

# The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter













**April 2014** 

# **Upcoming Events**

March 28	4pm - 7pm HOT Shots Sports Bar & Grill, Arnold Crossroads Center, Arnold, MO
March 30	Monthly Fritz's Ice
	Cream Get Together
April 1	STLCC Meeting
	@Grand Slam
	6pm Dinner
	7pm Meeting
April 5	VA Garden Cleanup
April 12	Mystery Run
April 19	VA Garden Planting
April 27	Monthly Fritz's Ice
	Cream Get Together







Photo from Frank Ellis

Millionth Corvette in happier days.

Zora and Effie Duntov on August 6, 1992: Road America with Zora at the wheel.....Effie Copilot.





As rescued from the NCM sink hole. Chevrolet says they will restore it and other classic Corvettes damaged in the incident.



# Letter from the STLCC President

Happy Spring Everybody!!

...or, at least, that is what the calendar says.

We had a pretty good crowd for the March Meeting. Everyone seems to be looking forward to some events and saying good-bye to the cold weather. Crazy Bowl and VA Garden Clean-Up should help get the blood flowing again. The new date for VA Garden planting is April 19th. Let's have a good showing!

On March 14th, the board members and some of the committee members got together. Of course, food was involved (moonshine cherries count as a staple from what I was told) and we took care of some behind the scenes business for the club.

I sent a thank-you to May Dental Arts. They opened their parking lot last meeting night for our benefit. This is a trial run since they are a little hesitant about it. I wanted to make sure that they knew we are a responsible group that sincerely appreciates the opportunity to have a nice lot to park our prized vehicles.

Here's to a beautiful Spring, safe travels, LOTS of pictures, and, of course, save the Wave!

Ann M. Brown

President

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# Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

**National Corvette Museum** 

National Council of Corvette Clubs

Official Corvette Site

**Boone Trail Corvette Club** 

Original Corvette Club of St. Louis

**Corvette Racing** 

Mid America Motorworks

**Elco Chevrolet** 

**Corvette Motorsport** 

**Corvette Central** 

# **April Birthdays & Anniversaries**





4/20



Gary & Jan Murray 4/19 Gary & Erin Duke 4/30



Peggy Craig

#### News from the National Corvette Museum

You are probably wondering how the renovations are going at the NCM sinkhole. Well Marty & I along with Jerry Craig went to see first hand.

Right now they are micro piling in the Skydome. The braces connect the micro piling to the spire. The steel shaft is filled with low mobility grout. This brace is just below the surface and is welded to the shaft. Then the brace is connected to the spire with 18 bolts.

Once this is completed, the micro piling will move outside the Skydome. At that point, construction crews will come into the Skydome to make sure it is safe and continue the removal process of the remaining 3 cars which will take a few more weeks.

We really had a great time getting an up close tour thanks to Jerry Craig asking Stephanie (Membership Manager). You can see Jerry's pictures on our website. So after a 5 hour drive down, about 2 1/2 hours at the Museum and a 5 hour drive back, we had a nice day trip and good conversation with Jerry Craig at the wheel.

#### Judy Dooley NCM Ambassador





# **National Corvette Museum Sinkhole Results**





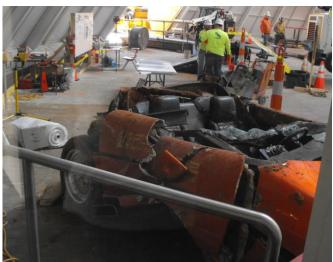














# **Meeting Minutes**

Couldn't make it to the meeting? Here is what you missed (and maybe what you were volunteered for):

#### St. Louis Corvette Club Meeting

# March 4th, 2014- Grand Slam

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Ann Brown. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ann introduced current board members-president Ann Brown, vice president Mike Price, Secretary Karen Price, sergeant at arms Michelle Palliou, Treasurer Bob Kusky, and membership Tom Marlo, Immediate Past President, Ruth Howard. Club sponsor ELCO's representatives Mark Gerecke and Eric DeBruin were also introduced.

Ann welcomed everyone and noted that she was sorry to have cancelled the February meeting due to the weather. Membership supported the Board's decision to cancel the meeting. She reminded everyone to review the sign ups sheets, purchase 50/50 tickets, and put their names in the drawing for the monthly attendance prize as well as sign up for bringing a monthly cake. She also requested that the Sladik's, Tammy Walker, the Walsh's, the Dahman's, the Cobler's, and the Jennewein's please pick up their Christmas presents.

Ann read thank you notes from the Price's (Karen's Father-John Hoerath) and the Dooley's (Judy's Brother-Mike Richard) for the donations for the passing of their family members.

Ann then noted that she was glad to see Steve Lyle and congratulated him on listening to LeAnn when she insisted that he go to the hospital where he was diagnosed with having a heart attack. He made it to St. Johns just under the time limit to have emergency stints put in and is recovering without any signs of damage. Congratulations to both. Steve thanked his Corvette Family for the well wishes, cards and phone calls.

