

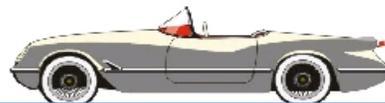
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

September, 2008

Next Meeting Sept 2, 2008





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www.stlcorvettes.net

National Council of Corvette Clubs

www.corvettesnccc.org

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www.corvettemuseum.com

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www.boontrailcc.com

Looking Glass Corvette Club

www.jackschmitt.com

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www.occofstl.com

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www.route66corvetteclub.com

WE ALL GATHERED ON THE
WALKWAY AT BEAVER RUN FOR
A GROUP SHOT

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

To the St. Louis Corvette Club,

It seems like spring was just last week but already it is September and before you know it we will be doing fall cruises. I am glad everyone made it back safe and sound from Vettes on the Rockies although it was not without a few problems. Hopefully everybody will get their cars fixed as good as new and Jeff will learn to keep his foot out of the firewall.

We are getting to the busy time of the year with October typically our busiest month. There will be a couple of cruises, our annual club picnic and the ever popular Eureka Springs trip. Hopefully we will have enough events that everyone will want to participate. I will try and put out emails to alert everyone to our events and please keep checking the calendar on the club website for updates.

We are still trying to get everyone's picture with their car on our website. If you look at the Photos section for 2008 under the Class of 2008 you will see those that we have so far. If your picture is not there just send a copy to Jerry Craig and he will see that it gets on the website.

Several people have asked about club shirts. We get all our club clothes from Midwest Monogram which is at the corner of Telegraph and Baumgartner in the Schnucks shopping center. **Due to a scheduling conflict, they will not be at our September meeting as I previously announced. They will instead be at our October meeting.**

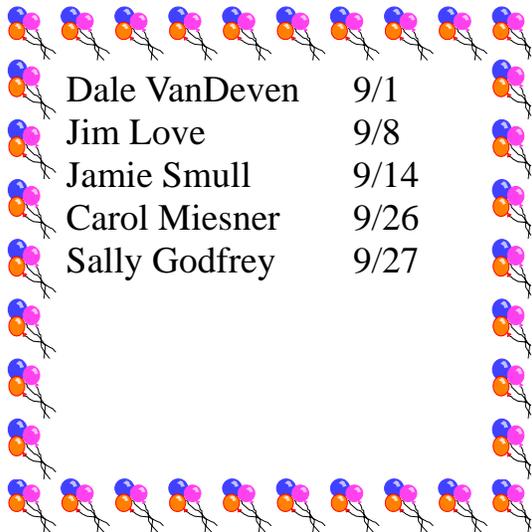
Don't forget that elections are in November. You have to have your current dues paid in order to vote and also to hold an office. If you interested in any position, please let me know or talk to one of the current officers.

We hope to have the membership cards prepared for the September meeting so if you bring your checkbook we can start taking dues payments.

See you at our regular meeting place, Sunset Lakes Banquet Center, on September 2nd for our next meeting.
Ron

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES



Dale VanDeven	9/1
Jim Love	9/8
Jamie Smull	9/14
Carol Miesner	9/26
Sally Godfrey	9/27



Mark & Denise Shipley	9/6
John & Pam Corrora	9/6
Jerry & Armynta Craig	9/11
Rick & Susan Frierdich	9/18
Bob & Chris Woods	9/20



St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

August 12, 2008 – Sunset Lakes Banquet Center



The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by president Ron Hagenow. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ron welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. He introduced board members including vice president Jeff Craig, secretary Mary Ann Hagenow, membership chairman Angie Bradford, and sergeant at arms Roger Ruengert.

Treasurer Sara Gibson was not present. Committee chairpersons and past president Rick Frierdich were introduced. Immediate past president Bill Dotson, sponsor Mike Dean, and webmaster Jerry Craig were not in attendance. Roger Ruengert thanked everyone for the get well card and calls he had received from the membership. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet.

Introduction of Guests

Several guests were in attendance this evening. Kevin and Vicki Bayliss met members of our club while participating in the Vettes on the Rockies trip. They own an '02 electron blue Z06. Frank and Sarah Heckler were also welcomed—they own two Corvettes, a '95 dark red metallic and a red '88. Guy Bremerkamp was attending with member Sally Godfrey. Fred Arnold was also visiting—he owns a white '02 convertible.

