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President's Message

Dear Members,

The mild weather in February has been tempting the call of the open road and the roar of our engines. So many fun events have already taken place and the calendar is full of more adventure. The Valentine's brunch not only offered great food, but a chance for members to participate in fun games thanks to Ruth and Val. Cars and Coffee Saturday mornings are back in full force and the Wednesday Luncheons offer a tasty midweek getaway to enjoy a drive and conversation. Please check the calendar for upcoming events, including the ever popular Crazy Bowl!

I am so excited to see all of the participation of all of our members and the exciting fund raising events that Jim and Bev have come up with for our club to bless the kids at St. Jude's.

We have several new members and I am looking forward to them finding out just how much of a family we are and how much fun we can have.

Looking forward to our next meeting and hearing about all of the fun upcoming events that are planned. Until then stay safe and save the wave!

Karen

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Diana Griggs

Jane Jokerst

Pat Ross

Jack Braznell

Robert Hoogveld

Jaime Brennan

Leslie Hoosier

Judy Giovanoni

ANNIVERSARIES

Eric & Vickie DeBruin

Roger Reinhardt & Teresa Lindemann

Meeting Minutes

St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Brandon Hoosier at 7:00pm.

Jim Givens said the opening prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Barry began the meeting with a joke.

Introduction of Officers:

President: Karen Price (not in attendance)	Vice President: Brandon Hoosier
Membership: Judy Giovanoni	Treasurer: Patti Kusky
Secretary: Leslie Hoosier	Sargent at Arms: Jack Braznell
Sponsor: Elco Chevrolet Mark Gereke & Eric DeBruin	

Vice President Brandon Hoosier led the discussion of the following:

- Reminders: Sign-in sheet, Attendance prize sign-up, 50/50 tickets, event sign-up sheets, club logo shirts for order, Xmas presents for those who haven't picked them up yet.
- Welcome new member: Steve Willis. Welcome to the club Steve!

Steve Kirby provided an update on the club Website

- Please send Steve updates electronically for inclusion on the website
- 70% full on web server, Steve researching options for how to make more space
 - Looking at cloud capability for club; significantly greater storage capability & can upload more different file types
 - \$8/month - 2TB space

- No decision made yet, but ultimately the Board will vote on the best option

Brandon discussed Jack's idea for mentoring new members – thanked Ron for the informative explanation of club in the newsletter and for volunteering to be a mentor.

Secretary's Minutes: Correction to January 15, 2023 minutes as follows:

- October retiree's lunch – will not be held at Wicked Chicken
- Jim Givens made motion to approve January meeting minutes, seconded by Ken Payne, approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Ken moved to approve, Steve Kirby seconded, approved.

Membership Report- Judy

- New members added since the January meeting: Barry & Patricia Korman
- Members leaving as of January 31, 2023: Sue Dahman, deceased (lifetime member)
- Associate members leaving as of January 31, 2023: None.
- Current membership totals as follows:
 - Regular members: 99 (includes 12 charter members)
 - Lifetime members: 6 (includes 2 charter members)
 - Associate members: 3
 - Sponsors: 4
 - Total members: 99 (excludes sponsors)
- Currently there is nobody on the waiting list.
- Removed from membership waiting list: Larry Cathey – injured, cannot drive Corvette.

- Added checkbox to attendance sheet for if you drove your Corvette. Didn't have the checkbox added to the attendance sheet at the Planning Meeting. If you drove Vette to that meeting let Judy know so she can mark you down.

Committee Reports:

- Newsletter: Kathy Mueller (Thanks for great newsletter!). Send event flyers to Kathy so she can include in newsletter
- Budget: Budget committee presented 2023 budget.
 - Randy proposed 2023 budget for committee, Patti passed out copies to members to review
 - Jim Givens: Are website changes included? Yes.
 - Will vote to approve budget next month.
- By-laws: On target.
- Charity: On target
- VA Garden:
 - Marty/Karen not in attendance; on target
- Parade:
 - Michelle/Mike not in attendance; on target
- National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report:
 - Judy Dooley not in attendance; on target
- NCCC Governor's Report: Larry Walker
 - Larry Walker: sent email to club members with insurance info to provide clarification on coverage.
 - Open registration season for convention In Bowling Green (NCCC.org website)
 - Sanctions: upcoming car show In May can get sanction
 - The club gets 10 sanctions per year
 - Should have received membership cards In mail
- History:

