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President's Message

Hello my Corvette family!

April showers have got our drought conditions caught up and bring the promise of a beautiful spring to enjoy events in our Great American Sportscar!

The May meeting will host a guest speaker that will provide information on a new alarm system to prevent theft of our cars.

The calendar is full of events that provide a variety of different opportunities to drive our cars and get to know our new members.

Our winter snowbirds are back, and we are happy to have them.

The 20th Anniversary committee is working hard to make this a memorable year.

The VA garden crew has created a beautiful space for our treasured Veterans to enjoy with their families. Thanks to Marty and Judy for picking out a colorful selection of flowers and flags along with great weather. Please contact them if you can help with watering over the summer.

Remember to bring in toiletries for John Midkiff to distribute to our veterans.

As always, I am so incredibly humbled to have this opportunity to serve as your President. I am always in awe of how our membership works together to make this club run -- what a blessing!

I hope to see everyone at our next meeting, Tuesday May 7th at our gracious host ELCO Chevrolet.

Until then,
Save the wave and stay safe!

Karen Price, President

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Joanmarie Hartzke

Vickie DeBruin

Ed Hartzke

Pat Cox

Tracy Stieren

Anne Pickles

Chris Woods

Pam Queen

Mark Gerecke

ANNIVERSARIES

Jerry & Sonja Giffhorn

John & Kitty Lasinski

STLCC Anniversary Milestones

15 Year

Judy Giovanoni

There were no 5, 10, or 20 year club anniversaries in May.

Meeting Minutes

The St. Louis Corvette Club met at ELCO Chevrolet on Tuesday, April 2, 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: Jim Givens	Sponsor: ELCO Chevrolet 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 reminded everyone that you don't have to be retired to join us at lunch. Just come if you are available. She also

acknowledged the passing of Kevin Yovich and thanked Bob and Joann Rogers for their touching tribute in the newsletter and caring for him.

- We have several guests in attendance. Matt and Donna Guardino who have a '67 Vette and Judy Dooley, friend of the Howards (not Marty's Judy!)
- A correction was made to the February minutes to add Valerie Zeisset and Pam Queen to the 20th Anniversary committee. After this change a motion was requested to accept the March 2024 secretary's minutes. Barry Seelig moved to accept the minutes. June Walsh seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- Anne Pickles read the treasurer's report for March. There were no questions asked. A motion was requested to accept the March 2024 treasurer's report. Michelle Paillou moved to accept the report with a second by Don Pickles. The motion passed.
- Membership Chairman Erin Duke provided an updated report that reflected membership changes since the March 2024 meeting. She read the names of members celebrating April birthdays and anniversaries.

Current membership totals:

- Regular Members: 99 (includes 7 Charter Members)
- Lifetime Members: 4 (includes 1 Charter Member)
- Associate Members: 10 (includes 2 Charter Members)
- Total Members: 113 (excludes sponsors)

She welcomed new members Jim and Marilyn Panter. With Kevin Yovich's passing it will open membership to the next people on our waiting list. The report indicated 6 people are on the membership waiting list.

Committee Reports

Newsletter: Kathy Mueller continues to provide us with an awesome newsletter.

Budget Report – Don Pickles, Rick Doerr and Mike Kunst. A new rate schedule for next year has been proposed to the Board. After the Board review, it will be provided to the membership at the next meeting with voting on it in June. New schedule rates go into effect July 1, 2024.

By-Laws: Mike Price, Mike Kunst, and Valerie Zeisset – There are several minor changes which are being reviewed by the Board. There will be more information at the next meeting.

Charity: Michelle Finn, Judy Giovanoni and Sonja Giffhorn – Judy Giovanoni announced the club charity for this year will go to support <https://www.22aday.org/>. The name comes from the fact that roughly 22 veterans a day commit suicide. The club will send \$300 to this charity. You can click on the link for more information.

VA Garden: Marty Dooley – There is a planting date scheduled for April 13 at 9:00 am. Sign-up sheet is available. And as always, we will go to lunch after our work. Also, we need volunteers to water weekly. If you can help, please see Marty.

