



# Foothills Crossed Flags

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## Ten Couples Journey to Western North Carolina for Nantahala Train Trip

Ten couples from Foothill Corvette Club made a weekend trip to Maggie Valley, September 26, in the pouring rain. Only two were brave enough to make the journey in their Corvettes. The weather cooperated Saturday with crisp fall temperatures for the train ride into the Nantahala Gorge.

Some people returned home following the trip, while others stayed another night to enjoy the majesty of the mountains. This group returned on Sunday, stopping at Chimney Rock for lunch.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the trip. This is the second overnight one that the club has done. When do we go again?

*story and picture by Wanda Harrington*



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## 2008 Cruise-in Attracts Fewer Cars but Raises More \$\$\$

The number of cars was fewer than last year, but the 2008 cruise-in at Empire Chevrolet was financially more successful, thanks to an enthusiastic crowd that generously supported the designated charity, Ebenezer's Children's Home.

ClubVette of Greensboro took home the club participation award with six cars. The club also garnered two more trophies as the oldest Corvette was a 1964 owned by Jim Chatterton, and the person who drove farthest was Paul Wilkerson.



Noel Watson, general manager of Empire, with help from Ken Pardue, sales manager, chose Karen Walker's 2008 silver coupe for the sponsor's choice trophy.

The 50/50 tickets took in \$309 With Karen Walker of North Wilkesboro winning half, which she donated back to the proceeds for Ebenezer's. Rayvaughn Ashley won a special sweatshirt imprinted with sponsors and donors of door prizes.

Kendall Hendrix conducted an auction of some of the merchant-donated items (everything from shovel which brought \$15 to a chrome-plated license plate with Corvette crossed flags that went for \$51). These items raised \$278.

(photos by Ken Glass)



*1964 was oldest model present.*

Food and drinks were donated by Empire and desserts by club members. Sales of these totaled \$360.

Total proceeds for Ebenezer Children's Home were \$942.

Shirley Myers became ill Monday and is presently in the hospital in Winston-Salem for tests.

# Meeting Covers Fall Events and 2009 Officers

Only nineteen people turned out for the very important meeting on September 23. Final details of the cruise-in were discussed, and a slate of officers for 2009 was nominated. (A ballot is included in this newsletter.)

Tom McNeil spoke on the Purlear Baptist car show and worship service the next weekend. He also asked about going on to supper at Shatley Sprints, but there was no interest in that.

Wanda Harrington talked about details of the trip to Bryson City for the train excursion and passed out information to the couples going.

Dick announced that North Wilkes High still needed two or three cars for homecoming on October 17.

Due to the Harringtons' arranging the train trip, they had

## Club Will Sponsor Ride to Shatley Springs on Nov. 2

Discussions at the cruise-in resulted in plans for a fall ride on November 2 to eat lunch at Shatley Springs Inn in Ashe County.

Corvettes will leave Empire Chevrolet promptly at 10:30, have lunch about 11:30, and then drive into Virginia. **This will take the place of November 16 ride.**

**Call Kendall Hendrix (336.927-2071) or Dick Whittington (336 957-6106 or 667-4226) by Oct. 25 to make a reservation.**

given up the November ride. Dick and Reba Whittington agreed to lead that one if someone else would take October. Hayden Church volunteered to do so. *(Details are on page 3 of the newsletter.)*

During one of the rides this summer, there was a request to change monthly rides from Sunday afternoon to Saturday. This item was on the agenda, but there was no discussion and no motion was made to do so.

The club will participate in both Wilkes and Alexander Counties' Christmas parades on December 6. The contact for Wilkes is Shirley Myers and Ben Hines for Alexander. Wilkes charges \$5 per car to enter, and no candy can be thrown from the cars.

Wanda Harrington reported that Hiddenite Center has been reserved for the Christmas party on December 13. She is talking with a caterer about a tentative meal with the choice of steak or chicken and cheesecake for dessert.

The price would be about \$19 per person. That cost can be reduced if the club provides plates, napkins, silverware, and desserts. Contact Wanda or someone on the committee with comments.

For decorations, the committee suggested that different members choose a table to decorate with their own

items. That would keep the club from having to buy decorations, put them up and then clean up afterwards.

Kendall Hendrix went over final plans for the cruise-in. He reported on tee shirts, and it was agreed to order some for the workers to buy. Colorful armbands will also be provided so attendees can find us for information.

