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THE BEACON

Ponce Inlet Corvette Club

2025 CLUB OFFICIALS

President: Jim Stembridge

Vice President: Linda Giambalvo

Secretary: Victor Toews

Treasurer: Mike Wasson

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One Daytona Car Show: Jeff
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Director: Tom Stanforth

Membership: Denice Stanforth

NCM Ambassador: Chuck Fast

Social Committee: Susie Amaro

Club Photographer: Tim Hayden

Newsletter Editor: Kim Wright

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Hello from your new Beacon Editor! In this newsletter you'll see changes in content, format and length from past publications. Bear with me as we settle in to a new version of the newsletter and make adjustments as we go.

There were so many events in the last quarter of 2024 with great member participation. Keep it up! That's what makes our club so fun! A big thank you to all the contributors of our newsletter content.

If you have content you would like to include in the monthly newsletter, please email photos along with a write up to: kwright1351@yahoo.com.

**CHEERS TO NEW AND EXCITING
ADVENTURES IN 2025! ~KIM**



**Ponce Inlet Corvette
Club website:**

www.picorvetteclub.com

SPACE COAST VETTES ON THE AVENUE (MELBOURNE, FL) 10/17/2024

Club members pictured:
Charlie and Bev Vedral, Bill
and Barbara Cumberland,
Tom and Denice Stanforth,
Dave Tyree and Cathy Kasper,
Ann and Mike Ziegler, and
Kevin Kirsch



Contributed by
Kevin Kirsh

NEW SMYRNA BEACH CHEVROLET TRUNK OR TREAT 10/24/2024



New Smyrna Beach Chevrolet teamed up with local Corvette owners (with several PICC members participating) so children could TRICK or TREAT out of their Halloween decorated vehicle trunks. What a fun event for the kiddos and members alike!

Contributed by Kevin Kirsh - photos from Barbara Cumberland



PICC DRIVE OUT TO SHRIMPS R US 10/25/2024

We had a great turn out for the Shrimps R Us Drive Out with 48 members in attendance! Perfect weather and yummy food. Another fun event planned by our Social Director, Susie Amaro!

Photos from Susie Amaro and Lisa Zuber

BASS PRO SHOPS SANTA PARADE AT ONE DAYTONA - 11/2/2024



Members pictured: Denice and Tom Stanforth, Dave Tyree and Cathy Kasper, Ron and Jan Boisvert, Deb Hayden, Mary and Kevin (taking the photo) Kirsh.

PICC had six Corvettes participate and the families first feel was amazing, with hundreds of children lining both sides of One Daytona Avenue to catch candy from us! This is a must attend event for anyone that missed it in 2024!

Contributed by Kevin Kirsh – photos from Kevin Kirsh and Deb Hayden

FLAGLER COUNTY CORVETTE CLUB SHOW - 11/17/2024



Five members from our club were in attendance. The members receiving trophies were Bill Cumberland, Michael Rivera and Kevin Kirsch, 2 additional winners were Paul Giambalvo and Kevin Kirsch each winning 10 door prizes each, making Kevin the BIG winner.

Contributed by Linda Giambalvo

PONCE INLET CHRISTMAS PARADE - 12/7/2024



The club returned to active duty in the Ponce Inlet Christmas Parade! We were honored to be a part and to each carry one of our local veterans and VIPs. Gorgeous weather and nice crowds awaited us! Thank you to everyone that was able to participate as we had 12 Vettes in the parade!

Contributed by Jim Stembidge

PICC LADIES THIEVING ELVES HOLIDAY PARTY - 12/9/2024



Lots of fun and SO much food made for a fantastic gathering of the PICC Ladies Group for the annual Thieving Elves Holiday Party. A big thank you to Linda Giambalvo and Susie Amaro for planning and organizing this wonderful day of celebration.

Photos from Susie Amaro and Lisa Zuber

NEW SMYRNA BEACH CHEVROLET CORVETTE CHRISTMAS SHOW - 12/14/2024



We had a GREAT Christmas car show with 18 Corvettes participating. It was a busy day for PICC members - car show in the morning and PICC Holiday Party in the evening!



Photos from Tim Hayden and Barbara Cumberland

PONCE INLET CORVETTE CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY - 12/14/2024



Photos from Tim Hayden
and Jim Stembridge

Our annual holiday party was held at Spruce Creek Country Club. It was a lovely venue for a festive celebration. We ate, we drank, we danced and we were merry! A big thank you to our Social Director, Susie Amaro and all the PICC board members for their hard work and contributions to the success of our club in 2024!

