

# The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter













August 2014

## **STLCC Upcoming Events**

July 27	Fritz's Ice Cream
August 5	STLCC Meeting
	@Grand Slam
	6pm Dinner
	7pm Meeting
August 9	Springfield Run – Lincoln
	Museum
August 16-17	Autocross Family Arena
August 24	Fritz's Ice Cream
August 27-30	20th Anniversary Caravan



Remember last winter? - Jerry Craig

#### Product endorsement:

Paul Craig brought along a bottle of <u>Adams car</u> <u>Wash Soap</u> to clean up his new Black 427 Vette. Results were excellent. Black cars show even the smallest water spots. Best job we have seen.

Jerry Craig

#### Proposed By-Laws Changes

 Under Article III, Section 1, Membership, the second sentence currently states "<u>Club membership will be limited to 100</u> <u>memberships</u>". The proposed change would read "<u>Club</u> <u>membership will be limited to 100 regular memberships</u>".

Rational for the change, we currently have 3 membership statuses: regular, mailing associate and honorary. Regular members are those who live in the area and actively participate in the Club. Mailing associates are those that do not live in the area but do occasionally participate in an event and do receive the newsletter. Honorary are those who are held in high esteem in the Club and are voted to this status by the membership. The proposed change will ratify that the limit on Club membership is for regular members only.

2. Under Article VIII, add new Section 5. Section 5 would read: "As a Lifetime Member of the National Corvette Museum, the Club will provide funds for an annual banner to be displayed at the museum. Discussion concerning the disposition of the previous year's banner will take place during a regularly scheduled meeting with a vote by the membership at the next regularly scheduled meeting."

Rational for this addition is that the Club has a permanent membership in the National Corvette Museum. In previous years we have had individual Club members purchase this banner or the club may have purchased it. We have had a banner at the NCM for a number of years and anticipate this to continue. With the potential cost of the banner to be upwards of \$500, it should be a budgeted item. By including this in the by-laws it removes any question of future intentions with respect to this by future committees or boards or members.

Vote will be by ballot at the August meeting. If you know you won't be at the August meeting but would still like to vote, you can send your vote to Ron Hagenow at <a href="mailto:hagenow1@charter.net">hagenow1@charter.net</a>. One vote per member. You vote will be to approve the proposed change to Article III, Section 1, yes or no and approve new Article VIII, Section 5, yes or no.

If anyone has a question on these proposed by-law changes, please contact Ron Hagenow at <a href="mailto:hagenow1@charter.net">hagenow1@charter.net</a> or phone 618-939-1837.



## Letter from the STLCC President

Greetings -

What a gorgeous summer this has been! Some pretty pleasant driving days. Let's hope August is just as nice.

We have several road trips over the next couple of months: Pike's Peak, day trip to Springfield and the NCM 20th Anniversary Caravan. Safe travels for all and have some fun!

Last month, I wrote about the 1000 Miglia that Pete & I walked into while in Siena. A few days later, while we were strolling the streets of Lucca, we found a display of vintage cars from Club Balestereo. Lucca is one of the few, if not the last, remaining cities with its original medieval walls still intact. As the walls lost their military importance, they became a pedestrian promenade which today encircles the old town. For a number of years in the 20th century, the promenade was used for racing cars! So, in keeping with tradition, as Pete and I were quietly sitting on a park bench in the shade, we hear a commotion – and here comes a parade of the vintage vehicles down the walkway. (Pics later – Ed.)

Alas, once again...no Corvettes...but it was quite the time!

Save the Wave-

Ann M. Sedovic

President

### 2014 Officers



Immediate Past President: Ruth Howard

Vice President: Mike Price, vice-president@stlcorvettes.com

Secretary: Karen Price, secretary@stlcorvettes.com Treasurer: **Bob Kusky**, treasurer@stlcorvettes.com

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Or, you can contact the Club

through the general email box

at stl.corvettes@gmail.com

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor: Jeff Craig, 636.397.4071, nccc@stlcorvettes.com

# 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** 

### **August Birthdays & Anniversaries**



Erin Duke	8/4
Glenda Davidson	8/6
Mike Kunst	8/15
Amy Zlatic	8/16
Jeff Craig	8/16
Charlie Miget	8/20
Debbie Tidwell	8/20
Carl Ballinger	8/22
Frank Ellis	8/25
Gary Tidwell	8/25
Don Pickles	8/30



Mike & Karen Price	8/17
Frank & Nancy Ellis	8/22
Jim & Sharon Love	8/15

#### News from the National Corvette Museum



Last week the National Corvette Museum announced that Holley Performance Products has committed to sponsoring the Motorsports Park Control tower & Event center. It was announced at the Bash the Michelin will be the official tire of the NCM Motorsports park and the NCM.

