

# St. Louis Corvette Club

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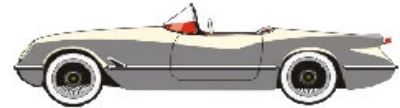


Midwest Region NCCC

## Gateway News

March 2004

Next Meeting March 2, 2004





## **2004 Temporary Officers**

President: **Ron Huch**  
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Vice President: **Marty Dooley**  
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## **National Council of Corvette Clubs**

Ambassador: **Carl Ballinger**  
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Ambassador: **Sharon Ballinger**  
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## **Internet**

### **St. Louis Corvette Club Website**

[www.stlcorvettes.net](http://www.stlcorvettes.net)

### **National Council of Corvette Clubs**

[www.corvettesnccc.org](http://www.corvettesnccc.org)

### **National Corvette Museum**

[www.corvettemuseum.com](http://www.corvettemuseum.com)

### **Boon Trail Corvette Club**

[www.boontrailcc.com](http://www.boontrailcc.com)

### **Looking Glass Corvette Club**

[www.jackschmitt.com](http://www.jackschmitt.com)

### **Original Corvette Club**

[www.occofstl.com](http://www.occofstl.com)

### **Route 66 Corvette Club**

[www.route66corvetteclub.com](http://www.route66corvetteclub.com)

**Purpose of St. Louis Corvette Club:**

*To enjoy the Corvette through association with other Corvette owners. To have fun on many levels through social events, road trips, car shows, charity events and competition as each person wishes. To actively promote and work for the advancement of St/ Louis Corvette Club and it's activities. To respect the differences wishes and of each STLCC club member.*

**From The President**—Ron Huch

A Big Thank You From the President...

I would like to thank everyone who came to our Inaugural Meeting on February 3rd. I think we had a very good turnout of 40 people, most of whom have signed up as members of our new club. We should soon have all of our detailed organizational work completed and can now plan to move on with various events to make this club fun and a "success". I would like to encourage everyone to come up with an idea and a proposed date for some sort of event for this year. Once you have made a decision, please contact our "Event Coordinators - Rich and Theresa Luebcke" of your proposed event to get it on our calendar.

I will be open to any and all suggestions that you may have for improvement as to the operation of this club. We are looking forward to a great year!

Ron Huch

President

On the Cover:

All those clean Corvettes on a February day!

A nice group of Corvetters joined us for Valentines Day brunch at Harry's.

Special thanks to the Route 66 Corvette Club for helping with our first event.

**ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB MEETING**

**February 3, 2004 - Hessler's Pub**

Interim President Ron Huch called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. The interim officers and chairpersons were introduced. Introductions included everyone in attendance.

Ron Huch - President  
Marty Dooley - Vice President  
June Huch - Secretary  
Fran Wienstroer - Treasurer  
Karen Mericle - Sgt. at Arms  
Judy Lee - Membership Chairman  
Teresa & Rich Luebcke - Activities Coordinators  
Ed Lee - Webmaster  
Jerry Craig - Editor of Gateway News  
Sharon Ballinger - NCM Ambassador  
Carl Ballinger - NCCC Governor

**Club Sponsor: Route 66 Chevrolet**

Treasurer's Report - Fran Wienstroer. Once we have received our corporate papers from the State of Missouri, we will be able to open a Club Bank Account. We do have our federal tax I.D. number.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of our planning meeting on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Membership Report - Judy Lee**

- Judy explained that our membership fees for 2004 will be \$60, which will include NCCC dues for primary members. If the associate member wants to belong to NCCC, they will need to pay an additional \$10.
- Information from the membership form will be used to put a club phone directory together. Let Judy know if there is any private information that you do not want on the website (phone number, address, etc.)
- If you are currently a 2004 member of NCCC, it will not be necessary to pay the \$30 again. NCCC membership for 2005 will be \$20.
- For those members having more than one Corvette, it is not necessary to pay for more than one membership.

#### NCM Report - Sharon Ballinger

- The C5/C6 Birthday Bash will be held at the end of April. Let Sharon Ballinger know if you are interested in attending.
- For the club to belong to the National Corvette Museum, the yearly dues are \$250 for the first year and \$150 for every succeeding year.

#### NCCC Governor's Report - Carl Ballinger

- Carl will be attending the Midwest Regional Meeting on Saturday, 2/28, prior to the NCCC Governor's Meeting and will be turning in our NCCC membership forms at this meeting. Each new member will be receiving a packet of information, including a rule book, an NCCC patch, notification of all NCCC events, etc. The NCCC website is listed on our club website. Our club will be a member of the Midwest Region.

#### RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS

Everyone in attendance introduced themselves. Guests included Charlie and Jackie Miget from the Route 66 Corvette Club, Donna Landmann, Kent Morgan, Beverly and Rich Crain, Bob Tucker and Tom Boyer. Several people took membership applications with them to send in to Judy Lee. These people are not listed as "guests".

Ron indicated there are other NCCC clubs in the St. Louis area that do become involved in "performance events" and our members may want to join those clubs' activities if they are interested in participating.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- The By-laws committee (Marty, Fran, Jerry and Carl) has been busy working on our club's by-laws and copies will be available at our next meeting.
- Interim Club Officers have been chosen until our first election process in November. The Vice President chosen for 2005 will be the club's President in 2006.
- NCCC mail will be sent to Carl Ballinger, our NCCC Governor.
- Ron's address has been used to register the club with NCCC to put us in the Midwest Region, along with the Route 66 Corvette Club.
- Club Logo - With the help of Jerry Craig, Ed and Amber Lee, our club logo has been created.
- Club Shirts - Judy Dooley will be taking our new club logo to Midwest Monograms to get a cost on printing on a couple of chosen club shirts. Ed Lee will be giving Judy a disk with our newly designed club logo to give to Midwest Monograms.
- Club Banner - A club banner will be put on hold for now.
- Charity - No planned charity at this time. A benefit car show will be held in the fall. The club will decide at the end of the year as to how much money will be donated to a particular charity.
- Our webmaster is Ed Lee and he has done a fine job in developing this site for us. The web ad-

dress is [www.stlcorvettes.net](http://www.stlcorvettes.net)

## NEW BUSINESS

- Activities Coordinators: Teresa and Rich Luebcke volunteered to coordinate the club activities for 2004. They will ensure no more than one club event takes place on any one day.
- Weekly Dinners
  - Karen Mericle will coordinate the weekly Thursday night dinners.
- Club Banner
  - Marty Dooley, Ed Lee and Rich Luebcke have volunteered to search for a company to layout and design our club banner (10 ft. in length).
- Business Club Member's Discount - NCM (per Bill Dotson)
  - If your club is a "Business/Club" level member, you can save 25% on an Individual or Family membership to the Museum just for being a member of a club that supports the Museum. For a limited time, members of Corvette Clubs at the Business/Club level can take 25% off an Individual or Family membership. Discounts in the Corvette Store, reduced event registration, a subscription to America's Sports Car Magazine, free admission to the Museum and much more are just a part of the benefits of becoming a member of the Museum.

## FUTURE EVENTS - Marty Dooley

- Sunday, Feb. 15, 11:30am - Valentine's Brunch @ Harry's West - Sponsored by Jerry & Armynta Craig. Advise Jerry of your interest in attending by 2/10. Cost: \$19.20 per person to include tax and gratuity.
- C5/C6 Birthday Bash - April 22-23-24-25. Register ahead of time. There will be 5 rides given in a new C6. See Sharon Ballinger for more details.
- Sponsor Car Shows: 2 -- Spring (end of March) and fall. The fall car show will be lead by Bob and Mary Tucker at Route 66 Chevrolet in Pacific. Sharon Ballinger and Judy Lee will assist the Tuckers in coordinating the event.
- Swap Meet - April 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8-3pm - Mid America Corvettes in Effingham. More details to follow. Space available for rent - catalog sales will be open. A Car Corral will be available for car sales. More information will be given to Ed Lee and Jerry Craig to place in our newsletter and website, respectively.
- Anyone wanting to go on a lighthouse tour to Cape Cod during the middle of May, contact Jerry & Armynta Craig
- Marty reminded everyone to see him to pick up a poster from our Club Sponsor, Route 66 Chevrolet.
- It was suggested that the following receive copies of our newsletter: Route 66 Corvette Club (Charlie Miget), Mid America in Effingham, Route 66 Chevrolet and Corvette Central.

- Some suggested activities were discussed:
  - Drive and eat at Home of the Throed Rolls in Sikeston, MO
  - Fast Eddies
  - Pierre Marquette
  - Winery runs - MO & IL
  - Pevely Races
  - Party on Craig's Deck
  - Columbia Cup - Hearne's Arena - 3/6-7 - Let Rich Luebcke know if you are interested. Event will be held outside this year.
- It was announced that pictures of the new C6 are available in wallpaper and you have the ability to download as a screen saver from the National Corvette Museum Website (web address in club newsletter). Check it out!

