St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

December, 2006

Next Meeting Jan. 2, 2007







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St. Louis Corvette Club Website

www.stlcorvettes.net

National Council of Corvette Clubs

www.corvettesnccc.ord

National Corvette Museum

www.corvettemuseum.com

Boon Trail Corvette Club

www.boontrailcc.com

Looking Glass Corvette Club

www.jackschmitt.com

Original Corvette Club

www.occofstl.com

Route 66 Corvette Club

www.route66corvetteclub.com

ON THE COVER
IT WAS A COLD DAY AT THE
VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

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Greetings,

There's a saying that there's no feeling quite like when the ice cream falls off the cone. If you've experienced this you know that in an instant your whole attitude changes from happiness to sorrow. Then, in a few moments, life resumes as we know it but you always remember that feeling as the scoop of ice cream fell.

Another saying is that there's nothing as cool as the other side of the pillow. I can't argue with the theory, but in the past year, I know of at least three moments that were "cool" beyond compare and I hope they mean as much to you as they do to me. One such time was at the Sponsor's Car Show in the fall when the Transport full of C-6's pulled onto the lot to deliver a white convertible. Another special point in time was on Veteran's Day at the VA Hospital with the cars decorated with flags along the street lined with flags. The sight was compelling. And finally, to experience driving 2.5 miles around the track at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Not many spectators but you could "feel the history and the excitement".

The feelings and the memories were made possible by the members of this club, the manufacturer of these cars, and by the people who have served to make our country what it is today.

Have a safe holiday season so we can do it all again next year. Wishing one and all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Rick F.

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St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting November7, 2006- Hessler's Pub

The meeting was called to order by President Rick Frierdich at 7:05 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. All club officers and chairpersons were introduced.

Guests in attendance tonight were Michelle Paillou who is here for her second visit and plans to join the club. Rick made the following announcements:

He thanked everyone for attending this meeting and encouraged everyone to sign in if they hadn't done so on the attendance record.

2007 dues needed to be paid now if you wish to be eligible to participate in the club elections that are about to take place. Ballots were distributed and collected by the committee to be counted.

Roger Ruengert had 50/50 tickets for sale.

Rick encouraged questions or suggestions to improve our club to be sent to any board member.

Photos of members, their cars, or events were encouraged to be submitted to Bill Dotson or Rick to be forwarded to our new Webmaster- Mr. Jerry Craig, to be placed on the Club Website. Jerry will have some information to share about the progress of the website upgrade very soon.

The committee of Carl Ballinger, Ron Hagenow and Charlie Miget presented proposals to our by-laws. Anyone with suggestions for the committee should please refer to Carl, Ron or Charlie. He reported that the new Board would then be responsible for reviewing the changes and make their recommendations probably at the next meeting which is scheduled for January 2nd, 2007.

It was then announced that we had a tie for the Vice President position and it was decided by the board to redistribute the ballots and have everyone vote again for that position. This was done and the committee repeated the new count. Thanks to our committee members June Fain, June Huch and Susan Frierdich.

Treasure's report: Jerry Fain presented his report – a motion was made by Jean DuPont to accept the report and was seconded by Peggy Craig.

Secretary's report: The minutes were read to the attendees by Karen Price. It was noted that the NCAA event for Oct. 14th &15th were left off of the coming events. It was noted to add to the meeting notes. A motion was made by Judy Dooley to approve them and seconded by Ron Hagenow.

Membership Report: Jackie Miget reported that we currently have 51 members, 3 mailing members and 2 honorary members. The Monthly Birthdays and Anniversaries were reviewed.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's report: Judy Dooley relayed several Christmas stocking stuffer ideas i.e. The Museum delivery experience of your car- cost \$350 and also raffle tickets available for a new 2007 Victory Red Convertible that would be held at the April C5-C6 Bash-cost \$10.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's report: Carl Ballinger gave an update on our participation in the speed event with Route 66 that was held Oct.14/15th- 50 cars/event with 10 events total. Our own speed queens- Tammy and Peggy took 1st and 2ne in their divisions. He had NCCC patches available for \$3. He reminded everyone to fill out a waiver form for events. Next year's the meeting will be held in Nashville, TN. **Prior events:** VP Bill Dotson presented the following events:

Eureka Springs, Arkansas event held Oct 6-8th- Carl Ballinger reported that it was an event not to miss with a lot of activities and good people in attendance.

