



# The St. Louis Corvette Club Newsletter



## April 2016

### STLCC Upcoming Events

April 5, 2016	Meeting at Grand Slam beginning at 7:00pm
April 11, 2016	Cardinals Opening Day!!!!!!!
April 24, 2016	Fritz's Ice Cream Run
April 28-30	NCM Bash
April 30, 2015	NCRS at Love's Park

### President's Letter

I'm here to say spring has sprung!!!

Drive them Corvettes, might watch the weather though, it looks like it could be wet. Better than ice and snow!

Next couple of months look open so find us a happy hour somewhere and we'll be there with pipes a roaring.

We did have some fun at crazy bowl last Saturday but also some trouble getting up and down the next few days. The Pickles invited us all over to their house after bowling for some spirits and sandwiches. Stay tuned for pictures. Many were taken, some censored.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.

There's been sightings of Jerry Craig out of his house. Great news!

Roar on and save the wave.

Mike



Your 2015-2016 Board

- Gary Duke, Sergeant at Arms
- Erin Duke, Secretary
- Carl Ballinger, Vice President
- Mike Price, President
- Judy Giovanoni, Membership
- Don Pickles, Treasurer



## Meeting Minutes



The St. Louis Corvette Club held their monthly meeting at Grand Slam on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by President, Mike Price and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited at this time.

The Club Officers were introduced as follows: President- Mike Price, Vice President- Carl Ballinger, Secretary- Erin Duke, Treasurer- Don Pickles, Sergeant at Arms- Gary Duke, Membership- Judy Giovanoni, Immediate Past President- Ann Sedovic, and Sponsors from ELCO Chevrolet- Mark Gerecke and Eric DeBruin.

Mike reminded everyone about the sign-in sheet, 50/50 tickets being sold, and attendance prizes. Club Banner tickets were also being sold tonight and Sign-up sheets for events were available tonight.

There were no guests or new members to introduce tonight.

The Secretary's minutes for January and February were up for discussion. There was a correction made in the minutes and was changed in the newsletter. Ron Hagenow made the motion to accept the meeting minutes as published in the newsletter and Rick Doerr gave the second motion to accept the minutes with all in favor to accept the minutes as published.

Judy Dooley announced the Membership report is as follows: Members: 90, Assoc. Members: 14, Sponsors: 4, Lifetime: 3. Total Members: 111.

Judy then announced the March Birthdays and Anniversaries!

Don Pickles gave the Treasurer's report. Pam Queen generously donated proceeds from the Christmas Ornaments that she made for the Christmas party. Bob and Chris Woods also generously donated \$100 with both donations going towards the VA Fund. Thank you very much for your kindness! Bob Kusky made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Judy Dooley made the second motion to accept with all in favor.

Judy Dooley gave the NCM Ambassador report. The winner of the 2016 Corvette was won by someone in Florida. She is selling raffle tickets for another Corvette!! There is a cool new exhibit that is at the Museum. For those that are going to the Bash, check it out. For anyone that is interested, the Museum is selling acreage again.

Eric DeBruin announced the Sponsor's Report and he informed us that over 200 cars were sold this past year and ELCO is expanding and renovating in service and lot size.

Ron Hagenow said the newsletter is on target and the correction was made in the newsletter from the Secretary's minutes.

According to Steve Kirby, the Website is up to date. Please send any pictures of events that you would like to share to Steve.

Jeff Craig gave the NCCC Governor's report. March 26<sup>th</sup> is the Little Egypt Car Rally for those that are interested. See Jeff after the meeting.

Update on Jerry Craig: He is home from the hospital and is doing great and hopes to be at the next meeting. That is FANTASTIC news!!! He wishes to thank everyone that sent cards, called prayers during this time.

Ron Hagenow announced a few By-Law changes that will be voted on tonight.

1. To eliminate the Immediate Past President from the Board.
2. To eliminate the fact that regular members MUST attend at least 6 functions.
3. Associate members must be 100 miles away.
4. Moving the membership fee due in September instead of November to get NCCC dues sent in a timely manner
5. Club privileges: Honorary members can hold office
6. Club activities are arranged through the Vice President
7. Board Meetings can be held whenever Club President feels a need to hold one. Doesn't need to be monthly.
8. Eliminated Activity Chairperson since all activities are arranged by Vice President

Marty Dooley made the motion to accept the By-Law changes and Karen Price made the second motion to accept with all in favor of accepting the changes to the By-Laws.

