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President's Message

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year to all!

As 2023 comes to a close, I am thankful for all of the blessings that the club has been able to enjoy together and look forward to the new adventures that will be planned in 2024 as we celebrate the 20th Anniversary of our club. We will be saying goodbye to several of our members, they will be missed, and hello to new faces that are anxious to begin having fun with us.

The Christmas party this Saturday, December 2nd, will provide an opportunity to dress up and dance the night away after enjoying a feast and entertainment that Ruth has plotted on for a full year! I hear she is still taking cash donations that will be tax deductible as a bribe 😊.

December 20th is our last luncheon for the year at Lilliana's sponsored by Rick and Pat.

December 30th is the Price's annual 12th Day of Christmas party with food, drink and fun planned.

Our annual planning meeting for 2024 will be on Sunday January 7th, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Saucy's in High Ridge (the previous Jilly's). Since we were able to meet

there after the Veterans Day parade without burning it down, I thought we would try it again. Come with ideas and events to make our 20th year memorable!

I truly wish you all peace and joy this holiday and look forward to 2024.

Karen Price,
President

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Dale Zeisset

Jenni Belding

Mary Doerr

Ruth Howard

Mike Henges

Joyce Newbauer

Russell Lauer

John Jordan

Randy Howard

Dawn Kirby

Kathy Wooldridge

Mike Grubb

Linda Pilla

Bob Rogers

Joe Vitale

Bob Woods

Michelle Finn

ANNIVERSARIES

Tom & Sherri Marlo

STLCC Anniversary Milestones

5 Year

Walsh, Brian

Walsh, June

Mueller, Kathy

Mueller, Terry

There were no 10 or 15 year club anniversaries in December.

Meeting Minutes

St. Louis Corvette Club

November 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes

- Call to order – Brandon/Jack
- Prayer – Brandon
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Officers

President: Karen Price	Vice President: Brandon Hoosier
Membership: Judy Giovanoni	Treasurer: Patti Kusky
Secretary: Leslie Hoosier	Sargent at Arms: Jack Braznell
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- Reminder: Sign-in sheet, attendance prize sign-up, 50/50 tickets, activity sign-up sheets. Please do not arrive until 6:30 p.m. to avoid disrupting ELCO business.
- Board clarified what is considered a club sponsored event: an event planned by the club for club members to attend. Different than a social event that is planned by an outside organization.
- New members & guests: Welcome guests Jenny Belding (2023 C8) and Steve & Kim Marre (1975 modified).
- John Midkiff – Support for Veterans. Still collecting travel-sized toiletries (i.e. - the size they provide in hotels) for donation to Veterans. Bring items to club meetings for donation.
- Secretary's Minutes: Correction to minutes - Retiree's lunch at Shack in Valley Park, not Chesterfield. Ken Payne motion to approve, Chris Woods seconded motion. Minutes approved.
- Treasurer's Report: Steve Kirby motion to approve, Gary Duke seconded, approved.
- Membership Report - Changes since the October 2023 Business Meeting:
- New members added:
 - Ed & Joanmarie Hartzke
 - Patrick & Jenni Belding
 - Steve & Kim Marre'
- Members leaving – none
- Associate Members added – none
- Lifetime Members added: none
- Lifetime Members leaving: none
- Current Membership Totals
- Regular Members:98
- Lifetime Members:4
- Associate Members:6

- Sponsors: 4
- Total Members: 98 (excludes sponsors)
- Membership Waiting List (14)
- John Eskew
- Joseph Vitale
- John & Kitty Lasinski (bought Payne's C6)
- Ed Flaspohler & Lisa Schuenke
- C.W. & Dee Riehlman
- Jim & Marilyn Panter
- Randy & Lisa Malmstrom
- Dave & Rhonda Simorka

Pat & Jean Rohlman were offered membership, but they feel they have too much going on, and have withdrawn.

Harry Hammer was offered membership, but he joined Rte. 66 Corvette Club.

We have several others who have asked to join, but they have not yet submitted their applications.

