

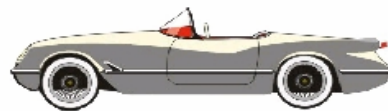
# St. Louis Corvette Club



## Gateway News


December, 2007

Next Meeting Dec 14, 2007





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[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

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CREW AT EUREKA SPRINGS**


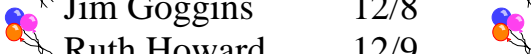
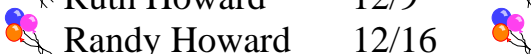



**Purpose of St. Louis Corvette Club:**















*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.*



**BIRTHDAYS**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

	Jerry Craig	12/2	
	Mary Doerr	12/4	
	Susan VanDeven	12/7	
	Jim Goggins	12/8	
	Ruth Howard	12/9	
	Randy Howard	12/16	
	Bob Woods	12/28	

						
Ron & Carol Miesner		12/5				
Richard & Mary Doerr		12/28				
						

## St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

*November 6, 2007 – Pietro's Bluffs*



The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Bill Dotson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Bill welcomed everyone and introduced board members and current committee chairpersons. Gary Murray sold 50/50 tickets for sergeant-at-arms Roger Ruengert who was absent. Club sponsor Mike Dean from Lynch Hummer was not in attendance. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet and purchase 50/50 tickets.

### Announcements

John and Beth Anth recently purchased a '97 red coupe in Florida.

Mike and Glenda Walsh sold their 2002 yellow coupe and have purchased a red '06 convertible.

Jim and Jackie Goggins have a new yellow Z06.

Jeff and Patty Craig are the proud new owners of a silver '78 anniversary edition, a "work in progress".

### Guests

Bill welcomed new members David and Glenda Davidson from Arnold. David and Glenda joined last month but recently sold both their white '62 and '70 LT1 coupe. Their remaining cars are a '62 red FI and a 2006 red convertible. A warm STLCC welcome was also extended to new members Pam Bircher and Richard and Mary Doerr. The Doerrs currently have a red '99. Their 'other' car was a '31 Chrysler but it has gone to a new home.

### Treasurer's Report

Carl Ballinger made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented in the November newsletter. Sara Gibson seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

### Secretary's Report

June Fain made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 2, 2007 meeting as published in the newsletter. Karen Price provided the second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

### Membership Report

Patty Craig reported that there are 77 club members, 10 associate members, and 1 honorary member. She shared several interesting statistics about club cars including the fact that club members currently own a total of 56 Corvettes-24 coupes and 32 convertibles. 23 of those are red making that the predominant color of choice.

Patty acknowledged November birthdays and anniversaries and thanked Ron and June Huch for providing this month's birthday cake.

### National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reminded everyone that the museum has many Christmas gift items available through its website. She has made a club ornament for the museum's Christmas tree. See Judy to get your \$10 raffle tickets for the victory red '08 convertible. The drawing will be held at the museum on April 26, 2008.

## **National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report**

Carl Ballinger announced that the Governors' meeting will be held this week-end, November 9-11, at the Westport Sheraton. Our club will provide refreshments for Friday night's hospitality room. The food cost for this event will be from \$250 - \$300. The hospitality room will be available from 8 p.m. Friday until midnight. 2-4 club members will be needed to help. Set up will begin at 7 p.m. Carl encouraged club members to attend. Most of the regional officers will be attending. See Carl to sign up to work. This weekend's meeting will be Carl's last as governor. Bill Dotson thanked Carl for doing a great job as NCCC Governor. He reminded those going Friday to wear their club nametag. Bill will bring club pins to distribute.

### **Website Report**

Jerry Craig reported that there are currently 1,494 photos on the club's website with many of those being from the Black Hills trip. He reminded members that Carl Ballinger and Marty Dooley are already working on plans for the '09 Corvette Caravan.

### **Sponsor's Report**

Not available.

### **Election of Club Officers**

Marty Dooley thanked the members who served on the nominating committee. Jean DuPont made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented to the membership at the October meeting. Rich Luebcke provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership. The newly elected club officers for 2008 are: Bill Dotson-president, Ron Hagenow-vice president, Mary Ann Hagenow-secretary, Sara Gibson-treasurer, Angie Bradford-membership, Roger Ruengert-sergeant-at-arms.

### **Charity Committee**

It was decided that members will have an opportunity to submit names of charities to support in 2008 at the January meeting. After discussion the membership will vote to select the organizations that the club will support.

### **VA Hospital**

Ron Miesner said that \$546 is needed to purchase sweatshirts for patients in the Spinal Cord unit at Jefferson Barracks Hospital. Bob Woods asked if a decision would be made to purchase the shirts. Bill Dotson said that a decision will be made in a few days after board discussion. A vote tonight was not needed nor taken.

### **Christmas Party**

The party will be held from 6-11 p.m. on Friday, December 14, at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center (13366 West Watson Road, St. Louis 63127). A sign up sheet is available. \$25 per person includes buffet dinner (*cash bar will be available*). Payment should be given to Jerry Fain by Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Bring new, unwrapped toys to the party for our annual toy donation. Jerry Craig will prepare a DVD of this year's club activities for viewing at the banquet.

