



The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter

April 2012

Upcoming Events

- March 31 Mid Missouri Corvette Cup
- April 3 STLCC Meeting
- April 21 Sugar Creek Winery Show
- April 22 Blessing of the Cars
- April 26-28 NCM Bash
- April 28 Cruisin' for St. Jude
- April 29 Fritz's Ice Cream Run
- May 1 STLCC Meeting
- May 5 St. Louis VA Medical Center Clean-up
- May 12 Country Classic Cars
- May 17-19 Tunica Trip or C4/ZR-1 NCM Gathering
- May 19 STLCC Car Collection or STL C3 Sharks Car Show



2004



2007



2006

A look back...

With no new photographs for this month's newsletter, your editor went back through the archives to look for some great times. One thing stood out: our Club consists of a fabulous group of friends who are committed to fun, creating memories and a great Club, and most importantly: each other.



2004



2005



2009

President's Column



Hello again STLCC'ers! The early spring is bringing out the Vettes I see. I think I'll get mine out today. It needs a good run.

You'll see later in the newsletter that the Charity Committee is in full swing. Quite a variety of charities and events. Please consider the charity of your choice! Thank you to the Committee!

Had a great turn out for the VA Garden clean up. So many folks showed up, I think the only reason we were there a whole hour was because we stood around and gabbed for a half hour. Just goes to show what can be accomplished with so many volunteers. The real work comes in June when we replant and rebuild a few planting beds. Bring your muscles...

I'd like to thank Amy once again for producing such an outstanding newsletter. Like so many of us, she has a lot going on with work, but unlike the rest of us, she and Mike are displaced while their house is being rebuilt. They have just a *little* bit going on. Through it all, Amy still produces the nicest club newsletter I've seen. Thank you Amy!

Kevin Bayliss
President - 2012

2012 Officers

President: **Kevin Bayliss**

Immediate Past President: **Marty Dooley**

Vice President: **Michael Zlatic**

Secretary: **Mary Ann Hagenow**

Treasurer: **Rick Doerr**

Sergeant-at-Arms: **Dave Horstmeyer**

Membership: **Ron Hagenow**

Webmaster: **Jerry Craig**



National Corvette Museum Ambassador:
Judy Dooley, 314.894.0303



National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor:
Rich Luebcke, 636.532.9620



April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sue Dahman, April 3
Kevin Bayliss, April 5
Pete Sedovic, April 10
Jerry Hanson, April 16
Peggy Craig, April 20

Terry & Irene Wilson, April 10
Gary & Jan Murray, April 19



April Menu

Fried Chicken ♦ Ham
Cheesy Potatoes ♦ Mixed Vegetables
Garden Salad ♦ Rolls, Butter ♦ Drink
*Please contact Ron Hagenow
if you have menu suggestions
and if you plan to eat at the April meeting.*

Corvette Trivia

What was the code number for the stiff suspension optional in 1984?

- A. ZP6
- B. Z84
- C. Z51
- D. Z52

The L98 engine came along in what period of the 1980s?

- A. 1985
- B. 1983
- C. 1986
- D. 1988

In what model year did the C4 body premiere its convertible version?

- A. 1985
- B. 1986
- C. 1988
- D. 1990 turbo

Answers: 1. C 2. A 3. B

Congratulations, Don Pickles!



The National Corvette Restorers Society has an annual awards program, including the NCRS Chapter Flight Awards. This year, administrators of winning chapters were also

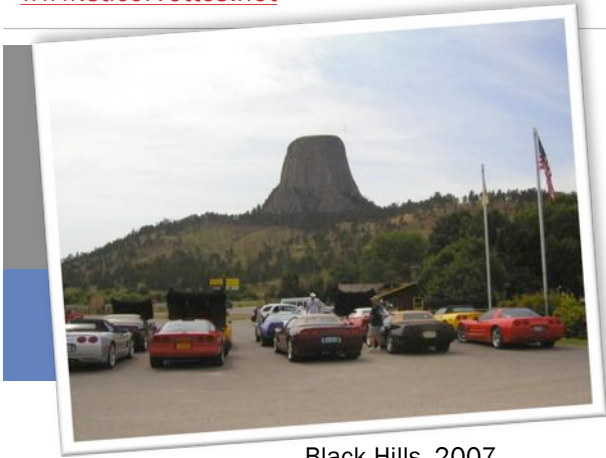
recognized, as they are responsible for all of the documents related to membership, sign-in sheets, cars driven, judges, tabs, activities, donations, etc. The St. Louis Chapter and our own **Don Pickles** won a Chapter Flight Award for 2011!

