

There Is No Cure But There Is



I HAVE A PROBLEM

An International Tongue-In-Cheek Support Association
For Anyone With A Passion For Corvettes

Steak-Out '07

Late one evening in September of 2006 a group of Corvette Enthusiasts from around the state of Florida were enjoying some “After-Party” conversation. Since that evening was the first time many of them had met, someone remarked that while the next day’s Corvette show was going to be spectacular, the evening’s party had gone a long way to let folks meet one another.

When everyone agreed, someone else suggested that it would be really cool to belong to a Corvette Association, walk into a restaurant far from home and find a total stranger wearing something that designated he or she was also a member. “What a way to break the ice!”

A few minutes later, one of the group stood up and said: “Hello. My name is Pedro, and I have a problem!”

There was a huge round of laughter, but in the blink of an eye, **Corvettes Anonymous** was born.

In less than a year, **Corvettes Anonymous** has rapidly grown from that dozen or so group of strangers and friends, to over 180 members in 28 states and 4 countries! It is –

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In a nutshell **Corvettes Anonymous**, is an Association of Corvette Enthusiasts who share the passion and who take themselves lightly enough that they can poke fun at each other about their shared “problem”. It was formed as a way to break the ice between complete strangers and to bring sometimes competing clubs together to support good causes.

100% of all Donations received by **Corvettes Anonymous**, plus 50% of proceeds from retail sales is directed to charities providing food / shelter for individuals or families in need.

On July 18th 2007, with that mission in mind, we hosted **Steak-Out '07** on behalf of SunCoast Corvette Association.

This was a Dine-Out Corvette Show ~ Food & Funds Raiser to benefit the Religious Community Services Food Bank of Clearwater.

The event brought together members of SunCoast Corvette Association, Bay Area Corvette Association, Tampa Bay Vettes, (three of the oldest Corvette Clubs in the Tampa Bay Area) and

of course members of **Corvettes Anonymous** – many of whom are also members of these excellent clubs!

A total of 43 beautiful Corvettes, an exquisite Cadillac XLR, and a “drop-dead gorgeous Chevrolet SSR did their best to fill the local Steak ‘n Shake restaurant’s parking lot. Overflow spilled onto the grass out front. Donations of food items spilled out to the tent. The result was overwhelming!

The agenda for the evening included the introduction of Mrs. Kathi Trautwein; Director of RCS Food Bank, who in only her second week as Director was totally taken aback by everyone’s generosity.

The program also included a Silent Auction of pieces of signed and numbered Corvette artwork plus a C5R model, autographed by Corvette Racing driver – Oliver Gavin. In addition, there were 16 door prizes ranging from caps, tools, detailing accessories, and even a smart looking black soft-shell padded computer briefcase!

Cars were divided into two groups for judging with each owner deciding whether they wanted to be in the “Mostly Stock” or “Modified” class. Judging was done by Steak ‘n Shake management and crew on the basis of “Which one of these would I really like to own?!”

Bob Cooke won the “Mostly Stock” class with his incredibly beautiful Silver 2005 C5, while Chelby and Alan Clark with their tastefully dressed Commemorative Edition Z06, garnered the “Modified” honors.

Both Best of Show winners received black coffee mugs from **Corvettes Anonymous** and \$50 gift cards, courtesy of Lowe’s and

Cash donations, proceeds from the Silent Auction, and the results of the 50/50 drawing totaled over \$500 which was converted to food items. Together with food donations from attendees and Corporate Sponsors, we were able to deliver over **2070** pounds of food to the Religious Community Services Food Bank!

A evening enjoyed among friends and a job well done!

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