Treasurer's Report

Ron Hagenow presented the treasurer's report in Sara Gibson's absence. Copies of the report were available to the membership. The balance as of June 30, 2008 was \$3,959.81. Income included: 50/50 proceeds of \$68.00 from the July meeting and \$40.00 from the NCM dinner. Disbursements included: newsletter expenses-\$33.66, flowers for the Ortmann funeral-\$42.27, nametags-\$127.63, VA project reimbursement to Ron Miesner-\$125.25, and \$278.00 to the National Corvette Museum for a club event. The club's ending balance on July 30, 2008 was \$3,461.00. Judy Dooley made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Jerry Fain provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Secretary's Report

Gary Murray moved to accept the minutes from the July 1, 2008 meeting as published in the August newsletter. Bonnie Ruengert provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Membership Report

Angie Bradford distributed nametags to new members. She acknowledged August birthdays and anniversaries.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley announced that the Museum has acquired seventy acres across highway I65 from the museum. The land will be developed as a motoplex and will include a quarter mile dragstrip and road course. Work on this project will begin after the museum addition is completed.

Judy announced that members Carl and Pat Cox recently became Lifetime Senior Members of the museum. This is a new membership option that includes free admission to several auto museums around the country. Tonight is the last chance to purchase \$10 raffle tickets for the '09 red coupe to be given away at the museum on Labor Day week-end. Judy will be giving NCM pens to those who buy a raffle ticket from her.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke announced that the NCCC Convention will be held August 8-14, 2009 in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

He also reminded members that NCCC offers scholarships-see Rich for application forms. *Blue Bars*, NCCC's quarterly publication, is always looking for club articles. Let Rich know if you have something to submit.

Rich proudly announced that his '73 red big block coupe "The Lady" received Top Flight honors at the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) convention which was held in St. Charles, Missouri in July. Congratulations, Rich, for a job well done!

Website Report

Everyone was reminded that pictures of members with their cars are still needed for the "Class of 2008" photo folder on the website. Send pictures to Jerry Craig. Be sure to include member names for correct identification.

Sponsor's Report

No report was available. Roger Ruengert gave a good recommendation for Corvette work done and service provided by Lynch.

Announcements and Correspondence

Ron announced that the club had won an award for our participation in the Webster Groves' 4th of July parade. The award was displayed this evening. A thank-you card was received from banquet manager Tammy Ortmaan and her family for the plant and sympathy card sent by the club. Ron also provided an update on Kevin and Jamie Smull's adoption plans.

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee – Carl Ballinger, Marty Dooley, and Tammy Walker volunteered to serve on this year's nominating committee. They will assemble a potential slate of officers for November 4th elections. Ron reminded members that not all current board members would be able or interested in serving on the board for the coming year. Ron also reminded everyone that dues will need to be paid prior to voting at the November meeting. Dues may be paid starting at the September meeting. Membership cards will be available at that time.

Budget Committee – Ron will give final VA receipts to Sara Gibson.

Charities Committee – Jan Murray had no report to give.

Christmas Party – The evening of Saturday, December 13th has been reserved for the club Christmas Party. It will be held at the Sunset Lakes Banquet Center, as it was last year. Sharon Ballinger, Armynta Craig, Judy Dooley, Bev DuPont, and Karen Price have volunteered to serve on the party committee. A reminder that there will be no regular business meeting in December.

Ron reminded everyone to purchase their 50/50 tickets.

Prior Events

July 4 – Webster Groves parade

July 20-25 - NCRS Convention in St. Charles, Missouri

Rich Luebcke said that it took seven hours to judge his Top Flight winning '73 coupe. Judging was done by five teams made up of two people each. Rich said that NCRS is definitely true to the credo of preservation of the Corvette.

July 27 – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

July 31–August 3 - Vettes on the Rockies

Marty Dooley said that 20 cars went. It was “a great experience with a few minor details”. Memorable moments included beautiful scenery and the pizza guru (a.k.a. Ruth Howard). Carl Ballinger was recognized for deer hunting with his car but without a license while Dave Ehrhard was admonished for parking his Corvette in a blind spot. A special collection was shared with Jeff Craig as he relived his special vacation memories!

Congratulations to Peggy Craig for placing 2nd in the autocross. Mike and Karen Price and Don and Angie Bradford won prizes for their participation in the Funkana. The Prices were also commended for being “on time” for VOTR!

Future Events

Sunday, August 17 – Second Annual Sunday Brunch at Miller's Grill in Washington, Missouri

Jerry and June Fain are coordinating this event. A sign-up sheet and information sheet are available this evening. Meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Walgreen's parking lot at Long Road and Airport Road in Chesterfield Valley. Plans are to leave at 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 23 – Boone Trail Car Show

Car show will be held from 4-8 p.m. at Bandanna's Bar-B-Q Restaurant at Mid Rivers Mall Drive at Highway 94 in St. Charles. Flyers were provided.

