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REMINDER

**NO NEWSLETTER
FOR DECEMBER**

CAPULIN RUN–Aug 23, 2009 By Janet Zachry

The “August Fun Run”, was a nice trip that entailed many interesting facets of history and merriment. The excursion started at Mac and Bab’s place in Trinidad. The McKnight’s are quite the consummate hosts. Driving up, you could sense the excitement and unusualness of their ranch. Spirits were high and you could feel the glee in everyone’s hearts; when they first sighted the award winning, perfectly quaffed, adorable Alpaca’s. Mac and Bab’s made everyone homemade breakfast burritos with all the trimmings to start a perfect day of riding. The weather was incredible and the skies were sapphire blue. The air was crisp, the engines were started and everyone left out in single file. The view of these magnificent cars, with sun bursts of color glinting from the brilliant sun shine; was artistic and awe inspiring to passer bys on the highway and in the streets. As a matter of fact, at one point in the trip, we had one observer that was so excited about the event; she tried to get every car to stop, while she took a photograph of each car as it passed. It was all in fun and we were on our way to a day of anthropology, archaeology and camaraderie., cont on page 2.

**Southern
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Corvette Club**

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We meet every 3rd
Tuesday at the
Pueblo Public
Library,
100 E Abriendo
Ave. @
7:00 P.M.

Come join us.



Capulin Run 09, cont.

From Mac and Bab's place everyone set their trip meters to zero. We weren't more than 25 miles or so down the road and our minds drifted to beautiful canyon lands with prehistoric dinosaur tracks, and Indian art rocks. We imagined the history of times past and saw where Charles Goodnight took his cattle herds in the area of Trinchira Creek. It was the mid 1800's and times were tough. Goodnight devised a plan to get his cattle to the gold fields of Denver. It was a dangerous plan that crossed Comanche territory, with the help and advice of a man named Oliver Loving. The first trip was a success and many more followed in the ensuing years. It was a story of heroic men doing exceptional things at a time of great hardship. The story was heartwarming. Everyone loves a story of tenacity and grit that trumps all the aces.

Trivia #1

The C-6
Corvette's LS-2
Motor has how
many Cubic
Inch's?

Trivia #2

The 2001 Z06
Corvette had
how many
horsepower?



Soon we passed a small village called Walt's Corner and just down the road another 10 miles or so was the old town of Branson. This was a rail road supply point for the early cattle and sheep herders of the late 1800's.cont, on page 3.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Ann Rapp - 5 Nov
Rick Brake - 10 Nov
Laurie Sanchez - 18 Nov
Febie Will - 26 Nov
Dennis Skender - 29 Nov

Vicki Adams - 4 Dec
Vicki Carara - 6 Dec
AJ Newman - 27 Dec
Brian Dougherty - 29 Dec
Jim Will - 31 Dec

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Dave & Sarah Herrera - 1 Nov
Tony & Laurie Sanchez - 8 Nov
Ron & AJ Newman - 16 Nov

Rocky Mangini/Janet Zachry-10 Dec
Rick & Vicki Carara - 20 Dec
WI & Trudy Thomas - 27 Dec

Capulin Run 09, cont.

Pretty much the only thing standing of significance was an old jail. It was fascinating to see the conditions and sparseness of the times. The jail consisted of iron bars, a hard bed made from rock, rock walls, and no toilet, except the floor. The Chamber planners of Branson, obviously, threw in a few bright flowers along the rocky sidewalk to try to brighten up the place a little. However charming, it still left me cold and chilled. I was thankful for these bountiful times and thankful I was free, unrestricted, and unencumbered. My mind wanted to run from the idea of bars and cold stones. It was against the nature of our spirits. The freedom of a corvette, with the wind in our hair and the winding roads was welcome. That atomic orange felt mighty bright and cheery as we sped off to the rest of the day's adventure. Those times were arduous and even more grueling for those poor incarcerated souls.



