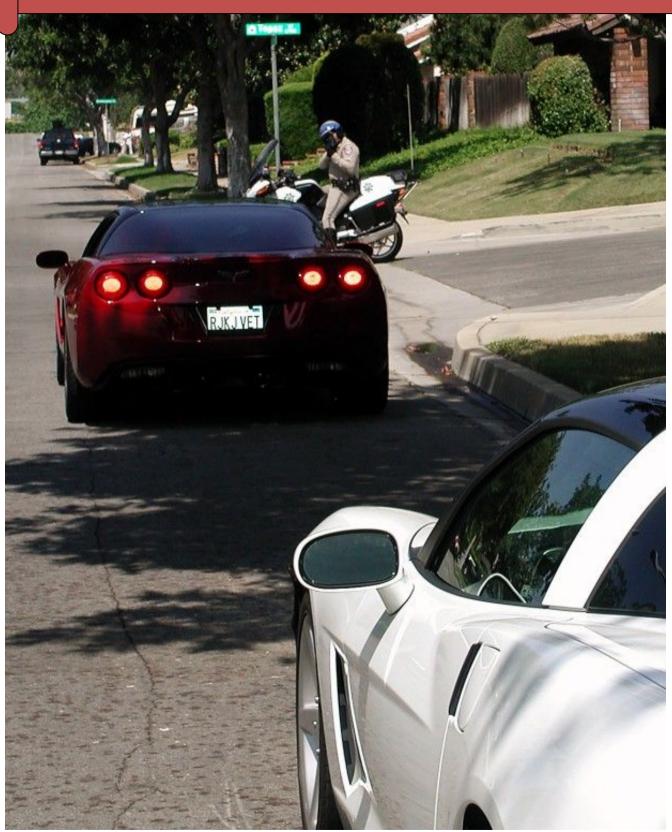
# Under The Radar

The Monthly Newsletter of Corvette Super Sports Volume 52 number 9 September 2011



**Corvette Super Sports** is a car club made up of Corvette owners with a passion for a fine driving machine, with the goal to participate in and support auto-related activities, such as: car shows, auto-crossing, rallies, drag racing, caravans, cruises, parades, etc. We support (N.C.C.C.) National Council of Corvette Clubs, National Corvette Museum, several social, civic, and charitable organizations. CSS is incorporated as a non-profit organization in the County of Orange, California.

We welcome guests to our meetings on first Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at "SIZZLER" Steak, Seafood & Salad Bar 1401 N. Harbor Blvd, Fullerton, CA 92835 (Harbor Blvd. at Brea Blvd.)

Corvette Super Sports Charities, For many years, CSS has been a major sponsor for our two main Charities; H.I.S. House Transitional Shelter and CHiP's for Kids.

**HIS** House is a 4-6 month program for homeless men, women, and children to prepare for and secure employment, education and permanent housing.

**CHiP's for Kids** began with an individual **CHP** officer that spread like wildfire within their own departments. To reach out in the community to help abused, orphaned, and seriously neglected children.

Through our volunteer and club events such as car shows, visits, work/clean up day, donations, garage sales, Corvette Super Sports donated not only many hours throughout the year but also monetary donations. HIS House and CHiPs, combined, have been recipients of \$5000 each year. We hope that this will continue with our SUPERSPORTS member's efforts.

#### **Charity Donations**

Corvette Super Sports was blessed during 2010 to have provided venues that attracted many participants. From our activities, we were able to donate \$10,000 to our charities.

•	HIS House	\$3,500
•	CHIPS	\$2,000
•	Hillview Acres	\$2,000
•	Council for Aging	\$1,000
•	Navy Relief Fund	\$1,250
•	Ronald McDonald House	\$250

Corvette Super Sports believes that it is our duty to participate in other Corvette Club's activities to support their charities.

#### **Corvette Super Sports' Charities**

These are the organizations and programs our members support ... because we believe in "giving back" to the communities in which we live ... and *drive* ... our Corvettes.





