

Newsletter

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John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, and whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life"

Chaplain's Message

- 2018 Cruise Season:**
- March 17th
 - April 21st
 - May 19th
 - June 16th
 - July 21st
 - August 18th
 - September 15th
 - October 20th
- 2018 Meeting Dates:**
- Come at 6:30 for social time and dinner with friends!!*
- Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM*
- January 8th
 - February 13th-(Valentine's)
 - March 12th
 - April 9th
 - May 14th
 - June 11th
 - July 9th
 - August 13th
 - September 10th
 - October 8th
 - November 12th
 - December 10th

We are a diverse club. We come from many different Christian denominations, but we are united in our Christian beliefs and love for cars. I think the Lord blesses our club because we put him first. As individuals we are truly blessed, because we live in a land of freedom to enjoy our faith in Christ.

I heard this Sunday:

"Christianity is the only religion that the verdict comes at the beginning rather than the end. All other religions the verdict comes after the works." By Timothy Keller

What is "the verdict"? We know when our car is nice enough, it wins a trophy. We never get a trophy before a car is built.

Since we are saved by our creator God, He can save us any way he likes. But it is up to us to put our faith in Him.

Romans 10:9-10 9 'because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.'

Is that all we do? Is it a free ride after that? If the verdict comes first then yes it may seem like a free ride. But since we know that Jesus is Lord and we know what it cost him to provide the way to eternal life, then we will want to do much for him. Likewise we know that if we expect a free ride maybe our choice to follow him wasn't real. By their fruits you will know them. We will want to serve Him the best we can. It comes from the heart.

The person who believes in works, will never know if he has attained salvation, because when is enough, good enough.

Thank goodness our cars don't get us into heaven. Some of us would get pretty close to heaven but most of us just wouldn't make it.

We are like our favorite car. We are all imperfect (sinners), we strive for perfection, we can't make it but the struggle and the trip makes it worthwhile. **It's wonderful that we are perfect in Christ.** And that that huge trophy awaits for us on that last day.

Thank you club and God bless,
Stan.



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President McCully's Message

Greetings,

There was a really good turn out, 54 Club members, at Spring Creek BBQ on Monday, January 8th. Unfortunately, not everyone was aware of the new meeting location and change of day as two of our members went to the Asian King Buffet the following day. Sorry to those who didn't get the notification in time.

Our next meeting will be our annual Valentine's Party on Tuesday, February 13th, at 7:00 p.m. at Trophy Club County Club at [500 Trophy Club Dr, Trophy Club, TX](#). It is the same place we have our Christmas Party. Note - this event is back to Tuesday. Hope to see you there.

In March, our meeting goes back to the second Monday at Spring Creek BBQ in Bedford. Spring Creek closes at 9:00 so we will begin the meeting at 7:15 instead of 7:30 to ensure us with plenty of time to discuss Club business and allow Spring Creek to close on time. Until we get used to the change in date and location, I will send out frequent emails to remind everyone. The room's capacity is 75 which means it can fit another 21 Club members or guests. I hope the turn out in March is even better than it was in January. I will also coordinate with the Manager to move us to Tuesday should that day become available. I was also told to look in the mail for Spring Creek BBQ coupons. Sometimes they are buy one get one free.

Mike McCully
President
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Thank You Letter!!

This letter was sent to Dwain from Tracy Spear, Fortress Youth Development Center. Our Club is helping to make a difference in the lives of many children at Christmas. Below is the letter she sent to the Club.

Dear Mr. Klopfenstein,

I wanted to take a second to personally thank you and the member of Christian Classic Cruisers for being such a blessing to our Fortress kids at Christmas. I was so glad that some of your members were able to visit and be present when Santa (JB West) handed out the gifts. What a joy it was to each of us to be able to take part in that special day. We saw a different side of our kids. Not only were they excited about their own gift, but it was a sweet moment while we watched them be excited for their friends. Again, I just wanted to express my gratitude. Thanks for reaching out into the community to help make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves!

God Bless!
Tracy

Monthly Club Meeting – Second Monday

*Spring Creek BBQ
1509 Airport Fwy.
Bedford, TX 76021*

*Everyone is invited to attend – members, guests, and visitors.
Social time begins at 6:30 pm. Meeting starts at 7:15 pm.*

Prayer Request

*Sonya Stout Locke
Vicki Askew Family
Dearing Family*

*Rick & Margie Rodgers
Bobby Stout*

Membership

Membership Chairman – **Steve French**

Happy Valentine's Day!! I hope to see all of you at the Valentines Dinner at Trophy Club.

Well we have started off 2018 with a great BANG! So far we have 30 members that have paid their dues! Thank you, you are keeping me busy.

Trick question, what color T-Shirt has been the best seller for 2018?

OK, 2 questions, what percentage of T's have we sold to members and given to sponsors so far this year?

