

President's Message

Hello STLCC!

The Summer heat arrived early just in time for our club events to heat up!

The Webster Grove's parade and picnic is in a week -- it is an awesome sight to see the streets packed with families lined up to wave our flag! Get hold of Don Pickles if you have not signed up.

Next up, the Luau on the following Saturday. Please get hold of our hosts, the Kirbys to sign up for sides and so Steve will know how much pork to smoke.

The past month has been packed with coffee, ice cream, fried chicken and a river cruise hosted by Ginger and Maryann -- the first of several 20th Anniversary celebration events planned! And too many more to mention here.

Our meeting on Tuesday will give the membership a chance to decide how our club will move forward in the future. Please review the by-law proposed changes in a previous email and contact a Board member or a by-law member if you have any questions prior to the meeting. We will only be voting -- no discussions.

Finally, if you missed the last meeting, the club voted to move the St. Jude's

Corvette drive from a supported event to a sponsored event. Nothing will change as far as the club's involvement. You will now accumulate participation requirements for supporting the fund-raising events that Ruth and Jim come up with. Participation in the drive is a personal commitment. I have had multiple questions about that and also the oral auctions. If auctions are offered as a fund raiser, they will be silent only. This is an awesome opportunity to support research to cure childhood cancer.

Please stay hydrated and cool!

Until then, save the wave! Karen Price, President

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Marc Portman Ron Hagenow Ed Flaspohler Kathy Mueller JoAnn Rogers Dana Griggs Bruce Wooldridge June Walsh Cherie Hopson Jan Murray Steve Willis

ANNIVERSARIES

Dale & Valerie Zeisset Jim & Bev Givens Steve & Julie Willis

STLCC Anniversary Milestones

There are no milestone anniversaries in July.

Meeting Minutes

The St. Louis Corvette Club met at ELCO Chevrolet on Tuesday, June 4, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Karen Price.

Karen led us with an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Club officers were introduced:

| President: Karen Price | Vice President: Gary Duke |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Membership: Erin Duke | Treasurer: Anne Pickles |
| Secretary: Ron Hagenow | Sergeant at Arms: Dennis Trost |
| Immediate past president: | Sponsor: ELCO Chevrolet |
| Jim Givens | Mark & Kim Gerecke |

Karen went over the following information:

• She reminded everyone of the 50/50 tickets, event sign-up sheets, and retiree lunch sign-up.She also asked that we keep Michelle Finn in our

prayers for an upcoming surgery as well as a friend of the club, Judy Toupalik, who has taken a turn for the worse.

- We had several guests in attendance.Steve Busher and Matt Giordano were both present to visit the club.
- A motion was made by Ken Payne to accept the May 2024 secretary minutes and it was seconded by Chris Woods. The motion passed.
- A motion was requested to accept the May 2024 treasurer's report.John Jordan moved to accept the report with a second by Barry Seelig.The motion passed.
- Membership Officer Erin Duke provided an updated report that reflected membership changes since the May 2024 meeting. She read the names of members celebrating June birthdays and anniversaries.

Current membership totals:

- Regular Members: 100 (includes 7 Charter Members)
- Lifetime Members: 4 (includes 1 Charter Member)
- Associate Members: 8 (includes 2 Charter Members)
- Total Members: 112 (excludes sponsors)

Committee Reports

Newsletter: Kathy Mueller continues to provide us with an awesome newsletter. If you sponsor an event and the Muellers are not there, then please take pictures and email them to Kathy for inclusion in the newsletter.

Budget Report – Don Pickles, Rick Doerr and Mike Kunst. No report.

By-Laws: Mike Price, Mike Kunst, and Valerie Zeisset – Mike Price will present the proposed by-laws under New Business.

Charity: Michelle Finn, Judy Giovanoni and Sonja Giffhorn – No report.

VA Garden: Marty Dooley – There is still the need for more people to water at the VA Garden. Also, after 19 years Marty and Judy wish to pass on the responsibility of maintaining the garden. They will still be involved and will help anyone who wants to step up. Please see either Marty or Karen Price if you would like to volunteer for this position.

