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## **President's Message**

WOW! Here it is the month of November, already. Where has the time gone? This is an important time for the Club because it is time to elect new officers to lead the Club for the new year, which starts December 1. I understand that we have nominations for the offices that must be filled, and that is a good thing. However, if you should desire to volunteer to run for an office, it is not too late. This is your Club, and every member should do what they can to continue to make the Club successful.

November is also the beginning of the holiday season. During this season we give thanks for what we have (our family, our friends, our freedom of religion, and our freedoms in general). We also honor those men and women who have protected those freedoms by participating in the Veteran's Day Parade. Historically, the people who show up to watch the parade are small in number, but we, as a Club, must show up in force to honor our veterans and the Gold Star mothers and fathers who gave so much for our country.

Speaking of the holiday season, don't forget to make your reservations

for the Club's Annual Holiday Party, which will be held December 14 at Royale Orleans. The cost is \$15 per person and will include a buffet dinner, some speeches, and entertainment. To help with the speeches and entertainment, a cash only bar will be available. We will have fun!

Weather permitting, save the wave.

Don Pickles, President

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## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Gary Murray	Nov 1
Karen Price	Nov 5
Ray Queen	Nov 11
Valerie Zeisset	Nov 13
Gail Mattler	Nov 16
Charlene Wozniak	Nov 18
Bev Givens	Nov 21
Janice Kerin	Nov 26
Patty Craig	Nov 28
Sharon Ballinger	Nov 30
Jerry Giffhorn	Nov 30
Steve Lyle	Nov 30

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Don & Anne Pickles	Nov 16
Steve & Dawn Kirby	Nov 22
Larry & Elise Akins	Nov 23
Mike & Laurie Grubb	Nov 26
Dick & Conita Shoulders	Nov 26
John & Cherie Hopson	Nov 27
Rick & Mary Doerr	Nov 28
Terry & Kathy Mueller	Nov 29

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## **Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: October 1st, 2019

Meeting Place: Arnold Recreation Center

Starting time: 19:00

Pledge and Introduction of Officers: Don Pickles -President

President- Don Pickles

Vice President- Rick Doerr

Secretary- Sherri Marlo

Treasurer- Anne Pickles

Sergeant at Arms- Tom Marlo

Membership- Pat Moore

Immediate Past President- Ray Queen

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President Announcements:

- Introduction of board members made by Don Pickles
- Members need to check off their names on the attendance sheet.

- Buy 50/50 tickets, sign up for drawings and check out all the sign-up sheets for upcoming events at the back of room.
- Don announced the club has license plate frames for sale for \$5 & beer mugs for \$10 that were surplus items.
- Don mentioned Sue Dahman had sent a thank-you card to both the club and the board extending her appreciation for the cards, calls, and the donations to Wounded Warriors in memory of her late husband Ken. She also thanked the club for the flowers (for her surgery). She plans to be more active in the club next year when she returns from FL.
- Don reminded the club that membership needs the current information on any new car purchased and Steve Kirby needs a photo of the car and its owners for the website!

Introduction of Guests and New Members and their cars: Associate members Jim and Sharon Love were in attendance from Indiana.

Previous Secretary Minutes:

Don Pickles requested a motion to accept the secretary's minutes from the September meeting. Laurie Grubb wanted to mention there were 2 errors in the minutes. The Christmas Party was stated to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December but is on the 14<sup>th</sup> and it was mentioned the chili cook-off was going to be on the same date as the hayride. The chili cook-off & car show was cancelled due to the C-8 reveal at ELCO. Jeff Craig made a motion to accept the minutes and Steve Kirby 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was accepted to correct the report.

Membership: Birthdays, Anniversaries and Membership report:

Pat Moore presented the membership report. June's birthdays and anniversaries were announced. Total number of members 96 regular, 18 associates, 4 sponsors, and 6 Lifetime. We currently have 5 people on the waiting list. 2 regular members have cancelled their club membership. Pat also announced there were still members who had not paid their dues and others who have not met the required participation in order to remain in the club

Treasurer's Report:

Anne Pickles presented the Treasurer's Report. Don asked for a motion to accept



the Treasurer's report. Mike Topolski made a motion to accept the minutes and Tony Jokerst 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was accepted.

NCM Ambassador Report: Judy Dooley reported the NCM will be posting numerous seminars on their website for members only for those who could not attend the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Caravan event. She reminded everyone that there are 3 Corvettes that are being raffled off this year, a 2019 Artic White Stingray, 2019 Shadow Gray ZR-1, 2019 Torch Red Stingray, and in 2020 a mid-engine black Corvette coupe. You may download the form to purchase tickets from the NCM which have to be mailed back in and they only accept credit cards.

NCCC Governor's Report: Jeff Craig reported the competition season is coming to an end for 2019. There is an Autocross event in Rantoul, IL October 5<sup>th</sup>. Jeff mentioned Ron Hagenow is 3<sup>rd</sup> in the region for worker points for the races. He also informed the members our club is 7<sup>th</sup> in the region out of 29! The Midwest Region has the largest membership of all the regions.

