

The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter

November 2011

Upcoming Events

November 1 STLCC Monthly Meeting

November 5 Veteran's Day Parade

November 6 Castelli's Moonlight

Restaurant Run

November 12 Horstmeyer's Oil Change

Party

November 13 Miller's Grill Run

December 3 STLCC Christmas Party

2012 Election Slate President:

Kevin Bayliss, Marty Dooley

Vice President: Charlie Miget, Michael Zlatic

Treasurer:
Rick Doerr

Sergeant at Arms:

Dave Horstmeyer

Secretary: Mary Ann Hagenow

Membership:

Ron Hagenow



It's Election Time!

Many thanks to the dedicated Club members listed at left who agreed to step up and serve our organization in 2012. If you are interested in serving or nominating another member, please contact **Armynta Craig**, **Judy Dooley** or **Rich Luebcke** prior to the November meeting. Remember, your dues for 2012 must be paid before you can vote!



President's Column



Well, fall is here. I thought things were supposed to slow down this time of the year, but not with our club. Just look back about a month or so. We had so many chances to get together with our club friends. Besides our regular meeting, the ladies had a run, there was Funfest, a covered bridge run, a great picnic with a poker run, a bonfire, Eureka Springs, and our chili cook-off at our fall car show at ELCO.

That is some of what we did for the first half of fall. Coming up, we have more fall events to do. A run to The Blue Owl, Corvettes and Warbirds, another ice cream run, the Veterans Parade, and even a member is calling an oil change party. As you can see, our club members enjoy getting together in many ways to socialize.

We do have some business to take care of this next meeting. Please have your dues paid for so we can get that part out of the way. Then we will have an election of officers for next year. Thanks to all who added their names to be put on the ballot. It's great to see our club members step-up to help out our club. Good luck to all.

Drive carefully,

Marty Dooley

President - 2011

2011 Officers

President: Marty Dooley

Immediate Past President: Randy Howard

Vice President: Charlie Miget

Secretary: Mary Ann Hagenow

Treasurer: Ann Brown

Sergeant-at-Arms: Carl Ballinger

Membership: Ron Hagenow

Webmaster: Jerry Craig



National Corvette Museum Ambassador: **Judy Dooley**, 314.894.0303



National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor: Rich Luebcke, 636.532.9620



What we've been up to

Picnic, Bonfire, Eureka Springs, Elco Car Show & Chili Cook-Off



Member Fun

Elco Car Show & Chili Cook-Off Winners!



First Place – Bob Woods with his'64 Stingray convertible



Second Place – Ron & Carol Miesner with their all-original silver '96 Targa collector's edition



Third Place – Carl Ballinger and his bright yellow 2007 Z06

Congratulations to all our winners and thank you to Elco for sponsoring a great event!

Corvette Trivia

- 1. The ZR1 (C4 edition) had a lot of power when introduced. What was one of Chevy's hot rod tricks for more horses?
 - a. Chop and channel
 - b. Nose and deck
 - c. Hand porting
 - d. Tuck and roll
- 2. In 1992 a new Corvette chief engineer was named. Can you pick him out of this list of famous Corvette personalities?
 - a. Zora Arkus-Duntov
 - b. Joe Pike
 - c. Jerry Palmer
 - d Dave Hill
 - e. Dave McLellan
- 3. With a 1963 Corvette, what rare option could you show your car with that looks wrong, but is technically correct?
 - a. 2-bar knock-offs
 - b. 3-bar knock-offs
 - c. vinyl-covered hardtop
- 4. The first year of the Sting Ray production car saw several racetrack-themed colors. Which one is NOT a 1963 color?
 - a Mulsanne Marooon
 - b. Daytona Blue
 - c. Riverside Red
 - d. Sebring Silver
- 5. In 1962 the side view of the Corvette was enhanced by what factory accessory?
 - a Sidemount exhaust
 - h Dayton wire wheels
 - c. Vinyl-covered hardtop
 - d. Rocker panel molding of ribbed aluminum

Thanks to Membership Chair **Ron Hagenow** for supplying the Corvette Trivia Questions! Answers can be found on page 9.

RUTH'S AWESOME CHILI

Congratulations to **Ruth Howard** for winning the Chili-Cookoff! Ruth has graciously agreed to share her prize recipe with our Club.

