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## **President's Message**

Happy October everyone.

The weather has been fantastic for car shows, cruises, club picnics, family time and car races, just to name a few activities. Bev and I hope you all are doing well and God continues to bless you.

The club picnic was a huge success. Lots of food, socializing, sunshine and a road rally driven by some. We were blessed to see Debbie Tidwell at the picnic and pray for God's comforting arms wrapped around her as she continues healing. Thanks to Karen & Mike Price for their hard work in organizing the whole event. If you ever need a party planner, give Karen a call.

There is a lot going on in October and our hope is each and every one of you are able to enjoy time with family, attend as many club events as you can, and stay healthy.

We have many people who need to be lifted up in prayer, too many for me to name for fear of leaving someone out. There is power in prayer. Bev and I ask you to continue to pray for all of our club members and their families, praying for healing, comfort and forgiveness.

See you all at the next meeting.

Jim

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Ken Payne  
Pam Corrora  
Frank Ellis  
Rick Frierdich  
Theresa Luebcke  
Paul Craig  
Robin Avery  
Loretta Vogt  
Roger Reinhardt  
Marie Chance  
Marcia Sheer  
Laurie Grubb  
John Hopson

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Rich & Theresa Luebcke  
Kirt & Marcia Sheer  
Micah & Khourtney Miller  
Jeff & Patty Craig  
Bruce & Kathy Wooldridge

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## Meeting Minutes

The St. Louis Corvette Club met at Jilly's Café & Steakhouse on September 7, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Karen Price in the absence of President Jim Givens. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Karen offered a prayer for Mike Kirby's recent passing and all who are dealing with health issues. Ron Hagenow was thanked for sharing special memories of Mike Kirby in the recent newsletter.

Introduction of Officers:

President: Jim Givens, absent	Vice President: Karen Price
Membership: Mike Kunst	Treasurer: Marcia Sheer
Secretary: Bev Givens, absent	Sergeant at Arms: Mike Price
Immediate past president: Don Pickles	Sponsor: ELCO Chevrolet Mark & Kim Gerecke

Vice President Karen Price said that Jim Givens had surgery today and will have a 4-6 week recovery period. Guests Robert and Vicki Hoogveld were welcomed. They have a yellow '06. New members Jenny Lanter and Josh Cate were also recognized and welcomed.

Karen reminded members to sign the attendance sheet and various event participation sheets that also included the December Christmas party and future car shows. Tickets were distributed for the attendance drawing. Mike Price was selling 50/50 tickets. Dennis and Janet Trost were thanked for providing the cake. Kirt and Marcia Sheer will bring the cake in October.

Proposed changes to the club By-Laws were presented at the August meeting with voting to take place at tonight's meeting. John Midkiff from the By-Laws committee distributed ballots to all members in attendance. Results will be announced later in the evening. Karen Price announced that NCCC club provisions regarding insurance would stay in place at this time.

Vice President Karen Price covered the following information:

- A motion was requested to accept the August secretary's minutes. Ron Hagenow made a motion to accept the minutes with a second by Ken Payne. The motion passed.
- Treasurer Marcia Sheer presented the treasurer's report for the month of August. Chris Woods made a motion to accept the report. It was seconded by Judy Dooley. The motion passed.
- Membership Officer Mike Kunst read the names of members celebrating September birthdays and anniversaries. He reminded members that his report was prepared prior to this evening's meeting. The Membership Report was as follows:

Current membership totals:

- No new members

- Regular Members: 98 (the Bergers were deleted from the roster which includes 12 Charter Members)
- Lifetime Members: 7 (Mike Kirby was deleted from the roster which includes 2 Charter Members)
- Associate Members: 12
- Sponsors: 4
- Total Members: 117 (excludes Sponsors)

There are currently 2 individuals on the Membership Waiting List.

### **Committee Reports:**

Newsletter: Kathy Mueller - Karen thanked Kathy for a job well done on the newsletter. Kathy asked members to send her copies of event flyers and email her with event information.

Budget: Randy Howard, Larry Akins, Ray Queen – Ray Queen said the committee members will meet with the new president and treasurer to work on budget.

