St. Louis Corvette Club



Gateway News

Sept, 2009

Next Meeting Sept 1, 2009





Last week
while being
self serving
I was
pushing the
caravan.
This month
I'm
pushing
Eureka
Springs

While being self serving.



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www.corvettemuseum.com

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www.boontrailcc.com

Looking Glass Corvette Club

www.jackschmitt.com

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www.occofstl.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

President's Message August, 2009

August – and school is already back in session!

However, the weather should be perfect for the 09 Caravan! The NCM Caravan / 15th Anniversary Celebration is almost here! As you know, Carl and Sharon are leading the Nebraska-Kansas-Missouri Caravan. The NCM Caravan is bringing Corvettes from across the United States to Bowling Green, KY to celebrate the Museum's 15th Anniversary! 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 opportunity to see a lot of Corvettes in one place!

Plans are being made for a few runs in September. We have been given a great opportunity to display our cars on the Flight Line during the Scott Air Force Base annual Air Show on September 19! We will meet at Home Depot – South County at 07:00 to depart at 07:15 sharp! Don't be late! Not sure what Lt. Brown will do with stragglers! Please see Ann for more information and to let her know if you can attend this event.

We are also putting the final touches on the plans for the annual Club picnic – be sure to reserve Sunday, September 20. Plan to join us for a good ride, good food and great company! More to come at our next meeting.

It is that time of the year again, to start to think about helping the Club as a member of the Board for 2010. This is not a tough job – there is much help from the other Board members and the rest of the Club! If you are interested, please see one of the current Board members. If you are asked to serve, please consider what you have to offer!

BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES		
Jim Love 9/8 Jamie Smull 9/14 Larry Taake 9/18 Carol Miesner 9/26	Mark & Denise Shipley 9/6 John & Pam Corrona 9/6 Larry & Lynn Taake 9/9 Jerry & Armynta Craig 9/11 Bob & Chris Woods 9/20		



St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting August 4, 2009 - Sunset Lakes Banquet Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by president Theresa Luebcke. The Pledge of Allegiance was 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

We welcomed guests Bob Eichorn who has a 2001 silver coupe, Jerry Radloff who has a 1996 collector LT4, Larry and Lynn Taake who have a 1998 red coupe, Aaron and Cathy Coffman who have a silver 2002, and Dana and Diana Griggs who have a 1975 orange convertible. There were no new members.

Treasurer's Report

Sara Gibson was unable to provide a formal treasurer's report due to lack of information. She did report income last month of \$92.00 and expenses of \$29.69. Theresa said there was no need to make a motion to accept because there was no formal report.

Secretary's Minutes

Peggy Craig made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 7, 2009 meeting as published in the newsletter. Gary Murray 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 August birthdays and anniversaries.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley gave the report. She reminded members planning on participating in the Caravan to be sure to sign up. They have over five thousand pre-registered participants. The museum is asking for help (gift shop, parking cars, etc.). Anyone interested in volunteering their help even for an hour or two was asked to contact Torie Cockrell.

The museum is starting a new program called "Great Plates". They will display <u>old</u> vanity plates donated to them in the new Corvette Enthusiasts area. Send original license plates to Betty Hardison at the National Corvette Museum. The plates will not be returned. Judy has the address if you need it.

Judy reminded members of their last chance to buy raffle tickets for 2010 red convertible that will be raffled on Sept.5th at the 15th anniversary celebration. Tickets are \$10.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke gave the report. The NCCC National Convention will be held next week in Colorado Springs. They are celebrating their 50th anniversary. Our club patch will be displayed at this convention thanks to Marty & Judy Dooley who donated it. The NCCC is working on a DVD of the convention. He will pick one up when it becomes available and give it to the club.

Windy City Corvette Club out of Chicago wants to hold the 2011 national convention in Chicago. Rich suggested we gear up to be involved in this convention.

Badger States Vettes Club is holding their 26th Annual All-Corvette Show in West Allis, Wisconsin on August 23rd.

Little Egypt Corvette Club in Centralia, Illinois is holding an autocross on August 29th.

