

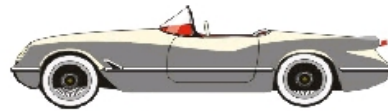
# St. Louis Corvette Club



## Gateway News

July, 2008

Next Meeting July 1, 2008





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No animals were hurt or damaged in  
the making of this newsletter.

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### 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)

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

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THE MUSEUM DURING THE SPECIAL MUSEUM  
DEKIVERY. 8 OF OUR MEMBERS HAD THEIR  
CARS "DELIVERED" AND IT WAS "A SUPER  
COOL THING".

**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*

To the St. Louis Corvette Club,

As everyone knows by now, Bill is moving to the Lake of the Ozarks and has turned over the President job to me for the remainder of his term. I hope I meet your expectations and will try and keep up the high standards Bill set. I think we made a good team and we endeavored to maintain the club as one of the best in St. Louis. I know Bill and Pam will enjoy their new home and I also know they will be joining us later in the year at Eureka Springs. I would also like to thank Jeff Craig for assuming the Vice-President position. I will welcome his help. While on this subject, elections are only a few months off so if anyone is interested in a position for next year, please contact me or one of the current Board officers.

As I write this we have many events for the coming months. One of the most important is our trip to the Museum for Jerry and Armynta’s delivery of their new 08 convertible. I am sure we will all have a good time and I want to thank Theresa Luebcke and Marty Dooley for setting up everything for the weekend. We will continue to meet throughout the summer and fall on the last Sunday of the month at 6:15-6:30 for Fritz’s Custard. The Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade is coming up next month and there will be more details about the parade at the July meeting. Also, through a contact via our website, we were asked if we could provide a car and driver to drive Mrs. Missouri in the VP Parade which is also on July 4<sup>th</sup>. New member Rick Poepping has volunteered to drive her (lucky guy!). Vettes on the Rockies is coming up the end of July and as soon as you know it we will be into the fall events.

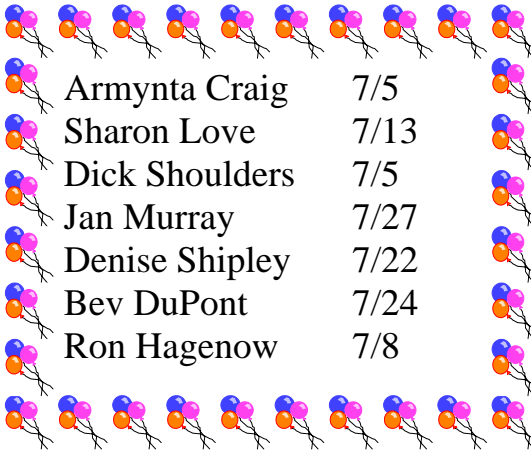
Finally I want to thank Mike Dean for hosting us at Lynch Hummer for our June meeting. It was nice to have the change of locations and it’s truly a classy dealership. Now if he would only let us take out those Z06s he has in the showroom!!

See you at our regular meeting place, Sunset Lakes Banquet Center, on July 1<sup>st</sup> for our next meeting.

Ron

**BIRTHDAYS**

**ANNIVERSARIES**



Armynta Craig	7/5
Sharon Love	7/13
Dick Shoulders	7/5
Jan Murray	7/27
Denise Shipley	7/22
Bev DuPont	7/24
Ron Hagenow	7/8



Carl & Sharin Ballinger	7/31
Paul & Kathy Craig	7/5
Jean & Beverly DuPont	7/29



## **St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting**

June 3, 2008 – Lynch Hummer Dealership

The meeting was held at the Lynch Hummer Dealership in Chesterfield Valley at the special invitation of club sponsor Mike Dean. President Bill Dotson called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Bill welcomed everyone and introduced board members, committee chairpersons, and club sponsor Mike Dean. Gary Murray took over Sergeant at Arms' responsibilities in Roger Ruengert's absence. Immediate Past President Rick Friedrich was not in attendance. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet and purchase 50/50 tickets. A special club throw will be raffled after the 50/50 drawing.

