



The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter



June 2014

STLCC Upcoming Events

May 30	Villa Antonia Wine Run
June 3	STLCC Meeting @Grand Slam 6pm Dinner 7pm Meeting
June 6	Happy Hour @Billie's Bistro
June 7	2 nd Annual Luau
June 21	2 nd Annual Armyta Craig Run to Sugar Creek Winery
July 1	STLCC Meeting @Grand Slam 6pm Dinner 7pm Meeting
July 4	Webster Groves Parade
July 12	Chevy Museum Run

MAN OWNED & DROVE THE SAME CAR FOR 82 YEARS:

They certainly don't make them like that anymore.

This man owned and drove the same car for eighty-two years. Can you imagine even having the same car for eighty-two years?

Allen Swift, of Springfield, Massachusetts received this 1928 Rolls-Royce Piccadilly-P1 Roadster from his father, brand new ----- as a graduation gift in 1928.

He drove it until his death last year.....at the age of 102 !

He was the oldest living owner of a car that was purchased new.

Just thought you'd like to see it.

It was donated to a Springfield museum after his death.

It has 1,070,000 miles (that's one million, seventy thousand) on it, still runs like a Swiss watch, dead silent at any speed, **and is in perfect cosmetic condition. That's approximately 13,048 miles per year (1,087 per month)...**

From: [Gary Murray](#)

Subject: Corvette Club Happy Hour

Planning a Happy Hour for Friday, June 6th at Billie's Bistro, 5445 Telegraph Road (South County). The Happy Hour there runs from 4:00 to 7:00, but if we want, Billie will extend the happy hour prices for us.

Happy Hour will consist of Half Price Pizzas, some of their Appetizers \$5.00, \$12 Domestic Buckets of Beer, Wine \$4.50, Well Drinks \$4:00. They also serve dinner specials.

When I talked to Billie last night she was very excited to accommodate us - she just purchased a 2007 Corvette.

If interested, please let Jan and Gary Murray know by June 1st so Billie has a general count of how many to set up for. Any questions, just let us know.

Thanks





Letter from the STLCC President

Ann is on her honeymoon in Italy.



Save the Wave and Arrivederci!

Ann M. Sedovic

2014 Officers



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

Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

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

National Council
of Corvette Clubs
www.corvetteanccc.org

Official Corvette Site
www.chevrolet.com/corvette

Boone Trail Corvette Club
www.boonetrailcc.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/>



June Birthdays & Anniversaries



Stacie Danahy	6/13	Ken & Sue Dahman	6/1
Judy Dooley	6/14	Carl & Pat Cox	6/5
David Davidson	6/14	Mark & Kimberlie Gerecke	6/6
Sherri Marlo	6/15	Gary & Debbie Tidwell	6/11
John Corrora	6/22	Dana & Diana Griggs	6/17
Richard Doerr	6/29	Dan & Stacy Danahy	6/30
		Ron & Mary Ann Hagenow	6/30

News from the National Corvette Museum



The 20th anniversary of the National Corvette Museum is soon approaching. There is still time to sign up for the Caravan and the celebration. Preregistration will be open online until July 21st.

Some of the activities at the event are: Corvette Design Overview Seminar, The Corvette Mechanic, Hall of Fame induction ceremony, Ladies Oasis, Live music, beverages and more. You can sign up for road tours-guided and unguided. There will also be lots of Vendors to visit during the weekend.

In conjunction with the 20th anniversary celebration, the Motorsport Park will hold it's Grand Opening on Thursday Aug 28th.

As the event gets closer more and more hotel rooms have been opening up as the Caravan Captains have been dropping the blocked rooms that they have not filled. You can find a list of these when you sign up for the event.

Don't forget that I have raffle tickets for the 2014 Torch red C7 to be raffled off during this event. See me for a ticket at the meeting.

Judy Dooley
NCM Ambassador



Spring STLCC ELCO Car Show



STLCC VA Garden Cleanup



Did You Know That the St. Louis Corvette Club participated In The Opening Ceremony of the 90th Running of the Indianapolis 500?

