



SCC³ VETTE VIBES

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**Southern Colorado
Corvette Club**

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**We Meet every 3rd Tuesday
at the Pueblo Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave
7:00 PM
Come Join us.
Dinner following Meeting**

KEVIN AND JEANNIE KOCH

Kevin and Jeannie Koch have been in the Pueblo area a little over 8 years having moved here from East Texas after Kevin accepted an engineering position with the Transportation Technology Center. The job change provided an avenue to realize a long held dream of living in Colorado. Kevin and Jeannie met in the middle 1970's while both were living in the Akron, Ohio area. Since being married they have lived in Nevada, the Texas Panhandle, East Texas and now Colorado. Kevin is originally from Canadian, Texas in the Panhandle and Jeannie is from Northwest, Ohio. Jeannie is an elementary teacher in Pueblo West. Kevin and Jeannie have two children, Andrea who works for Compassion International and lives in the Charlotte, North Carolina area; and Mark who will be a senior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. Over the years Kevin and Jeannie have been able to share an interest in "performance" cars. At various times in the past Jeannie has hauled kids around in a Z28 Camaro, an SS Monte Carlo and a Buick Grand National. Her latest commuter car is a 2007 Mustang GT (which she lets Kevin drive occasionally).

Kevin first became involved with Corvettes when he traded a road racing Camaro for a 1971 LT-1 street car in the early 1980's. With a growing family it was time to think about giving up the expense and time demands associated with racing, but it was hard to give up working on and driving performance cars entirely. The 4 speed Corvette provided a good transition. Kevin's primary interest in Corvettes involves taking part in competition events such autocrossing, so after a fair amount of prep work (including replacing all four leaking brake calipers with stainless steel units) he put the LT-1 to work on the parking lots. After some suspension development and the addition of sticky tires, the car became less of a hand full and was fun to drive. Because of the addition of headers and several other mods the car ran in the SCCA's B Street Prepared Class. After a few years it became apparent that to compete with other Corvettes in the class Kevin would have to make more extensive modifications (lowering the car significantly and adding an expensive adjustable shock package) that he was not really willing to do. Rather that take the car farther away from

Trivia 1:

What is the first year
8 in wide wheels
were standard?



Trivia 2:

When did hand
brakes move to the
center console?

stock trim he removed the headers and side pipes, sold it and replaced it with a 1990 6 speed with the FX3 adjustable shock option. As he was hoping, with the addition of only soft compound, DOT tires and a more aggressive suspension alignment, the 1990 L98 was faster and more fun to drive than the LT-1 had ever been after all of the modifications. After driving the L98 on the streets and parking lots for about 8 years, Kevin replaced it with his current car, a 1996 Collector Edition LT4 with the Z51 suspension option. Again, with the addition of some sticky tires and a good alignment the car was ready to go to the parking lots. Kevin says it is the best Corvette he has ever had. Once the tires get warm the car is predictable and it just “sticks” when you bend it into a hard turn. The primary disadvantage the car has on

autocross courses, as with all Corvettes, is that it is rather large compared with a lot of the competition.

It must be apparent by now that Kevin is a chronic car nut. This is also painfully evident in his other major past time. Kevin has dabbled in artwork for many years creating landscapes as well as wildlife and aviation pieces using pencil, pastels, acrylics paints and oil paints. In the recent past, however, all the ideas that come to him seem to be motorsports related. In the past 10 years or so he has produced several oil on stretched canvas pieces with road racing (both vintage and modern) Indy Racing League and NASCAR subjects. Many of these are now available as limited edition prints with the help of Giclee Prints Inc. here in Pueblo. Over the next couple of

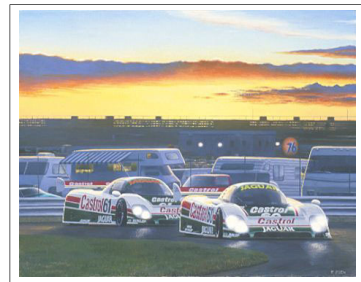
years he hopes to complete a series of paintings honoring the road racing history of the Corvette. He started with the C5R, creating one painting of the car at LeMans (one of the prints was donated to the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green) and another of the overall C5R victory at the Rolex 24 Hour of Daytona. The next painting planned is of the C6R competing against the Aston Martins at Sebring. Other paintings of the C4, C3, and C2 Corvettes will follow. All will eventually be available as Giclee prints. Progress on this project, however, hinges on the outcome of that great conflict. When that little bit of free time is available, should he pick up a brush and paint a Corvette, pick up a wrench and work on one, or get behind the wheel and drive one?





Trivia 3:

Backup lights were standard on the '66.
True or False



Trivia 4:

Were rocker panel moldings smooth or ribbed on '79's.



