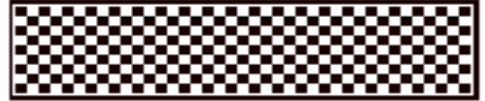




# SLO VETTES

THE CORVETTE CLUB OF SAN LUIS OBISPO



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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

*Al Sawadon*

**Club Meeting at Players** The March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at Players restaurant in Atascadero at 6 PM. I regret that I will not be able to attend; I have a speaking obligation at a State conference on School Bus Transportation in Ontario for four days. Our Vice President Don Kirkby will be "the man" at our meeting, thank you Don for picking up the slack.

**Chukchansi Casino Trip** Paula and I are busy preparing and organizing the Chukchansi trip scheduled for March 29 & 30. This will be a great event (see the flyer enclosed in the newsletter). Kick off 2008 with a fun weekend getaway with good friends and of course your beautiful Corvette.

**Thank you Howard Reiss** Howard deserves our thanks for his efforts in searching for a suitable South County meeting site. We have one more Restaurant in Arroyo Grande to evaluate before we make a decision at our April meeting.

**Meetings at the Park** We are planning summer meetings at Templeton Park it is always fun and well attended. There will be more information on this later and the mem-

bers will have an opportunity to vote on this issue.

### I Believe Segment

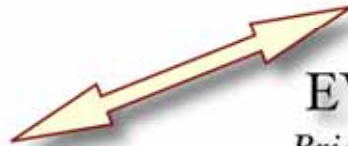
*I believe – That you can keep going long after you think you can't.*

*I believe – That either you control your attitude or it controls you.*

*I believe – That money is a lousy way of keeping score.*

Al

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## EVENTS

*Brian Cyester*

All of the proposed events for 2008 have been verified.

The only event that has to be changed is the 4th. of July event.

The Stone's won't be able to host the steak night after the parade.

If someone would like to host something afterwards, PLEASE feel free to speak up.

Sunday Feb. 10th. was the run to the Loading Chute in Creston. Hosted by Al and Phil.

Mar. 29th. is the run to the Indian Casino in Oakhurst. Hosted by Al and Paula. Confirmed.

Apr. 12th. is the run to the Nethercutt Museum. Hosted by Bill Caldwell. Confirmed.

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May 18th. is the Ragged Point Brunch Run. Confirmed.

Dec. 12th. S.L.O. Vettes Christmas Party. Confirmed.

Sunday Feb. 10th. was the Brunch Run to the Loading Chute in Creston. It was a beautiful day in the mid 70's. When we arrived at the Loading Chute and I parked the car and got out, it was a assume sight to see 21 Corvettes lined up down the road. The food was good and the company was great. Afterwards Chris McPherson lead us to a couple of local wineries. The drive on the back roads of Templeton was great, it was good to get the cars out again after the winter months. Then we ended up at the Firestone Brewery. THANKS. I want to thank Al and Phil for hosting this first event of the year. It was great.

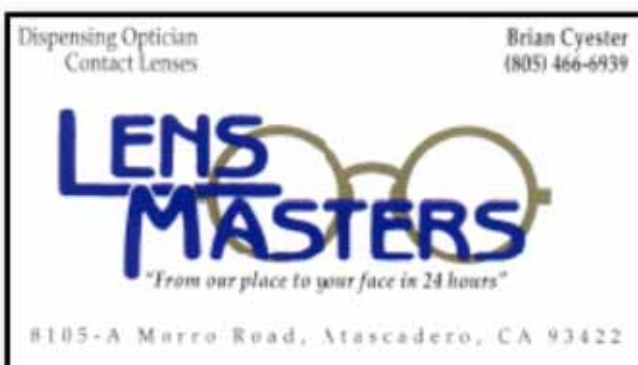
The next event is the run to the Indian Casino in Oakhurst. Flyer to come.

Brian [bcest@calinet.com](mailto:bcest@calinet.com)

## NEXT MEETING

**Mar 14th 6:00 PM**

**Players, Atascadero**



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## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Becky Cyester

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT AL AT 6:05pm  
AL WOULD LIKE EVERYONE TO MEET THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF SLO VETTES. CLUB WAS CALLED GOLD COAST WHEN MICHEAL LOUTH WAS A MEMBER.

MICHEAL LOUTH : THANK YOU FOR THE INVITATION TO JOIN YOU TONIGHT. THE CLUB STARTED IN 1979 WITH A AD IN THE NEWSPAPER THAT SAID, WOULD YOU LIKE TO START A CORVETTE CLUB. 5 PEOPLE SHOWED UP. I WANTED TO CALL THE CLUB SLO VETTES. THE VOTE FOR A NAME GOLD COAST WON. I'M GLAD TO SEE THE CLUB IS STILL AROUND AND NO LONGER CALLED GOLD COAST.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT WE HAVE 33 PAID TO DATE MEMBERSHIPS.

SECRETARY REPORT BECKY WAS ABSENT PAULA READ THE MINUTES. MINUTES ACCEPTED.