Since we have had a lot of new members since 2006 I thought I would let them know about the club participating in the opening day ceremonies of the Indy 500. If I remember this correctly, I believe the track contacted GM and asked if they could provide 90 Corvettes for the 90th running of the 500. GM contacted the National Corvette Museum to see if they could provide the cars. They in turn contacted our good friends Jim and Sharon Love in Indianapolis who were NCM Ambassadors at the time. Since their club couldn't provide all those cars they contacted Carl Ballinger and Jerry Craig who they met through the Motorama several years before.

So after doing a car show, I believe 17 of us drove over to Indy. On Sunday we all drove to the track and met up with everyone else. We got lined up in the holding area and then got to drive on the actual track! What was even more special was the first three cars leading us. While Sharon was in the lead in the pace car, Jerry and Armynta Craig, Jim Love and Carl and Sharon Ballinger all drove their cars at the head of the line! Since they were going to begin time trials we couldn't run our a/c because they did not want any moisture on the track. After waiting for a while we all did a parade lap. Unfortunately we had to remain 3 abreast and drove about 30 miles an hour! But what an experience it was! The guy next to me had a supercharged C5 and I couldn't even talk to Mary Ann because it was so loud. After the parade lap we all parked our cars in the paddock area and were treated to a lunch provided by GM. We spent several hours roaming the pit area and saw several drivers.

Those of us who drove that day all got a dash plaque to commemorate the event. I've put a picture of mine with the article. I think of all of us who went to Indy, I believe myself, Carl and Pat Cox and Jim and Sharon Love still have their same cars so they may still have the plaque. If you go to our website and look at the photo archives, check out the year 2006 and the May trip to Indy.

Ron Hagenow



New Aerial Photos of the NCM Motorsports Park

News Updates



NEW AERIAL PHOTOS OF THE NCM MOTORSPORTS PARK



Please save your used printer cartridges for me for Newborns in Need, and bring to the meetings. We get a small amount of money through a recycling program. We can take any kind that fit into your hand, except remanufactured ones. Just put in any plastic bag. *Thank you! - Judy Giovanoni*

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 May 6th, 2014- Grand Slam

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice- President Mike Price as Ann Brown, president is on her honeymoon. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mike 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, along with a surprise guest visit by our 3rd President, Rich Frederich who is the proud owner of a 2002 silver convertible.

Mike welcomed everyone and reminded everyone to review the sign ups sheets, purchase 50/50 tickets, and put their names in the drawing for the monthly attendance prize.

Guests/New Members

Bob Kusky reported that he had made contact with new C7 owners that he had met at Elco last month, Nancy and Tom Garvey. They were unable to attend tonight's meeting, but plan on attending the May 17th Elco car show.

Meeting Minutes

Judy Dooley moved to accept the minutes from the April meeting as published in the May newsletter. Ann Pickles provided a second to the motion with approval by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Bob Kusky provided a verbal report of the April/May monthly expense report for the membership and noted that the club was financially sound. Bob provided his notes and report for the secretary's minutes. Sharon Ballinger moved to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Rick Doerr followed with an approval by the membership.

Membership Report

Tom Marlo was unable to attend tonight but Bob Kusky was able to provide the May birthdays and anniversaries. He reported that we currently have

79 members, 2 Life time members, 12 associate members for a total of 95.

Newsletter Editor

Don Giovanoni noted that he always needs articles, pictures and recipes for the Newsletter. He asked for submissions to be available to him by the 20th of the month as he would be out of town.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported that Motorsports Park is coming along nicely and noted that Jerry Craig has donated pavement. She reported that there is discussion as to how to handle the sinkhole situation- ranging from leaving it as a lasting memory, filling it part of it and also displaying the cars that tragically ended up in the rubble. She also has \$10 raffle tickets for a Torch Red 2014 Coupe that will be raffled off at the Labor Day event.

NCCC Governor's Report-Jeff Craig (National Council of Corvette Clubs)

Jeff Craig reported that the Midwest Region had a meeting 2wks ago. If members were not receiving the Blue Bars magazine or other needed information, he would like to know so that he could correct any needed information.