News from the National Corvette Museum by NCM Ambassador Judy Dooley

Starting April 23 and going through July 26, 2012 the National Corvette Museum will showcase Callaway Corvettes and 50th anniversary of the Z06 in the exhibit hall. Our members **Dave & Glenda Davidson** will have their 2010 Cyber Gray Callaway Grand Sport in this display. If you are going to the Bash, please take time to go through the museum and see their car in the display.



The next time you visit NCM, head over to the Corvette Assembly Plant in Bowling Green and check out the new Volt charging station. It's on the employee parking lot closest to the tour entrance. Dave Davidson reports, "These 'up-front' parking spots with a cover shaped like a spoiler are reserved for Volt owners. Looks like prime parking and free electricity to encourage Volt ownership." Yeah, but can the Volt win the 24 hours of Le Mans?!



Black Hills, 2007
A trip many of us are doing this year!

Meeting Minutes

Couldn't make it to the meeting? Find out what you missed (or what we volunteered you for) here. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at **Sunset Hills Banquet Center, 13366 W. Watson Road. 5:30 p.m. open bar, 6 p.m. buffet dinner (\$14), and 7 p.m. meeting.**

March 6 – Sunset Hills Banquet Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by president **Kevin Bayliss**. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Kevin welcomed everyone, acknowledged current board members, and welcomed immediate past president and webmaster-in-training **Marty Dooley**, Elco sponsor representatives **Mark Gerecke** and **Eric DeBruin**. Members were reminded to check sign-up lists and purchase 50/50 tickets. No new members or guests were present.

Meeting Minutes

Judy Dooley moved to accept the minutes from the February 7, 2012 meeting as published in the March newsletter. **Vikki Bayliss** provided a second to the motion, which was then approved by the membership.

Announcements

Kevin and Vikki Bayliss are the proud owners of a new-to-them 2011 red Camaro RS/SS, courtesy of Elco. A certificate of appreciation was presented to **Don and Angie Bradford** for their event sponsorship for 2011. **Dave Davidson** has created a Corvette Fans Facebook page. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorvetteFans/> to join. He has 215 friends so far!

Treasurer's Report

Report copies were provided for the

membership. **Ann Pickles** moved to accept the report, with a second by **Ann Brown** and approval by the membership. Treasurer **Rich Doerr** asked members to let him know if there is any additional information that they would like to see included in the monthly report.

Membership Report

Ron Hagenow reported that the membership numbers have not changed from the February meeting. He acknowledged March birthdays and anniversaries. **Eric DeBruin** announced that he and his wife will celebrate their 20th anniversary by taking the honeymoon they never had to San Antonio. Ron also acknowledged the all-important 100th anniversary of the Oreo cookie. In closing, Ron shared a recent email message from lifetime member June Fain.

Committee Reports

Budget – First meeting will be scheduled soon.

By-laws – No report.

Car show – **Dave Horstmeyer** volunteered to chair this committee, taking over for **Don Bradford** and **Mike Price**.

Charity – Chair **Judy Giovanoni** shared a few ideas regarding the direction of the committee. She said there are three main areas of focus for the year: 1) the VA for which

funds are allocated and for which planning is running smoothly, 2) donations at Christmas which have been individual donations given to specific families, 3) helping a few local and/or national charities throughout the year with donations of miscellaneous items. Judy suggested the possibility of supporting one charity for two or three meetings at a time as well as doing a summer food drive or school supply drive in August.

