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## President's Message

Hello STLCC Family!

The month of June has been full of fun adventures and new cars for members to enjoy them in. The meeting July 11th will be full of surprises.

The Midkiffs, assisted by the Pickles, hosted a week long drive full of curves and interesting sites to explore on the Tail of the Dragon, Moonshine 28, and Devil's Triangle. A little rain just added to the adventure. The Stierens and Givens provided a full day of fun and driving to Giant City!

Luncheons, wineries and sangria – too much to mention!

As we celebrate the 70th Birthday of the Great American Sportscar and the birthday of the greatest nation ever, remember to give thanks for those blessings we enjoy living in the Freedom of the Flag of the USA!

Stay safe and Save the Wave!

Karen Price  
President

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# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Marc Portman

Ron Hagenow

Kathy Mueller

JoAnn Rogers

Dana Griggs

Bruce Wooldridge

June Walsh

Cherie Hopson

Jan Murray

Steve Willis

Larry Walker

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Dale & Valerie Zeisset

Barry & Patricia Korman

Jim & Bev Givens

Steve & Julie Willis

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**St. Louis Corvette Club**

**June 6, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

- Call to order – Karen/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
Sponsor: ELCO Chevrolet Mark Gerecke & Eric DeBruin	

- Reminder: Please do not arrive until 6:15 pm to avoid disrupting ELCO business. Sign up for events, there's a lot of fun stuff coming!
- New members & guests: New members – Barry & Patricia Korman. Guests – Ed Hartzke, original owner of 1968 Corvette! Also John Deluca, Joe Vitale & Harry Hammer.
- John Midkiff – Support for Veterans. Collecting travel size toiletries (i.e.- the size they provide in hotels) for donation to Veterans. Bring items to club meetings for donation.
- Secretary's Minutes: Chris Woods motion to approve, Rich second, approved!
- Treasurer's Report: Anne Pickles motion to approve, John Jordan seconded, approved.
- Membership Report - Judy
  - Charter.net email addresses have issues with email server; let Judy know if you are not receiving emails.
  - Reminder: Event sponsors are responsible for telling Judy who attended.
- Membership Changes since the May 2023 Business Meeting:
  - New members added since May 2, 2023 – None.
  - Members leaving since May 2, 2023 – None.
  - Associate Members leaving since May 2, 2023 – None.

- Regular Members: 101 (includes 10 Charter Members)
- Lifetime Members: 5 (includes 1 Charter Member)
- Associate Members: 3
- Sponsors: 4
- Total Members: 101 (excludes sponsors)
- Membership Waiting List
  - John Eskew
  - Steve & Kim Marre
  - Pat & Jean Rohlman
  - Harry Hammer
  - Ed & Joanmarie Hartzke
- Committee Reports:
  - Newsletter: Kathy Mueller (Thanks for great newsletter) Reminder: send Kathy event flyers for newsletter!
  - Sponsorship: On target. Need more volunteers to mentor new club members! Randy Howard volunteered and suggested that new members be assigned to mentor right away.
  - Website update: Steve on vacation, but Steve & Brandon are working to get photo shoot together for member/car photos.
  - Budget: On target. Don Pickles staying on, Mike Kunst staying on, Ray Queen not sure.
  - By-laws: on target.
  - Charity: On target, will have update next month.
  - VA Garden: Marty Dooley. Thanks to those who helped with planting in May! All is looking well!
  - Parade: Michelle Finn – Webster Groves parade July 4<sup>th</sup>. Meeting at upper lot at Big Bend & Elm by Schnucks at 8:30. Party/picnic at Price's afterwards at around 12:30. Parade starts at 10:00. Hope you can all make it!