Oct 7th Boone Trail Auto Cross event in Wentzville was reported on by Peggy Craig.

Oct. 14-15th Speed Event was reported on by Charlie Miget- best event in 6yrs. 5 different Regions were represented, including 18 clubs. Next year it would be a 2 day event. Over 50 cars participated each day with 1200 runs/day. No incidents were reported.

Oct 22nd run to Dreamland Palace was reported on by Ron Meisner- a poker run was held with stops made at Rock City, quarries, lunch at Dreamland Palace and ice cream in Columbia, Ill. All had a great time.

Nov 5th run to Pierre Marquette was reported on by Ron Huch- 13 cars attended and enjoyed a ferry ride along with a pretty drive and wonderful lunch.

Future Events: Rich Luebcke and Bill Dotson presented the preview of coming events:

November 11th will be the Veteran's Day Parade-Rick Frierdich will be heading that up. Flyers were at each table with details. Ron Meisner reported that the club had purchased hooded sweatshirts for the patients to wear to PT. We would be bringing our cars back to the VA to display and also would provided ice cream and pies for the vets.

A motion was made to provide a TV for the spinal cord injury unit- the motion was made by Peggy Craig and seconded by Rich Luebcke. A vote was taken and it was passed to make this purchase also.

The Christmas Party is scheduled on Dec 9th at the Jilly's formerly the Berkshire Grill where it was held last year at a cost of \$25/person. Carl and Sharon Ballinger will need our menu choices within the next week. Please bring an unwrapped toy to share with a needy child.

Newsletter report: Mike Price announced that the due date would remain the 15th of the month for any information to be printed in the upcoming newsletter and he would still be late! He would provide the answers to the trivia questions from the previous newsletter.

Thank You: Rick thanked the club for allowing him to serve as the president for the past year. He then thanked the board for 2006 for all that they had done. He thanked the sponsors of the Thursday Night Dinners, the Sunday Brunches and everyone that had sponsored events and assisted in the planning and staging of events for the 2006 year. A great job was done by all.

Election Results:

The 2007 Board was presented:

President: Bill Dotson

Vice President: Ron Hagenow Secretary: Mary Ann Hagenow

Treasurer: Jerry Fain Membership: Patty Craig

Sergeant at Arms: Roger Ruengert

50/50 Raffle: \$59 was won by Chris Woods.

New Business:

A motion was made by June Fain to donate \$1000 to the cancer society of St. Louis- it was seconded by Bonnie Ruengert- vote passed.

Ron Hagenow reported that the Business cards would be on hold until we could determine who our sponsor would be for the upcoming year.

Bill Dotson will be coordinating the Thursday Night Dinners. Check the website for details.

Next meeting is scheduled to be held at 7pm on Tuesday January 2nd, 2007. Our Christmas party on December 9th will be held in place of our December meeting. Please bring an unwrapped toy to donate to the party.

Thanks to Ron and Carol Meisner for the delicious cake for us all to enjoy. Next month's cake will be brought by the Cox's.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Rich Luebcke and seconded by Jean DuPont at 8:30pm. Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Price Secretary 2006

Balance	Oct. 20, 2006	\$
Income:		
	Xmas Party	\$975.00
	Membership	\$1,838.00
	50/50 Monies	\$59.00
		\$
Disbursemer	nts:	
Xmas party		\$975.00
Newsletter (I	Mike Price)	\$51.62
NCCC		\$885.00
J+P Craig wedding present		\$60.23
Dir. of Rev. (License)		\$20.00
Midwest Monograms (Vet. shirts)		\$546.00
Incredible Engra. (name tags)		\$36.57
R. Frierdich	\$162.86	
St. Louis Car	\$1,000.00	
M. Dooley (V	\$104.85	
Club End. Ba	al. Nov. 20, 2006	\$

ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER SCHEDULE – 2006

December, 2006

Date	Restaurant	Location	Phone No.
12/7	C.J. Muggs	101 W. Lockwood	963-1976
12/14	Sesame Chinese Restaurant	10500 Watson Rd (1 block East of Lindberg on South side)	821-5038
12/21	Bella Sera Italian Grill	11686 Gravois (East of Lindberg on South Side)	849-9339
12/28	Senor Pique	14424 Manchester (West of 141 on South side)	636-394-3455

Bill Dotson

TRIVIA

- 1. If you ordered your Corvette with RPO C48 in 1967, that referred to:
- a. 4-speed transmission
- c. side-mount exhausts
- b. big block engine
- d. heater-defroster delete
- 2. In 1967 models, which engine option's air scoop pulled in the most air?
- a. L36
- d. L71
- b. L68
- e. L79
- c. L88
- 3. Which option shrunk to almost zero in orders by 1967?
- a. side exhaust
- c. big gas tank
- b. leather seats
- d. air conditioning
- 4. In 1967, the L71 435-hp option cost \$437.00. If you wanted aluminum heads as well, how much more did that add to the cost?
- a. \$20
- c. \$45
- b. \$368
- d. \$920
- 5. The '66 coupe looked fairly similar to the '65, but what gimmick on the '65 was eliminated by 1966?
- a. fender vents

- c. vents on the roof pillars
- b. hood hump on the big block
- d. wraparound rear window

ANSWERS

1-q, 2-c, 3-c, 4-b, 5-c

Proposed revisions to Saint Louis Corvette Club, Inc. by-laws. The proposed revisions are underscored.

Current: Article I, Section 2: PURPOSE OF THE CLUB

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<u>Current:</u> Article III, Section 2: **MEMBERSHIP STATUS** (5th bullet)

NCCC Membership: Any person who has paid dues to the NCCC and abides by the by-laws will be extended all of the rights and privileges offered by the NCCC.

Proposed Revision: Article III, Section 2: **MEMBERSHIP STATUS** (5th bullet)

NCCC Membership: All Saint Louis Corvette Club members will be NCCC members and will be extended all of the rights and privileges offered by the NCCC.

Current: Article III, Section 3: **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Membership dues for Corvette owner members shall be \$20.00 per person plus NCCC dues and an optional \$10.00 for "NCCC spouse" upon application for membership. This fee is to be paid prior to the November meeting. New members joining between September 1 and November 1 will be considered paid through November of the following year. Honorary members and club sponsors are exempt from these fees.

Proposed Revision: Article III, Section 3: MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership dues for Corvette owner members shall be \$20.00 per person plus NCCC dues upon application for membership. This fee is to be paid prior to the start of the November meeting. New members joining between June 1 and August 31 will pay one half (½) current membership dues plus NCCC dues upon application for membership. New members joining between September 1 and November 1 will be considered paid through November of the following year. Honorary members and club sponsors are exempt from these fees.

<u>Current:</u> Article III, Section 5: **EXPULSION** (3rd bullet)

Removal of member:

- a. delinquent dues 30 day grace
- b. missing 50% of club meetings unless some notification to membership chairperson.
- c. physical confrontation
- d. verbal abuse/and or disrespect to others
- e. smoking during meeting
- f. does not own Corvette for 1 year
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Current: Article VI, Section 8: **DUTIES OF NCCC GOVERNOR**

The Governor shall serve as the Club representative to the National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc. He/She shall keep members informed of all important issues being acted upon including any changes to the rulebook, etc. The Governor shall keep members advised of the events being held within the Region and should encourage members to attend other club's events. The Governor shall also remind members of the renewal date for NCCC membership. He/She shall process all renewal forms as received from the Membership Officer and shall be responsible for signing new NCCC members within the club. The Governor shall be responsible for working with the Regional Competition Director for scheduling events and for submitting completed event results as required by the Regional Competition Director.

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Other considerations for vote:

1. Move "Sponsor" section from Article I, Section 2 to Article II

Other considerations that may/may not require vote:

- 1. Add date of revisions to by-laws.
- 2. Article VI, Section 1: **DUTIES OF PRESIDENT** Currently says:

The President duties shall include but not limited to the following.

