# St. Louis Corvette Club



# Gateway News

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# Internet St. Louis Corvette Club Website

www.stlcorvettes.net

# **National Council of Corvette Clubs**

www.corvettesnccc.ord

# **National Corvette Museum**

www.corvettemuseum.com

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www.boontrailcc.com

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www.jackschmitt.com

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www.occofstl.com

# **Route 66 Corvette Club**

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

#### President's Greeting:

Our first meeting of the New Year was a tremendous success with a large number of our members joining us at our new location. I certainly hope we won't have to change our meeting location for some time to come.

One of the main themes of the January meeting was to plan various club activities for the coming year. A lot of time and effort has been contributed by Ron Hagenow to suggest various activities. But, we still need individual members to step forward and sponsor these events. I am certain we will have a fun-filled "Corvette" year ahead.

As a reminder, the meeting location will open at 5:30 PM with the cash bar opening at 6:00 PM and the buffet starting at 6:30. The regular meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 PM.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the February meeting.

Bill Dotson President, St. Louis Corvette Club

BIRTHDAYS		ANNIVERSARIES						
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Mike Dean	2/13	Marty & Judy Dooley			2/07/75			
Glenda Walsh	2/14	Les & Sara Gibson 2/			2/22/	2/22/74		
June Fain	2/19							
Mike Walsh	2/21							*
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# St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

#### January 20, 2008 - Sunset Lakes Banquet Center

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by president Bill Dotson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Bill welcomed everyone and introduced returning board members and newly elected treasurer Sara Gibson and membership chairman Angie Bradford. Current committee chairpersons were introduced including Rich Luebcke, the new NCCC governor. Club sponsor Mike Dean from Lynch Hummer was welcomed. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet and purchase 50/50 tickets.

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#### **Announcements**

Rick Frierdich is recovering at home from quadruple by-pass surgery. He and Susan sent their thanks to the club for the support offered during Rick's recovery.

## Sponsor's Report

Mike Dean thanked club members for the support given during the past year. He said approximately 30 used Corvettes were sold by the dealership last year, about half of that number to STLCC members. The dealership has recently taken over the Toyota/Cadillac store operated by Jim Lynch's father. The new store will be open for business soon. Mike said that the dealership is looking forward to renewing their sponsorship of our club for a second year and hope to do that within the coming week.

Mike announced that on Sunday, March 30, the dealership will host a Father and Son Off-Road Charity Event to benefit the Albert Pujols Family Foundation which helps families with children who have Down syndrome. Mike would like for the club to participate in this event, stressing that this will be a premiere charity function for this year. At present, approximately 200 have signed up to attend including 125 children, ages 5-17. It is anticipated that attendance may reach 300. The event is tentatively scheduled from 10:30 – 2:30 p.m. Albert Pujols will not be in attendance due to spring training but other area sport celebrities will be participating. Mike said that he hopes the club members will be able to help with food preparation at the event – hot dogs/hamburgers will be served. Donations of products such as potato chips, soda, paper products are also needed. Mike suggested that club members may have business contacts who would be willing to donate products for the event. Club member Ruth Howard questioned whether prizes would be provided for the children. Mike said that plans are still being made but may include t -shirts with the event logo.

Mike also encouraged club members to contact him directly at <a href="mailto:mdean@lynchhummer.com">mdean@lynchhummer.com</a> for special assistance in locating used Corvettes or when help is needed with car service, warranty work, and pricing.

# Acknowledgements

Bill Dotson thanked Judy Dooley for making a club ornament for the National Corvette Museum Christmas tree. The ornament was pictured in the January newsletter, photo courtesy of club member Dave Davidson. Thank you notes were received from Ranken Jordan Pediatric Hospital for the Christmas gifts given last month and from the American Liver Foundation for our contribution to the recent Liver "Walkapalooza".

#### Treasurer's Report

Sara Gibson gave the treasurer's report. The club had a beginning balance of \$5,084.29 as of November 20, 2007. There was no additional income. Disbursements since November 20 included: \$50.00 refund to Migets, \$543.10 to Midwest Monograms for veterans' sweatshirts, and \$1,125.00 to Sunset Lakes Banquet Center for the Christmas party, leaving an ending balance of \$3,366.19 as of January 20. Rich Luebcke made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Carl Ballinger seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

# Secretary's Report

Jerry Fain made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 6, 2007 meeting as published in the December newsletter. Gary Murray provided the second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

#### **Membership Report**

Angie Bradford reported that there are 70 regular club members, 10 associate members, and 1 honorary member. There are no new members. Angie acknowledged January birthdays and anniversaries.