Michelle Finn, who has volunteered to work with Judy on the committee, shared information about the group Spot Savers, which is a Dalmation Rescue no-kill shelter in Jefferson County (www.spotsavers.org). The organization is always in need of blankets and cleaning supplies. Michelle shared information about a possible car photo shoot at Crestwood's White Cliff Park in April or May with proceeds being donated to Spot Savers. Photos would be provided in a digital format.

Karen Price also suggested helping Aven's Place, which is a faith-based organization (www.avensplace.com), and/or Carney's Kids Foundation (www.carneyskids.org). She mentioned the possibility of having a car show with proceeds from entrant's fees being given to a charity.

The membership agreed that the charity committee should begin planning activities for this calendar year.

Christmas – No report.
Nominating – No report.
Parade – No report.

VA Hospital – **Marty Dooley** will help **Karen Price** and **Bob Woods** with this committee. Saturday, May 5, is the date scheduled for planting at the VA yard this year. The wheelchair races will be held on May 4 but have been moved to the auditorium area so garden planting does not need to be moved up from the May 5 date.

A preliminary garden cleanup is scheduled for this Saturday, March 10, at 9 a.m. Those able to help should bring gardening tools, rakes, pruners, and gloves.

Marty said the VA is also sponsoring Golden Age Games, which involve over 900 people countrywide. Marty is helping to coordinate volunteers for Sunday, June 3 - Tuesday, June 5. (At the present time, a trip to Bob's Gasoline Alley is scheduled for June 3 and June 5 is the regular meeting night.) Please contact Marty if you are interested in helping with the games.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley has \$10 tickets for a 2012 torch red convertible to be raffled on April 28. **Dave and Glenda Davidson's** Calloway is on display at the museum until May 10. Registration for the April 26-28 Bash is now open. Registration fee includes museum admission for the week-end, seminars, dash plaque, and a lapel pin. Fees are \$10 for lifetime members, \$15 for members, and \$25 for nonmembers. There are extra fees for some events.

GM is offering a 25th anniversary Calloway Grand Sport convertible, with only 25 being made. The car will be unveiled on April 23 and will be on display at the Bash. Club bricks at the entrance to the

museum are available for \$200, \$75 for an extra brick.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke reported that he was unable to attend the February 25 Governors' meeting due to illness. The Midwest Region party is planned for Saturday, March 24, and will be held outside of Chicago. A continuation of the Governors' meeting will take place in conjunction with the party. No club has yet stepped up to host the MWR Championship Series weekend. This event may conflict with other events already scheduled. The annual region fundraiser will also be discussed. The Luebckes will be unable to attend the March 24 event.

Rich said he will be sending newsletter copies to the Blue Bars editorial team for use in the national publication. The governors in our region also review the "administrative schedule" which tells us what we need to do when.

Let Rich know if you have not yet received your NCCC renewal package. Be sure to check the NCCC website for discounts available from various manufacturers that support NCCC. Don't forget to get waivers from Rich in advance of any event that you sponsor.

A copy of our latest Certificate of Insurance has been filed with our club secretary.

Newsletter Report

President **Kevin Bayliss** asked members to continue supporting the newsletter by sending articles to editor **Amy Zlatic**.

Website Report

Marty Dooley reported that **Jerry Craig** is still running the website but plans are to hand the operation over to Marty around March 10.

Sponsor's Report

Mark Gerecke reported that Elco has broken ground for the new Cadillac building. Parking for future events will be an issue and a "game plan" will need to be developed for

future car shows. Car show dates will be reviewed, as dates may need to be changed.

Events Update

Mike Zlatic commented on the new Google calendar, which has been incorporated into the homepage of the club website. Updating the calendar used to be a manual process but the new calendar allows for quick updates. The calendar can also be synched to iPads and iPhones, etc. Events on the calendar marked "SLCC" are club-sponsored events. Other events are for information purposes.

Prior Events

Valentine's Day Brunch at SAFB-February 12

Bob Woods reported that everyone enjoyed the food, which was good and hot. Room size was reduced and the club is under new management. Thanks to Bob and Chris for planning this event and to Bob for sharing the Marine Corps blessing.