So what does this all mean? We got cool shirts and if you haven't picked yours out you may want to get it before the not you buys them in March!

For those that have bought a blue T shirt and feel like you may have put on a few pounds during the holidays and the shirt is a tad tight, don't worry. It seems the shirts are running a little smaller than usual. If this happens to you, let me now and we can swap out to a larger shirt.

I will have Pink and Blue T's and accepting dues at the Valentines Dinner so come see me and my Crazy Ladies!

Steve

We currently have 61 memberships and 107 members.

If you would like to join in the fun and Christian camaraderie of CCC, please visit www.christianclassiccruisers.com and download the Membership Application.



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For club apparel contact **Steve French**.

Hats and visors are in stock and available at club meetings and club shows. Regular hats are \$10.00, Camo hat is \$15.00. A price catalogue is available for the various shirt styles. If interested in a shirt, let me know so I can order it for you. Club plaques are available for \$25.00.



NEW THIS YEAR...Blue T-SHIRTS!

Modeled by **Suzette**.



Birthdays & Anniversaries



Happy Birthday

Jim Oldenkamp	2/10
Bryan Kahlmorgan	2/13
Ed Hogan	2/24
Christi Muno	2/24



Gary & Phyllis Veach	2/2	45	Years
Butch & Louise Willoughby	2/4	12	Years
Ronnie & Pam Camp	2/14	24	Years

Cruise Masters - Upcoming Events & Club Calendar

Please visit the website:

[www.christianclassiccruisers.com / calendar](http://www.christianclassiccruisers.com/calendar)

Cruise Master (AM – Breakfast)
Cort Rea

Plans will be sent via email.

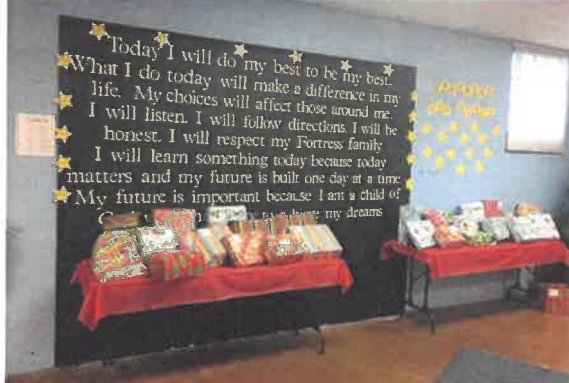
Cruise Master (PM – Local Events)
Wayne Klopfenstein
Dal Helfer

February

Date	Activity	Details - Opportunities & Commitments	Contact
February 13	CCC Valentine Party	Trophy Club Country Club 6:30 arrival dinner at 7:00 RSVP Required!!	Bobby Stout
February 23	Deadline for CCC Newsletter Articles	cccruisersnews.com	Linda Leatherwood
February 24	Breakfast	AI's 8:30	Cort Rea