Parade: Michelle Paillou and Mike Price – Don Pickles is going to take over the Fourth of July parade in Webster Groves this year for Michelle. Parade as usual and food at the Prices' house afterwards. More information to follow.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report: Marty Dooley – Marty reminded us about the Bash on April 25-28 and the 30th Anniversary and 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. Plant tours will be available during the Bash.

History: Marty Dooley, Mike Price, and Ron Hagenow – Past events and historical pictures are being included in the club newsletter.

20th Anniversary: Ruth and Randy Howard, Jeff and Tracy Stieren, Ron Hagenow, Valerie Zeisset, Pam Queen and Mike and Karen Price – There will be special articles in the newsletter throughout the year. Ruth Howard went over possible events/activities being planned by the committee. Some of these are: mystery runs/road trips/poker runs, 70s-80s theme for the club picnic, baby photo contest (send your pictures to Ruth), winery run to Carbondale with an overnight stay and party bus tour of 3 wineries, club visit to the NCM and a riverboat cruise. More information to follow and if you have any further ideas, please see one of the committee members.

Website: Steve Kirby – There is a recent increase of \$6 to maintain the club's website.

Christmas Party: Chris Woods and Judy Dooley – We have set a date of December 7, 2024 for the Christmas party and it will be at the Falls again in Columbia, IL. The room has already been reserved.

Nominating: Pam Queen and Valerie Zeisset – No report.

Sponsor Report: Mark mentioned that in addition to the 22aday.org charity donation, if anyone needs mental health assistance, they can dial 988 at any time. ELCO also has 3 used, GM executive driven Z06s for sale. The dealership also has 3 new convertibles on order.

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 - On target.

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

Past Events

March 13 – March 24 – Blues Highway trip sponsored by the Paynes. It was a great trip and everyone was busy! Thanks to Barb and Ken for planning the trip. Unfortunately, the Doerrs and Trosts had their cars stolen which put a damper on everything. More information is under new business.

March 16 – Cars and Coffee sponsored by the Givens. There were about 15 people who attended. It was held at Upshot Coffee Brake Shop in St. Charles.

March 22 – Mouse races in support of St. Jude's. It was an excellent event and turnout with about 180 people attending. Approximately \$4300 was raised to support the Drive for St. Jude's. Jim Givens will again be selling smoked pork loins for \$25 to further raise funds for the event. We have 4 club members who are participating and you can donate to support them through their Facebook pages. Another mouse race is scheduled for March 21, 2025.

March 23 – VA Cleanup. Marty Dooley reported we had about 13 people who did the cleanup and it only took about 1 ½ hours. Naturally we had lunch afterwards.

March 27 – Retiree lunch sponsored by Barry Seelig. Everyone enjoyed Ethyl's Smoke House in O'Fallon, MO and about 22 members attended.

March 28 – The inaugural start of Sunset and Sangria at Sunset Overlook,

Columbia, IL was cancelled due to the weather. Hoping for better weather next month. It begins at 5:30 pm.

April 2 – Tonight's meeting.

Future Events

April 6 – Bunco sponsored by Kim and Steve Marre' and Terry and Kathy Mueller. Bring \$5 and a dish to share. Begins at 6:00 pm with food and Bunco starting at 7:00 pm.

April 7 – First Fritz's run of the year. Meet at 5:30 pm or whenever your schedule allows.

April 8 – Total solar eclipse trip sponsored by Mike Kunst. Driving down to the Cape Girardeau area and there are about 15 cars going. We have a designated parking lot and brunch/lunch restaurant has been reserved.

April 13 – VA Planting sponsored by the Dooleys. Meet in the parking lot by Building 52. Shouldn't take too long and will have lunch afterwards.

April 17 – Retirees' lunch at Wildwood Pub and Grill sponsored by Judy Giovanoni and Mike McElhone. Meet at 11:30 am.

April 25 – Sunset and Sangria at Sunset Overlook in Columbia, IL – Sponsored by the Givens. Be there around 5:30 pm or whenever you can.

April 25-28 – Spring Bash at the National Corvette Museum. See the Dooleys for more information.

April 27 – Cars and Coffee sponsored by the Givens. This one will be at On the

Grind in Crystal City at 8:30 am.