- National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report: Judy Dooley. June 29<sup>th</sup> is 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Corvette coming off assembly line! There will be a gala & exhibit that will celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary! Rich – Also remember Drive your Corvette to work day on Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- NCCC Governor's Report: Ron Hagenow attended in place of Larry Walker – thanks Ron! This weekend 14 auto cross events for anyone interested, also arranging event at Bonne Terre drag strip. If interested, see Larry Walker. See the flyer on website. Larry to represent STLCC at national convention.
- History: Ron does extremely good job on newsletter articles, thank you! Next year STLCC is 20 years old! Need to form committee to celebrate 20 years. Contact Karen if you're interested in helping plan some fun events to celebrate 20 years!
- Christmas Party: On target!
- Nominating: Pam Queen & Val Zeissett will be taking over committee. Thank you! More volunteers are welcome. Membership & Treasurer board positions will be open as Judy & Patti are nearing the end of their term.
- Sponsor Report: Mark Gerecke/Eric DeBruin. Dealership enjoys having club here. Kuskys purchased new Blazer, Givens purchased new truck, Howards purchased new 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Z06! Congrats! Still need more inventory, cars moving quickly. Appreciate the club support!
- Insurance: Randy Howard, Rich Luebcke, John Jordan, Steve Wills researched & presented insurance options to board. Rich presented insurance information to club during meeting (NCCC & Hagerty). Board recommends move to Hagerty. Club members to vote via paper ballot. Mike Kunst indicated that bylaws will need to be updated, which board was already aware. Mike Kunst recommends having vote to reissue rate schedule for next year. Remember:

changing club insurance to Hagerty does not mean club members cannot be members at large of NCCC! Also, if club has 51% of members, you can still be NCCC club. Theresa Luebcke suggests the board give club more time to review & understand information before we vote. Jim recommends we put information in newsletter & vote next meeting. The Board chose to send out the insurance information to the club members via email for review and club will vote at the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Insurance snapshot below; you should have received a separate email with additional information.

NCCC	Hagerty
Approx \$1800 per year	Approx \$980 per year
Coverage: \$1M per occurrence / \$4M aggregate plus for ALL corvette clubs nationwide combined to share approx 18,000 members, 280 clubs	Coverage: \$2M per occurrence / \$4M aggregate plus for ONLY STLCC- approx 105 members
Waivers required for every event	No waivers required
Covers the Board members, sanctioned and non-sanctioned events- NO spontaneous events	Covers the Board members and all events- shows, cruise-ins, picnics, meetings and spontaneous events.
Use: Personal insurance is primary and NCCC is secondary for liability only	Use: Personal insurance is primary and Hagerty is secondary for liability only
Provides club access to: Sanctions, NCCC events, Discounts and other various benefits	STLCC members able to stay members of NLCC individually in order to keep access to: Sanctions, NCCC events, Discounts and other various benefits
Under 2 current lawsuits for extensive injuries that could result in significant cost increases or loss of coverage	Individual coverage per club... therefore no pending lawsuits would affect STLCC coverage or costs
Insurance policy details are not disclosed to any participating clubs	Detailed insurance policy provided for STLCC
	Aligns with at least 2 other STL region clubs (Looking Glass and OCC) that have already migrated to Hagerty- Hagerty currently covers over 200 Corvette clubs nationwide

- Vice President's Report: Discussed past events & upcoming events. See Brandon if you have any new events you want to sponsor.
- New events - see attached.
- St. Jude fundraising update: Great time at St. Jude run!! Raised a lot of money for the kids! \$340,000 to date for all 89 cars involved. Fundraisers alone for STLCC raised \$12,000, overall total raised \$24,000! Note: Fundraisers were not intended so drivers could get free ride. Each driver still had to raise money. Not a club sponsored event, but we thank all the members of STLCC who participated!

- Judy announced the attendance at the meeting – 67 members in attendance tonight. Thanks to ELCO for allowing us to use the space!
- 50/50 drawing winner: Mark Portman. Attendance prize winner: Pam Queen.
- Motion to adjourn meeting by Karen Price, Rich L seconded, adjourned. Thank you for coming! Drive safely.
- Next meeting, July 11<sup>th</sup>!

