

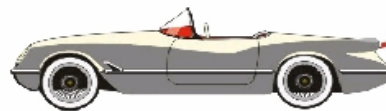
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

April 2005

Next Meeting Apr. 5, 2005



Spring Swapfest is April 2

REMEMBER TO BRING:

- YOUR BY-LAW IDEAS TO THE NEXT MEETING
- YOUR VETERAN DONATIONS
- YOUR ROUTE 66 CAR SHOW DONATIONS

AND REMEMBER THE BETTER THE FORD THE MORE OF A CHANCE HE HAS TO READ YOUR TAGS.

THIS COULD BE YOUR GARAGE—IF YOU BUY A RAFFLE TICKET FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM. CONTACT SHARON OR JUDY FOR TICKETS!



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www.route66corvetteclub.com

Purpose of St. Louis Corvette Club:

To enjoy the Corvette through association with other Corvette owners. To have fun on many levels through social events, road trips, car shows, charity events and competition as each person wishes. To actively promote and work for the advancement of St. Louis Corvette Club and it's activities. To respect the differences and wishes of each STLCC club member.

From The President --- Marty Dooley

We just got back from our vacation in Maui. When I checked our messages to see what went on during the last two weeks, it took a little while. It took some time to go thru all the E-mails and the photos of events on our club web sight. It's good to see all our friends having good times with our Corvettes and each other. I also saw some unfamiliar faces in the crowd of Corvette people that I hope to meet soon.

Plans in the works for a couple of things coming up soon are working out well. We have a Show and Shine coming in May that Shirley and Rick Berving will sponsor. Even before that is our volunteer work we are planning to do at the Veterans Hospital. Mary and Fran Wienstroer have been working on a couple of things we can do to help out some of our hospitalized Vets.

For both of these things coming, there have been members offer their help. What is going to make both of these and future events successful, is to get as many members involved. No matter how much we can help, let's support our club any way we can...

Marty Dooley

April Birthdays

April 20 Peggy Craig
April 25 Bob Jeademann

April Anniversaries

NONE, ZIP, ZERO, NOT HAPPENING

Raising Your C5

When raising your C5 always remember how low your car sits. You may need to drive onto a rubber mat or a 2 X 6 in order to get your car high enough to accept a jack. A C5 also require special pads to lift and for the use of jack stands, these can range from \$80. aluminum pads to inexpensive ones made from hockey pucks which are just as functional. ALWAYS place jack stands before you get under your car.

ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB MEETING
March 1, 2005 – Hessler's Pub

President Dooley called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. All club officers and chairpersons were introduced.

Marcena Gunter from the VA Hospital was tonight's speaker and explained to us the history and various activities held at the hospital. They have a Garden Club that maintains the grounds and is looking for sponsors to help in beautifying the area.

Officer/Chairperson Reports:

Treasurer's Report by Fran Wienstroer – A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report as published in the monthly newsletter.

Secretary's Minutes by June Huch – Motion made and seconded to accept minutes as published in monthly newsletter.

Membership Report by Peggy Craig – At the beginning of the meeting, we currently have 30 Primary members, 22 Associate members, 4 members who receive monthly mailings and 11 honorary members. March birthdays and wedding anniversaries were recognized. Sign attendance sheet before the end of the evening. Peggy has volunteered to be the main contact for distributing club announcements. Business cards were handed out to the membership for any potential new members.

NCCC Governor's Report given by Carl Ballinger – He attended the Governor's Meeting on Feb. 26 at Sheraton Westport. A 2005 Coupe is being raffled off at \$10 a chance. A vote is being taken on the location of future Governor's Meetings for the next 3 years. There was some discussion as to who is covered during events. NCCC members will be covered at events and Carl recommends filling out a waiver card for events as it is a requirement. More information to follow on that topic. Carl reminded the membership to look at the NCCC website and other familiar websites. Carl will be passing along the URL's to our Gateway News editor.

NCM Ambassador Report – Sharon Ballinger. Sharon was absent from tonight's meeting, however, you can see Judy Dooley for raffle tickets.

Newsletter Editor – Mike Price – Please submit any articles for the monthly newsletter to Mike Price before the 20th of each month. We thanked Mike for his efforts in publishing the most recent newsletter. Good Job Mike!

Webmaster – Ed Lee – Ed has purchased the rights for another web name for our club. You can now access our website by using www.stlcorvettes.net and also by using www.stlcorvettes.com. A motion was made and seconded for the club to reimburse Ed Lee for this purchase, but Ed has chosen to donate this expense.