Several of the northern Illinois Corvette clubs are holding an autocross on Labor Day weekend in Mattoon, Illinois Kansas City Corvette Club is holding Vettes on the Square in Independence, Missouri on August 8th in association with the C3 Registry.

Corvette Quarterly has news on their website about an event called Vettes in the Midwest in Joplin, Missouri. Rich suggested we might put this event on our planning calendar for next year.

Rich will be attending the next NCCC Governor's meeting to be held here in St. Louis in late September.

Website Update

No report

Sponsor Report

Theresa reported work is ongoing in getting a sponsor. Ruth Howard is getting a package together to present to a prospective sponsor and hopefully there will be more news at the next meeting.

Announcements

Michelle Paillou announced the club won an award for Outstanding Visiting Entry at the Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade. Michelle presented the plaque to the club.

Ron Hagenow reported Jerry Fain is not doing well battling cancer. Jerry has been in the hospital three times in the past three weeks. Cards to Jerry are always appreciated. Ken and Judy Barron passed around a get well card for Jerry for members to sign. Also, June Fain's brother died recently. Karen Price made a motion the club sends flowers to the Fains. The motion was seconded by Ruth Howard. After discussion by the members it was decided the club would send a plant and the motion was approved by the membership.

Dave Davidson announced there will be a drag race this weekend at Gateway Inter-national Raceway. He made free tickets, worth \$30 available to members.

There is a guy going to do a "Forrest GumpWalk" from the east coast to the west coast to raise money for multiple sclerosis. His walk starts on August 8th. He will be coming through St. Louis sometime this fall and will need a place to stay for one night.

Roger and Bonnie Ruengert have both been ill recently.

Prior Events

Jeff Craig talked about the Vintage Races he and "a bunch of the Craigs:" attended in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin July 16-19.

Marty Dooley reported eighteen Corvettes and one metal car participated in the Mystery Run to Hannibal on July 26th. Thanks to Marty and Judy Dooley and Charlie and Jackie Miget for coordinating this event. There were attendance prizes and the weather was gorgeous.

Future Events

Rich Luebcke would like to change the run he planned on August 22nd to Richland, MO to a run to Roger and Bonnie Ruengert's home in DeSoto followed by a picnic. The Ruengerts have both been ill recently and unable to attend several meetings. We would provide food and drinks. Rich will contact Roger and information will be made available to members through email and/or phone chain.

Marty Dooley spoke about the club continuing to participate in the Veterans Day Parade in November. Marty has spoken to Rick Frierdich who has agreed to help Marty and Ron Hagenow plan this event. A vote was taken and the majority of members voted to continue to participate in the parade.

- August 7: Happy hour at Sunset Lakes Banquet Center starting at 5pm.
- August 9: Run to Dreamland Restaurant in Foster Pond, Illinois. Ron Meisner is coordinating this event. A sign-up sheet was made available. Meet at South County Home Depot at 12:30pm and leave at 12:45pm.
- August 13-16: LeMans Race at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin-The Craigs and the Coxes are going.
- August 23: Fritz's Frozen Custard Run-Big Bend and old 141-meet anytime between 6:00-6:30pm.
- *August 30:* Ken Barron is coordinating a fried chicken run to Moonlight Restaurant in Alton, IL. Meet at 12:00pm on Schnucks parking lot on Manchester just west of New Ballwin Road and just past Elco Chevrolet. We will depart at 12:30pm.

August 29-September 5: 2009 National Corvette Caravan Carl Ballinger reported 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. They have been invited to stop in Syracuse, Nebraska by a guy who has a personal collection of 120+ cars. More than sixty of them are Corvettes. 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. Mid America Motorworks is offering a 10% discount on merchandise, a tour through the museum, a discounted meal on Wednesday evening and a band for entertainment. They will have free continental breakfast on Thursday morning. On Thurs. Sept. 3rd they will drive to Bowling Green and hope to arrive by mid-afternoon. Those not participating in the Caravan are urged to meet the Caravan at St. Louis Mills Mall on September 2nd between 12:00-1:00pm.on the parking lot by the old Circuit City. Patty and Jeff Craig have reservations at the Best Western in Bowling Green they will not be using if anyone is interested.