Website Update: Dave Davidson

Dave reported that the site "was up to date" and had nothing to add.

Sponsor's report:

Mark reported that the dealership would stop ordering 2014's shortly. He talked about the upcoming May 17th Car Show at Elco. He asked for a vote as to whether the membership would like

glass trophies or the metal ones- glass ones were chosen. He noted that he and Larry Akins were working on details for the show, but as usual we would have BBQ burgers, hot dogs and chips. Members were asked to bring desserts. He also reported that former members, the Horstmeyers would be up June 27th to pick up their New C7 Vette - can't wait to see them! We miss you guys and congratulations to Dave and Marya. He also noted that Bob and Patti Kusky had recently purchased a 2014 Impala and due to the construction progress of their kitchen, they could park it in there.

Prior Events: Mike Price

April 12th- Mystery Run sponsored by the Dooley's and the Craig's- Patty Craig reported that 15 cars made a scenic trip to Fulton, Mo to visit the Auto World Museum followed by a lunch at Crane's Country Store and Antiques. Afterwards some members followed them back on scenic tour to 94, some went to Cedar Lakes Winery- all had a fun day out.

April 20th- Easter Car show in Forest park. Don Pickles had his new baby- '57 Chevy and Randy Howard had his 65 Corvette baby on display. Michelle Palliou and her uncle went and viewed the cars. It was a beautiful day and there were a lot of awesome cars.

April 24-26th- C5/C6 Bash at the Museum- Judy Dooley reported that 7 cars attended. The new Z06 and convertible were on display.

May 4th- Ann and Pete finally got married and went on their honeymoon!

Future Events-Mike Price

May 15-17th-ZR-1/C4 Gathering at the Museum

May 17th-Elco Car show- noon until 2pm with the planting at the VA afterwards

May 18th- Fritz's Ice Cream Run.

May 30th- Villa Antonio Wine Dinner sponsored by the Doerr's and the Pickles- \$45/ person, meet at

Schnucks at Butler Hill at 5:45pm. Anne reviewed the extensive menu that we will enjoy.

June 7th- Luau at the Grubb's- Laurie reported that the club will provide the meat. Members are to bring side dishes and desserts. Everyone is to bring chairs and what they want to drink.

June 21st- the 2nd annual Armynta Craig Wine Run to Sugar Creek Winery- Patty reported that we will meet at noon at the winery for a relaxing day in honor of our dear friend.

New Business

Mike Price asked if there was any interest in participating in the Ballwin Day's Parade the morning of June 7th, prior to the Luau. There was no interest, so the issue was tabled.

Mike reviewed the issues with the 3 items that membership needed to vote on:

- 1) The Charity Committee's chair, Michelle Finn, made a motion requesting the 50/50 proceeds be split between the 2 charities that were not chosen last year: Helping Strays of Monroe County, ILL and Love U2 pieces. Per our by-laws, the 50/50 funds have to be deposited into the general fund and then the membership can vote to support the charities out of the general fund. It was decided to wait until November to review the amount collected from the 50/50 raffle and then put the issue to a vote. In the meantime, Michelle will sell raffle tickets as stated above.
- 2) Ron Hagenow made a motion for the club to purchase static clings for the Gold Star Parents. The club will keep the clings and use at the annual Veteran's Day parade. The cost of the clings would be \$300 + tax.- a paper vote was taken and passed 37 yes- 7 no.
- 3) Our club is a lifetime member of the National Corvette Museum. For the past two years, Judy and Marty Dooley have purchased the club banner for display all year outside the Museum. Marty made the following motion: Each year the old club banner would be raffled off at the club picnic and the proceeds be used to purchase the next year's banner. The club would supplement if the proceeds are not enough

to cover the cost. The club banner cost increased from the previous \$300/yr to \$500/yr. Marty withdrew his motion until further discussion could happen.

Announcements from the floor

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 planned from July 16th-26th.

Patty and Jeff Craig are the proud owners of a 2006 Daytona Orange convertible C6- an early anniversary present- congratulations on your new baby.

