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NOTES FROM JANUARY MEETING

30 members and visitors attended the regular club meeting on Monday, January 13th. President, Rick Hicklin conducted the meeting. Vice-President, Curt Glover, was unable to attend the meeting. Butch Beverly, Treasurer gave the Treasurer's report, and Jane Combs read the minutes of the December meeting, which were approved.

Rick Hicklin welcomed visitors Jerry Pendley, new in the area from Culpepper, who drives a '69 convertible, and **Jerry Brown**, who has moved here from Seattle, who is a former Corvette owner looking to purchase another 'Vette soon. **Liz and Frank Suter** from Harrisonburg joined at the meeting. Liz and Frank drive a 2001 Red coupe. Liz also presented to the club a DVD with some great pictures from Corvettes at Carlisle. Liz and her son produced the DVD, which will be available for viewing and purchase at the club video night.

There was a **follow-up discussion concerning the Christmas party**. Those present reported that they enjoyed the new location, food, and entertainment. There was some discussion about the music volume and selection, but those issues were expected to be resolved at this year's event. Based on the favorable response to the party, December 6th, 2003 was selected as the tentative date for this year's event. There was a suggestion of moving the party to January, to avoid the crowded schedule of the pre-Christmas weeks, but those present voted to retain the early December date.

The by-laws will be reviewed for discrepancies and/or needed changes by the following members who agreed to serve on a by-law review committee: Jane Combs, Curt Glover, Butch Beverly, Sandy Tenney, Linda Carver, John Bottemiller, and George Hooper. The committee will give a report to the members present at the February meeting, who will then vote on any changes or corrections. Please try to be present for this important meeting!

Jane Combs reviewed the “local option” for the **2003 50th Anniversary Caravan**. This involves meeting the **Mid-Atlantic Caravan at Dick Myers in Elkton on Wednesday, June 25th**, and traveling with the Caravan to Roanoke for evening festivities, and overnight stay, and the official “kick-off” ceremony the next morning. The fee for participating in this part of the Caravan is \$20.00 per person. The sign-in roster was re-circulated at the meeting to have members indicate if they would be interested in going on this short leg of the Caravan. Jane re-emphasized that if members are planning to go all the way to Nashville with the Caravan, they should be making reservations now, at the nationalcorvettecaravan.com website and also at the corvette50th.com website. Both websites have links to the other, and include important information about events, hotel accommodations, etc. Nationwide, over 4,000 people have already registered for this event, which is still over 5 months away.

The activities of the Caravan week in our area will begin on Saturday, June 21st, with the Dick Myers Show Corvette Show. (The New England Caravan will arrive at Rockingham Fairgrounds late afternoon on Tuesday, June 24th and depart early on Wednesday, June 25th.) The Mid-Atlantic Caravan will arrive at Dick Myers Chevrolet about 1:00 on Wednesday, June 25. The M-A Caravan will continue on to Roanoke for events hosted by Berglund Chevrolet and Star City Corvette Club on Wednesday evening: food from various local restaurants at the Roanoke Transportation Museum, followed by a street festival at the Downtown Market. On Thursday, June 26th, caravan members will be treated to breakfast, a parade, and the official kick-off luncheon. The Mid-Atlantic Caravan will then go to Knoxville, where it will meet the Carolinas caravan. In Knoxville, the combined Mid-Atlantic and Carolina caravans will be hosted by Reeder Chevrolet. The Mid-Atlantic/Carolina caravan will leave early Friday morning heading for Nashville, and eventually, Bowling Green. There are events in Nashville on Friday, June 27th, and Saturday, June 28th, followed by events in Bowling Green on the 29th & 30th. Complete details about the events of this week are available at corvette50th.com and nationalcorvettecaravan.com

It has been requested that members planning to participate in the 50th Anniversary Caravan, in the Elkton to Roanoke section, or the entire Caravan to Nashville and Bowling Green be listed monthly in the newsletter, so that the members who wish to can contact each other to make plans. At this time, those members expecting to participate are as follows:

50th Anniversary Caravan to Nashville and Bowling Green

Bob & Doris Huff Russell & Mary Schmidt
Mick & Leslie Lemish

Elkton-to-Roanoke section of the 50th Anniversary Caravan

Lynn & Jane Combs Sandy Tenney
George Hooper Phillip & Donna Kania

Ed Blakemore Terry Marshall
Jim & Linda Carver Les Ramsey
Elaine & Dave Cummins Liz & Frank Suter

If you know that you are going to participate in the 50th Anniversary Caravan, or just the Elkton-to-Roanoke portion of that event, or if a spouse's name needs to be added to the list, please let Jane Combs know so that your name(s) can be added for the next newsletter. (combsl@ntelos.net / (540)943-5655)

The Dick Myers annual Corvette Show will be held on Saturday, June 21st, just prior to the Caravan stop on Wednesday the 25th. A committee of club members will be meeting with Dick Myers, and working with him to prepare for this show. Rick Hicklin, Curt Glover, Les Ramsey, Bob Huff, and Sandy Tenney agreed to serve on this committee.

2003 dues are due, and should be paid before or at the February meeting.

Your check for \$30 can be mailed to Butch Beverly at 952 Frays Mountain Rd., Earlysville, VA 22936, or handed directly to Butch at the upcoming meeting on February 10, 2003. **This will be the last newsletter for members who have not paid 2003 dues.** Following the February meeting, the 2003 club roster will be printed and distributed to paid members. This is a month later than originally planned, to give chronically late-joiners a chance to catch up with their memberships. If you are one of those, and you do intend to continue your membership, but you just haven't gotten around to sending or bringing your check, please do so now. You will miss out on some fun stuff, if you aren't getting the schedule, and you will make extra work for the Secretary ☹ if you drop off the list and then come right back into the club a month or two later. In addition, your name will not be on the current club roster, which will make it harder for other members to get in touch with you. Some of the activities discussed include:

Touring Luray Caverns	Repeat of the winery tour
Cruise-in at Fast Freddie's in Roanoke	Attend Lime Kiln Theatre
The elusive Crabtree Falls picnic	Tour of Monticello or Poplar Forest
Club rally or poker run	Breakfast event
Cruise and tour of Natural Bridge	Get together with Viper club

2003 EVENT CALENDAR

Feb. 1 **Club video night.** 5:00 – 8:30 p.m., Eaver's Classic Car Museum, Mint Spring (same place as regular meetings), I-81 Exit 217. Club will purchase subs and pizza and drinks, bring appetizers, desserts, finger food, chips, etc., along with your favorite car movies or videos.

Feb. 23 Cruise to Luray for tour of Caverns and dinner. Hosted by Dave & Elaine Cummins Check the next newsletter for details.

CLUB OFFICERS

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**Blue Ridge Corvette Club meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
at Eavers' Classic Car Museum, I-81 Exit 217, Mint Spring, VA**