

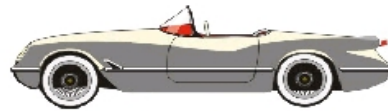
St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

August, 2009

Next Meeting Aug 4, 2009



GETTING YOU IN THE MOOD FOR THE CARAVAN. THIS WAS THE START OF ONE POKER RUN AT THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2003. OVER 100 CARS IN THIS RUN ALONE.



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www.corvettesnccc.org

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www.corvettemuseum.com

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www.boontrailcc.com

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www.jackschmitt.com

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

President's Message

August, 2009

July – and it feels like September – but no one is complaining!!

The weather may not be heating up as we expect, but our Summer activities are! There have been a couple successful 'Happy Hours' at Sunset Lakes – in the covered pavilion. Complete with food and music. Not sure what all happened last Friday, but during the first one Marty demonstrated how graceful one can be in those plastic chairs!

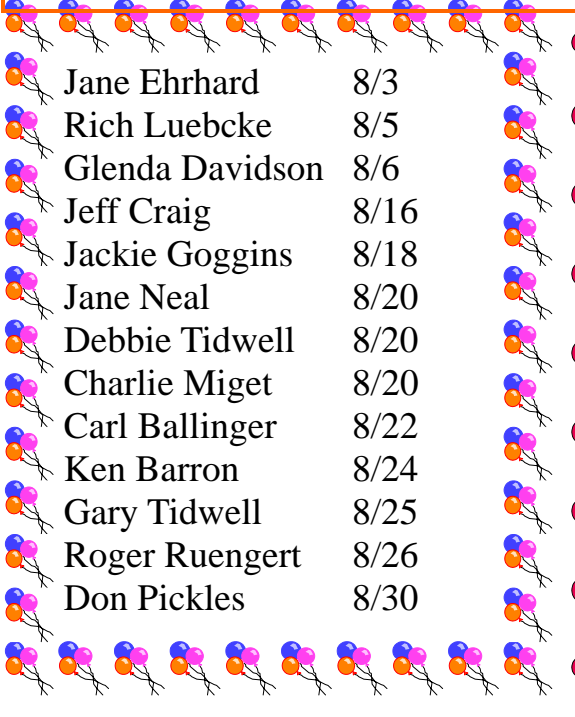
The Mystery Run was to 'die' for! Charlie and Marty did a great job (with help from their 'co-pilots'). If you missed the run, you missed a great photo opportunity - one I had no idea even existed! Not only did we have a great ride on a beautiful day (ok – beautiful SUNNY day), but we learn history along the way!

Plans are now being made for a few runs in August. If you have the date open plan to join us for a good ride, good food and great company! We are also putting the final touches on the plans for the annual Club Picnic – be sure to reserve Sunday, September 20. More to come at our next meeting.

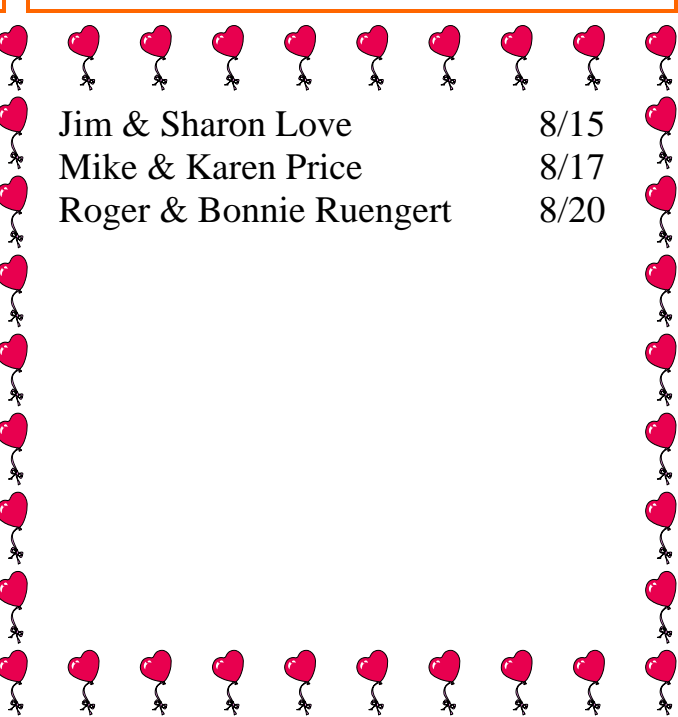
The NCM Caravan / 15th Anniversary Labor Day Celebration is fast approaching! If you would still like to join us, please get with Carl for room information. As you know, Carl and Sharon are leading the Nebraska-Kansas-Missouri Caravan. Let's support them any way we can! If you cannot make the trip to Bowling Green, then support the Caravan by meeting the group at the Mills on Wednesday September 2 as we come through St. Louis! This will be a great time to see a lot of Corvettes in one place!