Parade: Don Pickles and Mike Price – Don Pickles spoke about the upcoming July 4th parade. Right now, there are 20 cars signed up. The club is going to purchase more static clings if you want to order them for your car. If you want a service flag to go along with the U. S. flag, please see Rick Frierdich. If you are not going to be in the parade but still wish to attend the picnic, please sign up for whatever dish you are bringing. Don stated we will meet at the Schnucks parking lot on Big Bend near Elm at 8:30 am and parade starts at 10:00 am. If you plan on attending the picnic at the Price's house after the parade, you can bring your side dishes to the parade and the Hagenows will get them and take them to the picnic. Burgers, brats, and hot dogs will be available as well as drinks.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report: Marty Dooley – Plant tours will be available during the Caravan on August 29-31. You must be a member of the caravan if you want to stay at a hotel in Bowling Green for the Anniversary. Rooms are very scarce. There will be a party in Cape Girardeau on Tuesday, August 27, prior to the Caravan. More information to follow as several members expressed interest in attending. Everyone should be getting the Corvette Connection via club email.

History: Marty Dooley, Mike Price, and Ron Hagenow – No report.

20th Anniversary: Ruth and Randy Howard, Jeff and Tracy Stieren, Ron Hagenow, Valerie Zeisset, Pam Queen and Mike and Karen Price – Ruth Howard has a signup sheet available for everyone to get a special club anniversary t-shirt. We need the sizes to make up the order. It is rumored that "Santa" will be giving the shirts (aka free!). Ruth also mentioned that she has received 13 baby pictures for the contest but needs more. Please send or email them to her. She also spoke about a potential winery tour and overnight stay in Carbondale. Potential date is October 12 and cost around \$27 for the bus. Valeria Zeisset announced the riverboat cruise in Grafton is sold out and there is a waiting list. Jeff Stieren announced a mystery run on July 13. We will meet at 7:00 a.m. in Eureka and plan on being gone most of the day.

Website: Steve Kirby – No report.

Christmas Party: Chris Woods and Judy Dooley – No report.

Nominating: Pam Queen and Valerie Zeisset – No report.

Sponsor Report: There are three Z06 C8s for sale as well as 3 pre-owned C8s. Mark spoke about his recent visit to the track at the NCM.

Insurance: Our local Hagerty agent is out on maternity leave. We may have her come to a meeting once she returns to work. If anyone has any questions please see Karen Price. The Secretary has the policy if anyone wants to look at it.

Mentoring Program: Michelle Finn – No report.

Vice President's Report: Gary Duke reviewed past events and future events. They are as follows:

Past Events

May 4 – The run to Hannibal, MO sponsored by the Midkiffs was cancelled due to the weather. It will be rescheduled, possibly in October.

May 7 – Club meeting.

May 11 – Cars and Coffee sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens. This one was at The Orange Couch in Eureka and there were about 10 people who attended.

May 15 – Retirees Lunch at the Blue Owl in Kimmswick sponsored by the Walshes. There were about 32 people who attended and everyone enjoyed the excellent lunch.

May 16-17 – St. Jude's charity run (non-club sponsored) had the largest turnout yet with 112 cars signed up. From our club the Marlos, Howards, Grubbs, Givens and Beldings participated. The St. Louis region raised \$45610, with \$27593 from our group of cars. Tom Marlo made a motion that future St. Jude's charity runs be a club sponsored event and it was seconded by Jeff Stieran. The motion passed. Next run is scheduled for May 15-16, 2025.

May 18 – Car show at WWT Raceway to support Fischer House. John Jordan said the car show was not as big as expected but it was still a good event. Several club members won awards for the car show. Eight cars from the club participated.

May 19 – Bunco sponsored by Mike McElhone and Judy Giovanoni. There was plenty of food and a good time.

