

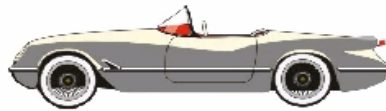
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

September, 2007

Next Meeting Sept 4, 2007





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www.stlcorvettes.net

National Council of Corvette Clubs

www.corvettesnccc.org

National Corvette Museum

www.corvettemuseum.com

Boon Trail Corvette Club

www.boontrailcc.com

Looking Glass Corvette Club

www.jackschmitt.com

Original Corvette Club

www.occofstl.com

Route 66 Corvette Club

www.route66corvetteclub.com

ON THE COVER— Tammy at the
Grizzlies game—not sure who needed
to be protected

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 its activities. To respect the differences and wishes of each STLCC club member.

President's Greeting:

We are about to enter what many consider to be the best cruising time of the year. Sunny days and cool evenings. Just perfect for putting the tops down or taking the tops off. There are a number of activities planned during the next couple of months to take full advantage of this change in our weather, including our club picnic on September 16, Fun-Fest on September 21-23 and Eureka Springs on October 4 or 5-7.

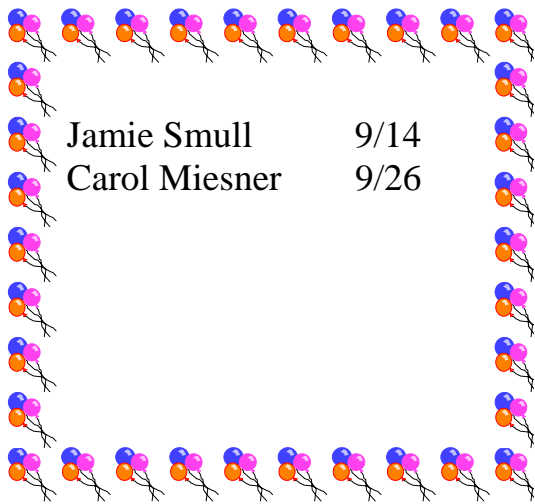
This past year has flown by and before we know it the time will be here to elect new officers to lead the club in 2008. All members will be contacted by the Nominating Committee to determine if they would be willing to run for an office. I hope everyone will consider accepting the opportunity to help lead the club in the coming year.

Enjoy the days and remember to keep your Corvette between the lines with an eye on the other guy.

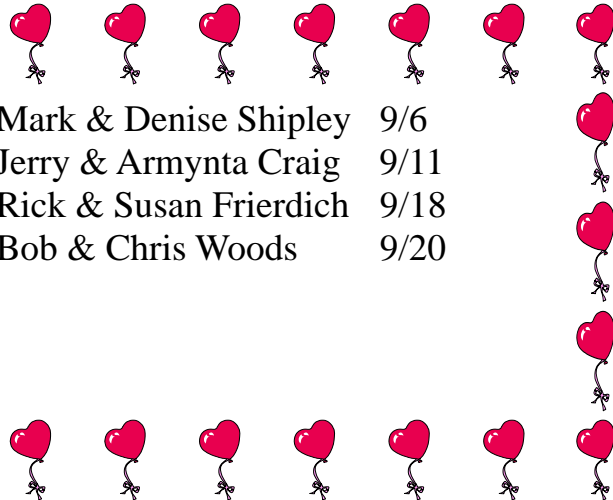
Bill Dotson
President, St. Louis Corvette Club

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES



Jamie Smull 9/14
Carol Miesner 9/26



Mark & Denise Shipley 9/6
Jerry & Armynta Craig 9/11
Rick & Susan Frierdich 9/18
Bob & Chris Woods 9/20



St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

August 7, 2007 – Pietro's Bluffs

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Dotson at 7:05 PM. Two members of the Original Corvette Club shared information about their upcoming charity poker run on September 8th to benefit Sgt. Kevin Downs, a recovering Iraq war veteran. Registration will be from 9:30 – 11 a.m. Prizes will be awarded. The run will be approximately 150 miles.

After members recited the Pledge of Allegiance, Bill thanked everyone for coming and welcomed everyone to the new meeting location. Board members and current chairpersons were introduced. Absent were webmaster Jerry Craig; immediate past president Rick Friedrich, and sponsor Mike Dean. Members were reminded to purchase their 50/50 tickets from Roger Ruengert and to sign the attendance and event sheets that were provided.

Guests

Bill welcomed recent new members John and Beth Anth who joined the club at the July meeting. Also visiting were Norm and Maureen Morfeld who own an '03 red anniversary edition and Gary and Trish Loeb who have on '06 C6.

Treasurer's Report

Jean DuPont made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented in the August newsletter. Rich Luebcke seconded the motion that was then approved by the membership.

Secretary's Report

Judy Dooley made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 3, 2007 meeting. The motion was seconded by Peggy Craig and approved by the membership.