Ingredients

3 lbs ground chuck 1 can Rotel Diced Tomatoes
1 large onion, diced 1 can Hunt's Tomato Sauce
1 T minced fresh garlic 1 cup dark brown sugar
2 T chili powder 3 T chopped jalapenos (from jar)

1 can Hunt's Tomato Sauce "Just for Chili"

1 large can Brooks Hot Chili Beans

Directions

Salt and pepper ground chuck, add diced onion and garlic. Brown meat and drain. In large pot, add tomato sauces, beans, chili powder and jalapenos. Once the mixture is heated through, add brown sugar. Cook chili for 40 minutes on low and serve. Enjoy!

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Trophy presentation at Elco Car Show & Chili Cook-Off

Meeting Minutes

Couldn't make it to the meeting? Find out what you missed (or what we volunteered you for) here. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at Sunset Hills Banquet Center. 13366 W. Watson Road. 5:30 p.m. open bar, 6 p.m. buffet dinner (\$12), and 7 p.m. meeting.

Oct. 4, 2011 - Sunset Lakes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by president Marty Dooley. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Marty welcomed everyone and introduced the current officers, NCCC governor Rich Luebcke, NCM ambassador Judy Dooley, newsletter editor Amy Zlatic, and sponsor representative Mark Gerecke from Elco Chevrolet. Webmaster Jerry Craig was not present. Immediate past president Randy Howard was in transit. Members were reminded to check sign-up lists including the buffet list for the November meeting.

Guests

Associate members Jim and Sharon Love from Lebanon, Indiana were welcomed. In response to the inevitable question of what kind of car they have, Jim announced that they have a "black" one!

Marty reminded members that the Loves were responsible for our club participation in the opening day festivities at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on May 6, 2006.



Meeting Minutes

Jeff Craig moved to accept the minutes from the September 6, 2011 meeting as published in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Jean **DuPont** and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Ann Brown presented the treasurer's report dated October 4, 2011. Bob Woods moved to accept the report with a second by Jeff Craig and acceptance by the membership.

Membership Report

Ron Hagenow reported that there are currently 90 regular club members, 15 associate members, and 1 honorary lifetime member. New associate members are Frank and Nancy Ellis, friends of Paul and Kathy Craig. Frank is retired from GM. He and Nancy will be at Eureka Springs. November birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged. Ron also reminded everyone that dues are now being collected. The November meeting buffet will include turkey, ham, and sides.

Announcements

Jean DuPont will be retiring on October 28 - congratulations, Jean!

Marty shared thank you notes received from St. Mary's High School and the Moore/Howard families for the club's donation to the high school in memory of Ruth Howard's brother Tom Moore.

Craig Cobler's '68 was damaged when it caught on fire recently. Repairs are already underway.

Rich Luebcke announced that a recent publication of the NCRS (National Corvette Restorers Society) featured an article on **Don** Pickles' contributions to the local chapter of NCRS. Another article featured artist Dana Forrester.

Congratulations to the **Howards** and the **Dooleys** on their recent purchases! Randy and Ruth are the proud new owners of a 2012 Centennial Grand Sport convertible. Marty and Judy are the proud new owners of a 2012 Supersonic Blue Grand Sport convertible.

Not to be outdone...Jeff Craig announced that his racecar has its third new steering rack! All 300 miles have been on the track!

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee - See New Business section.

National Corvette Museum -Ambassador's Report

Contact Judy Dooley or use the link on our website to find out how to receive Museum E-news for regular museum updates sent to your email address. Please let Judy know if you are a museum membershe is updating her list. She is also selling \$10 raffle tickets for a 2012 torch red coupe to be raffled at the museum on February 2, 2012.

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These tickets make great stocking stuffers! Judy also reminded members that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Remind those you love to do their monthly exams.

National Council of Corvette Clubs - Governor's Report Rich Luebcke reported that:

- As of September there were 17,287 NCCC members in 265 clubs. The Tulsa Vette Set club is the largest with over 400 members. There are two new clubs in the Midwest Region.
- Over 870 attended the weeklong convention.
- Rule book changes will be voted on at the November 12th governors' meeting. Some changes include the Z07 tire choice, rally rules and hi speed licensing.