May 26 – Next Fritz's run sponsored by the Paynes. There was a good turnout and the weather was great.

May 30 – Sunset and Sangria sponsored by the Givens. About 22 people attended this time.

Future Events

June 4 – Tonight's meeting.

June 8 – Bunco sponsored by the Muellers and Marres. Begins at 6:00 pm and please let them know if you are attending and what dish you will bring.

June 19 – Retirees lunch sponsored by the Midkiffs. We will be at Joey B's on Manchester beginning at 11:30 am.

June 22 – The Great Chicken Run sponsored by the Stierens in conjunction with the Cars and Coffee sponsored by the Givens. Start at the Proving Ground in Columbia, IL, drive to Giant City State Park for lunch and then have several stops on the way home.

June 25 – Riverboat Cruise sponsored by the 20th Anniversary committee – mainly Ruth Howard and Valerie Zeisset. Meet in Columbia, IL for a cruise to Grafton. Lunch at the Grafton Oyster Bar and then cruise on the river.

June 28 – Drive your Vette to Work sponsored by the Paynes. Meet at the Defiance Ridge Winery at 11:00 am.

June 30 – Fritz's Custard sponsored by the Paynes.

July 2 – Next Meeting.

July 4 – Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade and Picnic at the Price's house.

July 6 – Club Luau sponsored by Steve and Dawn Kirby at their house. Begins at 11:00 am. Bring a side dish and your favorite beverage.

July 8 – Special lunch in memory of Sandy Kirby sponsored by Pam Queen. If you want to donate to the Walk for ALS, please look for "Team Sandy". Lunch will be at Salt and Smoke Restaurant near Clarkson and Clayton beginning at 11:30 am.

July 13 – Mystery Run sponsored by the 20th Anniversary Committee – mainly Jeff Stieran.

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ALL EVENTS.

New Business

Karen Price explained why there are new proposed by-laws and the work that was done to get to this point. It is one of the "necessary evils" of having to operate the club. Mike Price went over each of the proposals in detail and discussion followed. Remember these will be voted on at the next meeting.

Master planner Barb Payne is working on the club's next adventure. She is planning an Alaskan cruise sometime in the August/September 2025 time frame. Details are still being worked out and if you would like to help with the planning, please see her.

It was also mentioned that Steve Willis, Randy Howard and Mike Grubb recently completed the Ron Fellows Driving School for Z06s. Steve presented Randy with a cone that he kicked up onto Steve's car.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Jan Murray in the amount of \$100.

There were 65 members in attendance.

President Karen Price asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sherri Marlo made a motion to adjourn with a second by Marc Portman. The motion was accepted and the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is July 2, 2024 at 7:00 pm at ELCO Chevrolet.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Hagenow Secretary

Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

NCM Ambassadors Report

In order to receive the Corvette Campus Connection, you need to go to the National Corvette Museum website and click "Subscribe to eNews".

In "Subscribe to eNews" fill in your information. (This does NOT sign you up to be a member of the National Corvette Museum; this just lets you get information from the NCM without joining as a member.)

Click your interest on the list -- your choice of the following:

- Raffles

-Corvette Store X- Corvette Campus Connection X-NCM Events

*The NCM doesn't give any of your information out nor will they pressure you to join the NCM. They just want to get info to Corvette fans.

Marty and Judy Dooley NCM Ambassadors

Future Events



St. Louis Corvette Club Monthly Ice Cream Run April Until October

| When: | Sunday June 30 th July 28 th August 25 th September 29 th October 27 th |
|--------|---|
| Where: | Fritz's Frozen Custard |
| | 815 Meramec Station Road, Valley Park, MO 63088 |
| Time: | 5:30 PM Until We All Leave |
| What: | Drive Your Corvette for Club Activity Credit |
| | |



Webster Groves Parade, Thursday July 4th @0830

Meet at Elm and Big Bend just north of Elm and 44 at 8:30am upper Schnucks parking lot, we will then proceed to the high school for final lineup. We cannot throw candy from the cars. Let's decorate in red, white and blue; Wear patriotic clothes.

