

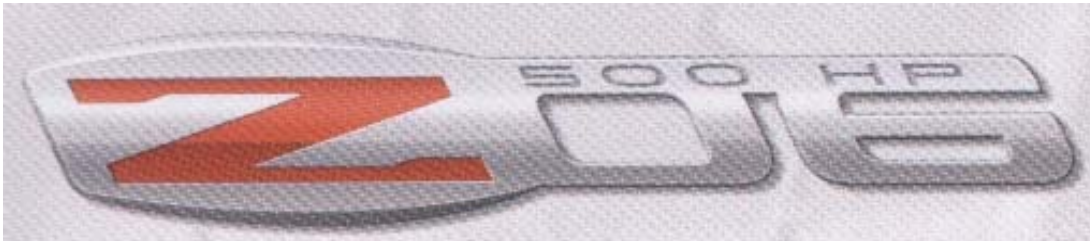
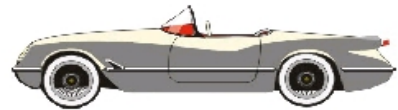
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

February 2005

Next Meeting Feb 1, 2005



Spring Swapfest is April 2



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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 and wishes of each STLCC club member.

From the President--- Marty Dooley

It was a very interesting meeting to start the new year off. There were a lot of ideas tossed around about what we want to do this year. We are glad to see and hear the enthusiastic response from our members. It's good to see so many of our old and new friends sign-up for another year with our club. I'm sure it is because we have enjoyed each others company and the events we have attended during a pretty good first year.

For this next year, there are many events and activities already in the works. If you have any ideas for the club, please check with Rick Frierdich or Theresa and Rich Luebcke. They are the friends that will help us all make these things happen. Looking forward to another good year. With all of our help, we should be able to continue what the founding members of our club started. Remember what we are all about...

Marty

February Birthdays

Feb 18. Rosemary Owens

Feb 19. June Fain

Feb 28. Jerry Fain

February Anniversaries

Feb 4. Shirley and Rick Berving

Feb 7. Judy and Marty Dooley

On the Cover:

The new 500 HP Z06. First Class all the way. A Nextel racer for the road.

ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB MEETING

January 4, 2005 - Hessler's Pub

President Dooley called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Flag missing...look into bringing one to our next meeting. All club officers and chairpersons were introduced.

Treasurer's Report by Fran Wienstroer - Balance at end of year: \$2,701.79. Recap of receipts/expenses passed out to members. Motion made to accept treasurer's report by Jerry Fain, seconded by Charlie Miget. See Fran if interested in auditing the 2004 year-end report.

Secretary's Minutes by June Huch - Motion made by Carl Ballinger to accept minutes as published in monthly newsletter, seconded by Mary Wienstroer.

Membership Report by Peggy Craig - We currently have 32 Primary members, 23 Associate members, 4 members who receive monthly mailings and 11 honorary members. January birthdays: Bonnie Ruengert, Mike Price, Maurice Wood, Marty Dooley and Jackie Miget. Birthday cake brought by Karen and Dick Mericle. January wedding anniversary: Bob and Mary Tucker. Membership directory distributed. Let Peggy know of any changes.

NCCC Governor's Report given by Carl Ballinger - On October 15-16 an event will be sponsored at the Wentzville Assembly Plant in which the Route 66 Corvette Club and the St. Louis Corvette Club will participate. Each club will sponsor 5 events. NCCC Convention will be held in St. Cloud, Minnesota. All packets mailed to NCCC members. Feb. 26 is the next Governor's Meeting at Sheraton Westport. Anyone interested in attending with Carl, let him know.

NCM Ambassador Report - Sharon Ballinger absent. A report was given by Carl Ballinger. See Carl for raffle tickets for sale. Carl reiterated for the new members that each museum member receives a 10% discount while Lifetime members receive a 15% discount on purchases made at the Museum or on line at www.corvettemuseum.com

By-Laws Committee Chairman - Ron Huch. Several members volunteered to work with Ron on this committee: Ron Miesner, Rick Berving, Charlie Miget and Bill Dotson. A committee meeting will be held before our February meeting.

Recognition of Guests and New Members:

- Guests: Mark Parafiniuk, Owner of UltraShield of St. Louis. Gave a brief review of the product sold to place on the front of your car to protect it from chips. The 3M film adheres to the bumper and hood. Passed out brochures. Ten percent discount given to club

members.

- Other guests: Pat and Carl Cox, Dan Barrett ('04)
- New Member: Tammy Walker ('84),

OLD BUSINESS

- See Judy Dooley if interested in ordering club logo apparel.