On the National level:

- One account is being moved to a different bank.
- The 2013 convention bid is currently for Bowling Green, Kentucky. The 2012 convention will be in Topeka, Kansas.
- Quarterly governors' meetings will be held in St. Louis until 2015. The next governors'

- meeting will be on Saturday, November 12.
- Insurance FAQs are now on the NCCC website.
- "NCCC Family Helping Family"
 program will be started. Program
 will help members when vehicles
 break down away from home.
 Each club is asked to recruit two
 members to assist-one being a
 mechanic with trailer access and
 the other being able to host
 overnight guests in their home.
 Contact Rich Luebcke if you are
 interested in helping with this new
 program.
- 20th NCM anniversary and caravan will be in 2014.
- NCRS has donated copies of archival information to NCM.
- NCCC budget will be voted on in November. Contact Rich if you would like a copy of the budget.
- Check the NCCC website for manufacturer discounts available to members.

Newsletter Report

Amy Zlatic thanked members for the information they send. Event planners should send a copy of event flyers to Amy for inclusion in the newsletter.

Website Report

Marty reported that **Jerry Craig** would like event planners to send him a copy of their event flyer for posting on the website.

Sponsor's Report

Mark Gerecke thanked everyone who came to the bonfire on October 1. He will try to reserve a spot to do a repeat bonfire in autumn of 2012. A sign-up is available for the upcoming car show on October 15. Elco will provide trophies for car show winners as well as chili cook-off winners.

Prior Events

September 10 – Josephine's Tea Room in Alton, Illinois Ruth Howard said participants "had a blast without the guys"! 10 Corvettes + 2 metal cars = a good time! Thanks to Ruth for planning this event.

September 16-18 – Funfest at Mid-America Motorworks in Effingham, Illinois

Congratulations to **Michelle Paillou** for winning a Celebrity Choice Award! There was a mix-up with the club parking arrangement. Club parking seems to be in areas farther away from the main event area. Will

November Birthdays & Anniversaries



Ron Miesner, November 1
Gary Murray, November 1
Karen Price, November 5
Vicki Bayliss, November 8
Ann Peick, November 12
Mike Ludlow, November 12
Patty Craig, November 28
Sharon Ballinger, November 30
Stephen Lyle, November 30

Michael & Paola Miget, November 12

Don & Anne Pickles, November 16

Larry & Elise Akins, November 23

Dick & Conita Shoulders, November 26

John & Cherie Hopson, November 27

Richard & Mary Doerr, November 28



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discuss the feasibility of doing club parking at 2012 Funfest at a future meeting.

September 17-20 - Covered Bridge
Festival in Park County, Indiana
Thanks to Terry and Irene Wilson
for planning this trip. Six cars made
the trip, which included several covered
bridges, one with an attached grist mill.
Would like to include this trip on the
2012 club calendar.

September 25 – Club Picnic and Poker Run at Quail Ridge Park in Wentzville Despite MODOT's best efforts at making the day a difficult one for all by closing area roads, about 42 members attended this year's picnic. The team of grandson Tyler and grandpa Jean DuPont proved unbeatable in this year's poker run! Participants thought the length of the poker run was good. Thanks to Marty Dooley for making the 1.5-hour chicken run! Special thanks to Elco for providing the chicken, and to all who provided side dishes and desserts.

October 1 – Hayride and Bonfire
Special thanks to sponsor rep Mark
Gerecke for planning this event and to
Elco for covering costs. About 38
attended and everyone enjoyed the
evening. Marty Dooley read a thank
you letter to Elco from the club and this
letter was presented to Mark. As
mentioned, Mark will try to schedule a
similar event for 2012.

Future Events

October 6-9, Thurs.-Sun. – 21st Annual Eureka Springs Corvette Week-end
Carl Ballinger will lead a group leaving at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday,
October 5. Marty Dooley will lead a group leaving on Thursday, October 6, at 9 a.m. from the McDonald's in Eureka, MO.

October 15, Sat. – Elco Car Show/Chili Cook-off

12-2 p.m. at Elco, 15110 Manchester Road in Ballwin. Sign-up sheet is available.

October 22, Sat. – Blue Owl Restaurant, Kimmswick Michelle Finn is planning this event. Meet at Dierberg's on Tesson Ferry in South County. Will leave at 10:45. Have an 11:30 reservation. Will plan to order from the menu.

October 29, Sat. – Corvettes & Warbirds

10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Missouri Commemorative Air Force Hangar in St. Charles, MO. Lunch (hot dogs, chips, soda) will be available for a \$5 donation per person. Meet at Fast Lane Cars at Hwy 94 & 70. Rich Luebcke will organize group there. From Fast Lane, take 94, left to airport at the Y. The event is open to the public but only Corvettes will be allowed to park on the ramp. It will be a live taxiway. Rides on the B-25 Mitchell will be available for \$395 per person. Go to www.cafmo.org for more information. Steve Lyle is organizing this event. Flyers and maps are available.