By-Laws Committee Chairman – Ron Huch. Ron has received some suggestions on potential changes to the by-laws. He will be holding another by-laws meeting in the near future (before our April meeting) with his committee members and providing a document of changes to the Board for review before bringing them up to the membership for discussion.

Recognition of Guests and New Members:

Gary Murray and Jan Podogornik have joined the club as of tonight. They are soon to be married and drive a 1998 White Coupe. We welcome Gary and Jan to the St. Louis Corvette Club and Best Wishes on their upcoming marriage.

OLD BUSINESS

The Membership Chairman, Peggy Craig, will be coordinating group news to all members via email or by asking several members to help her phone those people who do not have email. Any phone, address or email address changes should be sent to Peggy Craig.

Mary Wienstroer spoke briefly about the items that have been donated for the hospitalized Veterans at VA Hospital in Jefferson Barracks. **Club members have been asked to bring donated items to the April meeting.**

Suggested items are: baseball hats (new or nearly new, tee shirts (new or out dated inventory), disposable razors, shave cream, combs, toothbrushes, floss, mouthwash (non alcohol), socks with rubber bottoms, hard candy or lifesavers. Magazine renewals were suggested at our February Meeting and Bill Dotson has volunteered to check into the procedure of how we could turn over our magazine subscription(s) to the Veterans Hospital. Donation of jackets that are in excellent shape was suggested. We will start doing a monthly raffle to help with the purchase of necessities for the veterans. The idea of making birdhouses, purchasing bird feeders along with donating the bird seed was also discussed.

Mary and Fran are suggesting that we entertain a Work Day at the VA Hospital on April 9th to help beautify the grounds. After a brief discussion, there was a motion made and seconded for the club to take on as a group event for April and authorize an expenditure of up to \$250 of our club money to handle supplies for the garden landscaping project. Mary and Fran will chair this project.

Rick Berving has offered to help Fran with the movement of railroad ties as he has the equipment available. Rick will be checking with contractors to donate supplies for this event.

At the April meeting, Fran will ask for volunteers to help at the Work Day on April 9th and will have the details finalized for this event.

NEW BUSINESS

A thank you note was received from Roger and Bonnie Ruengert for receiving flowers from the club due to the recent death of Roger's father.

PAST EVENTS – Marty (Rick Frierdich, VP absent)

2/13/05 – 11am Valentine's Day Brunch at the Robert E. Lee Riverboat at Kimmswick, MO sponsored by Rich & Theresa Luebcke. A thank you was given to Judy and Marty

for contributing Carnations for the ladies that attended this event.

FUTURE EVENTS - Rich Luebcke (See club website for your information.)

1. 3/13/05 – Proposed road trip to Fast Eddies in Alton, IL – to be sponsored by Kent Lissa. A sign up sheet was provided and directions were passed out and posted on the club's website.
 2. 4/2-3/05 – Mid America Swap Meet in Effingham, IL. Dick & Karen Mericle to lead group and provide truck space for purchases. Club to sponsor 2 Swap Meet spots.
 3. 4/09/05 – Work Day at VA Hospital, sponsored by Mary and Fran Wienstroer. More details to follow at April 5th meeting. Fran will collect supplies needed for this project. Volunteers to contact Fran.
 4. 4/21-23/05 – NCM Bash in Bowling Green, KY. See Carl & Sharon Ballinger if interested in caravanning to the museum. (Not a club event-just informational)
 5. 5/7/05 – Sponsor Car Show at Rt. 66 Chevrolet in Pacific, MO. Shirley Berving, Chairman for this event. **Shirley is in need of volunteers and will have a sign up sheet available at the April Meeting.** Each club member should bring a door prize to the April meeting (car-related prizes, restaurant coupons, etc.). Volunteers coming forward tonight: Mary Wienstroer, Ron Huch (chef), emcee (Rich Luebcke), June Huch (registration or with organizing the attendance prizes, wherever needed.)
 6. 5/17/05 – Ice Cream Event sponsored by Peggy Craig. More details to follow at our April meeting. Location: Fritz's on 141.
 7. 6/12/05 – Route 66 Corvette Club Car Show at Vettes. (Not our June club event, but we should attend if at all possible.)
- 6/23/05 – Bloomington Gold in St. Charles, IL. Anyone wanting to sponsor this event should contact Rick Frierdich/Rich Luebcke.

Raffles – 50/50, etc.

50/50 – \$80 to Karen Mericle.

