

The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter













July 2013

Upcoming Events

June 28	STLCC Drive your
	Corvette to Work day -
	Mimis
June 30	STLCC Ice Cream Run
July 2	STLCC Monthly Meeting
	Charity: Non-perishable food
	for St. Louis Foodbank
July 4	Webster 4th of July
	Parade
July 14	STLCC Mystery Run
July 16-20	42 nd Annual Black Hills
	Corvette Classic
July 28	STLCC Ice Cream Run
August 6	STLCC Monthly Meeting
	Charity: School Supplies for
	BRO
August 8-11	STLCC Road America
August 17-18	Route 66/STLCC
	Autocross

How GM and their UA Autoworkers are helping at the VA Hospital...













Letter from the STLCC President

Well it looks like June was a fun month. From what I hear the run to Litchfield that was sponsored by Tom & Sherri Marlo was a huge success and a beautiful day. Looking forward to hearing more about the event at the meeting, and looking forward to their pictures on our website. Thanks Tom & Sherri for sponsoring this event!

On June 14th Peggy Craig sponsored a happy hour at Llywelyn's Pub in Wildwood. It's a great place for happy hour, huge beautiful patio and the specials that they have from 3 to 6 are amazing. Food is great and the beverages are pretty good too. Thanks Peggy for throwing this event together at the last minute! Looking forward to future happy hours there. Pictures are posted on our website.

We had a great turn out for the Luau on June 15th. The luau was sponsored by Rick & Mary Doerr, and Randy & Ruth Howard. The weather was a little warm but a good time was had by all. Everyone looked very nice in their luau attire. Our meat was catered by Bandana's, but what made this meal so good was all of the side dishes that everyone brought. Thanks to everyone that brought something. We had a surprise guest all the way from Hawaii. Nope, wasn't Wanda, but her twin sister Wilhelmina. Always a memorable event! Pictures of this event are posted on our website.

Enjoy this beautiful weather and welcome to summer! Get those cars out and drive em!

Save the Wave!

Ruth Howard

President, STLCC

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Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

National Corvette Museum

National Council of Corvette Clubs

Official Corvette Site

Boone Trail Corvette Club

Original Corvette Club of St. Louis

Corvette Racing

Mid America Motorworks

Elco Chevrolet

Corvette Motorsport

Corvette Central

July Birthdays & Anniversaries



Dick Shoulders	7/5
Ron Hagenow	7/8
Sharon Love	7/13
Lynn Taake	7/15
Marya Horstmeyer	7/18
Dana Griggs	7/21
Bev DuPont	7/24
Cherie Hopson	7/25
Jan Murray	7/27



Paul & Kathy Craig	7/5
Mike & Sandy Kirby	7/8
Mike & Christina Oster	7/8
Jean & Bev DuPont	7/29
Carl & Sharon Ballinger	7/31



News from the National Corvette Museum

Did you know that the U.S. House of Representatives supports the designation of a "National Corvette Day" to honor the Chevrolet Corvette?

Expressing support, the designation of June 30 as "National Corvette day", as the Chevrolet Corvette is Americas first sports car and the first production Corvette rolled off a Flint, Michigan assemble line on June 30, 1953 and is now manufactured in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The Corvette is the most widely respected production sports car in U. S. history and is truly a symbol of American pride.

This and other items of Corvette knowledge can be found on the NCM web site. Please go check it out.

Judy Dooley NCM Ambassador



Meeting Minutes

Couldn't make it to the meeting? Here is what you missed (and maybe what you were volunteered for):

June 4th, 2013- Pasta House

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Ruth Howard. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ruth recognized current board members- president Ruth Howard, vice president Larry Akins, secretary Karen Price, treasurer Rich Doerr, membership Jan Murray, sergeant at arms Don Pickles, immediate past president Mike Zlatic(absent), NCCC Governor Jeff Craig(absent), and NCM Ambassador Judy Dooley. Don Giovanoni, the club's newsletter editor, as well as Webmaster Dave Davidson(absent) were introduced as well as the club sponsor ELCO's representatives, Mark Gerecke and Eric DeBruin(absent).

Announcements

Ruth reminded everyone to sign the attendance sign in sheet, purchase 50/50 tickets from Don Pickles and place their name in the monthly drawing for the attendance prize. The envelope for collection of "Box Tops for Education" for Peggy Craig was noted to be available at the table with multiple sign- up sheets for upcoming events.