Lifetime member Marian Glandt: Has been caring for her Mother, who passed

in March at age 100. Marian's son has cancer now. Some other family members also have health issues. Marian does read the newsletter and she enjoys it. She hopes to attend some club activities in the future; it just hasn't worked out yet.

- Committee Reports:
 - Newsletter: Please make sure you meet the deadline if you want something included in the newsletter.

- Sponsorship: On target.
- Website update: Photo shoot at Scott Air Force Base on hold due to increased base activity from Israeli conflict. Will attempt to reschedule for spring.
- Budget: On target.
- Charity: St. Vincent de Paul had a representative at the club meeting to express gratitude for helping the families through the Giving Tree. They really appreciate the club support and the local families in need are so grateful! Thank you to all who participated this year.
- VA Garden: VA Garden clean-up day on October 21st was a success. Thank you to all who participated!
- Parade: Veterans Day parade was on November 11th. Different parade route this year. Only 3 Gold Star parents. A good time was had by all. Thank you to all the Veterans for your service and to the club members who joined in the parade! A special thanks to those who volunteered to drive city officials.
- Museum update: See Judy Dooley for updates.
- NCCC Governor's Report: If any club members are interested in NCCC membership at large, please talk to Larry Walker and he will help you! Larry spoke to Sandy Arnold and will pass along the information. Cost is \$25 for primary member and \$10 for additional member. Also see Larry for information about upcoming autocross events if you are interested. The 2024 convention will be held May 13-19. Karen Price thanked Larry for his years as NCCC Governor and presented him with a gift and recognized him for his drag racing award in the Blue Bars magazine. Thank you, Larry, for all you have done for the club!
- History: On target.

- Christmas Party: December 2nd at the Falls in Columbia, IL. There will be open bar from 6:00-9:30, cash bar from 9:30-11:00. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you all there!
 - Nominating: Pam Queen & Val Zeisset – There was a complete ballot to fill the open board positions. There was only one person on the ballot for each position, so no vote was needed. The Board will be as follows: President (Karen Price), Vice President (Gary Duke), Secretary (Ron Hagenow), Treasurer (Anne Pickles), Membership (Erin Duke), and Sergeant at Arms (Randy Howard).
 - Sponsor Report: ELCO has a lot more inventory now, make sure to come check it out. New Cactus Green Vette on the showroom floor needs a new home! Also have a black 2017 Z06 that needs a new home. Marty Dooley also mentioned that ELCO is really great for tires, and has great prices. Mark explained that they have a great tire program with all the best equipment so please take advantage of that when you need new tires!
 - Vice President's Report: Discussed past events & upcoming events. See Brandon if you have any new events you want to sponsor. See attached list for upcoming events or check the website.
 - New events: Price's 12th Day of Christmas Party on Saturday, December 30th, 6 p.m. There will be a Secret Santa and ugly sweater contest. It will be fun!
 - The 2024 Planning meeting will be Sunday January 7th, location TBD.
 - Ken Payne is selling off his "BUBBLE" for corvette C1-C6 models. See Ken if interested.
- Thank you for bringing cake, Duke's!
 - Judy announced the attendance at the meeting – 77 members in attendance. Turn in your attendance sheets for events! Thanks to ELCO for allowing us to use the space!

- 50/50 drawing winner: \$96, Mark Gerecke! Mark donated winnings back to the club, as well as a donation to Newborns in Need. Thanks for your generosity, Mark! Attendance prize winner: also, Mark Gerecke (it was his lucky day!) Additional attendance prize (Corvette sign donated by Ron Hagenow) won by Judy Dooley.
- Motion to adjourn meeting by Gary Duke, Judy Dooley seconded, adjourned. Thank you for coming! Drive safely.

Upcoming Events (see website for more info):

December 2, Christmas Party, The Falls, Columbia IL

Leslie Hoosier
Secretary



Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

NCM Ambassadors Report

We attended the Ambassador Academy November 9th and 10th. It was a lot of information squeezed into two days.

We were told that there is a lot of information on U-Tube.

Right now, there are about 38,000 members of the National Corvette Museum and about 5,000 are Lifetime members.