After the parade we will head to the Price's for a pot luck lunch. There will be people at the starting point to pick up and pot luck items so we don't have to worry about food safety while we are in the parade.

Webster Grove's 4th of July Parade and after party picnic at the Price's.

Price's address: 2400 Oak Mont Ct. High Ridge

Contact - Don Pickles (314-323-9901) or Mike/Karen Price

If you don't want to be in the parade, you may go over to Price's and help out.

I need to know what color your car is and if you are going to the Prices, what are you bringing for the potluck.



St. Louis Corvette Club Annual Luau

Pool is open!

Saturday, July 6th 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

or

dawnstroup@sbcglobal.net

or sign up at meeting.

Hope to see you on the 6th!

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



ALS Luncheon in Memory of Sandy Kirby

Please join us on Monday, July 8, 2024

for our annual ALS Luncheon.



Salt + Smoke Restaurant

1386 Clarkson/Clayton Center, St. Louis, MO 63011

Reservation is at 11:30

There will be a sign-up sheet at the June meeting. Event is sponsored by Pam Queen,

Ruth Howard and Valerie Zeisset. If you can't make the meeting,

please contact Valerie Zeisset at 618-719-4937 or email at val56@aol.com

Reservations needed by July 4th

MYSTERY RUN AND FUN

When-July 13th 2024

Where- I know but I won't tell :)

Time- 7am leaving at 7:30am sharp. Have your mojo coffee in hand.

Meeting place- Poor Richards Parking lot. 108 Hilltop Village Center Drive, Eureka, MO. 63025

What to bring- Pack your own for an early brunch with beverages (9:30am ish) Full tank of fuel, Have a Happy face with a smile and dress casual for the weather

11:00 am- Event, I know but I won't tell :)

12:30 pm- Event, I know but I won't tell :)

1:30 pm.- Scenic, I know but I won't tell :)

3:00 pm.- Fresh Stop for enjoyment. Where, I know but I won't tell :):):):):)

***Remember this is a mystery run. This will be a mix of different activities. Don't miss out because everyone will be talking about it for a long time. Come along and enjoy.

Contact Jeff Stieren 314-629-6623 or Mike Price 636-222-0390 with any questions.

Ride on ! Plan Do Review. Rain or shine, snow or sleet, the incredible St. Louis Corvette Club is hard to beat :)

Don't tell anyone, it's a mystery !

St. Louis Corvette Club

Retiree Lunch

(Or whoever wants to play hooky and show up)

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

11:30 AM

Café Telegraph 2650 Telegraph Road (near Jefferson Barracks) St. Louis, MO 63125

Meet in the new section where we have been before.

Please RSVP by July 12 to get a headcount for the restaurant. Signup available at meeting or email us.

> Sponsored by Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow Email : <u>hagenow1@charter.net</u> Cell Phone : 618-791-4397

Click on the link if you want to preview the menu: <u>http://cafetelegraph.com/</u>







When:

• Saturday, July 20th @ 8:30am

Where:

- The Annex
- 8122 Big Bend Blvd
- Webster Groves, MO 63119

Come for the Coffee, Stay for the People!!

Sponsored by Jim & Bev Givens 314.341.3383



Sangria Sunsets

(Last Thursday of each Month, March - September)

Sunset Overlook 11604 Bluff Road Columbia, IL 62236 5:30pm <u>- ????</u> Come when you can. Rain, shine, snow or sleet.



Hosted by Dee and C.W. Riehlman

Saturday, July 27, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

617 Ridgewoods Manor Dr., Ellisville, MO. 63038

Eat at 6:00, Bunco at 7:00

Bring \$5.00 per person and a dish to share. Beer, soda, and water will be provided.

Sign up at the club meeting and indicate what you will bring or let Dee or C.W. know by July 23rd.