All committees are on target.

VA Hospital Committee- Marty Dooley announced that there will be a clean-up of the Gardens on March 12, at 10am until about noon, rain or shine! The gardens are behind building 52 at Jefferson Barracks Hospital.

#### PRIOR AND FUTURE EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

##### FEBRUARY:

- 19<sup>TH</sup>- Fish Fry in Columbia, IL. Sponsored by the Grubbs. 25 Members attended.
- 20<sup>th</sup>- Conceal and Carry Class sponsored by the Prices. 7 Members attended.
- 21<sup>st</sup>- Lunch at Papa Vito's sponsored by the Howards and the Zeissets.
- 26<sup>th</sup>- Happy Hour at O26 Pub and Biergarten sponsored by the Dooleys. 32 Members attended.
- 27<sup>th</sup>- Annual Shooter's event sponsored by the Marlo's. 18 Members attended.

##### MARCH:

- 1<sup>st</sup>- STLCC Meeting 7pm
- 13<sup>th</sup>- Daylight Savings Time starts
- 19<sup>th</sup>- Crazy Bowl at Show Me Lanes on Lemay Ferry Rd. Sponsored by the Howards and Dooleys. Starts at 6pm.
- 27<sup>th</sup>- Easter Sunday- Easter Car Show

##### APRIL:

- 5<sup>th</sup>- STLCC Meeting 7pm
- 13<sup>th</sup>- Thomas Jefferson's Birthday

##### MAY:

- 3<sup>rd</sup>- STLCC Meeting 7pm
- 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>- Kansas NASCAR
- 8<sup>th</sup>- Mother's Day
- 11<sup>th</sup>- ELCO Car Show?

14<sup>th</sup>- Gateway Classic Car Show in O'Fallon IL. \$5 donation for Children's Miracle Network

21<sup>st</sup>- Excel Bottling Plant Run sponsored by Craig Brown

30<sup>th</sup>- Memorial Day

JUNE:

7<sup>th</sup>- STLCC Meeting 7pm

9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>- Wisconsin Dells Trip Chula Vista

18<sup>th</sup>- Club Luau sponsored by the Grubbs

19<sup>th</sup>- Father's Day

25<sup>th</sup>- Night at the Races at Fairmount Racetrack

JULY:

4<sup>th</sup>- Webster Groves 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

4<sup>th</sup>- Independence Day

5<sup>th</sup>- STLCC Meeting 7pm

16<sup>th</sup>- 17<sup>th</sup>- RT 66 trip: Christmas In July sponsored by the Kuskys

Josephine's Run sponsored by Ruth Howard: the date has been changed to October 22.

Announcements/Questions/Suggestions from the floor:

A thank you card was received from Lisa Chapman (Gold Star Mother).

Pam Queen volunteered to send out get well cards to members who have been ill or hospitalized, etc.

Thank you to Sonja and Jerry Giffhorn for bringing the cupcakes this month. The Wozniaks are signed up to bring the cake for April.

We had 45 members in attendance this evening.

Michelle Palliou won the 50/50 drawing for \$75!

Mary Doerr was the attendance prize winner tonight for a restaurant gift card!

Other winners of various prizes tonight were: Bill Mattler, Patty Craig, Gary Duke, Carl Cox, Mark Kessinger, and Mike Wozniak!

Next meeting will be April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Rick Doerr made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Marty Dooley gave the second motion with all in favor.

Thank you for coming tonight. Drive Safely, Save the Wave and always have fun!

Respectfully submitted by Erin Duke

2016 Secretary

## Birthdays and Anniversaries



Sue Dahman	April 3	Dennis and Janet Trost	April 17
Susan Brown	April 9	Gary and Jan Murray	April 19
Pete Sedovic	April 10	Bill and Gail Mattler	April 29
Janet Trost	April 10	Gary and Erin Duke	April 30
Gary Duke	April 17		
Peggy Craig	April 20		
Tony Jokerst	April 23		



### NCM Ambassador Report



Well it's April already and the first big event of the year at the National Corvette Museum is coming up at the end of the month. The Bash, April 28-30, is one of the biggest events at the museum and if you want to attend, it's best to get a hotel room as soon as possible. People are anxious to get their cars out and it fills up fast.

