

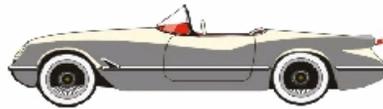
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

October, 2007

Next Meeting Oct 2, 2007





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National Council of Corvette Clubs

www.corvettesnccc.org

National Corvette Museum

www.corvettemuseum.com

Boon Trail Corvette Club

www.boontrailcc.com

Looking Glass Corvette Club

www.jackschmitt.com

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www.occofstl.com

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www.route66corvetteclub.com

ON THE COVER— Great picture
from our club picnic

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:

About 20 club cars and their owners just returned from a great time at FunFest in Effingham, IL. This year marked an entirely new layout for parking and vendors but the number of participants seemed as big as ever. On the return trip a group of us stopped at the Diamond Mineral Springs restaurant for dinner followed by a tour of the central Illinois countryside. The suggestion was made to plan a road trip to this restaurant so all members could enjoy. The next event is our annual pilgrimage to Eureka Springs, Arkansas on October 4th or 5th depending on which day you plan to depart.

The October meeting is a very important one in that the slate of candidates for next year's club officers will be finalized. If you would like to run for an office and nominate someone for an office and have not been contacted by Marty Dooley or one of the nominating committee members, please give Mary a call prior to the meeting. During the October 2nd meeting the ballot will be finalized and can not be changed before the election. The election of these officers will take place at the November 6th meeting so mark both of these dates in your calendars and plan to attend the meeting.

I hope everyone is enjoying the last gasp of summer but I am sure we all are looking forward to cooler days. Have fun and be safe.

Bill Dotson
President, St. Louis Corvette Club

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES



Rick Frierdich 10/3
Theresa Luebcke 10/8
Dave Ehrhard 10/14
Tammy Walker 10/18
Jean DuPont 10/25



Theresa & Rich Luebcke 10/7
Jane & Dave Ehrhard 10/14
Patty & Jeff Craig 10/20
Jackie & Charlie Miget 10/28

St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

September 4, 2007 – Pietro's Bluffs



The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Bill Dotson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members were reminded to sign the posted event sheets and to purchase 50/50 tickets for the evening. Bill thanked everyone for coming and introduced board members and current committee chairpersons. Newsletter editor Mike Price was absent. A special welcome was given to club sponsor Mike Dean from Lynch Hummer.

Guests

Bill welcomed recent new members Ruth and Randy Howard, the proud owners of a "real fast" 2007 atomic orange ZO6.

Treasurer's Report

Jean DuPont made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented in the September newsletter. Gary Murray seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Secretary's Report

Carl Ballinger made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 7, 2007 meeting. Patty Craig provided the second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Membership Report

Patty Craig reported that there are 71 club members, 4 mailing members, and 1 honorary member. Two August birthdays and four anniversaries were acknowledged. Patty reminded everyone that a biographical form is available for those who wish to participate. The forms will be used to prepare brief member sketches for inclusion in future newsletters. *(Be sure to also include a photograph of you, your significant other, and your Corvette.)* Completed forms/photos may be given to Patty.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported on the Labor Day Ambassador's meeting. NCM would like to get more clubs to come to the museum and help promote car shows. Anyone who previously purchased a personalized brick at the museum may replace the original brick with a newly inscribed brick for a \$50 charge. The original brick will be sent to the purchaser. Kentucky has awarded a grant to the museum to be used for educational enhancements including driving simulators.

A resident of Minnesota won the Labor Day car raffle. The next museum raffle will be held on April 26, 2008. A victory red '08 convertible will be offered. Judy will have the \$10 tickets available for purchase at the October 2 meeting.

Marty Dooley showed the banner which was purchased by the club and displayed in a prominent position outside of the museum during the previous year.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Carl Ballinger reported that the Governors' Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 8 at the Sheraton Westport. All are welcome to attend. The regional meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. It is too late for our club to provide refreshments for the hospitality room at the meeting. The Route 66 Club will hold their 5 speed events on Saturday, October 13 in Wentzville. The Governor's meeting on November 9 and 10 will be the last one that Carl will attend before relinquishing his position as ambassador.

Website Report

Jerry Craig reminded everyone to check the accuracy of their camera dates and times when submitting photos.