### National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley mentioned that several museum activities are being discussed and she will share more information as it becomes available. She is selling \$10 raffle tickets for a victory red '08 convertible to be given away at the museum on April 26, 2008.

## National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke did not have anything to report. Bill Dotson asked Rich if he would prepare a summary of NCCC activities to share with the members at the February meeting.

#### **Website Report**

Jerry Craig reported that the 2008 Vettes on the Rockies brochure is available on the club website. A DVD of 2007 club events is also available. There is no charge for the DVD but donations are welcome. Donations will be earmarked for the Veterans' Hospital Garden fund.

### **Charity Committee**

Jan Murray asked members to consider charities that the club might support during the year. She provided a form that should be completed and returned at the February 5<sup>th</sup> club meeting. Jan will then coordinate a list of charity suggestions and the club will vote at the March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting on the charity/charities to be supported. The Lynch/Pujols Charity Event could be included on this list but a form for same should be completed and submitted in February.

#### **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.

November 10, Saturday - St. Louis Veteran's Day Parade

Rick Frierdich coordinated this event. This was the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the club has participated in the parade. Club members had the honor of driving the parade Grand Marshals as well as two Gold Star Mothers, the Mayor of St. Louis and other city dignitaries

November 18, Sunday – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Peggy Craig coordinated this last Fritz's event for the year.

Christmas Party - Friday, December 14, at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center.

Good friends, good food, and a wonderful location were enjoyed by all.

#### **Future Events**

Ron Hagenow provided calendars of possible club activities for the coming year. Events were reviewed and suggestions for activities were shared. A club trip to the National Corvette Museum is planned for June 21 - 24. Those going should give their name to Marty Dooley. A factory tour will be scheduled. Marty also encouraged everyone to become museum members. Those going to Vettes on the Rockies should also give their name to Marty.

For more information or to participate in the September Motorama, contact Adam at the NCM. There is a \$500 participation fee for museum members. After May 1, registration will be open to anyone interested.

#### **Old Business**

<u>Car photos</u> – Ruth Howard has a relative who could take individual photos of club owners with their cars - \$25 per 8x10. She would also be able to take a group photo of club members with their cars.

<u>By-Laws Proposal</u> – The proposed change to the by-laws concerning club expenditures was incorrectly stated in the January newsletter. This matter will be tabled until the next meeting.

#### **New Business**

Meeting Location – Due to the sudden closure of Pietro's Bluffs restaurant on January 2, 2008, it is necessary to find a new location for regular monthly meetings. Bill Dotson presented the possibility of having meetings at the Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Tammy Ortmann, banquet center manager, spoke to the membership regarding the facilities. There would be no cost for room rental. Beverages and buffet dinner will be available for purchase. No other locations were suggested by the membership. Bob Woods made a motion to have the monthly club meetings at the Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Rich Luebcke provided a second to the motion and the motion was passed by the membership. It was decided that doors would open at 5:30 p.m. on meeting nights. The bar will open at 6 p.m., the buffet line will open at 6:30, and the meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

<u>Attendance</u> - Bill reminded everyone to sign the attendance sheet. Year-end awards for attendance at all meetings during the year are being considered so don't forget to sign in each month.

<u>National Recognition Day for Corvettes</u> – see the article in the January newsletter for details on this proposal by <u>MidAmerica Motorworks</u>.

<u>Lynch/Pujols Foundation Charity Event</u> – In response to Mike Dean's presentation, members discussed possible uses for remaining club can coolers and individual can coozies. After some discussion, an amended motion was made by Patty Craig to donate or raffle only the individual can coozies\_at the Lynch/Pujols event. Peggy Craig provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Bob Woods recommended that the Lynch event not be publicized as a "car show" which would possibly give the impression that prizes for participating cars would be given. Ruth Howard suggested that club members donate Corvette-themed items that could be used as gifts for the children attending the Lynch event. Ruth offered to chair the gift collection and will discuss this in more detail at the February meeting.

<u>Window Clings</u> – Peggy Craig asked if there were any available square club window clings. Angie Bradford will check on this. Jerry and Armynta Craig offered to check on the availability of long window clings with the club name. It was thought that these originally sold for \$15.

#### 50/50 Raffle

Banquet Center manager Tammy Ortmann drew Dave Markland's winning ticket in the raffle. Dave won \$68.00. Thanks to everyone for purchasing tickets.

<u>Dessert</u> – Thanks to Marty and Judy Dooley for bringing this month's dessert. Jeff and Patty Craig have volunteered to provide the February cake.

Peggy Craig moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jean DuPont. The meeting was adjourned at 3:07 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 5, at 7 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. (Doors will open at 5:30 and buffet will be served at 6:30 for those interested in eating prior to the meeting.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow

Secretary 2008



WE'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR SPONSOR FOR HELPING OUR MEMBERS FIND THEIR DREAM CAR OR ASSISTING THOSE WITH THE CARE THAT THEIR CARS DESERVE.