CORVETTE CLUB SPONSORS GRADUATION HOT-DOG ROAST AT EL PUEBLO

Friday, May 23, 2008, members of SC3 hosted a graduation picnic for the El Pueblo students and staff. There were about 14 members who set up and dished out food for the students.

It was rather a windy day, so everyone came inside and ate in the cafeteria. Matt Honner, Doc and Paula Stricca, Lucky and Jannett Schneberger, Todd Frederick, Bill and Sally Kenney, Vicki and

Bob Adams, Richard and Kathleen Campbell, and John and Gloria Rouse participated in the event as well as the cafeteria staff and El Pueblo folks. Thanks goes to Ron & A.J. Newman for getting Albertson's and his former company to donate the hot dogs and buns. Matt was able to get Coca-Cola to contribute the drinks for the event.

Two large sheet cakes were brought in for the graduates

and guests. The event began about 4:30 p.m. and when the final group had eaten, it was almost 6:00 p.m.

The previous Thursday, Bob Adams presented gifts to students who had participated in the Corvette Club sponsored essay and story contest. There were 20 students who either wrote essays about how their lives had been changed for the better at El Pueblo, or wrote

poetry or short stories. One artist even drew a great picture of a Corvette. Everyone who participated received a gift of his/her choice. Bob enjoyed the part that he played, as did everyone at the assembly.

Future activities will be planned throughout the year with the El Pueblo children.

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Minutes of SC3 Meeting 5/20/2008

1. Meeting was called to order by President, Matt Honner. Birthdays and Anniversaries were read. Matt and Nadinne's baby girl was welcomed into the world on May 14, 2008. Her name is Dylinn Grace Honner. She weighed 9 lb. 2 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long.
2. Secretary, Gloria Rouse read the minutes of the last meeting.
3. Treasurer, Brian Dougherty gave financial report and also read thank you cards from the Carleo family as well as St. Mary Corwin Cancer Center.
4. Vice President/Activities Director Ron Newman outlined the activities for the summer, including: Crowley County July 26; Bike and Car Show July 18 & 19; Todd Frederick is looking into a 3 to 9pm Corvette car show at Albertson's Grocery Store on Hwy. 50 on September 13, 2008 in place of the Chili Festival this fall. June 20 is the date for the club to have a Drive and Dine to Hollydot Country Club.
5. New Business: There was a suggestion that one of our members might look into NCCC to become members. One of the reasons is so that SC3 would be covered by insurance should there be any mishap at one of our car shows. Rick Carara mentioned that he saw Chuck and Dana Shadle and that they give their regards to everyone.
6. Old Business: Plans were made for the Graduation Hot Dog picnic at El Pueblo Boys and Girls Ranch, and Bob Adams told about his experience giving out awards to the winners of the essay writing contest at EPBGR. He felt elated that the club has adopted a great charity.

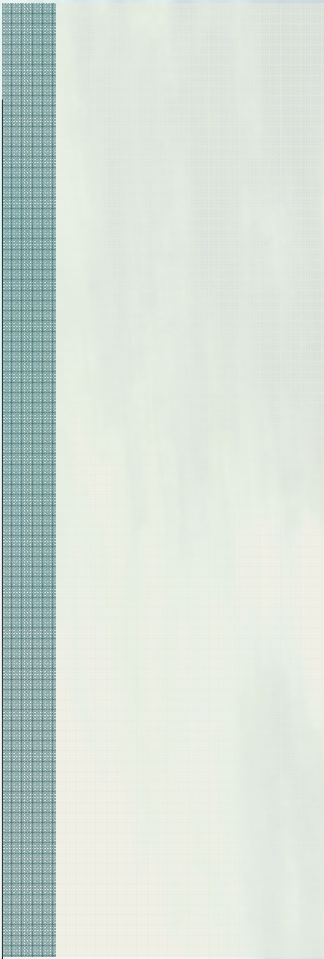
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June 2008						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Burt Chevrolet Car Show
15 Father's Day	16	17 SCCC Meeting	18	19	20 Drive and Dine to Hollydot	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Upcoming Events

- June 13th–15th Vintage Trans-Am Invitational
- June 20th Drive and Dine to Hollydot Country Club.
Leave from the dgo track at 6:30 pm
- June 21st–27th NCCC National Convention Tulsa OK
- June 26th -29th Bloomington Gold Show Illinois
- June 27th Autocrossing at the World Arena in Colorado Springs
- July 12th Missouri Day Parade in Fowler
- July 31st August 3rd Annual 'Vettes on the Rockies Breckenridge
- August 16th &17th The Pagosa Springs Rally & Car Show



July 2008

6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Missouri Day Parade Fowler
13	14	15 SCCC Meeting	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Auto- crossing @ World Aren	28	29	30	31		