Sponsor's Report

Mike Dean thanked members for letting Lynch Hummer be a part of our group. He reported that no club members purchased cars from Lynch in August. He does have a yellow '07 ZO6 available for purchase. Sticker price was \$78,700 with 700 miles. Lynch's price is \$73,900 but a discounted price will be offered to STLCC members. In the future, Mike would like to include the names of club members and the cars they purchased from Lynch in the club newsletter. Mike encouraged members to come to Lynch for service including warranty work on their Corvettes.

Mike said Lynch has purchased 2 battery powered H2 child-size yellow and black Hummers as well as 2 extra batteries to be given to an area children's hospital by the club and Lynch as Christmas gifts. The toy vehicles are being outfitted with Lynch license plate frames. Lynch has also called General Motors re the availability of child-size Corvettes. Lynch would like to buy the child-size Corvette for the club.

Lynch would like to schedule a car show at their location for Saturday, October 13. Mike Dean said he would also like to consider doing a car show at Lynch on the Saturday of the 2008 St. Louis County Fair and Air Show.

Past Events

Miller's Grill in Washington, MO – Jerry Fain said that 17 cars and 32 individuals participated in the August 19th run and dinner. Three guest cars also participated including 2 couples who saw the event posting on our club website.

Boone Trails Charity Corvette Car Show for American Liver Foundation and Mid-America Transplant Services Gary Murray thanked everyone for participating on August 25. Over \$1,000 was made for the Liver Foundation

Kiwanis Car Show – Ron Huch reported that 150 cars including 15-20 Corvettes participated in the September 1st show in Columbia, IL. Over \$4,000 was netted.

Carl Ballinger shared news about their recent trip to MOSPORT International Raceway in Canada on August 22. The Ballingers were able to drive 3 laps at the raceway.

Congratulations!

Bob Woods received a 3rd place award in his category with his white '64 Stingray Convertible at the Columbia, IL Kiwanis Car Show.

Michelle Paillou's '58 red and white convertible won a second consecutive Celebrity Choice Award at the 13th Anniversary NCM Corvette Celebration and Hall of Fame during Labor Day week-end. The award was chosen by Hall of Fame member Doug Hooper. Michelle celebrated her win by becoming a lifetime museum member.

Future Events

September 8, Saturday – OCC Charity Poker Run

September 9, Sunday – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Meet at 6 p.m. at Fritz's – 815 Meramec Station Road in Valley Park, near Big Bend and 141.

September 16, Sunday – Road Rally and annual Club Picnic at Klondike Park in Augusta, Missouri

Planned by Patty and Jeff Craig and Angie and Don Bradford. Flyers are available. Plan to start lining up for road rally at 12 noon. Rally will begin at 1 p.m. and will end at Klondike Park for the picnic at 3 p.m. Dinner will be catered by Lee's Fried Chicken – be sure to contact Patty if you are coming so that an accurate count may be made for food. Klondike is a scenic park with covered pavilion and walking trail. Bring your radios, soda, water as desired.

September 22, Saturday - Funfest in Effingham, Illinois

Rich Luebcke and Jean DuPont are event coordinators. Theresa Luebcke has informational flyers and sign up sheet available this evening. Plan to meet at the Cracker Barrel in Caseyville, IL. Will leave promptly at 7 a.m. Bring your radios. See Theresa to get a club parking pass. Those parking with the club will be admitted through Gate 5. Also let Theresa know if you will be driving back to St. Louis prior to the Saturday evening concert and if you would be interested in stopping for dinner at Effingham. Corvettes can park free for Saturday evening's concert that will feature music legends Three Dog Night. The concert is free. Purchases made at Funfest will be discounted 10% and free shipping of merchandise will be offered. On-line registration is now \$15 and that price includes a free t-shirt.

October 4 – 7 – Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend in Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Carl Ballinger will coordinate this event and has a sign up sheet available. Those leaving on October 4th should meet at McDonald's at the Six Flags exit. The group will leave from that location at 9 a.m. It is a 5 hour drive. Will stop near Branson for gas but will not plan a lunch stop. May try to make dinner reservations for Friday night at Gaskins' Cabin. May also try to plan an afternoon meal at the Beaver Lake Grist Mill. Bring radios set to channel 6.6.

October 13, Saturday – Sponsor's car show at Lynch Hummer.

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. We will meet at Sonic on the south side of Hwy 40 and will proceed en masse to Lynch. Check e-mail and website for additional information.