In the Spire of the NCM is an exhibit called An American Love Affair - 70 years of Corvette. It will be in there until the beginning of March.

The Education Department is looking for different games to play with Hot Wheels. If you know of any different games that can be played with Hot Wheels, let us know.

The RC8 delivery (Museum delivery) is now going to be \$1,495. They do about 10 per day. The Experience is \$500.00.

A photo album of your car being built is now going to be \$1,000.00.

The 30th Anniversary and Caravan August 29th - 31st, 2024 will have one registration cost. Registration is now open. There will be lots of vendors there and volunteers are needed.

Emails will go out to registered members about if you want to go to a banquet etc. Hotel prices will be higher. There will be paved parking available. This will cost you \$750.00. That donation will go to the Winners Circle. Grass parking will be free, and shuttles will be available.

The Corvette store is trying to get new items in all generations.

Well, that's what we learned.

Judy and Marty Dooley
NCM Ambassadors

Future Events

ST LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023

THE FALLS

300 ADMIRAL WEINEL BLVD

COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS, 62236

6:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

(COCKTAILS – OPEN BAR 6:00- 9:30 PM & CASH BAR 9:30-11PM)

APPETIZERS SERVED 6-7 PM AND DINNER – 7:00 P.M.

COST \$60.00 PER PERSON (PAYMENT TO BE MADE TO "ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB")

BUFFET

ROAST BEEF WITH GRAVY; CHICKEN MARSALA; CAVATELLI PASTA WITH BROCCOLI & TOMATO; CATALINA VEGETABLE BLEND; MASHED ROASTED GARLIC POTATOES; SPINACH POPPYSEED SALAD; DINNER ROLLS WITH BUTTER, DESSERT, COFFEE, TEA AND SODA.

PLEASE RSVP BY NOVEMBER 7TH TO CHRIS WOODS @ 314-846-6176 OR "WOODS1890@SBCGLOBAL.NET"



It's Not Too Late to Join Us At

Liliana's Italian Kitchen In Cottleville
3891 Mid-Rivers Mall Drive 63376

For The
Retiree Lunch

December 20 at Noon

Contact :

Rick Frierdich 314-223-0969

OR

Pat Ross 304-412-2771



**PLEASE PLAN
ON ATTENDING**

**PRICE'S TWELVE DAY OF
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

December 30, 2023 6 PM

NO ADMISSION - FREE PARKING

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EXCHANGE, SCAVANGER HUNT AND MORE!**

CONTACT INFORMATION:

CELL 314-954-4803

EMAIL SANTA17@MSN.COM TO PLEASE LET US KNOW WHO IS
COMING AND WHAT GOODIES YOU'RE BRINGING.

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Past Events

Ice Cream at Fritz's

October 22

Sponsored by Ken and Barb Payne, John and Angie Midkiff, and
John Jordan and Joyce Newbauer





Veterans Day Parade and Lunch

Sponsored by Mike Price and Ron Hagenow

Parade











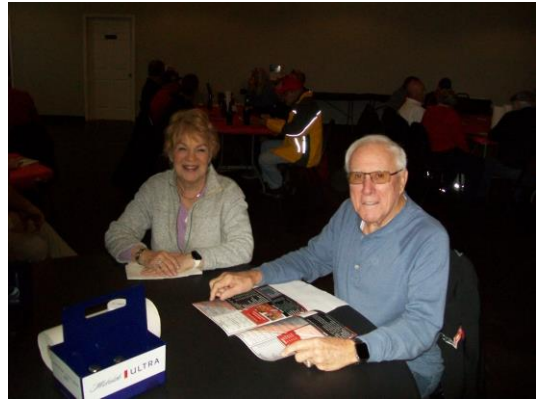
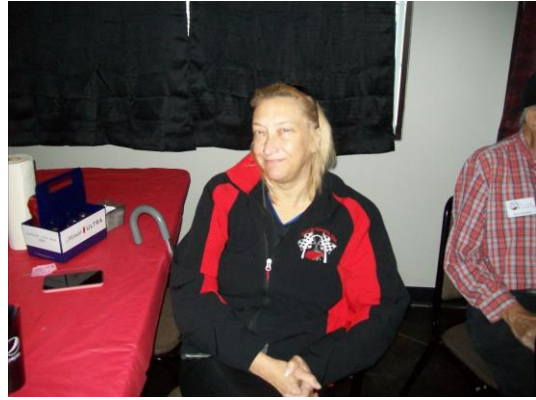