- Ron did nice write up In newsletter – thank you Ron!
 - On target
- Christmas Party: Chris Woods/ Judy Dooley, Ruth Howard and Pat Ross-
Chris to present update for Dec 2nd event at the Falls.
 - The 2023 Christmas party is scheduled for Saturday, December 2, 2023 at The Falls in Columbia, IL.
 - There are hotels within a couple blocks of the Falls if you wish.
 - Per Karen, the cost is \$60/person for buffet meal, open bar for 3.5 hours, and cash bar the last hour. We will also have a DJ for 2 hours during the party.
 - Discussion around possibly having a fund raiser sometime this year to offset Christmas party costs, but more information to come at the next meeting.
- Nominating: On target.
- Sponsor Report: Mark Gerecke
 - Mark: On target. Good January, starting to see new Inventory coming In. Have about 80 vehicles, previously had 15-20 the last year and a half. Have a red 2020 C8 for sale, exceptional condition.
 - E ray not sure on allocations yet. Same with Z06. Hoping for more production for e ray.
 - Recent Corvette sale C7, Mr. Luebcke's grandson. Congratulations!
 - Will close dealership doors during meetings so customers don't come during club meetings
- Insurance review committee- we are exploring other options
 - Larry's email covers NCCC Insurance. Events needing waiver are ones where we drive to an event together.
 - Critical for driving member to sign waiver themselves.
 - If multiple members are in car together, all have to sign waivers.
 - Randy Howard also pointed out that driver also must have personal Insurance!

- NCCC does protect all members, not just board.
- Barry asked the question: If non-member rides with you, do they sign? Assume yes. All should sign.
- Committee also looking at additional options for Insurance for same coverage, less cost. No decision or changes have been made, still researching options.
- Ruth: Racers can join NCCC as members at large if the club elects different Insurance.
- Angie posed the question: If we're not NCCC club, would you lose sanctions? Yes.
- Vice President's Report: Prior events/upcoming events.
 - Jan Retirees lunch (Pat/Rick F.) - Had 28 people, outstanding food & a lot of fun!
 - BUNCO - 2nd time. 24 people, had a good time and plan to have another one on March 11th at the Kirbys. Thanks to all who came!
 - Valentine's lunch - Fun time, good food & played Newlywed Game & Trivia. Gifts for longest & shortest married couples. Thanks to all who came!
- New events (Feb & March)
 - Feb 15, Retirees lunch, 11:00 at Mellow Mushroom
 - Feb 18, Corvettes & Coffee, Annex In Webster Groves, 8:30 am
 - March 11, Corvettes & Coffee, LaBelle Vie Café in St. Charles, 8:30 am
 - March 21, Casino River City Casino/lunch, time TBD
 - March 25, Giant City Drive, Giant City State Park in Makanda IL, time TBD
 - March 26, Crazy Bowl at DuBowl at 1:00 pm, followed by party at Don & Ann Pickles house. Cost \$9.50.
 - March 26, Fritz's Ice Cream, Valley Park, 5 pm

- Ruth talked about the St. Jude drive coming up May 18-19, 2023. Each car required to raise \$1,500; there is also a \$350 registration fee to cover St. Jude shirts, hotel, luncheon & one tank of gas. St. Jude drive started In 2012, since then \$1.9 million raised! Drive goes to Dyersburg TN, where fish fry & BBQ dinner are enjoyed. Then caravan to Memphis for lunch & presentation/speakers from St. Jude. Ruth encourages everyone to think about participating and don't let the \$1,500 requirement scare you. Bev & Jim Givens also talked about how the St. Jude drive has been a blessing to them & encouraged club members to do the drive & be a part of saving lives. See Ruth for questions.
- John Midkiff - Tail of the dragon, Devil's Triangle, Biltmore trip update: moving event to June 19th so it doesn't conflict w/Father's Day. See Midkiffs if interested. Can adjust dates If needed. Trip is about 8 days long.
- Thank you for bringing cake tonight – Tracy and Jeff Stieren!Next month Rick Frierdich and Pat Ross
- Additional announcements:
 - Pam brought shirts/jackets if anyone wants to order one
 - Sherri Marlo's brother passed away, they are in Florida with family
 - Mattler - donation to American Cancer Society In Virginia's name
 - Read thank you note from the Mattlers
 - Kusky - Thank you to club for gift basket from knee surgery, thanks also to Ron for his help.
- Thank you Vicki and Kim for the Ladies Mystery Quilt day! It was a great time!Displayed some of the beautiful table runners that were made during the meeting.
- Congratulations: 50/50 drawing winner Rick Frierdich. Attendance prize winners: Rick Doerr (gift card), Terry Mueller (Corvette poster donated by Barry).
- 58 members tonight. Next meeting March 7th,2023.

- Motion to adjourn meeting by Don Pickles, second by Rick Luebcke, meeting adjourned.

Leslie Hoosier
Secretary

IN MEMORIAM

June Fain

By Ron Hagenow

We were saddened to recently learn that former long-time member June Fain passed away on December 25, 2021. June, along with husband Jerry, were original members of the club. You will notice on our club roster that we kept June on as an honorary member after Jerry passed in 2009 although she did not remain active in the club.