October 20, Saturday – Hayride and bonfire at Greensfelder Park

Don and Angie Bradford are event coordinators. Meet at Eureka High School at 2:30. Will arrive at Greensfelder Park at approximately 4:15. A hayride is scheduled for 5 p.m. See flyers for additional information. Bring your own roasting sticks for hot dogs/marshmallows.

November 3, Saturday – Forest Park Liver Walk and Car Show

November 10 or 11 – Veteran's Day Parade in downtown St. Louis.

Rick Frierdich is event coordinator. Cars may be decorated in patriotic theme. American flag should be flown on right, armed service flags should be flown on left. No car club flags are to be flown. If flags are needed, contact Rick. Parade Grand Marshals will be a father and son team of helicopter pilots. Both are Iraq veterans.

November 17, Saturday – Possible trip to Kemp Auto Museum on Chesterfield Airport Road or Kimmswick. Weather will be a factor.

December 14, Friday – Club Christmas Party at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center, 13366 West Watson Road, St. Louis 63127. 6–11 p.m. (*Note: There is no regular business meeting in December.*)

Bill Dotson said that he would like to get a committee to take care of table centerpieces, etc. Karen Price, Carl Cox, and Rich Ratnor had done some preliminary work on the party location but none of them were present this evening. Judy Dooley offered to help with flowers. Plan to sign up for the party at the October 2nd meeting.

VA Hospital

Ron Meisner spoke to Matt at the Spinal Cord unit at Jefferson Barracks. He said that there are areas of the garden that need work. Ron suggested planting a few hardy shrubs in garden areas. One problem this year was that deer ate many of the plants in the garden.

Patient needs include new sweatshirts. They would also like a 4 foot rolling cart to use with the television the club purchased last December. Possible event dates are limited – hospital staff will be hosting a performing arts show in October and do not have available time during the month. Other open dates include Saturday, September 15 and Saturday, November 3. Ron Meisner questioned the possibility of going to the hospital after the Veterans' Day parade on November 10th. No plans were made due to date limitations at this time. Members should see Ron Meisner or Bob Woods concerning work plans at the garden.

Old Business

Nominations – Bill Dotson reminded everyone that elections will be held in November. The nominating committee includes Angie Bradford, Dave Ehrhard, and Charlie Miget with Marty Dooley as chair. Nominations are needed by the October 2nd meeting. No additions may be made to the slate after the slate is presented at the October meeting. Marty suggested that nominations would not be necessary if the current board would choose to retain their positions for an additional year. Roger Ruengert said that he is willing to be sergeant-at-arms for another year.

Club pins, business cards, brochures – Bill Dotson said pins have been ordered and should be delivered by the end of this week. They will be available at the October meeting. Business cards and club brochures are also available.

Club Banners – 2 small banners are available for club use. Bill Dotson will have the club web address added to the banners.

NCCC Ambassadorship – Bill Dotson said that Rich Luebcke is willing to take Carl Ballinger's place as NCCC Ambassador. If anyone else is interested in this position, please contact Bill.

NCCC Dues – Carl Ballinger reminded everyone that NCCC dues are payable in November. 2008 dues must be paid prior to voting at the November business meeting. Dues are \$75 per couple of which \$35 goes to NCCC dues. Single member price is \$45.

Les Gibson made a motion to limit club membership to 100 people. Members noted that the by-laws already state a membership limit. An additional vote was not needed.

Marty Dooley has Missouri road maps available.

50/50 Raffle

Ron Hagenow won \$70 in the evening's 50/50 drawing. Thanks to all members for purchasing tickets.

Dessert – Thanks to Chris and Bob Woods for bringing this month's dessert. Mike and Karen Price will provide the cake for October's meeting.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2nd at Pietro's Bluffs, 515 Mae Court, Fenton, Missouri 63026.

Tammy Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Craig seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow

Secretary 2007

For future planning here are some other dates to remember:

October 4-7 is Eureka Springs Weekend. Those going up on Thursday are to meet at the McDonalds by Six Flags at 9:00am. Make sure and bring your walk-about. There will be a meeting prior to this weekend but if you need any further information, contact Carl Ballinger (vettstl@charter.net).