Guests/New Members

Bob and Patti Kusky were introduced as new members and proudly announced the purchase of their first corvette, a C-5 Black convertible with tan top. Dan Danahy was visiting and has ordered a Z51 C7. Welcome and congratulations to them.

Meeting Minutes

Don Giovanoni moved to accept the minutes from the April 2nd, 2013 meeting as published in the June newsletter. Sheri Marlo provided a second to the motion which was then approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Rich Doerr provided copies of the May monthly expense report for the membership and gave an overview of same. Don Pickles moved to accept the report with a second by Gary Murray and approval was passed by the membership.

Membership Report

Jan Murray reported that we have 81 regular members, 20 associate members, and 2 honorary lifetime members. She acknowledged the June

birthdays and anniversaries as printed in the Newsletter.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee: Rick Doerr, Randy Howard, Don Pickles and Charlie Miget. No report.

By- Laws Committee: Ron Hagenow, Jeff Craig, Rick Doerr, Ron Miessner- no report.

Car show Committee: Larry Akins, Carl Cox, Mike Price. Larry reported that the next car show was scheduled for October 19th. He noted that he had recently been in KC and happened to pass a car show at Hendrix's car dealership which had approximately 100 cars on display. It was an awesome site!

Charity Committee— Judy Giovanoni, Elise Akins, Michelle Finn. Judy explained that the monthly charity drives were optional for members to assist with, all details available in the newsletter. The June charity was clothing for Kingdom House. The committee would be available after the meeting to gather the donations. The July charity would be a food drive for the St. Louis Food Bank.

Christmas Committee Chris Woods and Judy Dooley- December 7th at Sam's Steakhouse.

Historians Committee: Carl Ballinger, Marty Dooley, Jerry Craig. Marty reported that there was no report at this time. Jerry noted that they had not had time to fit in a winery run to date.

Nominating Committee: No report.

Newsletter Editor: Don Giovanoni. Don requested more storied of how members acquired their passion for vettes, etc along with any tech ideas. Ruth added that she had included the tasty recipe that Armynta had passed onto her and she had made for the wine run and hoped that more would be encouraged to send in recipes. Karen Price had suggested to Mark Gerecke that it would

be nice if Corvette Bill would include some tech tips, suggestions were taken from the group, iethings you didn't know that your car can do, how to get your trunk open with the keys in it, etc. Mark will follow-up with Bill.

Parade Committee: Ron Hagenow –no report for the Veteran's Day Parade as of yet. Michelle Palliou noted that the July 4th Webster Groves parade would be followed with lunch at the Prices and an opportunity to golf. Sign-up sheet to be provided.

VA Hospital Committee: – Marty and Judy Dooley, Bob Woods and Karen Price. Marty reminded everyone that he would be looking for help in watering and maintenance of the gardens and noted how many thankful comments were given by the vets and staff. He asked for members interested to meet with him after the meeting.

Announcements from the floor:

none

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley noted that the Museum had reached its goal of a million dollars to start the MotorPark. The ground breaking would be over the 60th Anniversary Bash. She still had \$10 raffle tickets available for the 60th coupe.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Jeff Craig was not present so Jerry Craig announced that GM was not allowing any C7 logo's to be used on any club info, etc. He reviewed the racing stats of Peggy Craig who took 1st place in last weekend's race. Jerry spun out in Indiana but was ok. Next week they would all head to KC for next racing event. Our club had sponsored the Race at Rantoulle and also the one in August that would be held at the Family Arena.

Website Report: Dave Davidson was not present.

Sponsor's Report

Mark announced that Elco's photographer, Chris was planning on coming to the next month's meeting. Mark noted that he expected the C7's to start arriving by August and that May had been a very good month for moving C6's. He also noted that Jerry Craig had a new C4 racer that had been in for a tune-up.

Prior Events: Larry Akins

The Winery run to Sugar Creek Winery- May 18th in memory of Armynta Craig sponsored by Leanne Lyle, Patty and Peggy Craig, Sharon Ballinger, Judy Dooley and Chris Woods. Leanne reported that the Run was a huge success and would now be an annual event. Approximately \$800 was raised from the sale of raffle baskets with the proceeds to go toward the Pratt Cancer Center in honor of Armynta. Sheri Marlo took home the prize for the most elegant table setting as awarded by the owners of Sugar Creek Winery. Great job!

