

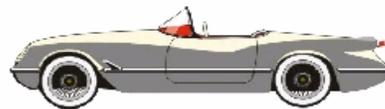
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

August, 2007

Next Meeting Aug. 7, 2007





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www.stlcorvettes.net

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www.corvettesnccc.org

National Corvette Museum

www.corvettemuseum.com

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www.boontrailcc.com

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www.occofstl.com

Route 66 Corvette Club

www.route66corvetteclub.com

ON THE COVER: PICTURE OF
THE GROUP THAT MADE THE
RUN TO THE DAKOTAS

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 its activities. To respect the differences and wishes of each STLCC club member.

President's Greeting:

We are in the Dog Days of Summer and enjoying every minute. Whoever said 109 degree heat with low humidity isn't hot should have been traveling through the Bad Lands last week. IT WAS HOT. But what a great time!!

The August meeting is the first meeting at our new location, Pietro's Bluffs. If possible, please drive your Corvette.

And, don't forget the Grizzlies baseball game on August 4. This will be a fun time at the old ball park and an opportunity to show off our cars at the stadium.

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. Before we know it the cooler months will be here inviting us to enjoy our Corvettes even more. Any suggestions for events will be greatly appreciated. Just contact Ron Hagenow or myself and we will more than happy to help you plan an event.

Be careful and watch out for the other guy.

Bill Dotson
President, St. Louis Corvette Club

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

Jane Ehrhard	8/3
Rich Luebecke	8/5
Jeff Craig	8/16
Jackie Goggins	8/16
Rich Bivens	8/19
Charlie Migit	8/20
Carl Ballinger	8/22
Roger Ruengart	6/26

Karen & Mike Price	8/17
Bonnie & Roger Ruengert	8/20

St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

July 3, 2007 – Hessler's Pub



The meeting was called to order by President Bill Dotson at 7:05 PM. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Bill thanked everyone for coming and noted the large membership turnout for the meeting. He then introduced the board of officers and current chairpersons. Absent were Patty Craig, membership; Rick Frierdich, past president; and Carl Ballinger, NCCCP chairman. A special welcome was given to Mike Dean, representative from Lynch Hummer, the club's new sponsor. Bill reminded everyone that the sign in sheet and extra June newsletters were available on the back table. Photos of an '85 Corvette for sale were also on display. Everyone was reminded to purchase 50/50 tickets from Sergeant at Arms Roger Ruengert.

Guests

Bill introduced visiting guests John and Beth Anth, owners of a '96 torch red LT4 coupe; Randy and Ruth Howard, owners of an '05 black coupe; Steve Coldewe, owner of a yellow '04; Steve Jacobs, owner of a white '03; and sponsor's rep Mike Dean.

Special Announcements

Charlie and Jackie Miget are the proud owners of a beautiful new yellow '07 convertible. Karen Price proudly announced that hubby and newsletter chief Mike Price received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Way to go, Mr. Price! The Prices are planning a graduation celebration for August – more details later.

Treasurer's Report

Jean DuPont made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented in the July newsletter. Judy Dooley seconded the motion which was approved by the membership.

Secretary's Report

Theresa Luebcke noted that the June minutes needed to be corrected to show the date of Fun Fest as September 22, 2007 rather than July 22, 2007. Chris Woods made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 5, 2007 meeting as corrected. The motion was seconded by Charlie Miget and approved by the membership.

Membership Report

In Patty Craig's absence, secretary Mary Ann Hagenow reported that there were 63 members, 4 mailing members and 3 honorary members (sponsors) as of the June meeting. The Anths, Howards, and Mike Dean submitted membership paperwork this evening to become new members. Steve Coldewe plans to turn in his membership application at the August meeting. Six July birthdays and two anniversaries were also acknowledged.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reminded everyone that she still has \$10 raffle tickets available for the '08 victory red coupe to be given away Labor Day weekend at the Museum.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Carl Ballinger was not present.

Website Report

Jerry Craig did not have anything to report. Bill Dotson said that Jerry has developed a "great website" and encouraged everyone to check the site often.

