

The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter













October 2014

STLCC Upcoming Events

September 27	STLCC Club Picnic
September 28	Fritz's Ice Cream
October 2-5	Eureka Springs
October 7	STLCC Meeting
	@Grand Slam
	6pm Dinner
	7pm Meeting
October 11	Josephine's Tea Room
October 18	ELCO Car Show/Chili Cookoff
October 25	ELCO Hayride
October 26	Fritz's Ice Cream
November 3	STLCC Meeting
	@Grand Slam
	6pm Dinner
	7pm Meeting

REMINDER!

The club picnic is Saturday, Sept 27th at 1:00.

In Millstadt at Liederkranz Park, 301 N Jefferson St, Millstadt, IL, 62260

We will eat at 2:00 with fun and games to follow.

***BYOB and a dish to share. ***

Note to ALL Veterans:
Please let Ruth Howard know that you served!





Letter from the STLCC President

Happy Fall Y'all!

My favorite time of year. This summer has sure flown by but the Club has had some great road trips, nice weather and fun times.

Here is a bit of news! New club members strutting their stuff!!

Ron Deatherage and Annie Dobson attended the 25th Annual Greentree Festival Car Show in Kirkwood on September 14th and placed First in Sports Division. Ron says "we beat out a 1977 Corvette, 2 Trans Ams, Triumph and a Mustang." WooHoo! Way to go Ron & Annie!

There are lots of events on tap for October/November: Josephine's for the Ladies, Car Show/Chili Cook-off, Hayride, Fritz's Ice Cream Run, and the Veteran's Parade. There is also Eureka Springs and Vets 'n Vettes at the National Corvette Museum.

Don't forget to sign up for the annual Christmas party on December 6th. See Chris Woods for more info and she will also gladly accept your payment.

Safe travels everyone – enjoy the fall colors!

Save the Wave!

~Ann

2014 Officers

Or, you can contact the Club

through the general email box

at stl.corvettes@gmail.com

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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

October Birthdays & Anniversaries



Rick Frierdich	10/3
Pam Corrona	10/3
Frank Ellis	10/3
Tom Sandvoss	10/4
Theresa Luebcke	10/8
Paul Craig	10/9
Tammy Walker	10/18
Dan Danahy	10/27
Laurie Grubb	10/28
John Hopson	10/30



Rich & Theresa Luebcke	10/7
Jeff & Patty Craig	10/20
Michael & Amy Zlatic	10/25
Charlie & Jackie Miget	10/28

News from the National Corvette Museum



Labor Day weekend at the National Corvette Museum was HOT and fun! We had 13 members of the St. Louis Corvette Club attend the 20th Anniversary celebration and all enjoyed it. This weekend started earlier in the week with the Caravan. Some of us went to Cape Girardeau and helped with the Caravan dinner and a few club members came down for the evening to join in the festivities. It was good to see the Grubbs', the Kirby's, & Marlo's there. Marty & I attended the Ambassador Breakfast meeting on Friday morning and socialized with lots of other Ambassadors from around the country. During the meeting awards were handed out. A 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place were given for Newsletter, Web site, & Best Banner. Only 1 award was given for Furthest traveled, Good Samaritan, & Volunteer Award. Our Club won the Good Samaritan award for our work at the VA hospital garden. A big thanks for all of you that help to make the garden a nice place for our Veterans. To win an award is not all that easy. There are about 350 clubs that participate and our Club has won a great one. Also our new banner was displayed that weekend. Next year we will make some adjustments to it. Judy Dooley

NCM Ambassador

The National Corvette Museum Board of Directors held their quarterly meeting and finalized plans for repair of the Museum's Skydome building, and the eight Corvettes affected by the February 12, 2014 sinkhole collapse.

After careful review of additional information and revised plans with price quotes from the construction company, the board voted to completely fill in the sinkhole.

"We really wanted to preserve a portion of the hole so that guests for years to come could see a little bit of what it was like, but after receiving more detailed pricing, the cost outweighs the benefit," said Museum Executive Director Wendell Strode. "At the June board meeting, the information available at that time indicated a cost of around \$500,000 more to keep the hole, but after incorporating additional safety features and vapor barriers for humidity control, the price tag rose to \$1 million more than the cost to put the Skydome back how it was."

Keeping even a portion of the sinkhole would require 35 foot retaining walls to be built inside of the sinkhole, additional micro piling, visible steel beams running through the hole, and soil nailing. All of these additional structural features are to ensure the safety of the sinkhole and prevent cracking and breaking of the sides in the future, which could result in stability issues, but take away from the natural look of the original sinkhole. The board also considered future maintenance issues that could arise if the hole was kept and the possibility that the hole wouldn't look like a naturally occurring sinkhole any longer.