Food will be for sale with desserts provided by members. There will be set prices for all food and drinks. 50/50 tickets will be sold with two drawings. One will receive 50% of the money, and the second will get a special cruise-in sweatshirt. The club voted to give a special plaque to Noel Watson of Empire Chevrolet.

Matthew Richey reported that Keith Ball has been hired as deejay for the event.

The following nominations were made for 2009 officers: president, Harold Mecimore and Junior Royal; vice president, Ken Glass and Derry Hendrix; secretary, Carol Mecimore and Shirley Myers; and treasurer, Irene Phillips and Carol Royal. A ballot is in this newsletter to be returned by November 15. Results will be announced at the Christmas party.

Libby Richey won \$24 in the 50/50 drawing.

## October Birthdays

Wanda Harrington	2
Shirley Myers	2
Max Barlowe	3
Jacque Meadows	9
Donnie Harrington	12
Ronnie Walker	13
Dick Whittington	14
Ken Glass	21
Rachel Barnes	29





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*Business meetings are held in January, April, July, and October at a designated time and place announced in this newsletter.*

*Rides will take place on the third Sunday of each month except in cases of holidays or inclement weather. The fourth Sunday is the option on those occasions.*

#### 2008 Officers

President	Dick Whittington	336.957.6106
Vice pres.	Hayden Church	336.667.3505
Secretary	Shirley Myers	336.667.3246
Treasurer	Judy Nichols	336.973.4346

## Remember These in Prayer



Mary Barlowe  
Brenda Brown  
Rex Brown  
Clara Smith, Dianne Bumgarner's mother  
Steve Bumgarner's father  
Barbara Davis's brother William Church  
Members of our Armed Forces

Sympathy goes to Dianne Bumgarner, whose father died October 2 in Lenoir.

## Purlear Baptist Church Has Wonderful Weather for Car Show and Faith Rally

Purlear Baptist Church had wonderful weather for its car show and faith rally on September 28. There were 79 cars registered. Special singing was provided by the Singing Servants and Rev. J. D. Grant was the featured speaker.

All cars received a dash plaque and a door prize. Several Foothills members were in attendance with Corvettes or other classics. First place went to Tom McNeil, second to Benny Parsons, and third to George McNeil.

*reported by Shirley Myers*

## September Financial Statement

**August 31 Balance 1620.07**

### RECEIPTS

Caps, shirts	132.00
Ride money	55.00
50/50	24.00
Meals at Elks Club	285.00

### DISBURSEMENTS

Savory Affair Catering (567.21)  
(The club had to pay for 31 meals prepared for the meeting when members did not show.)

**Total Balance September 30 1548.86**

Needy Families Fund **631.00**

## October's Ride to the Mountains Should Offer Beautiful Leaf Color

Hayden and Karen Church have volunteered to lead the ride on October 19. The group will leave Empire Chevrolet at 2:00, go through Boone into Tennessee, come back into N.C. via TN 67 and NC 88, travel through the Three Tops area of Ashe County and eat at Winners' Circle in Jefferson.



This should be a great weekend to visit the mountains, as the leaves should be near their peak in color that weekend

## New Members Join at Cruise-in

Add these new members to your club directory.

RANDY & DONNA ASHLEY  
152 Beshears-Owings Lane  
N Wilkesboro NC 28659  
336 667-2601  
[randyashley2@aol.com](mailto:randyashley2@aol.com)  
1999 yellow convertible

KEITH & LISA BALL  
296 Gordon Rd  
N Wilkesboro NC  
336 667-8840  
[Lisaball@charter.net](mailto:Lisaball@charter.net)  
1977 red coupe  
1984 red coupe

JEFF AND BECKY VENABLE  
169 Bina Drive  
Lansing NC 28643  
336 384-9070  
[Venable@skybest.com](mailto:Venable@skybest.com)  
1981 silver coupe



## OCTOBER

- 19 Ride planned by Hayden Church

## NOVEMBER

- 2 Lunch at Shatley Springs, ride afterward  
*will count as November ride*

## DECEMBER

- 6 Parades--Taylorsville & Wilkesboros
- 13 Christmas party  
*Details will be in November newsletter.*  
*See information in meeting report on page 2.*

## JANUARY

- 6 Quarterly meeting, Alexander County??
- 18 Ride or social activity

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