September 20: St. Louis Corvette Club Road Rally and Picnic-Charlie & Jackie Miget and Karen & Mike Price are coordinating this event. The picnic will be at Quail Ridge Park at Highway 40/61 in Wentzville. Fliers were made available. Meet at 11:30am at Mobil on the Run at Mid Rivers Mall Drive and Highway 94. The first car will depart at 11:45am. A sign-up sheet was made available.

The club will provide Lee's fried chicken. Members are asked to bring a side dish to share and their own drinks-NO BOTTLES ALLOWED IN PARK (there is a stiff fine if caught with glass bottles in park). There will be a \$5 charge for guests (non-members) for food.

September 25-27: Funfest at MidAmerica Motorworks in Effingham, Illinois. There will be club parking. There is now a \$25 registration fee.

October 1-4: Run to Eureka Springs, Arkansas-more details to come.

Committee Reports

No committee reports were discussed

Old Business/New Business

No old or new business was discussed.

Attendance

Total attendance was 64.

<u>50/50</u>

Glenda Davidson won \$115 in the drawing, donating a portion to the VA fund.

Dessert

Thanks to Gary and Jan Murray for providing this month's cake. Chris and Bob Woods have volunteered to provide a cake for next month's meeting.

Menu

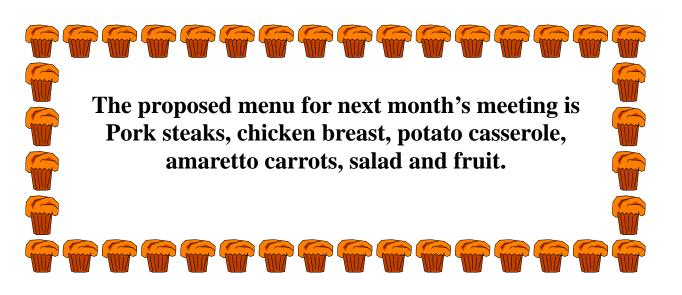
The proposed menu for next month's meeting is pork steaks, chicken breast, potato casserole, amaretto carrots, salad and fruit.

Ron Hagenow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. The motion was seconded by Ken Barron.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday, September 1st 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	Rich	26	Mystery Run	Charlie
	Meeting	Luebcke			Marty
			AUG		
MARCH			4	SLCC Meeting	
3	SLCC Meeting		13 – 16	LeMans at Road Amer	Jeff C
29	Whitmond	Jean DuPont	22	Rich Run	Rich L
			23	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
APRIL			30	Chicken Run	Barrons
7	SLCC Meeting		SEP		
19	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy	1	SLCC Meeting	
			2	NCM Caravan at ST. Louis Mills	Dooleys
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
			19	SAFB Car Show	Ann B
MAY			20	SLCC Picnic	Miget
1-2	NCCC Governor's Meet	Rich L	25-27	Funfest	
2	JB Garden Day	Bob Woods	27	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
5	SLCC Meeting		OCT		
16 – 18	Corvette Run to Memphis	Angie Bradford	1-4	Eureka Springs	Carl Ballinger
31	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C	6	SLCC Meeting	
			??	Miller's Grove	Dave E
			25	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
JUNE			NOV		
2	SLCC Meeting		3	SLCC Meeting	
13	Genghis Grill Show		13-14	NCCC Governor's	Rich
				Meeting	Luebcke
21	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C	15	Fritz's Ice Cream	Peggy C
			DEC		
				Christmas Party	

FROM THE NCM AMBASSADOR



Many of us will be heading to the Corvette Museum via caravan this Labor Day weekend. We wish those going to have a fun and above all safe trip. Those not being able to travel with us, I also wish you a fun weekend and a safe one. We promise to bring back plenty of pictures.

At the meeting this Tuesday you will have a final chance to purchase raffle tickets for the corvette that will be given away during the Labor Day festivities Saturday. Don't miss this chance.

Peace Judy Dooley NCM Ambassador



Ruth's new tags—electric britches??? She was showing that off at the Fritz's run the other day. Also pictures from Road America which some of our members attended and slept through. That Paul, one exciting guy.



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