Charity: Michelle Finn, Judy Giovanoni, Sonja Giffhorn – Michelle said the Christmas giving tree with ornaments will be available at the October meeting. Gifts should be returned at the November meeting.

Judy Giovanoni thanked everyone for the donations of sleepers for Newborns in Need. The campaign continues through October if anyone would still like to help.

Karen took time out from committee reports to congratulate newlyweds Bob and Peggy Bradley on their summer wedding and to welcome them to the meeting!

VA Garden: Marty Dooley, Karen Price – Marty said restrictions have been put in place at the VA due to the virus and at the present time volunteers are not able to help at the garden. Marty will let us know when that restriction is lifted.

Parade: Michelle Paillou, Rick Frierdich – Michelle Paillou announced that the club

received the Outstanding Classic Entry award in the Webster Groves 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. The award was available for all to see. Approximately 25 club cars participated this year.

Rick Frierdich said the St. Louis Veterans Day Parade will be held on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheet is available. Plans will be made for lunch after the parade. Staging area will be at the Ameren lot at Chouteau and 18<sup>th</sup> Street. From there, cars will move to the staging area with parade start at 12 noon. Club will provide rides for Gold Star Mothers and possibly dignitaries.

Club members traditionally mount military service flags or USA flags on cars. Flags may be ordered from Mid America Motor Works or Zip Corvettes. Rick can order retired service branch flags for anyone interested – a sign-up list is available. POW-MIA flags may also be purchased for use on left side of car.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report: Judy Dooley – The Dooleys, Howards and Luebckes attended the 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at the Museum over Labor Day weekend. Ruth and Randy's car was chosen as Celebrity Choice Award winner by Harlan Charles, head Corvette Product Manager for GM. Marty and Judy met the new Museum CEO and got to see some of the new car colors. Current exhibit is "Corvette Powered" which opened Memorial Day weekend. It will be available until late April 2022. A new exhibit will open in October. The Hot Wheels display is scheduled to be revealed in 2022.

Karen Price thanked Marty and Judy for the "millions" of Hot Wheels that they have donated to the Museum.

History: Marty Dooley, Ron Hagenow, Peggy Craig – Karen thanked the committee for the "fabulous" monthly newsletter articles.

Website: Steve Kirby – Steve was absent. It was mentioned that the newsletter was submitted to the NCM competition for judging but did not win this year.

NCCC Governor's Report: Jeff Craig – NCCC meetings will be held at Westport in St. Louis September 11 and 12 for anyone who might be interested in attending. Jeff announced that he will be running for Midwest Regional Competition Director. If he is chosen, he will not be continuing as NCCC governor.

Our own Angie Midkiff is ranked 6<sup>th</sup> in the Ladies Midwest region standings. John Midkiff is ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the Men's Midwest region standings. Congratulations to both of them! And Angie's new mantra is "Gas, gas, gas, brake!" Feel free to ask her about that!

Nominating: Judy Dooley, Ruth Howard – Judy said that positions needing to be filled in November elections will be president, secretary, treasurer, membership and sergeant at arms. Please let her or Ruth know if you are interested in helping the club in one of these positions or if you would like to nominate a fellow club member for a particular position.

Sponsor Report: Mark Gerecke – Mark said they have 35-40 new cars on the lot – Chevys and Cadillacs. He said service and business is good. He mentioned the new Corvette colors – hypersonic gray and caffeine! Congratulations to Judy Giovanoni who has an order in for a '22 suburban.

By-Laws: Committee member John Midkiff announced results of voting on ballots – all revisions to the by-laws passed with between 44-48 yes votes out of a possible 54. Thanks to committee members for the work done on this.

Vice President's Report: Karen Price reviewed past events and shared dates of upcoming events. Additional information is available on the club's website.