Re-word to say:

The President's duties shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 3. Typographical correction: Article VI, Section 6: change "perspective" to "prospective".
- 4. Article VI, Section 7, first sentence: change "will be" to "shall be"
- 5. Article VI, Section 9, first sentence: change "may be" to "shall be"
- 6. Article VI, Section 10, first sentence: change "may be" to "shall be"
- 7. Article VI, Section 12, first sentence: change "may be" to "shall be"
- 8. Article VI. Section 14. first sentence: change "may be" to "shall be"

PICTURES THAT DIDN'T MAKE THE NEWSLETTER



I'M TELLING YOU THE KEYS JUMP OUT OF MY HAND, SLAMMED THE DOOR AND STARTED THE CAR

HEY JEFF, BUDDY, PAL, HERO— MAKE IT RUN-AND I'LL BLOW IN YOUR EAR SOME MORE

2006 St. Louis Corvette Club Holiday Party

The Third Annual St. Louis Corvette Club Holiday Party will be held on Saturday December 9, 2006 at Jilly's Café and Steakhouse. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. This is the former Berkshire Restaurant where our Holiday Party was held last year. There are new owners who have a lot of experience in the restaurant business, most recently with Harry's on Market.

This year we will have a selection of three menu items.

- 1. Shrimp & Clam Linguini in Olive Oil, Butter and Garlic Sauce
- 2. 12 oz. Peppered Sirloin topped with Brandied Peppercorn Sauce
- 3. Chicken Gisi with Ham, Cheese and Creamy Spinach Artichoke Sauce

All dinner entree's include your choice of one dinner selection, Caesar Salad, Cheddar Potato Casserole, Seasoned Green Beans and rolls and a beverage. Pasta is served with a salad, rolls and a beverage.

Cost will be \$25.00 per person.

You can arrive earlier if you desire to have a drink, socialize, watch this past year on TV, etc.

Because the November meeting is our last club meeting before the Party we must have an attendance list and your money at the meeting.

The restaurant is located at 1630 Gravois, Rd. in High Ridge. The easiest way to locate the restaurant is to go West on Highway 30 for approximately 4 miles past Highway 141. Turn left at the light onto Little Brennen Rd. There is a Quik –Trip gas station at this light. The restaurant is located behind the Quik-Trip in a small plaza past just the stop sign.

Call Carl if any questions.

Carl Ballinger 636-677-0659



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Why NCCC?

There are several benefits in joining the nccc with the foremost reason being the \$1,000,000 insurance policy for club sponsored events.

In addition to the insurance coverage there is a magazine named "blue bars" that is published 4 times a year. This magazine covers news from all 16 regions around the country and also has some event coverage.

The nccc raises money each year to contribute to worthy organizations such as the national kidney foundation – last year over \$121,000 was donated to this organization.

There is a competition program that includes such events as timed races (autocross – both high and low speed), drag races, ralleys, concours, icekhanas, economy runs and funkhanas. Participants earn points based on their order of finish in each event. There are both regional and national points that can be earned. To be a national point leader means you must attend many, many events and spend a great deal of time and money while on the road. We can hold these type of events but we have to keep in mind that these events are attended by many corvetter's who are after points and we have to be exact in what we do at these events. The nccc also hosts a national convention every year with clubs submitting proposals to the governors to vote on. Next year the national convention is in Nashville, tn. With Tulsa, ok. Being the only club to date to submit a bid for 2008. these conventions generally last about a week with most of the events listed above and partying and other social activities.

Carl Ballinger Governor



CARL SIMPLE QUESTION HERERUG OR GRASS?

DID YOU USE A GRASS OR RUG RAKE WHEN YOU WERE DONE?

OVER SEEDED OR PLUSH



A COLD DAY FOR THE VETERAN'S DAY PARADE. SOME PICTURES FROM THE PARADE AND THEN A COUPLE AT THE HOSPITAL





JERRY HAVING A LITTLE FUN

LES HAVING A LITTLE FUN ALSO

PICTURES FROM THE PIERRE MARQUETTE RUN OR SHOULD I SAY FERRIED



Meeting Location

Hessler's Pub 11804 Tesson Ferry

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

Next meeting

TUESDAY JANUARY, 2ND @ 7 PM

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

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