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES



Jane Ehrhard	8/3
Rich Luebcke	8/5
Glenda Davidson	8/6
Jeff Craig	8/16
Jackie Goggins	8/18
Jane Neal	8/20
Debbie Tidwell	8/20
Charlie Miget	8/20
Carl Ballinger	8/22
Ken Barron	8/24
Gary Tidwell	8/25
Roger Ruengert	8/26
Don Pickles	8/30



Jim & Sharon Love	8/15
Mike & Karen Price	8/17
Roger & Bonnie Ruengert	8/20



***St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting
July 7, 2009 - Sunset Lakes Banquet Center***

The meeting was called to order at 7:09pm by president Theresa Luebcke. The Pledge of Allegiance recited and everyone was welcomed. Theresa introduced the current board members, all committee chairpersons and immediate past president Ron Hagenow. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet and purchase 50/50 tickets.

Guests/New Members

There were no guests or new members present.

Treasurer's Report

Sara Gibson was absent. Theresa Luebcke read the report which included a balance of \$2,574.67 as of May 31, 2009, income of \$155.50, disbursements of \$144.84, and a balance of \$2,585.33 as of June 30, 2009. A motion was made by Ron Hagenow to accept the report and it was seconded by Gary Murray.

There was no discussion and it was approved by the membership.

Secretary's Report

Jan Murray made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 2, 2009 meeting as published in the newsletter.

Judy Dooley seconded the motion. There was no discussion and it was approved by the membership.

Membership

Ruth Howard reported current membership of 83 regular members and 12 associate members for a total of 95 members. Ruth recognized members celebrating July birthdays and anniversaries. She also read a thank-you note received from Jerry and June Fain for the plant sent by the Club.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley gave the report. The NCM 15th Anniversary celebration and Caravan is coming up soon. She reminded members to sign up online for the caravan by July 31st and the anniversary celebration event at the museum by August 3rd. They are separate registrations. The museum will have three drawings for cash prizes during the event. You must pre-register for the event to have your name entered for the cash drawings. On Thursday, Sept. 3rd the prize will be \$500, on the 4th \$1000, and on the 5th \$1500. There will be several things to do during the celebration such as seminars in the air-conditioned theater, road trips, poker runs, etc. There will be a golf cart autocross which sounds like a lot of fun. You will receive an agenda of events at registration. The poker runs are on Friday and Saturday and can be done at your leisure instead of at a set meeting time. There will also be a Digital Scavenger Hunt on Friday and on Saturday. You must have a digital camera or camera phone and can get the list of items to hunt for from the registration booth.

Saturday will be "Show Your Club Colors" day. Judy reminded members who are planning on attending to wear their club shirts on Saturday at the event. Our club shirts can be ordered from Midwest Monogram. Judy made cards available from Midwest Monogram. If anyone orders a shirt, Judy said she would be happy to pick it up if members just let her know.

The NCM is going to have a Featured Club Area in the museum. Two clubs will be chosen to display memorabilia or whatever they want for one year. Judy will enter our club into the drawing.

Judy reminded everyone she has tickets for a raffle to be held at the 15th anniversary celebration for a 2010 red

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke gave the report. NCCC is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year at their national convention in Colorado Springs in August. The Midwest Region has a lot going on (autocrosses, rallies, car shows). They are all listed on the website. In October, the Route 66 Corvette Club will have an autocross at the GM Assembly Center in Wentzville, MO.

