

# VETTE CLUB NEWSLETTER



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# CORVETTE

Do you own a Corvette or Corvettes? Are looking for a Corvette club to join? We welcome you to cruise through our [site](#). If you like what you see, visit our Contact Us page, click on the application link at the bottom and become part of a great club! Our goal is to promote ownership of a Corvette and provide a fun, casual club from which to do it.



# Proudly Celebrating 46 Years

**For Corvettes Only Inc., is a relatively small Corvette club serving Southeastern Connecticut. Since 1976 our active club has connected people interested in pursuing the enjoyment of Chevrolet Corvettes. Our club encourages responsible ownership and maintenance. We organize activities, social gatherings, fun cruises and functions for both enjoyment and education of our members. FCO Inc. attends and hosts many events throughout the year and caravans to other Corvette events in the New England area.**

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## Secretary

Gary Klare



FCO Inc. is one of the few Corvette clubs where both halves of a couple can be full-fledged members even though they only have one Corvette. We also hope that you contribute to FCO, Inc. by bringing new ideas and keeping the club as dynamic and interesting an organization as it can be. FCO Inc. is always seeking new members, as we want to help you better understand and enjoy your Corvette.

## President's Message



December is here to end the year. 2022 was a very good and busy year for Corvettes and events. Our Holiday Party was a big success. Thanks, Mark , for putting it together. The Toy Drive with our sister club, Club Corvette of Connecticut, was fun and went well. Looking forward, we still have a ways to go to get back to pre-Covid activities. I'm looking forward to a fun-filled 2023. Keep the suggestions coming as this is **your** Club. I wish all of our members a very happy, healthy, and safe holiday season and look forward to 2023 and all the good things we have planned.

“Save the wave”

Bob

## **“For Corvettes Only” Sunshine Club**

Darcy Murtz chairs our  
Sunshine Club. If a club member is ill  
or needs a little brightening up email Darcy at  
[sunshine@forcorvettesonly.com](mailto:sunshine@forcorvettesonly.com)

## **Toy Drive Report (held on Dec. 4)**

From Rick Wasserback, President of Corvette Club of CT:

“Korvettes for Kids, which provides The CT State Police with toys for the children in CT was one of the most widely attended EVER. The final count was 88 cars with participants from Club Corvette of CT, our friends from FCO, and non-members who chose to join in on the festivities and help fill the conference room at Troop G headquarters with toys. “



## Toy Drive Photos



We all know the big guy in the red suit and his helper.



## Toy Drive Photos



“Hmm, this is faster than my reindeer. Maybe I should....”



## *Holiday Party (Dec. 11)*

Food was terrific and plentiful. Conversations were lively.  
A splendid time On the Waterfront. Merry Christmas!



# Holiday Party (Dec. 11)



Dessert for everyone!



# **Report from the NCM Ambassador Academy**

## **Part 1: Insurance**

Each year in November, Club Ambassador's from throughout the United States gather at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY for the Academy (formally known as the Convention). This year, I attended on behalf of FCO to gather as much information as possible to bring back to members.

The two-day Academy was packed with eight different sessions. Topics ranged from a welcome from the Museum CEO Sharon Brawner to membership to marketing to insurance. I'm going to focus on insurance for this article. A membership article will follow at a later date.

The NCM Insurance program is one all Corvette owners should at least take a look at. First, the rates offered by NCM can compete with other insurances and will probably beat them. One big selling point is the choice of mileage plans. You can choose from 1000, 3000 and 6000-mile plans. And get this: If you don't use all the miles, you can roll them over to the following year. So if you picked a 6000 plan and only drove 4000, you can roll over 2000 miles. Then the next year, you will have 8000 miles. If that is too many, you can look at dropping to a 3000-mile plan, which would be cheaper.

They will also insure you for an Agreed Value. When they agree on a loss settlement amount, that's what you'll get in the event of a loss. This means no depreciation on your car.

I encourage all members to take a look and get a free quote. Once you fill out the form, you should have a price within a day or two.

In addition to insuring your Corvette, you can also insure your other toys (boats, motorcycles, PWC, campers, camp trailers, etc.). You can get liability insurance for your garage. Club/Officer insurance is also available.