Leslie Hoosier

Secretary

**Upcoming Events (see website for more info):**

June 19-25, Tail of the Dragon, Tennessee & North Carolina

June 24-30, NCCC Convention, Bowling Green, KY

June 25, Fritz's Ice Cream, Valley Park, MO

June 30, Drive your Corvette to work day

July 4, Webster Groves 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Webster Groves, MO

July 11, Monthly Club Meeting, ELCO

July 8, ALS Luncheon, Hawthorne Inn, Labadie, MO

July 15, STLCC Luau, Kirby's House

July 20, Sunsets & Sangria, Sunset Overlook, Columbia IL

July 22, Corvettes & Coffee, Teleo Coffee, Kirkwood MO

July 30, Fritz's Ice Cream, Valley Park MO

August 1, Monthly Club Meeting, ELCO

## **Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports**

### **NCM Ambassadors Report**

If you need to get in touch with the National Corvette Museum, here is how to do it. NCM 350 Corvette Dr., Bowling Green, KY 42101. Phone number is 1-800-538-3883. Maybe you want to join the museum or purchase a raffle car ticket. This is how you can do it.

I would like to see everyone in our club "Save the Wave." This means that when you are driving your Corvette and approach another Corvette you wave at them. If you don't wave at the other Corvette, it is considered bad etiquette. So the goal is to get the newer Corvette owners to learn this. Not everyone will wave back but at least you tried. Any kind of wave is ok. It might be a whole arm out of your top down convertible or your hand out of the side window or the two finger salute. Any kind of wave is ok.

Please help us Save the Wave.

Judy and Marty Dooley  
NCM Ambassadors

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## **Future Events**

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## **ALS Luncheon in Memory of Sandy Kirby**

**Please join us on Saturday, July 8, 2023**

**for our annual ALS Luncheon.**



**123 Front St., Labadie, MO 63055**

**We will meet at the Bank of America**

**2460 Taylor Road, Wildwood, MO 63040 – right off 100**

**Meet at 11:00 for departure to Labadie at 11:20.**

**Reservation is at noon. It's a beautiful drive**

**through the Missouri curvy Roads!**

**There will be a sign-up sheet at the June meeting. If you can't make the meeting, please**

**contact Pam Queen at 314-616-4726 or send an email to**

**[pamqueen13@gmail.com](mailto:pamqueen13@gmail.com) Reservation needed by July 4th**





## **St. Louis Corvette Club Annual Luau**

Pool is open!

Saturday, July 15th

11 AM... to ?

Steve & Dawn Kirby (Aiden)

17004 Lakeside Ridge (Fienup Farms subdivision)

Chesterfield 63005

Please bring a side and beverages of choice. Bring (or wear) your swimsuit, towel, pool toys and lawn chairs. Also, we get full sun all day so bring sunscreen but please use sprays on grass and not the pavers.

RSVP [steve\\_kirby@sbcglobal.net](mailto:steve_kirby@sbcglobal.net)

or

[dawnstroup@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dawnstroup@sbcglobal.net)

or sign up at meeting.

Hope to see you on the 15th!

**P.S Please Park in driveway or park along 1 side of our cul-de-sac or along main road. Thanks!**

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## **BUNCO**

**HOSTED BY THE PRICES**

**SUNDAY, JULY 16, 6:00 p.m.**

**2400 OAKMONT CT. HIGH RIDGE, MO. 63049**

**Eat at 6:00, Bunco at 7:00**

**Bring \$5.00 per person and a dish to share**

**We are doing an Italian dinner theme**

**Drinks Provided**

**RSVP By 7/14/23 to Karen 314-954-4803**

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## July Retiree Lunch



Shack Restaurant  
13810 Clayton Road  
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Tuesday, July 18 at 11:30 a.m.

Sponsored by Angie and John Midkiff

Sign up at the July meeting or contact Angie at  
314-723-4958

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## SUNSET & SANGRIA

11604 Bluff Rd  
Columbia, IL 62236

**Come and enjoy the friends, sunset, and Sangria!**

**The third Thursday of the month from May  
through October**

**Starting at 6:00 p.m. through sunset and beyond**

<https://www.sunsetoverlook.com/>

Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens

[givensjwg@gmail.com](mailto:givensjwg@gmail.com)





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When:

- Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:30am

Where:

- Teleo Coffee
- 132 W Monroe Ave
- Kirkwood, MO 63122

**Come for the Coffee, Stay for the People!!**

Sponsored by Jim & Bev [Givens 314.341.3383](tel:314.341.3383)

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## COME JOIN US AT FRITZ'S ICE CREAM

THE LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 5:30PM

JULY 30, 2023

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### Past Events

## Casey Illinois, Home of the Big Things

Sponsored and Guided by Laurie & Mike Grubb



Laurie and Mike at our first stop, Richards Farm Restaurant.