April 28 – Car show at St. Martin’s Church sponsored by Dana Griggs.

April 28 – Fritz’s run.

May 4 – Run to Hannibal, MO sponsored by Midkiffs and Zeissets. Taking the back roads and then lunch.

May 7 – Scheduled club meeting.

May 11 – Route 66 Corvette Club car show in Wentzville. (This is a non-club sponsored event). This is at Poage Chevrolet and all proceeds to go to the USO.

May 11 – Cars and Coffee sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens. This one is at The Orange Couch in Eureka. Begins at 8:30 am.

May 18 – Car show at WWT Raceway to support Fischer House. John Jordan is the sponsor and registration is made on-line. There are about 6 cars attending.

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ALL EVENTS.

As an addendum to the report on the Blues trip, Mike Kunst outlined several steps that we can take to protect our cars. You could use Air Tags if you have an iPhone which you can place in your car in an inconspicuous place and track it through the Find My app. You can also purchase a Faraday or RFID bag or box to put your keys in. This prevents the radio signal from transmitting so thieves can’t clone your key. There are also wheel boots or locks for your steering wheel. There are also boxes you can lock around your OBD II connector so thieves can’t access the box which provides electronic access to your car.

Also, several people thanked the Paynes for the excellent trip. Both the Doerrs and Trosts have bought replacement cars, both 2019s. The Trost's car is almost exactly like their previous one while the Doerrs' car is a Midnight Blue convertible. Barry Seelig presented both with Hot Wheel cars painted in their stolen car colors. Thank you, Barry!

Bob Kusky was also present and he thanked the club for all the wonderful memories while in the club. He and Patti are moving in the next couple of weeks to Olathe, KS but they will be back for the Christmas party.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Michelle Paillou in the amount of \$104.

There were 63 members in attendance.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Hagenow
Secretary

Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

NCM Ambassadors Report

The newest America's Sports Car magazine, a publication of the National Corvette Museum, has an article about the 1983 Corvette. The following is a paraphrase excerpt from the magazine article by Bruce Troxell:

Paul Schnoes who was an experienced plant manager and made a point of spending a part of each day going to different parts of the plant, watching and talking with his employees. Paul saw a white 83 Corvette parked in the back of the parking area. The white 1983 was then painted red, white, and blue which lasted about 6 months. Paul realized the importance of keeping it original and returned it to its white paint color. The GM executives in Detroit finally let the Corvette Team know that they could keep the 1983 Corvette and display it in the plant to educate visitors about the plant's history.

We will be attending the BASH at the NCM and hope to bring back some information from the Ambassador meeting.

Don't forget about raffle cars. We did have a winner in our Club.

The NCM website is www.corvettemuseum.org.

Judy and Marty Dooley

NCM Ambassadors

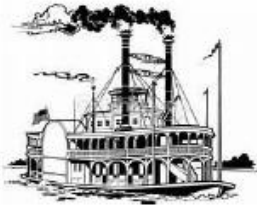
Future Events



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

- When:** Sunday
May 26th
June 30th
July 28th
August 25th
September 29th
October 27th
- 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
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STLCC



Hannibal Drive

Saturday May 04, 2024

Meet at Syberg's Restaurant

2430 Old Dorsett Rd.

Meet at 9:30 am

Drivers Meeting at 9:45 am

Depart 10:00 am

We will drive to Hannibal using Highway 79

Lunch at Fiddlestiks Food & Spirits Co.

Photo op after lunch in front of an old gas station.



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When:

- Saturday, May 11th @ 8:30am

Where:

- Orange Couch
- 98 Legends Pkwy
- Eureka, MO

Come for the Coffee, Stay for the People!!

Sponsored by Jim & Bev Givens

314.341.3383



STLCC May Retiree Luncheon-

Hosted by Brian & June Walsh

Blue Owl Restaurant and Bakery

6116 Second Street • Kimmswick, MO 63053

Date: Wed May 15th Time: 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

We will order off the Trio Menu which includes drink and dessert. With tax and gratuity cost is \$28.95 per person. [Group Menu | The Blue Owl Restaurant & Bakery](#)

Gluten free menu available upon request

Come and join us!