### **Sponsor's Announcements**

Mike Dean introduced Craig, the Parts Manager at Lynch, and Jim, the Parts Director at the Toyota/Cadillac store. Mike emphasized that they want to sell Corvette parts and he encouraged members to contact Lynch for assistance. Mike also reminded members to mention their STLCC membership when talking to Lynch staff for special pricing and assistance. Mike encouraged members to visit the Hummer website.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Sara Gibson read the monthly report as it had not been included in the June newsletter. The balance as of April 29, 2008 was \$4,486.12. Income included May 50/50 proceeds of \$71.50, \$2.00 for sale of CD (VA), and \$210.00 received for NCM dinner. Disbursements included \$32.65 for newsletter expenses. The club's ending balance on May 29, 2008 was \$4,736.97. Rich Luebcke made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Carl Ballinger provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

### **Secretary's Report**

Teresa Luebcke noted the following correction to be made to the May 6, 2008 minutes: Under the National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report, the last sentence stated "He also mentioned that the museum is selling bricks from the original St. Louis Corvette plant for \$25." This sentence should be corrected to read "He also mentioned that the museum is selling blocks from the back museum wall for \$25." Carl Ballinger made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 6, 2008 meeting as published in the June newsletter and with the previously noted correction made. June Fain provided a second to the motion and it was approved by the membership.

### **Membership Report and Guests**

Angie Bradford recognized members celebrating June birthdays and anniversaries. Angie also asked club members to introduce twelve guests attending the meeting this evening. These included: Syl Biermann ('73 yellow convertible), Dana and Diana Griggs ('75 orange convertible)—introduced by Jean DuPont; Joe Playford ('66 Laguna blue coupe and '78 red)—introduced by Steve Lyle; Kenny and Judy Barron ('04 spiral gray coupe), Greg Timmerberg and Janet Moyer ('85 silver metallic)—introduced by Jeff Craig; Tyler Case, future Corvette owner—introduced by proud granddad Mike Walsh; Boone Trail Corvette Club members Chuck DeProw ('07 Z06), Bill Rush (silver C5), Scott Senger (2000 red convertible)—introduced by Gary Murray.

### **National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report**

Judy Dooley is selling \$10 tickets for a 2009 red coupe to be raffled Labor Day week-end. 55 tickets @ \$250 each are still available online for a black '08 coupe to be raffled on June 5<sup>th</sup>. 8" hexagon shaped bricks for the interior walkway leading into the new part of the museum are being sold - \$200 per brick for members, \$250 per brick for non-museum members.

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

No report was given.

### **Website Report**

No report was given.

### **Sponsor's Report**

Mike Dean thanked everyone for attending. He also thanked John and Beth Anth who recently bought a vehicle at the Toyota/Cadillac store. Mike said everyone should disregard the GM news reports today!! At the present time, Lynch's Corvette stock is low.

### **Announcements**

Bill Dotson shared condolences on the recent deaths of Mike Price's father and Bob Woods' mother. Both Mike and Bob thanked members for the flowers, cards, and expressions of sympathy and support. Bill reminded everyone that our club is "not just a membership ...it's a family."

### **Past Events**

#### **May - C4 Bash at NCM**

Bill Dotson attended. It was a wet week-end with rain three of the four days.

#### **May 11 - Garden Clean-Up at Jefferson Barracks Hospital Spinal Cord Unit.**

Thanks to everyone who came and helped. May try to schedule regular weedings in the coming weeks – watch emails. A special thanks to John Anth who singlehandedly delivered and spread mulch after the May 17<sup>th</sup> parade!

#### **May 17 – Armed Forces Day Parade in St. Peters, MO**

Thanks to Rick Frierdich for coordinating this event. 17 cars participated. Thanks to Jeff and Patty Craig for hosting a barbecue at their home after the parade.

#### **May 18 – Boone Trail Autocross**

Peggy Craig participated in this event – "It was fun!"

#### **May 25 – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run**

Thanks to Peggy Craig for planning the first dessert run of the year. Four cars, a dog, and a PT cruiser participated on a busy Memorial Day Week-end.