TREASURER REPORT JAN READ BUDGET FOR 2008, BUDGET PASSED. MONTHLEY REPORT READ AND PASSED.

EVENTS BRIAN WAS ABSENT AL READ REPORT. NEW BUSINESS RIVER OAKS CAR SHOW MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR IF YOUR NOT GETTING THE NEWSLETTER CALL JON.

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM CAROLYN STONE ACCEPTED SHE WILL NOT HAVE TO BUY A MEMBERSHIP BECAUSE THE CLUB IS A MEMBER.

SUNSHINE DONNA IS ABSENT AL REPORTED THAT ONE OF THE NEW MEMBERS WILLIAM ULLUM PASTED AWAY RIGHT AFTER JOINING HIS DUES WILL BE RETURNED.

50/50 WON BY CHRIS AND GARY McPHERSON.

MEETING ADJORNED AT 6:50 PM

PAULA

Becky [bbredant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bbredant@sbcglobal.net)



### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

#### *DONNA RAMOS*

BIRTHDAYS: Jon Dallons 7th, Harry Batrum 7th, Dick Hart 7th, Susie Hintz 8th, Howard Reiss 13th

ANNIVERSARIES: Richard & Shelia Bell 7th

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to all from SLO Vettes !!!

Donna [dona805@charter.net](mailto:dona805@charter.net)



Jon in Istanbul

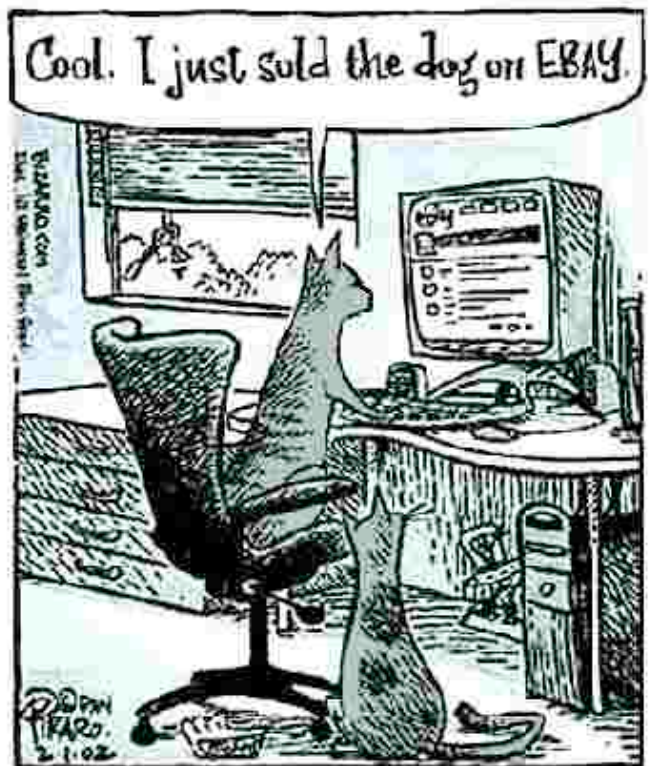


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# **SLO VETTES**

## **Chukchansi Casino Trip**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Depart: 9:00 AM - OSH Parking lot Paso Robles**

**Anticipated arrival time at the Casino 11:30-12:00**

**Upon arrival the fun begins, on the schedule is gambling, beverages, food, a Corvette cruise & many special moments**

*3 PM – 4:30 PM Corvette cruise*

*This will be a unique corvette experience. We will be traveling in the beautiful Sierra Foothills near Yosemite; you will enjoy driving your Corvette thru the scenic roads.*

*There are several restaurants available; dinner is on your own: Vintage Steak & Seafood, Asian bistro, Firehouse Blues, Deuces, Goldfields café and a Buffet*

**Sunday we will caravan home  
at 12 noon (optional)**

**Please make your own hotel reservations**

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**866-794-6946 Room cost \$ 149 per night**

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**Web site: HYPERLINK "<http://www.chukckhansigold.com>"**

**RSVP Al & Paula Sauvadon 929-0229 by Monday 3/24**

## The History of the Middle Finger

Well, now . . . here is something I never knew before, and now that I know it, I feel compelled to send it on to my more intelligent friends in the hope that they, too, will feel edified. Isn't history more fun when you know something about it?

Before the Battle of Agincourt in 1415, the French, anticipating victory over the English, proposed to cut off the middle finger of all captured English soldiers. Without the middle finger it would be impossible to draw the renowned English longbow and therefore they would be incapable of fighting in the future. This famous English longbow was made of the native English Yew tree, and the act of drawing the longbow was known as 'plucking the yew' (or 'pluck yew').

Much to the bewilderment of the French, the English won a major upset and began mocking the French by waving their middle fingers at the defeated French, saying, See, we can still pluck yew! Since 'pluck yew' is rather difficult to say, the difficult consonant cluster at the beginning has gradually changed to a labiodentals fricative F', and thus the words often used in conjunction with the one-finger-salute! It is also because of the pheasant feathers on the arrows used with the longbow that the symbolic gesture is known as 'giving the bird'.