We have the room from 10:00 – 12:30. We must be out by 12:30. Also, if you sign up and don't show up, you will still be charged for your lunch unless you cancel before May 3rd.

RSVP: call or txt June: 314-677-7838 or junelwalsh21@gmail.com

Brian: 314-353-4834 or bc09@sbcglobal.net



On May 16 and 17, 2024, the 13th Annual St. Jude Corvette Drive to Memphis supporting the kids of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will occur. Since its 2012 inception, the Drive has raised more than \$2.2 Million to further the lifesaving work of St. Jude. In 2023, 89 Corvette drivers and 192 attendees from Peoria, Louisville, Nashville, and St. Louis raised \$340,000. This year we have added another satellite location from Bourbonnais. We are excited to see what the Corvette community can do in 2024! We currently have 104 vehicles registered to drive. That is a record! We are blessed to have members Jim & Bev Givens, Mike & Laurie Grubb, Randy & Ruth Howard, and Tom & Sherri Marlo driving again. All have driven previously. If you have any questions about how impressive this trip is, feel free to speak to one of them.

We drive because we are blessed with beautiful and healthy grandchildren. Once you walk the halls of St. Jude you realize how blessed you are! Can you believe that a car we drive for enjoyment is saving the lives of sick children? As a Corvette owner this is the most rewarding experience you will ever have with your car!

St. Jude is leading the way the world understands, treats, and defeats childhood

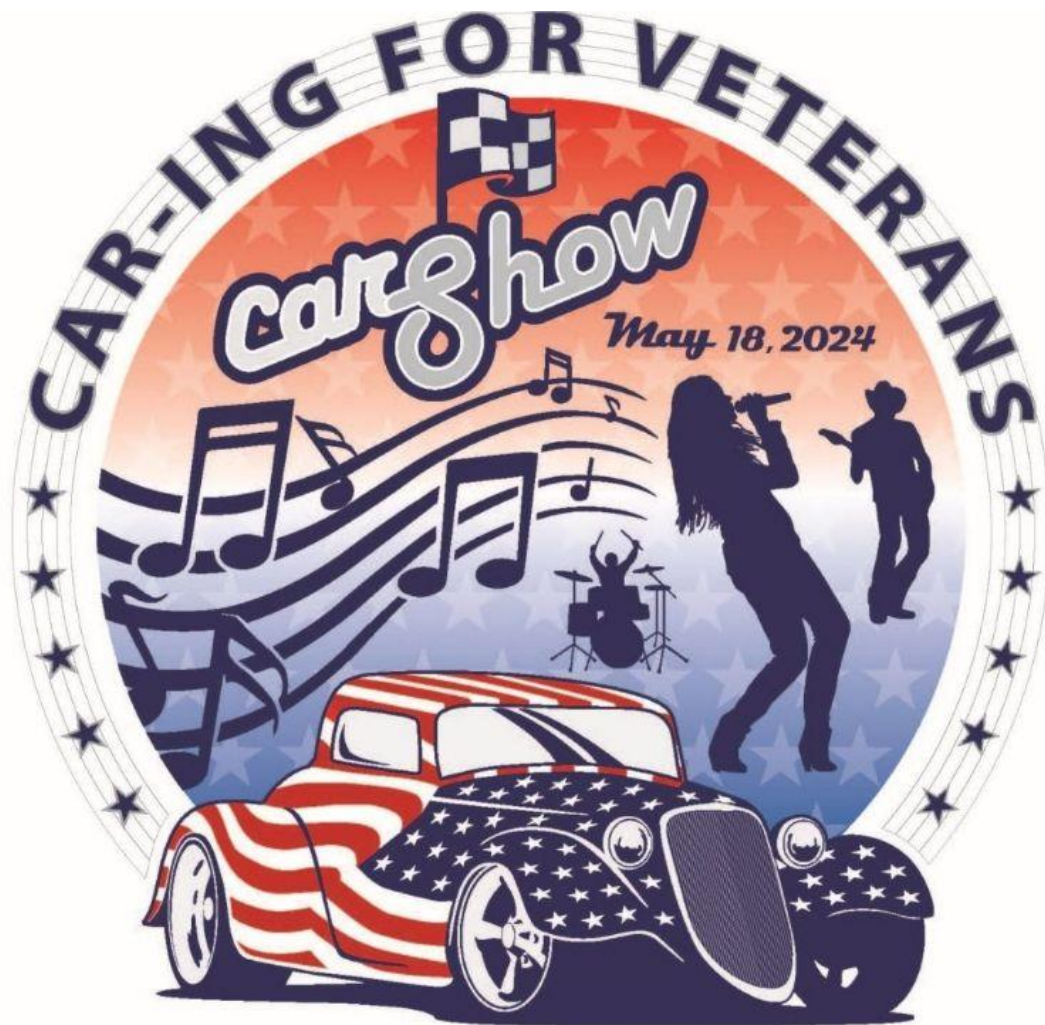
cancer and other life-threatening diseases. Treatments invented at St. Jude have helped push the overall childhood cancer survival rate from 20 percent to more than 80 percent since opening over 50 years ago. St. Jude won't stop until no child dies from cancer. Thanks to generous donations, families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing, or food. Please send your contribution today and join our mission: Finding cures. Saving children. Thank you for helping make Danny Thomas' dream a reality that no child should die in the dawn of life!