COMMUNICATIONS

From the President:

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope that you all had a wonderful Holiday Season and had a chance to spend time with family and friends and maybe even do some traveling like we did. We had a really great year in 2024 that was filled with fun activities, giving to our community as well as challenging times like losing some of our members including our previous President as well as our change in leadership afterwards. It's been my honor to attempt to fill those big shoes! Thank you all for all your support and generosity in 2024. I'm really excited for the year ahead of us and I hope you are too where we'll have the opportunity for many more fun events, car shows, and giving opportunities (plus we're all excitedly waiting for those brand new ZR1's to hit the streets, right???). I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming meetings!

Jim Stembridge

President, Ponce Inlet Corvette Club

COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)

Charity Committee:

This was our first year as an established committee. We meet once every other month to review charities that have been submitted to us. In the year 2024, we were able to donate to some new organizations in our community and continued to support some of the past recipients. The Charity Committee was able to increase our donation by about \$4,000 from the previous year. We welcome any suggestions of groups that can benefit from a donation from Ponce Inlet Corvette Club.

Thanks Lyn Bernatovich, Teresa Brotherton, Heidi Stembridge, Ann Ziegler and Cindy Gross for making our first year so successful. ~ Submitted by Linda Giambalvo, Charity Committee Chairman



Paradise Pointe Assisted Living Facility has asked the Ponce Inlet Corvette Club to do a small informal car show for residents of the facility. Weather permitting the date is February 22, 2025, 1:30 to 3:00. Address for the facility is 350 Clyde Morris, Daytona Beach. We need 10 to 15 volunteers for the show. If you are interested please let Tom Stanforth know (by 2/6/2025). Email address is tstan64@yahoo.com.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

IMPORTANT REMINDER! It's time to renew your Annual PICC Membership Dues! Please mail your \$50 check to: Ponce Inlet Corvette Club, PO Box 996, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168 or bring it to the next General Membership Meeting on January 16, 2025. Membership dues not paid before the February Membership Meeting will result in the cancellation of your membership.

VETTES AT ONE DAYTONA CAR SHOW

In our November meeting I made mention that I would like to start collecting basket donations for the May 2025 car show, as I always like to start early. If you have a donation please bring it to the January meeting, or any other upcoming meetings. We are in need of car products, wines and other alcohol, gift cards, or any other item that you may have to put in a basket for the raffle table. Monetary donations are always good too, so we may purchase the items with the funds to make a complete a basket. Thanks everyone for your help. ~ Bev Vedral ~ Hospitality Director

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday, Jan. 16th - Monthly Membership Meeting at Hidden Lakes 5:00 pm

Saturday, Jan. 18th - Drive Out to EARS (Endangered Animal Rescue Sanctuary) in Citra followed by lunch - meet at 8:00 am at the Texaco 1629 W Granada, Ormond Beach - RSVP to Susie Amaro no later than 1/11/25 760-390-3078 (text preferred)

Saturday, Feb. 8th - Corvettes @ ABACOA, Corvette Club of Palm Beach, 1200 Town Center Dr., Jupiter, FL - 8:00-2:00 pm -Registration postmark 1/31/25 CCPBVettes@gmail.com

Sunday, Feb. 16th - Festivals of Speed, Vinoy Park, St. Petersburg, FL - 11:00-3:00 pm festivalsofspeed.com

Saturday, Feb. 22nd - Paradise Pointe Assisted Living, 350 Clyde Morris Ave, Ormond Beach - 1:30-3:00 pm - Need 10-15 cars

Saturday & Sunday, March 15th & 16th - Corvette In Venice "A Vette Together" 2025, Venice Florida Corvettes, Centennial Park, Venice, FL 8:00-3:00pm - Registration postmark 3/9/25 (fills up quickly) VeniceFloridaCorvettes.org

Saturday, March 22nd - Antique to Modern Show, Antique Auto Club, Melbourne, FL - 10:00-2:00pm - Registration postmark 3/19/25 AntiqueAutoClubCC.com

Saturday, March 29th - Corvettes at Keiser Cruise-In, Stuart Corvette Club, Port St. Lucie, FL - 8:00-12:30 pm - Registration postmark 3/22/25 forms.keiseruniversity.edu/corvette-club

Sunday, March 30th - Citrus County Corvette & Camaro - Citrus Vettes and Camaro Car Club, Historic Courthouse Square, Inverness, FL - 9:00-4:00 pm - Registration postmark 3/15/25 cv.ccc.org Hotel reservations @ Woodspring Suites (352) 419-0456 ask for Lori

Saturday, May 3rd - Vettes at One Daytona - Ponce Inlet Corvette Club sponsored event - volunteers will be needed - more information to follow