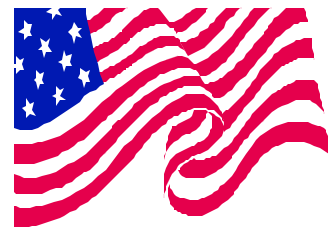




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SPRINGFIELD ILLINOIS

February 2003

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Gary Bryan	1	Clyde Zellers	11
Teresa Horve	2	Ken Kettell	12
James Mann	4	Connie Johnson	14
Bob Brooks	5	Peggy Canum	16
Bev Ramthun	7	Nino Giganti	18
Dick Snyder	8	Carol Rhoades	20
Ron DeLong	9	Larry Lyons	21
Alice Griffin	11	Sherron Russell	29

Happy Birthday!

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President's Column

Well, so much for getting a smooth start. I showed up an hour before the club meeting on Thursday night in order to have supper and to be on hand when the members arrived, but when I pulled into the parking lot I could tell something was wrong. The lot was nearly full and I could see people in the meeting room. Either the meeting had started without me or some other group was using the room. It was possibility number two. Upon talking with the night manager it seems Godfather's had just that day received their 2003 appointment book, so we were not previously listed when someone else booked a party. Oh well, we decided to make the best of it and have our meeting out in the main dining room. But, as it turned out, the party broke up at 7:00PM, and we were able to move in and have our meeting. We were about 10 minutes late due to cleanup and setup.

There was a pretty good turnout considering the date and the weather. Thirty-five members were in attendance for my first meeting as president. I was nervous enough without the room mix-up. I don't remember eating my pizza. I think the meeting went pretty well, though, and I would like to thank those

present for their support.

The following Saturday, Connie and I stopped by the storage facility to see if we might be able to get by with a smaller size. It looks as if we could with a little re-arranging. We might be able to save a little on the storage bill. Michelle and Wes Birch have done an excellent job of outfitting the club trailer with cabinets and other storage capabilities thereby nearly eliminating the need for much additional storage off-site so to speak.

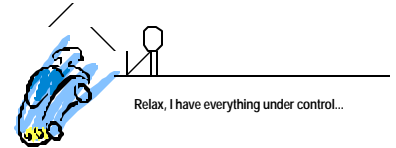
The following Monday we met with Michelle Birch at her home where the club trailer was parked. We picked up some cruise-in registration material for Keron Warren to prepare for the Winter Cruise-In, and also a sampling of merchandise items in various sizes so they could be seen at the various upcoming get-togethers in case any members wanted to buy and/or check sizes before ordering. **(You DO want to buy club merchandise, don't you? Say yes!)** While there, Michelle also gave me more information and history of the club. Also that same Monday, I met with Janene Viola who let me have several volumes of past information and club history to look at as well. Thanks to Michelle and Janene for

providing us with so much help getting started. **We had no idea how much we didn't know!**

We stopped by Rock & Roll Hardees Tuesday and talked briefly with the manager. It turns out he has been there for nine years, and he remembers some of the old cruise-ins that had taken place there. He talked like he was in favor of some activity of that type, and, in fact, was just on his way to a meeting with the local owners/managers. He said he would take the information we brought to the meeting to see if there was any interest.

On Thursday, we met with the manager of Godfather's to talk about the Winter Cruise-In and to make sure we were booked for our future club and board meetings.

We feel we have at least started the ball rolling toward getting our plans together for the year. Hopefully we'll get the hang of things before the ball rolls over us.



Secretary's Column

January 2, 2003 Meeting Notes:

President Cal Crawford called the meeting to order late at 7:10PM due to the fact that the meeting room was previously booked. The party that was in the room cleared out and we were able to start just a few minutes late.

A period of silence was observed for deceased members, family and friends. No new members were present, however Cory Nicholl, a previous long time member, rejoined. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Bill Russell and seconded by Tully Canum. The treasurer's report was read by Dick Roth. Information was requested on any sick or deceased members since last meeting and if anyone knew the condition of Johnny Joyce's mother. None was offered.