NEW BUSINESS

- Smoking not permitted in meeting room.
- Two board meetings were held since the November meeting. The board reviewed what seemed to work in the past and what we may want to do differently in the future. A calendar of main monthly events for this year was passed out to all members. Marty reviewed many items discussed at the board meeting and a questionnaire prepared by Rick Friedrich was passed out to the membership concerning the types of events our members like/dislike. We will receive results of the survey at our February meeting.
- Karen Mericle will be reminding those who have volunteered to bring a birthday cake each month.
- A special thanks was given to Jerry Craig for preparing the monthly newsletter during 2004. Mike Price has volunteered to function as our Gateway News Editor beginning in February.
- Club members voted to purchase two-sided club flags that will clip to your car window or antennae. Purchase price for these flags will be discussed at the next meeting and orders will be taken.
- Jerry Craig prepared a CD containing 2004 club events and was selling them for \$2. Proceeds to go to Club's general fund.
- T-shirts left from our last car show will be taken to the VA hospital along with used magazines collected from our membership. Mary Wienstroer will be coordinating this project. Please bring any used magazines to our Feb. meeting.

PAST EVENTS - Marty Dooley

- A brief review of past events was discussed. Everyone agreed the Veterans Day Parade went well, but was poorly attended. Better advertising of the parade is very much needed.
- Pictures of event on Nov. 21 to World Bird Sanctuary are on our club website www.stlcorvettes.net
- Christmas Banquet on Dec. 4 was well attended with around 40 members. Notepads with club logo and club pins were given to those members not able to attend the banquet. Ron Huch presented an appreciation award to Rick Berving who was unable to attend the banquet.
- Children's Hospital sent a letter thanking us for the children's gifts donated at Christmas time. Letter read by Judy Dooley.
- Judy Dooley read the thank you card received from Susan G. Komen for our support in 2004.
- Club received thank you for flowers given to family of Anna Bauer.

FUTURE EVENTS - Rich Luebcke

1. 1/15/05 - Tech Session sponsored by Rt. 66 Chevrolet dealership. Rick Friedrich will be sponsoring the event.
2. 2/6/05 - Valentine's Day Brunch - to be sponsored by Rich & Theresa Luebcke - location yet to be decided.
3. 3/13/05 - Proposed road trip to Fast Eddies in Alton, IL - to be sponsored by Kent Lissa.
4. 4/2-3/05 - Mid America Swap Meet in Effingham, IL. Dick & Karen Mericle to lead group and provide truck space for purchases. Club to sponsor 2 Swap Meet spots - \$50 a space
5. 4/21-23/05 - NCM Birthday Bash in Bowling Green, KY.
6. 7/28-31/05 - Corvettes on the Rockies in Breckenridge, CO - Judy Dooley to provide more information next month.
7. 10/23/05 - Race in Martinsville, VA - Sponsored by Bob and Mary Tucker.

50/50

Winner - Jerry Craig - \$45 - Donated the money to the club's general fund.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
June Huch, 2005 Secretary

**ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB
THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER
6:30 P.M.**

Date	Restaurant	Coupon in Ent. Book	Location	Phone No.
Feb 3,2005	Texas roadhouse		I 44 & Lindberg	
Feb 10,2005	D & B grill	Left up hill past Qt, is behind license office	1630 Gravois =Hwy 30 & Little Brennan Rd	636-449-4500 Across street from QT
Feb 17,2005	Timothy's pizza & grill		1280 Columbia Center, Columbia ILL	618-281-3361
Feb 24, 2005	Nicolettis	A-192-cpn	1366 Big Bend RD//hwy 40	636-225-4222
March 3,2005	Portofinos Italian	A-23	14560 manchester/Winchester plaza//ballwin	636-227-7230 At Baxter,,W. of 141

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KAREN**

St. Louis Corvette Club
Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Fran Wienstroer

Balance December 20, 2004 \$2,701.79

Income:

Membership dues	\$113.00
50/50 Monies	\$45.00
Club event	\$34.00
Donation	<u>\$45.00</u>
	\$2,938.79

Disbursements:

NCCC dues	\$35.00
Office Supplies	\$20.37
News letter	\$35.00

Club Ending Balance January 20, 2005 \$2,848.42

Our Spring Swapfest will be Saturday, April 2, from 8 am to 3 pm, vendor setup starts at 6:30. In exchange for promoting the event in their newsletter or at a meeting, clubs get one free, 20' x 20' space. If you want to purchase a second space for the club, or any club member wants to purchase a space adjacent to the club space, the cost is \$50 per space, maximum of two purchased spaces. Please call me when you decide what you want to do because I must reserve the free club spaces manually. Our computer system goes crazy trying to process a "no charge" sale!

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Spring Swapfest is April 2

Valentines Brunch

The St. Louis Corvette Club will be have a Valentine's Brunch.
Join your club friends. Bring your loved one.

Date--- Feb.13th, 2005
Time--- 11:00 am
Place--- The Robert E. Lee Riverboat
Kimmswick, Mo. (636-467-9090)
(on the river - follow the signs)
\$18.50 per person

For any other info, please talk with Theresa and Rich Luebcke at (636-532-9620)
There will be a sign up sheet at our Feb. meeting.

Editor's note: This may be a 4-wheel drive event. We hear the road in is not "Corvette Quality".

Vintage Sports Car Racing.

Armynta and I really enjoy watching the older cars mix it up on the track. We hope to visit at least one of the events this summer.

Road America At Elkhart Lake Wisconsin

(North of
Milwaukee)

A great Road-
race Track.

Thunder Valley
is awsome
with Corvettes
running.