Fritz's Ice Cream Run- there was some confusion about the actual date and so some enjoyed the treat on May 19 and some on May 26th- no rain or snow either date, so it was successful.

Future Events

June 8th- The Marlo's are sponsoring a Run to Airiston Café and Market Place. Plan to leave Columbia, III by 11:30 and head to Edwardsville to tour the historic district then on to Livingston for lunch. Signup sheet available.

June 15th Luau- Ruth reminded all to sign up for the event which will be held at Bee Tree Park, bring your own cooler and a side dish to share. Hawaiian dress was encouraged.

June 22nd- Fairmont Race Track- Ruth and Jan Murray noted that the event would be \$21.95/person which included buffet and program- to meet at the track at 6 pm.

June 28th Drive your Corvette to Work day- Peggy Craig-plan to meet at Mimi's at 10am and then drive out to Sugar Creek Winery for the afternoon.

NCM 60th Anniversary, Bloomington Gold- June 27-30th. The Marlo's are organizing a group to leave from the Silver Lake rest area at 7am and drive up to Bloomington on the 29th. See Tom for more details.

Fritz's Ice Cream Run-Sunday June 30th

Mackinaw Island Car show/run- Carl Ballinger-August 21^{st_} thru Labor Day. Carl noted that he needed to hear from anyone else that thought they might be interested in attending this event, so that he could release the rooms that we did not need. Details available in the Newsletter or from Carl.

Josephine's Run- the date to be moved to Sept 14th from October 12th. Ruth will provide more details closer to the event.

Comments from May Suggestion Box:

Ruth brought up discussion as to the recurring suggestion that we needed a different meeting place. She noted the she had received comments about Grand Slam being too smoky and the location not being central as requested by our sponsor, that is why we had moved. It was noted that no vote was taken to move from Grand Slam, but a vote was taken to move from Elco to Grand Slam. Discussion followed- Mark Gerecke noted that the sponsor had asked for a more central meeting place, but that they would support us no matter where we go. Rick Doerr served as the spokesperson for the Board- he noted that the decision to move was based on comments from our sponsor and members as to the location of Grand Slam and smoky conditions- he noted that the club could survive without Elco's sponsorship, but that we would like to keep the relationship intact. Michelle Palliou noted that in the food industry, the price of food is going up and it is very rare to get a free room for meetings. She is exploring the Highlands at Forest Park as a potential meeting place and will have more details at the next meeting. Carl Ballinger spoke as the advocate for the suggestion to move back to Grand Slam- he noted that they had great food, the room was comfortable and they had worked to accommodate the smoky conditions for those who had expressed a concern. They also stayed open later so that the club could socialize after the meeting. He had contacted them and they were open to us returning for our meetings. A secret ballot vote was taken after all presentations

and the vote was 22 to stay at Pasta House and 19 to move back to Grand Slam. It was close enough for the Board to take a closer look, but for now we would stay at Pasta house for our next meeting July 2nd.

New Business

A vote was needed for the proposed cabinet at Elco since the cost would be \$450-\$500. There were 31 yes votes and 18 no votes. Now we are waiting on Elco for approval.

Ruth and Larry reminded members to plan events and ask for help if they had questions to go about sponsoring an event.

Questions/comments/suggestions:

None.

50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Mary Doerr who won \$59.

<u>Drawing for the monthly attendance prize:</u> Judy Dooley received a \$25 gift card to TGIFriday's. The Hopson's donated a bottle of organic Vodka which was won by Sandy Kirby. Elco donated an oil change for a corvette which was won by Mike Price. Congratulations to all!

<u>Dessert</u> – Thanks to the Dooley's for the delicious cake provided for tonight's meeting. The Murray's will bring the July dessert.

Next meeting: July 2nd.

Tonight's attendance was reported by Jan Murray as 42.

Cheri Hopson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 with a second by Jerry Craig and approval by the membership. Ruth thanked everyone for coming and wished them a good night and reminded them to drive safely.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Price

Secretary 2013

STLCC Litchfield Run











2013-06-14 Happy Hour Llywelyns's Pub

















































































Please submit your recipes to the newsletter editor by the 20th deadline or he will be forced to publish his recipe for microwave popcorn. – Ed.