Above: The group standing with the Biggest Pitchfork just outside the Richards Farm Restaurant.



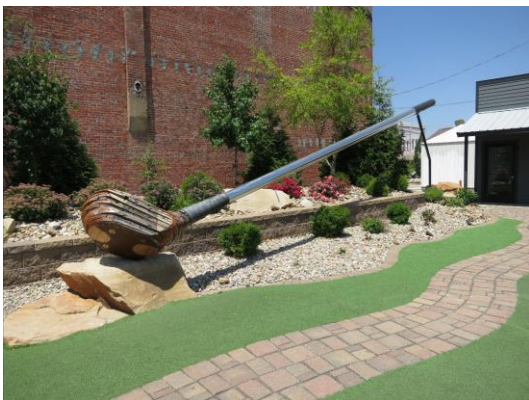
It looks like we parked in all the spots in front of the Richards Farm Restaurant!

The following items are **Certified World's Largest:**





Mike and Laurie checking out the teeter totter.



Some of the group sitting under the mail box enjoying ice cream.



Barb is checking to see if she could wear the clogs. It doesn't look like it will work!

The following items are merely **Big Things**.



Even though merely Big, the bird cage was big enough to hold all the ladies!





The following are not Big, just interesting.



For a town that has all this largest and big stuff, this door is a head scratcher!

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## Coffee and Road Trip

Sponsored by the Stierens and Givens

**First Stop - Coffee at Bean Tree Café**











**Second Stop - Lunch (fried chicken) at Giant City State Park**















**Third Stop - Chaumette Winery**







# Casino Day

Sponsored by Ruth and Randy Howard







# June Retirees' Lunch

Sponsored by Mike Kunst









Happy Birthday to Judy and Barry!

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## Sunset and Sangria

Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens









# Ice Cream at Fritz's

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



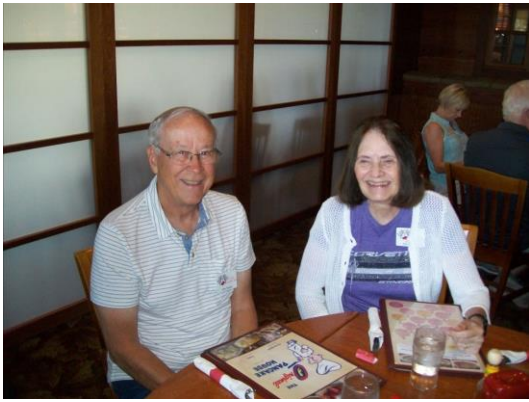


# Take Your Corvette to Work Day

Sponsored by Rick Frierdich and Pat Ross

## The Original Pancake House







Sugar Creek Winery





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## Features and Announcements

# Judy Giovanoni Hometown Hero

Submitted by Ruth Howard

**Congratulations** to our own Judy Giovanoni! President Judy is dedicated to helping Newborns in Need. We could not be more proud of you!

Proud to call her a friend! First class lady!



Judy Giovanoni, President for Newborns in Need, is today's hometown hero sponsored by Air Comfort Service Heating, Cooling & Insulation!

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## Hagenows Celebrate Their 50th Anniversary

Submitted by Tom Marlo

The following article was published in the Republic-Times on June 28, 2023.