Sponsor's Report

Mike Dean said that our club sponsorship provides a great opportunity for Lynch to expand their clientele. He commented on the "awesome first event" (*car show at Lynch Hummer in Chesterfield on April 21*) and expressed interest in participating in the Webster Groves 4th of July parade.

He said that Lynch can offer the following:

It is a GM dealer and can sell high performance and regular car parts.

Lynch plans to stock ten to fifteen pre-owned Corvettes. They presently have seven available cars. Business has been good. They are not wanting to take business from

Elco Chevrolet but want to develop their 'used' business.

Lynch is sending technicians to GM's Corvette school. The dealership wants to service Corvettes – they will be doing oil changes. Mike said he also wants members to experience Hummer products and reminded the membership of the off-road track behind the dealership.

Mike said he currently has an impeccable '07 atomic orange Z06 available. It has approximately 500 miles and will be priced in the \$72,000 - \$73,000 range. *(Sorry - no free test drives available on this one!)* He encouraged everyone to come to Lynch if searching for cars. Mike said he may not be able to do better on trades but he will try.

He referred to a potential club project involving purchasing a child-size motorized Hummer for use by patients at Children's Hospital. There are forty employees at Lynch who would be able to participate in this project. Club and dealer logos could be put on the vehicles. Toys R Us has this type of toy vehicle available for \$250 on-line. *(Bill Dotson told the membership that more information on this project will be presented by Patty Craig at the August meeting.)*

Mike's parting comments: "As we *(Lynch)* grow, we want you to grow with us!"

Rich Luebcke said that he had recently taken his '03 in to Lynch for inspection – "super coffee....a great experience". Bill Dotson reminded members that Tammy Walker bought her triple black '02 at the April car show at Lynch. Bill has taken his car in for an oil change and participated in the "DriveYour Vette to Work Day" on June 29 at Lynch.

Bob Woods asked about the tech schooling and repair work on older car models. Mike Dean said that it is necessary for technicians to participate in the school for GM certification. This will then enable them to get discounts on GM tools. He said that their techs will be able to work on cars 10 – 15 years old but doesn't know yet if they will be able to service cars from the '60s. Bob said that Schroeder Motors can work on '58 – '60s. Mike said that Lynch will grow into the repair work for older models but for now, they will work on '75s and newer.

Past Events

Karen Price reported on the June 16th run to Montell's winery. Jean DuPont was the lead driver. It rained for a brief time enroute. Food was good as was the entertainment by a solo guitarist from Nashville.

Theresa Luebcke reported on the Anniversary Affair which was held at the Museum on June 22nd and 23rd. 150 people were registered with 60-70 cars participating. There was at least one representative car from each anniversary year – 25th, 35th, 40th, and 50th. Theresa said that plans are being discussed for an '08 event. This will need to be coordinated with Jerry and Armynta Craig's new car delivery!

Friday, June 29 was a rainy day for "Drive your Corvette to Work Day" at Lynch.

Charlie Miget reported on the Route 66 Vette Show in St. Charles. Don and Angie Bradford, Marty and Judy Dooley, Bill Dotson, and Charlie and Jackie Miget participated. 75 cars were entered. An '07 Indy Pace car was on display. Charlie won a 2nd place trophy. Over \$1,700 was raised and the Route 66 car club increased that amount to \$2,000, all of which was donated to Nurses for Newborns.

Future Events

Wednesday, July 4 – Webster Groves parade – 32 cars are signed up. Participants are to meet at the Schnucks parking lot at Big Bend and Elm at 8 a.m. We will move to the high school staging area between 8:30 and 8:45 and wait for the parade to start at 10:00. Ours is the 25th parade unit. Spots are reserved on both sides of the street for two lines of cars.

Black Hills-Spearfish Trip –Those going should meet with Marty Dooley after the business meeting this evening for additional trip information. 15 cars are going. Theresa Luebcke sent an e-mail earlier today regarding trip itinerary so please check your messages. There will be things to do in Spearfish for those interested or you may choose to plan your own activities. Bill Dotson said that he and Ken and Sue Dahman are leaving one day earlier. He asked if anyone else was planning to leave early.