Corn Salsa

Submitted by Anne Pickles:

Mix all together:

- 2 cans shoepeg corn, drained
- 1 bunch green onions
- 4 to 6 ounces diced jalapenos (or to taste)
- 2 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- Hidden Valley Ranch dressing (enough to moisten it and hold it together)

Refrigerate. Serve with multi grain tortilla scoops. Enjoy!

Ruth's Gringo Chicken Tortilla Soup

Submitted by Ruth Howard:

2 cups of cooked chicken cubed

1 16 oz jar of Black Bean & Corn Salsa

1 pound of Velveeta cubed

- 1 15 oz can of chicken broth
- 1 15 oz can whole kernel corn (drained)
- 1 can black beans (rinsed and drained)

Stir broth, salsa, corn and black beans together, simmer 10 minutes. Add cubed Velveeta, stir and simmer until melted. Then add your chicken. Serve with tortilla chips and sour cream if desired. We put tortilla chips in the soup bowl and it adds a crunch to it.

This soup is really good and so easy to make! Just a friendly warning that it does have a little kick to it!

Come join us on a trip to Mackinaw Island, MI. and beyond to Bowling Green, KY. – home of the Corvette

You can join us for the entire trip or any portion — you do not have to do the entire trip!!!!

Mackinaw, Michigan Trip August 2013

- 1. Wednesday Aug. 21, 2013 travel from St. Louis to Sawyer MI. where we have arranged a tour of the "Corvette Central" facility. We will be eating dinner and spending the night in the Sawyer, MI. area. This is a 375 mi. trip so we will be leaving early to have plenty of time to travel to Sawyer, tour the facility and enjoy our evening. Room reservation details later.....
- 2. Thursday, Aug. 22. depart early and travel 340 mi. from Sawyer, MI. to Mackinaw City, MI. where we will be staying at the Baymont Inn. <u>Call Baymont central reservations at 800-337-0550 and tell them you want a room from the St. Louis Corvette Club room block. They also have a confirmation # 703-006697 which might be helpful but is not necessary. We plan to arrive on Thursday, Aug. 22 and depart on Monday, Aug. 26.</u>
- 3. Friday, Aug. 23. We will visit Mackinaw Island with a lunch at the Grand Hotel. The charge for the ferry ride to the island, admission to the Grand Hotel, lunch at the hotel and taxi ride will be \$69.50 per person. There will also be free live entertainment Friday PM at the Mackinaw Crossings Mall in Mackinaw City.
- 4. Saturday, Aug. 24 Corvette Show sponsored by the Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce. This event is held in a parking lot next door to our motel so we will have easy access to our rooms all day. The Chamber has booked a full day of activities during and after the Corvette Show. We can keep busy up till 9:00 PM if we want see the attached flyer for details.
- 5. Sunday, Aug. 25 this is an open day so you can tour the region at your leisure. I am gathering information on the area you may want to go back to the Island, travel to Canada (bring your passport), go to the "tunnel of trees", etc.
- 6. Monday, Aug 26 drive to Flint, MI. and visit the Sloan and Buick Museums. The Sloan Museum is very interesting with a lot of history of the region. Room reservation details later....
- 7. Tuesday, Aug. 27 depart Flint and drive to Louisville, KY. This is a 400+ mile day so we will depart early so we do not have to push hard all day. Room reservation details later....

8. Wednesday, Aug. 28 - spend day in Louisville visiting local attractions like the Louisville Slugger Museum, downtown museums, take a riverboat excursion trip on the Ohio River that lasts approx. 2 hours, etc. - Lots of things to do in Louisville.......Room reservation details later....

- 9. Thursday, Aug. 29 leave Louisville and stop at distillery in Bardstown, Ky. area on our way to Bowling Green, KY. Arrive in Bowling Green in time to register for event and enjoy time at the Corvette Museum and Corvette assembly plant. Plant tours may be available for either Thursday or Friday. This is a large event so we will want to book our rooms ASAP.......
- 10. Event runs until Saturday enjoy your trip. Will depart for home on Sunday. Sept. 1.......













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