- Lila Witte 2004 Red Coupe
- Tammy Walker 2002 Black convertible
- Randy & Ruth Howard 2007 Atomic Orange Z06
- John Anth 1997 Red Coupe
- Jim & Jackie Goggins 2006 Yellow Z06
- Dave & Jane Ehrhard 2002 Metallic Red Convertible

# St. Louis Corvette Club Statement of Accounts

Treasurer Report submitted by: Sara Gibson

Balance	Dec. 20,2007	\$ <del></del>
Income:	<u> </u>	
	Membership dues 50/50 Monies Cooler Sales	\$195.00 \$68.00 \$60.00
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Club End. Bal.	Jan. 31, 2008	\$

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

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.

Along with this proposal there was discussion at the January meeting to limit the expenditure amount to \$50.00. There was also discussion concerning whether we even need this change since we have a charity committee which will oversee any donations. We will discuss the proposal again at the February meeting and vote on it at that time.

Club DVD

Those of you who attended the Christmas party enjoyed the DVD put together by Jerry Craig. It encompasses all our events this past year and was very well done. Jerry has made DVDs available to club members. If you would like one, we are asking a small donation which will go towards purchasing plants and other material for the VA Hospital cleanup we will be doing this spring. We will have additional DVDs available at the next meeting.

St. Louis Corvette Club Activities Planner

#### **Potential Events for 2008**

NCM Visit (possibly in conjunction with Craig's new car – June)

D & A Corvettes, Gillespie, IL

Kemp Auto Museum

St. Genevieve Wineries (Crown Valley)

Fort DeChartres in Prairie DuRocher, IL

Route 66 trip to Litchfield (Aviston Café) – also Cruizin Rt 66 Car show in June?

Eagle's Nest, Louisiana, MO

Meremac Caverns

Shopping trip to Lake of the Ozarks

Villa Antonio Winery in Hillsboro

Pierre Marquette Park Brunch

Super Saturday at Mid America (lunch, road tour, etc.)

Covered Bridge Festival, Rockville, IN (Oct)

Branson Car Show in April

Kimmswick cruise to Blue Owl Restaurant

Hickory Log Restaurant in Dexter, MO

Meet with 63-67 Vettes when the cruise through St. Louis along Route 66 in April

Claysville Store and Café in Claysville, MO

Stone Hill Winery in Herman

Kline's Down home Café in Rosebud MO

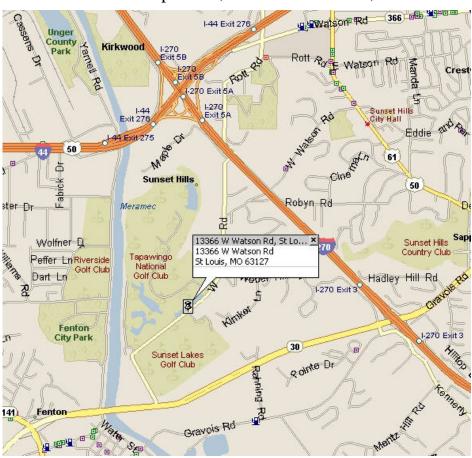
Murder Mystery Dinner at Villa Magnolia in Cedar Hills

100 Acre Rally in Salem, MO in Feb



# A COUPLE OF PICTURES FROM OUR NEW MEETING ROOM.

Monthly Meetings are held at Sunset Hills Banquet Center. "Corvette safe" parking on the West lot. 6:00 Open Bar, 6:30 Buffet Dinner, 7:00.





# St. Louis Corvette Club.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
• Mid Winter Car Show, Columbia, • St. Louis New Car Show	28	29	30	31	1 <u>+</u>	<b>2±</b> Groundhog Day
3 <u>+</u>	4 <u>+</u>	5 <u>+</u> • Club Meeting	6 <u>+</u>	7 <u>+</u>	8 <u>+</u>	9 <u>+</u>
10 <u>+</u>	11 <u>+</u>	12± Lincoln's Birthday	13±	14± Valentine's Day	15 <u>+</u>	16 <u>+</u>
• Valenti ne's Day Sunday Brunch	18+ President's Day	19 <u>+</u>	20 <u>+</u>	21 <u>+</u>	22 <u>+</u> Washington's Birthday	• Trivia Night - DuPont/ Luebcke
24 <u>+</u>	25 <u>+</u>	26 <u>+</u>	27 <u>+</u>	28 <u>+</u>	29 <u>+</u>	1

# **Sponsored By:**



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



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