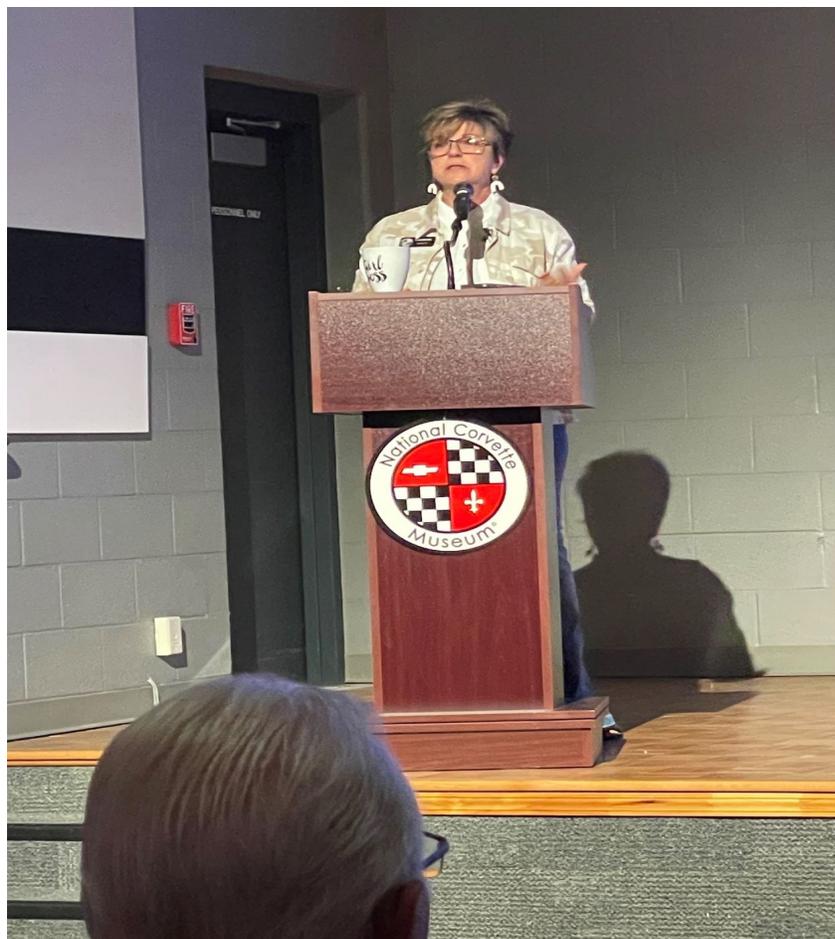
Give NCM Insurance a chance to save you some money. You'll be pleased. And please notify me if you request a quote and/or start a policy. I don't get paid for it, but I do get points that I need to maintain the Ambassador position. Thanks.