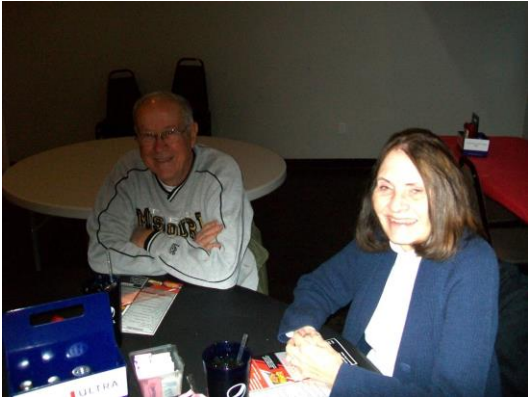
STLCC Member Veterans who Participated in the Parade



Lunch at Saucy's





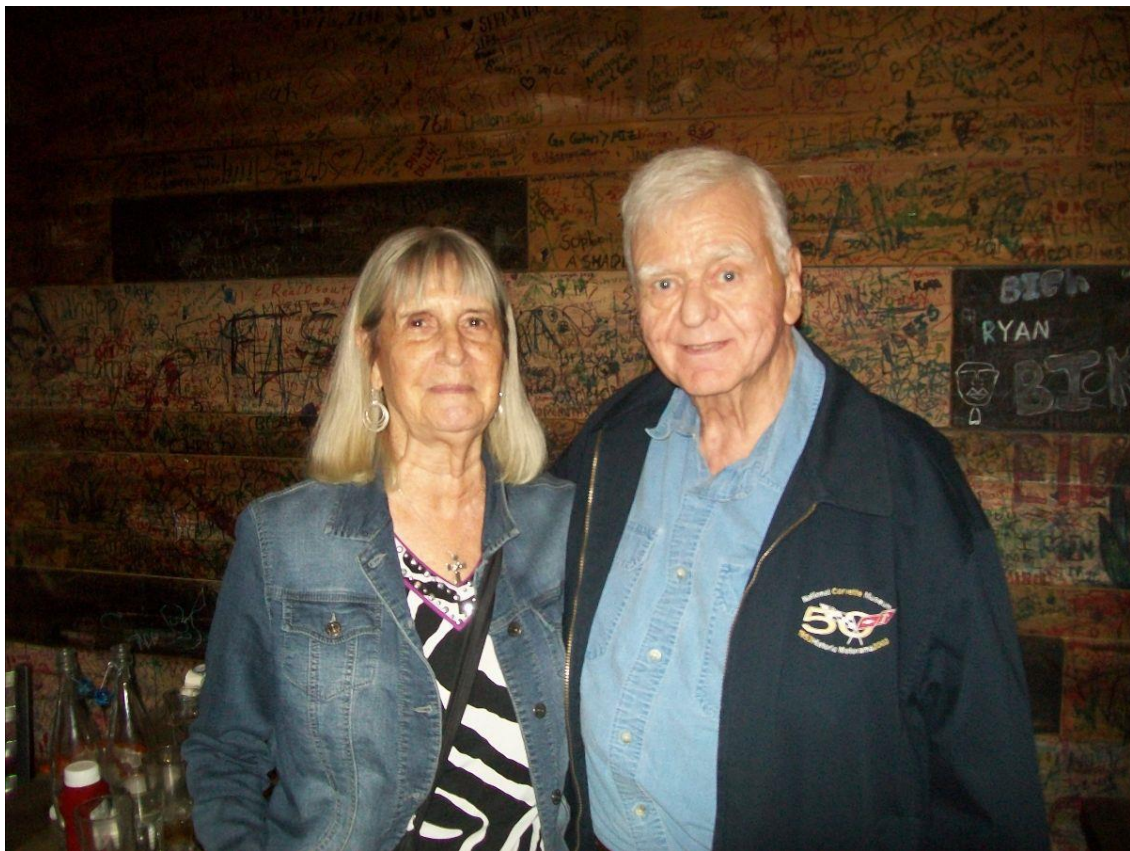


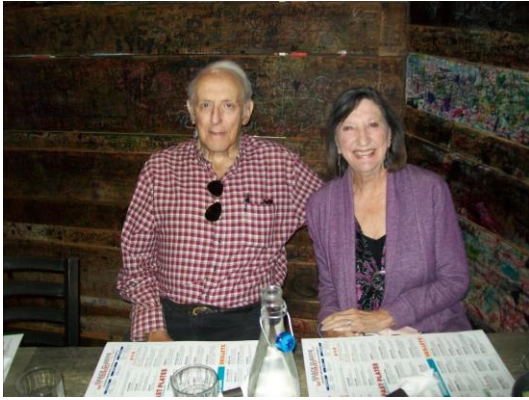


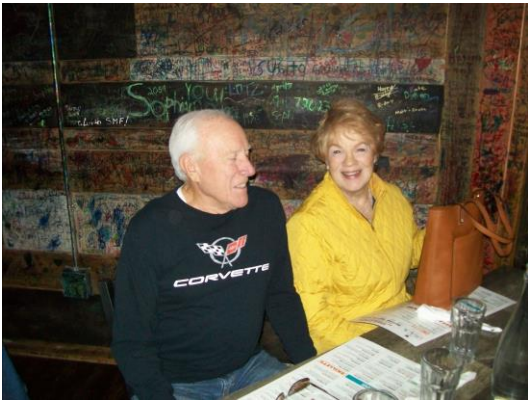
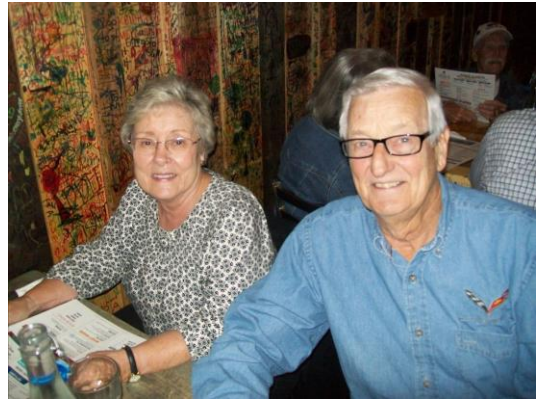