### **Past & Future Events**

**Be sure to check club website for event details.**

#### **Past Events**

- Mystery Run to Maeystown, IL planned by Sonja and Jerry Giffhorn on August 7<sup>th</sup>. It was hot and humid but lots of interesting places to see!
- Retirees' Lunch to Ethyl's Smokehouse on August 11. Thanks to Marc Portman for planning this.
- "Corvettes, Camaros and Collectibles in the Vineyard" charity car show at Chaumette Winery in Ste. Genevieve on August 14. Planned by Rich and Theresa Luebcke. The majority of cars on display were Corvettes. Auction donations included a flint brick from the NCM and a flag flown over the Missouri National Veterans Memorial in Perryville. Thanks to Angie and John Midkiff, Ron Hagenow, Pat Ross, Rick Frierdich, Marty and Judy Dooley for help given during the day. Congratulations to Michelle Paillou for winning a special award. The event raised over \$4500!
- Fritz's on August 29 planned by Peggy Bradley. About 6 couples attended.
- Drive-by for Carl Cox on August 31 to celebrate a successful Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. on the previous day. 15 cars participated. Organized by Marcia Sheer.
- Cars and Coffee at Teleo Coffee Shop in Kirkwood on September 3. Planned by Jim and Bev Givens.

### **Future Events**

- September 11 – "Kicks on Route 66" Memorial Car show in Edwardsville, Illinois. Sponsored by Jim Givens.
- September 12 – Mike Kirby Memorial at 1 p.m. at Liederkrantz Park in Millstadt, Illinois. Sandwiches, chips and drinks will be provided. You may bring hand-held desserts. Bring lawn chairs and photos of Mike to share. Please drive your Corvette and wear club shirts. No RSVP is needed. See club website for information.
- September 15 – Retirees' lunch sponsored by Dana and Diana Griggs. 12:00 at Walnut Grill – 1386 Clarkson-Clayton Center in Ellisville.
- September 17-18 – Funfest at Mid America Motorworks in Effingham, Illinois.

- September 25 – Club picnic at Cliff Cave Park in Oakville. Road rally will begin at 10:00 – be sure to have a navigator! Plan to eat around 1 p.m. Per CDC guidelines, will need to wear masks while going through food line. Hand sanitizer will be provided. A sign-up list is available. Please indicate food item you will bring. Meat will be provided. Games will also be available. The entire Riverside Shelter is rented for our club.
- September 26 - Fritz's ice cream run sponsored by Peggy Bradley.
- October 2 – Route 66 and our St. Louis Corvette Club are sponsoring this two-day autocross at Smartt Field in St. Charles. Contact Jeff Craig for more information. Come and watch Ron Hagenow chase cones!
- October 2 – Car Show at Faith Baptist Church in Festus sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens. 9-2 pm. \$15 registration fee.
- October 2 – Club hayride sponsored by Mark and Kim Gerecke. 6 p.m. at Dickherber Farms in Dardenne Prairie. Hot dogs will be provided. Bring your own grilling sticks, drinks, side dishes, chairs. Side dishes will not be shared due to Covid restrictions. Special thanks to Mark and Kim for doing this for the club.
- October 3 – Day 2 of Route 66 and St. Louis Corvette Club two-day autocross at Smartt Field in St. Charles. Jeff Craig has volunteered to give course rides today!!
- October 5 – Club meeting at Jilly's – 7 p.m.
- October 6 - Retiree's lunch - NEW DATE! (moved to first Wednesday to allow for those going on Kentucky trip later in month). Sponsored by Kirt and Marcia Sheer. 11:30 at Frankie Gianino's Restaurant in Imperial.
- October 7-10 – Eureka Springs Weekend
- October 16-24 – Fall Kentucky Trip. Sponsored by Ken and Barb Payne. More information will be provided at the October meeting including an exciting itinerary at the NCM thanks to the Dooleys.
- October 24 - Fritz's ice cream run sponsored by Peggy Bradley. This will be the LAST Fritz's event for this year.
- October 30 – Gateway Classic Cars "Trunk or Treat" Family Event in O'Fallon, Illinois. Sponsored by Jim Givens. Sign-up sheet is available. From 9-2 p.m.



- November 2 - Club meeting with officer elections at Jilly's at 7 p.m.

NOTE: There is no regular club meeting in December.

- December 11 – Club Christmas Party at Royale Orleans at 2801 Telegraph Road in St. Louis. Sponsored by Chris Woods and Judy Dooley. From 6-10 p.m. Cash bar (cash only, no credit cards or checks) with buffet dinner at 7 p.m. Event will be “Covid friendly.” \$35 per person. Can pay Chris at club picnic or at November meeting. All must be paid by November 26.