Newsletter Report: Mike Kunst was with the Club sponsored Utah trip.

Website Report:

Steve Kirby gave the website report. The new website is online, but he still has a few minor adjustments to perform. Don thanked Steve for all the hard work he has done to get this up and running!

ELCO Report: Mark Gerecke gave the report. October 12<sup>th</sup> the new 2020 Corvette will be on display from 10:00 to 4:00 in their back shop along with BBQ and adult beverages. The annual ELCO hayride will also be that evening at 6:00. See website for more information. Mark also thanked the following members for recently purchasing vehicles: Bill & Gail Mattler, Jim & Bev Givens, Mike & Laurie Grubb and for Marc Portman bringing in friends that purchased a vehicle as well.

Committee Reports:

Budget Committee- Randy Howard-No report

By-Laws Committee - Ron Hagenow - No report

Charity Committee- Michelle Finn- The Christmas tree is available, and members may choose an ornament off the tree that has a family's requests for Christmas. We are giving to three families this year. Please bring your wrapped gifts with the ornament attached to the next meeting. Gift card amounts are up to each person.

Christmas Committee- Chris Woods & Judy Dooley. Chris reported the party will be held on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at Royale Orleans from 6:00-10:00 PM. The sign-up sheet is available, and the cost is \$15 per person, due to the board subsidizing \$10/pp toward the cost. There will be a cash bar only.

History Committee- Ron Hagenow- No report.

Nominating Committee- Ruth Howard & Judy Dooley. Ruth reported that 4 positions on the board will need to be filled. There is one person running for secretary, 2 for treasurer, 1 for membership, and 1 for sergeant of arms. There are ballots available in the back for nominating a member for a position or you may want to run yourself. If you nominate someone, the committee will contact that person to ask if they would accept the nomination. We will be having the election at the Nov. meeting. Please consider getting involved!

Parade Committee- Rick Frierdich- Please remember to sign -up for the Veterans Day Parade. We will meet at the Ameren UE facility at Chouteau & 18<sup>th</sup> St. Afterwards we will pull into the bank on Market Street across from Syberg's to park and then have lunch there. The number of Gold Star Mothers that will be riding with the club women in the parade is unknown at this time.

VA Garden- Marty Dooley-No report

Vice- President's Report on Past Events: Rick Doerr gave the report.

- September 3rd- Club meeting at Arnold Rec. Center.
- September 7th- Car show & BBQ for Michael Langsdorf at UMB Bank. 10:00-6:00.

- September 14th- Club picnic at Blake Snyder Park. Rick thanked everyone who helped organize, set-up and clean-up. Mike & Kathy Topolski not only headed the washer tournament, but also won 1<sup>st</sup> place! Dana & Diana Griggs were 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
- September 18<sup>th</sup>- Retiree lunch at The Barn at Sappington House. Sponsored by Marty & Judy Dooley. Marty reported there were 28 people that attended.
- September 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>- Fun Fest in Effingham, IL. Report was given by Barry Seelig & Michelle Paillou. Marie, an associate member, won the award for traveling the farthest and it was Mike Yeager's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday! They also commented they are cutting back on events and Chevrolet will no longer be a sponsor. There was a very low turnout due to lack of vendors.
- September 21<sup>st</sup> -Josephine's Tea Room Run Godfrey, IL. Sponsored by Ruth Howard. Ruth reported there were 18 ladies that attended.
- September 22<sup>nd</sup> through October 7<sup>th</sup>- Utah National Parks & More Tour sponsored by Ken & Barb Payne.
- September 28<sup>th</sup>- Car Show in Cuba, MO. Barry Seelig gave the report.
- September 29 - Fritz's Ice Cream Run. Sponsored by Peggy Craig.

Vice- President's Report on Upcoming Events for 2019: Rick Doerr gave the report.

- October 1<sup>st</sup>- Club meeting at Arnold Rec. Center.
- October 3<sup>rd</sup>- Eureka Springs Annual Corvette Gathering.
- October 12<sup>th</sup>- Annual ELCO Hayride at Dickherber Farms in Dardenne Prairie, MO.
- October 16<sup>th</sup>- Retiree lunch at Hofbrauhaus in Belleville, IL. Sponsored by Ken & Barb Payne. Location changed to Olive Garden on Lindbergh in Mehlville, MO.
- October 27<sup>th</sup>: Fritz's Ice Cream Run. Sponsored by Peggy Craig.

New Business: Don discussed the board meeting that was held on September 18<sup>th</sup> and the decisions that were made. The board agreed to change the monthly meetings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, which will be held at Grand Slam

starting in January. This is tentative due to construction. Due to this change in the date there will be a change to the by-laws, which will be e-mailed to the members for review and voted upon at the November meeting.

Michelle Finn announced that she and Randy purchased a 2004 Blue Lemans Commemorative Corvette.

Karen Price announced the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of Christmas Party will be on Saturday Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>.

