

The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter













February 2014

Upcoming Events

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STLCC Meeting
@Grand Slam
6pm Dinner
7pm Meeting
STLCC Valentine's
Brunch Run
STLCC Meeting
@Grand Slam
6pm Dinner
7pm Meeting
STLCC Crazy Bowl
(details TBA)
Monthly Fritz's Ice
Cream Get Together

The Valentine's Brunch run is scheduled for Sunday, February 16th. at Our Lady of the Snows Shrine in Belleville, Il.

There will be another sign-up sheet at the Feb 4th meeting. If you cannot make the meeting and wish to attend, please email me with your intentions and I will collect your money/check on the 16th.

I will need a final count for the restaurant by Wednesday Feb 12th.

The cost is \$21.50 per person / \$43 per couple - this includes everything (food, beverage, tax and gratuity). Cash or check. Please make checks out to St Louis Corvette Club. We will pay the restaurant with one check.

Meet NLT 10:15 AM at:

The Home Depot 7481 S Lindbergh Blvd St Louis, MO 63125

After sign in, collection of any additional monies, and a quick driver's meeting, we will leave promptly at 10:30. The drive is about 20 minutes - all highway. Don't forget your radio, camera, cash or check (if applicable), your Sweetie/SO/Spousal Unit/Friend (if you are bringing one), check the gas gauge, and your appetite! Save the Wave-

~Ann

2015 ZedOhSix!



Revealed at the 2014 NAIAS in Detroit, the 2015 Stingray Z06 promises *at least* 635 horsepower and 635 lb.ft. of torque! In addition there are optional (Z07) levels of aerodynamic options, depending on how absolutely track ready a purchaser desires. The previous normally aspirated 7 liter engine in the Z06 is replaced by a 6.2 liter supercharged engine. Direct injection and cylinder deactivation are featured.

For the first time the Z06 will have a removable roof panel like the Stingray coupe. Chevrolet says that the new Z06 chassis without the roof panel is still 20% stiffer than the fixed roof previous generation. Also for the first time the Z06 will be available with an automatic transmission – an 8 speed that the manufacturer says shifts faster under full throttle than the Porsche PDK!

Price has not been announced but various sources estimate that the starting price will be in the \$85-88k range. Chevrolet is again offering absolute supercar performance at a fraction of the cost of others in this class. Wow!



Letter from the STLCC President

2014 has arrived on a cold winter wind and leaving quite a bit of snow! But...our Planning Meeting on January 19th saw clear skies (and streets) with warm enough temperatures to bring some of our Babies out of hibernation.

We have lots of events planned throughout the year to include traditional favorites. We have local easy get togethers such as the Ice Cream Run all the way to cross country, overnight road trips. In addition, there are a couple of items tabled for further information and still lots of weekend dates open as an event presents itself.

As I mentioned at the meeting – if every member did ONE thing to help with an event. Any assistance – such as - making a call to a restaurant with the headcount, spending a few minutes on line researching a location's hours and parking, picking up gift cards while doing your grocery shopping, volunteering to take care of the sign-up sheet – ANY thing large or small. If every member did ONE thing to assist with an event – we would have a packed calendar. Everyone has the Membership List - pick up the phone, email, text, or (last I heard they still had stamps) write a note to the event host and lend a hand.

Everyone can do something and then no one is doing it all.

Now on to February! Tuesday, the 4th starts our regularly scheduled monthly meetings (dinner at 6:00; meeting at 7:00). We are at Grand Slam.

Our first event of the year is the Valentine's Run on Sunday, February 16th. Pete and I will host this event. There is still plenty of time to sign up. With or without a Sweetie – food is the center of attention on this trip! Details to follow.

Here's to a great year of friends, fun times and safe travels. Don't forget to take some pictures along the way, and, as always...

Ann M. Brown President

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February Birthdays & Anniversaries



Olamata Walata	0/4.4
Glenda Walsh	2/14
Mike Kirby	2/15
Eric DeBruin	2/17
June Fain	2/19
Steve Kirby	2/19
Mike Walsh	2/21



Marty & Judy Dooley 2/7
Don & Judy Giovanoni 2/8



News from the National Corvette Museum

The Corvette Store has member merchandise, shirts, jackets, tote bags etc. These items can be personalized with "Member", "Lifetime", or 10, 15, 20 for long time members. They can also add your name and or club. Look in the Corvette Store for these special items.