Michelle Paillou and Rick Luebcke mentioned that Bloomington Gold will once again be held back in Bloomington, Illinois – June 10 and 11, 2022. May present an opportunity for a club road trip. Hotels in the area are somewhat limited. Block of rooms with 1 day pass is available for \$25; block with 2 day pass is available for \$45. Let Michelle know if you would like to reserve rooms.

Karen again thanked the Trosts for providing tonight's cake.

Dennis Trost made a motion to donate the club's portion of tonight's 50/50 pot (\$95.00 split equally) to Honor Flight and ALS in honor of Carl Cox and Mike Kirby. The motion was seconded by Michelle Paillou and approved by the membership.

Rick Frierdich won \$95.00 in the 50/50 drawing. Karen Price and Kathy Wooldridge were the attendance prize winners. Poster winners were Dana Griggs, Peggy Bradley, Pat Ross, Bob Kusky and Pat Moore. Thanks to Dale and Valerie Zeisset for donating the posters.

There were 54 members in attendance, 2 sponsors and 2 guests.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Jilly's.

Acting President Karen Price asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rich

Luebcke made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded and accepted. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mary Ann Hagenow  
Acting Secretary

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Celebration of Mike Kirby's Life

IN LOVING  
*Memory*



**JAMES MICHAEL KIRBY**

**2-15-52 TO 8-31-21**

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021, 1:00 PM**

LIEDERKRANZ PARK, MILLSTADT, IL

**JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION OF MIKE'S LIFE**

LIGHT FOOD WILL BE SERVED.

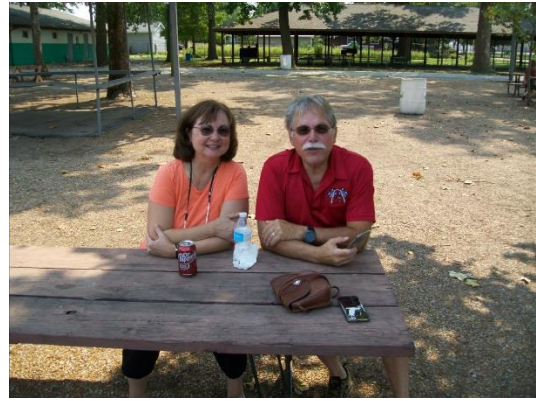
PLEASE WEAR A MASK AND BRING A  
LAWN CHAIR SO SOCIAL DISTANCING  
GUIDELINES CAN BE FOLLOWED











## Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

### NCM Ambassadors Report

I hope this finds everyone in good health. We recently lost a good member of our club so hopefully everyone is safe.

If you purchase items for your Corvette on Amazon, please use the "Amazon Smile" function because a part of the proceeds go to the National Corvette Museum. It would be greatly appreciated.

The NCM is going to have a mobile exhibit on November 3-9 to honor all of the people who lost their lives on 9/11 including those of the FDNY. This exhibit is put on by the Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Their high-tech 53 foot tractor trailer transforms into a 1,000 square foot exhibit which is a tool to educate people throughout our country about the events that took place on that tragic day.

The Hot Wheels exhibit will take place in the summer of 2022. We will have more about this exhibit in the near future.

Did you know that Richard Petty of Richard Petty Motorsports and his NASCAR driver Eric Jones went to the NCM and toured the museum? Eric Jones has four of his own Corvettes.

If you haven't toured the museum, you should put it on your to do list.

Judy and Marty Dooley  
NCM Ambassadors

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## **Future Events**





**ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB**

**ANNUAL HAYRIDE SPONSORED BY ELCO**

**SATURDAY – OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6:00 pm**

**Dickherber Farms  
7063 Highway N  
Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368**



**Please come out and join us for a great night around the firepit cooking hotdogs, sharing stories, and going for a ride on the hay wagon!**

**Hotdogs are furnished by ELCO. Please bring your own sides, snacks, desserts, and your own drinks. Don't forget your chairs to sit around the fire pit. Don't forget to bring a hot dog stick!**

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# CAR SHOW

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11835 County Road CC  
Festus, MO 63028  
[www.FaithFestus.com](http://www.FaithFestus.com)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021**

**9:00AM - 2:00PM**

**REGISTRATION**

**9:00AM - 11:00AM**

**\$15 REGISTRATION FEE**

All proceeds benefit:

Hand'n Hand Pregnancy Help Center, Barnhart, MO  
and

MyLife Medical & Resource Center, High Ridge, MO

*Judged Show -*

*Official judging by non-participants*

*Awards for Car & Truck*

*(1st, \$100) (2nd, \$75) (3rd, \$50)*

*People's Choice Awards*

*(\$100 Car/Truck, \$100 Motorcycle)*

*Kids Choice*

*(\$25 Car/Truck, \$25 Motorcycle)*

**FOOD!**

**50/50 DRAWING!**

**DOOR PRIZES!**

No Alcohol Please



Route 66 Corvette Club &  
St. Louis Corvette Club  
Present 12 Low-Speed Events  
**NEW LOCATION FOR THIS YEAR**  
October 2nd and 3rd, 2021  
\*\* Air Conditioned indoor restrooms \*\*

**Saturday**

Low Speed 1 – MW470-001  
Low Speed 2 – MW470-002  
Low Speed 3 – MW470-003  
Low Speed 4 – MW470-004  
Low Speed 5 – MW470-005  
Low Speed 6 – MW522-001  
Low Speed 7 – MW522-002

**Event Fees**

\$10.00 per event NCCC  
\$15.00 per event non-NCCC (Guests)  
\$90.00 all 12 events **NCCC ONLY**

**Sunday**

Low Speed 8 – MW470-006  
Low Speed 9 – MW470-007  
Low Speed 10 – MW470-008  
Low Speed 11 – MW470-009  
Low Speed 12 – MW470-010

**Location**

St. Charles County Airport  
6390 Grafton Ferry Rd,  
Portage Des Sioux, MO 63373

**NO pre-registration for this event, (register day of events)**

See Page 2 for Map/Hotel Info

**Registration & Tech (Times are Central Time)**

**Saturday, October 2nd, 2021**  
Registration: 7:30AM to 8:30AM  
Tech: 8:00 AM to 8:45AM  
Drivers Meeting: 9:00AM  
1<sup>st</sup> Car Off: 9:15AM  
Events 2 thru 7 to follow 1<sup>st</sup> Event

**Sunday, October 3rd, 2021**  
Registration: 7:30 AM to 8:15AM  
Tech: 8:00 AM to 8:30AM  
Driver's Meeting: 8:45AM  
1<sup>st</sup> Car Off: 9:00AM  
Events 9 thru 12 to follow 8th Event

R66CC Governor

**Tom Reitz**

**314-496-3155 cell**

[fastclass95@yahoo.com](mailto:fastclass95@yahoo.com)

Chairperson(s) Announced at  
Driver's Meeting

**FOOD & BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE AT TRACK (proceeds to charity)**

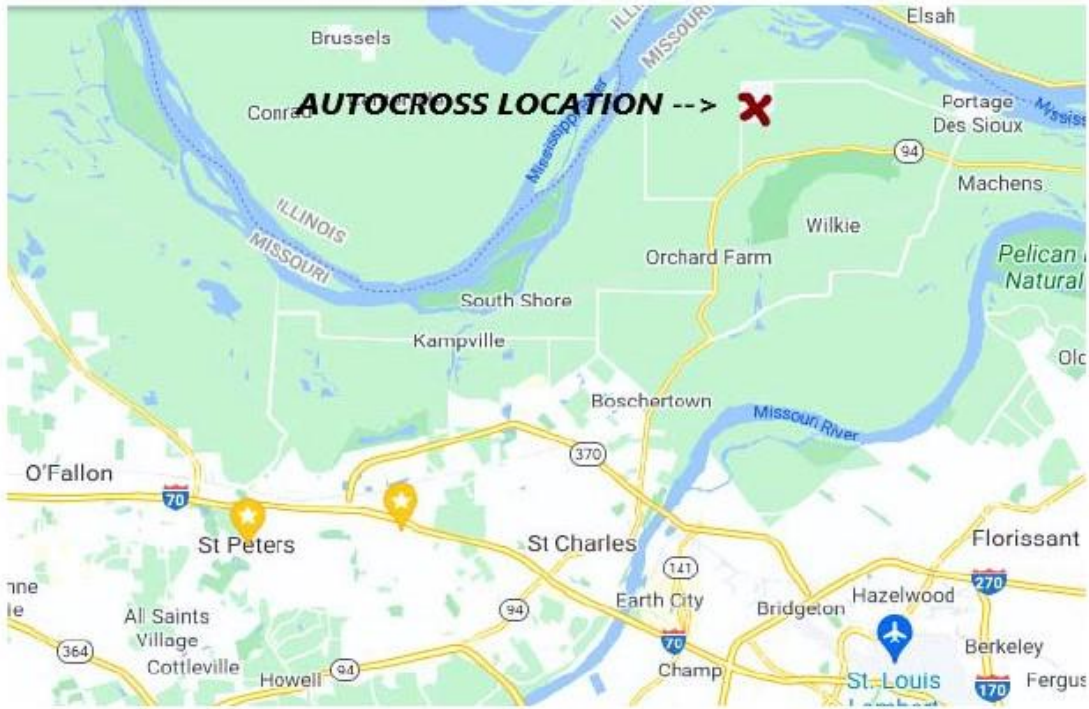
Small breakfast items, Lunch, Coffee, Water & Soda  
All Available for Purchase.