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### Sunday-Tuesday, June 22–24 – Club trip to the National Corvette Museum

Teresa Luebcke reported that 28 cars are driving to the museum with 55 people attending. Three people still need to pay. One group of nine cars will leave on Saturday, June 21 at 10 a.m. from the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Collinsville, Illinois. A second group will leave on Sunday, June 22 from the Hooters Restaurant in South County. Marty Dooley needs the names of those who will be in this second group. Plans are to meet at 10:30 a.m. and leave promptly at 11:00 a.m.

Dinner Sunday evening (June 22) will be at Mariah's Restaurant (801 State Street in Bowling Green). Special guests at the dinner will be Wil and Liz Cooksey (Chairman of the Board for the Museum), Capt. Joe Jakub and Bernice (Warren County D.A.R.E. Sheriff), Gary and Torie Cockriel (Museum Delivery Manager), Ruth and Wayne Park (IT Manager for Corvette (Knowledge Base!)), Paul and Marian Graham (Corvette Plant Manager). Teresa Luebcke made a motion to have the club pay for dinner for the ten invited guests at a cost of approximately \$300.00. Judy Dooley provided a second to the motion. The motion was approved by the membership.

Two different plant tours will be given on Monday. There is an opening for one person on the Experience tour. Let Teresa know this evening if you are interested. Judy Dooley reminded everyone that cameras and purses are not allowed on the plant tours. Flip-flops and open-toed shoes may not be worn on the tour so pack your walking shoes.

The Museum's webcam will show Jerry and Armynta's car delivery on Monday, June 23. Beth Anth volunteered to save the webcam photos for later posting to the club website. We will also send a write-up of this club event to Blue Bars for inclusion in a future publication. Bill Dotson mentioned that he has an available hotel room if anyone still needs a reservation.

### Friday, June 27 – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual "Drive Your Corvette to Work" Day

(Note: At the meeting, the date of Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup> was given. However, in checking further, it was found that this event is being observed on Friday, June 27.) This event is sponsored by Mid America Motorworks.

### Sunday, June 29 – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Plan to meet at the Fritz's location at Big Bend and Highway 141 between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m. Peggy Craig will not be able to attend but Ron Hagenow will e-mail members with a reminder.

### Tuesday, July 1 – Club meeting at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center.

### Friday, July 4 – Webster Groves 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

Michelle Paillou volunteered to attend a mandatory safety meeting prior to the parade. She will bring parade paperwork to the July 1<sup>st</sup> club meeting. A sign-up sheet for those planning to participate in the parade is available this evening. Plan to meet prior to 8:30 a.m. at the Schnucks parking lot at 8650 Big Bend Blvd. (at the intersection of S. Elm Avenue and Big Bend off of Highway 44) in Webster Groves. We will leave the lot at 8:30 for parade staging. Cars may be decorated – candy and/trinkets may NOT be thrown from the cars to parade goers. A reminder that the Webster Groves High School will be closed this year during the parade. Alternative restroom facilities will be provided.

### July 31–August 3 - Vettes on the Rockies

Let Marty Dooley know tonight when you plan to leave so that he can coordinate travelling groups and room reservations.

### Wednesday, September 10, 2008 – Historic Motorama II

This Motorama will depart Bowling Green, Kentucky on September 10. The trip will end in Detroit, Michigan for the kick-off of GM's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. The Motorama participants will tentatively stop in St. Louis in early afternoon on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Ron Hagenow will look into planning a brief club gathering with them. Marty Dooley said that when the first Motorama came through St. Louis, several local clubs joined together to provide drinks and snacks under a tent. Club mementos were given to Motorama participants. Rich Luebcke will be participating in the Motorama and will drive his '03. More details to follow.

### October 2-5, 2008 – Eureka Springs, Arkansas Corvette Week-End

Registration information is on the website. More news as date nears.

### Saturday, October 18 - Covered Bridge Festival

Will try to get more information on this event. Armynta Craig will get more information from our Indiana club members when at the Museum event in June.

### Club Picnic

A date and event planner are needed. Will discuss this at the July meeting.

### 2009 - Corvette Caravan

Carl Ballinger and Marty Dooley are event coordinators. This event will mark the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Corvette Museum. The caravan will be driving through St. Louis on the Wednesday before Labor Day (2009). After an overnight in St. Louis, the caravan will proceed to Effingham, Illinois. Flyers are available.

### Old Business

Business cards, pamphlets are available.