Sue and Ken Dahman arrived back from Florida to pick up their new C7 silver convertible – congratulations to them also on their new baby!

Questions/comments/suggestions

None

50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Pat Cox who won \$75.50 pulled by Rick Frederich.

Drawing for the monthly attendance prize

Mark Gerecke won a \$20 OutBack Steak House gift Card.

Dessert

Thanks to Jeff and Patty Craig for the delicious cake this evening.

June cake to be provided by the Akins.

Next meeting: June 3rd- Ann Sedovic will be back albeit reluctantly.

Tonight's attendance was reported by Bob Kusky as 45.

Steve Lyle moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm with a seconded by Glenda Davidson and approval by the membership. Mike thanked everyone for coming and reminded them to drive safely and save the wave. He noted that he enjoyed being the King in Ann's absence and that she would be back to bring back order to the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Price, Secretary 2014

Bob Kusky is looking for members who would be interested in attending this event:

ABRAHAM LINCOLN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

AUGUST 2, 2014

Adult (16 - 61 years of age)	\$15.00
Senior (62 years of age and up)	\$ 12.00
Children (5 - 15 years of age)	\$ 6.00
Military (id required)	\$ 10.00
Students (school/college id required)	\$ 12.00

Ticket price includes admission to the exhibit areas and both theater presentations.

1. Do groups need to reserve time in advance? If so, who is the contact?

Yes, all group visits of **15 or more must be scheduled** through the [Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau \(SCVB\)](#). The SCVB is available by telephone at 217-789-2360. <http://www.visit-springfieldillinois.com>

[Purchase advance tickets on-line now!](#) or call the box office sales at 217-558-8934

For the comfort and safety of others, we require guests to abide by these rules:

No backpacks or large bags are allowed. Umbrellas and bags exceeding a size limit of 11x16x8 must be checked into a locker. Headsets, personal stereos and other electronic equipment must be checked into a locker. Cell phones should be silenced.

Photography is allowed only in the Plaza area and Mrs. Lincoln Attic. No photography is allowed in the theaters, galleries, or exhibits.

No food, beverages, candy, or gum are allowed in the Museum. In addition, the Museum is a smoke-free facility.

Do not touch the exhibits. Video surveillance is used throughout the building to protect the Museum and its guests.

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 22nd 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 20th 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.



STLCC Recipes

Submitted by Judy Giovanoni

Ed. Note: This recipe was handed down from my Mother. Mom (and now Judy) makes this cake only once a year for my birthday.

BANANA CAKE

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sour milk: add 4 tsp vinegar to milk; let sit
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup shortening or butter
- $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups ripe mashed bananas: about 5 medium or 4 large
- 3 cups flour
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp baking soda
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp salt
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp vanilla



Prep time: 75 minutes

Cream shortening and sugar together. Add 3 beaten eggs; cream together well. Mash bananas well in a dish. Sift together all dry ingredients. Add bananas, sifted dry ingredients, and sour milk alternately to first mixture. Mix well after each addition. Add vanilla and mix well. Bake in greased and floured pans, 9" round or 13x9, at 350 for 1 hour, or until golden brown, and toothpick comes clean. Note: This is too much batter for 8" pans.

For muffins, use cupcake papers and bake for 23-24 minutes. Makes 36-40 muffins. They do not need to be iced.

Tip: If making the cake and wanting to use whipped cream icing, be sure the cake is completely cool. This is a dense cake and it may seem cool but the center is still warm. After an hour of cooling on the counter, you can put it in the refrigerator to cool completely.

WHIPPED CREAM ICING FOR BANANA CAKE

- 2 cups (1 pint/473 ml) heavy whipping cream
- 1 tbs granulated sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 2-3 bananas

Beat whipping cream with sugar and vanilla. Whip until stiff. Do not overbeat. For best results, chill bowl and beaters in the freezer before whipping cream.

To ice cake, chill cake in refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Ice with whipped cream, placing fresh banana slices between layers and on top. Use firm bananas with green tips for the slices, not ripe bananas.

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