September 11, which will also be a Club sponsored ice cream social after the meeting adjourns. Please plan on staying a little late to enjoy ice cream and toppings and socialize.

All the best,

*Jay*



## Club Events Calendar

### September 2012

- 11 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00p.m. Dessert will be provided.
- 27 NCoCC Board Meeting. COCO's in Poway. 7:00pm.
- 22 Coronado Speed Festival. 8:00am to 5:00pm. NAS North Island

### October

- 9 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm Dinner will be provided.
- TBD Endless Summer
- 25 NCoCC Board Meeting. COCO's in Poway. 7:00pm

### November

- 10 Vettes for Veterans. 10:00am to 3:00pm
- 13 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 22 NCoCC Board Meeting. COCO's in Poway. 7:00pm

### December

- 11 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 15 Holiday Dinner

### January 2013

- 8 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 24 NCoCC Board Meeting. COCO's in Poway. 7:00pm

### February

- 12 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 28 NCoCC Board Meeting. COCO's in Poway. 7:00pm

## Join us...

### September 22...

#### for "The Race at the Base"

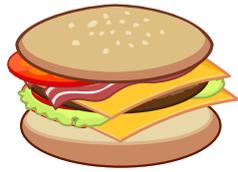
The 15<sup>th</sup> annual Fleet Week Coronado Speed Festival.

Fleet Week San Diego honors and celebrates our men and women of the military. This year they are saluting 50 years of Navy Seals.

The Speed Festival is full throttle racing on a 1.7 mile track. There will be a military pit crew challenge, test drives, car show showdown, a car club corral, military static displays, the U.S. Navy Leap Frogs, and a drifting exhibition.

Our Club will be meet at the Rancho Penasquitos Park & Ride (behind the 76 Gas Station) on Rancho Penasquitos Boulevard. Plan to meet at 7:00 a.m.! We will leave the park & ride at 7:15 a.m. Gates open at 7:30 a.m.

P.S. We have some members (about eight cars) going to Prescott Arizona on September 29<sup>th</sup> for the Historic Prescott Corvette Show. If you are interested in joining us, contact Terry Thompson.



Past President, Sam Rindskopf, opening the wine and cooking up some burgers for the membership on August 19 at his home in Ramona!



# Past President's Picnic



## Birthdays for September

Liz Brown	07
Ed Daher	10
Dave Regenhardt	11
Lena Mackey	14
Carol Haller	30

## Membership Anniversaries 2012

Todd Barbour	10 years
The Mackey's	10 years
The Houshar's	15 years



## Did you know...

Lois Goodman is a Graphite Artist and Photographer! Recently, her art was exhibited at Casa De Las Campanas in Rancho Bernardo, and can still be seen there through mid-September.

Lois was a fine arts minor as an undergraduate at Hofstra University. In 2003 she took up photography using a little 3-mega pixel digital HP camera. She studied Portrait Photography under the master of portrait photography, Oscar White, former President of Pack Brothers in New York City, and author of "Portrait Photography."

Lois did little with her art until her recent retirement when she took classes in graphite drawing and fell in love with the medium. As a graphite artist she specializes in portraits and works from photos. Making ordinary photos into heirloom portraits is one of her greatest joys.



Lois Goodman standing next to one of her pieces titled 'Princess' First Litter.' Contact Lois if you are interested in purchasing or commissioning a piece of her art.

# Annual Awards Dinner

July 29, 2012



Vice President, Jim Snook, says thank you to:

Rock Toomey for all his work on Plastic Fantastic,  
 Renee Toomey, Kathy Buie, Bob and Carol Haller for all their work with raffles,  
 Mike Bonar for his work with the USO, and  
 Wayne and Marilyn Osborne for planning and hosting the Annual Holiday Dinner.

A big thank you to last year's Board members and to the Board members who are repeating in some fashion again; Sam Rindskopf, Jay Kopelowitz, Kathy Buie, Dave Regenhardt, Kathleen Regenhardt, and George Marks.

Last but no least, thank you to our new Board members; Mike Bonar, Rick Toomey, Paul Goodman, and Terry Thompson. And, a special thank you and welcome to our new Club member and Secretary, Ruth Harwell.



Photography by Bob Brown

# Our Corvette Museum Delivery Experience

By Sam Rindskopf

It all started back in January of this year when Donna and I saw the first advertisement for the new 427 Corvette convertible. It was love at first sight. We got a better look at the car when VIN 001 rolled onto the auction block at Barrett Jackson, that car sold for a whopping \$600,000. I put a call into Matt Page at Bob Stall Chevrolet and told him we wanted to buy one as soon as they became available to order. In early March, Matt called to let us know we could come in and order the car which we did, the catch was that we didn't know the price of the car or when we could pick it up.

