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Ponce Inlet Corvette Club

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Thank you all for your kind words and feedback regarding our new PICC newsletter format. It looks like the cold/rainy weather may be behind us and we can all get back to some sunshiny, top-down Corvette cruising kind of days! I'd like to extend my ongoing appreciation to our newsletter contributors and 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.

~KIM



**Ponce Inlet Corvette
Club website:**

www.picorvetteclub.com

PICC DRIVE OUT TO EARS (EXOTIC ANIMAL RESCUE SANCTUARY) & LUNCH AT DRIFTERS - 1/18/2025



It was a picture-perfect day on a drive out to Citra, FL to visit EARS (a not-for-profit organization providing excellent living conditions for previously malnourished, abused and abandoned big cats and other domestic and exotic animals). We had 21 members join the fun followed by a fantastic lunch at Drifters.

Photos from Susie Amaro

COMMUNICATIONS

From the President:

It's starting to feel like spring is just around the corner (or maybe it's already here in Florida???)! That means even more sunlight and being outdoors and in our Corvettes! Those that were able to attend the recent Rolex 24, while a bit chilly, saw an incredibly exciting race where we had Corvettes take 1st and 2nd place in GTD and GTD Pro, respectively! Makes you want to get out and buy a new one doesn't it??? And we've finally seen pricing on the new ZR1's and already seeing dealers getting initial allocations. Who's going for one of those beasts??? In other news, we've started the year strong with a great January member meeting and we have so many wonderful things in store for 2025 including giving back to some really great organizations in our area, as well as, what's shaping up to be a great One Daytona Car Show in May. I hope you'll join us for our next members meeting and please let us know if there's anything we can do to make the meetings better! We are always open to feedback! Have a great February, which is also racing season here in Daytona Beach!

Jim Stembridge
President, Ponce Inlet Corvette Club

Charity Committee:

I recently received a text from one of the charities that we donated to last year. She wanted to let me know what they used our donations for. It was Lori Palladino with Back to the NEST, an alumni group at Spruce Creek. She had a request from one of the coaches at Spruce Creek, for funding to be able to pay for 4 seniors dues, caps and gowns along with their senior pictures for the school fence and yearbooks along with \$75.00 to participate in a sport club. Thanks to our donation we were able to help 4 high school students enjoy graduation. Receiving this feedback, is an example of what our donations do to help a good cause. This is what we strive to do at Ponce Inlet Corvette Club. If anyone has a charity that they feel would benefit from our support, please feel free to contact us and we will be more than glad to check it out. Thank You...

Linda Giambalvo, Vice President/Charity Committee Chair

COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)

The next event we have coming up is the Paradise Pointe Assisted Living Facility on Saturday, February 22nd from 1:30 to 3:00 PM. We still have room for a couple more cars if anyone is interested. Address for the facility is 350 Clyde Morris, Daytona Beach.

Also, we are looking for any interest in a "road trip" to Myrtle Beach, SC June 6 & 7, 2025. Please let me know if you are interested. We currently have 6 cars expressing interest.

There's quite a few people signed up for the Citrus County Corvette & Camaro show on March 30, 2025. There is still time to sign up - registration ends March 15th.

Thank you,
Tom Stanforth - Director (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 995, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170 or bring it to the next General Membership Meeting on February 20, 2025. Membership dues not paid by the February Membership Meeting will result in the cancellation of your membership.

VETTES AT ONE DAYTONA CAR SHOW

Hi everyone,
We could use the following items for car show baskets: car products, barbecue items, pasta items, dog items, or other items you may have to put in a basket. Monetary donations are always good for baskets that have been started, but will need additional items purchased to complete the basket.

Thank you,
Bev Vedral ~ Hospitality Director

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday, February 13th – PICC Men's Luncheon at Eagles in Port Orange @ 12:45

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

Thursday, February 20th – Monthly Membership Meeting at Hidden Lakes @ 5:00pm

Saturday, Feb. 22nd – Paradise Pointe Assisted Living, 350 Clyde Morris Ave, Ormond Beach – 1:30–3:00 pm

Monday, March 10th – PICC Ladies Luncheon at Outrigger's Tiki Bar @ 11:30

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



2025 PICC HOLIDAY PARTY

**SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 13, 2025**