#### **Guests/New Members**

Mike and Charlene Wozniak were introduced as gueststhey are the proud owners of a 2005 Black Convertible. They became members as well- Welcome!

#### **Meeting Minutes**

Jeff Craig moved to accept the minutes from the January Planning meeting as published in the January newsletter. Judy Dooley provided a second to the motion with approval by the membership.

#### Treasurer's Report

Bob Kusky provided a verbal report of the January/February monthly expense report for the membership and gave an overview of how would present the budget from here on. He thanked Rick Doerr for the excellent job had had provided for the past 2 yrs and thanked him for his service. Ron Hagenow moved to

accept the report with a second by Rick Doerr and approval by the membership. Bob provided his notes and report for the secretary's minutes.

#### Membership Report

Tom Marlo acknowledged the February and March birthdays and anniversaries as printed in the newsletter due to the cancelled meeting in February.

#### Newsletter Editor

Don Giovanoni noted that he always needs articles, pictures and recipes for the Newsletter. Ann noted that he is doing an excellent job but can only continue to do that with members support.

#### National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported that 3 cars have been recovered from the sink hole at the Museum so far and they will be on display until they are restored. You can view the progress live via the web cam. She reported that Matt Busby is the track manager and Jeff Lamarth is the new plant manager. Lifetime members now receive passes to museums thru the US- information will be sent via the mail. New rooms at a reasonable rate will be available for the 20th Caravan- more details to come.

# <u>NCCC Governor's Report-Jeff Craig ( National Council of</u> Corvette Clubs)

Jeff Craig reported that the Midwest Region purchased an acre this year for track time. There will be a pace car for events. He also noted that NCCC provides insurance coverage up to 5 million dollars for things including theft and fraud, and also scholarships for college. When traveling- Families helping Families provides roadside assistance. NCCC also donated \$5000 for repairs to the Museum. Gary Cocrell from the Museum was going to sponsor a Sinkhole DeMayo Party to help raise additional funds for repairs. There are 17,012 members nationally with 2800 represented by the Midwest Region.

#### Website Update: Dave Davidson

Dave reported that the site "was up to date". He cleaned out his office and had back issues of magazines for anyone to take home.

#### Sponsor's report:

Mark reported that there would be a \$2000 price increase in the coupes and \$3200 for convertibles. There continues to be a supplier issue with the Z51's and they are hard to get. They have in stock 2 blue C7's, a 2013 Silver vette

that they need to move, a ZR1 Silver, and 04 Lemans Blue commerative with only 1100 miles. He also was sad to report that Elco would not be able to provide a cabinet for the car's trophies, history, etc since the area was going to be turned into a kid's corner.

#### **Prior Events: Mike Price**

Planning meeting was held January 19th- check the calendar for updates. He encouraged all members to sponsor events and ask for help in planning from any of the other members.

Valentine's Brunch-February 16<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of the Snows-sponsored by Ann Brown and Pete Sedovic-Ann reported that although participation was down from last year, those in attendance enjoyed the good food and fellowship.

Missouri Veteran's Home Trivia Night sponsored by Jeff and Patty Craig- February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Patty reported that the Duke's, Dooley's, Price's, Michelle Palliou and her friend and Peggy Craig and her friend Jan represented the club. The event was able to raise \$13000 for a second transportation van. It was a fun night. She noted that some of the Gold Star Mom's that we transport in the Veteran's Day parade were in attendance also and they were glad to see us.

#### **Future Events-Mike Price**

March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Crazy Bowl sponsored by the Howard's and the Dooley's- 6pm at the Brunswick Bowling Alley at Doughtery Ferry. Cost \$20/person cash which includes shoes, bowling, pizza and drinks afterwards.

March 28th- Happy Hour sponsored by the Dooley's, Balllinger's, and Kirby's- Hot Shots in Arnold 4-7pm.

March 29th- NCCC Rally with the Little Egypt Car Club in Centralia, III- see Jeff for details.

March 30th- 1st Fritz's Ice Cream Run at 6pm.

April 1st\_ club meeting

April 5<sup>th</sup>- VA Garden Clean up- Marty Dooley and Karen Price- meet at 9am with brooms, rakes, trimmers to prepare the bed for planting.

April 12<sup>th</sup>- Mystery Run sponsored by the Dooley's and the Craig's- meet at 9:30 at the commuter lot off of hwy 94/40/61- bring cash and radios and plan for a fun day.

April 20th- Easter Car show in Forest park

May 17<sup>th</sup>- Elco Car show- noon until 2pm with the after party at the Kusky's.

May 30<sup>th</sup>- Villa Antonio Wine Dinner sponsored by the Doerr's and the Pickles- \$45/ person, meet at winery at 6pm. Sign up available.

#### **New Business**

Ann presented an option for the dinner buffett at Grand Slam to cost \$15.50/person or to just order off of the menu-membership voted to order off of the menu. Ann was able to meet with the IRS to establish a EIN for tax purposes(503C7) and we are registered as a Social club and not liable for any taxes. She reviewed the committee's and the members that would participate. She would like to hold a joint Board/Committee Meeting. The results are as follows: Committee's

**Budget Committee** – Rick Doerr, Randy Howard, Don Pickles.

By-laws Committee - Ron Hagenow

Car Show Committee - Larry Akins, Carl Cox, Mike Price.