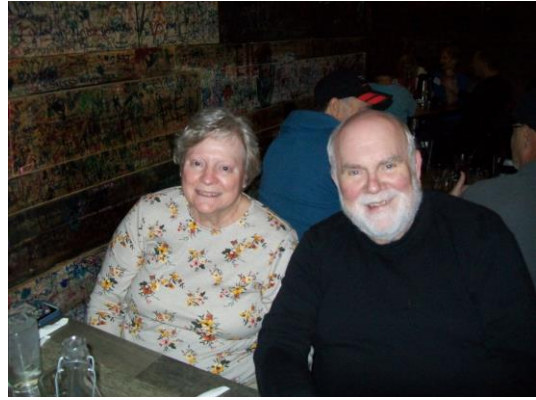
October Retirees' Lunch

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Sunset and Sangria

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Coffee and Corvettes

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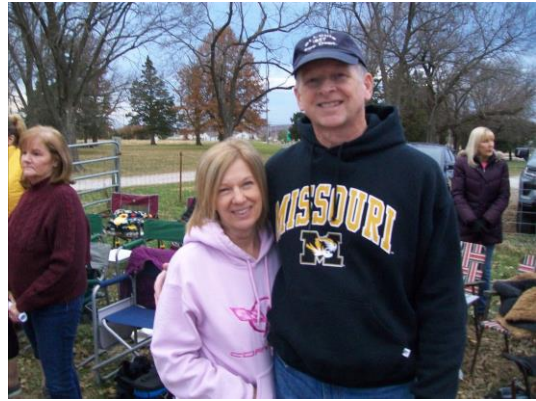