Future Events

Friday, March 9 – Jilly's Happy Hour

Carl and Sharon Ballinger are planning this event. Jilly's is located at Highway 30 and Little Brennan Road. Appetizers and a full menu will be available. A \$200 minimum food and drink order is needed from the group. Meet between 5: 30 and 6:00 p.m. Half-price appetizers are available prior to 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 10 – VA Garden Clean-up

Meet at the VA at 9 a.m.; clean up should take about one hour.

Sunday, March 25 – Fritz's Frozen Custard Run

Meet at Fritz's at 815 Meramec Station Road in Valley Park, Hwy 141 and Big Bend Road at 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 21 – Sugar Creek Winery Car Show, Lunch, Reception

Carl Ballinger shared information: Sugar Creek Winery is located west of Defiance, Missouri. Car show is scheduled for 11-3 p.m. Wine and cheese event from 4-6 p.m. \$20 includes lunch and reception.

Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

National Corvette Museum
<http://www.corvettemuseum.com>

National Council
of Corvette Clubs
www.corvettesnccc.org

Official Corvette Site
www.chevrolet.com/corvette

Boone Trail Corvette Club
www.boonetraillcc.com

Original Corvette Club
of St. Louis
www.occfstl.com

Corvette Racing
www.corvetteracing.com

Mid America Motorworks
www.mamotorworks.com

Elco Chevrolet
www.elcochevroletcadillac.com

Corvette Motorsport
<http://www.corvettemotorsport.com/>

Corvette Central
<http://www.corvettecentral.com/>



Sunday, April 22 – Blessing of Cars at St. Martin’s Episcopal Church in Ellisville
Rich and Theresa Luebcke are planning this event. Blessing at 11:30, lunch after. More information to come.

Thursday, April 26–Saturday, April 28 – NCM Bash

Sunday, April 29 – Fritz’s Frozen Custard Run

Saturday, May 5 – VA Garden Planting

Thursday, May 17 – Saturday, May 19 – Tunica Trip

Angie Bradford is organizing this event. Rates are \$55 for Thursday, and \$89 each for Friday and Saturday evenings. A sign-up sheet is available.

Old Business

Kevin Bayliss still has club wine glasses available for sale at \$5 each.

New Business

President **Kevin Bayliss** reminded everyone that buffet dinner prices at the Banquet Center have been increased from \$12 to \$14 per person. The buffet price includes dessert, coffee and tea. Other beverages are available for purchase. Though it was announced that a room fee of \$75 - \$100 per meeting would be charged, that decision has been withdrawn and there will be no room fee for club meetings. Kevin reminded members that the club pays for the sponsors’ meals. **Michelle Paillou** mentioned that area restaurant menu prices are increasing. She questioned whether desserts provided with the buffet might be eliminated, perhaps allowing for a \$1 reduction per meal. Cake provided by club members will continue to be available each month.

Kevin read a card from **Rich and Mary Doerr**, thanking members for their expressions of sympathy upon the recent death of Mary’s sister.

Kevin congratulated **Mark Gerecke** for being named Elco’s “Salesman of the Year.” Mark, in turn, thanked the club for the gift cards sent to him and to Eric. Mark commented that the cards came at a great time as he and his wife are in the middle of a kitchen remodeling job.

Carl Ballinger posed a question about NCCC speed events. **Rich Luebcke** said that in the past we have shared our sanctions with Route 66 and the Great River Road Club in Quincy. This year, NCCC has increased each club’s sanction capability. Because of that, the Quincy club will not need our sanctions. Route 66 will be purchasing 4 sanctions from our club at \$80 each in August. The Route 66 Autocross will be held at the Family Arena this year.

50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to **Jean DuPont**, winner of \$83 in the raffle.

Dessert

Thanks to **Carl and Sharon Ballinger** for providing this month’s cake. **Ann Brown** has volunteered to bring the April dessert.