Charity Committee - Michelle Finn.

Christmas Committee - Chris Woods and Judy Dooley.

Historians Committee – Carl Ballinger, Jerry Craig, Marty Dooley.

Nominating Committee – Mike and Sandy Kirby

Newsletter Editor-Don Giovanoni.

Parade Committee – Ron Hagenow for Veteran's Day Parade and Michelle Palliou for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Webster Groves parade.

VA Hospital Committee – Marty and Judy Dooley, Karen Price.

Ann set the joint meeting for March 14<sup>th</sup> 6pm at Michelle Palliou's home followed by the meeting at 7 pm.

#### Announcements from the floor

Marty Dooley announced that he was looking for a source for 10x14' flags for the Va Garden's- Bob Kusky will get back with Marty about a source.

Mike Kirby noted that he has 5 hotels booked for the trip out west and also a train trip in Durango. He has information about the 12 day trip.

Sandy Kirby noted that they had booked the pavilion at Millstadt for the club picnic on Sept 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Questions/comments/suggestions**

None

#### 50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Sheri Marlo who won \$88 pulled by Mike Wozniak.

#### **Drawing for the monthly attendance prize**

Mike Grubb won a \$20 QT card.

#### **Dessert**

Thanks to Don and Judy Giovanoni for the delicious cake tonight. April's cake to be brought by Ann Brown and Pete Sedovic.

Next meeting: April 1st\_ no fooling.

Tonight's attendance was reported by Tom Marlo as 44.

Jeff Craig moved to adjourn the meeting at 8pm with a seconded by Sandy Kirby and approval by the membership. Ann thanked everyone for coming and reminded them to drive safely and save the wave.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Price, Secretary 2014













# STLCC Crazy Bowl



Thanks to Ruth & Judy For Organizing This Event!



Men High Combined Score **Larry Akins** 



**Ladies High Combined Score Ann Brown** 



**Men Low Combined Score Thomas Finn** 

**Peggy Craig** 



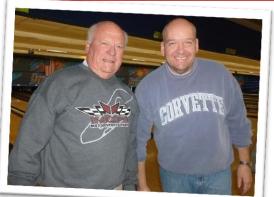


































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#### From Tom Marlo:

Here is the itinerary for the trip this summer to Colorado and New Mexico. I thought it would be a good idea to include it in the next newsletter so the folks that did not attend the meeting would have the opportunity to consider it in their summer plans. Please let them know that, as always, they don't have to do the whole trip, they can do part of the trip and go on elsewhere or make it a short trip and come home early.

If any new members did not get a welcome packet of goodies to please let me know.

# St Louis Corvette Club Pikes Peak, Durango, Santa Fe, Taos NM Trip Wednesday July 16th to Saturday July 26th

Wed - July 16th Day 1 from St Louis to Hayes KS 515 miles 7hr 30 min - Stay in Hayes KS

Thurs - July 17th Day 2 from Hayes KS to Colorado Springs Co 325 miles 6 hours - Stay in Colorado **Springs** 

Afternoon day 2 - Garden of the Gods 3 - 4hrs

Fri - July 18th Day 3 Colorado Springs - Stay in Colorado Springs

Morning - Pikes Peak - 4hrs

Air Force Academy - 4hrs

Sat - July 19th Day 4 Leave Colorado Springs for Durango 365 miles 6hr 30 min - Stay in Durango CO **Stop 2 hours Great Sand Dunes?** 

Sun - July 20th Day 5 - Stay in Durango Co

Silverton RR Tour

Mon - July 21st Day 6 - Stay in Durango CO

Jeep rental - Million Dollar Highway - Open day

Tues - July 22<sup>nd</sup> Day 7 Stay in Durango CO

Mesa Verde

4 Corners

Wed - July 23rd Day 8 Travel to Santa Fe NM - 212 miles 4hrs - Stay in Santa Fe **Enchanted Circle Highway Tour** 

Thurs - July 24th Day 9 Stay in Santa Fe NM

**High Road to Taos** 

Fri - July 25th Day 10 Travel from Santa Fe to Oklahoma City - 540 miles - 8hrs Sat – July 26th Day 11 Travel Oklahoma City to St Louis MO – 500 miles – 7-1/2hrs









Please submit your recipes (preferably in MS Word format) to the newsletter editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> deadline. If I have multiple submissions the remainder will appear in a upcoming newsletter. If no recipes are submitted, he will be forced to publish his recipe for peanut butter toast. – Ed.



You were warned: Ed.

### **Peanut Butter Toast**

#### Ingredients:

2 pieces bread (white, rye, your choice) Peanut Butter (I prefer Skippy smooth, your choice)

Toast bread until golden brown. Apply peanut butter to toast as soon as it pops up so the peanut butter melts into the toast. Consume warm.



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