### **Past Events**

**November 3, Saturday** – Boone Trail Corvette Club Liver Walk and Car Show in Forest Park

Gary Murray was event coordinator. 10 cars participated from the combined clubs. \$375 was realized in food sales. 4 car club members participated in the walk, accompanied by Fox 2 television anchor Tom O'Neal.

October 13, Saturday – Car show at Lynch Hummer

25 cars participated though rain kept viewers away.

October 21, Sunday – Run to Dreamland Palace (German Restaurant) in Foster Pond, Illinois. Ron and Carol Miesner were event coordinators. 22 people attended including new friends Monique and “Unique”!

Fritz’s Frozen Custard Runs on October 7 and 28 – Peggy Craig was coordinator. Good turnout though the 28<sup>th</sup> temperatures were cooler.

October 20, Saturday – Hayride and bonfire at Greensfelder Park

Don and Angie Bradford were event coordinators. 32 people attended. Charlie Miget had the best “hot dog stick”!

October 14, Route 66 Autocross

Tammy Walker and Peggy Craig represented the club and had a great time.

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

A good time was had by all! Ron Hagenow recognized participants for memorable experiences on the trip.

Marty Dooley mentioned a recent story that appeared on the Sci Fi channel concerning haunted locations. The Crescent Hotel in Eureka Springs was included.

### **Future Events**

November 10, Saturday – Veteran’s Day Parade in downtown St. Louis

Rick Frierdich is event coordinator. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the club has participated in this event. Participants will meet at the Krispy Kreme on Lindbergh near Union for staging between 9:45 and 10 a.m. We will leave for downtown at 10 a.m. The pre-parade ceremonies begin at 11 a.m. and the parade will begin at noon. Club members will drive the parade Grand Marshals as well as two Gold Star Mothers, the Mayor of St. Louis and other city dignitaries. Lunch for those interested at 1:30 at Tucker’s Place on Union Road in South County.

*(FYI - \*Rick said that Mako Shark Christmas ornaments are being sold at area Hallmark stores.)*

November 18, Sunday – Fritz’s Frozen Custard Run – Last of the year!

Peggy Craig is event coordinator. Meet at 3 p.m. at Fritz’s – 815 Meramec Station Road in Valley Park, near Big Bend and 141. Event will be cancelled in the event of snow.

December 14, Friday – Club Christmas Party, 6-11 p.m.

2008 Sunday Brunches – Ron Hagenow reminded everyone that monthly brunch coordinators are needed.

Vettes on the Rockies – July 31–August 3, 2008

Judy Dooley reminded members to check the Vettes on the Rockies website for information (this is linked to our club website). Call 1-800-525-2253 to make reservations. Judy is not blocking rooms—rooms reserved now will be at the current rate. Registration opens in March.

Corvette Caravan – Will be held Labor Day week-end of 2009.

Wine Creating Party – Jim Goggins is considering planning this event which would consist of two visits to an O'Fallon, Missouri winery. Participants will select a wine to produce and will be able to bottle their selection and create bottle labels. One batch of wine will yield approximately 25 bottles, priced between \$9 and \$13 each. More information will be gathered. Jim is considering scheduling this in January or closer to Valentine's Day.

National Geographic Television Channel – Ron Hagenow said that the National Geographic Channel's show "Ultimate Factory" will feature a Corvette Forum on Thursday, November 29. Broadcast times are not yet available—check your local television listing.

#### **Reminders**

Extra club pins are available for purchase at \$5 each. Club business cards are also available.

Member biographies may still be turned in to the membership chair for inclusion in future newsletters.

#### **Club banner**

Marty Dooley has constructed one stand for a small club banner and will make a second banner stand.

#### **New Business**

Good News - Bill Dotson congratulated June Fain on her recent medical report.

By-Laws Proposal – Ron Hagenow presented a proposed change to the by-laws concerning expenditures.

Article VIII, Section 4: Expenditures currently reads: No obligation, debt or other liability shall be incurred in the name of the Saint Louis Corvette Club by any member of the club without specific approval of the Board.

Proposed change to read: a. No obligation, debt or other liability shall be incurred in the name of the Saint Louis Corvette Club by any member of the club without specific approval of the Board. b. Any donation to a charity or other club expenditure greater than \$300 must be presented to the Board prior to a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Discussion concerning the expenditure can take place during the regularly scheduled meeting however approval for the expenditure must be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The proposal will be discussed at the January meeting. Voting on the proposal will take place in February.

Car photos – Ruth Howard has a relative who could take photos of club owners with their cars - \$25 per 8x10. Some other car clubs post similar photos on their websites. Bill Dotson said that this can be discussed and asked for a show of hands to indicate preliminary interest.

#### **January Meeting**

**Correspondence** – Bill Dotson read a thank you note from his daughter, Laurel Dotson Rickman, thanking the club for the monetary contribution to the autism walk.