Each registered vehicle expenses are \$425. This registration fee covers the cost of tee shirts, event polos, gas, Thursday night hotel room, parking, lunch in Memphis and other incidentals.

Drivers commit to raise \$1,250 and passengers commit to raise \$750 for two people in a vehicle. If you are a single driver the fundraising is \$1,250.

If you are interested in participating in this amazing experience, please contact Ruth & Randy Howard at rhoward15@charter.net or call Ruth at – 314-486-6836.

#greatamericansportscar  [stjude](https://www.stjude.org)



Cars on Display, Live Music & Veterans Village

Saturday, May 18, 2024

www.FisherHouseinSTL.org/events

See other side for more info.



Saturday, May 18

Rock & Country Bands:

- Coach
- The Panics STL
- Moving in Stereo
- Tree One Four
- Slight Return
- Crystal O'Connor & the Whiskey Rebels

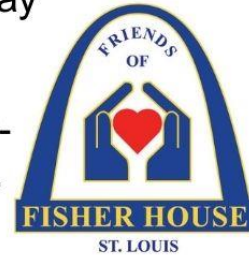
**at World Wide
Technology
Raceway**

Buy Tickets at Pit Pay App:



Benefiting Fisher House

A free "home away from home" for families whose Veteran is receiving medical care.



Click QR Code for Details & Schedule



and Veterans Mental Health Programs

Through the
CPL Jacob Madden
Foundation



BUNCO

HOSTED BY JUDY GIOVANONI AND MIKE MCELHONE

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 6:00 p.m.

310 OXFORD RIDGE CT. ELLISVILLE, MO. 63021

Eat at 6:00, Bunco at 7:00

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

**It's helpful to know what you're bringing, so we
don't have a lot of duplicates!**

Soda, Lemonade, and Beer Provided

RSVP to Judy By 5/17/24 text 636-236-7294 or

judithgiovannoni@gmail.com



Sangria Sunsets

(Last Thursday of each Month, March – September)

Sunset Overlook

11604 Bluff Road

Columbia, IL 62236

5:30pm - ?????

Come when you can. Rain, shine, snow or sleet.



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

Saturday, June 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Marre's House

1158 Hawkins Bend Pl., Fenton MO 63026

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 Kim or
Kathy know by June 4.

Kim 314-800-7781, email steve.marre@sbcglobal.net
or Kathy 314-954-3715, email kathy_mueller@sbcglobal.net