For those who are planning to attend the Bash in April, you will be able to see the C-7. Z06 in person, walk around it and ask questions of the Chevrolet team.

Judy Dooley NCM Ambassador







For new members: St. Louis Corvette Club. How it started, the early years.

June 1953. My friend, Bill Curson and I were at the Sports Car Club of America meeting. We were a couple of high school kids who flagged races and helped out for the SCCA. I spotted Mack Yates at the far end of the bar with six or eight people. Mack was general manager of Barford Chevrolet in Ladue. He commented that they were having the first meeting of the St. Louis Corvette Club. The Corvette had been announced and spy pictures were in the magazines. The group at the meeting had all ordered Corvettes but no one had really seen one. I was partial to Corvettes, Bill went to the dark side - Porsche.

Barford Chevrolet was poised to be the top Corvette dealer in the country. An affluent area and the Corvette plant was in St. Louis. Mack was an avid sports car racer. He built a strong group of owners and was the first STLCC president. Bob Spooner was the second president. Bob raced the "Purple People Eater" Corvette after Jim Jeffords. I was the third president from 1958 to 1962. I raced a 1959 Corvette prepared by VV Cooke. Each year the Route 66 Television show would trade their old Corvettes at Barford as they filmed their way up Route 66. Mack would wholesale the beaten and worn movie star cars as they were in terrible shape.

Meetings and events were very informal. No rules, no dues. SCCA road racing was the main interest. We did go to restaurants and had rallies and economy runs. Channel 5 actually filmed an economy run one Sunday. Fuel injection Corvettes could be set to full lean and get 40 - 50 mpg! Unheard of mileage in those days but one had to be very careful not to accelerate very fast. In 1962, STLCC was a part of the formation of the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC).

Jerry Craig

St. Louis Corvette Club/ History committee:(Marty Dooley)

Club members have asked about our past club meeting spots and club sponsor's.

Meeting Places

- Started at Hesler's pub (on 21 and Baptist Church Rd.)

 –Feb.'04 to July '07
- Pietro's (Highway 30) Aug.'07to Nov. '07
- Sunset Lakes (Gravois Rd.) Jan. '08 to July '12
- ELCO Chevrolet(Ballwin) Aug. '12 to Oct. '12
- Grand Slam Nov. '12 to 'March '13
- Pasta House (Manchester Rd.) April '13 to Aug. '13
- TJ Wings (Valley Park) Sept. '13 to Nov. '13
- Grand Slam Jan. '14 to _____

Club Sponsorship:

- RT 66 Chevrolet Jan.'04 to Dec. '06
- Lynch Hummer May '07 to Dec. '08
- ELCO Chevrolet Nov. '09 to _____

Charity Committee for 2014

For February, we will provide Valentines that we can write notes on at the meeting and then give them to an assisted living facility, Autumn View Gardens on Schuetz Road. There are currently 83 residents, and we'd like to have a card for each person.

Thank you for your kindness!

Charity Committee:

Elise Akins, Michelle Finn, Judy Giovanoni

Meeting Minutes

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

Planning Meeting for the St. Louis Corvette Club January 19th, 2014 at Grand Slam.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm by President Ann Brown. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ann then congratulated the Howard's on 40years of Wedded Bliss today. Ann then introduced the Board- Ann Brown-President, Mike Price- Vice President (coming later) Bob Kusky- Treasurer, Tom Marlo-Membership, Michelle Palliou- Sgt at Arms and Karen Price- Secretary(coming later), Dave Davidson-webmaster(absent), NCM ambassador-Judy Dooley, NCCC Governor- Jeff Craig and Newsletter Editor- Don Giovanoni.

The January Birthdays and anniversaries were reviewed.

Rick Doerr presented the Treasurer's reports for November and December. Gary Duke made the motion to accept them as presented with Sandy Kirby giving a 2nd motion- the membership passed the motion.

Correspondence was read from the Gold Star Mother's regarding the Veteran's day parade thank you.