Judy and Marty Dooley accepting the Club Good Samaritan Award:





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

St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

September 2nd, 2014- Grand Slam

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President- Ann Sedovic. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ann introduced current board members-president Ann Sedovic, vice president Mike Price, Secretary Karen Price, sergeant at arms Michelle Palliou, Treasurer Bob Kusky, and membership Tom Marlo, Immediate Past President, Ruth Howard. Club sponsor ELCO's representatives Mark Gerecke and Eric DeBruin were also introduced but were not in attendance.

Ann welcomed everyone and reminded everyone to review the sign ups sheets, purchase 50/50 tickets, put their names in the drawing for the monthly attendance prize and also fill out ballots for nominations for the Board. She also noted that we have club coolers, blankets and shirts for sale.

Guests/New Members-none

Secretary Meeting Minutes

Ron Hagenow moved to accept the minutes from the August meeting as published in the September newsletter. Mike Kirby provided a second to the motion with approval by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Bob Kusky's reported the August/September monthly expense report for the membership and noted that the club was financially sound. Bob provided his notes and report for the secretary's minutes. Gary Duke moved to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Don Pickles followed with an approval by the membership.

Membership Report

Tom Marlo reviewed the September birthdays and anniversaries. He reported that we currently have 88 members, 2 Life time members, 16 associate members (including the Horstmeyers and Luebckes who recently signed up as associate members) for a total of 110 members.

Newsletter Editor

Don Giovanoni noted that the Newsletter was on target and still always needs articles, pictures and recipes for the Newsletter. He asked for submissions to be available to him by the 20th of the month.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported that 20th Anniversary of the Museum Caravan was highlighted with the grand opening of the Motor park. The Dooley's were privileged to be able to take a lap around the track. Dave and Glenda Davidson participated as part of the Grand Sport Registry. The museum is now offering insurance for individuals and clubs. She also reported that the Board decided to fill in the sink hole as it was more cost efficient to fill it in than to try to keep the museum climate controlled. The 62, the Blue Devil and the Millionth will be restored, the rest will remain for history. Marty and Judy proudly accepted the Good Samaritan award from the Museum for our clubs participation with the VA Gardens. The plaque was presented to President Ann Brown.

NCCC Governor's Report-Jeff Craig (National Council of Corvette Clubs)

Jeff Craig reported that the Auto Cross on August 16-17th at Family Arena was fun but wet. He noted that his Dad Jerry showed him how to race and beat him handily.

Website Update: Dave Davidson

Dave was absent.

Sponsor's report:

Randy Howard filled in for Eric and Mark and reported that ELCO only has 4-2014's left but the 2015 models can be ordered.

Committee Reports:

Budget Committee- they reported that we are financially sound.

By-Laws-Ron Hagenow- amendments made last month.

<u>Christmas Party - Chris Woods and Judy Dooley</u>. Chris reported that the cost will be \$35/person. There will be 3 entrees-salmon, filet and prime rib. Dessert is included. Money will need to be in by November 1st. We will have a cocktail hour at 6pm and dinner at 7pm. She will begin collecting everyone's choices for entrees tonight.

Historian Committee- Jerry Craig, Carl Ballinger and Marty Dooley- nothing to report for now.

Nominating Committee- Sandy and Mike Kirby noted that there were ballots for members to fill out for nominations for the Board and place them in the ballot box.

<u>Parade Committee-</u> Ron Hagenow has a sign up sheet for the Veteran's Day Parade. We will invite the Gold Star parents to lunch at the Granite City Brewery with club picking up their meals. He noted that we can use more cars.

<u>VA Hospital committee</u>- Marty Dooley reported that construction on the steam lines would include removing some of our planting, so we would put on hold any further activity until we know where the lines will be placed. He will present an estimated budget to the budget committee tonight for the upcoming year.

Prior Events: Mike Price

August 9th- Bob Kusky noted that the trip to Lincoln Museum, Springfield, ILL- was a lot of fun, topped off with a great dinner at the Ariston Café. Tina Burkardt accidentally set off an alarm at the Museum while looking at a plate. Also that day Michelle Paillou and Don Pickles attended the Sunset Hills car show. Both took home awards for their cars- Don in his 57 Chevy and Michelle in her Vette.

August 16-17th_ STLCC/RT66 Autocross at the Family Arena- we cosponsored with RT 66.

August 24th- Fritz's Ice Cream Run 6pm.- 3 club members attended.

August 27-30th- NCM 20th Anniversary/ Caravan as noted before.

Future Events-Mike Price

September 18-21st. Funfest at Mid America. Mike Kirby has a sign up list to coordinate the trip up to Effingham. A group will plan to leave from the Shell station in Columbia and then pick up the second group at the Rest Stop at Silver Lake. They plan to stop at the Blue Springs Café for dinner.