Past Events

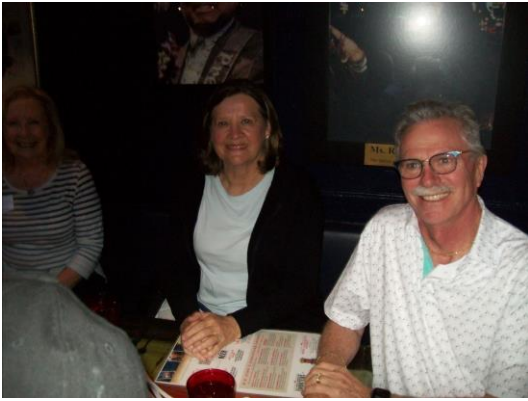
Let the Good Times Roll Trip
Travel Planning by Master Travel Planner,
Barb Payne
Assisted by Ken Payne, Jerry and Pam Schmidt,
and Mike Kunst
Article by Kathy Mueller
Photos by Terry Mueller, Barb Payne, and Mike Kunst

Day 1, Wednesday, March 13

The first day of the trip was a very full and fun day. We left at 8:00 a.m. and arrived at our hotel in Tunica, MS at approximately 8:15 p.m. The first stop on the trip was BB Kings on Beale Street in Memphis for lunch.







After lunch, we walked down Beale Street and went to the Rock 'n' Soul Museum, which tells the history of Rock and Soul with many interesting exhibits.







Next we walked to the Peabody Hotel to watch the Duck March. The Duck March is a tradition at the Peabody Hotel. The ducks march along a red carpet from the fountain to the elevator.







From the Peabody Hotel, we walked to Charlie Vergos Rendezvous for dinner.





After dinner, we walked to Margies 901 Homemade Ice Cream Shop and then drove to our hotel in Tunica, Mississippi.





Day 2, Thursday, March 14

The first place we visited on Thursday was the Gateway to the Blues Museum in Tunica which tells the story of how the Blues was born through many exhibits. It also has a recording booth where our group recorded a song.







From the Gateway to the Blues Museum we drove to Cleveland, MS and had lunch at the Warehouse Restaurant.





After lunch we visited the Grammy Museum in Cleveland, MS. The Grammy Museum has many interactive exhibits that cover many types of music from rock and hip-hop to country, classical, Latin, R&B, and jazz.



Next we went to Dockery Farms. Dockery Farms is considered to be the birthplace of the Blues. It was a cotton plantation and sawmill. There are still several original buildings on the site as well as some of the machinery.









From Dockery Farms we drove to Natchez, MS, checked into our hotel, and went to dinner at Roux 16.





There will be more of the Let the Good Times Roll trip in the next several newsletters.

Ice Cream at Fritz's

April 7

Sponsored by Ken and Barb Payne, John and Angie Midkiff, and

John Jordan and Joyce Newbauer

Photos by CW and Dee Riehlman and Mike Kunst









The Great American Total Solar Eclipse

Sponsored by Mike Kunst and Mike & Laurie Grubb

Article by Mike Kunst

Photos Credit: Mike Kunst, Barb Payne, Randy & Ruth Howard

We departed South County at 7:30 am for what should have been a drive of about 1 hour 35 minutes. It turned out to be 2 hours 30 minutes. Still, we made our

brunch reservation at the Century Casino at 11 am! This was a good omen. Our brunch and eclipse viewing experience there was outstanding.



If you had seen some of the other venues along our route to Cape Girardeau, you could really appreciate our parking and viewing area at the Century Casino!



Some of the Eclipse watchers.





What were all these people staring at? Maybe a Total Eclipse?



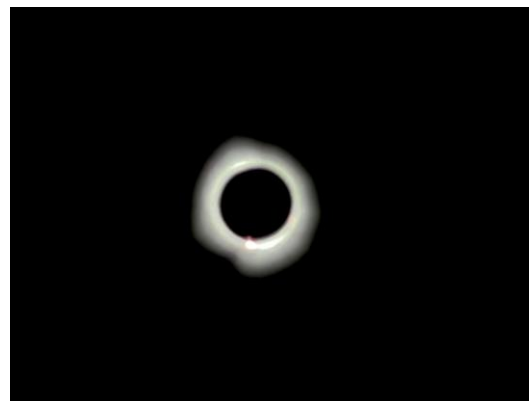
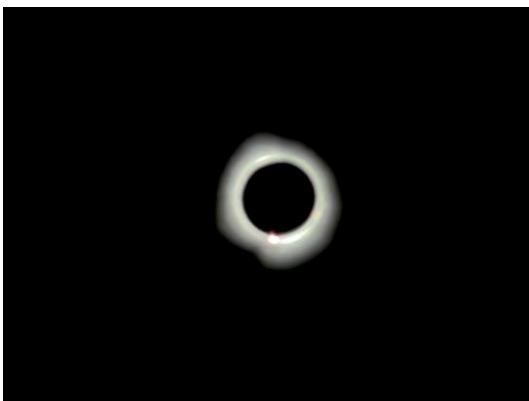
Here is the view we were treated to watching:

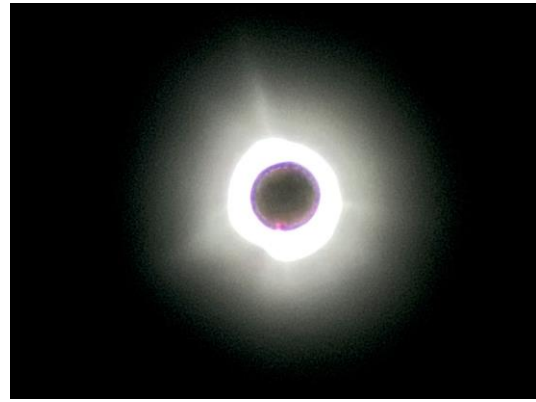


Above: An overexposed partial and a much better exposed partial.

As an explanation, these photos were taken with my iPhone 15 Pro with a filter of the same material as provided in the viewing glasses. It turns out that the camera sensor is as fragile as the human eye when it comes to looking at the sun. There

was a camera app that came with the filter and my glasses that was free. It has a slider for zoom, focus, and exposure. It has three modes: partial, photo, and total. In total mode, it took five photos automatically varying the focus and exposure. There is one series below.



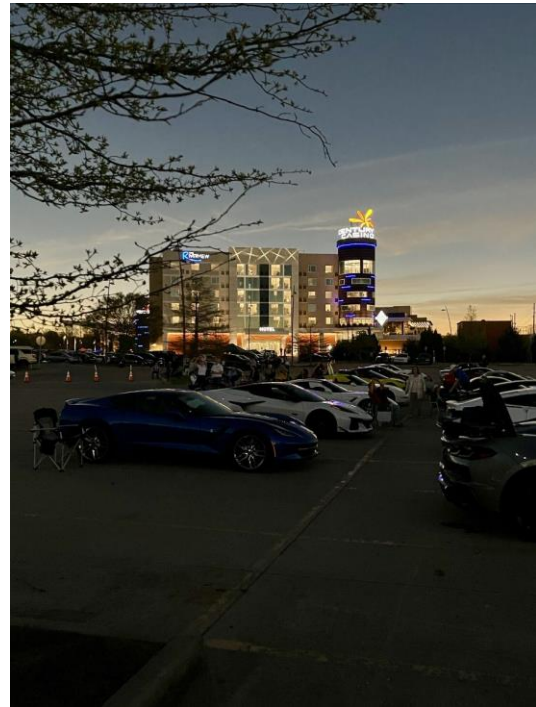


Below: The partial following the total eclipse.



Below: Two photos of the casino during totality. In the second photo, notice the light on the horizon similar to sunset. However, that light was the same for 360 degrees. Eerie!

Later, I saw a report that the temperature dropped 9 degrees in Cape Girardeau during totality!



Below: The event organizers from left to right: Reg Swan, President, Corvettes of Southeast Missouri, Century Casino G.M., Mike Kunst, Laurie Grubb, and Mike Grubb.



Hmmm! I found an Eclipse in the casino lobby!



Below: A small group of 4 cars departed Cape across the bridge to IL 3. We stopped for a bite to eat south of Waterloo, and Tom & Sherri met us there.



VA Garden Planting

Organized by Judy & Marty Dooley

Words by John Jordan

Photos by Mike Kunst

Joyce and I helped at the Jefferson Barracks Hospital garden last Saturday, April 13th. I had been there on March 23rd for cleanup. Saturday was a beautiful day and it felt good to give the veterans there a clean, pretty, peaceful area. One vet told us that they like to come and relax on the cheerful, colorful chairs there.

