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Club officers for 2005 were confirmed at the November meeting. Those who will be serving in 2005 are: Rick Hicklin, President, Phil Kania, Vice-President, Curt Glover, Treasurer, Lisa McTighe, Newsletter. There is no Secretary for 2005.

Also assisting the club for 2005 will be Eddie & Janet Humes, newsletter copying and mailing; B. & Joyce Martin, new-member mailings and club greetings; Curt Glover, (in addition to his Treasurer duties) managing the club database, preparing the club roster; Phil Kania (in addition to being VP) will be maintaining the club email address file, receiving email inquiries, and sending group emails about events. Mick & Leslie Lemish will continue as webmasters.

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PARKING REMINDER: When you come to club meetings, please park along the right-hand (when facing the building) edge of the pavement, or in the short driveway area at the right-hand side of the building, or in the grass to the right of the pavement. Beginning at the right-hand front corner of the building, four cars may park along the front of the building. Additional parking is available at the far left end of the building. Do not park along the retaining wall at the front of the pavement. This area needs to be kept open for gas customers and gas delivery.

this office were explained: preparing minutes of the regular meetings (using a tape recorder), preparing the agenda used to keep meetings on track and still get all the business of the club covered in a one-hour time frame, copying applications, by-laws, rosters, agendas, directions to events, etc., as needed, receiving inquiries about our club, or invitations from other clubs, maintaining the club event calendar, ordering flowers when necessary, receiving email and mailing address changes and corrections. While many of the administrative functions of the club have been taken on as extra duties by club officers and other volunteers, the club secretary is still needed to coordinate the other functions. The term of the current secretary will end at the Christmas party, when the 2005 officers are installed. If you are willing to step up and do this job for 2005, please contact Jane Combs: 540-943-5655 or by email at combsl@ntelos.net

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34 members attended the regular club meeting on November 8th.

The club officers for 2005 (listed above) were confirmed. **The need for a Secretary for 2005 was again emphasized**, and the duties of

The **club Christmas party will be held December 4th at the Waynesboro Elks Club**, 6:00 – 12:00 p.m. Short business meeting before dinner is served at 7:00. **BYOB**. Set-ups and ice may be purchased there, or bring your own. Beer must be purchased on site. There will be **door prizes** again this year, but with no raffle fee for the tickets. The **menu** will be: Roast Beef & Gravy, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Buttered Corn, Tossed Garden Salad, Cole Slaw, Assorted Cake, Hot Rolls and Coffee & Iced Tea. It was decided to try a different DJ this year, and to not include karaoke as part of this event.

Music preferences for the party were collected at the meeting. If you were unable to attend, but plan to attend the Christmas party, you can mail, phone or email your music choices to Jane Combs before Thanksgiving, or send them with your dues & reservations to Butch. The DJ will also play your personal CDs if you wish to bring your own favorite music.

Door prizes will be purchased to be given away at the Christmas party. Michael & Linda Derrer will do the shopping for the prizes. \$100 was allotted for the purchase of the prizes. Any club members who have items they wish to donate for door prizes are encouraged to bring these as well.

If you will be coming from a distance, and would like to **stay overnight**, there are two hotels (Holiday Inn Express and Best Western) at the Exit 94 location. See the map and directions on the back of this newsletter. Hotel phone #'s are included on that page.

Be sure to pay close attention to the following deadlines for reservations and/or cancellations, and the payment of 2005 dues:

Members planning to attend the 2004 Christmas party should pay **\$10.00 per person (\$20/couple)** at the time of making their reservation. Reservations for more than two, i.e.,

other family members (age 13+), additional guests, prospective club members, etc. should be pre-paid at the full dinner rate of \$16.11/person. The \$10/person (\$20/couple) fee will cover about half of the cost of the party, with the remainder being covered by club funds. The \$16.11 fee for extra guests is the per-person amount charged by the Elks Club for the food. Reservations will need to be made by pre-paying the appropriate fee to Butch Beverly by Sunday, November 28. Mail your check to Butch at 952 Frays Mountain Road, Earlysville, VA 22936. Cancellations must be made to Rick Hicklin at 540-949-4924 or 1-800-906-6487 by 12:00 noon on Monday, November 29th, if you wish to have your fee refunded. **At the end of the meeting on November 8th, 25 couples had reserved for the party.**

If you have club pictures from the October picnic/picture event, please bring them to the Christmas party. All the available pictures will be put on display for choosing the official 2004 picture. Be sure to put your name on the back of your pictures.

2005 dues are due, and must be paid before/when making a Christmas party reservation.

It's time to update the club roster again. If you have moved, traded or added a Vette, had a change of house # or phone #, or if you would like your cell phone # added to the roster, now is the time to send that information to Jane Combs at 540-943-5655 or combsl@ntelos.net

The fund for the memorial brick for Elaine Cummins is being collected through the end of November. There is no set amount for a contribution - any amount you wish to give is welcome. Be sure to note "Cummins memorial" on your check. If you have not made a contribution, and wish to do so, send it to Butch Beverly, 952 Frays Mountain Road, Earlysville, VA 22936.

