



The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter

January 2013

Upcoming Events

January 5 Price Christmas Party

January 12 Planning Meeting
@ 12 noon (bring your calendars
Grand Slam and ideas for the
year!)



Shiny new Sleigh



Checking it twice

Happy Holidays!

President's Column

First of all I would like to wish everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Our annual Christmas party was an awesome evening. Many thanks to Chris Woods for once again putting together a wonderful party! We began the evening with interim President Mike Zlatic saying a few words and he was kind enough to do the blessing before our meal. Everyone received a glass of champagne as Marty made a toast in memory of our dear friend Armynta. Thanks to Carl & Sharon for supplying the champagne, and Judy & Marty for supplying the champagne glasses. I'm sure Armynta was smiling down upon all of us. Hopefully everyone enjoyed the annual slide show! It was a lot of fun putting together!

Our annual planning meeting is January 12th at noon at the Grand Slam Bar in High Ridge. A buffet lunch will be served for \$12 per person. Please come with creative ideas to plan for club events in 2013. It really is fun to sponsor an event and depending on the event that you are planning, it doesn't require a whole lot of work. Everyone likes to go for a drive and of course what would be a drive if we didn't end up eating and drinking somewhere?!

May you all have a safe and blessed holiday season.

Ruth Howard
President

2013 Officers



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Or, you can contact the Club through the general email box at stl.corvettes@gmail.com

From Judy Dooley, NCM Ambassador: I still have a few \$10 tickets for the Red 2013 Corvette to be raffled off on Jan.31st

January Birthdays & Anniversaries



Ann Brown, January 4
Mary Ann Hagenow, January 9
Mike Price, January 11
Kathy Craig, January 12
Ken Dahman, January 17
Larry Akins, January 20
Don Bradford, January 22
Michelle Paillou, January 23
Michael Zlatic, January 23
Marty Dooley, January 25
Carl Cox, January 26
Jackie Miget, January 31



Randy & Ruth Howard, January 19
Mike & Glenda Walsh, January 22



I thought it worthwhile repeating this from last year's newsletter - Ed.

A New Twist on an Old Favorite

Courtesy of Paul Craig

*'Twas the night before Christmas and in the garage,
There wasn't a trace of a Ford, or even a Dodge.
The presents were wrapped and the lights were all lit,
So I figured I'd mess with the Vette for a bit.*

*I popped the release and I lifted the hood,
When a deep voice behind me said, "Looks pretty good."
Well, as you can imagine, I turned mighty quick,
And there, by the workbench, stood good ol' Saint Nick!*

*We stood there a bit, not too sure what to say,
Then he said, "Don't suppose that you'd trade for my sleigh?
I said, "No way, Santa," and started to grin.
"But if you've got the time we could go for a spin!"*

*His round little mouth, all tied up like a bow,
Turned into a smile and he said, "Hey! Let's go!!"
So as not to disturb all the neighbors' retreat,
We pushed the Vette quietly into the street,*

*Then, taking our places to drift down the hill,
I turned on the key and I let the clutch spill.
The sound that erupted took him by surprise,
But he liked it a lot, by the look in his eyes.*

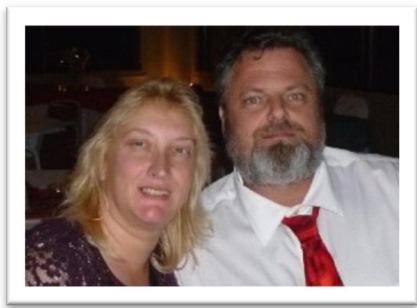
*With Goodyears a' cryin' and sidepipes aglow,
We headed on out where the hot rodders go.
And Santa's grin widened, approaching his ears,
With every shift up as I went through the gears.*

*Then he yelled, "I can't recall when I've felt so alive!"
So I backed off the gas and said, "You wanna drive?"
Ol' Santa was stunned when I gave him the keys,
When he walked past the headlights he shook at the knees!*

*Then the small block exploded with side exhaust sound!
Santa let out the clutch and the tires shook the ground!
Power shift into second, again into third!
I sat there just watching, at loss for a word,*

*Then I heard him exclaim as we blasted from sight,
"Merry Christmas to all, it's a hell of a night!!!"*

2012 Christmas Party





See all of the Christmas Party pictures on the web site!

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.boonetrailcc.com

Original Corvette Club
of St. Louis
www.occofstl.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
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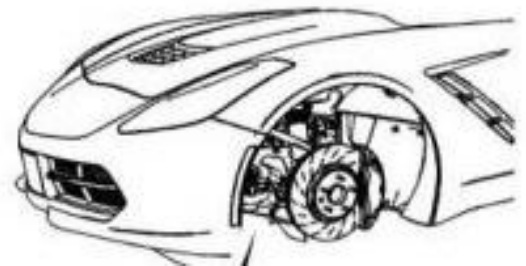


Corvette C7 Teases

With the much anticipated return of the LT1 engine for 2014, this will mark the third time in Corvette's history this engine has been available. The LT-1 first arrived on the scene in 1970, then it was a long twenty-two years before it reappeared in the 1992 Corvette. Now, twenty-two years after its second appearance, it will return for the 2014 Corvette. More information on the LT-1 engine and the C7 Corvette are available at <http://www.chevrolet.com/one13thirteen.html>

