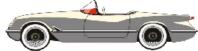
## St. Louis Corvette Club



## Gateway News

December, 2008

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www.stlcorvettes.net

**National Council of Corvette Clubs** 

www.corvettesnccc.ord

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www.corvettemuseum.com

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www.route66corvetteclub.com

#### **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

#### Past President Letter

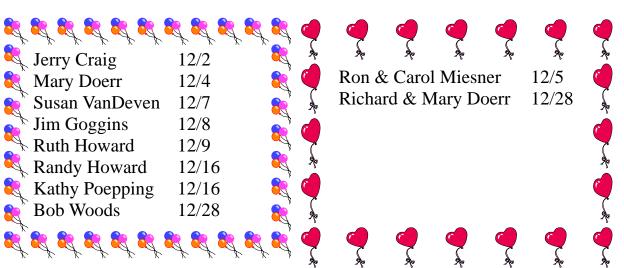
I just want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your cooperation this past year. I also want to thank Bill Dotson for his leadership as President for 18 months prior to my term. As always you continue to prove we are the best Corvette club in St. Louis. Best wishes to the new Board members and I am sure you will continue to support them as you have supported the current Board. Our club revolves around our friendship and activities which bind us together in enjoying the greatest American sports car.

Mary Ann and I want to wish each of you a Happy New Year and Happy Vetting!

Ron

## BIRTHDAYS

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**



# Gateway To Fun

#### St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

#### November 4, 2008 – Sunset Lakes Banquet Center

President Ron Hagenow called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and then led the membership in saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Ron welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. Current officers were introduced - vice president Jeff Craig, secretary Mary Ann Hagenow, treasurer Sara Gibson, and sergeant at arms Roger Ruengert. Also introduced were sponsor Mike Dean from Lynch Hummer, past president Rick Frierdich, National Corvette Museum ambassador Judy Dooley, NCCC governor Rich Luebcke, Charity Committee Chair Jan Murray, and newsletter editor Mike Price. Membership chairman Angie Bradford, immediate past president Bill Dotson and webmaster Jerry Craig were not in attendance. Ron reminded everyone to sign in, check the table for activity fliers, announcements, and cake sign up for 2009, and to purchase their 50/50 tickets.

#### Introduction of Guest

Guest Ron Hagen was welcomed. He has four Corvettes, including his driver- a yellow '02, and three '89s. Ron plans to join the club this evening. Welcome!

#### Announcements

Dave Davidson proudly announced that he was recently listed as "Stinker of the Week" on the Grand Sport Registry due to his e-bay (!) purchase of a '96 skunk. Dave picked up the car in Florida and proceeded to take 3<sup>rd</sup> place with it in a car show at Roger's Corvette Center in Orlando. The car boasted only 16,500 miles at purchase.

Membership in the unofficial "Oh, deer!" club is growing. Tammy Walker and Sharon Ballinger recently joined this elite group, thanks to area wildlife. Fortunately, neither Tammy nor Sharon were injured in the incidents.

Special congratulations to Rich Luebcke upon his recent retirement from GM after 43 years with the company.

Dave Ehrhard is recovering from a recent medical procedure and is doing well.

#### Treasurer's Report

Sara Gibson read the treasurer's report which was not included in the November newsletter. Beginning balance on September 27, 2008 was \$3,175.38. Income included membership fees of \$2,215.00 (representing 26 couples, 2 singles, and 5 associate members), a Christmas dinner payment of \$30.00, and a \$1.00 donation. Disbursements included September newsletter expenses-\$28.57, wreath for club picnic-\$50.00, picnic supplies and pavilion charges-\$100.26, cookies for Motorama-\$30.00 for total disbursements of \$208.83. The ending balance after disbursements and as of November 1, 2008 was \$5,212.55. Rich Luebcke moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Tammy Walker provided a second to the motion which was then approved by the membership.

#### Secretary's Report

Jean DuPont moved to accept the minutes from the October 7, 2008 meeting as published in the November newsletter. Jerry Fain provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

#### Membership Report

Ron Hagenow recognized November birthdays and anniversaries in Angie Bradford's absence. Steve Lyle's November 30<sup>th</sup> birthday was inadvertently omitted from the newsletter.

#### National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported that the Museum will be decorating café tabletops with images of Museum members' cars. There is space for 279 images. To participate, send a digital image of your car in either jpg or tiff format. Your name, city, state, car make and color are also needed. There is a \$50 charge per photo display space. Deadline is November 24, 2008 at 5 p.m. See the Museum website for additional information. Judy has \$10 raffle tickets available for the Victory Red Coupe to be given away on January 8, 2009.

#### National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke announced that there will be a Governors Meeting in St. Louis the week-end of November 15-16, 2008. Hagerty's fall car club e-newsletter features an article on FCOA. Sponsor's Report

Mike Dean announced that he will be attending a Pujols Foundation dinner at the end of November and will hope to have a tentative date for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual 2009 Pujols/Lynch Hummer off-road event.

Website Report - No report.

#### Committee Reports

Nominating Committee – Ballots were distributed for election of officers. Thanks to Carl Ballinger, Marty Dooley, and Tammy Walker for serving as this year's nominating committee.

Budget Committee - No report.

#### **Charities Committee**

Jan Murray distributed forms which may be used to nominate charities to support in 2009. These forms will be due in January. Jan said she will submit a form for Fisher House. It is not necessary to nominate the Pujols Foundation, the VA, or Veterans' Garden as these will automatically be supported. Voting on the charity will take place in February.

