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If you learn of a significant event or situation affecting a club member or their immediate family, i.e. births, deaths, serious illness, please notify B. or Joyce Martin so that a card can be sent from our club.

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76 members and guests attended the Christmas party on Saturday, December 6th. Fortunately the weather cleared enough that the roads were dry. "The Three Amigos", and Karen & Bob Parmenter returned for a repeat karaoke performance, joined this year by Harmony Tenney. Lynn Combs provided a continuous video display of events from the past year. **The 50/50 drawing at the Christmas Party was won by George Hooper. Three Corvette clocks** were raffled at the party.

The 2004 club roster was distributed to members attending the Christmas party. Copies will be mailed to 2004 members not at the party. If your information changes during the year, please notify the secretary so that changes can be made in the club database.

Dave and Elaine Cummins transported the remaining food from the Christmas party buffet to their church for distribution to the needy. Members are reminded to continue to bring non-perishable food contributions for the **Blue Ridge Area Food Bank** to regular meetings. Dave Cummins delivers the contributions to the Food Bank.

President Rick Hicklin discussed the issues of **time limits for our meetings, and possible day/time/location changes**. Please use the form at the end of this newsletter to express your opinion about possible changes. Decisions will be made on the basis of members' responses.

Members who attended the Christmas party are asked to respond to the questions at the end of this newsletter. Your responses will be used in planning the 2004 party.

The monthly newsletter will no longer be sent as an email attachment. Members with internet access should go to the club website at www.blueridgecorvetteclub.com Click on "Newsletter" in the menu listing to read the current newsletter. The newsletter can be printed or saved directly from the website.

WANTED TO BUY

1964/65 Falcon, 2-door, Hard Top, V-8, Rick Stroop, (540) 833-6103

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1967 427 Tri-Power Big Block Convertible in excellent condition – must have 4-speed, side-exhaust, PS, PB, and factory air conditioning, **Mick Lemish, 703-421-8875**

2004 EVENT CALENDAR

**Jan. 11 (Sun) Lunch at the Depot
Restaurant, Staunton 2:00 p.m.**

Feb. 7 (Sat) Video Night, Eaver's, 5:00 – 9:00
p.m. Club will provide subs and pizza, and
drinks - bring a side dish, appetizer, or dessert to
share.

CLUB OFFICERS
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<p>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</p>
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CHRISTMAS PARTY SUGGESTIONS & COMMENTS

Food: (amount, quality of preparation, presentation)

Music: (volume, selection, karaoke)

Service:

Location:

Directions to location:

MEETING PLACE / TIME / LOCATION IDEAS

In order to comply with the request to end our meetings by 8:00, we will need to make some adjustments in our style of meeting, or possibly change the meeting to a different day or time. Our meeting location at the Eavers Car Museum is an excellent place for us to have a meeting. (How many Vette clubs get to meet inside a car museum?) Petie Eavers has been a most excellent host for our club, but the Museum/Crown station is also a business, which has to operate on the schedule best suited for its location and amount of traffic.

One solution would be to move the starting time of our meeting up to 6:45 p.m. This is the earliest time that would be practical for members coming from the east side of Afton, or from the Harrisonburg or far western areas of our membership. Even with 15 minutes of additional time, detailed discussions about events attended by members, or general visiting after the meeting would not be possible. During the warm months of the year, we can always linger at the covered area in front of the museum, but that is not as appealing in cold weather.

Another suggestion is to change the meeting to a weekend afternoon time, and include dinner in a local restaurant as a regular follow-up to the meeting. This scenario allows for the structure of a consistent meeting time and place, with the added bonus of time to visit and discuss shows and events over dinner together. Those who had conflicting plans could skip the dinner part, and still have the benefit of information and plans discussed at the meeting.

Please indicate your preferences below, and add your comments at the bottom of the page. Send to Jane Combs by mail at 12 Teaberry Place, Fishersville, VA 22939, or by email at combsl@ntelos.net before the next meeting on January 12, 2004.

_____ I would prefer to continue meeting on the second Monday evenings, with the time moved to 6:45. I understand that there may be times when complete detailed discussion of past events, or general visiting among the members present may have to be continued outside, due to the 8:00 p.m. time limit.

_____ I would like to try the weekend afternoon meeting idea, with dinner at a local restaurant immediately following the meeting. For this option, I would prefer to meet at _____ p.m. on Saturday / Sunday (write in time, and circle day)