



Name this Newsletter!*

The official publication of the St. Louis Corvette Club

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August 2011

Upcoming Events

- July 23 Mystery Run
- July 24 Sybill's Run
- July 31 Fritz's Ice Cream Run
- August 2 STLCC Monthly Meeting
- August 4 - 7 Vettes on the Rockies
- August 6 Hannibal, MO Car Show
- August 13 - 14 STLCC + Rt. 66 Autocross
- August 14 Gallagher's Run
- August 18 - 21 Tunica Trip
- August 28 Fritz's Ice Cream Run



Summer Fun

From the NCCC Convention in Tinley Park (Chicago), Illinois to Drive Your Corvette To Work Day (especially for those who don't work), to proudly driving Corvettes in the Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade, our members are having a summer to remember!



President's Column



I just got a call from Amy Z. She is putting this month's newsletter together and needs some words for the president's column. How surprised I was to see what day of the month it was already. It has been really hot and a lot going on for us. I just forgot to put something together for this month's newsletter. Now I know what some friends and family were talking when they said they don't have enough time, now that they are retired.

Since our last newsletter, we have had a few things going on. We had a group get together for the **Drive Your Corvette to Work Day** or **Meet for Breakfast Day**. This group had some retirees, some teachers off work, and a few that just took off. Some of these took off for a ride and ended up at a local winery. One couple later mentioned that they started out for breakfast with us, but did not get home till about 7:00 that evening. Long day!

Then there was a large group that met for the monthly **Fritz's run**. Then we had another large crowd show for the **Webster Groves 4th of July parade**. A great job by **Michelle Paillou** and **Dave Luther** for making all of the arrangements and setting up all the Corvettes for this event. It really worked out well.

Coming up, we have a couple of events: the **Mystery Run** on 7/23 and the **Sybill's Run** on 7/24 and then the **Tunica Run** and **Labor Day weekend at the NCM**. So join your club members on as many of these events as you can. It's always a good time when you get to drive these Corvettes and enjoy times with your fellow members.

Drive carefully,
Marty Dooley
President - 2011

2011 Officers

- President: **Marty Dooley**
- Immediate Past President: **Randy Howard**
- Vice President: **Charlie Miget**
- Secretary: **Mary Ann Hagenow**
- Treasurer: **Ann Brown**
- Sergeant-at-Arms: **Carl Ballinger**
- Membership: **Ron Hagenow**
- Webmaster: **Jerry Craig**



National Corvette Museum Ambassador:
Judy Dooley, 314.894.0303



National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor:
Rich Luebcke, 636.532.9620



Glenda brings flowers for the Webster Groves Fourth of July parade



How many bottles of wine do two women need?!



C'mon back...c'mon back...c'mon back STOP!

What we've been up to

NCCC Convention, Fourth of July Parade, Drive Your Corvette Day



Theresa scores a trophy at the NCCC Convention



Corvettes in Tinley Park



Corvettes on Parade in Webster Groves



Pre-Parade Lineup



Corvettes at a winery



NCCC Volunteer Crew



Michelle shows off her patriotic spirit



Post-Parade eats at Joe Bacardi's

Meeting Minutes

Couldn't make it to the meeting? Find out what you missed (or what we volunteered you for) here. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at Sunset Hills Banquet Center, 13366 W. Watson Road. 5:30 p.m. open bar, 6 p.m. buffet dinner (\$12), and 7 p.m. meeting.



The Wine Committee of the St. Louis Corvette Club celebrated Drive Your Corvette to Work Day with, well, wine. What else?

July 5, 2011 – Sunset Lakes

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by president **Marty Dooley**. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Marty welcomed everyone and introduced the current officers, NCCC governor **Rich Luebcke**, NCM ambassador **Judy Dooley**, webmaster **Jerry Craig** and immediate past president **Randy Howard**. Newsletter editor **Amy Zlatic** was out of town. Members were reminded to check sign-up lists and purchase 50/50 tickets.

Guests

Guests **Bill Schott** and **Kumar Rao** were welcomed. Bill has a 2009 red stingray. Kumar drives a 2004 silver Z06 and participated in the Webster Groves July 4th parade.



Corvettes go parading on the Fourth of July!