There will be lots of seminars and the Sinkhole exhibit to experience as well as seeing the new cars.

I do have some of the \$10 tickets for the Red Convertible that will be raffled off that weekend so see me at the meeting to purchase one.

Judy Dooley  
NCM Ambassador

### Member's News

I found this article recently on Facebook posted by the Monroe County Illinois Sheriff's Association and thought it might be of interest since it concerns club members Dale and Valerie Zeisset.

*Vesting America's Police K-9's contacted us for the second time today, shortly after our first post on the vest donation. We were informed Dale and Valerie Zeisset made a generous donation of \$800.00 to vest K-9 Kondor. Thank you Dale and Valerie. K-9 Kondor and K-9 Reggie will both have ballistic vests.*

Vesting America's Police K-9's seek to have all police dogs wearing ballistic vests just like regular police officers.



## Shooting Event at Shooters

I understand there was a good time on Saturday, February 27 for the shooting event at Shooters. Thanks to Tom and Sherri Marlo for setting this up. Naturally all that shooting made everyone hungry. Here are a few pictures from the event.



Marty is trying to figure out why Tom is drinking his beer!





## NCRS Event

The St. Louis Chapter of the NCRS is holding the first of our two annual Flight Judging events for NCRS cars on April 30<sup>th</sup>. We will judge five Corvettes based on the standard of factory originality as the cars were delivered to the customer by the dealer. No that standard isn't for everyone but, I thought some of your club members might be interested learning more facts about the NCRS judging process for C1-C4 Vettes, and seeing some of the cars being judged or on display. The judging will take place in St. Louis County's Love Park, 2239 Mason Lane, in Manchester, beginning at 8:00 AM on Saturday, April 30. Your members are invited to cruise by and check it out.

## VA Garden Cleanup

It was a beautiful soggy, rainy, overcast day (naturally) when a few members began cleanup at the VA Garden we maintain behind Building 52. We will have a planting day once the weather stays warm. A special thanks to those members who maintain the garden throughout the year. The Gold Star Mothers who we drive in the Veterans Day Parade also want to come out and help with the planting.



## Cruzin in Illinois in May

Here is a flyer for a cruise sponsored by Craig and Susan Brown. I can personally attest that you will not leave Popeye's hungry. Be sure and try the onion rings. This is one of our favorite places to go.

# ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB

## SAT MAY 21ST

### ROADTRIP JOURNEY:

- Meet at Walmart at 9am, leaving at 9:30am sharp.  
(961 N Market St, Waterloo IL)
- Lunch at Dairy King from 11 am - 12:30pm.  
(691 N 4th St, Breese IL - 618.526.4321 - edairyking.com)  
Free large drink compliments of owner, Michele Maue.
- Tour of the Excel Bottling Plant from 1 pm - 3pm.  
(488 S Broadway, Breese IL - 618.526.7159 - excelbottling.com)  
An exclusive inside look and taste of their local beer and soda plant.
- Dinner at Popeye's Chop House at 4pm.  
(17910 St Rose Rd, St. Rose IL - 618.526.7369 - popeyeschophouse.com)

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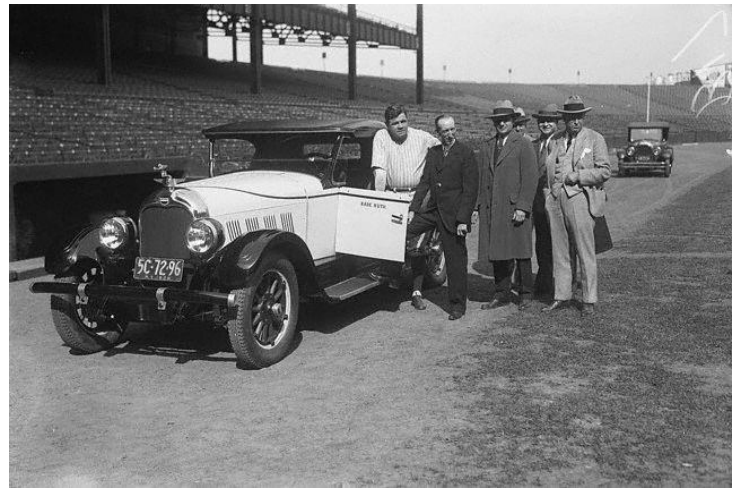


### Old/Unique Cars

I am going to make this a regular feature of the newsletter, at least for a while. A friend sent me several emails of old and unique cars. I have probably over 50 pictures I'll include in the next several newsletters. Here are just a few. I hope you enjoy!