Christmas Party – The Christmas party will be held in the evening on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Cost of the party will be \$30 per person, payable in advance but no later than December 5. A cash bar will be available. Hors d'oeuvres will be served from 6-7 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner, program, and social. The party is a "dress up" occasion. Fliers are available. A wish list of needed toys and items for patients at Ranken Jordan Children's Hospital is available this evening. Each member is asked to bring at least one new, unwrapped item from the wish list for specific children or the hospital in general. Gift tags for items for specific children should be included but gifts should not be wrapped. Please let Ron Hagenow know of specific gifts that you will shop for so that efforts may be coordinated. Thanks to Sharon Ballinger, Armynta Craig, Judy Dooley, Bev DuPont, and Karen Price for volunteering to serve on the party committee. Please remember that there will be no regular business meeting in December.

#### 50/50 Raffle

Roger Ruengert encouraged greater participation in each month's 50/50 raffle. A second drawing will be held this evening for a copy of this year's Funfest book. Special thanks to Roger for graciously donating \$65 towards this month's raffle.

**Future Events** 

Saturday, November 8 – Veteran's Day Parade

Rick Frierdich is coordinating this event. There will be a pre-parade ceremony with parade beginning at noon in downtown St. Louis. We will transport the Mayor of St. Louis as well as 6 Gold Star Mothers. The car club is parade unit #34, Gold Star Mothers-unit #33. Plan to meet at the JCPenney lot in Marshall's Plaza on Lindbergh on Saturday morning for caravan to parade site. Plans have been made for lunch at Tucker's Place at 141 & Manchester Road for those interested. Have approximately 22 cars participating. Mike Dean offered use of Hummer.

Saturday, November 15 - Liver Week

Gary Murray is event coordinator. Meet at World's Fair Pavilion at Forest Park at 8:30 a.m. Will need help cooking food. Not necessary to walk.

Saturday, December 13 – Club Christmas Party

September 2-5, 2009 - Corvette Caravan

Members will be "on their own" for booking rooms in Effingham, Illinois. Plan to reserve rooms early. Marty Dooley has 20 rooms available for Labor Day Week-End 2009 at the Super 8 in Cave City, about 20 miles north of the National Corvette Museum. As of now, all hotel rooms in Bowling Green have been booked. Let Marty or Judy Dooley know if you need a room.

**Prior Events** 

October 11-12 - Route 66 Autocross

Tammy Walker and Peggy Craig "tore up the track" on Saturday. Jeff and Jerry Craig participated on Sunday.

October 18, 2008 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Club Hayride

Thanks to Don and Angie Bradford for coordinating this event. "Cold beer, more cold beer, and a mixed pot of chili" were enjoyed by all. May consider just a campfire for next year as few people showed for the havride. The club will cover the cost of the second wagon which was not needed.

October 26 - Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Thanks to Peggy Craig for planning this year's Fritz's runs. 8 Corvettes, a PT cruiser, Cadillac and a really cute dog made this last custard run successful!

**New Business** 

Judy Dooley announced that the recent issue of American Sportscar Magazine included names of several St. Louis Corvette Club members. Contact NCM for a copy if needed.

**Election Results** 

The results of the club elections were announced by the nominating committee. Congratulations to the newly elected officers for 2009: Theresa Luebcke-president, Jeff Craig-vice president, Jane Ehrhard-secretary, Sara Gibson-treasurer, and Jean DuPont-sergeant at arms. Thanks to Michelle Paillou for running as a candidate and to all of the outgoing officers.

Dessert – Special thanks to Ron and June Huch for providing this month's cake. A 2009 cake sign-up list was provided this evening.

Guest Ron Hagen drew Sharon Ballinger's winning 50/50 ticket. Dave Davidson won the Funfest book. President Ron Hagenow thanked everyone for a great year!

Special reminders: Christmas party, Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. There will be a special brunch/planning meeting held on Sunday, January 11, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. This will take the place of the regular January meeting. Jean DuPont moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Rich Doerr.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow Secretary 2008

At the last meeting we had election of officers for 2009. Your new officers are: Theresa Luebcke – President, Jeff Craig – Vice President, Jane Ehrhard – Secretary, Sara Gibson – Treasurer, Ruth Howard – Membership and Jean DuPont – Sergeant at Arms. Congratulations to all our new officers!

Just a reminder that there is no regular meeting in December. We skip the meeting for the Christmas party. Our next meeting will be a Sunday Brunch and Planning Meeting to be held at Sunset Lakes on January 11, 2009. I believe the start time is 11:30 am. You will get another email with the firm details.

Finally, I believe Bill Dotson would join me in thanking you for allowing us to serve the club as your President this past year. It is sometimes a little hectic but it is an excellent way of getting to know you all a little better. It has been a privilege and honor to serve you this past year. If you have not done so yet, I urge you to consider becoming an officer or sponsoring an event. It isn't hard.

Again, thank you.

Ron

Balance No	vember 1, 2008	
Income:		
Chr	ub Renewals* istmas Dinner cks not mailed 50/50	\$315.00 \$1,350.00 \$105.00 \$111.00
Disbursements:		
Newsletters October Hayride NCCC renewals		\$37.94 \$225.00
for club members Gillan Graphics Awards Flowers for Christmas F	Party	\$1,265.00 \$749.06 \$73.57 \$24.12
Total disbursements:	,	\$2,374.69
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<sup>\*3</sup> couples, 2 single





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