Meeting Minutes

Anne Pickles moved to accept the minutes from the June 7, 2011

meeting as published in the newsletter. **Jean DuPont** seconded the motion, which was then approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Ann Brown presented the treasurer's report dated July 5, 2011. **Sharon Ballinger** moved to accept the report. The motion was approved by the membership.

Membership Report

Ron Hagenow reported that there are currently 92 regular club members, 12 associate members, and 1 honorary lifetime member with **Mike and Christina Oster** being our newest club members. July birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged with special congratulations given to **Armynta Craig** who was celebrating her July 5 birthday at the meeting.

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee – No report given but **Marty Dooley** reminded everyone to think about serving on the committee. This committee is responsible for putting a slate of candidates together for November elections.

Picnic Committee – **Mike Price** said that Durham Park in Jefferson County was being considered but the site is "fairly primitive." Other

sites will be considered. The picnic is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 25.

VA Garden – **Judy Dooley** said the yard looks nice.

Announcements

Rich Luebcke said the newsletter is "over the top" and he will work on getting the newsletter nominated for the NCCC award at the 2012 convention. **Judy Dooley** said she will also nominate the newsletter for the award given by the National Corvette Museum. Kudos to **Amy Zlatic** for the fine job she's doing as newsletter editor.

Elise Akins proudly announced that she "won in her household" and recently welcomed home her "new baby" – a 2011 crystal red metallic Grand Sport convertible with tan interior! Way to go, Elise!!

The Howards have a new son-in-law "to be." Congratulations to them and their daughter **Amy** on her engagement.

National Corvette Museum - Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reminded everyone that the Birthday Bash will be held at the museum from September 1-3. Be sure to have your hotel reservations made.

Bash registration fees are \$15 per person for members, \$25 per person for non-members.

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Meeting Minutes, Continued

There is no registration fee for lifetime members. Road runs are scheduled for the weekend. A cocktail hour and dinner will be held for lifetime members on Friday evening, September 2 from 5:15-7:30. There is limited seating at the dinner which will be held at the museum so make your reservations soon.

A tour of the working Corvette plant will be held on Thursday, September 1. Tickets are \$7.00 per person, available online.

The museum store is having a Christmas in July sale July 5-10. Lifetime members receive a 20% discount on purchases and regular members receive a 15% discount. A C6 front license plate holder with bracket clips is available. Judy is selling \$10 tickets for a black 2012 carbon fiber convertible to be raffled on Saturday, September 3 at the museum.

National Council of Corvette Clubs - Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke thanked **Jeff and Jerry Craig, Marty and Judy Dooley, and Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow** for helping him and **Theresa** with the Convention Car Show on Sunday, June 19 at Tinley

Park, Illinois. Over 300 cars were positioned in the hotel parking lot. Participants paraded from the hotel into downtown Tinley Park where they were then staged in the train depot lot within about 40 minutes! Rich said more than 600 registered for the weeklong convention and additional day passes were issued. Each day of the convention offered an opportunity for participants to try their hand at different road and racing events as well as special dining events.

The next Governors' meeting will be held in St. Louis on Sunday, September 11, 2011. Friday, July 8 will be National Collector Car Appreciation Day.

Newsletter Report

None available.

Website Report

Jerry Craig announced that there are over 1,300 pictures on the club's website for your viewing enjoyment!

Sponsor's Report

Randy Howard reported that Elco has a new 2010 blue convertible selling for about \$51,000 or \$52,000. It is not a Grand Sport. Contact **Mark Gerecke** for more information.

Prior Events

Carl Ballinger reported that 17 cars made the June 9-12 trip to the Wisconsin Dells. For that effort, the club was awarded the "Most Club Member Award" plaque by Corvette Adventures-Wisconsin Dells. Weather was rainy and cold but there were good events.

Mike Price said that over 20 cars participated in the Elco Car Show on June 18. Awards went to **Craig Cobler, Dave Davidson, Judy Dooley, and Elise Akins**. It was suggested that Elco inventory vehicles might possibly be moved to allow room for club vehicles to be seen from Manchester Road for future shows.

National Drive Your Corvette to Work Day on Friday, June 24 was observed by some club members with a good breakfast at Mimi's in Chesterfield Valley. The celebration then moved on to Sugar Creek Winery in Augusta for a few. **Bev DuPont** already has this event noted on her 2012 calendar!

