



**Sponsored By
ELCO Chevrolet**



President's Message

Welcome to 2022!!!!

2021 was a year of ups and downs.

We had many events this year, from numerous people involved in the VA Garden upkeep, to our monthly Coffee & Corvettes events, to the Luau at the Grubb's house, numerous retiree's luncheons, the awesome trip through Kentucky, the parades and the annual Christmas Party, just to name a few. Let's not forget about Carl's Honor Flight to Washington DC back in August. What an exciting event to honor Carl's military service. It was a great year for events and participation.

Sadly, we had to say goodbye to Gene Glandt and Mike Kirby, we've had numerous surgeries, hospital stays and injuries, with some members still in their healing process.

Onward to 2022, a year yet defined. We all have a blank canvas and can make 2022 whatever we want it to be. Bev and I pray for a healthy and spiritual year for each of you.

Stay Warm & Safe,

Jim

Meeting and Event Cancellations

Due to the increase of Covid cases in the St Louis area, the board has agreed to cancel all club sponsored events in the month of January. We hope we will be able to hold our monthly meeting on February 1st at Jilly's. The board will keep you posted on any changes.

Thanks,
Jim

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Joe Vogt	Jan 1
Jenny Lanter	Jan 6
Mary Ann Hagenow	Jan 9
Mike Price	Jan 11
Kathy Craig	Jan 12
Larry Akins	Jan 20

Michelle Paillou	Jan 23
Marty Dooley	Jan 25
Carl Cox	Jan 26

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Angie Midkiff	Jan 12
Joe & Loretta Vogt	Jan 13
Ken & Barbie Payne	Jan 16
Randy & Ruth Howard	Jan 19

Meeting Minutes

The St. Louis Corvette Club met at Jilly's Café & Steakhouse on November 2, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Givens @ 7:00 p.m. Jim offered up a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Introduction of Officers:

President: Jim Givens	Vice President: Karen Price
Membership: Mike Kunst	Treasurer: Marcia Sheer
Secretary: Bev Givens	Sargent at Arms: Bruce Wooldridge served as interim Sargent of Arms
Immediate past president: Don Pickles	Sponsor: ELCO Chevrolet Mark & Kim Gerecke

President Jim Givens welcomed everyone to the meeting. A special welcome to new member, Brandon (Leslie) Hoosier joining tonight and lifetime member Marian

Glandt. Guests in attendance were John and Joyce Jordan.

President Jim Givens reminded members there would be a 50/50 drawing, attendance prize drawing, and sign-up sheets for attendance and future events were available.

A motion was requested to accept the October secretary's minutes as published. Marty Dooley made a motion to accept the minutes and they were seconded by Judy Dooley. The motion passed.

Notes and cards of thanks from Michelle Finn, Judy Giovanoni, Sonya Giffhorn, Patty & Jeff Craig and Honor Flight donation in honor of Carl Cox were shared by Bev Givens, Marcia Sheer and Karen Price.

Erin Duke expressed appreciation to the club on behalf of Gary and herself and the Duke family regarding Chase's injury and recovery. Erin stated the family has been overwhelmed by the continued support through prayer, calls, texts, and gifts to help make the hospital stay a little easier and lessen the financial burden. Gary will be traveling to Jacksonville, FL to be with Chase during the next phase of his rehabilitation. Your continued prayers are appreciated!

Marcia Sheer presented the treasurer's report for the month of October. Ken Payne made a motion to accept the report and it was seconded by Bob Bradley. The motion passed.

Membership Chairman Mike Kunst read the names of the upcoming birthdays and anniversaries for November and December. Membership changes since the October 2021 Business Meeting are as follows:

New members added since October Business Meeting

- None

Members leaving since October Business Meeting

- Tina and Frank Burkhardt

Current membership totals:

- Regular Members:100 (includes 12 Charter Members)
- Lifetime Members:7 (includes 2 Charter Members)
- Associate Members:12
- Total Members:119 (excludes sponsors)

Membership Waiting List

- Maggie and Steve Hedgorth

Charter Members

- Sharon Ballinger
- Patty & Jeff Craig
- Peggy Craig Bradley
- Judy & Marty Dooley
- June Fain
- Rich Frierdich
- Teresa & Rich Luebcke
- Karen & Mike Price
- Chris & Bob Woods

Committee Reports:

Sponsor Report: ELCO is still looking for cars. There is a 2020 on the lot with 5,000 miles purchased from the Burkhardts. The new Cadillac sales building is scheduled to open on December 15th! Mark announced that ELCO is happy to continue their sponsorship of St. Louis Corvette Club for the upcoming year! Mark announced the hayride has been rescheduled for Sunday, November 7th @ 4:00 p.m.