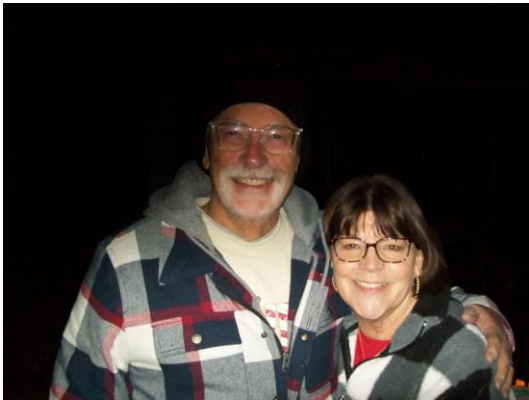
STLCC Annual Hayride

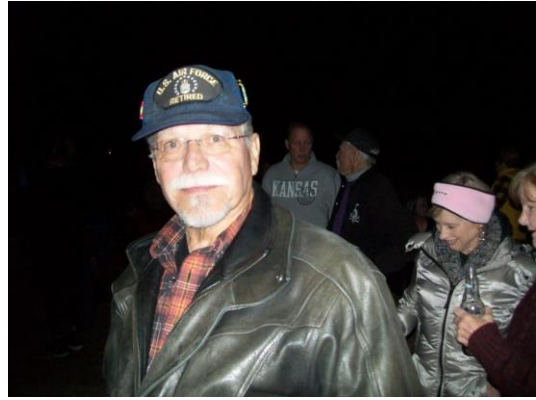
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Features and Announcements

The Last Meeting of 2023

Submitted by Bob Kusky

Thank you, ELCO Chevrolet!





December Membership Report

Submitted by Judy Giovanoni

Since there is no meeting in December, I have created a December Membership Report since we have new members.

Judy Giovanoni

Membership Report, December 1, 2023

Membership Changes since the November 7, 2023 Business Meeting

New members added:

- Joe Vitale
- John & Kitty Lasinski
- C. W. & Dee Riehlman
- Ed Flaspohler & Lisa Schuenke

Members leaving: None

Associate Members added: None

Associate Members leaving: None

Lifetime Members added: None

Lifetime Members leaving: None

Current Membership Totals

- Regular Members: 105
- Lifetime Members: 4
- Associate Members: 6
- Sponsors: 4
- Total Members: 105 (excludes sponsors)

Membership Waiting List (8)

- Jim & Marilyn Panter
- Randy & Lisa Malmstrom
- Dave & Rhonda Simorka
- Mark & Denise Shipley

John Eskew was offered membership, but he did not respond after 3 attempts to contact him; his application is closed.

We are currently over our regular member limit, but that will correct itself as some members drop off at the end of 2023.

Articles

The St. Louis Corvette Club Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

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

Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy 2024! As we end the year and look forward to the beginning of our 20th anniversary, we want to thank all of you who have volunteered for an officer position or as committee chairperson. The club does not run itself and it is only through your dedication to the St. Louis Corvette Club that we are still around after 20 years.

Traditionally we do not have many activities in December other than our Christmas party. So, we will take a brief look at previous years and then focus on Christmas pictures from past years. We'll also sneak in a few pictures from the Prices' traditional Twelfth Day of Christmas party which occurs in either December or January.

In December 2007, Bill Dotson was our president and our meetings were held at Pietro's Bluff Restaurant in Fenton. We had 77 members in the club and we welcomed Rick and Mary Doerr the previous month.

In December 2011, Marty Dooley led the club as our president and we were

meeting at Sunset Hills Banquet Center. There were 90 members in the club. It was noted that we were sending a congratulatory letter to David Freese for being the MVP of the World Series Cardinals and a new Corvette owner. While some of our current members have multiple cars, Jerry and Fran Hanson joined as Associate Members and owned a 58, 68, 78, 88, 98 and a 2008. Do you sense a theme here?

For 2016, Mike Price was our president and we were meeting at Grand Slam Sports Bar. We had 100 members at that time. An interesting article in the newsletter this month came from the National Corvette Museum. It was reported that a guy just did his 21st R8C museum delivery of a new Z06. Could this be a new goal for Randy Howard?