Membership Report

Patty Craig reported that there are approximately 70 club members. Eight July birthdays and two anniversaries were acknowledged. She thanked Roger and Bonnie Ruengert for providing this month's cake. Patty asked everyone to check the members' list and note any changes or corrections to be made.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reminded everyone that this was the last opportunity to purchase \$10 raffle tickets for the '08 victory red coupe to be given away Labor Day week-end at the Museum. She also said that the Corvette Store has a limited supply of dealer brochures available for purchase. '83 – '05 brochures are \$5. '06 and '07 brochures are \$24.95. See the museum's website for more information or call 1-800-53-VETTE. Volunteers are also needed to help at the museum for the Labor Day Week-end celebration.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Carl Ballinger reminded everyone to complete the insurance waiver forms for each event. The 2008 NCCC convention will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Midwest Region patches are available for \$3 each. The Governors' Meeting will be held on September 8 at the Sheraton Westport. All are welcome to attend. The idea of our club providing refreshments for the September 7 hospitality suite for the Governors' Meeting had been considered previously. Carl will check as to whether this service is still needed. He has information on a club raffle of an '08 coupe – 650 tickets are available at \$100. Carl said his is an easy job to do – just go to the NCCC website for complete information of events. He will be stepping down from this position next year so a new club rep will be needed.

Website Report

Bill Dotson said that the website is "good as always". Photos from the Spearfish trip are now posted.

Sponsor's Report

None available.

Past Events

Bill thanked Marty and Judy Dooley and Rich and Theresa Luebcke for the planning they did for the Spearfish trip. Marty thanked the Luebckes and everyone who went on the trip. He shared a thank you note from members Mike and Glenda Walsh, in appreciation of the "great friends, and great trip".

Ron Hagenow reported that the run to Fritz's Frozen Custard on July 15 was attended by approximately 15 cars. New members Randy and Ruth Howard drove their new-to-them '07 atomic orange Z06, courtesy of Lynch Hummer sales.

Weather for the July 4th Webster Groves parade was warm. 33 cars participated but we did not receive an award this year.

15 cars and 28 people attended the Saturday, August 4th "Grizzlies Baseball Game. A picnic lunch was enjoyed prior to the game. Club members drove their cars around the concourse after the 3rd and 5th innings. Club mascot Izzy showed that he was one "smooth talking bear" while riding with Tammy Walker in her black '02.

Future Events

Ron provided copies of calendars with future events including:

August 19, Sunday – Brunch cruise to Miller's Grill in Washington, MO

June and Jerry Fain are coordinating this event. Sign up sheet available.

Meet at Walgreen's at 97 Long Road in Chesterfield Valley at 10:30 a.m.

August 25, Saturday – Charity Corvette Car Show for American Liver Foundation and Mid-America Transplant Services. Sponsored by Boone Trail Corvette Club and Kriegers Sports Grill. Mid Rivers Mall Drive 4-8 p.m. \$15 entry fee.

September 8, Saturday – OCC Charity Poker Run

Registration 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Hwy 44, Exit 266 – Route 66 Park at Dogwood Pavilion.

September 9, Sunday – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Meet at 6 p.m. at Fritz's – 815 Meramec Station Road in Valley Park, near Big Bend and 141.

September 16, Sunday – Road Rally and annual Club Picnic at Klondike Park in Augusta, Missouri

Rally will begin at 1 p.m., picnic at 3 p.m. Planned by Patty and Jeff Craig and Angie and Don Bradford.

Patty said that maps and details will be provided at the September meeting. Please sign up tonight so catering plans can be made. Klondike is a scenic park with covered pavilion and walking trail.

September 22, Saturday - Funfest in Effingham, Illinois

Rich Luebcke and Jean DuPont volunteered to be coordinators for this event and will provide information at the September meeting. (*Reminder - Registration prior to September 1st is free. Registration after September 1st is \$15 per person. Music legends Three Dog Night will perform in Saturday evening's free concert.*)

October 4 – 7 – Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend in Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Carl Ballinger will coordinate this event.

October 13 or 20, Saturday – Tentative hayride/bonfire at Greensfelder Park or Scavenger Hunt/Trivia Night Don and Angie Bradford are event coordinators.

November 3, Saturday – Forest Park Liver Walk and Car Show

November 10 or 11 – Veteran's Day Parade in downtown St. Louis.

November 17, Saturday – Trip to Kemp Auto Museum on Chesterfield Airport Road. \$8 per person.

December – Club Christmas Party. Date and location to be determined.

First weekend in May 2008 - C4 Gathering

Bill Dotson reported that this will not be a combination event as previously considered.

July 31 – August 3, 2008 – Vettes on the Rockies trip to Breckenridge, Colorado

Plan to let Judy Dooley know at the September meeting if you will be going on this trip so that she can block hotel rooms.

Announcements

Sharon Ballinger reported that Jessica Gullett, age 11½, passed away on Friday, August 3rd. Jessica had been in an induced coma while fighting a fungal infection. Jessica loved yellow Corvettes! Carl and Sharon drove their yellow Corvette in Jessica's funeral procession. The club sponsored a car show in October 2004 for Jessica and her family.