October 30, Sun. – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

November 5, Sat. - Veterans' Day Parade, St. Louis

Ron Hagenow is organizing this event. Flyers and sign-up sheet are available this evening. Convertibles are needed for the Gold Star Mothers /Fathers. A room has been reserved at d.Dooley's 026 Grill (Hwy 141 and 30) for lunch after the parade.

November 6, Sun. – Castelli's Moonlight Restaurant, Alton, Illinois Ken Barron will try to set up a fried chicken run on this date. More information at the November meeting and on the website. Second date possibility will be November 20.

November 12, Sat. - Corvette Oil Change Party

Tentative date for an active gettogether at **Horstmeyer's**. BYO oil and beverages. **Dave** will provide the lift! More information and sign-up at November meeting.

November 13, Sun. - Miller's Grill Run, Washington, MO

Annual event in memory of member **Jerry Fain**. Sign up sheet available. Details at November meeting.

20th Anniversary Caravan to NCM - 2014

Tonight is last chance to get on list for hotel reservations for August 2014 in Bowling Green. See **Carl Ballinger.**

Old Business

None.

New Business

Nominating committee members Judy Dooley and Rich Luebcke told the members that nominations were needed for the positions of club president, vice president, treasurer. and sergeant at arms. Members who agreed to have their names put on the ballot were **Kevin Bayliss** for president, Michael Zlatic for vice president, Rick Doerr for treasurer, and Dave Horstmeyer for sergeant at arms. Current board members who will also be on the ballot are Marty Dooley for president, Charlie Miget for vice president, Mary Ann Hagenow for secretary, and Ron Hagenow for membership chairman. Carl Ballinger has chosen not to seek re-election as sergeant at arms. Ann Brown is completing her twoyear term as treasurer and is not eligible to remain in that office per the by-laws. Please contact Armynta Craig, Judy Dooley or Rich Luebcke if you would like to run for one of the offices or if you are interested in nominating another member. Voting will take place at the November 1 club meeting. Dues must be paid prior to voting.

Marty Dooley reported that the club will remain members of NCCC, thus keeping the insurance provided by that organization. He also encouraged members to sponsor events.

Randy Howard indicated that a new vendor would like to speak to the club at a future meeting. The vendor would like to do a link to his business on our club website with a reciprocal link on his website to our club. The vendor is Clear Auto Bra, LLC. Randy will try to arrange for the vendor rep to attend the November meeting.

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Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

National Corvette Museum

National Council of Corvette Clubs

www.corvettesnccc.org

Official Corvette Site

www.chevrolet.com/corvette

Boone Trail Corvette Club

Original Corvette Club of St. Louis

www.occofstl.com

Corvette Racing

www.corvetteracing.com

Mid America Motorworks

www.mamotorworks.com

Elco Chevrolet

www.elcochevroletcadillac.com

Corvette Motorsport

http://www.corvettemotorsport.com

Corvette Central

http://www.corvettecentral.com/



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Jeff Craig thanked **Marty Dooley** for the NCM license plate. Jeff said he placed second in his class at the Midwest Regional Championships. Congratulations, Jeff!

Chris Woods has a sign-up sheet and flyer available for this year's Christmas party. It will be held on Saturday, December 3, 6-11 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. RSVP to Chris by November 30. Payment is due by November 30. Please pay Chris, checks payable to "St. Louis Corvette Club." Cost is \$25 per person or \$50 per couple.

50/50 Raffle

Rich Luebcke won \$90 in tonight's raffle. Thanks to everyone for purchasing tickets.

<u>Dessert</u> – Thanks to <u>Patty and Jeff Craig</u> for providing this month's cake. Jan and Gary Murray will bring the November dessert. Cake sign-up for 2012 is available tonight and will also be at the November meeting.

49 guests/members signed the attendance sheet. A unanimous motion was made by the members to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. and everyone approved. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Doors will open at 5:30 and buffet will be served at approximately 6:00 for those interested. The November menu will feature a Thanksgiving theme.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow Secretary 2011

REMINDER! YOUR DUES ARE DUE!

Please remember to pay your 2012 dues before or at the November 12 meeting.

November Menu

Turkey • Ham • Mashed Potatoes
Sweet Potato Casserole • Dressing • Vegetable • Salad

Please contact **Ron Hagenow** if you have menu suggestions and if you plan to eat at the November meeting.