Art Rottenborn and JR Fitzgerald are planning a **club poker run in April**. Watch for details about this event in upcoming newsletters. JR has experience with organizing this fun driving event through his membership in the Harley club. Our first poker run will be for BRCC club members only, and will end with a dinner/picnic at Art & Kathy Rottenborn's house. This type of event can also be used as a fundraiser, if desired, by opening up participation to other car and/or motorcycle clubs.

Additional suggestions for events included a driving trip to **Greenbank Observatory** in WV, where we could have a bus tour of the observatory, followed by lunch (Boyers Restaurant was recommended). Another suggestion was to ride the **Cass Railway**, followed by lunch or dinner at Snowshow Resort. A reschedule of the trip to the Parkway Collection, and possibly a trip to a car collection near Ferrum College.

Rick Hicklin, Curt Glover, Ron Turnbull, Art Rottenborn, Dave & Mike Cummins, Mick & Leslie Lemish, and George Hooper went on the **Fall Skyline Drive Cruise** with other Corvette Forum members. \$1,000+ was raised for the Toys for Tots organization. Approximately 150 Vettes participated in the all-day cruise, with lunch at the Brookside Restaurant. People came from all adjoining states, and some from farther distances to participate. Links to pictures of this event are available at www.CorvetteForum.com under "Events", "Event Forums", and then "Southeast". Look for the sticky thread at the top of the page, called "Fall Skyline Cruise, October 30, 2004". Apparently our members' cars made a good impression, because all of them are in the pictures under post #108, on page 6. Rick's car was especially popular with the photographers, as were Mick & Leslie Lemish's cars. You can also read all the chat about this event, and get an idea how far people came to participate.

2004-05 EVENT CALENDAR

Nov. 29 – Staunton Christmas Parade, meet at Wright's Dairy Rite on Greenville Avenue at 5:30.

Dec. 4 – Christmas dinner party, Waynesboro Elks Club, \$10 fee, in advance, details in this newsletter. Map & directions on back page.

Jan. 10 – Regular club meeting

Jan. 23 – Club dinner at the Depot Restaurant in Staunton. Meet at the Depot at 2:00 p.m. In the case of severe weather, the date would be postponed until Jan. 30.

Feb. 5 - Video night at regular meeting place, pizza, subs, drinks provided. Members bring side dishes & desserts to share, and Corvette videos to watch.

Feb. 27 – Club dinner at Panos Restaurant in Harrisonburg.

Apr. – Poker Run for BRCC members only, Ending with dinner at Rottenborn's house. Watch future newsletters for exact date.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PLANS?: Dwight & Mary Faye Cason are planning to spend **New Year's Eve at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond**. The Jefferson is a Richmond landmark, originally opened in 1895, offering luxury accommodations and fine dining. The New Year's Eve event includes dinner, champagne, dancing, and an overnight stay in a deluxe room. You can learn more about the Jefferson Hotel and the New Year's event at www.jefferson-hotel.com, or contact Dwight or Mary Faye at 540-886-7737.

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

(540) 832-3540 / bemartin22942@yahoo.com

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In case of bad weather or other questionable circumstances, make sure an event is still being held before leaving home. Schedule changes and cancellations of club events are emailed to all on-line club members and posted on the message board of the club website. If you do not have Internet access, use your club roster to find a member who does, and call before you go.

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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

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If you are currently receiving this newsletter by U.S. Mail, and are willing to access the newsletter through the club website, using Adobe Acrobat Reader, please notify the Secretary. Members are notified by email when the newsletter has been posted on the website. If you do not already have Adobe Acrobat Reader on your computer, you can download it for free at www.adobe.com

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2005 CLUB OFFICERS

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ATTENTION

Blue Ridge Corvette Club Members

The 2004 Christmas dinner/dance is just a few weeks away. Advance reservations, including payment of \$10 / person (\$20 for two members, or a member and one guest), are required for this event! Reservations for more than two, i.e. other adult (age 13+) family members, additional guests, prospective club members, etc. should be pre-paid at the full dinner rate of \$16.11 / person. Don't miss this fun party! It's the one time of year when most of us are in the same place at the same time. Many new members have joined the club this year, and this is a great time to get acquainted. Your reservation/dues status is indicated below. If it is correct, you don't need to do anything. If you haven't made a reservation or paid your 2005 dues, now is the time.