### **Hagenows celebrate 50 years**



Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow of Waterloo are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Ron is from Manteno in northern Illinois and Mary Ann is a Belleville native. They met in 1969 while students at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston and were married on June 30, 1973 at St. Peter's Cathedral in Belleville. Before moving to Waterloo in 2005, Ron and Mary Ann lived in Lubbock, Texas; Swansea, Illinois; Florissant, Missouri and Madison, Alabama. Ron is a retired USAF and Air National Guard veteran with 21 years of service. He retired from federal civil service as a systems analyst with the Air National Guard and U. S. Army in 2005 with 34 years of service. He then worked as a defense contractor in St. Louis for 9 years. Mary Ann is a retired teacher, having taught in schools in Alabama, Missouri and here in Waterloo. They are the proud parents of Ryan (Tara) Hagenow of Columbia, Illinois and Karen (Jesse) Hill of Kirkwood, Missouri and grandparents of Reid, Parker, Avery and Layla. Interestingly, Mary Ann has Waterloo roots dating back to the 1850s when her maternal great-great grandparents lived in Waterloo and were parishioners at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.



# Girl Talk Newsletter

Submitted by Rich Luebcke



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# GIRL TALK

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## Pearl<sup>+</sup> ELFI'S SILVER SISTERHOOD

### THIS ISSUE

*Sister Spotlight*  
*Keep Your Cool*  
*Suns Out, Vettes Out*  
*Staff Spotlight*

### REMINDERS

August 31st -  
September 2nd: 29th  
Anniversary  
Celebration @ National  
Corvette Museum

\*To be eligible to vote  
on the Sisterhood  
project for this year,  
annual contributions  
must be made before  
the next meeting.

\*Please reach out to  
[lexi.stewart@corvette  
museum.org](mailto:lexi.stewart@corvette<br/>museum.org) to  
nominate yourself or  
another sister for the  
next Sister Spotlight!

### SISTER SPOTLIGHT - THERESA LUEBCKE



My name is Theresa Luebcke and my husband, Rich, and I live just outside Farmington, Missouri, about an hour south of St. Louis. I grew up in central Illinois and I have always been interested in cars. At 16, I joined a county-wide 4-H Automotive club. I was hoping to meet car guys, but soon realized I knew more about cars than the guys! I actually won a state driving contest and ranked 6th in the nation! I also learned to rebuild a carburetor and replace brake shoes on my dad's '60 Ford pickup! It was much later when I met Rich. The ultimate 'car guy'!

Having been born just a few months after the Corvette, it was always my ultimate car of choice! Working for EDS/HP at the GM Assembly Center in Wentzville, Missouri, I had a poster of a Corvette outside my cubicle – my reason for working so hard! As soon as I was able, I started putting money away to buy my 50th birthday present for myself. However, I was a single mom of two beautiful girls, both of whom wanted to go to college – so my car fund dwindled quickly! As fate would have it, I met and married Rich, a lifetime GM employee. He helped make my dream come true when his first GM 'drive and buy' vehicle was my 50th Anniversary convertible! I still have this car and plan to pass it to my grandson – but not for a long time!

We became Lifetime members of the Museum in 2002, so we could enjoy the DEI Tour in 2003. We contribute as we can to the museum, knowing how important it is to support the NCM efforts. When the Museum first announced the plans to start "Elfi's Silver Pearl Sisterhood", I was immediately on board. I really liked the idea of the women who invested their dollars would be the women making the decision as to how those dollars would be spent! I have never once regretted becoming a 'Sister', having met some wonderful ladies, and making new lifelong friends! I hope to be a part of the Sisterhood for many years to come!



Pictured above is a group of attendees at Ladies Garage 2023, an event brought back to the NCM Bash thanks in part to the Sisterhood.

## KEEP YOUR COOL

Feeling the summer heat? Try a "Red Corvette" to help keep your cool!

### Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 oz. Hazelnut Liqueur
- 1 oz. Melon Liqueur
- 4 pcs. Strawberries
- Sugar for garnish

### Directions:

1. Add melon liqueur, hazelnut liqueur, strawberry pulp, and ice to a blender. Blend until smooth.
2. Use a variable-speed blender to crush the ice more effectively and whip up large batches whenever you have company.
3. Pour into your favorite cocktail glass garnished with a sugar rim. Enjoy!