IT IS STILL AN APPROPRIATE SALUTE TO THE FRENCH TODAY!



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**Corvette 427 Limited Edition Z06 Raffle**

### *Crystal Red Raffle Closes in One Week*

One week from **today, Wednesday, March 5**, we will be making a call to another excited raffle winner! Tickets are limited to only **500 being sold at \$250 each** on an opportunity to win a 2008 Crystal Red Coupe.



There are **180 tickets** available and the winning call will be made regardless of the number of tickets left at the time of the drawing. Our raffles are one of the Museum's largest sources of fundraising resources, and we truly appreciate your support. Best of luck to everyone with a ticket! Find out more and purchase your tickets online at: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/raffle/index.shtml> or call us at: (800) 53-VETTE.

### *Ride and Drive Auction Winner*

Congratulations to Ed Glazer, the high bidder on the 2009 Ride and Drive Auction Adventure! Ed is really looking forward to the trip and being able to have the time to enjoy the new Corvette models and the company of the GM and Corvette Quarterly team.



Thanks to everyone who participated in this exciting auction that generated over \$26,000 for the Museum. We especially appreciate the generosity of the GM Team and Corvette Quarterly who made this auction possible. Ed's adventure and the 2009 Ride and Drive will take place in May and will be featured in the fall issue of Corvette Quarterly.

**Underway!**



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**2008 NCM Events**

**Mark Your Calendars!**



C5/C6 Bash  
April 24-26

C4- Gathering  
May 8-10

Corvette Forum Cruise-  
In  
May 22-24

Alaskan Cruise  
May 30-June 6

High Performance  
Driving Event at VIR  
June 30-July 1

**NCM Membership Offer Ends Friday**

Order a membership as part of our Valentines month special and receive a new \$100 "Family" membership for the price of a \$50 "Individual" membership!

The Family membership level offers free admission for member and immediate family, discounts on NCM sponsored events, 10% discount on Corvette Store purchases, subscription to our member magazine – "America's Sports Car", two membership cards and lapel pins and a signed certificate. This special membership promotion will end on **Friday, February 29** and is only available on new membership purchases. Purchase a membership via our website or call us at: (800) 53-VETTE.

Each week in our online Corvette Store, you will find some great apparel and collectibles discounted and moved to the "sale" category.

There is something for everyone in this special section including apparel for men, women and children, jewelry, purses, t-shirts and more! Take a look at the newly discounted items added to the sale page at: <http://store.corvettemuseum.com/SearchResult.aspx?CategoryID=4> or call us at: (800) 53-VETTE.



**Special Displays Planned for this Year's C4/ZR-1 Gathering**

This year's C4/ZR-1 Gathering event (May 8-10) will offer activities that the Gathering is famous for such as drag racing, autocross, road tour excursions, tech sessions, seminars and a chance to see special displays and seminars dedicated to the C4 Corvette Challenge Cars!

Participants can see these historic cars and enjoy racing footage and roundtable discussions pertaining to their significant marks in Corvette history. Many of the activities have a limited number of open slots available, so view the complete agenda and register now for the Gathering at:

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/gathering/info.shtml>

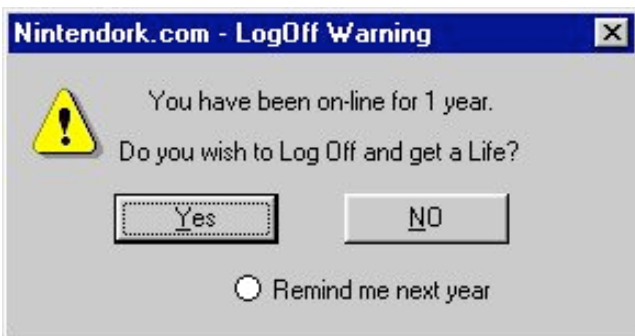


**Delivery Team Work!**

Our delivery team stays busy welcoming new Corvette owners each week who are participating in the R8C Museum Delivery and Buyers Tour Programs. There are 12 Buyers Tours being tracked at this time and we are currently scheduling each day. If you haven't heard about the **Buyers Tour Program**, it has become highly requested and offers new Corvette owners a chance to schedule a time to see their new Corvette being assembled on the line at various stages – pending any line or scheduling issues.



There are 22 **Museum Deliveries** scheduled for this week and over 20 already slated for next week. Taking delivery of your new Corvette at the Museum is a memorable experience to include as part of your Corvette purchase. Owners selecting the R8C option receive a VIP tour of the Museum and Plant, hands-on introduction, individual membership to the Museum, decal and more as part of the program benefits. We welcome hundreds of new Corvette owners through these programs and enjoy sharing in the excitement with them. Find out more about any of these programs exclusive to the National Corvette Museum by visiting our website or calling 1-800-205-4248.



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A RESERVATION FOR A GUIDED TOUR.  
SO WE NEED A POSITIVE HEAD COUNT.

TIME OF TOUR IS AT 1:30 P.M. WE WILL LEAVE  
AROUND 10:00 A.M.

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