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August Birthdays & Anniversaries



Rich Luebcke, August 5
Glenda Davidson, August 6
Dan Wombles, August 14
Jeff Craig, August 16
Amy Zlatic, August 16
Charlie Miget, August 20
Debbie Tidwell, August 20

Carl Ballinger, August 22
Ken Barron, August 24
Gary Tidwell, August 25
Roger Ruengert, August 26
Dave Luther, August 30
Don Pickles, August 30

Jim & Sharon Love, August 15
Mike & Karen Price, August 17
Roger & Bonnie Ruengert, August 20



Meeting Minutes, Continued

Congratulations to **Theresa Luebcke** for winning a 5th place award for her class in the NCCC Entrant's Choice Car Show on June 19. The Entrant's Choice was for convention registrants. The People's Choice car show winner was chosen by the mayor of Tinley Park.

Rich Luebcke reported that Bloomington Gold (June 23-26) had a nice show and he and Theresa had a good time.

10-12 cars and 3 canines participated in the June 26 gathering at Fritz's Frozen Custard at 141 and Big Bend.

Michelle Paillou said that 36 people in 28 cars participated in the July 4 Webster Groves parade. This number included our club members as well as members from **OCC, Boone Trail Corvette Club** and two independent drivers including tonight's guest **Kumar Rao**. Michelle thanked **Dave Luther** for the help he gave with the event planning. It was noted that there were many children in the parade crowd and that perhaps we could plan candy distribution during next year's parade. Michelle was pleased that despite a surprise cloudburst, no cars overheated and all cars made it to the end of the parade route.

Future Events

July 13-16 – Black Hills Classic, South Dakota

July 23, Saturday – "Mystery History Run" planned by Marty Dooley and Charlie Miget

Will plan to leave the South County Home Depot parking lot promptly at 9 a.m. A sign-up sheet is available for a restaurant count. Be sure to come with a full tank of gas.

July 24, Sunday – Sybill's, St. James

Ruth Howard is planning this event. Sybill's is a country-type restaurant in an old farmhouse. Doors open at 11 a.m. Will plan to meet at 9:30 a.m. at the McDonald's by Six Flags at I-44 in Eureka and will leave promptly at 10 a.m. Need a minimum of ten cars for this event but more are encouraged. A

sign-up sheet is available. This event is for all members, not just the ladies.

*Note: It is a bit unusual for us to have two major events planned for the same weekend. **Ron Hagenow** will send out an e-mail regarding the plans. Please notify **Ruth Howard** if you plan to go to Sybill's.*

July 24, Sunday – Grand Prix of Mosport

The **Craigs** and the **Ballingers** will head to Bowmanville, Ontario for this event in the American Le Mans Series. ESPN2-Speed Channel – will televise the event.

July 31, Sunday – Fritz's Frozen Custard

Meet at 6 p.m. at Hwy 141 and Big Bend Road. Come rain or shine.

August 13-14 – Autocross

Jointly sponsored by our club and Route 66 Corvette Club at the GM plant in Wentzville.

August 14, Sunday – Gallagher's Restaurant in Waterloo, Illinois

Ron Hagenow is planning this event. Meet at South County Home Depot parking lot. Will leave at 1 p.m. and drive through the Illinois bluff area and old Valmeyer. Dinner at Gallagher's at 2 p.m. \$12.95 for all-you-can-eat fried chicken dinner with sides and dessert. A sign-up sheet is available or contact Ron if you can attend.

August 18-20 – Tunica Run

Angie Bradford is planning this event.

September 1-3 – National Corvette Museum 17th Anniversary Celebration

Affectionately known as the 'Birthday Bash'!

September 10, Saturday – Josephine's Tea Room in Alton, Illinois

This is a 'ladies only' event planned by **Ruth Howard**. Please note the new date.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Marty Dooley reminded members to send newsletter name suggestions to **Amy Zlatic**. Amy will share suggestions in the newsletter and these will be discussed at the August meeting. The current name of the newsletter is "Gateway News."

Marty also reminded members to check both the club newsletter and website for up-to-date information and notices. Please let the board know if you would like to sponsor an event. Remember – we like to drive somewhere to eat!