A couple of stories. On our first trip to Eureka Springs in 2006 we couldn't find a room. It just so happened that Jerry and June had mistakenly booked two rooms so we got the extra one. That was our introduction to Eureka Springs. The next year Jerry and June were talking on the way down and missed their turn. Jerry realized something was wrong when he saw a sign to Memphis in 10 miles!

One of their favorite restaurants was Miller's Grill in Washington, MO. On one of our trips there Jerry mistakenly locked the keys in their car while it was running. June thought it was funny but not Jerry. We worked probably a half hour

to get into their C5. For several years after Jerry's death we had a memorial run to Miller's Grill with one year having the entire family join us.

After Jerry's passing, June had some of us to their house to go through Jerry's Corvette collection. I have a yellow C3 that was his and always think of Jerry and June when I see it.

Here are a couple of pictures of Jerry and June in happier times:



Jerry and June at Eureka Springs in 2008.



Jerry and June at our Christmas party in 2008.

Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

NCM Ambassadors Report

Good day everyone. Here is a little news from the National Corvette Museum.

We were able to get one of the last parking lot banners at the Museum and that is a good thing. Now we just need our club members to purchase raffle tickets to help defer the price of the new banner. The tickets are \$5.00 and it would look great in your garage or man cave.

You can keep up with the raffle cars on the National Corvette Museum website. You can download an order form from your computer, fill it out and send it to the National Corvette Museum at 350 Corvette Boulevard, Bowling Green, KY.

Here are some of the raffles going on now

- 2023 Arctic White Convertible. The drawing is on 3/9/23 & tickets are \$200.00.
- 2023 Silver Flare Coupe. The drawing is 3/30/23 & tickets are \$100.00 and 2000 tickets are available.
- 2023 Red Mist Coupe. The drawing is 4/20/23. Tickets are \$150.00 with 1500 tickets.
- 2023 70th Anniversary Convertible, VIN 00002. The drawing is 4/28/23. Tickets are \$250.00. 1953 tickets are available.
- 2023 Torch Red Convertible. Drawing is 4/29/23. Tickets are \$20.00 each with unlimited tickets.

Judy and Marty Dooley

NCM Ambassadors

Future Events

STLCC CASINO/LUNCH DAY

RIVER CITY CASINO

MARCH 7, 2023



River City Casino



Beerhouse Restaurant

Come join us for a day of fun! If you are interested in gambling arrive at 11:00 and then at 12:30 we will go to the Beerhouse for lunch reservations. If you don't care to gamble you're welcomed to join us for lunch!

<https://www.rivercity.com/dining/the-beerhouse.com>

Sponsored by the Howards

Sign up sheet will be at meeting or contact Ruth (314)-486-6836 to sign up

Reservations have to be received by March 2nd



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When:

- Saturday, March 11th @ 8:30am

Where:

- LaBelle Vie Cafe
- 1200 N 2nd Street
- St Charles, MO 63301

Come for the Coffee, Stay for the People!!

Sponsored by Jim & Bev Givens

314.341.3383

STLCC - B U N C O



HOSTED BY the Kirby's

SATURDAY, March 11, 6:00pm

17004 Lakeside Ridge,

Chesterfield, MO 63005

Eat at 6:00, Bunco at 7:00

Bring \$5.00 per person and a dish to share

Beer and Soda Provided

RSVP By 3/8/23 or signup sheet

dawnstroup@sbcglobal.net or

steve_kirby@sbcglobal.net

**Please park in driveway, along 1 side of the
cul-de-sac or along main road, thanks.**

March Retiree Lunch



Pappy's Smokehouse

5246 North Service Road, St. Peters, MO 63376

Across I-70 from Mid Rivers Mall

11:00 AM, March 15, 2023

Check out the menu:

www.pappyssmokehouse.com

Sponsored by Barry Seelig

Sign up at the March meeting.

Vetdude67@gmail.com

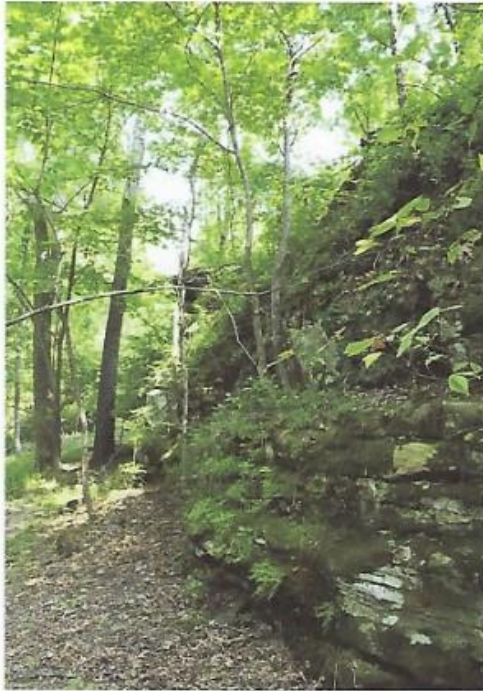


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FRITZ'S

ICE CREAM!