#### H.I.S. House

Homeless Intervention Shelter P.O. Box 1293, Placentia CA 92871 714-993-5774

Visit "Charity's Closet" Thrift Shop

Club Liaison and CHiPS for Kids Coordinator: CHP
Officer Donnell Holmes





#### Who's Who at Corvette Super Sports

Officers Board of Governors

President: Cindy Orrico

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Treasurer: Marge Huhta

Newsletter: Geoff Girvin

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Chairpersons

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Linda Norris

Clothing-Jackets & Hats: Shirley Jones Trophies/Awards: Tom Cuccio Socials: Geoff Girvin Dealer Rep: Cindy Orrico

Charity: Bob Reed Car Show Chairman: Cindy Orrico

Raffle:

Meeting Hostess: Linda Norris Banquet: TBD

Membership/Hospitality: Donna Stewart

Phone Committee Chairman: Donna Historian: Pat & Jan Works

Stewart

Don't forget the Board Meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. The meetings' venue will be changed each month to add variety. Board meetings are open to all members. We encourage you to attend and welcome your comments pro and con.

#### Come to a board meeting and you too can be pictured here!





The September Board meeting was held at Mimi's Café In Anaheim



#### <u>SEPTEMBER – BACK TO SCHOOL......</u>

Hi Everybody!!!

Well, well, our 9<sup>th</sup> month out of the year – wow! Less than 3 months to Christmas, as I'm writing this. Where have all those months gone?

First off, I'm asking the club members to "**Stop It**"! In 2 days, we were hit with 2 of our members, Ellis Chee and Jim Cooper with not so happy health issues, so I'm warning/asking/pleading with everyone to <u>please</u> take care!! So starting now, we are wishing and praying for everyone's good health. I thank you in advance for your cooperation!

I'll continue with the 'not so happy' just so I can get it over with. The Corvette Family, the Cobra Family and so many other car enthusiasts is also deeply saddened of the loss of Andy Salvaggio. Andy lost his battle with brain cancer and we lost a good man. Andy will be missed by so many.



Our September started off with one of the clubs favorite – <u>Donna's Pool Party</u>! Yahooooo! So many people, so much fun, so much food, such a great time. Thanks, Donna

Now hear this..... I understand we have a 'ringer' amongst us!!! Our Homeland Security now has '2' new weapons!! One is Michele and the other is her new shotgun!! She hit more pigeons on her 1<sup>st</sup> outing than I did in my 1<sup>st</sup> year! Michele said that John doesn't have anything to worry about..... she gave him a head start!

Just last week we tried a 1<sup>st</sup> – running with the Porsche's at Spring Mountain. I truly must admit, as for the event, it actually wasn't so bad! Some Porsche owners 'do' have personalities and a sense of humor! Not all, mind you, but some! Tony, who organizes these events and the one that Joe works with to combine our events, is truly a good at running these events. We were talking and I had to tease him that

there were more cars that went 'off track' (not Corvettes) on Saturday morning than all the Corvettes do all Corvette Track Day weekend! He rolled his eyes and stated that it 'really was a bad weekend for Spring Mountain Members' that day. I believe there had to have been more than a dozen Corvettes at the Porsche event. With the exception of the 104 degree temperature on Friday and Saturday and the thunderstorm that blew through Saturday morning, it was a fun event. Oh, and the gambling was so not hot either......

While a few of us were off in the 'heat of the day', some were off on the CSS Wine Cruise, sipping wine in AC. Yes, we heard about it and were jealous. Can't wait to read the 'stories' and see if they brought back samples. Hopefully we can catch the next one.

It's been a crazy, busy, hectic month for us, so we were not able to attend other activities that were held, so look for more news throughout the Newsletter.

As of last Friday, we are now officially in Autumn and waiting for the cooler days and night. We won't be setting our clocks until November  $6^{th}$ , so we can still have daylight when we go Trick-or-Treating. By the way – it's normal to dress for Halloween at our October meeting!!! Should you be scared? Absolutely!