Ann announced that Christmas club Coolers were available to those members who were not in attendance at the Christmas Party- to see her. New members may purchase one for \$40 or if anyone wanted one.

Ann announced that the buffet cost was determined by how many plates were used so we needed to account for any extra plates. Ruth Howard then presented a certificate of appreciation to Don Pickles for his hard work as Sgt at Arms for 2013 and also presented the Pickle's with their Gift from the Christmas Party. Ann announced that there were sign-ups for the February buffet and also a trivia night on February 22nd that Patty Craig was sponsoring to benefit the MO Veteran's Home- to be held at the Overland VFW hall- contact her if interested. Ann then handed out copies of the Calendar for members to update and add events for the upcoming year.

January- no further events.

February-

Club mgt- Feb 4th at Grand Slam- 6pm buffet, meeting at 7pm.

2/16th- Valentine's Run- Ann Brown to organize this and details to be available at next meeting. 2/22nd- trivia night as noted above.

March-

3 /4- club meeting probably at Grand Slam 3/15- Crazy Bowl at Brunswick Lanes on Dougherty Ferry- to be sponsored by the Howard's and the Dooley's- bowl 2 games followed by food afterwards- please bring camera's.

3/28- Happy Hour to be sponsored by the Kirby's, Ballinger's and the Dooley's- TBD. 3/30-lce Cream Run to Fritz's sponsored by Peggy Craig-6pm

April-

4/1- club meeting

4/5- VA Garden clean-up and planting day-9am-noon.

4/6- Rain date #1 for VA garden planting- time TBD

4/12- Mystery Run sponsored by the Dooley's and the Craig's.

4/13- Rain date#2 for VA garden planting-time TBD

4/20- Easter Sunday Car Show in Forest Park 4/24-4/26- NCM Bash

4/27- Fritz's Ice Cream run-6pm

May-

5/6- Club meeting

5/15-5/17th- ZR-1/C4 Gathering at the Museum. 5/17th- Spring Car show at ELCO noon-2pm with after party at the Kusky's.

5/18- Fritz's Ice Cream Run 6pm

5/30- Villa Antonio Wine Dinner sponsored by the Doerr's- 8:30pm cost \$45/person included 7 course dinner- details to follow.

June-

6/3- club Meeting

6/7- 2nd annual Luau sponsored by the Howard's and the Doerr's- details TBD

6/21- 2nd Annual Armynta Craig memorial Wine run to Sugar Creek Winery sponsored by Patty Craig.TBD

6/27-6/29- Bloomington Gold

6/27- Drive Your Corvette to Work Daysponsored by Peggy Craig- meet at Mimi's for

breakfast and the out to Sugar Creek Winerydetails TBD

6/29- Fritz's Ice Cream Run-6pm July-

7/1- Monthly meeting

7/4- Webster Groves parade with picnic at the Price's afterwards

7/10-7/13- Extreme Experience at Gateway-change to drive C7 around the track- details to follow.

7/12-Tentative run to Chevy Museum in Decatour, ILL.

7/16-7/26- Trip out West sponsored by the Marlo's and the Kirby's- leave on 7/16 and visit Pike's Peak, Durango, Silverton RR tour, then head to Mesa Verde and tour the Enchanted Circle and then head home. They will be looking for a head count to start organizing hotels asap. 2500 mile trip.

Don Pickles suggested a trip to Hunter Engineering – he will check into details to present at a later time.

7/27- Fritz's Ice Cream Run-6pm

August-

8/2- run to Springfield, III to visit the Lincoln Museum's sponsored by Bob Kusky.

8/5- club meeting

8/16-8/17- Auto Cross at the Family Arena cosponsored by STLCC and RT 66. Need workers.

8/24- Fritz's Ice Cream Run- 6pm

8/27-8/31- 20th Anniversary Caravan to NCM.

September-

9/2- club meeting

9/18-9/21- Fun Fest at Mid America- Ann announced that we could get at tent if enough interest.

9/27-Club Picnic- Millstadt Park-TBD 9/28- Fritz's ice cream run-6pm

October-

10/2-10/5- Eureka Springs Arkansas Car show 10/7- club meeting

10/11- Josephine's Tea Room run for the ladies sponsored by Ruth Howard.

