

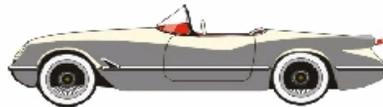
# St. Louis Corvette Club



## Gateway News

January, 2008

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**National Council of Corvette Clubs**

[www.corvettesnccc.org](http://www.corvettesnccc.org)

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**Boon Trail Corvette Club**

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OUR CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT  
ON THE CHRISTMAS TREE AT  
THE MUESUEM

**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:  
Happy New Year 2008  
I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Years celebration.

We begin the new year having to find a new location for our meetings. I received a call from Pietro's Bluffs on January 2 advising that they had closed their restaurant effective December 31. I thanked them for the amount of advance notice. I have contacted the Sunset Lakes Banquet and Reception Center, where we had our Christmas party, and they will provide us with a meeting place so our January 20 meeting will still take place as scheduled. They are also interested in us having all of our meetings there which we will discuss this at the January meeting.

I assume you all know that Rick Frierdick has had quadruple heart bypass surgery. I understand the surgery was a success and Rick is in the recovery stage. We should have an update on Rick's condition at the meeting.

The main focus of the January meeting will be to plan a number of club events for the coming year, so come to the meeting with a number of ideas we can discuss.

Bill Dotson  
President, St. Louis Corvette Club

**BIRTHDAYS**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Bonnie Ruengert	1/06
MaryAnn Hagenow	1/09
Mike Price	1/11
Ken Dahman	1/17
Don Bradford	1/22
Michelle Paillou	1/23
Marty Dooley	1/25
Carl Cox	1/26
Terri Ashmore	1/29
Jackie Miget	1/31

Mike & Glenda Walsh	1/22/1972						
Rany & Ruth Howard	1/19/1974						



There are several important changes for the club that everyone needs to be aware of.

First, the cruise scheduled for Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup> is cancelled. As you probably know Rick Friedrich had heart surgery recently. Since this was his event I thought it best to cancel it and possibly reschedule for later in the year. It's always tricky to predict what the weather will be in January anyway. Let's hope Rick gets better real soon.

Second, and most importantly, is that our meeting place, Pietro's Bluff, has unexpectedly closed. Bill was contacted by them this week and was told they closed on December 31<sup>st</sup>. So there goes our nice meeting place. But when one door closes another one is opened. For those of you that attended the Christmas Party, Sunset Lakes Banquet Center was a real nice place and they offered to host our meetings. Although we told them we were already meeting at Pietro's, we are now relooking at them for our new meeting place.

**So for our club planning meeting scheduled for Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> we are now meeting at Sunset Lakes Banquet and Reception Center.** The meeting will begin at 1:00pm. Their address is 13366 W. Watson Road, Sunset Hills, MO. Phone is 314-843-7811. It's not far off of Gravois and will be a little closer to I-270 than Pietro's. They have several large meeting rooms and have a large parking lot for our Vettes. For this meeting we will have a buffet which will be \$10 per person. Soda, beer and wine are available for an additional cost. This is the same price that Pietro's charged. They are also working on having a limited sandwich/a la carte menu. So I hope to see you all at Sunset Lakes on January 20<sup>th</sup>. We have several new events already in the planning stages and look forward to another exciting year. If you have any ideas for an event, please bring them along. And for those of you who were not at the Christmas party, we will have your belated Christmas presents for you.

Please contact me if you need anything further.

Ron

## A LITTLE ITEM I RAN ACROSS—HAVE MORE INFO FOR THOSE THAT MIGHT BE INTERESTED



It's a new year and a great time for new things, like becoming a member of the National Corvette Museum. As a member you will be entitled to special discounts in the Corvette Store and at special events. There are different levels of membership and maybe one of them is just right for you. To become a member you can see Marty or me and we will be happy to help you join or go the [www.corvettemuseum.com](http://www.corvettemuseum.com)

Listed below are a list of events for 2008 at the NCM:

C5/C6 Bash April 24-26  
C4 Gathering May 8-10  
Corvette Forum Cruise-In May 30-June 6  
High Performance Driving Events at VIR June 30-July 1  
14th Anniv. Celebration/Hall of Fame Aug. 28-30  
Z06 Fest Sept. 11-13  
R8C/Xperience Reunion Sept. 25-27  
Georgia Crossroads Vette Rendezvous Nov. 6-8

Judy Dooley, NCM Ambassador

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ORNAMENT ON THE CHRISTMAS  
TREE AT THE  
NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM







The fastest, most powerful and most expensive Chevrolet Corvette ever will roar to life at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit next month.