Speaking of scared..... we have our "1st Annual Variety Show" coming up! According to Dianne, it's called a 'Variety Show' because we certainly have no Talent here! Guaranteed to be a night of serious laughter.



Corvette Roulette is around the corner. It's our 6<sup>th</sup> year going to this event and we love it. A little bit of everything there, except for the crowds and traffic. They have us out of the 'Strip' area that we are grateful for! I guess I can tell I'm getting up in years..... I decided to do the Poker Tournament instead of Autocross.....

Our good friends from Wild West Corvettes in Apple Valley are having their car show on October 22<sup>nd</sup> – another fun show and getting to drive to Apple Valley is fun too!



And wait! There's More! La Palma Casino Night, Homeland Security, Pie Run, Autocross, check the website calendar for more events!

I send out special thoughts and prayers, not only our CSS members that may be in need, but also extend those out to all of our fellow Corvette Clubs members too.

I will always continue to be so grateful and proud of our Service Men and Woman and send extra thanks and prayers to them every day!

God Bless America - Now and Always!

Keep on Saving the Wave!!!

Respectfully, Cindy Orrico President – 2011

#### **CSS News**

#### The Social event for October 2011:

October 1<sup>st</sup> CSS Variety Show

The Club event for October 2011:

October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Wild West Car Show Apple Valley

The other events for October 2011 are:

Oct 7-9 Corvette Roulette – Las Vegas Oct 15 Vapor Trails Autocross – Lompoc

Oct. 22 La Palma Casino Night

Oct 29th Homeland Security – Redlands then PIE RUN to Oak Glen

#### Please help us keep our records up to date.

Now you can use the new combined Membership Application/Change of Information form to let us know of changes and updates to your addresses (postal and email), phone numbers (including cell numbers), Corvette model(s), etc.

If you have an idea for a **Club Outing, Mystery Run, and Caravan** to someplace special for lunch, we want to make it easy for you. There is a **Cruise Planning form** on the Web site for submissions of your ideas.

#### Corvette Super Sports Local News



Charities Byline - Bob Reed

#### CSS GIVES BACK ... BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT WE DO!

I was tasked by the Board to present to the General Membership a list of charities that should be considered in our distribution of charitable funds for 2011.

As in the past, it is my hope that our main charities receive the bulk of our monetary support. These of course are *H. I. S. House* and *CHIP's for Kids*. I think the statement from our website says it best: These are the organizations and programs our members support ... because we believe in "giving back" to the communities in which we live ... and *drive* ... our Corvettes.

As part of our 2010 year-end distribution we also supported *Hillview Acres* (now defunct), *Council on the Aging, Operation Home Front* and *Ronald McDonald House*.

Last year 40% of our account balance totaling \$10,000 was paid out at the end of the year. We will still be distributing 40% this year, but because we did not realize the income level that we did last year, our yearend distribution will total \$7,000.

As your Charity Chairperson, I would value your input regarding our current list of charities and any others that you feel would be worthy of our club's support.

The following are my recommendations: CHIP's For Kids \$1,750 (last year \$2,000) H.I.S. House \$3,000 (last year \$3,500) Council on Aging \$750 (last year \$1,000) Operation Home Front \$1,000 (last year \$1,250) Wounded Warrior Project \$500

I have added the Wounded Warrior Project as possible charity that CSS can support this year. I am sure we have all heard about the great things that are doing for our physically and mentally challenged young men and women in uniform that have return from war.

If you would like more information, you can visit their website at www.woundedwarriorproject.com.

If possible, please contact me with your comments or suggestions prior to our October general meeting at: 4corvettefun@prodigy.net

#### **CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS – GENERAL MEETING**



General Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2011
Sizzler Restaurant – Fullerton, CA

<u>Officers in Attendance:</u> Cindy Orrico, Joe Orrico, Ginger Girvin, Geoff Girvin, Dianne Wiest, Marge Huhta

<u>Board Members in Attendance:</u> Art Huhta, Vicki Kump, Ron DeBartolomeis, Donna Stewart, Linda Norris

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by our "Sergeant at Arms," Ron. There was a quorum in attendance.