10/18- Fall EICO Car Show and Chili Cook-off noon-2pm followed by after party at the Kusky's. 10/25- EICO Hayride

10/26- Fritz's Ice Cream Run-6pm

November-

11/4- club meeting and elections

11/8- Veteran's Day Parade- Ruth Howard thought it was a great idea that Sherri Marlo had brought flowers for her Gold Star Mom- Patty

Craig suggested that Ann Brown could embroider some handkerchiefs with gold stars for the moms and dads. Ron Hagenow will take care of the details.

11/6-11/8- Vets in Vettes at NCM

December-

12/6- Christmas Party at Sam's Steak House. Patty Craig then asked if there was any interest in a trip to the BoatHouse for hamburgers and a beer- she will check on the details and propose a trip at a later date.

The 50/50 raffle of \$79 was won by Ruth Howard. The monthly attendance prize of a \$25 QT gas card was won by Larry Akins.

Patty Craig announced that Chris Woods was recovering from knee replacement surgery and that she had plenty of food from neighbors at present. Karen Price announced that the club had sent flowers to her at home.

Judy Dooley thanked everyone for attending her brother's wake.

Don Giovanoni reported that he needed all recipes, articles, pictures, etc by the 20th of the month and due to the late date of the planning meeting; the Newsletter would be coming out late.

Ruth Howard thanked the Price's for an awesome 12th day of Christmas Party. Karen Price announced that the Ugly Sweater contest was won by Michelle Palliou, 2nd place went to Ruth Howard and 3rd place to Gary Murray- there were quite a variety of sweaters and accessories (teeth, etc) to add to the mayhem. She thanked everyone for coming and helping clean-up afterwards.

Karen Price suggested a possible trip to Mayestown, III- She will look into parking etc. The Cake was generously provided by the Kusky's for January and the Giovanoni's will bring the cake in February- there will be a signup list at the next meeting.

Ann announced that she will review the committee's at the next meeting and see who is willing to continue and who would like to help out. Judy Giovanoni announced that she would be bringing Valentine's for the membership to fill out at the next meeting to go to a Nursing home. Both she and Elise Akins would not be returning to the Charity Committee, but Michelle Finn will remain on the committee.

Michelle Finn announced that the show Corvette Nation on Speed featured a segment at the Museum where our club Flag was visible. Ann reviewed the parking at Grand Slam- it was noted that there were no issues at present.

Peggy Craig made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sherri Marlo- the meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted with the gracious help of Mary Ann Hagenow, Karen Price, Secretary 2014

At the 2013 Corvette Funfest hosted by Mid America Motorworks, our own Michelle Paillou won a Celebrity Choice award with her beautiful 1958 Corvette. Here is her picture from **Old Cars Weekly News**

& Marketplace:



Mike Yager's MY Garage Museum (above) was open to the public. The happy gal at left was a celebrity choice award winner with "HER CORVETTE," as the license plate specifies.

And here is a shot from the Mid America Motorworks website:



Price's 17th Day of Christmas Party































Eagle Watching Friday

A few STLCC members who are available during the day on a Friday got together for an eagle watching trip in the Alton Illinois area. We met at Fast Eddies and were having so much fun we ate there as well. There *might* have been some adult beverages consumed. After another group decided we had been at our table long enough we journeyed to the lodge at Pere Marquette to discuss the state of the world and solve most of its problems. There were almost no eagles observed (but it was too cold to search *very* hard) but everyone had a good time. Thanks Carl!

















From Tom Marlo:

Here is the itinerary for the trip this summer to Colorado and New Mexico. I thought it would be a good idea to include it in the next newsletter so the folks that did not attend the meeting would have the opportunity to consider it in their summer plans. Please let them know that, as always, they don't have to do the whole trip, they can do part of the trip and go on elsewhere or make it a short trip and come home early.

If any new members did not get a welcome packet of goodies to please let me know. Also we will be gone February 1st to the 14th, if any announcements need to be made please contact Bob Kusky, he will fill in for me those 2 weeks.