Dee 636-744-9700, email <u>mdcord@hotmail.com</u> C.W. 314-606-6904, email <u>criehlman@hotmail.com</u>

Past Events

Sangria Sunsets

May 30 Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens Photos by Terry Mueller



































Bunco

Hosted by Kim and Steve Marre' and Terry and Kathy Mueller Photos by Terry Mueller

















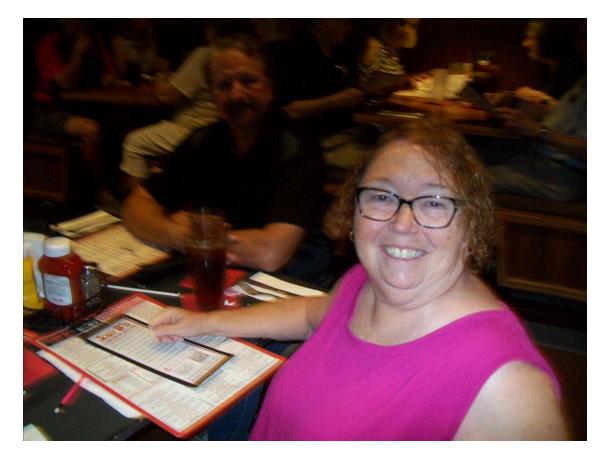




Bunco Winners!

June Retirees' Lunch

Hosted by Angie and John Midkiff Photos by Terry Mueller



























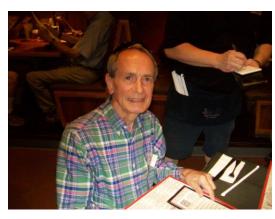
















Coffee and Corvettes

Sponsored by the Givens

Giant City State Park

Sponsored by the Stierens Photos by Terry Mueller



First stop Main Street Cafe on the Abbey







From Main Street Cafe on the Abbey, we took a scenic drive to Giant City State Park where we had lunch at the Giant City Lodge. The food was excellent!









The third stop was the Waterstreet Bar & Grill -- a barge on the Kakaskia River.



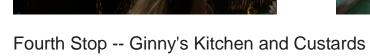














20th Anniversary - Grafton Cruisin' Down the Mississippi

Sponsored by Mary Ann (Valerie) and Ginger (Ruth) Photos by Terry Mueller and Ruth Howard

Riverboat Cruise























































Lunch at the Oyster Bar

















































Let the Good Times Roll Trip (continued) Travel Planning by Master Travel Planner,

Barb Payne

Assisted by Ken Payne, Jerry and Pam Schmidt, and Mike Kunst

Article by Kathy Mueller Photos by Terry Mueller, Barb Payne, and Mike Kunst

Day 5, Sunday, March 17

Tour of Stanton Hall in the morning.











Lunch at the Carriage House Restaurant which is on the grounds of Stanton House.















After lunch we drove from Natchez to Lafayette. On the way to Lafayette, there was a tree that had fallen over the road which the men had to remove so we could continue our drive.





In the evening, we went to Bordon's Ice Cream Shoppe.





Dennis picked up the tab for all our ice cream. Thank you Dennis!



Day 6, Monday, March 18

First stop was Rip Van Winkle Gardens























After Rip Van Winkle Garden, we went to lunch at Landry's Restaurant of New Iberia.



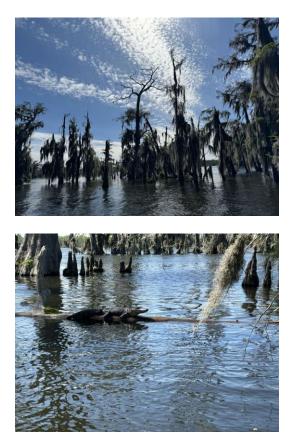








After lunch, we had a choice of going to a swamp boat ride on Lake Martin or LARC's Acadian Village. Most people went on the swamp boat ride where they saw several alligators.











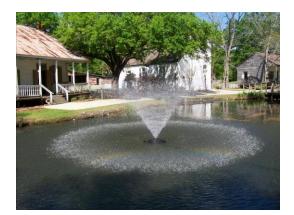


LARC's Acadian Village is what a typical 1800s Cajun village looked like.

