Thank- You for cake: Don thanked Judy Giovanoni for providing the cupcakes. Ron & Mary Ann Hagenow are signed up for November.

- 50/50 Winner: Sherri Marlo-\$116/ Club- \$115
- Number in Attendance: Regular members 67 and 0 guests.
- Attendance Prize Winners: Jerry Craig, Mary Doerr, & Marty Dooley.
- Next meeting: November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Adjournment: Don asked for a motion to adjourn. Steve Kirby motioned to adjourn and Rich Luebcke 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion accepted. Time 19:55 CST

Respectfully,

Sherri Marlo, STLCC Secretary

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## **Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports**

### **NCM Ambassadors Report**

It's getting to be that time of year again, when you need to start thinking of what to get that special someone for Christmas. Well, a unique gift could be a Build Sheet and/or Window Sticker for their beloved Corvette. Build sheets and window stickers

can be ordered online for 1981 to present Corvettes from the National Corvette Museum. You can check out options and offerings on the NCM web site. Build sheets are \$40 for members and \$50 for non members. Lamination is \$5. Window stickers of 1981 to present are \$85 for members and \$100 for non members. Orders are guaranteed delivery by Christmas if ordered by November 30<sup>th</sup>. You should also check out the Corvette Store for unique Corvette related items for that special someone. You can get FREE shipping on orders of \$50 or more when ordered by October 31, 2019.

The Motorsports Park is offering a NEW drive-through Christmas Light experience this year called Twinkle at the Track. Vehicles can drive through more than 25 scenes totaling more than one million bright lights on the two mile racetrack. This display will be lighting up the track from November 29, 2019 to January 1, 2020. It will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas day. The hours are Sunday through Thursday 4:30 to 9:00pm & Fridays and Saturdays 4:30 to 10pm. (Days and hours are subject to change). The cost is \$20 a carload Monday- Wednesday and \$25 a carload Thursday – Sunday. \$50 for 12-15 passenger vehicles. No buses or motorcycles.

Don't forget about the Corvette raffles. You can print out a ticket request form on line.

Judy & Marty Dooley  
NCM Ambassadors



Marty found a nice looking Hot Wheels car at Fun Fest with a nice looking doll inside. Word is he took it home.

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## Future Events

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# St. Louis Veterans Day Parade

Saturday, November 9, 2019

Meet: 9:45 am at Ameren Parking Lot

18<sup>th</sup> Street and Chouteau

Departing: 10:15 am to Staging Area

Pre-parade Ceremony: 10:30 am at

Soldier's Memorial  
Parade Starts at Noon  
Lunch after the parade at Syberg's  
2211 Market Street  
Parking at the Bank or at the Restaurant

Questions: Contact Rick F. at 314-223-0969

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## STLCC Retiree's Luncheon

12:30pm Wednesday, Nov 20, 2019

The Hofbrauhaus St. Louis  
123 St. Eugene Dr, Belleville IL  
<https://restaurantguru.com/Hofbrauhaus>

Sign Up at the Club Meeting November 5, 2019

Sponsored by Ken & Barb Payne and Rick Frierdich & Pat Ross

For details or questions contact:  
Ken Payne @ 314-223-6678 or Rick Frierdich @ 314-223-0969

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The poster features a warm, golden-brown background with a blurred image of a Christmas tree and ornaments. A white decorative border with swirls and a hanging ornament is at the top. The text is centered and uses various font sizes and weights to create a hierarchy of information.

**ST LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB**

# ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

## **ROYALE ORLEANS**

2801 Telegraph Road  
St. Louis, MO 63125

**Saturday, December 14, 2019**

(6.00 p.m.-10p.m.)

6:00 p.m. – Cocktails (cash bar)

(cash only, no debit or credit cards and no checks)

7:00 p.m. – Dinner (Buffet)

**\$15.00 per person**

Payments made to “St. Louis Corvette Club”

## **Buffet**

Tenderloin of Beef Medallion with Sauce La Fitte;  
Chicken Cordon Bleu; Home-Style Green Beans;  
Glazed Baby Carrots; Potatoes Royale; Chef Salad,  
Relish Tray; Dinner Rolls with Butter; Dessert;  
Coffee, Tea and Soda.