News from the National Corvette Museum

by NCM Ambassador Judy Dooley

Well, we have only one major event left for 2011 at the National Corvette Museum: the Vets 'n Vettes event in Bowling Green November 3-5. This event is the same weekend of the St. Louis Veteran's Day Parade, for anyone interested in attending. For more information, visit www.corvettemuseum.com and click on "events."





Message from Membership

by Membership Chair Ron Hagenow

2012 Membership Dues are Due!

Reminder: dues must be paid at the November meeting for two reasons:

- 1. You must be current in your dues in order to vote for new officers
- 2. We send in our annual dues to NCCC by November 15 so we need an accurate number of paid members by that date

Dues are \$45 for single members and \$75 for a couple. This includes your annual membership in NCCC. Associate member dues are \$24. Please make your checks payable to "St. Louis Corvette Club." If you cannot attend the November meeting, you can send your check to:

Ron Hagenow 428 Mockingbird Lane Waterloo, IL 62298

Eureka Springs Winners

There were several winners at Eureka Springs. **Jeff Craig** won his class both at autocross and the fuel mileage run. **John Hopson** won an award for travelling the farthest to the event (used his Florida address since that's where his Vette is registered). **Dave Davidson** won second place in his class for the car show. And **Peggy Craig** took third in the autocross. Congratulations to all our winners!











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Ruth and Cort are BFFs now



Sharon got blue-tinted glasses because Carl's shirt is so bright



Excuse me sir, do you know the powerball numbers?

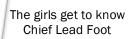


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Some photos just can't be captioned.

Carl's new ZR1





Marty is Elco's newest porter!



Wave those rally towels! Go Cards!



MOTORWORKS...



More Member Fun

An anonymous* Club member saw this car roll across the stage at Barrett Jackson, and submits these photographs as "examples of a typical YELLOW Corvette!" Does that license plate say "RAWR?!"

*Okay, it was Ron Hagenow.





Another anonymous* Club member submitted this photograph with the question, "What do yellow Corvettes grow up to be?" Answer: yellow trucks!

*Yep, Hagenow again. He's on a yellow kick!

Congratulations to **Jean DuPont** and his grandson **Tyler** for winning the poker run at the annual Club picnic!



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And congratulations to **Judy Giovanoni** for winning the Corvette trivia contest at the picnic! **Ron Hagenow** remarked, "It's sad that she beat out all the guys!"

*Jeez, Ron. Did you forget to eat your Wheaties today?!

New St. Louis Corvette Club members (and media darlings) **Tom and Sherri Marlo** own Terra Drill and live in Waterloo.* They were recently featured in the local paper with this photograph.

*Who else lives in Waterloo? RON HAGENOW!!!





Where: Sunset Lakes Banquet Ctr. 13366 West Watson Rd. Sunset Hills, MO 63127

When: Saturday, December 3, 2011

6 pm to 11 pm Cocktails & Hors d'oevres, 6 pm

Dinner, 7 pm (cash bar)

Cost: \$25.00/person or \$50/couple

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PLEASE RSVP TO CHRIS WOODS AT 314.846.6176 OR EMAIL AT WOODS1890@SBCGLOBAL.NE BY NOVEMBER 30, 2011, PAYMENT MADE TO: "ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB" MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 30

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<u>Veterans Day Parade</u> <u>Saturday - November 5, 2011</u>





Once again the club will be participating in this annual parade. Last year we had over 25 cars and would like to exceed that number this year.

We will assemble at the Krispy Kreme in South County near the JC Penney Home Store (I-55 and Lindbergh).

We will meet between 9:30 am and 10:00 am. Driver's meeting will be at 10:00 am and we will leave promptly after the meeting. We need to be in place around 10:30 am. The parade begins at 12:00 noon. Just like the military, hurry up and wait!

Once again some of our ladies will have the privilege of driving a Gold Star Mother and we may also be asked to drive other dignitaries. If you have a convertible please bring it out.

We will plan on having lunch after the parade at d.dooley's near Gravois Bluffs. The parade is usually over by 1:00 pm.

Dress appropriately for being outside. We have had 20 degree weather and 75 degree weather! And don't forget to bring your radio and car flags.

If you have not signed up yet, please contact Ron Hagenow at 618-939-1837 or hagenow1@charter.net.

Please support the men and women of our armed forces currently deployed as well as the veterans in our club who have already served.



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