\*NO break for lunch, food available until approx.  
1:30P.M.

- > **ALL PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE MUST SIGN WAIVER FORM**
- > **MUST Present Valid Driver's License to Participate**
- > **Any CURENT COVID-19 rules will apply**
- > **NO Alcoholic Beverages Permitted**
- > **Non-corvettes placed in "guest" class only**
- > **CLOSED Exhaust, reasonable noise level**
- > **MUST respect airport grounds, NO burnouts, please remove all trash**

**Numbers will be assigned by registration for  
all entrants who do not have permanent  
numbers in the MWR. There will be a \$10  
per day fee for MWR members requesting specific numbers**





**St. Charles County Airport  
6390 Grafton Ferry Rd.  
Portage Des Sioux, MO 63373**

**\*\*To get to airport travel EAST on MO. Hwy-94 from I-370 exit #7, 8 miles, turn LEFT on Grafton Ferry RD (airport sign on right) and travel 1.3 miles North, airport entrance is on right side.\*\***

**\*\*Holiday Inn and Sleep Inn located off I-370 at exit #5 (New Town BLVD. / Elm Street)\*\***

**HOTELS near Autocross Site – St. Charles Missouri area**

- Holiday Inn Express 3098 Elm Point Industrial Drive, St. Charles, Missouri 63301 (636)-757-100 - \$105/ night
- Sleep Inn, 150 Fountain Lakes Blvd., Saint Charles, MO, 63301 (636) 947-0330 - \$85/night
- Comfort Inn, 100 Comfort Inn Drive, O'Fallon, MO 63366 (636-696-8000) - \$100/night
- Super 8, 987 West Terra Lane, O'Fallon, MO 63366 (636-272-7272) - \$65/night
- Red Roof Inn, 2010 Zumbuhl Road, St. Charles, MO (636-947-7770) - \$85/night

MANY OTHER HOTELS AVAILABLE IN AREA  
NO SPECIAL PRICING OR HOST HOTEL  
SOME HOTELS NOT LISTED HERE, LACK SPACE FOR TRAILERS, CHECK WITH HOTEL.

***\*Note: Cars and trailers MAY be left overnight at autocross site, security is limited, Route 66 Corvette Club is NOT responsible for property left overnight. Site is in the country, away from population. Motor homes ARE permitted to stay on site as long as they are self contained. Motor home parking is at far end of airport, approximately 1,000 feet from autocross area. Consult Route 66 CC worker for parking information day of events.***

October 6, 2021 Corvette Club Luncheon

Frankie Gianino's, Imperial, MO  
Hosted by Kirt and Marcia Sheer

NOTE: DATE CHANGED DUE TO MANY PEOPLE BEING ON KENTUCKY TRIP ON OUR REGULAR 3<sup>RD</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH



DATE & TIME: Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Frankie Gianino's Grill and Bar, 1209 Main St., Imperial, MO 63052

MENU: <http://dinefq.com/menu.htm>

I made reservations for the outside patio tables, because Kirt and I aren't eating inside restaurants at this time. If the weather doesn't cooperate that day, Frankie Gianino's knows that some people may choose to eat inside. Marcia

Please text or call Marcia Sheer at 314.603.1524 if you can attend.