Rich Luebcke reminded members that we had previously voted to sell our NCCC sanctions. **The Great River Corvette Club** purchased some of these sanctions and these will be used at the autocross on July 15 and 16. For the Route 66 autocross at the GM plant, there will be 12 events held during the 2 days. 5 of the events are our club events.

Marty said that he received a letter recently from Gold Star Mother **Chris Andrews** who lost a daughter in the war. Efforts are being made to establish a memorial in front of the St. Louis Soldiers' memorial and donations for this are needed. Ms. Andrews may come to the August club meeting to discuss this project.

Bob Woods asked for help in learning more about a set of four Corvette pocket knives. The set features mid-year cars on the knives and come in an alligator-type covered case.

Dessert – Thanks to **Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow** for providing this month's cake. **Mike and Karen Price** will bring the August dessert.

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Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

National Corvette Museum
<http://www.corvettemuseum.com>

National Council
of Corvette Clubs
www.corvettesnccc.org

Official Corvette Site
www.chevrolet.com/corvette

Boone Trail Corvette Club
www.boonetrailcc.com

Original Corvette Club
of St. Louis
www.occfstl.com

Corvette Racing
www.corvetteracing.com

Mid America Motorworks
www.mamotorworks.com

Elco Chevrolet
www.elcochevroletcadillac.com

Corvette Motorsport
<http://www.corvettemotorsport.com/>

Corvette Central
<http://www.corvettecentral.com/>



Meeting Minutes, Continued

50/50 Raffle

Elise Akins and **Debbie Tidwell** split the \$71 winnings. Thanks to everyone for purchasing tickets. Model cars from former club member **Jerry Fain**'s collection and a Route 66 mug donated by **Michelle Paillou** were also raffled – recipients were **Marya Horstmeyer, Chris Woods, Dana Griggs, Ann Brown** and **Jeff Craig**.

Approximately 43 members attended the meeting this evening.

Rich Luebcke moved to adjourn the meeting with approval by the membership. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 2 at 7 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Doors will open at 5:30 and buffet will be served at approximately 6:00 for those interested. August menu will include fried chicken, ham, au gratin potatoes, corn on the cob, salad, and rolls.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow
Secretary 2011

St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter Naming Contest!

We're still looking for new Newsletter name ideas! We plan to vote at the August 3 meeting and we'll take suggestions right up 'til the end. Go for a ride in your Corvette, crank up the tunes, and let the ideas flow!

Send your new newsletter name suggestions to Amy Zlatic at azlatic@yahoo.com, or give her a shout at 314.604.0992.

Current suggestions:

- Corvette Carisma or Car-isma (a play on the word "charisma")
- First Gear
- Corvette Club News: All the News That's Fit to be RED
- Torque Talk
- Corvette Chronicle
- Corvette Gazette
- STL RAWR or STL ROAR



August Menu

Fried Chicken ♦ Ham with Pineapple ♦ Au Gratin Potatoes
Corn on the Cob ♦ Fruit ♦ Salad
Rolls, Butter ♦ Dessert

*Please contact **Ron Hagenow** if you have menu suggestions
and if you plan to eat at the August meeting.*

News from the National Corvette Museum by NCM Ambassador Judy Dooley

Labor Day Corvette Raffle!

At the meeting I told you about the raffle car for Labor Day weekend give away. Well, here are some of the stats about the car:

2012 Centennial Edition Carbon Flash Metallic Convertible

- Black leather and suede interior with red stitching
- 100th anniversary embossed design on headrest
- Black convertible top
- Satin black graphics on the hood and rear quarter panels
- Special 100th anniversary crossed flag emblem
- Automatic transmission with 6-speed paddle shift
- Dual mode performance exhaust
- Satin black wheels with red brake calipers
- 3LT Package
- Museum R8C delivery program

More details on the car will be added when 2012 ordering information is released.



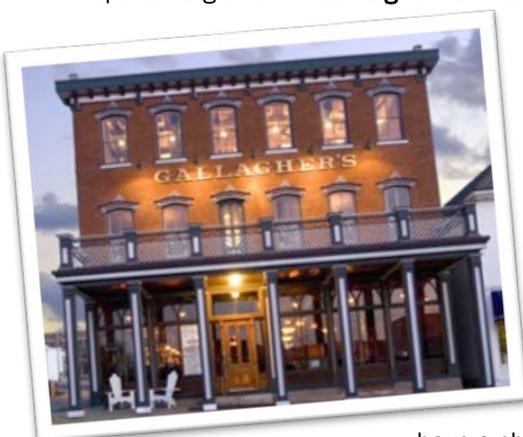
Message from Membership by Membership Chair Ron Hagenow

Here is some information for those of you who were not at the July meeting.