President Cal Crawford made several comments:
Board meeting was 12/30/02 at which

time Michelle Birch passed along what information she could from the previous year. She will bring more information as soon as she can transfer it to disk from her computer. A new bank account has been opened and checks ordered. The bank wants an EIN number for the club. It is thought the club had one in the past, but it seems to be lost. He will apply for one if the old one cannot be found. The Articles of Incorporation have been filed and all fees paid. We are good for another year. We are in the process of updating the membership. If anyone has an old master list showing the member numbers could they please let us know? We will soon be doing an inventory of club property and merchandise. Does anyone have an old list we could use as a starting point? Along with the car picture drawing for the newsletter, he would like to do a short profile of the owner (s) to help membership get to know each other.

There was no unfinished business.

New business: It was suggested to change

the mystery cruise to the second Thursday of the month so more people could come. A motion was made to change the day to Thursday by Michelle Birch and seconded by Duane Weiss. It was passed. Tully Canum will chair the Mystery Cruise Committee.

A volunteer was requested to head the February Godfather's Cruise Committee. It was tabled until next meeting.

Men's trivia was won by Cory Nicholl. Ladies' trivia was won by Dawn Nudo. Dash Plaque for February cruise was Bill Bermel. Newsletter car was Angela Weiss. 50/50 drawing was won by Ron Cook.

Motion made to adjourn by Duane Weiss and seconded by Dawn Nudo.

Respectfully submitted by Connie Crawford, Secretary



WINTER CRUISE IN
February 23, 2003

Godfather's
PIZZA

ROUTE
66
Cruisers
Springfield, IL

Owners: Bill & Linda Bermel

Sunday February 23, 2003

GODFATHERS' PIZZA

1549 South Dirksen Parkway

1-4 PM

Registration \$3.00

Dash Plaques

to the first

50 Cruisers

Godfather's Buffet
from 12:00 to 2:00

Car Not Necessary



Meet Our Members

This month's featured vehicle belongs to Duane and Angela Weiss. This 48 Chevrolet 5-window pickup is just one of several vehicles which reside at their home. Married since 1959 with two children, a boy, Doug, who lives in Houston, TX where he works as a manager with Marriott properties, and a daughter, Carin who lives in Bloomington, IL with her husband and two sons who are in the eighth and tenth grades. Carin, having inherited her father's love of automobiles, works at the Mitsubishi plant.



treasurer and Angela as a member of the board of directors. They later joined the Route 97 Cruisers, and, at the invitation of Wes and Michelle Birch, the Route 66 Cruisers, where they have been active at club meetings and helpful at cruises. Angela volunteered to help with the club secretarial duties during the last year while that position was vacant after Bonnie Brown moved to Arizona. Besides

Duane has always been interested in cars and worked at a gas station in his high school days. He had a 51 Chevy while attending the U of I, and he and Angela had a 57 Bel Air convertible until the children came along. (Children have cost many new fathers their convertibles over the years.) Retiring after 36½ years with IL DOT, he now works for LIN ENGINEERING, LTD as a survey manager.

After taking some time out to raise the children, Angela returned to the work force as a representative for Josten's at various central Illinois colleges taking orders for class rings. She later worked as an assistant to the Executive Secretary and Treasurer of the Illinois Chapter of Philanthropic Educational Organizations, and part-time at the Book Emporium. She is now retired.

playing with their cars, they like to travel, and Duane's profession affords him several opportunities each year.

As Corvette owners, they became interested in Bloomington Gold about twenty years ago where they met other car hobbyists who got them interested in cruising. In 1996 they joined Cool Cruisers where Duane now serves as

In addition to the 48 Chevy pickup pictured, they also own a 62 solid axle Corvette which Duane describes as "a project in progress", a white 73 Corvette, a 57 Chevy Bel Air 2-door hardtop, a 53 Jaguar 4-dr sedan, and a 51 Chevy 3-window pickup which is all original. Look for Duane and Angela at the cruise-in's this summer and check out this Chevy truck.