Jeff Craig moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. with a second by **Gary Murray** and approval by the membership. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 3 at 7 p.m. at Sunset Hills Banquet Center. Doors will open at 5:30 and buffet will be served at approximately 6:00 for those interested. The April menu will feature fried chicken, ham, cheesy potatoes, vegetable medley and salad.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Hagenow
Secretary 2012



News from NCCC

by National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor Rich Luebcke

In the Midwest Region, our region,

- The latest Governors' Meeting was held Feb. 25 at Westport, but time ran out for all the business, and it was continued on March 24 during the Midwest Region Party. I'll get whatever was decided there to you when Chris completes the minutes.
- Since I have the minutes from what did occur during the Feb 25 meeting, I'll highlight some areas:
 - o Three Rulebook changes are being considered, regarding cancelled event rescheduling, the present point system, and tire tread depth.
 - o A proposal for re-aligning the NCCC into 4 regions (we have 16 presently) was presented at our regional meeting. Further consideration will be given at our next Governors Meeting.
 - o The region's books are undergoing their annual audit.
 - o 206 events have been scheduled in the MWR this year
 - o All airport venues now require FAA approval!
 - o \$19,230.25 was the MWR final balance to 2011.

Nationally,

- Membership stands at 16,243.
- All renewal packages have been shipped to the members.
- BlueBars may consider going electronic.
- Electronic voting is being tested. All Governors get paper ballots mailed to their homes. They must fill them out and mail them back to count, naturally. 11 of the MWR clubs participated (including ours). While successful, work continues to make it into the Rule Book.
- 60 families have signed up to be included in the NCCC's Family Helping Family directory.

The next Governors Meeting is May 5.

As always, check the NCCC website for interesting discounts available to us. GM, MidAmerica Motorworks, Ecklers, Corvette Central, Corvette America, Zips, Goodyear, Kumho, BridgestoneFirestone, Michelin, and Southern Car Parts all support the NCCC.

Rich's Round-Up

Extra info from the desk of Mr. Luebcke

For those who dig trivia nights, St. Martin's Youth Groups are hosting one on Friday - dig this - April 13!! Proceeds will go to support their latest mission trip to Joplin! Tables are available. Rich will have details at our April meeting.

And don't forget the Blessing of the Cars April 22, at 11:30 am. That's a Sunday, and Rich will have fliers and a signup sheet at the meeting. And...if you come in at about 10 am you can join the Luebckes, the Lyles, the Duponts, and the Griggses in the pews!!

STLCC Charity Committee

Elise Akins, Michelle Finn, Judy Giovanoni

2012 Plan

Our areas of focus for charity for 2012 will be:

1. VA – already allocated and running smoothly
2. Donations at Christmas – individual donations
3. Local charity or a local chapter of a national organization

The VA program is running well and there's no need to make changes. Also, our funds for the VA are separate, so they will not apply here.

For the remainder of this year, we'll have the opportunity to serve several charities and groups.

Our first will be **Newborns in Need**, a national 501(c)3 charity that serves premature, sick, and needy newborns, with a focus of 0-12 months. Judy Giovanoni is President of the All the Babies of Eastern Missouri Chapter in St. Louis. Members sew, knit, crochet, quilt, and purchase baby essentials for local agencies. Gently used items are also acceptable. Tax receipts can be provided if desired. Items can be brought to the April 3 meeting, or call Judy at 636-227-0247. For more information, visit www.newbornsinneed.org

The Newborns in Need Wish List is on the next page, along with partner organizations.

Future Events

These are the charity events planned, with more details to follow later. It's possible that some events may be moved around if necessary.

April: Newborns in Need, All The Babies of Eastern Missouri

May: Blankets and cleaning supplies for Spot Savers and Open Door Animal Sanctuary. There will also be a Corvette photo shoot event with proceeds to split between these two charities.

June: Non-perishable food drive

July: Clean out your closet to benefit a Women's Shelter

August: School supplies drive

September: Clean out your closet to benefit a Men's Shelter

October: Elco Car Show benefiting Carney's Kids (at the October meeting, we'll also have a Giving Tree with ornaments you can choose to help a person/family in need)

November: Bring items for the Giving Tree

December: No activity

Please note that these efforts are voluntary, and nobody needs to feel they have to participate in anything. But this will make it easy for you if you wish to. Thank you!