First off, congratulations are in order. **Larry and Elise Akins** are the proud new owners of a 2011 Crystal Red Metallic Grand Sport Convertible. Looks like the club is still trying to keep Elco in business while stimulating the economy. And if Larry is real nice, Elise may even let him drive "her baby" sometime.

Here are some upcoming events:

July 23 is **Charlie and Marty's Mystery Run**. If you have not already signed up for this event, please email Charlie at cjasm1967@yahoo.com or Marty at jmdooley6493@aol.com ASAP. They need to let the restaurant know the number attending. Be at the South County Home Depot with a full tank of gas. They leave at 9 am. July 24 is **Ruth and Randy's run to Sybill's** in St. James. There were only 10 people who signed up at the meeting so if you would like to go, please let Ruth know before July 17. Her email is rhoward15@charter.net. This group is leaving the Six Flag McDonalds off of I-44 at 9:30 am. July 31 is our normal **Fritz's** run. Show up around 6 pm. August 14 I am sponsoring a run to **Gallagher's** in Waterloo for their award-winning family-style fried chicken. I've already sent out something on this but if you want to go, either email me back or sign up at the next meeting. August 13-14 is the **Route 66/St. Louis Corvette Club Autocross** at the GM plant in Wentzville. Route 66 is using some of our NCCC sanctions for this event. We do not have to work this event but if you haven't attended one before it is a lot of fun. And I can highly endorse a ride-along with **Jeff Craig!**



There are a lot more events being planned through the rest of the year so stay tuned to either the newsletter or the club website.

Finally, as I looked through the roster I noted several names of folks I don't recall seeing at a meeting or event. We are all busy these days and there are a lot of things competing for your time besides the club. Heaven knows we haven't been able to participate as much as we would like. But if you

have a chance, come to a meeting or event, even if only once. I have heard more than one person describe our club as an "extended family." And that is what makes our club so great!



Peggy Craig flies the stars & stripes in the Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade



Good eats at Joe Bacardi's after a fun parade

The other half of the Joe Bacardi's gang



Drive Your Corvette to Work Day started at a restaurant. "Work" never even made it to the agenda.



New tradition: Drive Your Corvette to a Winery Because You Don't Have To Go To Work Day



Tinley Park, Illinois, became the most beautiful place in the world during the NCCC Convention



The dog days of summer call for cool treats at Fritz's





Fried Chicken Run to Gallagher's in Waterloo

Sunday, August 14, 2011

Meet at South County Home Depot – Leaving at 1:00 pm

Journey along the Bluff Road through Old Valmeyer to Waterloo – Eat at 2:00 pm

Gallagher's History



The original building dates from the 1870s and was restored in 2003 by John Gallagher and his wife Susie. You can see the original railings taken from the 1908 McKinley Bridge, when it was restored. These are now featured on the dining balcony over the entrance and in the first floor bar area.

There are six distinct dining areas in Gallagher's and each is unique. The owners gathered elegant pocket doors from the Chase Park-Plaza Hotel in St. Louis, when it was restored, as well as from other World's Fair Era buildings now being renovated in the Shaw's Garden area. These doors are now set on their sides and are being used as wainscot on first floor and to build booths.

One of the things you see immediately upon entering the restaurant is the more than century-old bar, which is original to the building. However, the owners have completely restored the old quarter-sawn oak wood, and repaired the broken stained glass to its original glory. Similarly, in the third-floor dining rooms, you can see a unique private bar that dates to the 1920s.



The old Bee Hive Bowl in Waterloo provided not only the hardwood bowling lanes which the owners turned into chic dining tables, but the special cookers were rescued from the kitchen there that was famous for its fried chicken.

Menu

Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes, biscuits, cream gravy, corn custard, green beans with ham and dessert all served family style

Cost

\$12.95 plus soda, tax and gratuity will be about \$18.70 each

They may only do one bill so if you can have the exact amount it would be appreciated.

Sponsored by Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 2011

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