Back on June 9th the NCM welcomed their 3 millionth Visitor. He received special items to mark this milestone.

If you are a Member of the NCM then you receive the "American Sports Car" magazine. In the most recent issue, there is a story about saving the only 1983 Corvette. If you don't receive the magazine and know someone who does ask to read this article, it is very interesting.

This meeting is your last chance to buy a \$10 raffle ticket for the 2014 red Stingray. Please see me at the meeting to purchase yours.

Judy Dooley NCM Ambassador



## Webster 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade:



















# www.stlcorvettes.net Bloomington Gold:



















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Ann



























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## **SCI Veterans Memorial Garden**

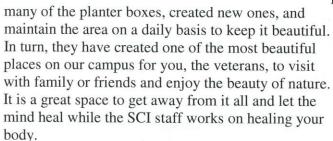
By Matt Luitjohan and Charley Wright

We at JB just wanted to take a moment to say thanks to the St. Louis Corvette Club for the large amount of time donated and generosity they have shown us over the past 9 years. Many of you may not know who they are or what they have done, but we're willing to bet that if you've visited the SCI Center and have been out to the patio behind Building 52, you have noticed their work.



Corvette Club and were told they wanted to adopt us and improve the look of our patio (which was in great need of improvement at that time). Since then, they have put on BBQs and car shows, placed a flag and several fountains outside, redone

Back in 2005 we were contacted by the St. Louis



They have never wanted a special recognition, they are just happy to be able to provide it to you, our nation's veterans. We would encourage all of you to see the Memorial Garden firsthand next time you are



in the area. We ask that if you see a volunteer out there watering plants or pulling weeds, tell them thank you, because chances are he or she is a member of the St. Louis Corvette Club who stopped by to keep it beautiful so that we may all continue to enjoy this peaceful and thoughtful backyard paradise.































## www.stlcorvettes.net STLCC Western Trip Pics (thanks Jerry Craig)









At a recent Fritz's get together there was some discussion on how the cylinder deactivation worked in the new Stingray. As a result I did some research. This is what I found:

Operationally, the LH6 always deactivates the same four cylinders in the firing order (1, 4, 6 and 7). The valves (both intake and exhaust) are disabled via a device called a switching lifter which has an inner body and an outer body connected by a spring loaded pin. For V8 operation, the pin is fully expanded by the spring so the two pieces act as one, resulting in normal lifter operation. In V4 mode high-pressure oil is delivered to a grove in the lifter leading to the outside end of the pin, forcing the pin to collapse the spring, allowing the lifter not to deliver force to the pushrod.

For more detailed information and pictures follow this link:

http://www.superchevy.com/how-to/engines-drivetrain/0405sc-gmdod/#ixzz365ZvWY90

Good Morning, Don.

Thought you might like to know that after 34 years Kathy & I have finally bid adieu to our '72 War Bonnet Yellow Corvette Coupe.

It sets sail for Reynella, Australia, this week on its new adventure "Down Under".

Also like to report that we traded in our 2008 Black Coupe on a new 2013 427 convertible.

It was fun and games driving down to St. Louis from Ankeny, IA, this last weekend to surprise the Craig Clan and join in the Run to Sugar Creek Winery. I tried my best to observe the Owner's Manual "Break In Period" which stated that I needed to keep the darn thing under 65 MPH, vary the speed, and NO cruise control. Boy, did my right leg talk to me after 7 hours of silly driving...probably the slowest any Craig has ever driven a Vette.

Paul Craig.

## **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 July 1st<sup>d</sup>, 2014- Grand Slam

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President- Ann Sedovic. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ann introduced current board members-president Ann Sedovic, 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 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**

Frank and Tina Burkardt were introduced as new members due to a purchase of a new C7- red coupe. Guests were Ron and Annie Deatherage, proud owners of a 2006 Red Convertible. Tom Kohler was also present, he is currently in the process of finding his dream car and wanted to visit tonight to see what our club had to offer. Welcome to all!

#### **Meeting Minutes**

Chris Woods moved to accept the minutes from the June meeting as published in the July newsletter. Ron Hagenow provided a second to the motion with approval by the membership.

#### Treasurer's Report

Bob Kusky provided a verbal report of the June/July 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. Randy Howard moved to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Patty Kusky followed with an approval by the membership.