Dinner was at Bon Temps Grill











Trip to be continued...

Features and Announcements

Flag Day

Submitted by Marty and Judy Dooley



A few of our Club members have a Flag Day birthday. Look what the VFW in Cape did for us.

Cone Presentation

Submitted by Ruth Howard



Geez Randy this was your third trip to Spring Mountain and you're still hitting the cones?!!! Thanks to Steve Willis for providing this souvenir!

Articles

The St. Louis Corvette Club Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

History Committee: Ron Hagenow, Marty Dooley, and Mike Price

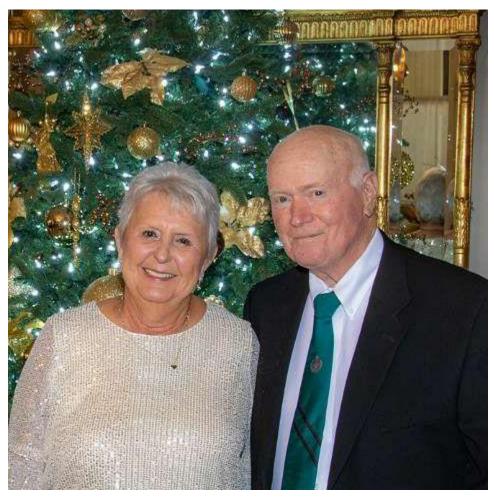
Welcome to the St. Louis Corvette Club's 20th Anniversary! July 2024

You see a lot of advertisements for "Christmas in July" sales. For our "Christmas in July" issue, let's go back and see what was going on at Christmas time for the past 10 years. Most of these are from our Christmas parties.



Some of our incoming board members: Gary and Erin Duke, Anne Pickles, and Randy Howard.

2022



Founding member Sharon Ballinger and one of our first Associate Members Jim Love from Indiana. The Ballingers and Loves first met at the Historic Motorama in 2002.



Judy Dooley and Chris Woods who have sponsored our Christmas party for a number of years.



All the ugly sweater participants at the Prices' Twelfth Day of Christmas party.



Bill Pastor, Eric DeBruin, and Mark Gereke from ELCO present their sponsorship check to President Don Pickles.

2018



Board members Rick Doerr, Tom Marlo, Sherri Marlo, Pat Moore, Anne Pickles, and Don Pickles.



Founding members Marty Dooley, Judy Dooley, Jerry Craig, and Sharon Ballinger.

2016



A sentimental picture of Mike and Sandy Kirby. Sadly, Sandy passed away in 2018 and Mike passed away in 2021. They were very active members

and Sandy's ALS diagnosis never slowed them down.

2015



Club presidents Ron Huch (our first President), Marty Dooley, Rick Frierdich, Ann Sedovic, Ruth Howard, Randy Howard, Ron Hagenow and Bill Dotson.



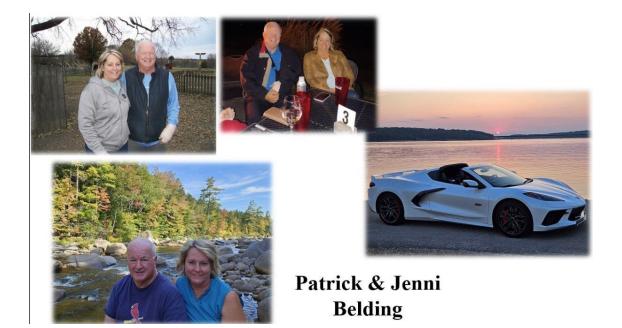
Tom and Sherri Marlo prior to their trip to the orthodontist. That's a mighty fine-looking couple!



Board members Bob Kusky, Michelle Paillou, Tom Marlo, Karen Price, Mike Price, and Ann Sedovic.

Featured STLCC Members and Their Corvette

Patrick and Jenni Belding



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