Gary

FCO Ambassador



# Gary's NCM Visit



CEO Sharon Brawner welcomes Ambassadors

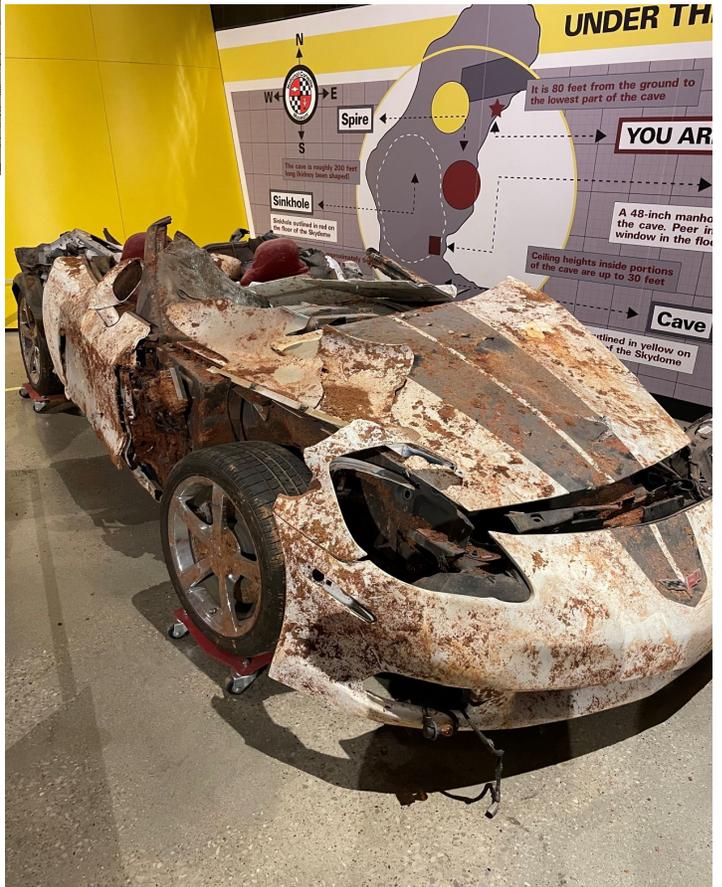


# A Tale of Two Corvettes

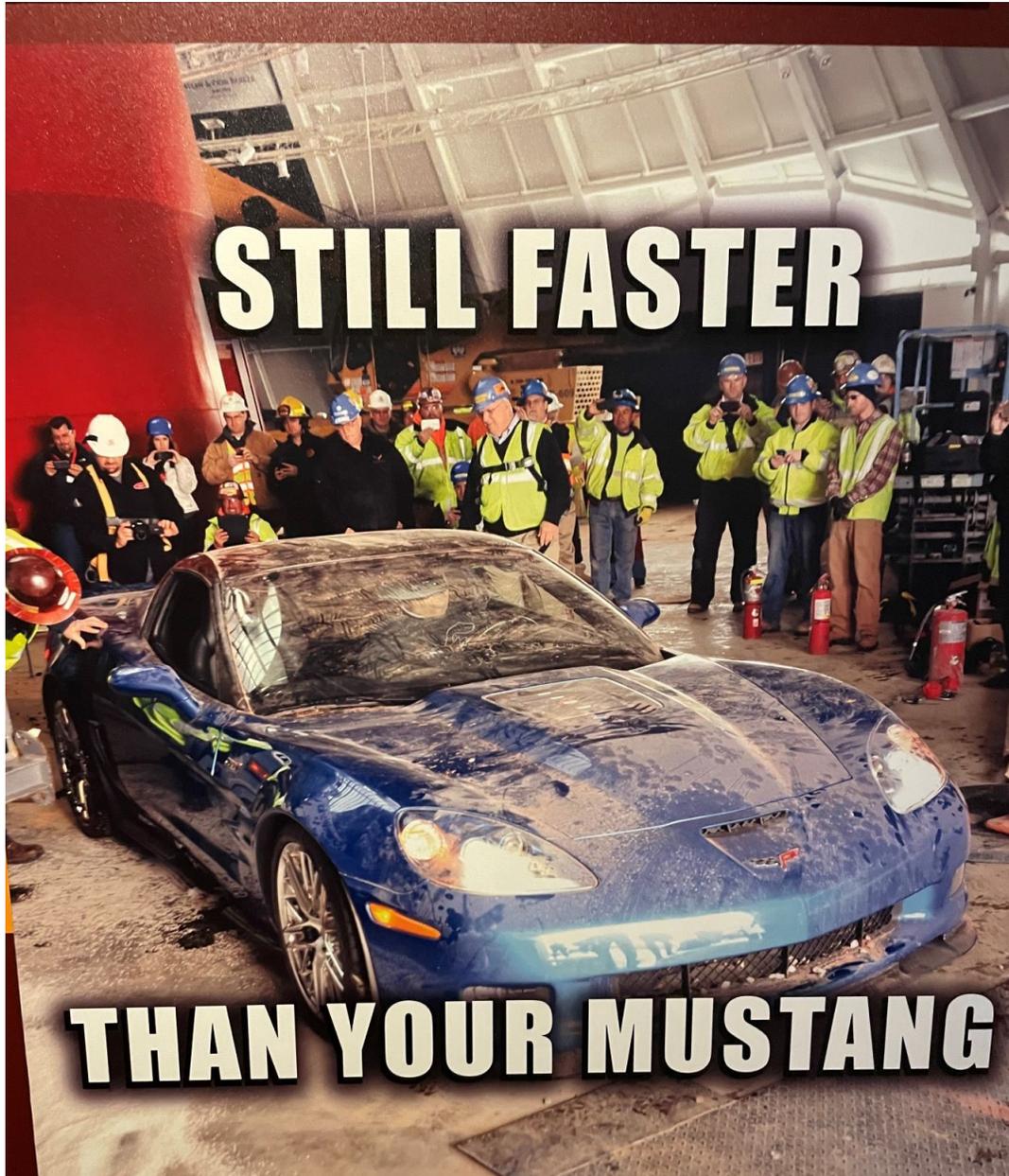


Straight off the production line

The 1,500,000th Corvette made. It was destroyed in the museum floor collapse, which was caused by a giant sinkhole in 2014.