#### Membership Report

Tom Marlo reviewed the June birthdays and anniversaries. He reported that we currently have 84 members, 2 Life time members, 12 associate members for a total of 98.

#### **Newsletter Editor**

Don Giovanoni noted that the Newsletter was on target and still always needs articles, pictures and recipes for the Newsletter. He asked for submissions to be available to him by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

#### National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported that 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Museum Caravan was coming up the last weekend in August over Labor Day, fee is \$5/person to sign up. She encouraged members to check the website for updates. She announced that the Museum Board decided to keep part of the sinkhole open pending a safety review to preserve this part of its history. She noted that the Weather Channel was taping a program for its "Secrets of the Earth Series". 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 they are" on target". Jerry Craig proudly announced that his son was currently first in the standings- race on Jeff!!!

#### Website Update: Dave Davidson

Dave reported that the site is "on target" and he would be having back surgery on July 7<sup>th</sup>- best wishes for a speedy recovery.

#### Sponsor's report:

Eric Debruin reported that the Grubbs were proud new owners of a Cadillac SRX and that the Horstmeyers had picked up Dave's new baby- white C7 to take home to Texas. He also introduced his son David, who had

obtained his driver's license 3 months ago and asked for tracking if seen on Manchester driving fast. ELCO currently has inventory of 1 black and 2 white 2014 with Z51 packages. See them if interested.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Budget Committee- no report

By-Laws-Ron Hagenow

**2 Amendment proposals** were presented to the membership for their consideration:

- Article III Section I: Membership

......Club membership will be limited to 100 *regular* memberships...."

Discussion followed to clarify which memberships are in the official count. It was noted that the regular membership should be paying active members, not lifetime or associate members which only participated occasionally in events.

"Article VIII Section 5: NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

\*\*Ann proposed that as a Lifetime member of the Museum, the club will provide funds for an annual banner to be displayed at the museum. Discussion concerning the disposition of the previous year's banner will take place during a regularly scheduled meeting with a vote by the membership at the next regularly scheduled meeting.\*\*

\*\*Ann noted that our NCM membership is permanent. This expense ( or one like it at NCM) may go on for years and it has the potential to be upwards of \$500, so it needs to be budgeted annually. By placing it in the By-laws it removes any question of future" intentions with respect to this by future committees or boards or members.\*\*

Discussion followed by the membership and Marty Dooley had an old banner to show the membership. Randy Howard noted that the Museum would replace the banner at no additional cost to the club during the display year. Marty is planning on selling raffle tickets at the Christmas party to offset the cost with the club picking up the balance for the current year.

*Car Show*- (Larry Akins, Carl Cox and Mike Price). Michelle Palliou announced that she had attended a Crestwood/ Sunset Hills Car show in the past and it would be held this year on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 10am-10pm.

Charity Committee- Michelle Finn reminded the club that she would be selling \$5 raffle tickets for a 50/50 prize to benefit the 2 Charities- Helping Strays of Monroe County and LuvU2Pieces. The winning ticket to be drawn at the club picnic. She is hoping to sell 200 tickets.

Ann then noted that the tabled motion for this was to be reworded that Michelle had made a motion requesting a donation from the club's General Revenue Account to be split between the two charities that were not chosen from last year as noted above. The dollar amount requested will coincide with the dollar amount of the 50/50 proceeds. Estimated to be approximately \$855 by December.

*Christmas Party*- Chris Woods and Judy Dooley. Chris reported that the cost will be \$35/person- 3 entreessalmon, filet and prime rib with dessert included. Money will need to be in by November 1<sup>st</sup>. We will have a cocktail hour at 6pm and dinner at 7pm.

*Historian Committee-* Jerry Craig, Carl Ballinger and Marty Dooley- nothing to report for now.

**Nominating Committee-** Sandy Kirby asked for anyone interested in running for a position on the Board to contact her. Ruth Howard nominated Bob Kusky for president, if he accepts we will also need a treasurer along with a secretary.

**Parade Committee-** Ron Hagenow is waiting for more details on the Veteran's Day Parade. We will invite the Gold Star parents to lunch at the Granite City Brewery with club picking up their meals. He noted that the Gold Star Parents were holding a trivia night August 16<sup>th</sup>- flyer was on the table for those interested.

Michelle Palliou reported that she is in need of more cars for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Webster Grove's Parade. The theme is Stars and Stripes. We will meet at the

Schnuck's parking lot at 8:30am and following the parade the Price's will host a picnic at their house- sign up list available for side dishes. You do not need to participate in the parade to come to the picnic.