Fritz's Frozen Custard Run – Ron Hagenow said that he is trying to plan an ice cream evening but wanted to confirm with Peggy Craig first. **Later in the meeting, Theresa Luebcke suggested setting the date rather than wait. It was decided to meet at Fritz's -815 Meramec Station Road in Valley Park - (near Big Bend and 141) on Sunday, July 15th at 6 p.m.*

August 4th, Saturday - Gateway Grizzlies baseball game – Cost is \$9 per person and Ron Hagenow is collecting money this evening. By special arrangement, the tickets to the game are free. The \$9 covers the cost of the pre-game picnic. The club will have a designated parking area. In between innings, club members will be introduced and will get to drive their cars around the track. We will probably meet at the Home Depot in South County (Lindbergh near LeMay Ferry Road) between 4:45 and 5:00 p.m. Ron will send out more details via e-mail.

August 19, Sunday – A brunch cruise to Miller's Grill in Washington, MO - More information will be provided later on. June and Jerry Fain are coordinating this event.

You may sign up tonight or at the August 7th meeting for this cruise.

August 25, Saturday – Boone Trail Corvette Club and Kriegers Sports Grill on Mid River Mall Drive–Charity Corvette Car Show for American Liver Foundation and Mid-America Transplant Services – Gary and Jan Murray are members of Boone Trail as well as STLCC. In light of Gary's recent successful liver transplant, this might be a good show to support.

September 16, Sunday – Our annual club picnic and road rally planned by Patty and Jeff Craig and Angie and Don Bradford. More details to come.

September 22, Saturday - Funfest in Effingham, IL – A coordinator for this event is needed. Marty Dooley asked if we will want to set up the club tent

as we did last year. Registration prior to September 1st is free. Registration after September 1st is \$15 per person so register early. Music legends Three Dog Night will perform in Saturday evening's free concert.

Old Business

Bill Dotson reported that it is not necessary for the club to file for an IRS tax exemption for social and recreation clubs. A local CPA and business associate of member Tammy Walker provided this information.

Business cards - New club business cards are available.

Club Pins – Judy Dooley and Bill Dotson have spoken to a lady who can get small lapel pins for us. She has not yet sent pin samples. A minimum order of 250 pins is needed. Small pins will cost less than \$3.00 each. Bill thought that the small pins would look nice but would not be flashy. A decision will be made when the samples are received.

Club Patches – Midwest Monograms said they can do patches for \$10 each. The board is leaning toward letting individuals purchase their own patches if desired. Ken Dahman said that the representative from Midwest Monograms mentioned at the June meeting that a minimum order of patches would be needed. Bill Dotson said that he did not think a minimum order was required but he will clarify this point with Midwest.

New meeting location – Our new location for monthly meetings will be Pietro's Bluffs at 515 Mae Court, Fenton, MO 63026. The restaurant's phone number is 636-343-1414. Maps were distributed at the meeting to those unfamiliar with the location. Maps will be mailed to members who were not in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Jefferson Barracks Hospital Garden – Bill had spoken to Matt at the hospital and was told that there is summer help for weeding and watering the garden for the spinal cord unit. Bill said that club members could go and do a little bit of straightening and weeding if we want to.

Christmas Party – Bill reported on preliminary ideas for the December Christmas Party. Carl Cox has checked on some places. Karen Price had information from several places as well. The Lodge at Grant's Trail By Orlando's at 4398 Hoffmeister Avenue in St. Louis offers a 3 hour buffet for

\$35 per person. Seated dinners range from \$28 - \$36. \$1500 minimum orders are required on Saturdays. Open Saturday dates at present are December 8, 15, 22. The Lemp Mansion Mystery Dinner Theater is \$48.95 per person. A buffet is available for \$27.95 - \$34.95. Dinners are \$38 per person. Saturday dates available at present are December 1, 15, 22. The membership said that they would prefer to have the party on a Saturday evening, as has been done previously. Gilly's, the location of the party for the past two years, is also available but December dates are now booking. Theresa Luebcke asked if there was a party committee. At present Karen Price, Carl Cox, and Rich Ratner are gathering information.

New Business

A nominating committee of three members will be needed in anticipation of the November 6th elections. Those interested in serving on the nominating committee should contact Bill Dotson.