Old Business

Christmas Party – Carl Cox shared some pricing information that he had for a few places. Bill shared information on Sunset Lakes Banquet Center on 13366 West Watson Road. Buffet price is \$25 which includes 4 hours of open bar. There is an additional charge of \$4 per person for premium bar brands. The only Saturday date available was December 22 but club members did not want that date. Members said Friday night would be okay. Bill and Ron Hagenow will go to view the Banquet Center. Bill will book a date. Club members prefer Friday, December 14 to Friday, December 21.

Nominating committee – Marty Dooley will chair this committee. Angie Bradford, Dave Ehrhard, and Charlie Miget volunteered to serve on the committee.

IRS - Bill Dotson reported that it is not necessary for the club to file for an IRS tax exemption for social and recreation clubs.

Sponsor shirts – Judy Dooley provided 3 club shirts to give to the sponsors at Lynch Hummer.

Business cards - New club business cards are available.

Club Hats – The hats that we have previously ordered are \$12 each, with no minimum order needed. See Bill Dotson to place an order.

Club Pins – Bill has made arrangements to have a proof of a new club pin made. Once the proof is approved, he plans to order 250 pins @ \$3 each. It will take approximately four weeks to get the pins once the order is placed.

Jefferson Barracks Hospital Garden – Bill proposed having 1 person or a committee to coordinate and monitor the club activities at Jefferson Barracks Hospital, including the spring garden clean up and garden maintenance throughout the year. Bob Woods said that he can't do physical planting but can water plants. He checked the garden this week and said that with the heat and lack of attention, nothing is growing. Jamie Smull suggested that members could take turns with watering. Bob Woods and Ron Miesner volunteered to head the JB committee. Jamie Smull volunteered to help them with planning.

Sponsor Car Show – Charlie Miget asked if there were plans to do a Saturday fall show at Lynch Hummer. Bill said that he will check with Mike Dean about this.

New Business

Bill proposed establishing a charity committee to determine the charities we could make donations to between now and the end of 2007. Theresa Luebcke said that she feels strongly that we should donate money to the National Corvette Museum expansion program. Gary Murray said that he doesn't feel that the NCM is a 'charity' and several members agreed. Bill acknowledged that we can give money to the museum in addition to giving to charitable organizations. Jan Murray, Michelle Paillou, and Jamie Smull volunteered to work on this committee.

An idea was proposed by the board to begin including a brief member biography in future newsletters. Jeff Craig suggested spotlighting new members; Michelle Paillou thought it would be good to include all members. The membership approved of the biography idea. Patty Craig offered to prepare a biographical form for each member to complete, as he/she wishes. Forms can be drawn randomly for inclusion in the newsletter. Members should include a photo of themselves, spouse, and car.

Patty Craig made the suggestion to provide a sign up list for monthly activity volunteers similar to the birthday cake sign up. Volunteers could sign up for a month and be responsible for planning an activity for that month. Patty suggested recommending this to the new board so that a list could be provided at the January meeting. Jackie Miget suggested doing this earlier so that January events could be planned in advance.

Shirt for Sale – Bob Woods has a man’s club shirt (red, size 2X) available for sale.

50/50 Raffle

Guest Trish Loeb drew the winning raffle ticket held by Bev and Jean DuPont.

Other giveaways, courtesy of the Gateway Grizzlies, included a Grizzlies baseball hat to Maureen Morfeld, August 14 field box tickets to Michelle Paillou, and playoff tickets to Jamie Smull.

Dessert – Thanks to Bonnie and Roger Ruengert for bringing this month’s cake. Bob and Chris Woods will provide the cake for September’s meeting.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4th at Pietro’s Bluffs, 515 Mae Court, Fenton, Missouri 63026.

Peggy Craig moved to adjourn the meeting. Gary Murray seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow

Secretary 2007



Enthusiasts can register in advance for **Corvette**

Funfest 2007, September 21-23,

by calling 1-800-500-1500





THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER SCHEDULE - 2007

Meet 6-6:30 pm

September, 2007

9/06	O'Charleys	190 Gravois Bluffs	636-326-5106
9/13	Dooley's	568 Old Smizer Mill Road (Fenton)	636-343-9268
9/20	Ruby Tuesdays	10797 Sunset Hills Plaza	314-909-1025
9/27	Joe Boccardi's	117 S. Main Street, Columbia, IL	618-281-6700

June & Ron Huch



EUREKA SPRINGS CORVETTE WEEKEND

October 4-5-6-7, 2007



NIGHT AT THE GRIZZLES—SOME MAY HAVE HAD MORE FUN THAN OTHERS HUMMMMMMM



Sponsored By:



Meeting Location

Pietro's

Directions:

South of 141 on Highway 30
Turn at Valley Dell Stop Light

Next meeting

TUESDAY Sept 4th
@ 7 PM

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



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