St Louis Corvette Club Pikes Peak, Durango, Santa Fe, Taos NM Trip Wednesday July 16th to Saturday July 26th

Wed - July 16th Day 1 from St Louis to Hayes KS 515 miles 7hr 30 min - Stay in Hayes KS

Thurs - July 17th Day 2 from Hayes KS to Colorado Springs Co 325 miles 6 hours - Stay in Colorado Springs

Afternoon day 2 - Garden of the Gods 3 - 4hrs

Fri - July 18th Day 3 Colorado Springs – Stay in Colorado Springs

Morning - Pikes Peak - 4hrs

Air Force Academy - 4hrs

Sat - July 19th Day 4 Leave Colorado Springs for Durango 365 miles 6hr 30 min - Stay in Durango CO Stop 2 hours Great Sand Dunes?

Sun - July 20th Day 5 - Stay in Durango Co

Silverton RR Tour

Mon – July 21st Day 6 – Stay in Durango CO

Jeep rental - Million Dollar Highway - Open day

Tues – July 22nd Day 7 Stay in Durango CO Mesa Verde

4 Corners

Wed – July 23rd Day 8 Travel to Santa Fe NM - 212 miles 4hrs – Stay in Santa Fe

Enchanted Circle Highway Tour

Thurs – July 24th Day 9 Stay in Santa Fe NM

High Road to Taos

Fri – July 25th Day 10 Travel from Santa Fe to Oklahoma City – 540 miles – 8hrs Sat – July 26th Day 11 Travel Oklahoma City to St Louis MO – 500 miles – 7-1/2hrs









Please submit your recipes (preferably in MS Word format) to the newsletter editor by the 20th deadline. If I have multiple submissions the remainder will appear in a upcoming newsletter. If no recipes are submitted, he will be forced to publish his recipe for peanut butter toast. – Ed.



Judy Giovanoni submitted this recipe:

Caramel Apple Dump Cake

Ingredients

- ·2 cans of apple pie filling (you can also use cherry, blueberry, etc.)
- ·1 box of yellow cake mix
- 2 sticks of butter, melted (1 cup)
- ·1/2 cup caramel sauce (like you would put on ice cream)
- •1/2 tsp cinnamon (optional)
- •1/2 cup chopped pecans (optional)
- ·Whipped cream for garnish (optional)

Instructions

- 1.In a greased 9x13 dish, mix apple pie filling and caramel sauce.
- 2.Add in the 1/2 tsp cinnamon if desired.
- 3. Spread evenly in pan.
- 4. Pour dry cake mix directly on top of the pie filing and spread evenly.
- 5. Top with melted butter and pecans (optional).
- 6.Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes or until top is golden brown and apple filling is bubbly around the edges.
- 7. Serve with ice cream or whipped cream.
- 8.Enjoy!



Submitted by Ann Brown:

MAINE ROLLS

Makes 2 dozen

INGREDIENTS

1/4 cup lukewarm water 1 tsp salt

2 pkg active dry yeast 1 cup warm milk, 105-115 F

pinch of granulated sugar 1 egg, beaten

4 1/2 cups all-purpose flour 1/2 cup pumpkin puree

1/2 cup commeal, whole grain if possible 1/2 cup soft butter or margarine

1/2 cup granulated sugar 2 Tbsp melted butter or margarine

INSTRUCTIONS

1 - In a small bowl, dissolve the yeast in warm water with a pinch of sugar. Let stand5 to 10 minutes until foamy.

2 - In a large bowl, combine the flour, cornmeal, sugar and salt.

3 - Make a well and stir in the dissolved yeast, milk, egg, pumpkin and butter. Beat into a sticky dough. Add extra flour until dough pulls into a ball.

- 4 Knead on a floured board 5 to 10 minutes until smooth and elastic.
- 5 Place in a buttered bowl. Cover. Let rise 1 hour.
- 6 Punch down. Shape into 2 dozen balls of dough. Place in 2- 9 x 9" buttered pans. Cover.
- 7 Let rise 15 to 30 minutes.
- 8 Brush rolls with melted butter. Sprinkle with a little cornmeal.
- 9 Bake at 450* for 12 to 15 minutes. Serve hot or warm from oven.

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