*Don't forget to pay your dues!
The dues help offset the cost
of this newsletter.*

Cruiser's Cruise

submitted by Connie Crawford

PINK PANTHER

- 1 8- ounce Cool Whip
- 1 can cherry pie filling
- 1(18- to 20-ounce) can crushed pineapple, well drained
- 1(14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- ½ cup pecan pieces

Fold in pie filling, Cool Whip, drained pineapple, sweetened condensed milk and pecan pieces. Chill thoroughly. (Can use pineapple packed in its own juice, well drained) Serves 8 - 10.

Classified Ads

Silver interior/exterior, 1979 Ford F-150 4x4 351 auto. A/C, Stereo/Cassette; Tilt sliding rear glass. Reese hitch w/electric brakes; rollbar; bed cover. 98,500 miles, body in better than average shape. Interior looks as good as it did when it was new. Some rust in the bed, but still solid enough to haul anything. New H/D spring for the rear you install. This is an overall nick truck and my wife says it must go. Start it up and drive it home today or I have trailer, will travel. Pics available upon request. She said I had to sell not that I couldn't get something else, so I would be interested in trades, prefer running street rod project, muscle car, pit/dirt bike, 4 wheeler go cart, etc.???? I would trade up for

a 1965 Mercury Monterey. Asking \$3,000.00 o.b.o. trade, etc. Chris Cartwright. *Please contact Michelle 544-0045*

1948 Pick-up parts: Engine, complete steering column, complete front and rear axle, front and rear springs, rims. Contact Roy Sims at 217/546-1428.

These are the ads that were in the last newsletter I received. (August 2002) Please let me know if they are still in effect. *ed.*





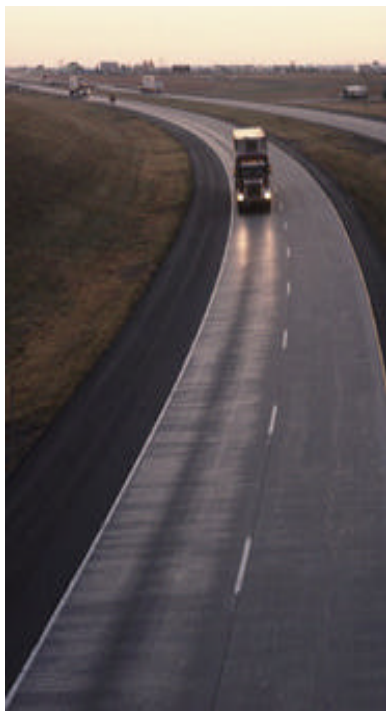
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Route 66 Cruisers

DOWN THE ROAD



January 30 - Board Meeting at Godfathers Pizza. 7:00 PM

February 6 - Membership Meeting at Godfathers Pizza 7:00 PM

February 12 OR 13 Mystery Cruise

February 16 - Wolf Pack Winter Cruise at the Gardens Restaurant in Litchfield 2:00 to 5:00 PM

February 23 - Route 66 Cruisers Winter Cruise In at Godfathers Pizza 1:00 to 4:00 PM

February 27 - Board Meeting at Godfathers Pizza 7:00 PM

March 6 - Membership Meeting at Godfathers Pizza 7:00 PM

March 12 OR 13 - Mystery Cruise

March 27 - Board Meeting at Godfathers Pizza 7:00 PM

April 3 - Membership Meeting at Godfathers Pizza 7:00 PM

April 20 - Easter Sunday

April 24 - Board Meeting at Godfathers Pizza 7:00 PM

April 26-27 - Charlie Wells Memorial Fly-In and Breakfast with the Route 66 Cruisers at Springfield's Capitol Airport 7:00 AM - NOON both days.