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# St. Louis Veterans Day Parade

Saturday, November 6, 2021

Meet: 9:30 am at Ameren Parking Lot

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

Departing: 9:50 am to Staging Area

Parade Starts at 10:30 am

Vicinity: Union Station

Noon- "Ceremony & Celebration

At Soldier's Memorial

Lunch after the parade at [Syberg's](#)

2211 Market Street

Parking at the Bank or at the Restaurant

Questions: Call/Text Rick F. at 314-223-0969

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**ST LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB  
ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY**  
Royale Orleans  
2801 Telegraph Road 63129  
Saturday, December 11, 2021  
(6:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.)  
Cocktails – 6:00 p.m.(cash bar)  
Dinner – 7: p.m. (Buffet)

Buffet (Tenderloin of Beef Medallion with Sauce La Fritte;  
Chicken Cordon Bleu; Sautéed Green Beans; Glazed  
Baby Carrots; Potatoes Royale; Chef Salad, Dinner Rolls  
with Butter; Dessert; Coffee, Tea and Soda.

**Cost - \$35.00 per person** (Payment  
to be made to "St. Louis Corvette Club")

Please RSVP by November 26, 2021 to Chris Woods at  
[woods1890@sbcglobal.net](mailto:woods1890@sbcglobal.net) or 314-846-6176

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## Past Events

# September Retiree Lunch

Sponsored by Dana & Diana Griggs









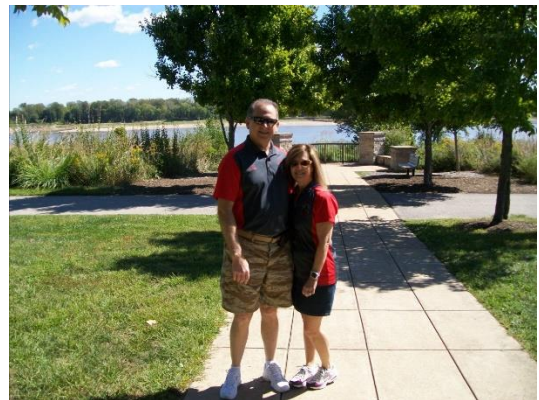


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# The St. Louis Corvette Club Annual Picnic















# Ice Cream at Fritz's

Sponsored by Peggy Craig Bradley













## Special Announcements

# Howard's Corvette Wins Award at NCM



Harlan Charles, Head Product Manager for GM, chose Ruth and Randy Howard's Corvette for the Best in Show - Celebrity Choice Award at the NCM Labor Day event. Congratulations Ruth and Randy!

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## Articles

# The St. Louis Corvette Club

## Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

History Committee: Ron Hagenow, Marty Dooley, Mike Price and  
Peggy Craig Bradley

In October 2007, Bill Dotson was our President and our meetings were held at Pietro's Bluffs. Lynch Hummer was our sponsor and we had 71 members in the club. Relatively new members Randy and Ruth Howard were introduced. They had a 2007 Atomic Orange Z06 at that time (this was before Randy got his frequent buyer card from ELCO). It was reported that 20 cars caravanned up to Effingham for Funfest in the previous month. Plans were also under way for our annual trip to Eureka Springs, AR. Other events planned for the month were a car show at Lynch Hummer (I seem to remember a bunch of us "test" driving a black 2007 Z06 they had) as well as a hayride at Greensfelder Park. Michelle Paillou's 1958 and Bob Woods' 1964 recently won awards at two different car shows.

Ruth Howard was our President in October 2013 and our meeting was held that month at TJ Wings. We had 81 members in the club. A car show was being planned for later this month at ELCO. Other events in the planning stages were a Happy Hour at Terrazzo Grill and an ELCO sponsored bonfire and hayride. Marty and Judy Dooley reported that they toured the soon to be opened Motorsports Park at the NCM. While there they also received their Master Ambassador Certificate. A warm congratulations to Larry Akins on his recent retirement. We also received a thank you for our recent donations of snacks and other items to our deployed soldiers in Afghanistan.