**(Please RSVP by December 1, 2019 to Chris Woods  
@ [woods1890@sbcglobal.net](mailto:woods1890@sbcglobal.net) or 314-846-6176**



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## Past Events

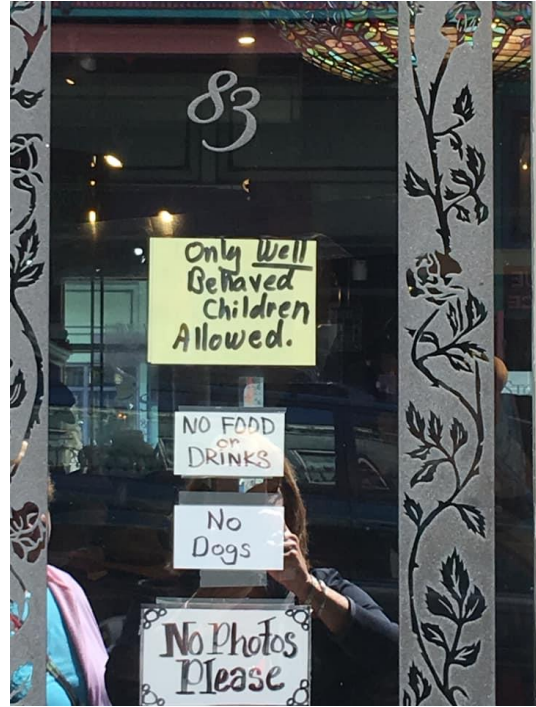
### Josephine's

Sponsored by Ruth Howard



### Eureka Springs, AR





# Utah National Parks and More!

## A Lot More!

Trip Planned and Hosted by Barb and Ken Payne

Narrative by Mike Kunst

This was an epic trip. What makes it an epic trip you say? Consider the length of the trip, 16 days and 15 nights if you completed the entire itinerary. Consider the number of places visited, 6 National Parks, a National Recreation area, the Navajo's Monument Valley, a slot canyon and Horseshoe Bend, and even a balloon festival. Consider the miles driven, 3800. Consider the amount of downtime to rest, oops, that would be none.

Because of the epic nature of the trip, it is unreasonable to report on the entire trip in one newsletter. After all, I have 742 photos on my camera not to mention some PDR videos and a few drone photos. So, this edition of the newsletter will cover the first 4 days, September 22<sup>nd</sup> through 25<sup>th</sup>.

There were two groups, the main group led by Barb and Ken Payne, and the Salt Lake City group led by Val and Dale Zeisset. While the main group departed on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Salt Lake City (SLC) group departed on September 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be a separate stream to report the activities of the SLC group.

**Day 1, Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup>, St. Louis, MO to Hays, KS**





The best thing I can say about this day is you have to put in the seat time to get to Utah. We drove through rain and in my case a rock storm. Suffice it to say my Corvette is in the hospital now for cosmetic surgery. The Chiefs had a home game at noon. We arrived in the area about 11:30, and it wasn't pretty.

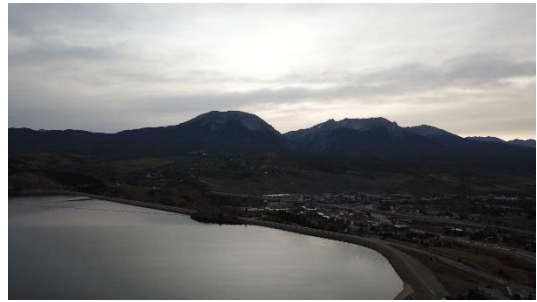
We were able to perform a public service by removing most of the bug population in the state of Kansas. But Hays has a nice downtown area with an attractive brick

lined street. The photo of our cars on the mostly deserted street after dinner shortly after sunset seemed to be an appropriate end to the day.

**Day 2, Monday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Hays, KS to Dillon, CO**









Western Kansas into Colorado all the way to the Denver area is more of the same open prairie land. More bugs! To annoy us more, there was a trooper about every 5 miles. Some in the group speculated that they needed more income to make budget for the month. Lucky us, no tickets! The speed limit in the rural areas of Kansas and Colorado is 75. We cruised at 80... nice! Denver is nestled right up against the Rocky Mountains. After passing through Denver, the ascent into the mountains begins and the scenery improves dramatically. After a short drive past Denver, we arrive in Dillon.

Our hotel is on the shore of the Dillon Reservoir. Very picturesque! So, I take pictures. This is one of the few places that I could fly the drone. Notice the view from my hotel room window. We had dinner at the hotel's café and pub. Look at that cool Ford truck! What a great sunset!



Day 3, Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup>, Dillon, CO to Moab, UT







Good morning Dillon! A few morning photos of the reservoir in a different light. The drive through the mountains is very nice. Whoa, what's this? A utility construction company is doing underground work and has the entire highway stopped. I get out of my car to take a picture of the Colorado River with the East Bound lanes of I-70 below us. Kirt is wondering why his cell phone won't

work. Hmm? “No Service” is something we will see a lot on this trip. Don’t believe those coverage maps and wild claims made by the carriers.