#### **Happy News**

- Bert and Dianne have a new Baby-A torch red C5. Congratulations!
- Geoff has a new windshield.
- Roger's Camero has a new paint job.

#### **Guests:**

- Alan and Shila Sechall (Larry's brother and wife)
- Connie Kilian 53 Vette
- Larry Soleman 2007 red vette
- Rick Cobb and Carole

#### **Business:**

- Big thank you to Donna for a great pool party!!!
- Our club members received many trophies in Santa Maria.

- Next Big Bear Bash will be June 29, 30, 31, 2012.
- Long Beach Grand Prix will be April 13,14,15, 2012.
- The Kansas Convention will be June 29-30, 2012.
- Gambler's Classic will be April 20-22, 2012.
- Cindy thanked all for their help at the Car Show. A successful job well done!!
- Connell wants CSS to have their Car Show there again next year.
- The MVP nomination forms will be distributed in Oct for primary voting. The top 4 will be voted on in December.

#### Birthdays and Anniversaries were announced

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Sept. 10 Homeland Security
- Sept. 10 Villa Park, Tribute to 9/11 Events
- Sept.11 Nixon Library 9/11 Fire truck and twisted beams on display.
- Sept. 11 Car Show at Bob's Big Boy
- Sept. 17 Casino Night
- Sept. 17 So Cal Poker Run
- Sept. 23-25 Solvang Wine Cruise
- Sept 24-36 NCCC at Spring Mountian
- Sept. 24 Cruis'n for a Cure, OC Fairgrounds
- Oct. 1 CSS Variety Show
- Oct. 5-9 Tombstone
- Oct. 7-9 Las Vegas Roulette
- Oct. 22 Casino Night, La Palma
- Oct. 22 Wild West Car Show, Apple Valley
- Oct. 23 Nomad Car Show
- Nov. 12 CSS Turkey Bowl
- Dec. 17 Christmas Party

#### **Treasurer Report**

- Dues are due no later than Nov. 15. \$75 couple, \$45 single. After Nov. 15, \$10 additional late fee.
- The club received several nice thank you notes for the Car Show.
- Final day for M&M quarter campaign.
- The Car Show was a financial success.

#### **NCCC**

• High Speed Days in Pahrump, Sept. 23-25.

#### **Charities**

- HIS House received \$100 from a Car Show participant.
- 51 cell phones were collected at the Car Show.
- We are still collecting cell phones, greeting cards and gift cards.

#### **January Annual Meeting**

- Jan. 28 at the Fullerton Elks Lodge.
- The buffet will cost \$28.
- Raffle baskets left over from the Car Show will be raffled again

#### **Past Events**

• Donna's Pool party was awesome!

- Homeland Security was HOT and Michele was a STAR! We are in trouble!
- The Rallye and Car Show in Santa Maria was fun!

#### **Variety Show**

• Oct 1<sup>st</sup> at Cindy's Club House, Pot Luck. Please attend for a night of laughs.

#### Raffle

Dodger basket
 Watch basket
 Sandy McMullen
 Roger Bacon
 Sandy McMullen

• Dinner Ron D

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31

Respectfully submitted by: Ginger Girvin, Secretary Corvette Super Sports, 2011



Treasurer's Byline By Marge Huhta

The deadline for paying your annual CSS dues is November 15.

This gives you the opportunity to pay at the October or November meeting. -OR-

You may mail your dues check to Marge Huhta, 5672 Richmond Avenue, Garden Grove, Ca 92845

I hope this gives you enough notice so that you can budget for this expense. Dues are \$75 per couple and \$45 for a single membership.

#### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Month-by-month list of birthdays and anniversaries celebrated by CSS members.