## *Another Sinkhole Victim*



What more is there to say?





## Calendar of Events

<u>January</u> 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jan. 3 FCO meeting at Flanders Fish Market</li> </ul>
<u>February</u> 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feb. 7 FCO meeting at Flanders Fish Market</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Please stay tuned for more</u></b></p> <p><b><u>2023 events</u></b></p>	







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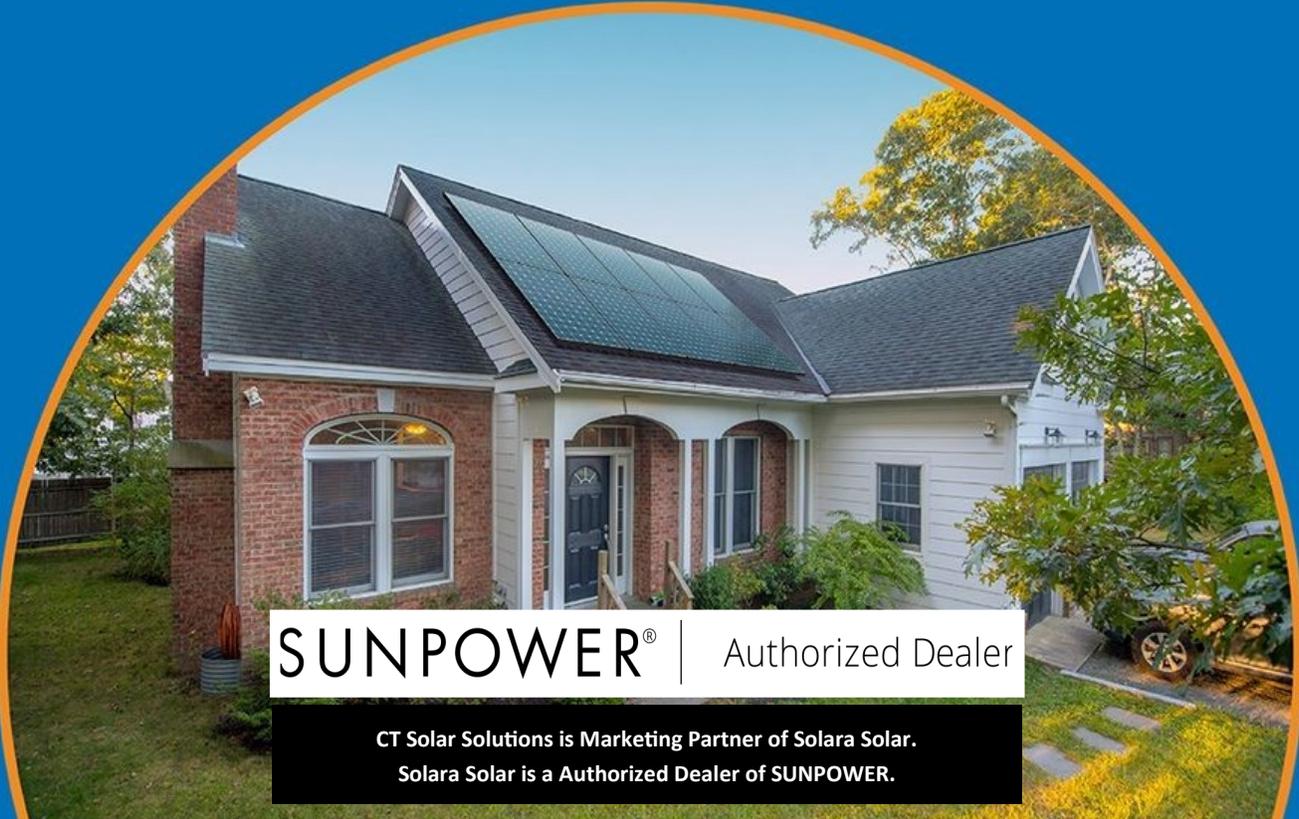
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