Charity: Michelle Finn/Judy Giovanoni/Sonja Giffhorn – Jerry & Jackie, representatives from Vincent St. Paul were present to accept the gifts donated by club members. They expressed their appreciation for the club's continued support and generosity in making Christmas special for the three families. Michelle stated she was still needing a donation for a bicycle and an outdoor basketball hoop.

Christmas Party: Chris Woods, Judy Dooley – Christmas party is scheduled for December 11th @ Royal Orleans @ 6:00 p.m. There will be a cash bar. No credit or debit cards will be accepted. Please be sure to sign up and pay Chris Woods.

Parade: Michelle Paillou, Rick Frierdich – Rick Frierdich confirmed the Veterans parade would be held on November 6th and shared information on the parade route which is different this year. Members should meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Ameren parking lot. All cars should be displaying flags. We will once again be driving gold star parents, and there will be lunch immediately following the parade. For more information, please contact Rick.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report: Judy Dooley shared information on Twinkle on the Tracks (Christmas Lights) which will take place Fridays and Saturdays from 4:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. from Thanksgiving through Christmas. Thanks to the KY trip another 5,000 Hot Wheels Corvettes were delivered to the museum for a lifetime total of over 15,000 cars! There was a reminder about participating in the raffle for the Corvette Museum banner.

Website: Steve Kirby – On target.

History Committee: Ron Hagenow, Marty Dooley, Peggy Craig – On target.

NCCC Governor's Report – Congratulations to Jeff Craig for being elected to the Regional Competition Director of the Midwest Region. Jeff has recommended that Larry Walker take his position as the NCCC Governor. Larry gave an update regarding recent events and informed the club he would be attending a Governor's meeting 11/13 – 11/14 and there would be a vote on a new rule book.

VA Garden – Marty Dooley, Karen Price – Marty made a correction to the communication for the VA Garden clean-up date. The date is 11/13 @ 10:00 a.m. Volunteers will enter through the 2nd entrance on the main road. If you have questions, please contact Marty Dooley.

Budget Committee: Randy Howard, Larry Akins, Ray Queen – On target

By-laws Committee: John Midkiff, Valerie Zeisset, Mike Price – On target

Newsletter – Kathy Mueller – Thanks to Kathy for a job well done!

Nominating Committee – Ruth Howard, Judy Dooley – There was a vote for open board positions. The following individuals were voted in to join President Jim Givens and Vice-President Karen Price for the upcoming year. Secretary – Angie Midkiff, Sargent at Arms – Jack Braznell, Membership – Judy Giovanoni and Treasurer – Patti Kusky. Congratulations to all!

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

the club's website.

Past & Future Events

Thanks to all the event organizers! It's great to see our club members out fellowshipping with each other!

Past Events

- 10/6 – Retiree's lunch @ Frankie Gs in Imperial, Mo sponsored by Marcia and Kirt Sheer.
- 10/7 – 10/10 – Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend.
- 10/15 – 10/26 – All Things KY Road Trip sponsored by Barb & Ken Payne and assisted by Mike Kunst and Terry & Kathy Mueller.
- 10/23 – Coffee & Corvettes – Puna Café in Arnold, MO sponsored by Jim & Bev Givens
- 10/24 – Fritz's Ice Cream Run sponsored by Peggy Craig
- 10/30 – Gateway Classic Car Show / Trunk or Treat in O'Fallon, IL.

Future Events

- 11/6 – Veterans Day Parade sponsored by Rick Frierdich
- 11/7 – ELCO Hayride and Bonfire – 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Dickherber's Farm
- 11/13 – VA Garden Clean-up Day sponsored by the Dooleys.
- 11/17 – Retiree's Luncheon @ Mr. BBQ at Mystic Oak Golf Course – 11:30 a.m. – sponsored by the Grubbs.