VA Hospital committee- Marty Dooley reported that an intern at the VA would be helping water the gardens for us. He noted that a minister had stopped the Dooley's to thank them for the Prayer Garden. He also displayed a Newsletter from the VA that featured the Gardens on the front page. A veteran gave them a \$5 donation to replace a spinner that was faded. Marty and Judy added it to their generous donation of \$40 to purchase more spinners. Sheri Marlo thanked the Dooley's for all of their hard work at the gardens.

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

June 6<sup>th</sup>- Happy Hour at Billie's Bistro on Telegraph hosted by the Murrays.

June 7<sup>th</sup>- Luau at the Grubb's- Laurie reported that 30 club members enjoyed the poolside dining and we dodged storms to have a great time. Tom Marlo, Mike and Karen Price were winners of the guessing games.

June 8<sup>th</sup>- Optimist Car Show in Waterloo, III.- no one attended

June 20-22<sup>nd</sup>- Chevy Super Show at Gateway- Mark noted that there was nothing special this year.

June 21<sup>st</sup>- the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Armynta Craig Wine Run to Sugar Creek Winery- Peggy noted that it was a fun tribute to her mom.

June 27<sup>th</sup>- Drive your Vette to Work Day- Peggy noted that the attendees met at Mimi's at 10:30 for brunch and then onto Sugar Creek Winery for the afternoon.

June 28-29<sup>th</sup>-Bloomington Gold — Tom Marlo reported that 10 cars attended. It was hot and rained on the way home, but all had fun and viewed a lot of nice cars. B They ate the Blue Springs restaurant on the way home and enjoyed some mile high pie.

June 29<sup>th</sup>- Ice Cream run at Fritz- attended by the Dooley's, Giovanoni's and the Howard's.

#### Future Events-Mike Price

July 4<sup>th</sup>- Webster Grove's Parade- previously covered

July 10-12- Xtreme Xperience@ Gateway- a C7 will be available to drive and exotic cars.

July 16-26<sup>th</sup>- Pike's Peak Trip – Mike Kirby and Tom Marlo have 17 people signed up at present and they still have 3 more spots for the Train trip in Durango. They will meet after the meeting.

July 27<sup>th</sup>- Ice Cream Run

August 9<sup>th</sup>- Trip to Lincoln Museum, Springfield, ILL- Bob Kusky noted that there is a \$12 admission fee; there will be a parking garage. There is a signup sheet for members.

August 16-17<sup>th</sup>- STLCC/RT66 Autocross at the Family Arena- we co sponsor with RT 66. There will be 6 events on Sat/Sun. Club members can volunteer to help or participate.

August 24th- Fritz's Ice Cream Run

August 27-30<sup>th</sup>- NCM 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/ Caravan as noted before.

#### **New Business**

We received an email that July 20<sup>th</sup> at Mann's Restoration in Festus they will be working on Corvette project cars if anyone is interested let Ann know.

#### Announcements from the floor

Nothing at this time

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

None

#### 50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Judy Giovanoni who won \$100.50, drawn by Michelle Palliou.

#### Drawing for the monthly attendance prize

Dianne Griggs won a \$20 QT gift Card.

#### <u>Dessert</u>

Thanks to the Dahmann's and the Dooley's for the delicious cake this evening.

August cake to be provided by the Hagenow's.

Next meeting: August 5th.

Tonight's attendance was reported by Tom Marlo as 59.

Anne Pickles moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02pm with a seconded by Don Pickles 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* 

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 <u>15 or more must be scheduled</u> through the <u>Springfield</u> <u>Convention and Visitors Bureau</u> (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.

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 republish his recipe for peanut butter toast. – Ed.



## **STLCC Recipes**

Submitted by Ruth Howard



1 Cup of Flour
1 ½ Cups of Chopped Pecans
1 Stick of Butter
12 Oz Cool Whip
2 Boxes of Instant Chocolate Pudding
1 Cup of Powder Sugar

Melt butter and mix with flour and chopped pecans. Pat in bottom of  $13 \times 9$  cake pan and bake on 400 degrees for 10 minutes. Let cool.

Mix cream cheese and powder sugar thoroughly and then add 1 cup of cool whip. Make pudding as directed on box.

Spread cream cheese mixture over bottom layer of pecans, add chocolate pudding and then top with balance of cool whip. Refrigerate for 3 hours before serving.

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