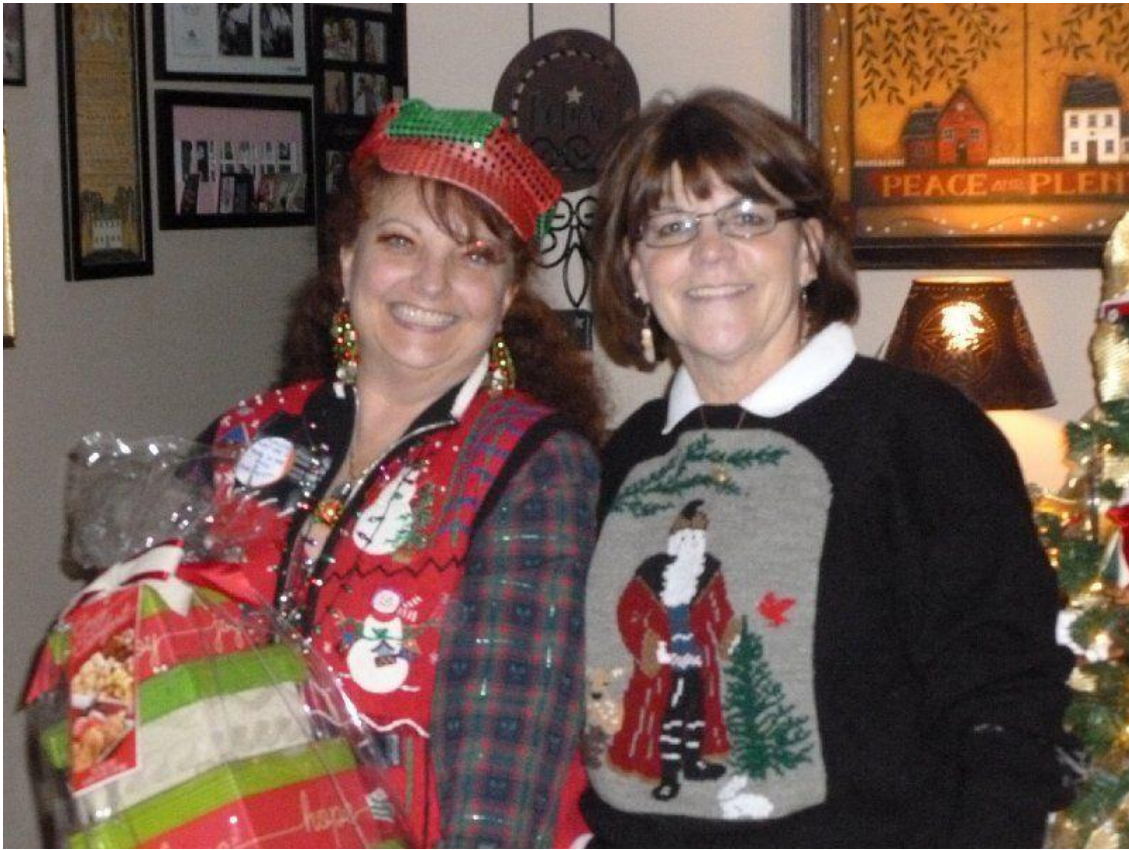
Now for some pictures.



Gary Murray and Chris Woods from the Prices' party in December 2010. Does Chris look like she was over-served?



From the Prices' party in 2012, Mike celebrated his 60th birthday with world traveler Wanda Come-On-I-Want-To-Lay-A with a special dance. She came all the way from Pop's just for the celebration. Hey, she could be Ruth Howard's twin!



Michelle Paillou winning the ugly sweater contest in 2014.



Rick Doerr with his custom windshield sun deflector from our Christmas party in 2016. You really don't want to see the photos on the deflector up close.



Some of your club officers from the 2018 Christmas party.



Finally, a picture from our Christmas party in 2022.

Featured STLCC Members and Their Corvette

Terry and Kathy Mueller



Terry & Kathy Mueller



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