Website Update

No report

Sponsor Report

Theresa Luebcke reported there has been some positive feedback from Weber Chevrolet but no commitment. Ruth Howard said she and Randy discussed the need of a sponsor for our club with Skip Weber at Weber Chevrolet recently, when they bought their new corvette. Ruth said he sounded interested and told them to bring information to him and he will be glad to look it over. Randy Howard will get together with Rich Luebcke to pursue this.

Announcements

Theresa Luebcke received an email from Capt. Joe Jakub (Warren Co., KY Sherriff), who has a 2000 red convertible for sale. It has red interior, a black convertible top, and 14,000 miles on it. Let Theresa know if you are interested.

Randy Howard asked if any members would be interested in a "Dyno Day". Lynch Hummer has a new feature offering dynos for \$75 or less. He will look into putting something together with Lynch Hummer and possibly getting a reduced cost for the dynos. He mentioned we might also offer to have a car show at the same time.

Bill Dotson thanked the members for their support for his recent wedding to Pam Bircher and offered special thanks to all who attended. A great time was had by all.

Gary and Jan Murray are in need of a room in Eureka Springs Oct.1-4

Committee Reports

Theresa Luebcke reported there is a committee working on the Christmas party. Members who have suggestions, ideas, or would like to help should see one of the board members.

Prior Events

Rich Luebcke spoke about the car show at Genghis Grill on June 13th. The cars were beautiful and really stood out. The judges were people from Love Your Tan and Genghis Grill. Armynta Craig and Steve Lyle both won prizes. They have offered to host us for future car shows.

The Fritz's run on June 21st was attended by about 14 members.

Carl Cox spoke about the happy hour at Stonewolf Grill for "Drive your Corvette to Work Day" on June 26th. It was well attended by fourteen couples. The food was good and fun was had by all.

Thanks to Carl for coordinating this event. The manager spoke with Jerry Craig about having us back for a car show. Jeff Craig urged members to think about planning a car show and offered to help any way he can.

Michelle Paillou spoke about the July 4th Webster Groves Parade. Our club had nine cars in the parade. Even though it rained all morning, the parade finally started at 11am. Michelle thanked Ann Brown for participating in her dress Navy uniform. Several members attended lunch at Joe Baccardi's after the parade. Thanks to Michelle for coordinating this event.

Future Events

July 10: Gary Murray announced Sunset Lakes Banquet Center is hosting a happy hour starting at 5:00pm and have invited our club members.

July 16-19: Vintage Races- Brian Redman Challenge-at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Jeff Craig has information.

July 19: Fritz's Frozen Custard Run-Big Bend and old 141-meet between 6:15 and 6:30pm.

July 26: Marty Dooley spoke about coordinating a "Mystery Run". Show up at 1:00pm at Sybergs at Dorsett and Hwy.270 with a full tank of gas and a picnic lunch.

August 9: Ron Hagenow spoke about coordinating a run to Gallagher's in Waterloo, IL. They have all-you-can eat chicken for \$12.95 served family style. Meet at Home Depot in South County at 12:30pm. A sign-up sheet was made available to members.

August 13-16: LeMans Race at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin-The Craigs and the Coxes are going.

August 22: Rich Luebcke spoke about coordinating a run to Cave Man Barbeque and Steak House in Richland, MO. The run will start at the Diamonds Hotel & Restaurant on Route 66 in Gray Summit. He will have more details at the next meeting.

August 23: Fritz's Frozen Custard Run-Big Bend and old 141-meet between 6:15 and 6:30pm.

August 30: Ken Barron spoke about coordinating a run to Moonlight Restaurant in Alton, Il-details to follow.