*Recipe from AdvancedMixology.com*



## SUNS OUT, VETTES OUT

*If you're looking for good company and great cars, check out some of the upcoming shows below!*

**June 7th - 10th:** Corvette Adventures | Wisconsin Dells, WI

**June 17th:** Vettes of the Smokies | Kingsport, TN

**July 30th:** Vettes at the Beach | Syracuse, NY

**July 30th:** Corvettes at Corsa | Cleveland, OH

**August 13th:** Corvettes by the Sea | Narragansett, RI

**August 24th - 26th:** Corvettes at Carlise | Carlise, PA

**September 10th:** Ohio Corvette Alliance | Lancaster, PA

**September 16th:** Vettes at the Beach (Miracle St) | Destin, FL



## NCM STAFF SPOTLIGHT - BETTY HARDISON

*How long have you worked for the NCM?*

"29 years as of July 7, 2023"

*What do you do in your role as Library & Archives Coordinator?*

"Maintain database/records of all Corvettes produced in at the Bowling Green Assembly Plant, window stickers of the R8C Delivery Program, and window stickers sold through the Corvette Store. I also provide magazines, articles, etc. for research of articles and exhibits, and answer inquiries of Corvette enthusiasts wanting information on their specific Corvette."

*What is your favorite Museum event?* "I love all of the events but if I had to choose one, it would be the Anniversary Events. The anniversary event seems to draw in some of the individuals who helped make the museum a reality, in addition to the honorees inducted into the Corvette Hall of Fame."

*If you were promoting one area of the NCM to potential donors, which would you choose?* "Library & Archives (obviously) along with the Collections and Exhibits."

*Describe your dream Corvette.* "For collector/show car 1967 Black Convertible, Black Top, Black Leather Interior, Red Stinger but fun/daily driver I would choose 2013 Grand Sport Convertible, Cyber Gray Metallic, Dark Titanium Interior, 60th Anniversary Package."



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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

This month we're going to do something a little different. We have a lot of new members so we thought it might be interesting to see who of our current members have been officers in the club. Besides our current board consisting of Karen Price, Brandon Hoosier, Leslie Hoosier, Judy Giovanoni, Patti Kusky and Jack Braznell, here are former officers of the club: Jim Givens, Don Pickles, Ray Queen, Mike Price, Ruth Howard, Randy Howard, Theresa Luebcke, Ron Hagenow, Marty Dooley, Rick Friedrich, Rick Doerr, Mike Grubb, Larry Akins, Angie Midkiff, Bev Givens, Sherri Marlo, Erin Duke, Mary Ann Hagenow, Marcia Sheer, Anne Pickles, Bob Kusky, Mike Kunst, Tom Marlo, Jan Murray, Peggy Craig Bradley, Michelle Finn, Michelle Paillou, Gary Murray and Judy Dooley. Some of our members have held multiple positions within the club. Then if you want to consider additional members who have headed up a committee or been a chairperson we need to include Larry Walker, Rich Luebcke, Steve Kirby, Kathy Mueller, Valerie Zeisset and John Midkiff. So at the next meeting or event, look around and know that these folks have been instrumental in maintaining the club we have today. If you are a newer member, please consider volunteering for a position on the board or maybe heading up a committee. It is a great way to better know your club members and there are plenty of folks to help you in any way they can. We are always open to new and fresh ideas. Elections are only a few months away.

Some of our newer members may wonder why we participate in the Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade. This all started early in the club's existence because one of our members, past President Bill Dotson, graduated from Webster Groves High School. We have been participating in the parade since at least 2006. If you haven't done the parade yet, you will be amazed at the number of people who turn out to watch. Usually the whole parade route is lined with people, sometimes 10 deep. We've done the parade in really nice weather but usually it is hot and humid. A passing rain shower hasn't stopped us yet. It's all great fun and the folks really enjoy seeing our cars. A lot of people, especially the kids, like to hear us revving our engines. For the last few years we have all enjoyed a nice lunch after the parade at Mike and Karen's house. There is always plenty of food and refreshments. So we hope you are able to participate in this year's parade.

Now for some pictures of past Fourth of July parades:



Some of our decorated cars in 2011.





Drivers meeting prior to the parade in 2008.



A mad dash to clean up our cars after a rain storm in 2009.



Getting ready for the 2022 parade.

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## Featured STLCC Members and Their Corvette

Steve and Maggie Hedgorth



Steve & Maggie  
Hedgorth

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