#### **50/50 Raffle**

New member Mary Doerr drew Judy Dooley's winning 50/50 ticket – Judy won \$79. Chris Woods won a Corvette Funfest 2007 book autographed by Mike Yaeger and a Funfest Dash Plaque. Thanks to all members for purchasing tickets.

## Dessert

Thanks to Ron and June Huch for bringing this month's dessert. Marty and Judy Dooley have volunteered to provide the January cake.

Rich Luebcke moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tammy Walker.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Ann Hagenow*

Secretary 2007

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### **Proposed change to the St. Louis Corvette Club By-Laws**

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This proposed by-law change will be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.

Proposed by-law change related to Expenditure

Any club expenditure greater than \$50.00 must be presented to the Board prior to a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Discussion concerning the expenditure will take place during the next regularly scheduled meeting after which a vote will be taken by the members present.

We will discuss both of these proposals at the next business meeting.



St. Louis Corvette Club

Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Jerry  
Fain

Balance Oct. 20,2007 \$

Income:

Membership dues	\$
50/50 Monies	\$79.00
X-Mas Dinner	\$775.00
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Disbursements:

Newsletter (Mike Price)	\$62.23
Pic-nic supplies(D. Bradford)	\$39.93
NCCC dues	\$1,110.00
NCCC hospitalities (Ballinger)	\$251.60
Name tags (Incredible Engrav'g)	\$155.34

Club End. Bal. Nov. 20, 2007 \$

VA Fund (incl. in End. Bal.) \$50.00

Greetings!

We finished the year with 22 new members, with 6 more at the October and November meetings. We are delighted to welcome:

Dale and Susan VanDeven of St. Peters, MO. They are the proud owners of a 2005 Black Coupe and a 2000 Yellow Coupe (formerly owned by Jackie & Charlie Miget). Nice to keep the car AND add new friends to the STLCC family.

David and Glenda Davidson hail from Arnold, MO and have recently downsized from 4 Corvettes! to 2, a 1962 Roman Red Convertible and a 2006 Victory Red convertible. This makes two C1's in our club!!

Richard and Mary Doerr join us from South County and recently sold their Chrysler for a 1999 Red Convertible. Good thing this club likes to ride top down.

Mike and Melanie Ludlow join us as Associate members from Lafayette, IN with their 1994 Black Convertible - look for these two on future trips as they are seasoned road warriors with the club. The Ludlow's are dear friends of Terry & Irene Wilson. Melanie & Irene are also known as "Monique & Unique".

Jim and Sharon Love return as Associate Members hailing from Lebanon, IN with a 1989 Black Coupe. Jim and Sharon are Motorama Veterans, along with the Ballinger's and the Jerry Craig's. Amazing how a car can foster long distance friendships.

Paul & Kathy Craig join as Associate members from Ankeny, IA. Paul and Jerry Craig are brothers and share a family love of Corvette's. Paul & Kathy are the proud owners of a recently restored 1972 War Bonnet Yellow coupe and are new owners of Jerry & Armynta Craig's 1986 Red Coupe (A Motorama Veteran).

As you can see, many our our cars stay in the Corvette family and we keep growing as new friends join us monthly. We welcome you all and look forward to fun times together.

We hope to see you all at the annual Christmas Party on Friday, December 14th. Check the website at <http://www.stlcorvettes.com> for details. \$25 per person due to Jerry Fain by Dec 7th.

Safe driving to all,

Patty Craig

A few announcements and information for everyone.

First, don't forget about the annual Christmas party next Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Remember to bring your new, unwrapped toy(s). This year all the toys are being donated to Ranken Jordan, a pediatric specialty hospital in Maryland Heights, MO. And thanks to the generosity of Lynch Hummer, they are donating two electric Hummers and one C5 Corvette electric car to Ranken Jordan for the children to ride! Everything is set for all of us to enjoy a wonderful evening.

Second, if the weather hold out we're going to give it another try for "Searching for Santa". This is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. But hopefully by then Santa will have unloaded all his Corvette goodies at your house so maybe we'll call this just a winter cruise. Same places and time for the previous event. I'll send out another email shortly before the event to firm up our plans (depending on the weather).

Third, our next regular meeting is going to be at Pietro's Bluff on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. This will also be an event planning meeting. I'll have yearly calendars and a list of past as well as potential new events for next year. If you have an idea for an event, bring it to the meeting. This will take the place of our regular business meeting due to conflicts with our schedule and Pietro's schedule. The meeting will begin at 1:00pm and we will have a brunch before beginning the meeting. Order off the menu. Hope to see you all there.

If we don't see you at the Christmas party, Mary Ann and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Ron



National Corvette Museum  
Judy Dooley - Ambassador

We are coming to the end of another year, and we were looking back at some of the events from the Corvette Museum this past year. Some great times with some of our friends, and we got to show the museum to new members of our club.

Now is the time of year we start planning for our trips for the new year, and a couple of them will be to Bowling Green, Ky. We will let you know more in the coming meetings.

Also, remember that you can still get those special Christmas presents from the Corvette Store at The National Corvette Museum ( [www.corvettemuseum.com](http://www.corvettemuseum.com) )

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