October 13 is the Second Annual Car Show at Lynch Hummer. More information will be available at the next meeting but we will probably meet at the Sonic across the highway from Lynch and drive in together for the show. Show will be from 11:00am to 1:00pm so we will meet at Sonic at 10:30am. We need to have a good showing for this show.

October 20 is our Hayride and Bonfire at Greensfelder Park. We leave Eureka High School at 2:30 for a road run and will be at the park by about 4:15pm. Hayride is at 5:00pm. We'll have hot dogs to roast along with chili, chips and fixins. We will also roast marshmallows and smores for dessert. Bring your own drinks, chairs and your favorite roasting sticks. Contact Don Bradford (Donb12257@yahoo.com) for more information

November 3 is the annual Liver Walk in Forest Park. More information will be available at the next meeting.

November 10 is the annual Veterans Day Parade in downtown St.Louis. More information at the next meeting but contact Rich Frierdich (rfrierdi@cbgundaker.com) if you haven't already done so if you are attending. He can also get you in contact with the company that supplies the flags we use in case you still need one. We may also visit the Veteran's Hospital after the parade.

If you have any questions, just let me know.

Ron

St. Louis Corvette Club

Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Jerry
Fain

Balance Aug. 20,2007 \$

Income:

Membership dues \$0.00

50/50 Monies \$70.00

\$

Disbursements:

Logo pins (Marketing Products) \$770.40

Newsletter (Mike Price)

Name tags (Incredible Engrav'gs) \$57.83

Club End. Bal. Sept. 20, 2007 \$

VA Fund (incl. in End. Bal.) \$50.00



THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER SCHEDULE - 2007

Meet 6-6:30 pm

October, 2007

10/04	Concord Grill	11427 Concord Village Ave.	314-849-5239
10/11	Bandana's BBQ	11750 Gravois Rd.	314-849-1162
10/18	Frailey's Southtown Grill	4329 Butler Hill Rd. (by Schnuck's Plaza)	314-892-1866
10/25	El Maguey Mexican Restaurant	135 Concord Plaza	314-843-8265



EUREKA SPRINGS CORVETTE WEEKEND

October 4-5-6-7, 2007



No other sports car has had a richer or more fascinating history than the Corvette, and none has a brighter future.

The National Corvette Museum is a non-profit organization supported entirely by Corvette enthusiasts like you. To help keep the NCM moving forward, become a member. There are different levels of membership and I can help you or give you information to join.

Membership will not only keep the history of our favorite car going, but will give you discounts on events at the museum and at the Corvette Store.

If you are interested in becoming a member, see me at the meeting or get in touch with me via e-mail or by phone.

Judy Dooley
NCM Ambassador
P.S. The Pace Care event is Sept 27-29

Dues Payment

This is a reminder that club dues will be due at the November business meeting which will be on November 6th. Dues are \$75 for a couple or \$40 for an individual. Part of this money goes to the National Council of Corvette Clubs and this payment must go to them in November. If you know you will not be at the November meeting, please see Patty Craig (email pattysandberg@yahoo.com) to make alternate arrangements. You must have paid your dues in order to vote for the upcoming slate of officers. Voting for new officers will take place at the November meeting.

St. Louis Corvette Club Annual Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party will be held on Friday, December 14th, beginning at 6:00pm. It will be held at the Sunset Lakes Banquet Center, 13366 W Watson Rd, Sappington, MO 63127-1923. This is south of I-270 between Gravois and I-44, near Tapawingo Golf Course. The cost of the dinner is \$25 per person, which can be paid at the October or November meeting. Menu plans have not been finalized as of yet. There will be cash bar available. As we have in past years, if you would like to donate a new unwrapped toy, these will be collected and given to one of the children's hospitals or Toys for Tots. For those new members, this is the one time of the year where we dress up and enjoy each other's company and reflect on the past events of the year. There is no regular business meeting in December, only this Christmas Party.

OUR BANNER AND SOCIALITES AT THE MUSEUM OVER LABOR DAY





A FEW PICS FROM THE CLUB PICNIC





THERE'S A NEW SOUND IN TOWN—
BEWARE THE PEG



A DAY AT
MIDAMERICA'S FUN
FEST



Sponsored By:



Meeting Location

Pietro's

Directions:

South of 141 on Highway 30
Turn at Valley Dell Stop Light

Next meeting

TUESDAY Oct. 2nd
@ 7 PM

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



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