Saturday, August 23-Lafayette Square Movie Event

Ron Hagenow announced that he had received an email inviting the club to display their cars at a Lafayette Square showing of the movie “Cars”. Tentatively scheduled for 4-8 p.m. Check with Ron if you are interested in this.

Saturday, August 30 – Kiwanis Car Show in Columbia, Illinois

Club members Ron and June Huch's son is president of the Columbia Kiwanis organization. See Ron Hagenow after tonight's meeting for information on this car show.

Sunday, August 31 – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Frozen custard trip at Fritz's at Big Bend and old 141. Meet between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 2 – Club meeting at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center.

Sunday, September 7-Ohmes Farms Home Display

Ohmes Farms personnel contacted Ron Hagenow with an interest in having Corvettes on display at their model homes on the given date. Members did not express an interest in participating in this activity.

Wednesday, September 10, 2008 – Historic Motorama II

The Motorama will leave Bowling Green, Kentucky on the morning of September 10 and will come through the St. Louis area later that day, enroute to Indianapolis. Carl Ballinger said that he will plan to set up a hospitality tent and provide snacks for Motorama participants at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Collinsville, Illinois. Members of Looking Glass Corvette Club and OCC (Original Corvette Club) will also participate. Carl has not yet received a reply from the Boone Trail and Route 66 clubs. An arrival time for the Motorama is not yet known but Carl anticipates that it will probably be late afternoon or early evening. Let Carl know if you will plan to participate.

One Corvette from every model year will be participating in the Motorama and may be viewed. It was decided at the July meeting to provide one oval club pin to each participating car. After discussion, it was decided this evening to also give STLCC can koozies to all Motorama participants. Final destination of the Motorama is GM's Milford Proving Ground in Milford, Michigan.

Friday-Sunday, September 19-21 – Funfest at Effingham, Illinois

Marty Dooley will have details at the September 2 meeting. He will plan for 30 parking spots.

Saturday, September 27 – Boone Trail Benefit Golf Outing

Gary Murray said that this event will be held to benefit a paralyzed nephew of one of the Boone Trail club members.

The four-man scramble will be held at the Wentzville Golf Club. \$100 per person to participate. Holes can also be sponsored for \$100 each. Fees are tax deductible. Contact Gary Murray for more information.

Sunday, September 28 – Club Picnic

More information to be given at the September meeting.

October 2-5, 2008 – Eureka Springs, Arkansas Corvette Week-End

Some members are planning to leave Thursday morning, October 2, from the McDonald's on I44. More details to follow.

October 17-19, 2008 - Covered Bridge Festival, Indiana

Six couples from our club had previously signed up for this activity. Patty Craig said that due to the large turnout for this event, hotel rooms must be booked well in advance. It was decided not to pursue this as a club event this year but may try to coordinate for future years.

Saturday, October 18, 2008 – 2nd Annual Club Hayride

Angie Bradford announced that the hayride will be held at the same place as last year with plenty of hot dogs and chili available. More details to follow.

2009 Corvette Caravan

Carl Ballinger reminded everyone to put this event on next year's calendar. Regional caravans will depart late August to early September and will plan to arrive at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky for Caravan festivities there on September 3-5, 2009.

Ron said that he will look into the possibility of having a car show in September or October (2008) at Lynch.

Old Business

Have one cooler available for purchase for \$18 and can koozies available for \$1.50 each. As mentioned previously, can koozies will be given to Motorama participants in September.

Ron will place an order for club throws based on sign up list. Plan to pay for the afghans at the September meeting. Ron will contact Sara Gibson and arrange to pre-pay the order with one club check. Throws will be \$32 each.

We will plan to have a representative from Midwest Monograms come to the September 2nd meeting so that members can place orders for club apparel. All orders will need to be pre-paid so bring your checkbook to the meeting. Board members will plan to bring ordered merchandise to a club meeting so that members will not need to pick up items individually at the store.

New Business

Peggy Craig highly recommended the SCCA PDX Precision Driving Xperience at Gateway International Raceway in Madison, Illinois.

50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Jeff Craig who won \$71.00 in the 50/50 drawing. Guest Sarah Heckler drew the winning ticket. Thanks to everyone who continues to offer support by purchasing tickets.