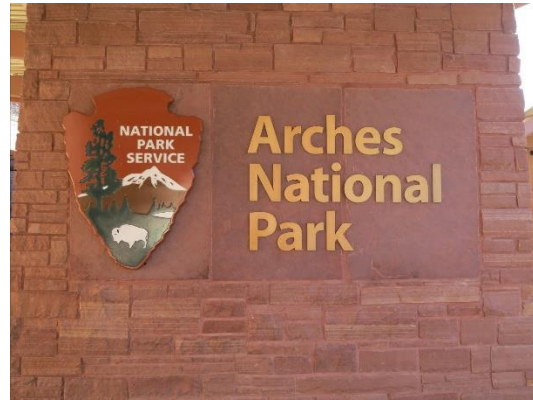


Entering Utah, we are greeted by 80 mph speed limit signs. Whoo Hoo! We stop at a scenic overlook on I-70. Awesome, Marcia photo bombs my photo of Carl and



Pat. At least she talked the people into taking a photo of the whole group. The last 3 pictures of the day are a stop at the Red Cliffs Lodge. The water you see is the Colorado River again. We are very close to Moab now. Because we changed our dinner plans, we are going to the Moab Brewery for dinner. What!? They are selling Gelato too!

**Day 4, Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup>, Moab, UT (2 nights here)**





The sun is coming up over the Sunset Grill high on the hill. We are ready to roll to Arches National Park. By the way, did everyone bring their NP Pass? It sure did save a lot of money. Arches is close, and we only stop briefly at the Visitors center. The next two photos show US 191 coming from the NW to the SE. It runs right through the middle of Moab. These are not mountains but part of the Colorado Plateau with deep canyons. The next 4 photos include a formation that appears to be a lamb. Do you see it?



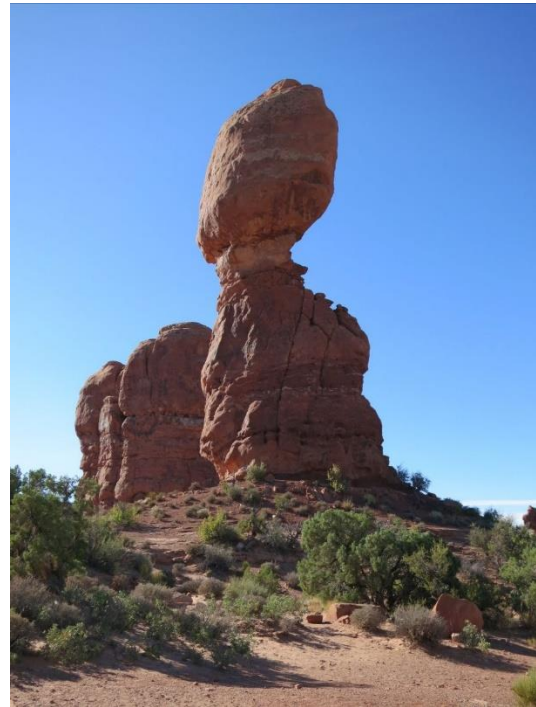




How about those car profiles in front of the red rock in the background! The two photos just above the cars can provide some perspective on the scale of the formations. You can see how small the Laguna Blue Stingray looks from across the parking lot. Look right behind it and you will see a large rock at the base of the formation. Mike Kirby is walking toward the rock. Can you find him? Now look at Mike in the next photo. He is standing in front of that rock!

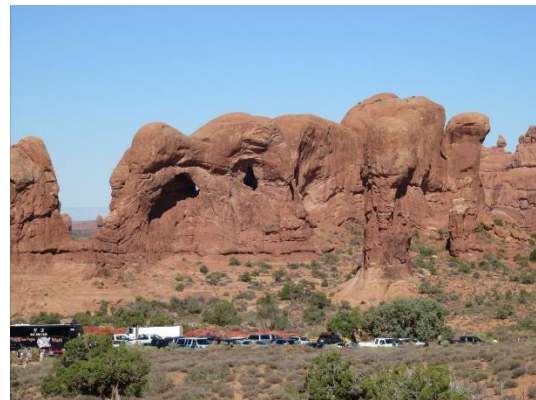






Balanced Rock is in 5 of the next 6 photos. It is a famous rock formation. Eventually, the layer directly beneath the top will erode and it will collapse. It might take a few thousand years though.





Next is North Window, South Window and Turret Arch. After a photo of some goofy looking guy in shorts, you can see both North Window and South Window at the same time. You must be close to Turret Arch to get that shot. Then there is a photo of a rock formation where new arches are forming across the parking lot.





The next two photos are of Double Arch, one of the most famous rock formations in Arches along with Balanced Rock. The third photo is Delicate Arch. It is a long way from where the photo is taken. We didn't have time to hike all the way to it.







These five photos are from Panorama Point. I guess that is self-explanatory. You sure can see a long way.





Our last stop in Arches is an area called Park Avenue. It seems like you are on a big city street, maybe New York's Park Avenue, looking down the street with the buildings on both sides. In the fourth photo with all the zoom the camera could muster, you can see a road in the small green patch. There is a white van on the road. Again, this demonstrates perspective and scale of these formations.





