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Ponce Inlet Corvette Club

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Whew - we survived the holidays and are finally getting back to a normal routine (and better food choices). There was a lot to cover in this newsletter and there are more photos of events on our Facebook page that I wasn't able to include in this publication.

I know I'm already looking forward to the club events we have planned in the new year. Please be sure to view the "Mark Your Calendar" section to not miss out on any of the fun! Don't forget to **check out the Ponce Inlet Corvette Club Facebook page to stay connected and see event photos!**

~KIM



**Ponce Inlet Corvette
Club website:**

www.picorvetteclub.com

HAPPENINGS

PORT ORANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT ~ SHOP WITH A COP & VICTIM ADVOCACY ~ MEMBERSHIP MEETING ~ 11/21/2025

Odetta, from the Port Orange Police Department, was in attendance at our November Membership Meeting to speak to the group about their "Shop with a Cop" program, Victim Advocacy and receive a donation from our club. She was very informative and appreciative of our generous donation.

Photo by Jim Stembridge



PONCE INLET CHRISTMAS PARADE ~ 12/6/2025



Photos by Jim Stembridge and Susie Amaro

A little rain never hurt a Corvette (or has it?). It was a soggy day for a parade, but a few daring souls were happy to transport our local veterans along the parade route. Thank you to everyone who participated!

PICC LADIES THIEVING ELVES HOLIDAY PARTY ~ 12/8/2025

Lots of fun and 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 a festive celebration.



Photo by Susie Amaro

HAPPENINGS (CONTINUED)

NEW SMYRNA BEACH CHEVROLET CORVETTE CHRISTMAS CAR SHOW & TOY DRIVE~ 12/13/2025



Photos by Denice Stanforth and Jim Stembridge



PICC had 24 cars participating in the Holiday Toy Drive & Car Show. It was a beautiful day for a fantastic event with lots of fun and friendship.



PICC ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY SPRUCE CREEK COUNTRY CLUB ~ 12/13/2025



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Photos by Jim
Stembridge and Susie
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We had a wonderful and festive holiday party at the Spruce Creek Country Club. We ate, we drank, 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 2025.

EAST COAST CRUISER CAR SHOW ~ ONE DAYTONA 1/3/2026



With a threat of rain, we had a few club members participate in the ECC Car Show. As it turns out, there was just a spit of rain and no Corvettes were harmed.



Photos by Kevin Kirsch



Photo by Susie Amaro

PICC LADIES LUNCHEON ~ CORKSCREW, NEW SMYRNA BEACH 1/12/2026

The Ladies of the PICC kicked off the New Year with a monthly luncheon at Corkscrew Bar & Grille. It was delightful to catch up with each other over a delicious lunch. Thank you to Susie Amaro for always organizing a great gathering!

COMMUNICATIONS

From the President:

Happy New Year to all of our PICC board and members! I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and a very happy New Year! I am excited about 2026 and all the fun events that we'll have a chance to participate in. I hope you are too! And our car show is just right around the corner! Here's to a fun year of Corvette-ing around!

Jim Stembridge



From the Hospitality Committee:

Happy New Year Everyone!

We are off to a good start with the car show baskets. Thank you to the members that gave a monetary donation for the car show baskets at the November meeting. I was able to purchase items to complete a few themed baskets already, and I received items and car products from our members for the silent auction table, as well.

Also, six ladies have mentioned that they will contribute by adopting and putting together a basket as their donation to the car show. Thank you ladies for your help, as our goal is to continue the same success as the prior years.

Lastly, if you would like to contribute to the basket raffle table, I will be collecting monetary donations and item donations for themed baskets at the upcoming meetings.

I can always use wines, whiskeys or any other liquor along with car bucket products, and gift cards are always great to add to a basket. If you're not attending a meeting and would like to contribute or have any questions, send me an email at beved626@gmail.com. Your generous donations to the car show basket raffle and silent auction table each and every year are a team effort and greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Bev Vedral



From the Social Director:

We have a club drive-out to Shrimps 'R Us planned for Wednesday, January 28th. This drive and restaurant are always a hit with the group. We will meet at Walmart in Ormond at 11:30 and arrive at 1:00 for all you can eat shrimp and fixings. Please see Susie's recent email for details and RSVP information.

Susie Amaro

COMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)

From the Director:

Tom and I are gauging interest in the number of members interested in attending a vehicle pinstriping/airbrush demonstration out in Deland at this establishment: <https://chrisacruzartistry.com/>

If you are interested in attending, please let me know no later than 1/14, so I can let him know the # of attendees, and what dates work for him. I will then let those interested know which dates he provides, and we can then pick a date that gains the most attendees. We could turn it into a lunch cruise too depending on time of day. Tom mentioned he creates a car print during his demos that he gives to an attendee.

We would also like to gauge interest in members interested in a multi-day cruise to the Corvette Museum. Please let me know no later than 1/14 and we can discuss dates at the next members meeting. If there is interest and how many attendees is a good start to any planning.

The information I will be providing monthly is primarily car shows the club likes to attend annually in nearby locales. However, there is a really great website that provides far more information than I can add to the clubs spreadsheet. If you are interested in knowing what is going on in other parts of the state, please visit: <https://flacarshows.com/mylocation/>

The search is very user friendly, by zip code and mile radius. So if you're visiting relatives in the state, you could get free room and board 😊 ! It includes more than just shows but also cruise ins and other car related events.

Kevin Kirsch

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday thru Saturday, January 14-17, 2026 - NCRS FL Winter Event, NCRS, Melbourne Orlando/International Airport - Registration postmark 8/1 - 12/24/25
fl.NCRS.org

Thursday, January 15 - PICC General Membership Meeting at Hidden Lakes Golf Club at 5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 28 - PICC Drive Out to Shrimps R Us - meet at Walmart - 1521 W. Granada in Ormond at 11:30, arrive at 1:00. Please RSVP to Susie Amaro before 1/23

Tuesday, February 3 - PICC Board Meeting -Louie's Pizza, 1341 Beville Rd, DB at 5:30

Saturday, February 7 - East Coast Cruiser Car Show - One Daytona - 3:00 pm

Sunday, February 8 - Corvette Club of The Palm Beaches Annual Car Show, 8 - 2 pm, Double Road Tavern, 103 US 1, Jupiter, FL 33477 - Registration postmark 2/1, www.ccpb.us

MARK YOUR CALENDAR (CONT'D)

Monday, February 9 - PICC Ladie's Luncheon - TBD details will be forthcoming

Thursday, February 12 - PICC Men's Luncheon - Eagles Club 5130 Ridgewood Ave., Port Orange at 12:00 pm

Thursday, February 19 - PICC General Membership Meeting at Hidden Lakes Golf Club at 5:00 pm

Saturday, March 28 - Vettes at Keiser, 27th Annual Stuart Corvette Club, 8 - 2 pm, Rain or Shine, 9400 SW Discovery Way, Port St. Lucie, FL 34987, <https://forms.keiseruniversity.edu/corvette-club/>

Saturday, April 25 - Vettes at One Daytona Car Show

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. Membership dues not paid before the February Membership Meeting will result in the cancellation of your membership.

THE WINNERS CIRCLE



Congratulations to Laura Gilkes who won the November raffle basket and Billy and Sara Sturno who were the winners of the Christmas baskets.



IN SEARCH OF OR FOR SALE

Susie met a gentleman where she gets her Corvette serviced. He had this sign and wanted to know if anyone was interested in purchasing it. His name is Mark and his contact number is: 386-847-0704. Please contact him for details or to make an offer.