- 12/8 – Retiree’s Luncheon @ Twisted Tavern in Arnold, MO – sponsored by The Zeissets.
- 12/11 – Christmas Party at The Royal Orleans – 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. – sponsored by Judy Dooley and Chris Woods.
- 1/1/22 – Twelve Days of Christmas party at the Price’s house.

Thank you to Linda Roth for providing the cakes for dessert.

Congratulations to Ruth Howard for winning \$93.00 in the 50/50 drawing.

Congratulations to lucky winners Joyce and John Jordan for winning attendance prize gift cards. Other members were winners of various prizes including passes to Gateway Car Museum and special Corvette Museum lanyards.

There were 52 members in attendance, 1 Lifetime member, 2 sponsors and 2 guests.

President Jim Givens asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michelle Finn made a motion to adjourn. Tom Marlo seconded the motion. Motion accepted.

Respectfully,

Bev Givens
Secretary

Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

NCM Ambassadors Report

As most of you may know the National Corvette Museum properties were hit by the recent tornadoes. This happened in the early morning hours on December 11. The museum was spared by the devastating damage, but the amphitheater and Motorsport Park were not. The Motorsport Park had damage to some Corvettes that had been stored there and has cancelled all events including the Twinkle at the Track until further notice.

Bowling Green itself had a lot of damage and as far as I have heard, all of the NCM staff are all safe and fine. Right now they are working to clean up the debris from the MSP.

The NCM was closed on December 11 & 12 because of no power to the area, and the roads were in bad condition due to the debris field.

The Corvette plant had a fire on the roof and has stopped production for about a week. The fire at the assembly plant caused damage to the employee entrance.

After the storm, the NCM team verified that all the vehicles in the NCM collection were all safe including the vehicles on loan.

Hoping everyone was safe.

Judy and Marty Dooley
NCM Ambassadors



Pictures of the Motorsport Park damage.

Past Events

Ice Cream at Fritz's

Sponsored by Peggy Craig Bradley











December Retiree Lunch

Sponsored by Dale and Valerie Ziesset







Christmas Party

Sponsored by Chris Woods and Judy Dooley





Our Christmas Party Planners, Chris Woods and Judy Dooley













Thanks to our Sponsor, ELCO Chevrolet!

All Things Kentucky Trip

Planned by Master Trip Organizer Barb Payne with Ken Payne

Assisted by Kathy & Terry Mueller and Mike Kunst

The All Things Kentucky Trip continues with stops at Mammoth Cave, Shaker Village at Pleasant Hill, Lincoln's Birthplace, and Barton 1792 Distillery over two days.

Sunday, October 17, 2021

First stop today is Mammoth Cave National Park. Rolling hills, deep river valleys, and the world's longest known cave system. Mammoth Cave National Park is home to thousands of years of human history and a rich diversity of plant and animal life, earning it the title of UNESCO World Heritage Site and International Biosphere Reserve.







After a picnic lunch in Mammoth Cave NP, we drive to Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill. Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is a landmark destination that shares 3,000 acres of discovery in the spirit of the Kentucky Shakers. Home to the third largest Shaker community in the United States between 1805 and 1910, the vibrant site offers experiences designed to ignite curiosity, expand imaginations and inspire generations. We have dinner at the Trustee's Table in Shaker Village.





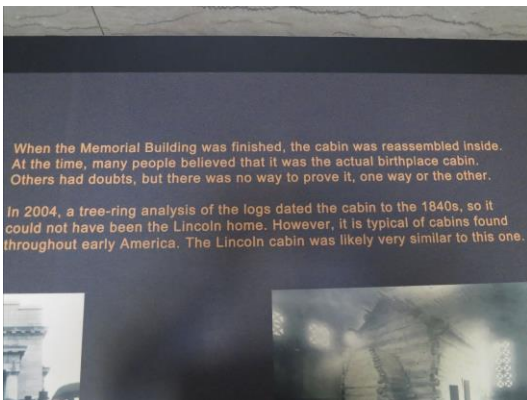




Monday, October 18, 2021

After a peaceful night at Shaker Village, we travel to Lincoln's Birthplace, the first Lincoln Memorial. For over a century people from around the world have come to rural Central Kentucky to honor the humble beginnings of our 16th president, Abraham Lincoln. His early life on Kentucky's frontier shaped his character and prepared him to lead the nation through Civil War. The country's first memorial to Lincoln, built with donations from young and old, enshrines the symbolic birthplace cabin.