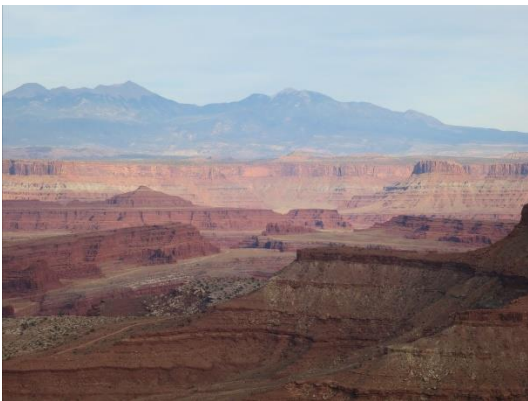
We go back to Moab for lunch. Barb has Big Don's Pizza and Pasta food truck on her itinerary. Wow! Who knew gourmet pizza could come from a food truck? It is actually a food truck park with nice picnic tables with a net like shade cover and misters!



Originally, the plan was to see sunset in Canyonlands National Park after touring through the park. However, while checking my laptop for some information, Windows 10 pushed a Bing search about Dark Sky. After some quick reading, I learned that Canyonlands NP was a Dark Sky Park. So, we chose as a group to skip a restaurant dinner and stay in the park to see the stars. But what do we do when we need some nourishment? We thought we could take a quickly assembled picnic along. Lunch was late, so we wouldn't need much. Marcia found a hippie store that had sandwiches. We all highly recommend Moon Flower!



Back to the hotel briefly. A photo of Sunset Grill in late afternoon.







Check that third and fourth photo. Yes, that is a trail on the edge below. Not sure how to get down there. Not interested in trying either.





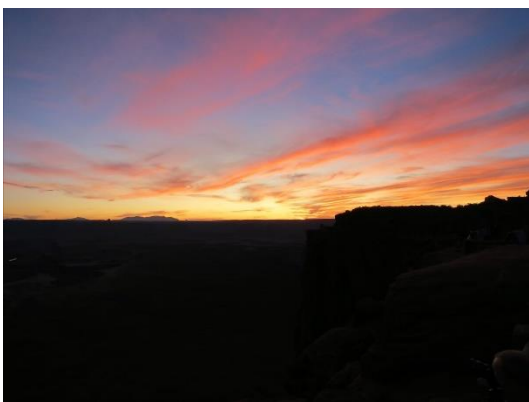
We reach Island of the Sky Overlook. This is at the end of the road. This park is surprisingly sparsely populated with visitors. The photos above show the canyons in the late afternoon light. You can see the Green River at the bottom of the canyon. It flows into the Colorado River.



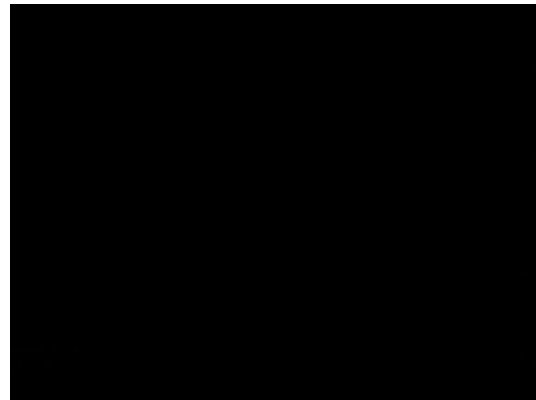




Sunset is approaching! Photographers refer to this lighting as the golden hour. It is easy to see why. The canyon walls are just lighting up with color! It makes humans look pretty good too!