Donna and I discussed the National Corvette Museum Delivery program and we loved the idea of picking up a brand new Corvette in Bowling Green and driving it back to San Diego. We began to plan our trip with stops in Nashville for sightseeing and Louisiana to visit friends.

In late April, we got a call from Matt letting us know that our car was going to be built the week of May 7<sup>th</sup> but he couldn't give us a pickup date as Chevrolet had not announced when they would release the 2013 Corvettes. A few days later Matt called to let us



know that our new 427 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Corvette would be available for pickup after June 1<sup>st</sup>. We received a call from the Museum and a packet of information detailing the whole process. We selected June 13<sup>th</sup> as our delivery date and quickly made all of our travel arrangements and stopped by Bob Stall Chevrolet to give Matt a check.

We flew into Nashville and picked up a rental car for the one hour drive to Bowling Green. Neither of us slept well that night, I was like a kid on Christmas Eve. We were at the Museum by 8:00 a.m. where we were greeted by several members of the staff and had our first look at our new car.

We quickly took care of the paper work, yea they want to see a receipt showing that you paid for the car, proof of insurance, and a driver's license. We were then introduced to Larry, a staff member, who was to be our personal escort for the day. Donna and I spent some time checking out the car before heading to the Bowling Green Assembly Plant for our VIP tour. Larry provided us with lots of information about the Plant and Corvettes. We really took our time going through the Plant but it was a challenge as we both wanted to get back to the Museum and pickup our new car. A really special part of the morning was seeing our names on the marquis above the entrance to the Plant. It read "Welcome to Sam & Donna Rindskopf" and it really made us feel special. We were told by Larry that we could bring our car back over to the plant and park it right in front of the entrance and get some photos which, as you can see on page 8, we did.



## Our Corvette Museum Delivery Experience continued...

We headed back to the Museum for lunch in the Café and a VIP tour of the Museum again with Larry providing lots of information and insight into the Museum and the Corvettes on display. Again it was hard for Donna and I to stay focused as we both were thinking about that new Corvette parked in the Lobby of the Museum with our name on it.

Finally, the moment had arrived and we were picking up our new car. Larry quickly went over the operating instructions since both Donna and I already owned a C6. We walked around the car while our family members and some of our NCoCC club members watched us live on the Museum's webcam. Unfortunately, due to insurance issues, Larry had to drive the car out of the Museum. It seems you have to go down a long narrow hall and evidently someone in the past had a problem. So with Larry in the driver's seat and Donna in the passenger seat the barriers were moved and the car started and rolled out to the applause of all of the staff and visitors in the museum. It was amazing and I captured it all on video. Once outside the Museum we captured a couple of photos and then headed back over to the plant for some more photos (below). While we were parked at the entrance to the Plant,



employees getting off of work came out and congratulated us on our new car as did several visitors to the plant.

The next morning we were off on the back roads, through the rolling hills of Kentucky and Tennessee, top down and wind in our hair (oops I mean the wind in Donna's hair) enjoying the roar of the 505 horsepower LS7. It was a great experience and one Donna and I will cherish always.





## Our Club

Club members enjoy planned trips, car shows, fun runs, auto rallies, and a host of social and Corvette-related events, including a Holiday Party, an Annual Awards Dinner, and the NCoCC Plastic Fantastic all Corvette Show at Seaport Village. We support local communities in the San Diego County area by participating in special event parades and high school homecoming events. Our members also devote a time, energy, and resources in supporting our club charity, the USO (United Services Organization).

## Meetings

Business Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in The Well Church Meeting Room located at 13604 Midland Road, Poway, CA. We always welcome and encourage guests to attend our meetings and to participate in our club sponsored events.

For a map of our meeting location, please go to our web site at [www.ncocc.com](http://www.ncocc.com).

## Membership

Membership is open to anyone at least 18 years of age who owns or leases a Corvette. Applicants must attend two business meetings and participate in one club event before becoming a member.

Membership in NCoCC entitles you to:

- A membership card for you and your significant other.
- Discounts on parts and service at participating dealers (Bob Stall and others).
- A club T-shirt.
- A name tag.
- A newsletter via Email and/or the web site.

Members are expected to attend Business Meetings, maintain current dues, and support the club by serving on committees and participating in club events. Initiation fee is \$25. Dues are paid in advance: \$75 for one year.

We hope this short introduction is helpful. If you have any questions, please contact us via 'snail' mail at P.O. Box 500104, San Diego, CA, 92150; or email: [info@ncocc.com](mailto:info@ncocc.com).

### *NCoCC Cruise News*

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