We travel to Bardstown and have a quick boxed lunch. After lunch we head over to Barton 1792 Distillery for a tour. Barton 1792 Distillery was established in 1879 and continues today as the oldest fully operating Distillery in Bardstown, Kentucky. Situated in heart of bourbon country on 196 acres, the Distillery boasts 29 barrel aging warehouses, 22 other buildings including an impressive still house, and the

legendary Tom Moore Spring. Named in honor of the year Kentucky joined the United States, Barton 1792 offers tours of the distillery and complimentary tastings.













We have a bit of free time to explore Bardstown before our dinner reservation at Talbot's Tavern. Since the late 1700s, the Old Talbott Tavern, located in historic Bardstown on Court Square has provided shelter, food, and drink to Kentucky travelers.





We will continue our trip report in the next edition of the STLCC Newsletter.

Articles

The St. Louis Corvette Club Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

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

Happy New Year from your History Committee! This month we are going to touch on several topics.

Historically the club's first meeting of the new year is our planning meeting where we lay out some of our club events and start to fill in the yearly planning calendar. With this in mind, here is a look back at some of our previous planning meetings. Also included are some of our previous events which might inspire you to sponsor an event in the coming year. It's not hard and there is always someone to help you.



In 2009 we had tables where members concentrated on a specific topic, like short cruises, Sunday dinners and long trips. The table then presented their results and we filled out our events calendar.



In 2011 we had a combined session where everyone shared some ideas and the board tried to keep track of everything suggested.

To give the newer members some idea of events we've done in the past, here is a short list to get you started:

Mystery runs (usually with a dinner since we love to eat!)

Sunday cruises

Visit to the NCM

Long trips like Tail of the Dragon, Vettes on the Rockies or Elkhart Lakes, WI

Happy Hour

Autocross or Gateway Racetrack

Winery Run

Car shows

Picnic

And the new year would not be complete without a look back at usually the first event of our year, the Prices' world famous Twelfth Night of Christmas celebration. The Ugly Sweater competition is sometimes fierce and there is more food than we can possibly eat (but we all try!). Here is a small sample of previous celebrations.



From 2010, Bob Woods and his "harem".



Also from 2010, Rick promised Mary he was only going to have 1 bottle to drink.



From 2009, this picture was titled "Stimey, Darla, Marla, Buckwheat and Carla". You'll have to guess who was who from Our Gang.



And from 2008, the most popular location in the Prices' house.



Finally, from January 2020, one of our last get togethers for a long time.

2023 Chevrolet Corvette E-Ray Hybrid Official Reveal Coming Soon

Submitted by Terry Mueller



The E-Ray will be all-wheel-drive. It will have a LT2, 6.2 liter, V8 engine and an eight-speed dual-clutch transmission. Two 50+hp AC electric motors will be attached to the front axle. Total output 600hp. 0-60 mph is said to take around 2 seconds flat.

See link below for more information.

<https://gmauthority.com/blog/gm/chevrolet/corvette/corvette-e-ray/>

Featured STLCC Members and Their Corvette

Bill and Gail Mattler



Bill & Gail Mattler

Managing Editor
Columnist
Senior Photo Journalist
Photo Journalist
Aerial Photo Journalist
Archive Specialist
Publisher

Kathy Mueller
Ron Hagenow
Terry Mueller
Ruth Howard
Tom Marlo
Steve Kirby
Mike Kunst

Many Thanks To Our Sponsor

Mark Gerecke 636-227-5333
Eric DeBruin 636-227-5333



ELCO
CHEVROLET

“ WHERE CUSTOMERS ARE FIRST
AND CARS ARE SECOND TO NONE ”



Copyright © 2022 St. Louis Corvette Club, All rights reserved.

You are receiving the St. Louis Corvette Club newsletter because you are a member.

Our mailing address is:

St. Louis Corvette Club
1714 S Woodgrove Ct
Wildwood, MO 63038

[Add us to your address book](#)

Want to change how you receive these emails?
You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).

