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Presidents Message

December 23, 2017

Hello Everyone:

We sincerely hope you have all had a wonderful holiday season and a very merry Christmas. Mike and I, along with your entire board, want to thank you all for a wonderful year and for all the encouragement and support. We have all enjoyed the challenge and look forward to a new year with new board members and new perspectives.

This month's cover letter will be short as our planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday January 7, 2018 at Grand Slam. At this time we will have the opportunity to review 2107 and plan for 2018. We have a buffet lunch planned that will start at 1:00 PM. This is one of our most important meetings as we will be planning many of our events for the coming year. Bring a calendar and all your best ideas for new events. This is also the time for new members to step up and get involved. Don't be afraid to throw out ideas for a new run. It can be a day trip or a 10 day tour. If you are not sure how to proceed there are many "old hands" around to offer guidance and encouragement.

Some important member updates. One of our founding members, Marty Dooley, suffered a mild heart attack on the 9th of December, of course course in the early AM, as that's always when guys decide we should go to the hospital. Judy tells me his cardiologist says he is doing great and has no restrictions. We are very happy that Marty is doing so well and look forward to seeing him in January.

Chris Woods recently had rotator cuff surgery and a bicep muscle re-connected. Chris has a long road to recovery and she has got to stop arm wrestling with Bob. Seriously, we wish her a speedy recovery and we thank her for the great job putting on our Christmas party. I am sure a card, note, or call would be appreciated by Chris and Marty.

I think that's about it for now, See you all January 7th.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!!

Ray and Mike

December Meeting

Our December meeting was at the Royal Orleans Restaurant.

No minutes were taken







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Saint Louis Corvette Club Website

www.stlcorvette.club

The screenshot shows a weather forecast for Saint Louis, MO, issued on Monday, January 1, 2018, at 7:36 AM CST. The forecast covers Monday through Sunday. Below the forecast is a calendar view for the St. Louis Corvette Club, showing events for Sunday, January 7, and Tuesday, February 6.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Chance Of Rain
7°F -6°F	18°F 11°F	21°F 4°F	14°F 6°F	19°F 20°F	30°F 20°F	20% 40°F

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St. Louis Corvette Club

Today Monday, January 1 Print Week Month Agenda

Sunday, January 7

1:00pm STLCC planning meeting

Tuesday, February 6

7:00pm STLCC meeting.

The website needs your pictures from events or an interesting personal trip you would like to share.

New Events

Karen and Mike Price - Christmas Party - Fri Jan 5 6:30 PM

Due to commercialization, Christmas has now started in October- how sad! The 12th day of Christmas song is actually how Christmas is meant to be celebrated. The 12th day is the 5th of January when the 3 Wise Men arrived to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus! I know a lot of people that take down their Christmas the day after- not the Price's! So please join us in continuing the celebration of Christmas and ring in the New year with us on-

> > Friday January 5th at 6:30pm.

> Address- 2400 Oakmont Ct. High Ridge, MO. -phone 636-677-1237 or Karen's cell-314-954-4803.

> Please bring your favorite goodie to share. Jerry Craig has already provided a large donation towards beer and wine- so we will have a variety of both along with soda for mixing if you desire to bring your own additions.

> The Ugly Sweater contest will be held- so get creative! If you found that you received a present that was not to your liking and would like to bring it or buy a thoughtful gift to play Rob your Neighbor- bring it wrapped. Only the persons bringing the gifts will be able to participate- but the others will be able to watch the mayhem!

> Sharpen your racing skills for slot cars, shuffle board, and pool if you so desire.

> We want to thank everyone who took the time to send out Christmas cards to us- mine are still safely stored in the box -:)! We hope to see everyone on Friday night- if you have family or friends that are in town or are willing to come, please bring them. We hope to see you all next week. If you could please let me know if you are coming and what you are bringing, that would be helpful in knowing what I need to make to enjoy and make sure that we have plenty of beverages!

> Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to our friends and family that we know as the St. Louis Corvette Club

> Mike and Karen

Editor's Note: Good place to try out the new GPS Santa brought.

Club Meeting Sunday Jan 7 1:00 PM @ Grand Slam

> Don't forget that our next club meeting will be at Grand Slam on Sunday, January 7, 2018 beginning at 1:00 pm. This is our annual planning meeting so bring your ideas and calendars. While the meeting will mainly be for planning, there will still be a couple of items of business to be discussed. One of which is a proposed change to the by-laws. This was proposed back in November but because of our meeting schedule it would not be voted on until the January meeting. Below is listed the ballot for the proposed change:

> PLEASE CIRCLE YES OR NO IN FRONT OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE. THE PROPOSED CHANGE IS TO ELIMINATE THE THIRD SENTENCE UNDER MEMBERSHIP. IT IS UNDERLINED BELOW:

> YES NO Membership in the club shall be restricted to owners, over the age of 18, of Corvette automobiles in drivable condition. Club membership will be limited to 100 regular memberships. Additional memberships will be approved by order of the Board. All Saint Louis Corvette Club members will be NCCC members and will be extended all of the rights and privileges offered by NCCC. Club members are required to attend club meetings and events to remain active members. These are outlined in Section 2: MEMBERSHIP STATUS.

> The effect of this proposed change is to eliminate the Board's discretion to add additional regular members. Remember the current Board has already stated they do not envision growing our membership greater than the 100 regular members as called for in the by-laws.