August 29-September 5: 2009 National Corvette Caravan. Carl Ballinger spoke about the Corvette show being held in Lincoln, NE on August 30th. He made information available to members about motels in Lincoln and in Blue Springs, MO. The Missouri/Kansas/Nebraska caravan will begin in Lincoln, Nebraska on Saturday Aug. 29th. The Nebraska Corvette

Association is having a Corvette show on Sunday, Aug. 30th. On Mon. Aug.31st they plan on touring Bill Smith's Museum of American Speed. They will leave Lincoln on Tues. Sept. 1st and drive to Blue Springs, MO to spend the night and meet up with the caravan coming from the west. On Wed. Sept. 2nd the caravan will meet up with the St. Louis group at St. Louis Mills Mall and head to Mid America Motorworks in Effingham, IL to spend the night. Carl still has a few rooms available in Effingham. See him for a special rate and confirmation number. He has two rooms available at Best Western in Bowling Green, KY. The deadline for reserving these rooms is July 27th. Don Bradford has a room available in Cave City, KY. Marty Dooley encouraged members who are not participating in the caravan to show their support at St. Louis Mills Mall on Sept.2nd.

The caravan will be stopping for lunch there. The gathering spot will be on the east side of mall at 11:30am by the old Circuit City.

Theresa Luebcke asked Jackie and Charlie Miget about plans for the Club Picnic-there is no date yet.

Mike Price spoke about planning a run in the fall to Katy Trail Clayville Store in Clayville, MO.

Bill Dotson spoke about planning a weekend run to Lake of the Ozarks.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

Attendance

Total attendance was 48.

50/50

Ron Hagenow won \$91 in the 50/50 drawing. A second drawing was held and Judy Barron won a Corvette Trivia game donated by Randy Howard.

Dessert

Thanks to Carl and Sharon Ballinger for providing this month's cake. Roger and Bonnie Ruengert have volunteered to provide a cake for next month's meeting.

Menu

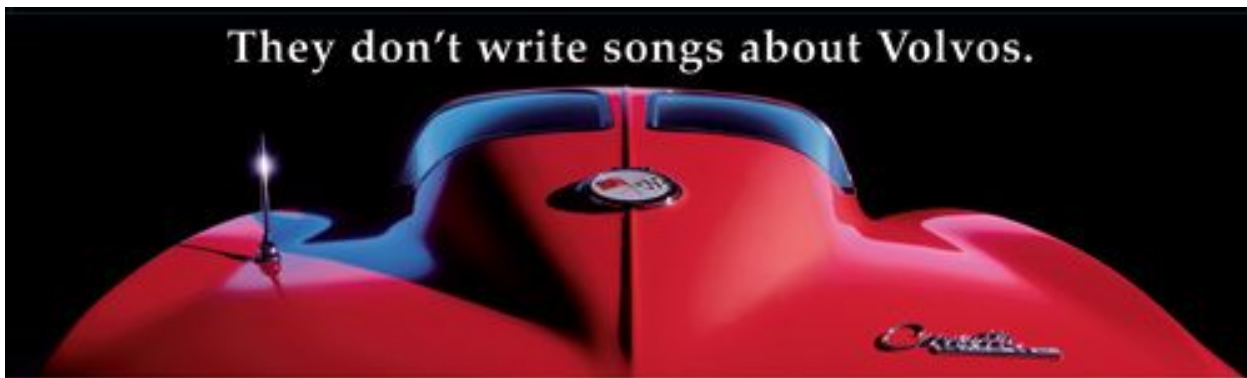
The proposed menu for next month's meeting is bratwurst, burgers and pasta con broccoli.

Judy Dooley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04pm. The motion was seconded by Ann Brown.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday, August 4th at 7pm at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center. Doors will open at 5:30pm and a buffet will be served at 6pm for those interested in purchasing dinner prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Ehrhard, Secretary 2009