_____ 2005 dues (\$30) have been paid ☺

_____ Christmas party reservation for ___ / \$___ has been paid ☺

_____ Extra adult guest fee (\$16.11) has been paid for ___ guest(s).

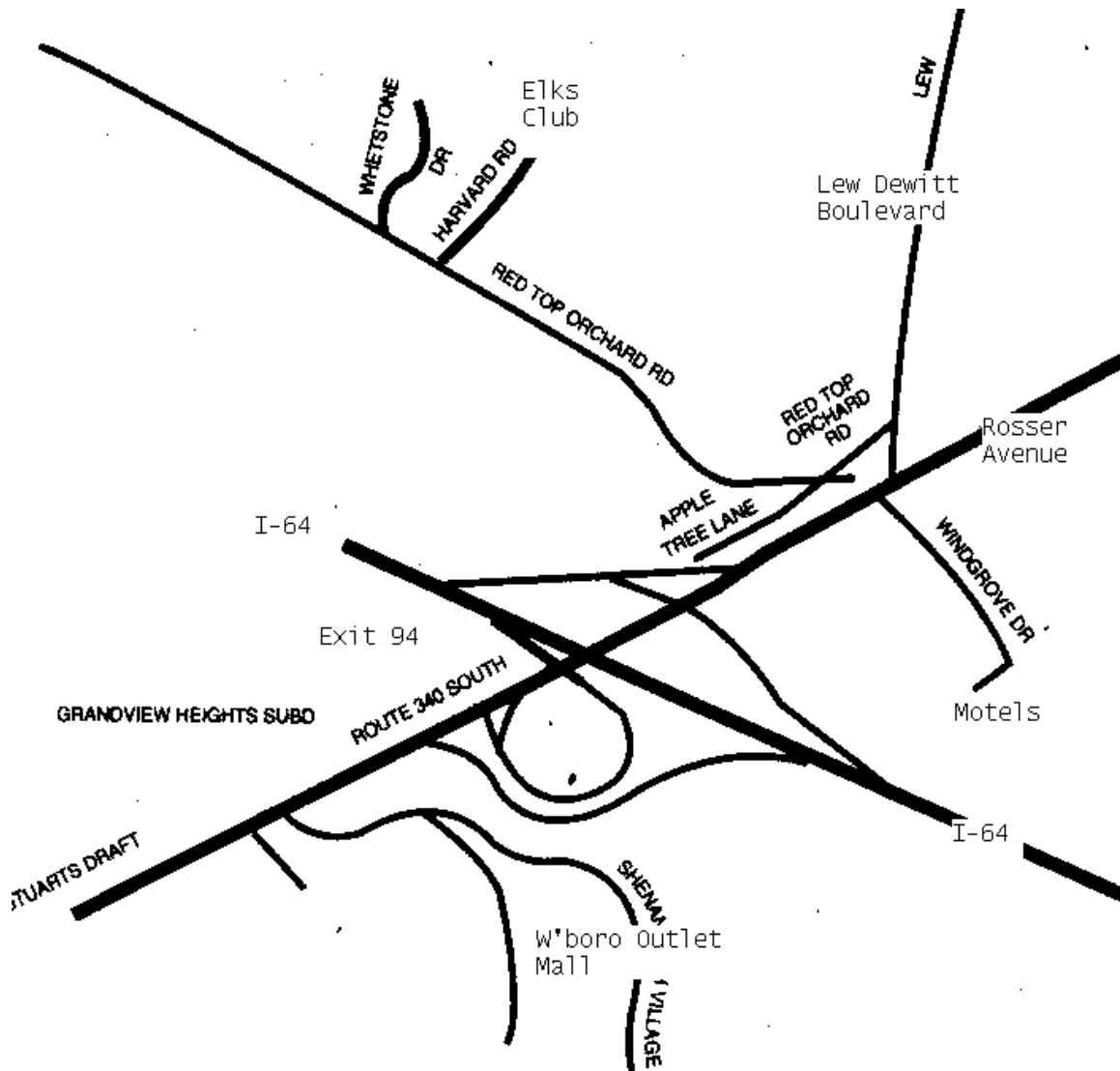
_____ 2005 dues have not been paid. ☹

_____ No party reservation has been received from you. ☹

This notice was prepared based on dues/reservations received by Monday, November 15th. In order to attend the 2004 Christmas party, your check(s) for dues & reservation(s) must reach Butch Beverly by November 28, 2004. Cancellations must reach Rick Hicklin by noon on November 29th at 540-949-4924 or 800-906-6487 – leave a voice message. Mail a check or confirm receipt of your dues/reservation to:

Butch Beverly 952 Frays Mountain Road Earlysville, VA 22936
(434) 973-4279

See the back of this letter for a map and directions to the party >>>



Directions to Waynesboro Elks Club

From I-64, Exit 94, East or West, turn right, toward Waynesboro. At the first traffic light (Rosser Ave & Lew Dewitt Blvd.) turn left onto Lew Dewitt Blvd.

Take the first left off of Lew Dewitt onto Red Top Orchard Road. Go straight ahead to the stop sign. Turn right, continuing on Red Top Orchard Road.

Follow Red Top Orchard Road 3/10 of a mile. Turn right onto Harvard Road. Follow Harvard Road through a residential area approx ¼ mile to a cul-de-sac. The Elks Club driveway entrance is off the cul de sac at the end of the street.

If you wish to stay overnight, there are two hotels located at Exit 94, on Windgrove Drive. Holiday Inn Express – 1-540-932-7170 / Best Western – 1-540-932-3060