September 27th- Club Picnic- sign up for side dishes will be available. To be held at the Millstadt Park starting at 1pm. There will be games with food to be served at 2pm.

October 2-5th- Eureka Springs Car Show

October 11th- Josephine's Ladies Run, sponsored by Ruth Howard- sign up sheet available. To meet at Syberg's on Dorsett at 9;45, departure time 10:15, reservations at 11am.

October 18th- Car Show and chili Cook-off with the after party at Bob Kusky's.

October 25th- the Elco Hayride

October 26th- Last Fritz's Ice Cream Run.

<u>New Business</u> – The Burkhardt's reported that there would be a car show in Sullivan on Saturday Sept 13th flyer available. \$15 registration fee.

Don and Ann Pickles are sponsoring a run next July 11-19th to include a trip thru Nashville, TN with a visit to the Grand Ole Opry followed by a scenic tour thru the Tail of the Dragon, The Biltmore House and a tour thru Rick Hendricks private collection/race shop. They will be putting out info for hotel reservations, etc later.

Announcements from the floor

Judy Giovanoni introduced her daughter, Mandy and her boyfriend Mike Swain who were in the process of rehabbing Mike Kunst's old home. In the process of removing some drywall they were able to salvage a priceless love note from his wife Susie written in March 29, 1984 which they presented to Mike.

Questions/comments/suggestions

None

50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Dan Danahey who won \$85.50.

Drawing for the monthly attendance prize

Ann regrettably forgot to purchase a gift card for this month.

Dessert

Thanks to the Howard's for the delicious cake this evening.

October cake to be provided by Mike and Sandy Kirby.

Next meeting: October 7th.

Tonight's attendance was reported by Tom Marlo as 44.

Judy Dooley moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm with a seconded by Chris Woods and approval by the membership. Ann thanked everyone for coming and reminded them to drive safely and save the wave.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Price, Secretary 2014

Excerpt from "The People's Car isn't German, it's from Kentucky." (thanks Paul Craig for submitting)

Breaking hearts in the heartland with the C7 Corvette.

By Jack Baruth September 4, 2014

Read the full story at http://www.roadandtrack.com/voices/the-peoples-car-c7-chevrolet-corvette

At the end of my time with the Corvette, I thought I finally had my finger on why the car is so important to so many. Ferraris are for the bewilderingly wealthy. Porsches are for the snobby and standoffish. But Corvettes are just for us. For regular people. The American Dream, in many cases, involves a diaper-rubbed Corvette in a retirement community or a blacked-out Z06 thundering down a back road or a daily-driven convertible in a fair-weather state. It feels attainable and achievable but no less desirable for it. It could happen. You might end up with one, and the fact that this C7 is the best Corvette, maybe the best American car, in history, is cheering in a very personal sense.

"Annie and I entered the Corvette in the Greentree Car Show in Kirkwood on Sunday, Sept 14, 2014. We got first place trophy in the sports car division beating out two Trans Ams, Triumph and a Camaro and a 1977 Silver Corvette. We were thrilled since this was our first car show. Only 100 cars were let in."





"Here is a picture of us with our car from a car show today that you can add to the member's photo page. We won 1st place! Yeah!

Frank and Tina Burkhardt

2014 Artic White Corvette Stingray Convertible"





SIXTH ANNUAL LADIES RUN – OCTOBER 11, 2014

6109 Godfrey Road Godfrey, IL 62035

www.josephinestearoomandgiftshops.com

Meet at Syberg's on Dorsett Road at 9:45am and we will depart at 10:15. This is a great tea room and if you've never been there before you are in for a treat! Their food and desserts are wonderful. If for some reason you can't drive your Corvette please feel free to join us in whatever vehicle that will get you there, or buddy up with one of the other ladies and go in their Corvette! Bring your Mom, Sister, Girlfriend or whoever! Please call Ruth at 314-846-6156 or email rhoward15@charter.net to rsvp as I need to know how many are going by October 4th or sign up at the September 2nd meeting!

After a lovely lunch they have numerous gift shops to walk through at your leisure!

Josephine's Tea Rooms & Gifts Shops opened in 1979 in Godfrey, Illinois. They are located four miles North of Alton, an historic river town on the bluffs of the Mississippi River, and a 30 minute drive from downtown St. Louis, Missouri.

The gift shops are in the original house which once was part of Monticello College that was founded in 1838. The shops feature unique home decor, gifts, florals and accessories. They have one house dedicated to Christmas decorations.

The tea rooms were added in 1986. There are three dining rooms plus the outdoor patios. Lunch is served 6 days a week.

Josephine's Monticello House was added as an addition next door. It features women's fashions, shoes, handbags, jewelry and accessories.

Escape to Josephine's for the day, enjoy a delicious lunch, browse through our many shops and relax in the beautiful landscaped gardens.