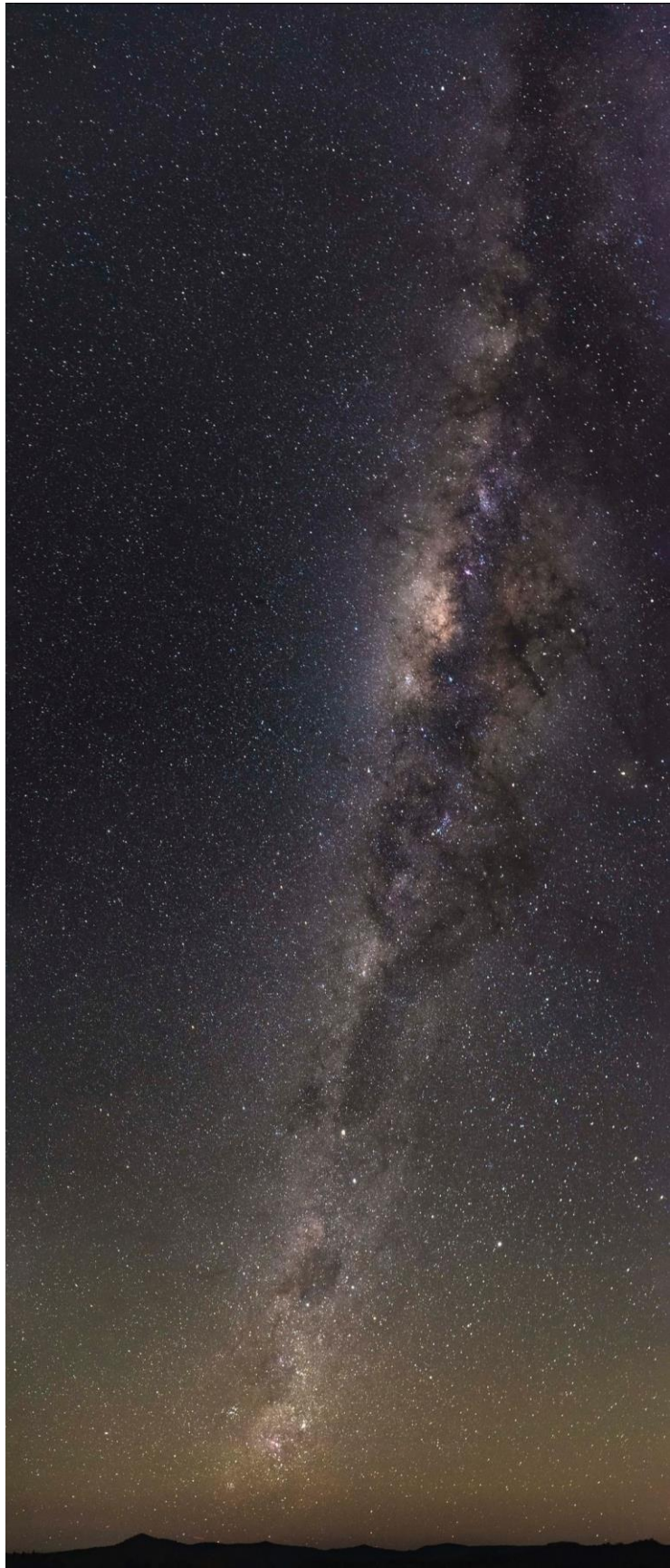


The sunset is outstanding! The photo of Carl is taken after the sunset photo. It is amazing how much light is still reflected from the Canyon walls.



A couple more canyon wall photos. It is hard to resist! The last light from sunset. How does a Dark Sky Park look about 25 minutes after the last light from the sun? Can't see much, can you? I learned that to take a still photo of the stars, you need a tripod and a camera that can take a long exposure shot.

We are so glad we stay in the park to see the stars! There is no moon and the few clouds that made the sunset have dissipated. Humidity is very low. The stars are stunning! Add any superlative you can think of here. Who among you has actually seen the Milky Way? I thought I had seen it a long time ago out in the country. I was wrong.





I found this photo on the internet. While it still is a long way from actually being there, it gives some sense of what we experienced.

### **Canyonlands National Park**

Canyonlands National Park is a dark sky park located in Utah. The park occupies an area of 527 square miles. Designated in 2015, the park attracts thousands of visitors who wish to enjoy an unpolluted night sky. The park's management has established conservation measures such as the use of night-sky friendly lights in the night.

### **Day 5, Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup>, Moab, UT to Torrey, UT**

Coming in the December Newsletter Edition!

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## ELCO Next Generation Corvette Event



Waiting to be invited into the new ELCO building to see the C8. Holy Cow! Our Corvette technician, Bill, came too. I had no idea he cleaned up so well!



Yeah! We got a preview before they let anyone else into the building! Our President, Don Pickles, in the drivers seat and our Vice President, Rick Doerr, riding shot gun plus the rest of the St. Louis Corvette Club in attendance.









There were 8 vintage Corvettes provided by the St. Louis Corvette Club plus 2 more from the local NCRS chapter to surround the C8.



Michelle directs Rich to do some last minute detailing on her wheels.

# ELCO Hayride and Bonfire



We love our ELCO sponsors, Mark and Kimberlie Gerecke, Eric and Vickie DeBruin







Retiree and Anyone Who Can Show Up  
Lunch  
Sponsored by Barb and Ken Payne





Thanks to Barb and Ken Payne, and Noura for hosting the Retiree Lunch.









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## Special Announcements





Gail and Bill Mattler recently acquired a 2018 Grand Sport Carbon 65 Edition. Congratulations to the Mattlers! Here is the Chevrolet press release with details about the car:

Chevrolet is commemorating the 65th anniversary of the Corvette with a new Corvette Carbon 65 Edition offered on 2018 Grand Sport 3LT and Z06 3LZ models.

Limited to only 650 numbered vehicles globally, the distinctive Carbon 65 blends visible carbon-fiber exterior elements — notably, a new carbon-fiber rear spoiler and quarter ducts — with a new Ceramic Matrix Gray exterior color and special interior appointments, including a new carbon-fiber-rimmed steering wheel.

“Corvette is one of the most storied names in Chevrolet and sports car history, with a heritage few can match,” said Paul Edwards, U.S. vice president Chevrolet Marketing. “The new Carbon 65 Edition honors that legacy, while offering customers another unique, special-edition model that personalizes the ownership experience.”