Charlie Miget asked if Jim Wand, the club's former sponsor, could be removed from the club's roster as an honorary member. This inquiry was not presented at the June board meeting but Bill said that Jim Wand would be removed from the membership roster. New sponsor Mike Dean was given a membership form to complete and his name will be added as an honorary member.

Bill Dotson told everyone that he had received information concerning fines for exceeding the 45 mph speed limit in Illinois highway work zones. The first fine will be \$375, the second \$1,000 and a 90 day license suspension. These fines went into effect on July 1. Ron Hagenow alerted everyone to the fact that the intersection of Hampton and Wilson Avenue in St. Louis has photo radar. Fines are \$100 per incident.

Correspondence – A thank you note was received from the American Heart Association for the club's recent donation in memory of Larry Miget, Charlie's brother.

Farewell to Hessler's – An engraved plaque was presented to Hessler's Pub in appreciation of the kindnesses shown to the club during the four years that our meetings were held at Hessler's. Marty Dooley said that when the club was formed, representatives approached Hessler's

management and said “we need a room” and Hessler’s said “we’ve got one for you”. After four years, the club has expanded to the point of needing a facility that can better accommodate our larger group.

50/50 Raffle

Guest Steve Coldewe drew the winning raffle ticket – his own! Steve won \$61. Congratulations!

Dessert – Thanks to Jean and Beverly DuPont for bringing this month’s cake. Roger and Bonnie Ruengert will bring the cake for the August meeting.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7th at Pietro’s Bluffs, 515 Mae Court, Fenton, Missouri 63026. For questions concerning the restaurant, directions, or available menu you may call or email Bill Dotson or call the restaurant at 636-343-1414.

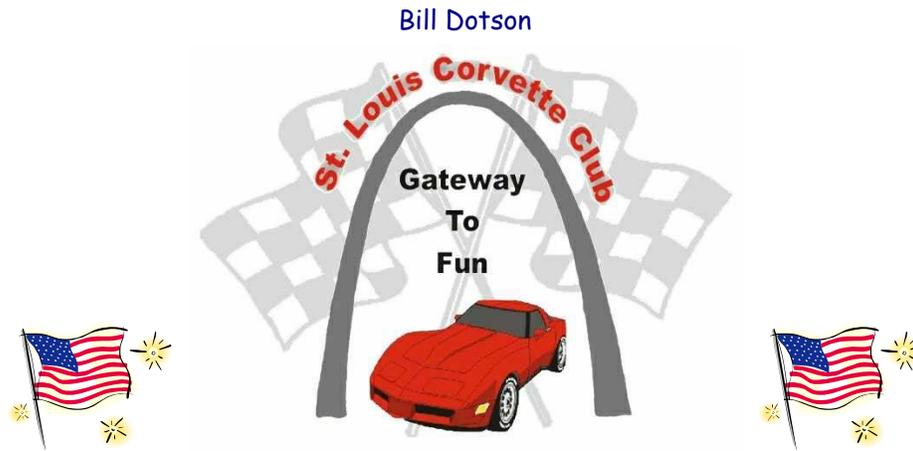
Rich Luebcke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jean DuPont seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow

Secretary 2007





THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER SCHEDULE - 2007
Meet 6-6:30 pm

August, 2007

8/02	Fletcher's Kitchen & Tap	384 Crestwood Plaza Mall (The old Houlihan's)	314-961-2337
8/09	Helen Fitzgerald's	3660 S. Lindbergh Blvd.	314-984-0026
8/16	Madison's Café	14501 Manchester Rd.	636-394-0303
8/23	UNO Chicago Grill	1244 So. Kirkwood Commons	314-835-9600
8/30	Café Manhattan	9992 Lin Ferry	314-849-4143

Bill Dotson

September, 2007

9/06	O'Charleys	190 Gravois Bluffs	636-326-5106
9/13	Dooley's	568 Old Smizer Mill Road (Fenton)	636-343-9268
9/20	Ruby Tuesdays	10797 Sunset Hills Plaza	314-909-1025
9/27	Joe Boccardi's	117 S. Main Street, Columbia, IL	618-281-6700