Cardinal Jacket - \$46 collected for VA Hospital project, won by Shirley Berving.

Travel cups donated by VA Hospital were won by Peggy Craig and Bob Tucker.

Calculator was won by the waitress at Hessler's Pub.

The decorated March Birthday cake was donated by Chris Woods and enjoyed by all.

For your information on Club Logo Materials:

Logo attire: See Judy Dooley.

Logo patch or window decals: See Marty Dooley

Club windshield decal: See Ron Huch.

Club Holiday Banquet:

Our club secretary, June Huch, will be doing a search for locations for our 2005 Christmas Banquet and will provide that information at our April meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

June Huch, 2005 Secretary



1/28/2005

Dear Fran:

I enjoyed our phone conversation last night and am looking forward to meeting you at this year's Bloomington Gold. Enclosed is information concerning the Gold Club Package we are offering to Corvette club members.

Corvette clubs that register and send payment before June 1st will be given reserved parking in the Gold Club area. Your club members will be able to park together, socialize, picnic, set up tents, and meet members from other clubs. With your registration, you will also be entitled to:

- Express entry into the show.
- Freedom to exit the grounds and still have your parking reserved.
- Admittance to the GoldTour (40-mile Corvette parade).
- Commemorative GoldClub Pin for all drivers.

Your club will also be eligible for one of two awards. The club with the most cars in attendance and the club which travels the most miles to the show, point to point.

We have set up two options for clubs to reserve parking for their group:

1. Two-day plan: either Fri - Sat or Sat - Sun/\$60 per car
2. Three-day plan: Fri - Sun/\$80 per car.

There is a five-car minimum to be eligible for either plan. Payments must be sent as a club, no individual registrations please.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions about the GoldClub Program or other show topics. I will be more than happy to help with your plans on attending Bloomington Gold. You may call me at 309-663-4756 or e-mail me at mike@bloomingtongold.com

I am looking forward to seeing you at the show.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Stypolkowski".

Mike Stypolkowski
Manager - GoldClubs



THIS GARAGE COULD ALSO BE YOURS——FOR THE RIGHT PRICE
AND PERMISSION FROM MY WIFE

Still time to sign up for the C5/C6 bash in Boling Green at the National Corvette Museum. Dates are April 21—23. See the C6 Z06 for the first time.

See Sharon Bolinger for more information

THIS WOULD OF BEEN A GREAT PLACE FOR THE MUSEUM'S EMBLEM

Those that just want an evening out, this Friday, April 1st at 7 PM Fenton's first car show of the year will be held. Come on down to the old Big Lots at Old Gravois and 141. Can't miss it.

Our Spring Swapfest will be Saturday, April 2, from 8 am to 3 pm, vendor setup starts at 6:30. In exchange for promoting the event in their newsletter or at a meeting, clubs get one free, 20' x 20' space. If you want to purchase a second space for the club, or any club member wants to purchase a space adjacent to the club space, the cost is \$50 per space, maximum of two purchased spaces. Please call me when you decide what you want to do because I must reserve the free club spaces manually. Our computer system goes crazy trying to process a "no charge" sale!

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**SMILE AND WAVE
KAREN**

Spring Swapfest is April 2

*ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB
THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER
6:30 PM*

April 7, 2005	CJ MUGGS	101 W. Lockwood/Webster Groves	314-727-1908
April 14, 2005	Johnny Gittos	6997 Chippewa	781-8111
April 21, 2005	Helen Fitzgeralds	3660 S. Lindberg	314-984-0026
April 28, 2005	Marconi Grill	S. County Mall	314-487-8825
May 5, 2005	Calecos	Dierberg's Center - South of 270 on Hwy 21	314-849-4443

St. Louis Corvette Club
 Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Fran Wienstroer

Balance	February 20, 2005	\$5,575.92
Income:		
	Membership dues	\$95.00
	50/50 Monies	\$80.00
	Club event	\$115.00
	VA-Fund	\$53.00
		\$5,918.92
Disbursements:		
	Flowers	\$41.56
	Valentine Brunch	\$238.87
Club Ending Balance	March 20, 2005	\$5,638.49

VA Work Day

Saturday April 9th

9 a.m.

Jefferson Barracks Building # 52

Our club will be restoring the garden area out back of Building # 52. Many Veterans including those with spinal cord injuries use this area and will be there to support our efforts.

Bring gloves!

Rakes, brooms and shovels will be provided. The staff will be providing a lunch cookout.

Let's show them we care!