Dessert – Special thanks to Roger and Bonnie Ruengert for providing this month's cake. Ron and Carol Miesner have volunteered to provide the September meeting dessert.

Judy Dooley moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Rich Luebcke. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 2 at 7 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Doors will open at 5:30 and buffet will be served at 6:00 for those interested in purchasing dinner prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow





WE'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR SPONSOR FOR HELPING OUR MEMBERS FIND THEIR DREAM CAR OR ASSISTING THOSE WITH THE CARE THAT THEIR CARS DESERVE.

Here is a list of upcoming events and other information:

On August 30th there is a car show in Columbia, IL sponsored by the Kiwanis. Ron and June Huch's son organizes it and after attending last year I can say there are a lot of beautiful cars. If you need an further information please contact either myself or Ron. The show is on Main Street in Columbia and it runs from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

On August 31st is our monthly Fritz's cruise. Meet about 6:15-6:30 pm.

On September 10th the Motorama II will be coming through the St. Louis area. Carl Ballinger is making plans for this event at the Collinsville IL Holiday Inn. We plan on having our tent up and meeting there sometime in the afternoon or evening. It will be your chance to see at least one of every year Corvette. And our own Rich and Theresa Luebcke will be on the Motorama. More information at the meeting.

On September 20th is Mid-America's Funfest in Effingham, IL. Marty Dooley is getting parking spots for 30 cars so please let him know if you want to attend. More information will be at the next meeting.

On September 28th is our annual club picnic. Jerry and Armynta Craig are planning this event and there will be more information at the next meeting.

The first weekend in October is our annual trip to Eureka Springs, AR. Also in October, possibly the 18th we will have our annual hayride. We will discuss these all at future meetings.

I hope to have the calendar on our website updated in the next couple of days.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 2nd at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. And plan on spending some money. We will begin dues collection for 2008-2009 (remember dues are \$75 per couple), those that ordered a club afghan will need to pay for it at the meeting (\$32.00) and we will have representatives from Midwest Monogram available for anyone that wants to order club clothing. So as you can see there will be plenty of opportunities for you to spend your money **SO BRING YOUR CHECKBOOKS!!!**

As always please let me know if you need any information.

Ron



SEE WHAT I HAD
TO PUT UP WITH

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM
Judy Dooley - Ambassador



Thanks to all who have bought tickets this year for the NCM Corvette raffle. Good luck to everyone. This is a good way to help support the museum.

The NCM is involved with some of the countries best auto museums. One benefit for being an upper-level member of the Corvette Museum is the free admission to these museums...

- AUBURN-CORD-DUESENBERG MUSEUM -- Auburn, In.
- BLACKHAWK AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM -- Danville, Cal.
- IMPERIAL PALACE AUTO COLLECTION -- Las Vegas, Nev.
- THE HARRAH COLLECTION -- Reno, Nev.
- NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM -- Bowling Green, Ky.
- PETERSON AUTO MUSEUM -- Las Angeles, Cal.
- SAN DIEGO AUTO MUSEUM -- San Diego, Cal.

Remember to check out NCM websight. (www.corvettemuseum.com)
Always some thing going on...

Judy Dooley - NCM Ambassador



St. Louis Corvette Club
Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Sara
Gibson

Balance July 30, 2008 \$

Income:

50/50	\$71.00
Tammy Walker Nametag	\$10.00

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Disbursements:

Donuts - Drive Corvette to Work	\$21.16
NCCC Membership - Barron	\$45.00
VA Gift Bags (Bradford)	\$269.39
Missouri Annual Non-Profit Renewal	\$10.00

Total disbursements: \$345.55

Club End. Bal. August 24, 2008 \$



SOME CAME TO RACE—ANGIE WAS A RACING ANIMAL AND PEGGY SHOWED THEM ALL HOW TO DO IT—KAREN AND I JUST LOOK GOOD IN HELMETS





SOME CAME FOR THE SCENERY





SOME CAME FOR THE CARS
(DIDN'T WE ALL)

SOME CAME FOR
THE SHEER
TERROR (SHE
DIDN'T LET GO OF
ANYTHING AND
STAYED ON THE
CELL PHONE THE
WHOLE TIME)





EUREKA SPRINGS CORVETTE WEEKEND

SOME UPCOMING EVENTS—BOTH VERY MUCH FUN—MAYBE A
MUST BUT NEVER A BUST



RELIVE THE CHALLENGE AT
MID AMERICA MOTORWORKS 15TH ANNUAL CORVETTE FUNFEST
SEPTEMBER 19-21, 2008



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