SEPTEMBER BIF	RTHDAYS	SEPTEMBER ANNIVE	RSARIES
Gary Plehn	1st	Tracy & Linda Sanderson	09/03/88
Ginger Girvin	3rd	Cliff & Michele Owens	09/26/??
Karen DeBartolome	eis 5th	Michael & Kathy Baddley	09/30/78
Tim Girvin	11th		
Michele Boucher	16th		
Renita Glover	13th		
Larry Camp	22nd		
Katie Kennedy	23rd		
Larry Farrell	25th		
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GeorgeMcMullen Jackie Lyon Andrew Ersek Bud Norris	5th 10th 22nd 27th	Joe & Cindy Orrico	10/14/06
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#### **Social Corner**

The goal of the social chairman is to post the events for the entire year so that our membership can plan accordingly.

Social events are defined as a caravan to a place of interest where we can participate in an adventure and have time to talk with other members about recent Car Show and Rallies that we have participated in.

The Club event is defined as our club participating in another Corvette Club's activities to support their charities. The following is our annual schedule will be completed after the February General Meeting:

Current CSS events can be found at the following URL <a href="http://www.corvettesupersports.com">http://www.corvettesupersports.com</a>
If you have a suggestion for a Corvette Event or a Social Event, please contact Geoff at GBGirvin@yahoo.com

Date	Event
Sept. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Donna's Pool Party – Annual Pot Luck
Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Homeland Security - TBD
Sept 23-25	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Wine Cruise – Santa Ynez Valley
Sept 24-25	Corvette Track Days – CSS High Speed Autocross - Pahrump
Sept. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Cruise-In' for the Cure OC Fair Grounds
Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>	First Annual CSS Variety Show
Oct 7-9	Corvette Roulette – Las Vegas
Oct 15	Vapor Trails Autocross - Lompoc
Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Wild West Car Show
Oct 29 <sup>th</sup>	Homeland Security – Redlands then PIE RUN to Oak Glen
Oct. TBD	Casino Night
Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Pistachio Festival – Newberry Springs – Peggy Sue's
Nov 12 <sup>th</sup>	La Palma Days Veterans Day Parade
Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bowling with Turkeys – La Habra Bowl
Nov 19 <sup>th</sup>	Homeland Security - TBD
Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Getty Museum – Los Angeles
Dec. 10-11	HighSpeed Autocross = Porsche's taste like chicken!
Dec . 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party
Dec 17 <sup>th</sup>	Homeland Security 2011 Final Exam

#### **Club Events for September**

Where to begin, oh where to begin? Déjà vu all over again!

#### **Donna's Pool Party**

As is our custom, we all met at Donna's house for the annual potluck and pool party. The weather was great, the food was better, the birthday girls had cake and were serenaded. A good time was had by all except maybe the guys trying to put up the easy up with their eyes closed and with a bit of a breeze.

It is also amazing to me how many new skills I find people have after a day of eating and drinking. Find the picture of Jim Cooper washing the windows for Donna. Amazing how clean he got them. I need his recipe.





















#### **Homeland Security**

On September 10<sup>th</sup> we made sure that we are going to be prepared for the next disaster to come to our shores by qualifying at the Prado Shooting Range. The scores for this month are as follows. For all of the scores, please visit the CSS Web Site.

Round 7																										1 1
Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Total
George	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	15
Elaine C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Dave McD	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	13
Geoff	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	16
Art	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	23
Sarah	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Jim C	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	18
George	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	16
Geoff	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	15
Dave Mcd	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	14
Sarah	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	10
Elaine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Wine Cruise 2

On September 23-25, Geoff and Ginger led an intrepid group on "Wine Cruise 2" to the Santa Ynez Valley viticulture region near Solvang. The crew of 6 cars visited 11 wineries, stayed in the Union Hotel built in 1880, went to a car show, and ate dinner on Saturday night at A.J. Spurs in Buellton.