June & Ron Huch

St. Louis Corvette Club
Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Jerry Fain

<u>Balance</u>	June. 20,2007	\$
<u>Income:</u>		
	Membership dues	\$255.00
	50/50 Monies	\$61.00
	Grizzlie tickets	\$252.00
		<u>\$</u>
<u>Disbursements:</u>		
	Newsletter (Mike Price)	\$41.04
	NCCC dues	\$135.00
	Incredible Engraving (name tags)	\$58.60
	Director/Revenue(Mo. license)	\$15.00
	Grizzlie tickets	\$279.00
	C. Miget(Mike Dean dinner)	\$12.93
	B.Dotson(Hessler plaque + Donuts@ Lynch)	\$97.66
<u>Club End. Bal.</u>	July 20, 2007	\$
VA FUND (incl. in End. Bal.)		\$50.00

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Greetings!

Please join me in welcoming new members John & Beth Ann Anth and Randy & Ruth Howard to the STLCC.

John & Beth Ann are the proud owners of a 1996 Red Coupe and reside in St. Peters, MO.

Randy & Ruth are the proud owners of a 2005 Black Coupe and reside in St. Louis, MO.

Congratulations to Charlie & Jackie Miget on the delivery of their new 2007 Yellow convertible.

Thanks to all who attended the Fritz's Ice Cream run last night. We had about 15 cars for this event.

I am including a copy of the Thursday Night Dinner schedule for our new members.

Next up, Spearfish, SD on July 18-20, Gateway Grizzlies Game, Aug 4th and our next club meeting on Aug 7th at our new location, Pietro's Bluffs in Fenton, MO.

Safe travels to all!

Patty Craig
Membership Chair



NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

To our new members, I'm Judy Dooley and my husband Marty and I are the National Corvette Museum Ambassadors for you. This means that we get information from the museum about things going on there, raffel cars, new display's in the museum, how to go about doing a NCM delivery of a new car or the X-perience on the car you have now. If you have questions please see me at the meeting or e-mail us at www.jmdooley6493@aol.com.

I will be attending the NCM Ambassador meeting this Labor Day weekend. This meeting will keep us informed about the new things and changes to the museum that they expect to happen in the next year. The biggest thing is the building and changes to the museum. If you go to the NCM website <http://www.corvettemuseum.com> , you can see the excepted changes to the NCM.

Don't forget if you would like to purchase a ticket for the Labor Day car raffle, for a 2008 Victory red Corvette Coupe, only \$10.00 each, I do still have some and our Aug. 7th meeting will be your last chance to get one.

Also, if you are planning a trip to visit the NCM, just get with Marty or me and we can get you some information on lodging, resturants, and the best route to get you there.

If you are not a member of the NCM yet and would like to join, I can help you with that also.

See you at the meeting
Judy Dooley
NCM Ambassador



At the last meeting one item of discussion was to form a nominating committee for officer positions for the upcoming year. If you are interested in being on the nominating committee, please contact Bill Dotson. It was also suggested that the job descriptions for the board officers be sent to the membership. Enclosed are those duties directly from the by-laws. I will also have printed copies available at the next meeting.

Ron

DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

The President shall preside at all meetings of the officers and members and shall perform the duties required as Chief Executive Officer of the Club. The President's duties shall include but are not limited to the following: presides over meetings, coordinates events with other clubs, coordinates all Board and special meetings as needed, attends as many events as possible, and oversees all officers, appointees and committees.

DUTIES OF VICE-PRESIDENT

In the absence of the President or in the case of a resignation or inability to act by the President, the duties usually performed by that office shall be assumed by the Vice-President. The Vice-President's duties shall also include coordinating events and club calendar, review all events at monthly meetings, coordinates meeting facilities, oversees activities committee, NCCC Governor and NCM Ambassador. The Vice-President shall also become familiar with the process of running and managing the club.

DUTIES OF SECRETARY

The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the members and officers and shall read and record all minutes and votes. He or she shall be responsible for maintaining the club's permanent records, giving notice of meetings, report minutes of meetings to the Web Master and Publication Chairman and for all other duties assigned by a majority of clubs officers. In the absence of the Secretary, a Secretary pro-tem shall be named by the presiding officer for that meeting.