Belated Christmas gifts were given to Jim and Jackie Goggins and Ken and Sue Dahman.

### New Business

Bill Dotson tendered his resignation as club president, as announced previously to the board members and to the membership via the June newsletter. He will be relocating to the Lake of the Ozarks area later this month. Both Bill and Pam hope to participate in future club activities but the responsibilities of planning and presiding at monthly meetings would not be feasible. Current vice president Ron Hagenow will assume the office of club president. Jeff Craig was selected to fill the position of club vice president. Ron thanked Bill for the fine job he has done as club president for the last year and a half.

### 50/50 Raffle

New member Rick Poepping won \$101 in the evening's 50/50 drawing. Congratulations, Rick! The club throw was won by Don and Angie Bradford. Thanks to everyone who continues to offer support by purchasing tickets.

**Dessert** – Special thanks to June and Jerry Fain for providing this month's cake. Michelle Paillou has volunteered to provide the July meeting dessert.

Judy Dooley moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m., seconded by Tammy Walker. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1 at 7 p.m. at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Doors will open at 5:30 and buffet will be served at 6:00 for those interested in purchasing dinner prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Hagenow

Secretary 2008



WHAT A WEEKEND AT THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM...

A great turnout from our club members, some family and some new friends. We had about 46 members attend this event and we would like to thank all for a wonderful time. The Corvette museum can do a total of 8 Deliveries / or Xperience in one day, and our club sort of took over the museum for a day. Jerry Craig took delivery of his new convertible. Then we had 7 cars for the Xperience - Paul and Kathy Craig, Jeff and Patty Craig, Peggy Craig, Michelle Paillou, Don and Angie Bradford Rich and Theresa Luebcke, Carl and Sharon Ballinger( I also need to let you know that Sara and Les Gibson did the Xperience the previous week - hope you guys enjoyed it. )



We had some great tours of the Corvette plant and Museum, a really nice dinner with some surprise guests. We got a tour of the new expansion, and I think everyone is really going to like what they see when it is finished next year. And, like we always seem to do when we have a get together, we socialized.

We also picked up some new members for the museum - Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow joined after they saw what the museum is all about.

And Mike and Karen Price are now Lifetime members. We welcome them...

After this was over, we were asked could we do this again?

Well, we did have another 5 members that would have liked to do this. Let me know, and maybe we can do it again next year...

Judy Dooley, NCM - Ambassador



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.



CONTINUING OUR THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR. THIS WAS FOR HOSTING OUR JUNE MEETING. LYNCH HUMMER OPENED THEIR DOORS AND PROVIDED A GREAT MEETING PLACE



# VETTES ON THE ROCKIES

**July 31st - August 3rd, 2008**  
**Beaver Run Resort - Host Hotel**  
**Breckenridge, Colorado**

**35th Anniversary!**

Looking Glass Corvette Association and Purifoy Chevrolet welcome you to Summit County, Colorado for our 35th Anniversary Vettes on the Rockies.

The weekend will be filled with new activities, entertainment, parties, food, surprises, and the opportunity to see your old friends and meet new Corvetters from around the country.

Our host hotel is, once again, the premier Beaver Run Resort and Conference Center - Exit 203 on WB I-70, nine miles South on Hwy 9 to Breckenridge. When you contact Beaver Run to make your hotel reservations, please remember to tell them that you are attending Vettes on the Rockies. Otherwise, they will tell you that the hotel is full!

The Autocross is returning to our event and we're sure you will enjoy the new venue for this activity. There will be a few new tweaks to our entire event that we hope you will appreciate.

As this is our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we are anticipating additional involvement from General Motors and several other entities from around the country. We look forward to the participation of our 'old friends' and to greeting lots of new people, as well.

We hope to have our registration forms available by early March and we are encouraging early online registration ([www.lgcacorvette.org](http://www.lgcacorvette.org)). **We foresee Main Street in Frisco filling up quickly. We will not have space for anyone to come up on Sunday to show their car UNLESS they are pre-registered for 'Sunday Only'.** To ensure that you will have a place on Main Street, Please Pre-Register for the one day 'Sunday only' Street Show. We will close registration at 550 cars for the Show 'n Shine.