Join us on Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 5:30 pm for our first Fritz's run of the year. This time is not our usual last Sunday of the month, it was moved so as not to conflict with the Crazy Bowl activity.



JOIN US FOR A BEAUTIFUL CAR RIDE TO

GIANT CITY STATE PARK LODGE & RESTAURANT

460 Giant City Lodge Road Makanda, Illinois 62958
618-457-4921



MARCH 25TH 2023
RIDE BEGINS AT 8 AM

This will be an all day event. There will be a family style dinner at the restaurant of all you can eat crispy fried chicken and all the fixings as well as a drink. Tax and gratuity will be included for approximately \$25 per person.

Sponsors: Jeff and Tracy Stieren

We will meet at the Home Depot by Hooters March 25th 2023, Lindbergh at Lemay Ferry. 8 a.m. meeting time with departure at 8:30. Directions to be handed out prior to driving. Preliminary plans are to take Rt. 3 to Columbia through Marissa, through Pinckneyville to Carbondale and then into the Park.

If you have any questions, contact Jeff Stieren 314-629-6623 or jfslwn@gmail.com.



CRAZY BOWL

Sunday, March 26, 2023

DuBowl Lanes

2711 Lemay Ferry Rd.

St. Louis, Mo. 63125

Arrive by 12:30 pm bowling starts promptly at 1:00 pm

\$3.50 per person per game for bowling (bowl 2 games)

and shoes are \$2.50. Total cost per person for bowling is \$9.50

After bowling we have been so graciously invited back to Don & Anne Pickles house for food and awards ceremony. Just like past years there will be sandwiches and we ask that members bring an appetizer or dessert to share and your beverage of choice. If you don't want to bowl you can come out and cheer us on, and if that doesn't work with your schedule you can still sign up to join us for the after party!

Additional price for sandwiches is \$4.50 per person.

Please pay with cash night of event.

Please rsvp to Judy at 314-894-0303 or Ruth at 314-486-6836.

There will be a signup sheet at the February & March meeting.

Last day to sign up is March 19th.



April Retiree Lunch

Date: April 19, 2023

Time: 11:15 a.m.

Where: Ethyl's Smokehouse & Saloon, 8505 Veterans Memorial Pkwy, O'Fallon, MO 63366

Hosted by Marc Portman

There will be a sign-up sheet at the March and April 2023 meetings. If you will not be attending either meeting, you can email Marc Portman at

mportman@centurylink.net .

Click below for the menu

<https://ethylssmokehouse.com/>

Past Events

St. Louis Corvette Club Valentine's Day Luncheon

Hosted By Ruth Howard and Valerie Zeisset















The Newly Wed Game



Winners of the Newly Wed Game



Valentine's Corvette Trivia Game

February Retirees' Lunch

Hosted By Rick and Mary Doerr







Coffee and Corvettes

Hosted by Jim and Bev Givens





Articles

The St. Louis Corvette Club Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

History Committee: Ron Hagenow, Marty Dooley, Mike Price and
Peggy Craig Bradley

The month of March sees some of our Vettes stirring after their long winter's slumber. So rather than picking out a few years to review, here is a list of some events we've done during the month of March. Maybe it will give someone an idea to either try the same event or give you an idea for a new event.

VA Garden Cleanup

Crazy Bowl

Cottleville Parade

Fast Lane Classic Cars and then Blue Springs Café

Herman Wursthfest

Lammert's Restaurant

Whitmond Hotel and Ferry Ride

Gallagher's in Waterloo

Jilly's Happy Hour

Fritz's Frozen Custard

Albert Pujols Charity Car Show

Retirees' Lunch

Pere Marquette Lunch

Cars and Coffee

Charity Mouse Race

In keeping with the March theme, here are a few pictures from previous March activities.



From the VA Garden cleanup in March 2014, Marty Dooley and Larry Akins trying to see who gets electrocuted first.



From the Crazy Bowl in March 2015, Michelle Paillou and Gary Murray in action (and trying to not get hurt!).



In March 2011 some club members were on Channel 2 to promote our Albert Pujols Charity Car Show.



March 2022 saw us at Pere Marquette Lodge for lunch.



Our cars at the Blue Springs Café in March 2006.

Chevy Corvette – How It's Made

Submitted by Terry Mueller



Check out the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0MRtNrgs5-U&t=108s>

Daytona 500 Pace Car

Submitted by Terry Mueller



The 2023 Chevy Corvette Z06 was the pace car for the Daytona 500.

Featured STLCC Members and Their Corvette

Brandon & Leslie Hoosier



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