DUTIES OF TREASURER

The Treasurer shall attend all meetings of the members and officers. The Treasurer shall, subject to conditions and restrictions made by the officers, have custody of all monies, debts, and financial obligations of the club. He or she shall make all payment of club debts upon approval of the Board. All contracts, checks, drafts, notes or other payments shall be signed in the name of the club by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President and or Vice President.

He or she shall give a bond, at club expense, if required by the officers. The Treasurer shall file a report as to the financial status of the club at each monthly meeting and, if so requested, at any Board meeting.

DUTIES OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

The Sergeant-At-Arms shall attend all meetings of the members and officers. He or she shall preside on the floor of the meeting room to assist in preserving order as the Chair may direct. The Sergeant-At-Arms shall be responsible for the administration of the “50/50” program





EUREKA SPRINGS CORVETTE WEEKEND

October 4-5-6-7, 2007



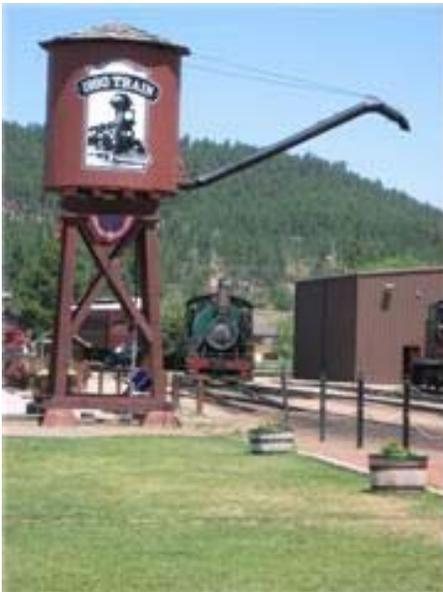
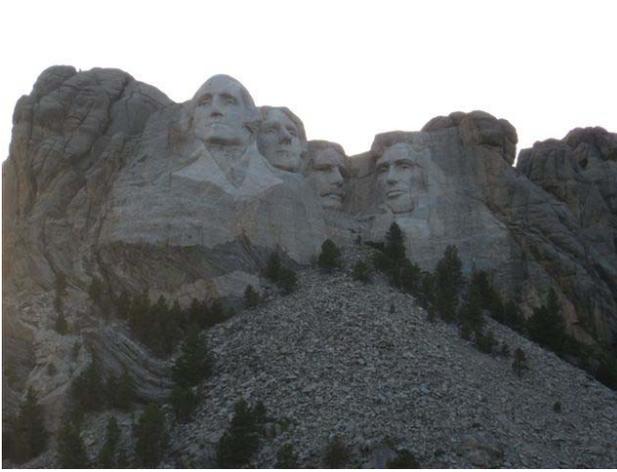
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August 30 – September 1**



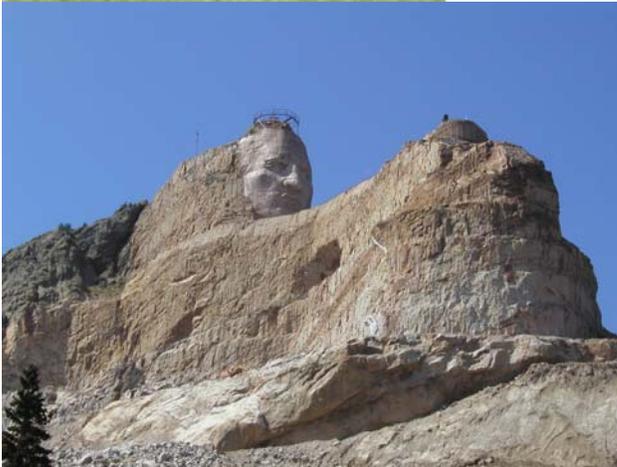
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Funfest 2007, September 21-23,

by calling 1-800-500-1500



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT
GATEWAY TO FUN CLUB



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Meeting Location
Pietro's
Hwy 30 and Lynn
Ferry

Next meeting
TUESDAY August 7th,
@ 7 PM

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



St. Louis Corvette Club
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