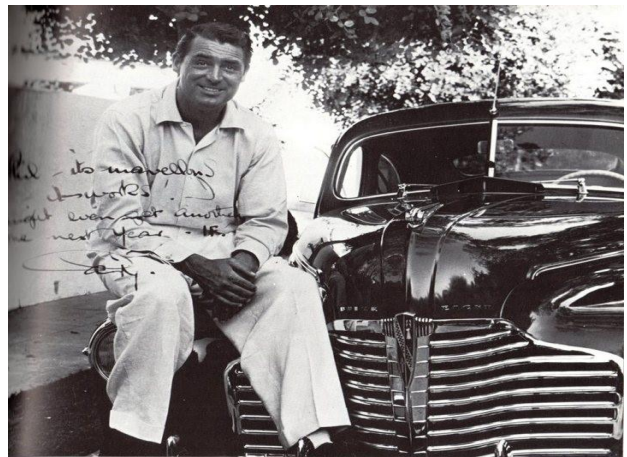
Al Jolson with his Mercedes



Babe Ruth with a 1926 Auburn he received as a gift



Rita Hayworth with 1941 Lincoln Continental



Cary Grant and his 1941 Buick



Cecil B. DeMille and his wife in his 1937 Cord

## Great Websites

I got this from a friend. This is what the email says and also the link to the website. Looks like maybe we need a road trip!!

*Lake Okoboji is a popular vacation and recreation spot in northwest Iowa, including an amusement park named Arnold's Park. It has an array of beautiful old cars in it, along with recreations of storefronts much the way Arnold's Park looked in the '50s and '60s.*

*The Roof Garden was a well-known dance hall, drawing people from long distances to dance to big-name rock & roll bands. It's worth your time to watch:*

[https://www.youtube.com/embed/HdUTNjkTAVU?feature=player\\_embedded](https://www.youtube.com/embed/HdUTNjkTAVU?feature=player_embedded)

I also received this website from the same friend. It has a guy with a different perception of collecting cars. <https://player.vimeo.com/video/139358538>

## Lost in the 60's

I know some of us like to relive "the good old days". But some in the club appear to be taking it to the extreme. Could this be the Howards' long lost prom picture? Ruth appears to have been a "go go" dancer on the eastside in her younger days and Randy looks like he still had to cut his hair, as opposed to what he has now!





## Crazy Bowl

OK, everybody knows we're a little crazy and here is proof. Thanks to the Howards and Dooleys for setting this up as well as the Pickles for inviting us to their house afterwards.



These are supposed to be cheerleaders but I don't see their pom poms!

Winners – Randy and Elise...Losers – Sherri and Bob



I think Jerry may be enjoying this a little too much!

Pam is still praying she gets to ride in Carl's Buick!



## Spring Has Sprung

OK, you remember a couple of weeks ago we had a record 82 degrees on Tuesday and then the first day of spring (Saturday) we had snow. Associate Members Richard and Fancy Loch near Denver thought they would out-do us. Here is a picture of Richard doing his Eskimo impersonation on about March 22. I believe they got between 18 and 24 inches of snow!! I think we will all agree that they can keep it there. Richard is even wearing a coat rather than his "famous" eye candy shirt!! Those who were at Eureka Springs know what I'm talking about.



## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Great News! Jerry Craig has been released from rehab and is home. It has been a long journey and continue to keep Jerry in your thoughts and prayers as he continues his recovery. We wish Sandy Kirby well from her recent surgery. We also hope Bob Woods is back to his old self and is at a meeting soon. We also continue to wish Gary Murray well from his recent surgery and hope to see him back behind the "Yessss" Vette soon.

If you know of anyone who is having health issues please let me know so I can include them in this column.

**BE SURE TO CHECK ALL THE PICTURES ON OUR WEBSITE**

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