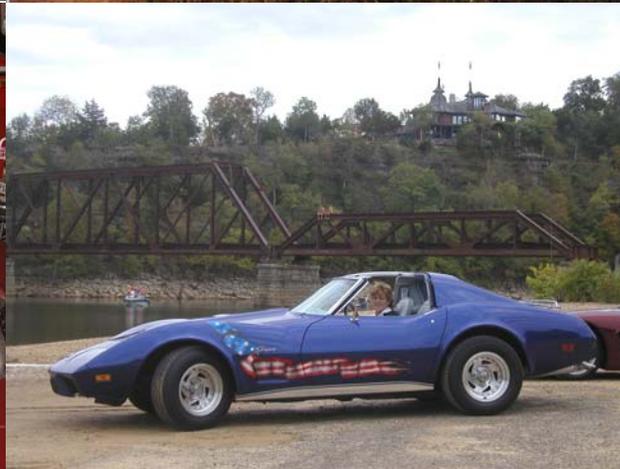
Boasting a 620-plus horsepower V8 and a price expected around \$100,000, the 2009 Corvette ZR1 is the result of General Motors Corp. chairman Rick Wagoner's challenge to build the ultimate Corvette.

The ZR1 aims to match the performance of supercars like the 612-horsepower \$273,845 Ferrari 599 GTB Fiorano F1 coupe, which accelerates to 62 m.p.h. in 3.7 seconds.





JUST SOME BEFORE AND AFTER STUFF—PLEASE FORWARD ANY PROJECTS YOU HAVE AND WOULD LIKE TO SHARE



Oh nifty Michelle is turning 50 and you are invited to come and celebrate. The lady in waiting, a red hat society term, is about to hang up the pink and put on the red hat. So let's party!

The party will be at 7312 Arlington Dr. in Richmond Heights. That's the big house Michelle designed that is on the market and hasn't sold. So dress warm. There will be heat, but with no furniture and drapes, it feels cool. The date is January 20<sup>th</sup> at 2pm until ????. Lots of us don't have to work on Monday 😊

I will be serving heavy hors d'oeuvres, cake, tea and soft drinks.

So please bring a chair and any additional beverage you might want to toast with. If there is a football game that week, I will bring a TV.

## Proposed change to the St. Louis Corvette Club By-Laws

### Section 4: Expenditures

Currently reads - No obligation, debt or other liability shall be incurred in the name of the Saint Louis Corvette Club by any member of the club without specific approval of the Board.

Proposed change to read -

a. No obligation, debt or other liability shall be incurred in the name of the Saint Louis Corvette Club by any member of the club without specific approval of the Board.

b. Any donation to a charity or other club expenditure greater than \$300 must be presented to the Board prior to a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Discussion concerning the expenditure can take place during the regularly scheduled meeting however approval for the expenditure must be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Proposed by-law change related to Expenditure

Any club expenditure greater than \$50.00 must be presented to the Board prior to a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Discussion concerning the expenditure will take place during the next regularly scheduled meeting after which a vote will be taken by the members present.

We will discuss both of these proposals at the next business meeting.



# Push for June 30 To Be Declared National Day of Recognition for Corvette

## *Mid America Motorworks Behind Grassroots Movement To Celebrate The Birthday of America's Sports Car*

**EFFINGHAM, IL** – Long a supporter of the Corvette hobby and creator of “Drive Your Corvette To Work Day”, Mid America Motorworks has petitioned the United States Congress to declare June 30th a National Day of Recognition for Corvette - America's First Sports Car. The Corvette first rolled off a Flint, Michigan assembly line on June 30, 1953.

The petition is being presented by United States Congressman John Shimkus (R-Illinois). All Corvette enthusiasts are urged to contact their U.S. Congressional Representatives to pass this resolution.

“As the longest running, most widely respected production sports car in United States history, the Chevrolet Corvette is more than a material possession. It is truly a symbol of American pride. For this reason Mid America Motorworks is launching a grassroots movement to honor America's True Sports Car with a National Day of Recognition.” said Mike Yager, Chief Cheerleader and founder of Mid America Motorworks, the world's leading supplier of Corvette parts and accessories.

Mid America Motorworks has a history of creating national movements to honor the Corvette. In June of 2001, Mid America Motorworks created *Drive Your Corvette To Work Day* as an annual event to celebrate Corvette's Birthday on the Friday closest to June 30. On Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 2008, thousands of Corvette lovers will drive their Corvette to work to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> annual event.

In September of 2001, Mid America Motorworks orchestrated a massive grassroots movement, called the Corvette Stampede, to petition the United States Post Office to create a Corvette Stamp. The stamp was to honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Corvette. Finally released in 2005, the USPS debuted the stamp at Mid America Motorworks Corvette Funfest.

This year, as GM celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2008, a National Day of Recognition is a fitting tribute to Corvette – GM's greatest contribution to the automotive industry.

Every Corvette owner is encouraged to petition his or her congressional representative to pass the resolution declaring June 30<sup>th</sup> as a National Day of Recognition for Corvette. For more information go to

[www.mamotorworks.com/corvette](http://www.mamotorworks.com/corvette) or call 800-500-1500.

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