This year, Ginger prepared a notebook with the entire itinerary and schedule down to the minute. It contained brochures from each of the wineries, lunch menus along the way, maps and pictures. There was one book for each car. The members that came along were: Geoff and Ginger (Captain and Mate), Art and Marge (Commander and Navigator), Bob and Kelli (Boatswain – pronounced Bosun – and his nurse), Doug and Jackie (Quartermaster and Cowgirl – don't ask), Chuck and Sue (Gunner's Mate and his personal "XO"). We also had very special guests with us as well. We had the great grandson of the President of Uruguay, Richard Carias, and his girl friend Barbara Ortiz come along for the event. Richard and Barbara are the Treasurer and Secretary at Wild West, the same club that Jackie and Doug came from. They were a delight to have along and we hope that they eventually join CSS.

On Friday a number of us caravanned to Buellton and visited 2 wineries, Mosby and LaFond. Then we went to the Avant restaurant for Tapas and Vino. Then we went on to the Union Hotel in Los Alamos where they were celebrating their annual fund raising festival called "Old Days" We fit right in. Not just because we were old, but because we dressed up in western outfits. No one can ever say that we don't just love to dress up.





Mosby ^ LaFond^



Mosby in the morning (is that a song??)



LaFond before lunch





Lunch at Avant. Avant is the restaurant that adjoins Terravant where all the smaller wineries in the area take their grapes for crushing, distilling and bottling. It just occurred to me that on Wine Cruise 1 we were exploring wineries in October on Jackie's birthday weekend. This time though we were a week or two early and did not have the opportunity to sing Happy Birthday 45 times like last year.

Then on to the Union Hotel. Now before anyone says so, I will tell you that I tried very hard to not hang a "U" turn on this trip. All day Friday, I succeeded. The following is a picture of the Union Hotel. Now since it was Old Days and the street in front of the Hotel was blocked off, we had made previous arrangements with the hotel owner to keep our cars in a gated residential property a block from the hotel. On the day we arrived they placed a truck load of gravel in the parking area so that we would have a level and non-dusty area to park. They were amazing people. Too bad more hotel owners are not that nice. Thanks to Dan Thompson the owner, and the manager Ubaldo Hernandez for their great hospitality.

#### **The Union Hotel**

#### **Our Private parking**





Everyone should take time they are in the area to take a tour of the hotel. The previous owners spent a long time collecting antiques for the hotel lobby. Also be sure to see the rooms because some have bathrooms and some do not. We stayed in a room that did not and we had to dress in the middle of the night to visit the facilities. But it was still a wonderful experience.



#### Then more eating:



My favorite was a Nash.



Then the Car show on Saturday

**And this 1946 Dodge Truck** 



But there were some other great cars as well below.







After the Car show we headed out to the first winery for the day at Zaca Mesa.





Then off to Fess Parker to taste and dress up some more!





Now for the Dress up part

Davey Crocket Coon skin hats









Now to keep on schedule we headed off for Firestone and a tour of the wine production.









But it was getting to be lunch time and lots of wine and pallet cleanser crackers pretty much did some of us in.





So finally we headed off for Los Olivos to get lunch before heading off to the last winery for the day at Bridlewood.









Who is this??

Crew is getting tired. Headed back to Hotel before dinner at A.J Spurs









What better way to go to a western family style restaurant. Our Son Todd came in from San Luis Obispo with his friend Lisa to join us for dinner. It was Lisa's birthday so I got to embarrass Todd and play my harmonica for Lisa.

And, lest I forget, yes, I missed the turn into Firestone and had to do a "U" turn so my reputation is still intact as the "U" turn Kid!

On Sunday we visited 3 wineries and a miniature pony farm. The wine was great but the stallion that took a liking to Ginger and Sue was earth shaking. He snorted and got very excited. I will leave it at that.