St. Louis Corvette Club

2009 - Year-at-a-Glance

Date	Event	Contact	Date	Event	Contact
JAN			JULY		
11	SLCC Meeting		4	Webster Parade	Michelle
FEB			7	SLCC Meeting	
3	SLCC Meeting		16 – 19	Vintage Races	Jeff C
8	Valentine's Brunch	Steve Lyle	19	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
27-28	NCCC Governor's Meeting	Rich Luebcke	26	Mystery Run	Charlie Marty
			AUG		
MARCH			4	SLCC Meeting	
3	SLCC Meeting		13 – 16	LeMans at Road America	Jeff C
29	Whitmond	Jean DuPont	22	Cave Restaurant	Rich L
			23	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
APRIL			30	Chicken Run	Barron
7	SLCC Meeting		SEP		
19	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy	1	SLCC Meeting	
			2	NCM Caravan at ST. Louis Mills	
23-25	C5/C6 Bash	Judy Dooley	2-5	NCM Caravan / Labor Day NCM 15 th Anniversary	Carl Ballinger Judy Dooley
			11-12	NCCC Governor's Meeting	Rich Luebcke
MAY			20	SLCC Picnic	Miget
1-2	NCCC Governor's Meeting	Rich L	25-27	Funfest	
2	JB Garden Day	Bob Woods / Karen Price	27	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
5	SLCC Meeting		OCT		
16 – 18	Corvette Run to Tunica	Angie	1-4	Eureka Springs	Carl
31	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C	6	SLCC Meeting	
			25	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
JUNE			NOV		
2	SLCC Meeting		3	SLCC Meeting	
13	Genghis Grill Show		13-14	NCCC Governor's Meeting	Rich Luebcke
21	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C	15	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
			DEC		
				Christmas Party	

Here is some information for those of you who are going to attend the National Corvette Caravan next year. Remember to go to the NCM website and make your reservations now. From what I've heard there are already several thousand who have made reservations.

The Caravan is going to go to Effingham on Wednesday, Sept 2, 2009 to visit Mid America Design. This is not a part of the official Caravan but many folks who are coming from far away normally would not get to events like Fun Fest. I checked today and was able to make reservations at the Super 8 Motel in Effingham. You can do this on-line by going to www.super8.com . I've got a king room for \$59.99 plus tax.

Then for the stay in Bowling Green on Sep 3-5, Marty Dooley has a block of 20 rooms reserved at Cave City, KY. Again this is at the Super 8 there. The cost is \$99.99 plus tax. I was able to reserve a room on-line through Super8.com so there should still be 20 rooms available. If you call the motel please let them know there is a block of rooms reserved for the St. Louis Corvette Club. The phone number at Cave City is 270-773-2500. As we get closer to the date we will see if we can get closer to Bowling Green. Cave City is about a 20 minute drive from the Museum. **If you do call and use one of the rooms reserved for the club, please let Marty know at jmdooley6493@aol.com.**

UPDATE ON NCM LABOR DAY CARAVAN EVENT

We have access to rooms in Bowling Green for the 2009 Caravan Event. We need to make plans now for the rooms, before we lose them. We will have a sign-up sheet at the March club meeting. Please see me or Judy if you are planning to go in September.

Marty Dooley

**MARTY WILL HAVE MORE UP TO DATE INFO AT
THIS MONTH'S MEETING**

FROM THE NCM AMBASSADOR



Monday, August 3 at 8 a.m. C.T. pre-registration closes for the 15th Anniversary Celebration at the National Corvette Museum. This registration is separate from Caravan registration, so don't forget to do both! Registration is \$10 for NCM members, free for lifetime members and non-members can attend for only \$50, which includes a one-year NCM membership. Everyone must register, and those doing so by August 3 will receive a specially designed commemorative event badge, lanyard, event dash plaque, lapel pin and be entered in special drawings. **Pre-registered EVENT participants will be entered in a free drawing for \$500, \$1,000 and \$1,500.** This applies to 15th Anniversary event participants registered by August 3, not Caravan registrants.

I will have tickets at the Aug. meeting for \$10 for a chance at a 2010 red Corvette convertible that will be raffled off at the Labor Day event -

Judy Dooley





PICTURES FROM THE CRAIG'S VISIT TO THE ROAD AMERICA VINTAGE RACES—THANKS FOR THE PICTURES JERRY— MORE ON THE WEBSITE



I REALLY WANTED TO PUT THIS ON THE NEXT PAGE WITH DANCERS BUT THOUGHT BETTER OF IT.





LOOKS LIKE A BEAUTIFUL HANNIBAL RUN



LOOK WHO SHOWED UP!! HMM FORGOT THEIR NAMES

MAN COULD I GET INTO TROUBLE CAN YOU SAY BADONKADONK



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