NEWBORNS IN NEED: All The Babies of Eastern Missouri

www.newbornsinneed.org

636-227-0247

We sew, knit, crochet, quilt, and purchase essential items for premature, sick, and needy babies in the St. Louis area. We welcome new volunteers! Our focus is on babies 0-12 months, but we do provide items for older children for those agencies that serve them. We can accept new and gently used items, and will provide a tax receipt if desired.

Our Wish List:

New Items:

- Baby Care Items (Shampoo, Lotion, etc.)
- Baby Food and Formula
- Diapers and Wipes
- Batting, Flannel, Yarn

Other:

- Gift cards to Michaels, Jo-Ann's, Wal-Mart

New or Gently Used Items:

- Afghans, blankets, quilts, sheets or bedding items
- Bibs, burp cloths, bottles
- Changing pads, diaper bags, opened diaper packs
- Clothing and shoes up to 4T
- Baby towels and washcloths
- Baby equipment (snuggli, spoons, etc.)
- Infant toys

Thank you!

For more information or for pickup of items, please contact Judy Giovanoni at 636-227-0247.

OUR CHAPTER SERVES BABIES THROUGH THESE FACILITIES:

- Birthright, Brentwood, MO
- Birthright, Hillsboro, MO
- Board of Religious Organizations (BRO), St. Louis, MO
- Crisis Nursery North, St. Charles, and Wentzville
- DePaul Health Center
- Fr. Tolton Center
- Good Shepard Maternity Home, St. Louis, MO
- Haven of Grace, St. Louis, MO
- Isaiah 58 Ministries, St. Louis, MO
- Kingdom House, St. Louis, MO
- Mary, Queen of Angels, O'Fallon, MO
- Our Lady's Inn, St. Louis and St. Charles
- Pemiscot County Health Center
- Pregnancy Resource Center
- Ranken Jordan Pediatric Specialty Hospital
- St. Anthony's Medical Center, St. Louis, MO
- St. Clare Health Center, Fenton, MO
- St. Joseph's Hospital West, Lake St. Louis, MO
- St. Martha's Hall, St. Louis, MO
- St. Mary's Health Center, St. Louis, MO
- Salvation Army, St. Louis, MO
- South County Pregnancy Help Center
- Southeast Missouri Hospital, Cape Girardeau, MO
- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), Kirkwood, MO

April 7, 2012

CORVETTE EXPO



*Where were
you in '62?*

The last of the straights!

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PRESENTED BY

CORVETTES OF ENID

Saturday, April 7th, 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Admission:

Adults \$3.00, Children under 12 \$1.00

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**Chisholm Trail Expo Center
Garfield County Fairgrounds
111 W. Purdue, Enid, OK**

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• Best Engine • Best of Show

\$150 TO CLUB WITH MOST REGISTERED FOR CHARITY

\$100 TO BEST OF SHOW

\$50 TO INDIVIDUAL ENTRY TRAVELING FARTHEST

SILENT AUCTION!!!

There will be a silent auction for GREAT ITEMS so bring some extra cash!!!

Blood Drive Saturday

HOST HOTEL

Comfort Inn Midwestern Square

210 N. Van Buren - Enid, Ok 73703

To make reservations call 580-234-1200. Don't forget to mention that you are registered with the CORVETTE EXPO for your DISCOUNT!

Forward any questions to Gene Knouse gknouse@gmail.com or Cell: 580-336-8135
Free shuttle service is available to and from hotel Friday night Saturday morning.

Corvettes Only!
Early Arrivals/Registration

Friday April 6th at the Chisholm Trail Expo Center - 3:00 to 9:00 PM
Food, Fun and Shine Time

PREREGISTRATION:

Send a check or money order made payable to:

CORVETTES OF ENID
P.O. Box 1285
Enid, OK 73702

REGISTRATION FEE: \$25.00 PER VEHICLE. (After March 15th, Reg. is \$30.00)

Corvette Owner(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone #(s): _____ Entry(s): _____ Enclosed:\$ _____

Corvette YR, Body, Engine & Colors: _____

Corvette Club: _____ Email Address: _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____



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