President Ray Queen welcomed everyone to the October 2018 meeting. We had 100 members at that time with 13 on a waiting list. Plans were being made for our annual trip to Eureka Springs as well as a trip to Utah in 2019 sponsored by Ken and

Barb Payne. Plans were also being made for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Caravan to the NCM for next year as well. A chili cook-off and car show was being planned for later in the month at ELCO. In the previous month, our club and Route 66 sponsored an autocross and Michelle Paillou brought out her '58 to show them that her car still has what it takes to get the job done.



Several of our cars in front of a B-25 from the Corvettes and Warbirds show in October 2010. Then member Steve Lyle brought his plane and gave many of us rides.



From October 2008, as they say, whatever happens in Eureka Springs stays in Eureka Springs so we don't know what the biker babe did with these guys.





Some of our members at the hayride in October 2013. Hey, Gary and Debbie aren't in casts!



Ladies enjoying the run to Josephine's Tea Room in October 2014.

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## More History

By Marty Dooley



In 2006, our Corvette club joined the National Corvette Museum as a club/business member. We have reached a milestone as a 15 year member supporting the NCM. With this support, we are helping the NCM keep the past, present, and future of the Corvette lifestyle we all enjoy.

## Z06 Corvette vs Hellcat 707 HP Drag Racing

Submitted by Terry Mueller





**WHO WILL WIN?** Click below to find out.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=buzsasTfC4s&t=1s>

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## Corvette Facts

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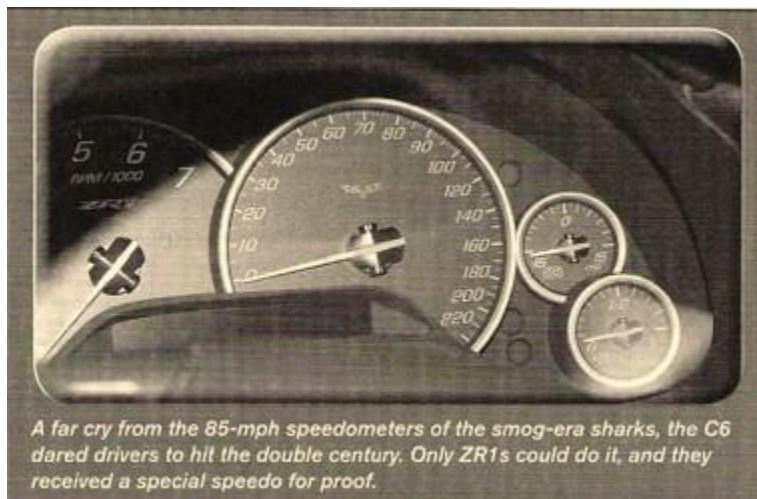
No. 774: One of the cars damaged during the 2014 sinkhole incident at the National Corvette Museum was a 2009 ZR1 Corvette. Also known as the Blue Devil, imaginative pundits jabbed that 'ol Beelzebub was trying to snatch the car away. To help raise funds for the restoration of that car and seven other Corvettes sucked into the 30-foot-deep, 45-foot-wide, and 60-foot long hole, the museum gift shop sold glass jars filled with dirt and debris from the sinkhole for \$10 a shot. Although the incident was unfortunate, security-camera footage of the event has been viewed millions of times online and greatly boosted museum visitation.

No. 815: Dubbed the LS7, the 427-ci Z06 engine was the first push-rod-equipped



engine in GM history designed to exceed the 7,000-rpm mark and do it all day. Its key to success was a reduced mass of moving parts. To achieve it, ultra-exotic and expensive titanium was used for the connecting rods and intake valves. Instantly awarded recognition from prestigious engineering publications and institutions around the globe, the LS7 stood as the pinnacle of naturally aspirated, OHV-engine design and rightfully quieted critics of “stone-age” pushrod/rocker-arm engine architecture.

No. 852: Inside the 2009 ZR1, drivers encountered a 220-mph speedometer, the highest ever, surpassing even the 1963 Grand Sport’s 200-mph dial face. As the first production Corvette capable of breaking 200 mph, the ZR1 was a true top-speed threat to cars including the Porsch 911 GT2, the Ferrari 599, and even the Lamborghini LP640.



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