For further information, please contact Tom Robben (303-232-1886) or Joe Parker (303-425-5876). The registration deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008. We recommend that you send in your registration well before then. Registration will be closed when we reach 700 people.

Merchandise will be sold at our event in the ballroom on the first floor of the Beaver Run Conference Center and on Main Street on Sunday. There will be no pre-purchase of our merchandise.

We look forward to seeing you in our majestic backyard. Have a Happy and Healthy New Year.



At the June meeting our past President Bill Dotson displayed an afghan that was sent to us with the club logo. If you want to see what it looks like, go to our website and look at the 2008 photos. In it is a folder from our June meeting at Lynch Hummer. The 6<sup>th</sup> photo is a picture of what this afghan looks like. I have contacted the company and have an order form if we would like to make a club order. The minimum order is for 12 and they are \$32.00 each. Anything over 50 afghans the price drops to \$29.00.

There will be a signup sheet at the next meeting. If you aren't attending and still want one, just sent me an email ([hagenow1@charter.net](mailto:hagenow1@charter.net)) and I will put you on the list. It takes 4-6 weeks to get them after our order.

We will see if there are enough to make an order and then will collect the money.

Ron



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\$225 a pound for air?

Peggy changed rims and moved the tire sensors to the new rims. Airing up the new tires, the technician removed the metal valve cap but it was stuck. A pair of pliers was needed. Result - broken valve stem. \$160 - new sensor. \$40 - tire change. \$25 trip to dealer to reprogram computer.

Moral. Use plastic valve caps or put anti-seize on the valve stems.



Armynta and Jerry Craig wish to thank all who attended the Bowling Green delivery. We were amazed at the number of people who took off work or retirement and traveled to help us receive the new Vette.

Special thanks go to Theresa and Rich Luebcke, Judy and Marty Dooley for all the planning. The dinner with Will Cooksey plus the other Museum, Corvette and Law Enforcement VIP's (we got busted for jumping the security tapes) was a spectacular evening.

The Craigs







MR. WIL COOKSEY— FORMER CORVETTE PLANT MANAGER AND CURRENT CORVETTE MUSEUM CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



GARY COCKRIEL MANAGER OF THE MUSEUM'S DELIVERY AND EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

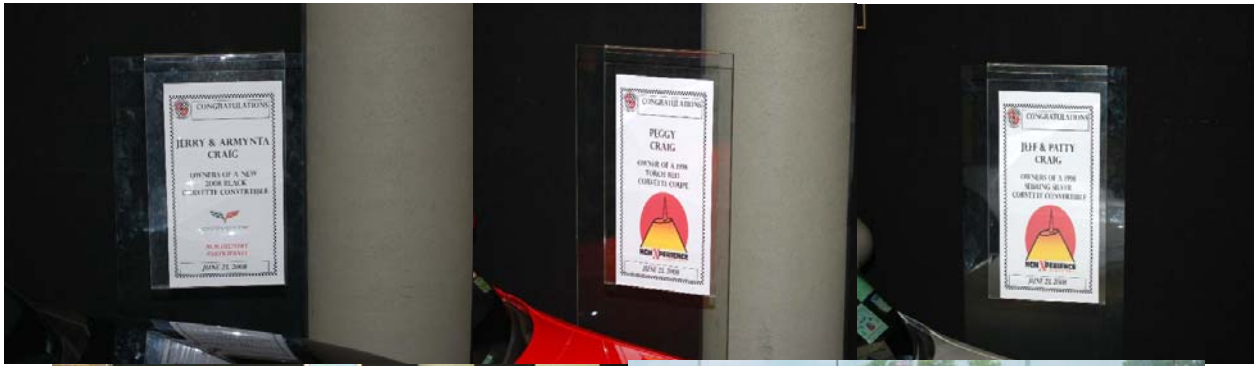


CAPT JOE HAS VISITED THE CLUB BEFORE AND IS VERY ACTIVE WITH HELPING KIDS, INVOLVED IN THE D.A.R.E. PROGRAM AND LAW ENFORCEMENT



JERRY RECEIVED A GIFT FEATURING A C4, THAT IS STILL IN THE FAMILY, WHICH HAD A WRITE UP IN A CORVETTE MAGAZINE













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