50/50

Winner - Dick Mericle - \$65.00

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

June Huch, Secretary

The STLCC Board meets before each regular meeting.

Monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at Hessler's Pub .



# STATE OF MISSOURI



Matt Blunt  
Secretary of State

## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION MISSOURI NONPROFIT

WHEREAS, duplicate originals of Articles of Incorporation of

*Saint Louis Corvette Club*  
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have been received and filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, which Articles, in all respects, comply with the requirements of Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby certify and declare this entity a body corporate, duly organized this date and that it is entitled to all rights and privileges granted corporations organized under the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set  
my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL  
of the State of Missouri, on this, the 5th day  
of February, 2004.

Effective Date: March 1, 2004

  
Secretary of State





## State Incorporation

Left page. Saint Louis Corvette Club, Inc.

### Treasurer's Report by Fran Wienstrorer

Now that STLCC is officially incorporated, a bank account has been opened. The first report will be at the March 2 meeting.

Valentine's Day Brunch  
at Harry's.

Route 66 Corvette Club.



STLCC members



Hi! Theresa and Rich here.....This Activities Calendar is our first run at looking for great Corvette things for us to do. The vast majority are events sponsored by others, but they're good times nonetheless. At the end are things we consider Great Possibilities but need dates and sponsors (like one or two of us) to coordinate.

Let's talk more at the March meeting!!

### **St. Louis Corvette Club Activities Committee - Out and About**

#### **March**

- 5-7 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvette Cup, Columbia, MO
- 13-14 Chevy/Vettefest, Chicago, IL

#### **April**

- 3 Mid America Direct's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Swap Meet, Effingham, IL
- 11 Easter Show in Forest Park
- 22-24 C5/C6 Birthday Bash at the National Corvette Museum

#### **May**

- 1 ??Spring Car Show at Route 66 Chevrolet in Pacific (hosted by the St. Louis Corvette Club)
- 7-8 NCCC Governors' Meeting, Westport Plaza
- ?? Route 66 State Park Party

#### **June**

- 5,6? Route 66 Festival, Edwardsville, IL
- 5-11 NCCC National Convention in Las Vegas
- 18-20 1<sup>st</sup> Inaugural Corvette Classis in Bloomington/Normal, IL (hosted by the Bloomington/Normal Convention and Visitors Bureau)
- 25 Drive Your Corvette to Work Day
- 25-27 Bloomington Gold in St. Charles, IL (hosted by Mecum Auctions)

#### **July**

- 4 Independence Day Parades?

#### **August**

#### **September**

- 3,4,5 10<sup>th</sup> Annual National Corvette Museum Labor Day Party
- 10-11 NCCC Governors' Meeting, Westport Plaza
- 11 NKF Chili Cookoff, Westport Plaza
- 18,19 Mid America Direct Funfest, Effingham, IL

- 24-26 Route 66 Festival, Springfield, IL (hosted by visit-springfieldillinois.com)

#### **October**

#### **November**

- 10-11 NCCC Governors' Meeting, Westport Plaza

#### **December**

- ?? Christmas Party

#### **Open Events (in other words, Great Possibilities with no dates set)**

- I55 Speedway Races
- Winery Runs

Poker Runs  
 Pierre Marquette Trip  
 Mid America Direct Club Visit  
 Fall Show at Route 66 Chevrolet  
 Sunday Drives  
 Road Rallies with the SCCA, St. Louis Region  
 Ladies' Day Out – with the Corvettes  
 Black Hills Classic in Spearfish

**Thursday Night Dinner Schedule** by Karen Mercile. Please check [www.stlcorvettes.net](http://www.stlcorvettes.net) for updates

March 4, 2004	Sunny China Buffet		1257 so Kirkwood North of I 44	
March 11, 2004	Chevys		Clarkson & Clayton	
March 18, 2004	Applebees		Gravois Bluff & Highway 30/Fenton	636-326-2963
March 25, 2004	Growlers Pub		3811 S. Lindbergh at Watson	984-9009
April 1, 2004	Wilkers	try and go to route 66 car club meeting afterwards	1566 Country Club Plaza DR hwy 94-I-70 St Charles, MO	636-947-1441

First Meeting.  
 February 2004.

About 40 people  
 attended and many  
 joined our new  
 group.



## Meeting Location

### Hessler's Pub 11804 Tesson Ferry

Directions:  
East of I-270 on Tesson Ferry between 270 and Lindberg.

**Next meeting**  
Tuesday March 2

*As a courtesy to our members, no smoking is permitted during the meeting.*



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