The Carbon 65 Edition package (order code Z30) will include:

- Available on Grand Sport 3LT and Z06 3LZ trims
- Ceramic Matrix Gray exterior (blue top on Convertibles)
- Unique fender stripes and door graphics
- Black wheels with machined grooves paired with summer-only tires\* (Cup-style wheels for Grand Sport and Blade-style wheels for Z06)
- Blue brake calipers
- Visible carbon-fiber ground effects, hood section and roof (Coupe models) or tonneau inserts (Convertible models)
- New visible carbon-fiber spoiler (all models) and quarter intake ducts (Coupe)
- Center caps with Carbon logo
- Carbon Flash badges and outside mirrors
- Jet Black suede-wrapped interior with blue stitching
- Carbon-fiber steering wheel rim and gloss carbon-fiber interior trim
- Competition Sport seats
- Carbon 65 Edition sill plates

The Corvette Carbon 65 Edition package will cost \$15,000 and will be available this summer, along with the rest of the 2018 Corvette lineup.

## Articles

# The St. Louis Corvette Club Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

History Committee: Ron Hagenow, Marty Dooley and Mike Kirby

## **What Happened This Month of November in Previous Years**

In November 2008 Ron Hagenow was our president and Lynch Hummer was our club sponsor. That year we donated toys to Ranken Jordan Rehabilitation Hospital. Guests were Gary and Debbie Tidwell. On November 15<sup>th</sup> of that year we also participated in the Liver Walk in Forest Park in honor of Gary Murray.

In November 2011 Marty Dooley was president and we had 90 members. Former member Jean DuPont announced that he has retired. It was announced that Ruth and Randy Howard had just purchased their white Centennial Grand Sport convertible as well as Judy and Marty Dooley purchasing their Supersonic Blue Grand Sport convertible. Besides our annual Veterans Day Parade we went on a run to Castelli's Moonlight Restaurant for their famous fried chicken (and spent an hour and a half waiting for a train which caused a sprint to the restaurant for the bathroom!), had an oil change party at former members Dave and Marya Horstmeyer's house and had a run to Miller's Grill in memory of former member Jerry Fain. And Judy Giovanoni embarrassed



all the guys by winning the Corvette trivia game played at the recent club picnic.

In November 2015 Mike Price was our president and Jerry and Sonja Giffhorn joined our club. We also had 94 members. Hard to believe but Judy Dooley was selling tickets to a car being raffled off by the Museum. In NCCC news our club was 10<sup>th</sup> in the Midwest Region and Jeff Craig was ranked 10<sup>th</sup> nationally for the men and Peggy Craig was ranked 14<sup>th</sup> nationally for the ladies. We donated a lot of toys to the St. Vincent DePaul Society all thanks to Michelle Finn who headed the Charity committee.

Pictures from November



From November 2007, the last Fritz's Ice Cream Run. It was pretty cold because only 3 cars showed up.



Stevie Gerecke and Jean DuPont pulling the winning ticket at our charity event in 2010. Note – Jean is smaller now and Steve is about twice the size as he is in this picture. (What are you feeding that kid Mark?!)





From the Veterans Day Parade in 2014, first is a picture of the club veterans at that time (and Michelle Paillou's late uncle Mickey in the front row) as well as a picture of all the cars participating. And it was COLD that year.



St. Louis Corvette Club members cars participating in the Veterans Day Parade.

## Elfi's Silver Pearl Sisterhood

By Ron Hagenow



### **2019 FOUNDING MEMBERS**

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In the latest issue of America's Sports Car, a publication of the National Corvette Museum, there is an article concerning Elfi's Silver Pearl Sisterhood. Elfi is Elfi Wolfe Duntov, wife of Zora Arkus-Duntov, considered the father of the Corvette. Elfi's Silver Pearl Sisterhood is a women-driven organization that allows like-minded women to share their love of America's Sports Car while furthering the mission of the National Corvette Museum. Each member donated an amount of money and then the distribution of those funds are made available each year at the Museum's Anniversary Celebration. This past 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration was their inaugural luncheon and meeting. In the attached picture you will note that our own Peggy Craig and Theresa Luebcke are founding members. Congratulations ladies!!



# Tire Talk

By Mike Kunst

Recently, I wrote to Lee Willard to ask about replacement tires for my 2015 Z51 equipped Corvette. For those of you who do not know Lee, he is the Michelin Tire Engineer who is responsible for the design of our Corvette tires. He is part of the Corvette Racing Team as well. Here is my email:

Hi Lee,

I have a 2015 Stingray with Z51 and the original Pilot Super Sport tires. I will be needing to replace these tires in the near future. I know about the relatively new Pilot Sport A/S 3+.

I know that the new 2020 model will have all new Michelin tire versions. As I understand it, there will be a new summer tire for the Z51 package and a new all-season tire for the base car. Are these tires something that would work on my 2015? Are they available yet? If not, when will they be available?

Thanks for your help and insight.

Mike Kunst

Here is his response:

Hey Mike

No sorry ... the PSAS4 and PS4S ZP only comes right now in sizes for the C8 Stingray

You should be able to get PS4S non-ZP. But they were not specifically designed for your C7.

I'd stick with PSS ZP or PSAS3+ ZP to get a tire designed specifically for your C7

Good Luck

Cheers

Lee

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