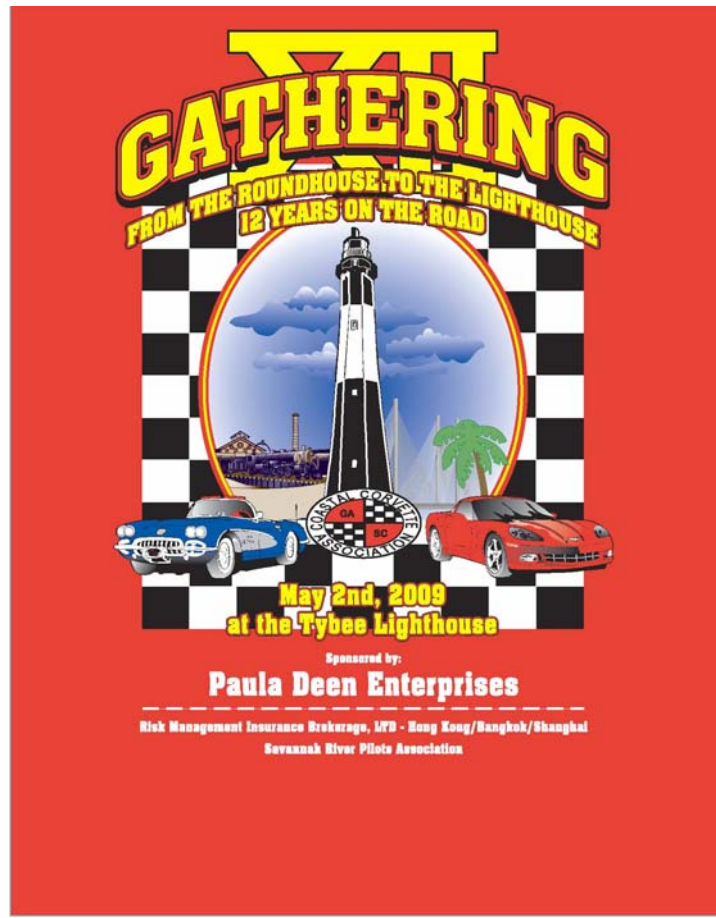


# The Captain's Scuttlebutt – Gathering XII Edition



***Another Gathering has come & gone! And what a Gathering it was! We had a new long distance award winner(my engineer from Texas), and in another surprise the Lighthouse Award Winner was Jim & Marla's new ZR1. Don & Jean Tuten did their usual fine job with the National Corvette Museum Store taking in \$1,832. We overcame a last minute glitch when our scheduled photographers had a family emergency. The photos were handled quite ably by Dan Leger of Southern Images Photography. Please patronize Dan's website ([www.southernimagesphotography.com](http://www.southernimagesphotography.com)) and get a memory of a great day. He did the show "gratis" and also attended the check presentation to get some more professional style photos for us. I expect to have these posted to our web site shortly, but you will not be able to download them (for obvious reasons). You don't have to buy the most expensive one, but any purchase would be nice, to make up for his time.***

***We have also received quite a bit of press for our donation to the Backus Children's Hospital. Excerpts from these, along with links are posted later in this update. Special thanks to "bad cop" and "worse cop" AKA Dave Reed and Tony Petrea for their combined auction skills. Between them they were responsible for nearly \$2000 on Saturday night. Also, congratulations to Dave for being named the 2009 recipient of the Tom Teuscher Award.***

### **From the WJCL Web Site**



Today the Coastal Corvette Association brought their cars and a check for more than eight thousand dollars.

The money goes for kids at the Backus Childrens Hospital.

And without it many families would struggle.

The group has raised 21 thousand dollars for the kids and families over the past three years.  
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SAVANNAH, GA (WTOC) – They have fast cars and big hearts and they came together to help kids in our area.

Members of the Coastal Corvette Club brought their cars to Backus Children's Hospital today, along with a check for \$8,000 that will be donated to Kids Miracle Design. The fund supports patients receiving treatment at Backus, like 11-year old Chase Gordon, who had a brain tumor removed at the children's hospital in august of 2008.

"I think somebody who does that is very, very nice," said Gordon. "They have a gold heart. I'd just like to thank this hospital for taking my brain tumor out."

The Coastal Corvette Club has been the largest contributor to the Backus Hospital during the last three years, contributing more than \$20,000 during that time.

The money is used to provide gas vouchers, food and pay utility bills for Backus families that face financial difficulties during their child's treatment.

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**[This link will take you to the video at Backus](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=84019002048p0002127p5)**

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**Handing over the \$8,250 check to Dr. Johnston**

***We might be “blowing our own horn” just a little, but I hope everyone realizes what we have accomplished with this. The nurses who deal with these patients everyday, were literally in tears over the donation. We have established ourselves as a “can do” organization and our efforts are greatly appreciated and noticed. We all must remember that this was a charity event, and we more than achieved our goals!! A heartfelt thanks to all from your President. For the record, that is a total of \$21,450 in three years! Thanks for the groundwork Robert & Susan Doyle!***



**A copy of the Presentation check**

***Please remember that our big sponsor this year was Paula Deen Enterprises. Not only did she make a large monetary contribution, she supplied door prizes and auction items. Sonic once again stepped forward with cash and bottled water. The Savannah River Pilots helped sponsor t-shirts and trophies. Danny Yao, a classmate of mine from BC and UGA, who has his own company sponsored us from Hong Kong. And John Conley got a donation from TIMKEN. John Miskiewicz got Carter Racing to not only donate money, but to set up their DYNO for your H.P. enjoyment. We still should have charged the Mustang that came in double!! And last, but not least, remember there were many smaller donations too numerous to mention. A round of screeching tires to all of you!!***

***By the time many of you read this, I will be back on board ship. Pam is still in a limbo state regarding whatever her illness is. Please keep her in your thoughts, while I'm away. As you can tell, I'm cueing up for my farewell address as President. But that's another "Scuttlebutt". And for those of you who have wondered all this time – Scuttlebutt is the nautical term for "Gossip". Fits rather well, I think!***

***Until Next Time!!  
Save the Wave!!!***



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