We experienced many wonderful points of interest on this trip; to name a few, like "Toll Gate Canyon", Capulin volcano and the hang out of Black Jack Ketchem. Poor old Black Jack Ketchem was the last hanging in the history of the United States (Clayton, NM 1901). We visited the historic town of Folsom. You found yourself choking in the dust of 3000 longhorns. You felt the sticky, smelly, sweaty heat from the cattle crossing your path. You screamed when Black Jack Ketchem's head came off, due to the poorly configured weight design of the gallows. Our caravan of corvettes paled in comparison to our Conestoga wagon, western counterparts. There were areas that we passed, such as Yankee, NM, where the grass was so tall and thick that at times the pioneers navigated with compasses. Cont. on page 4.

Trivia #3

On the 1996 Corvette, could you get the LT4 motor without the Grand Sport package?

Trivia #4

In what year Corvette was a manual transmission first offered?

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Capulin Run 09, cont.

Their vision was totally impeded by the tall grasses. When you put it into the perspective of these incredible settlers; it made our beautiful, paved roads feel luxurious. It was a time of hard working, brave pioneers. It was the western world of the 1800's. It is our heritage as Americans. This was cool. We were all having fun.

As if that wasn't enough, within miles we were thrown into the era of prehistoric man. We soon came to the nearby valley of the famous "Folsom Site". This is a private land area that is the birth place of the Pleistocene or late Ice Age, "Folsom Man". This discovery dated the existence of man in North America to 9000 B.C. A black cowboy, named George McJunkin in September 1908 made the discovery. He found what he called, a "bone pit". The bones were about thirteen feet below the earth's surface and were mineralized. His find was one of the most important archeological finds ever made in North America.



Anyway, throughout the day, we continued to many glorious archaeological points of interests. But at the "End of the Day", was the "Important Lesson". We were all with friends and we all shared a bit of splendid history together. I think we are all closer and better people, because of this terrific ride with our magnificent friends and our precision machines. This is why, we ride; It's "the journey!"

The trip ended at "Tequilas" in Trinidad. As we enjoyed our well prepared meal and excellent service; everyone laughed and recapped the day's events with excitement and exhilaration. However, thru the evening shades, we could see the warm, crimson sun starting to ebb low on the multihued horizon. The colors were vibrant and dazzling. It was time to wrap up the evening and ride on down the trail. More or less in unison, we all tipped our hats, said "Good Bye Partners", and road into the glorious, western sunset; just like our settler counterparts had done many a times. There is nothing like the beauty of a scarlet sunset in Colorado!

"Til we meet again!"

Janet Zachry and Friends

VETERANS DAY PARADE

Nov 7, 2009, by Bob Adams



Early Saturday morning, the 7th, a bunch of beautiful Vettes gathered at the Library and caravanned down Union, right past the barricades and cops and looped back onto Victoria to “stage-up” for the parade. We had a wonderful time just talking and making acquaintances with other parade entries. SC3 had the privilege this year of providing the cars for the Grand Marshall and Assistant Marshall. Ron Newman gave quite the chariot’s ride to the Marshall and his wife while Richard Campbell gave an extra thrill to the Assistant Marshall. The rest of us mere mortals were relegated to near the end, just to make sure that the parade ended in style! It was a heart-warming event with lots of veterans riding shotgun in our cars and honoring the day set aside for a salute or two to those who made, and keep making it possible to have parades in this great land.



After the parade, the fun began as we gathered for a raucous lunch at the Gold Dust where in short order we found ourselves alone in the back patio. Our laughter only stopped when we broke up and went our separate ways, each with a warm belly and warm heart. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a great club event. Next year, maybe we could team up with the Gold Dust and put on a pancake breakfast?????

SC3 Calendar - November 2009

1	2	3	4	5 – Colorado Springs Club Meeting	6	7
8 – CSCC Snoflake Rally	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 SC3 Club Meeting	18	19	20	21
22 Turkey Rally	23	24	25	26	27 SC3 Sonic Night	28
29	30					

December 2009

		1	2	3 CSCC Meeting	4	5 SC3 Christmas Party
6 NCCC Regional Meeting	7	8	9	10	11	12 CSCC Christmas Party
13	14	15 SC3 Meeting	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		