Rain date April 10th

Sign up sheet at the April meeting



Whose could this be? May look a little different than before. I see exhaust, does that mean it may run, someday?

Looks great! Can't wait for the front to be finished.



St. Louis Corvette Club

To Whom It May Concern:

With the war in Iraq, it's already increasing our hospitalized Veterans. Here in St. Louis at Jefferson Barracks VA Hospital they are currently caring for soldiers recently injured in Iraq as well as hundreds of Veterans from all wars and conflicts. With so many Veterans still hospitalized today they sometimes tend to be forgotten. These soldiers all made tremendous sacrifices for us and we would like to take this time to do something for them.

The St. Louis Corvette Club would like at this time to ask for your help. Our club is currently gathering donations for our Veterans. Many Corvette owners are Veterans and a lot are Vietnam Veterans and feel grateful to have this opportunity to help with this campaign. Within our club we will be gathering car magazines and other various items for delivery to the VA.

To help, we are in need of the following items:

- Baseball hats New or nearly new in good shape
- Tee Shirts New or out dated inventory
- Disposable razors, shave cream, combs, toothbrushes, floss, mouthwash (non alcohol) socks with rubber bottoms, hard candy or lifesavers

With gratitude we will be acknowledging all contributors.

Let's show them we haven't forgotten!

Donations may be sent to:
St. Louis Corvette Club
C/O Mary Ann Wienstroer
P.O. Box 808
320 Cahoon Dr.
Eureka, MO 63025

or call 636-938-4858 for local pick up

A FEW MINUTES TO READ

More Marty

Club Events

We recently have had some club events that were put together at the last minute. It's great to have members putting these things on, and there has been some good turnout for them. A lot of them are planned when we find out how the weather will be, and around here it just about has to be at the last minute.

We have been trying to make these last minute events work better, and the board is looking into this. The reason we need a good way of getting word out about events is so that we don't miss any of our club members. Of course, the best way to put on an event would be to plan ahead. But when we get the good driving weather around here, we all want to get our cars out.

We will talk more about this at our next meeting, and all ideas about this will be welcome...

Here is your chance to take part in the first High Speed Driving Event sponsored by the National Corvette Museum. The event will be held at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw South Carolina on October 29-30, 2005. Registration is open to NCM members only until April 9, 2005 when any remaining spots **Will** be open to the general public. For information and registration go to <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/HPDE/agenda.shtml>.

GRAB YOUR KEYS

The Time For Our 2nd Annual Route 66 Chevrolet Dealer Sponsor Corvette Show

WHEN: Saturday May 7, 2005

Where: Route 66 Chevrolet, Pacific Mo.

Time: 10 AM Till 2 PM

Charge: \$10.00 per car

There will be Food, Drink, Raffles, Prizes, Giveaways and Fun

All Proceeds from the Day Will Benefit The Veterans Hospital Disabled Veterans

Sponsored by the St. Louis Corvette Club—Chair Persons: Rick & Shirley Berving

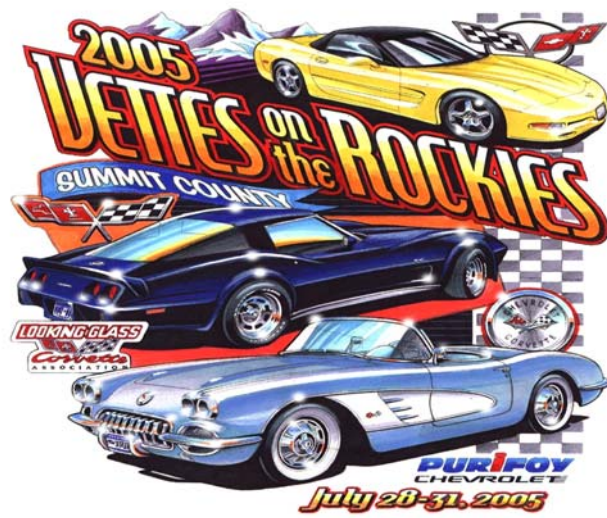
More Information— See Shirley at the meeting or contact at sberving@aol.com or call 636-464-0991





IS THERE A BETTER WAY TO
PROMOTE
“VETTES ON THE ROCKIES”

See Marty Dooley for more
information



Meeting Location

Hessler's Pub
11804 Tesson Ferry

Directions:

East of I-270 on Tesson Ferry
between 270 and Lindberg.

Next meeting

*As a courtesy to our
members, no smoking is
permitted during the
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