2005 Tentative Schedule of Events

Championship Cup Series (CCS – Motorcycles)	April 22-24	Semi-public
Sportscar Vintage Racing Assoc. (SVRA – Spring Vintage)	May 13-15	Semi-public
American Motorcycle Assoc. (Motorcycles)	June 2-5	
Kohler/Chicago Region SCCA June Sprints®	June 23-26	
Brian Redman International Challenge (BRIC – Summer Vintage)	July 14-17	
Road America 500 (ALMS series)	August 18-21	
Vintage Sportscar Drivers Assoc. (VSCDA – Fall Vintage)	Sept. 16-18	Semi-public



www.svra.com

Event Info	Driver Info	Car Info	Racing Ser
2005 Race Schedule			
SVRA at the 53rd Mobil 1 - 12 Hours of Sebring (March 16-19)			
Savannah Spring Fling (April 7-10)			
Tire Rack Cannonball One Lap of America (April 30 - May 7)			
Vintage GT Challenge (May 13-15)			
Vintage Grand Prix (June 23-26)			
U.S. Zippo Vintage Grand Prix (September 8-11)			
Formula Car Festival (September 29 - October 2)			
Road Atlanta Season Finale (October 20-23)			
2004 Race Results			
Photo Album			
Contacts			

NEXTEL CUP RACE—Martinsville

Bob & Mary Tucker, with "The Saint Louis Corvette Club", is inviting all members of the SFLCC and all the members of "The Route 66 Corvette Club", to go on the road with NASCAR. The event will be a Nextel cup race at Martinsville Speedway, Martinsville Virginia, Sunday October 23rd, 2005; with a "Hospitality Chalet" -{optional}- (minimum of twenty people for Chalet) The best seats are \$72.00 plus the Chalet cost is \$2,000.00 divided by the number of people that will attend. Tickets are on a first come first served basis, and they will go on sale March 5th. I would like to send all of the checks in by the middle of February. All of the checks will be made out to Martinsville Speedway, and not to me. For more information on Martinsville Speedway, go to <http://www.martinsvillespeedway.com/> Go early or late, go by a small group or a large one,, just GO; and meet us there! More info tomorrow. Please give us some feed back. Bob & Mary 636-271-2509 or tuckermtt@aol.com Karen please forward to all of the SFLCC, and Charlie, please send this out to all of the Route.66CC. Thank you both so much.

I spoke with Karen Parker today, she is with Martinsville Speedway. Her boss said that we could purchase our tickets before they go on sale to the general public March 5th. That would enable us to a block of seats together. There have been a few changes for the 2005 season. The best seats are now \$75 instead of \$72. (my ticket for Talladega cost over \$100). Also the Hospitality Chalet has changed from \$2000 to \$1500; but it no longer includes food and drinks. It would still be an excellent place to congregate before the race. The day after the race, some of us will be going to visit a few of the race shops in Mooresville North Carolina. (<http://www.racecityusa.org/>) On the way to Mooresville we are going to stop in "Welcome, NC" at RCR; Richard Childress owns all of the #3 Dale Earnhardt cars and had Dale under contract for years. The old race-shop is now a museum/gift shop managed by "Chocolate" Meyers (Earnhardts Gas can man). (info@rcrracing.com) Marys sister Cathy worked for Don Miller, so I am sure that we will also visit his shop- Penske Racing South (Rusty Wallace & Ryan Newman..you've heard of them?) <http://www.penskeracing.com/> Cathy's Husband works for Jack Roush. Anyway, everybody is welcome to come along. There will not be any schedules or time frames to keep--come and go as you please. Don't wait to long, besides tickets, hotel reservations are another issue. In fiberglass I remain, Bob Tucker. Tuckermtt@aol.com 636-271-2509

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To Whom It May Concern:

With the war in Iraq, it's already increasing our hospitalized Veterans. Here in St. Louis at Jefferson Barracks VA Hospital they are currently caring for soldiers recently injured in Iraq as well as hundreds of Veterans from all wars and conflicts. With so many Veterans still hospitalized today they sometimes tend to be forgotten. These soldiers all made tremendous sacrifices for us and we would like to take this time to do something for them.

The St. Louis Corvette Club would like at this time to ask for your help. Our club is currently gathering donations for our Veterans. Many Corvette owners are Veterans and a lot are Vietnam Veterans and feel grateful to have this opportunity to help with this campaign. Within our club we will be gathering car magazines and other various items for delivery to the VA.

To help, we are in need of the following items:

- Baseball hats New or nearly new in good shape
- Tee Shirts New or out dated inventory
- Disposable razors, shave cream, combs, toothbrushes, floss, mouthwash (non alcohol) socks with rubber bottoms, hard candy or lifesavers

With gratitude we will be acknowledging all contributors.

Let's show them we haven't forgotten!

Donations may be sent to:
St. Louis Corvette Club
C/O Mary Ann Wienstroer
P.O. Box 808
320 Cahoon Dr.
Eureka, MO 63025

or call 636-938-4858 for local pick up

Meeting Location

Hessler's Pub 11804 Tesson Ferry

Directions:

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

Next meeting

Feb. 1, 2005

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