The first Winery was Rideau

Then BlackJack







Finally we headed off for the last winery but by the time we got there we were a bit bushed and I forgot to take pictures. On the way home we took Highway 192 which parallels highway 101 through Santa Barbara. The freeway in Santa Barbara gets plugged on weekends and highway 192 was wide open the whole way. However it is a

very windy 2 lane road all the way to Ojai and down to Santa Paula. But it was exciting and very pretty. The route goes through orchards, gated communities, by Westmont College, and through very exclusive houses.

We all made it home safe and now Ginger and I are starting the planning for Wine Cruise3 that will be most likely in Napa and Sonoma in the spring of 2012

#### Pahrump - Perspectives by John Manfred

Not too many of us CSS Members at the Porsche Club Track Days. Who knows? Maybe those who didn't attend knew that the weather would be 10+ degrees above normal. Especially when normal is 86 degrees.

Yeah, it was hot, too bad I can't say that about my driving. Had a flat on one of my race tires and had to run my street Invos on the track. I was able to pull 1.1 Gs though, so it was still fun. Joe Orrico turned in some good laps and in his words, "I finally got The Bus Stop figured out." The turn after still needs a little work though. Jennifer Spencer is turning into a real track junkie; after every session, all you hear is, "He wouldn't give me a point-by!" Mike and Kathy Baddley showed up to cheer us on, and of course Michele and Cindy were in on the action.

Tremendous time running with the Porsche Club. They do their events a little differently. New drivers are given classroom training, then laps with an instructor driving, then skid pad training, and finally they drive with an instructor riding along. It's like they take driving seriously, go figure.

As to speed, Joe and I were running advanced class with Porsche GT3 Cup cars. OMG. Those things are fast. Sprinkle in some 400 RWHP Mitsubishi Evos and I was giving more point-bys than an 80 year old woman with a flat tire. Met the past President, VP & Tech Session Coordinator, Tony Mazzagatti. Tony gave me a ride in his '82 Porsche 911SC. Wow. No, I'm not going over to the enemy, it's just that I like cars. This one was 2000 pounds (or 2250 if you include me). He could really make the car dance. Can't wait to return the favor in the Z. All in all, a wonderful time. We discovered a great restaurant in Pahrump (Tommasino's), so I guess the weekend was a success.

Looking forward to LVRPCA's next Track Days. They rent the track about four times a year so we can join them when we want. Most of the other dates are during a nicer part of the year. That's probably going to be the best option for us since Spring Mountain has cut back their participation in Corvette Track Days. Tony Zito of LVRPCA put the event together and he did a hell of a job.

~John Manfred

Not your typical day in Pahrump





But your typical bystander scene. And yes it rained and according to Michele, rain and tape do not mix.





Here is John showing off Michele's Sissy Stick and then John goes over to the Dark Side





Looks like boney chicken to me

#### **More Rain**

#### and more unbearable heat





**But Sunday was better and Jen scared off the Porches!** 





#### **Editors Note:**

I would like to acknowledge and thank the contributors to this month's News Letter. First to John and Michele for the story and the pictures from Pahrump. Also I would like to thank Art and Marge for sending other perspectives of the Wine Cruise.

# COME ONE, COME ALL TO

#### THE FIRST ANNUAL

# CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS VARIETY SHOW AND POTLUCK SUPPER

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SIGHTS AND SOUNDS THAT WILL AMAZE AND ASTOUND YOU.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011 6;00 PM

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CINDY AND JOE'S CLUBHOUSE - 1845 MONROVIA, COSTA MESA PLEASE CARPOOL IF AT ALL POSSIBLE - LIMITED PARKING

# NO COVER OR ADMISSION CHARGE ABSOLUTELY FREE

DON'T MISS IT, COME AND ENJOY AN EVENING OF FRIVOLITY AND JOCULARITY THAT YOU WILL BE TALKING ABOUT FOR A LONG, LONG TIME.

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### **NCCC National News**

# NCCC Board of Governors meeting minutes can be found at the following link

http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Meetings.html

#### **West Coast Region**

http://www.ncccwcregion./

**NCCC Regional News** 

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