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 republish his recipe for peanut butter toast. – Ed.



STLCC Recipes

Submitted by Judy Giovanoni

COUNTRY POTATOES CASSEROLE

2 lb. Ore-Ida Southern Style or Country Style Hash Browns (easier to work with if first thawed in refrigerator)

½ cup shredded cheddar cheese

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sour cream

1 can cream of chicken soup

1 stick melted butter

Topping:

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups cornflake crumbs (about $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups flakes before crushing)

4 tbsp. Melted butter

2 tbsp. Shredded cheddar cheese

Mix hash browns, sour cream, cheese, soup, and butter together. Spray casserole dish lightly with Pam.

Put in 9×13 casserole dish.

Mix crumbs, butter, and cheese and pour over the top.

Bake at 350 for 60-70 minutes. Serves 12.

After a long day on the golf course, I stopped in at 'Hooter's' to see some friends and have some hot Wings and drinks.

After being there for a while, one of my friends asked me which waitress I would like to be stuck in an elevator with.

I told him "The one who knows how to fix elevators."

I'm old, tired, and pee a lot. - Thanks Jerry Craig!



From Gary Duke – "my wife and I went up to FunFest this past weekend with Mike and Sandy Kirby, Mike Price, Rick Frierdich (not sure of spelling), Mark Portman, Tom Marlo. I am sending a pic or two from the show. One pic is Mark Portman (vet) signing a car for vets. The another pic is of Michelle Paillou's car for winning the Celebrity Choice award. The next pic is of Mike Kirby and Erin Duke at the show waiting on the shoppers. The next is a vette they let people hand paint with washable paints, it was a little tye dyed. The next pic if of the 2015 corvette, Gun Metal Conv. and a Corvette Limousine. Had a great day, weather was fantastic, and we stopped at the Blue Springs Cafe for Dinner and Peggy Craig showed up to join us for dinner. Just wanted to send you a little about the trip, well guided and organized by Mike and Sandy Kirby."













Veterans Day Parade

Saturday November 8, 2014

For the 9th year our club will be participating in this annual parade. Last year we had 20 cars. We have had more in previous years and can always use more. As in past years we will also have the distinction of driving the Gold Star Mothers. We usually need 6-7 ladies driving convertibles for the Gold Star Mothers. This year the ladies and their family will be joining us for lunch after the parade. This parade, along with the Fourth of July parade, is one of our most important events of the year. We will assemble near the Krispy Kreme in South County near the JC Penney Home Store (I-55 and Lindbergh).

Be there between 9:30am and 10:00am. There will be a driver's meeting at 10:00am and leaving promptly after the meeting. We need to be in place by 10:30am with the parade beginning at noon. Those of you who have done this before know the hurry up and wait drill.

We will have lunch at Granite City Brew on Olive as we have in past years. The parade usually lasts about an hour.

Dress appropriately. We've done the parade in 20 degree and 75 degree weather. It is only cancelled if heavy sleet/snow. Don't forget to bring your radio and car flags.

Sign-ups will be at the meetings or email Ron Hagenow at hagenow1@charter.net or 618-939-1837.

Please support the men and women of our armed forces!





KINDLY REPLY by November 5th

CHRIS WOODS 314.846.6176 or Woods1890@ sbcglobal.net

PAYMENT TO: St. Louis Corvette Club



Be Merry!

Sam's Steakhouse 10205 Gravois Rd, 63123 Saturday, December 6th 6-11 pm

> 6 pm: Cocktails 7 pm: Dinner



(choose only 1)
Tenderloin Filet (8 oz)
Prime Rib (14 oz)
Salmon (8 oz)

(Includes salad, baked potato, dessert, coffee, tea, milk)

> \$35/per person Cash Bar





ON SITE REGISTRATION · FUEL ECONOMY RUN · SCENIC POKER RUN · PARADE OF CHAMPIONS · RIDES FOR KIDS · CONVENTION CENTER OPEN HOUSE · FOR SALE CORRAL OWNER'S CHOICE CAR SHOW · SHORT COURSE AUTOCROSS · NURSING HOME CAR SHOW · SCENIC PHOTO TOUR · NORTH 6 SOUTH DEPARTING DINNER CARAVANS

ALL REGISTERED CARS WILL RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT ON ALL NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM PURCHASES DURING THIS WEEKEND.
REGISTERED CARS WILL ALSO RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT IF PURCHASING A MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT EUREKASPRINGSCORVETTE.ORG AND DOWNLOAD A REGISTRATION / MEMBERSHIP FORM AND BRING IT WITH YOU TO EXPEDITE REGISTRATION. WATCH OUR WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFO ON PRE-REGISTRATION BECOMING AVAILABLE THIS YEAR.

Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend . An Arkansas non-profit corporation, with proceeds going to charity.

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