> Also don't forget about the upcoming Twelfth Night Of Christmas and Ugly Sweater Party to be held at the house of Mike and Karen Price on Friday, January 5. More details will be forthcoming.

> Thanks.

> Ron

Committee Reports

NCM

Hope you all got what you wanted for Christmas.

There will be a lot of things happening at the NCM in 2018 and we will talk about them at our planning meeting. The first big event at the museum is the Bash (April 26-28) so if you would like to attend this event now is the time to start planning.

Happy New Year to you all

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Judy Dooley

NCM Ambassador



Past Events

Wednesday Lunch - Reifschneider's





Finding Santa





Welcome new Members

Welcome

Welcome to new members. We hope you will find enjoyment in the activities and friendships in the St. Louis Corvette Club. Our roots go back to 1953. Corvettes have changed but the special feelings associated with being around Corvettes and Corvette people have not changed a bit.

Meetings

Monthly meetings are held at Grand Slam, 519 Mae Ct. Fenton, Mo. 63026. www.grandslamstl.com for location and menus. Dinner at 6PM. Meeting at 7PM. We try to keep the meeting time to one hour. We recommend wearing a name tag. Lots of socializing after. Everyone is offered deserts provided by volunteers each month. We introduce officers, welcome new members and guests, get reports from the treasurer, secretary, and committee chairs and our sponsor. Old business and new business are discussed. A recounting of past events and reports on new events keeps members up to date.

Website

Our website maintains a calendar of events, current weather, links to officers, pictures from events, picture and newsletter archives and links and general club information.
<http://stlcorvette.club>, stlcorvettes.net and stlcorvettes.com (no www).

Newsletter

Monthly newsletters are sent on the Internet. Notes from the meetings, pictures from events, articles of interest and future events are listed. Starting in 2017, newsletters will be available in cell phone/tablet and desktop PDF formats for easy reading.

Road Trips

Road trips may be a single day or extended multiple day events. Always be on time, have a full tank of gas and hit the restroom before starting a day on the road. The next rest stop may be a couple of hours away. Hand held radios for quick information/emergency announcements with large groups and cell phones for longer distance are used for communication. Trip sponsors will provide maps or instructions. Longer trips will have cell phone numbers.

If anyone has a problem, one additional car will stay behind and the rest of the group will continue.

Large group road trips will often break into smaller groups with 12 to 15 cars.

Sharp attention to driving is needed. Highway speed limits and right lane travel are recommended.

Courtesy in passing and merging back in takes judgement and timing. Crowding in front of a passed vehicle and slowing down may cause problems (road rage) especially with trucks. We do not have to travel bumper to bumper.

Radios for the Road

The Motorola MR350R radios are a good choice. They have a charging port which allows use and charging while driving. Batteries run out after hours on the road.

buytwowayradios.com
or Amazon.com



A USB MINI cable is needed. The mini plug has a "T" shape while the micro plug has an elliptical shape. The ANKER lighter port adapter has two outlets for charging a cell phone at the same time.

See Amazon.com

We run on Channel 6 sub-channel 6



Car Shows and Picnics

Car Shows are usually informal. Wash and shine. Food is usually involved and people may be asked to provide a side dish. Charity car shows may be added to the events calendar. Same for Picnics. Folding chairs, umbrellas and drinks make life easier. We try to schedule only one event per day or weekend to be fair to the people who take responsibility for an event.

PICO chairs fold small and are comfortable.



Parades

Parades are always fun. We participate in parades with good crowd control. The 4th of July Webster Groves parade is well done and very well attended. We drive celebrities and Gold Star Mothers/Fathers/Families in the Veterans Day parade. We have a very close affiliation with the Gold Star Mothers.

Charity

Charity work is important to us. Owning a Corvette is a great thing. Giving back is something we can do. We maintain gardens at the Veterans Hospital at Jefferson Barracks. Cleaning, planting, trimming, watering jobs are open for volunteers. The folks there really appreciate what we do.

One religious leader calls it his prayer garden. Christmas is a great time to do something for other people. STLCC provides gifts for families and kids down on hard times due to floods and other events out of their control.

Corvette
Museum

St Louis Corvette Club is a lifetime member of the National Corvette Museum. We make several trips there each year. Club members participate in Museum events and many have elected Museum delivery for their old and new Corvettes. Often, a group travels down to help with the great day. We recommend being a member of the Museum. Many in STLCC are individual lifetime family members. We also collect Hot Wheels miniature Corvettes which are donated to the Museum to be given to kids who visit. Some of the kids are very poor.

NCCC

STLCC is affiliated with NCCC. National Council of Corvette Clubs is a organization whose purpose is to advance the Corvette on many levels. We get excellent insurance for our events at a very low price. You may be asked to sign a waiver for events which means the club and all are insured in case something happens. (We have used the insurance for a totally unexpected non threatening occurrence). NCCC has many interesting things to do including rallies, several types of racing and a great yearly convention.

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Mark Gerecke 636-227-5333 primarily New Corvettes
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John Brinkman 636-227-5333 Service

UPDATE:

The latest Motorola Radios are the Talkabout T460 models. These may be used and recharged in the car with a familiar micro-usb cell phone cable.

BE SURE TO **TURN OFF** THE VOX FEATURE. VOX will automatically transmit when you talk. In the Vettes, road noise and local conversations will turn on VOX without your knowing. This may blank out communications for hours. TURN OFF VOX or never turn it on.

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