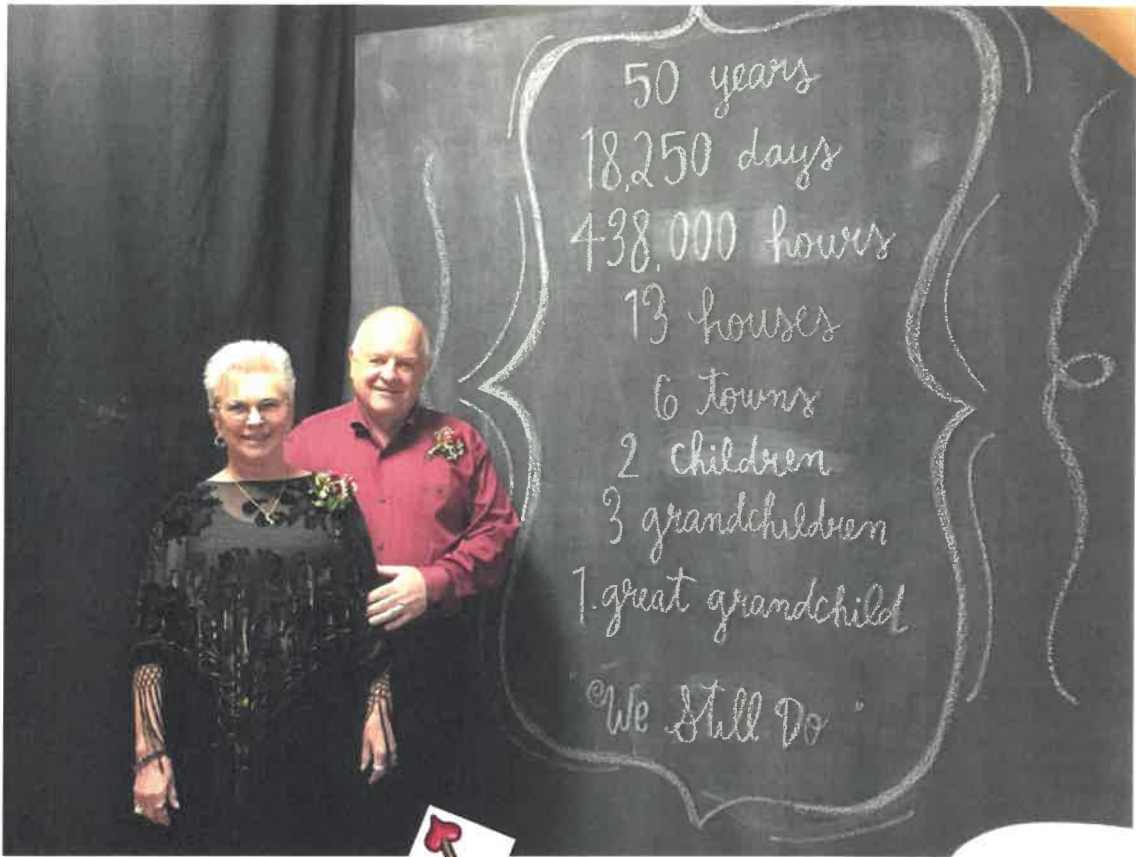


Santa Clause with JB



On 21 December I impersonated Santa Clause at the Fortress Youth Development Center. The Staff purchased individual presents based on knowledge of the children with funds provided by the CCC. This required 3 trips to stores by 6 women. Then each present was wrapped. In addition to the toy, a book depicting Jesus birth and the Christmas Story was provided for each child. Each day the children take part in reading, math and bible studies. 90% of the children test at or above their grade level in school. On the 21st one of the young girls won her schools spelling bee and will compete at the next level. These children are all from low income families with some living in shelters. Each day after school the children are given a snack and a meal before going home. On the last day of school before the Christmas holidays, they are treated to a all you can eat pancake meal. Thanks for your support of this worthy charity. Ed and Carol Hogan, Cort Rea and Susie West all attended the toy distribution. (Of course Santa attended).

Bobby & Carolyn 50th Anniversary



Saturday Breakfast at Al's



This Months Project Presented by Mike McCully

Starsky and Hutch Gran Torino

In 1975, Spelling-Goldberg Productions broadcast a new TV cop show called Starsky and Hutch. The show was created by William Blinn, airing on ABC, from 1975 to 1979. The show had three big stars; Paul Michael Glaser, Starsky; David Soul, Hutch; and a 1975 Red & White Gran Torino called Zebra 3.

Originally, William Blinn was to have Starsky drive a green & white Chevrolet Camaro convertible because he fondly remembered the one he had owned. However, when production started on the pilot episode, Ford Motor Company's Loan Program was the lease supplier for Spelling-Goldberg. As a result, they looked at their lease stock and chose two 1975 351 Windsor V8-powered "Bright Red" (paint code 2B) 2-door Gran Torinos. Both cars had a role in the pilot episode/movie.

The cars were also custom painted (on top of the factory red paint color) with the distinctive white "vector" stripe designed by Spelling-Goldberg's transportation coordinator George Grenier. The two Torinos used in the pilot movie, the Torinos used in the TV show, the Ford factory 1976 Torinos, and the Torinos used in the 2004 movie all had a different white strip.

The rear ends of the cars were lifted by air shocks and had Ansen Sprint 5-slot mag wheels added with larger rear tires. The tires were mounted so that only the black wall side would show, thus hiding any unauthorized brand-name display.

Approximately 27 Torinos were used in the TV series. The cars popularity was so great, Ford produced approximately 1,000 cars to be sold to the public. Orders were taken at the local Ford Dealerships with production beginning in March, 1976, at the Chicago, Illinois assembly plant.

Other than the custom paint, there isn't anything else special about the car. Of the 1,000 cars produced in 1976, there were different engine, transmission (C4 or C6), and interior packages. Basically, a white car was pulled off of the assembly line, the strip was taped off, and the car was painted red. This procedure was different than the one used for the TV cars. The documentation on the driver's door, a metal plate on the passenger side cowl and the build sheet all identify each car as a Starsky and Hutch Unit.

My car, the second Starsky & Hutch I have owned, is one of the 1,000 produced in 1976. It has a 460 ci motor, C6 automatic transmission (floor shift) and a 9-inch Posi-track rear-end (I believe it has 255 gears). I have had this car for over 10-years, I just haven't had the time and money to restore it to the way I want. My grandsons and I disassembled the car a long time ago discovering rust in the floor pans. That is the reason for the wood deck spanning the interior from door to door. I have collected parts through the years and have them stored in a room above this garage. My grandsons and I hope to start this project, this year. My oldest grandson can't wait to drive it. I'll cross that bridge when the time comes.

Projects in Progress (Continued)



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