LT1

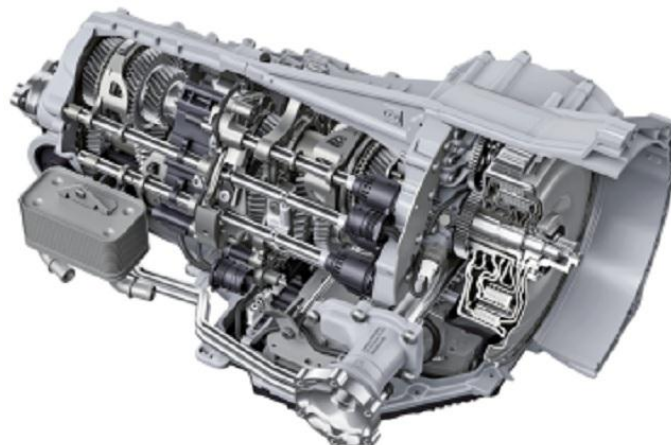
Submitted by Judy Dooley



Internet clip from 2014
Corvette Service Manual

It is speculated that the C7 manual transmissions will have 7 forward speeds and be built by ZF. There is some question about the expected 8 speed automatic as the recently announced 2014 GM pickups still have the existing 6 speed... Maybe added later?

The formal C7 unveiling on 1/13/13 cannot get here fast enough!



2012 Retrospective

January



Price's Christmas and Mike's 60th Party



Planning Meeting



Eagle Run

February



Valentine Brunch

March



VA Work Party



Jilly's Run (no pics, boo)

April



Sugar Creek Winery

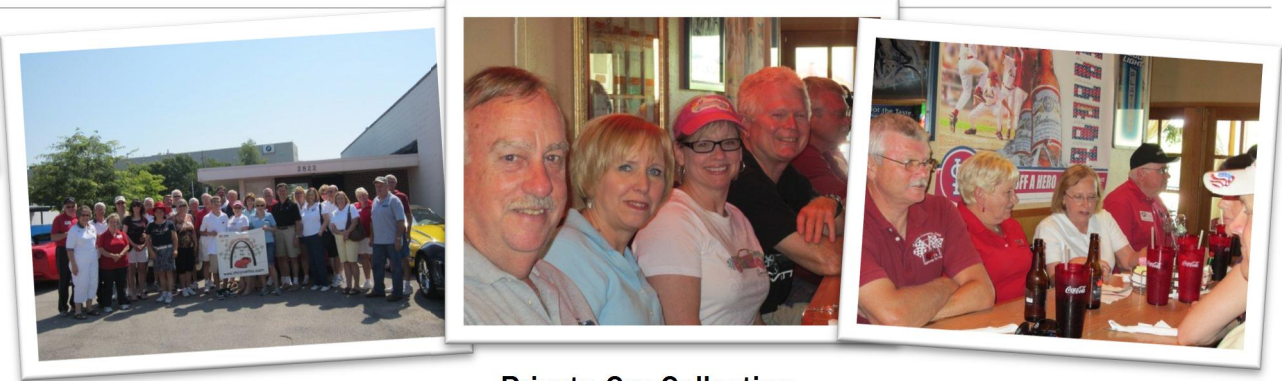


NCM Bash



Blessing of Cars/Drivers (no pics, boo) **7**

May



Private Car Collection

June



Bob's Gasoline Alley

Drive Your Vette to Work Day

NCCC Convention (no pics, boo)

July



Webster 4th Parade

Black Hills Corvette Classic

Yellowstone

August



Chicken Run

NCM Labor Day

Autocross (no pics, boo)

September

Also Club Picnic, and
Memory Walk (no
pics)



Mystery Run



Funfest



NCM Delivery

October



Eureka Springs



Josephine's Ladies Event



Corvettes & Warbirds

November



Veterans Parade



Oil Change Party (no pics)

December



Christmas Party

Monthly
(warm
months)



Fritz's Ice Cream

Reminder: Please post your event pictures to the website and/or send them to the newsletter editor so we don't lose any memories...

Charity Review for 2012

In addition to our ongoing support of the VA hospital grounds, we had several charity activities this year. For most months, we had a charity or group to support, whether through monetary donations, or in-kind donations.

April: Baby essentials for All the Babies of Eastern Missouri Chapter of Newborns in Need. www.newbornsinneed.org

May: Blankets and cleaning supplies for Spot Savers Dalmatian Rescue and Open Door Animal Sanctuary. www.spotsavers.org and www.odas.org

June: Non-perishable food drive for Operation Food Search.
www.operationfoodsearch.org

July: Clean Out Your Closet for women's clothing to benefit the Kathy J. Weinman Domestic Violence Shelter.
<http://www.stlouisco.com/HealthandWellness/HumanServices/DomesticViolenceProgram>

August: School supplies drive for Board of Religious Organizations (BRO).
www.brostl.org

September: Clean Out Your Closet for men's clothing to benefit Peter and Paul Community Services. www.ppcsnc.org

October: Giving Tree with ornaments for people to choose to help three families of four in need through Catholic Charities. Items were collected at the November meeting and distributed in December. www.ccstl.org

Although participation is always voluntary, we were pleased that so many did participate in several of these charity activities. Thank you for your kindness!

Charity Committee:

Judy Giovanoni, Elise Akins, Michelle Finn

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