Afterward, of course, we all had a great lunch sitting out on Frankie G's patio! Everyone is welcome to come out for a few hours to help the ones who sacrificed for us.







John Jordan watered the VA garden on April 19 and sent pictures so everyone could know what the garden really looks like.



Bunco

Hosted by Mike and Karen Price

Photos by Mike Kunst





Winners!

2024 Michelin NCM Bash

Quick Report
By Mike Kunst

New colors for the 2025 Model Year! They didn't tell us which colors were being retired, but I will bet you can guess two of them! What about that purple? Also, why are these people so happy?



I guess this is why Robert and Vicki are so happy! Actually, I took the photo before they learned they had won one of the awards in the car show! Guess they are just happy people!

BASH²⁰²⁴
NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

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That is all I can fit into this jam packed newsletter. Next month there will be more.

Sangria Sunsets

Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens

Photo by Jim Givens



Coffee and Corvettes

Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens

Photos by Jim Givens



Ice Cream at Fritz's

April 28

Sponsored by Ken and Barb Payne, John and Angie Midkiff, and
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Photos by Barb Payne







Features and Announcements

National Vietnam Veterans Day

Submitted by Ron Hagenow

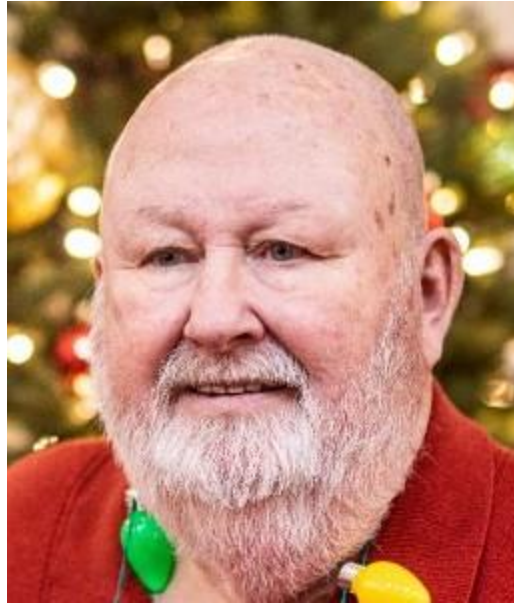
March 29, 2024 was the third celebration of National Vietnam Veterans Day. This day commemorates those that served during Vietnam in country. This is opposed to those like me who served during the Vietnam era but did not serve in country.

The City of Waterloo was one of many cities through the country that recognized our Vietnam veterans. One of those recognized was our very own Jerry Giffhorn. He served with the 1st Calvary in the Army. Here is a picture of him on

that day. We also want to recognize Bob Woods who also served in Vietnam. My apologies if I missed anyone else.



Jerry Giffhon



Bob Woods

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!

May 2024

Last month we shared details of how our club got started and who our officers

have been. Now to the fun stuff and why we continue to have a club - our events!

There are several events that we have routinely done each year. They are the Webster Groves Fourth of July Parade, the St. Louis City Veterans Day Parade, Funfest at Mid-America in Effingham, IL, Corvette Weekend at Eureka Springs, AR, monthly Fritz's Frozen Custard run, Drive your Corvette to Work (or not) on June 30th of each year, spring planting and fall cleanup at the garden we maintain behind Building 52 at the VA Hospital at Jefferson Barracks, and the NCM Bash/Anniversary weekends in Bowling Green, KY

In the first few years of the club, we had weekly dinners each month where a member planned a dinner at a different restaurant each Thursday of the month. For the past several years we've been having a Retiree's lunch (or whoever wants to show up) on the third Wednesday of the month as well as Cars and Coffee at various establishments on a Saturday morning. We also have an annual Christmas party as well as a Twelfth Day of Christmas party at the Prices'. Throughout the years we have had various car shows as well as chili cook off contests in conjunction with some car shows. We also have an annual club picnic in the fall (sometimes with a rally) as well as a hot dog roast/hayride sponsored by ELCO.

Besides the events mentioned above, these are some of the events we have done throughout the years:

2004

Autumn leaves tour through rural Missouri

Lambert's Café in Sikeston, MO

Lunch run to Dexter, MO

Lunch at Dreamland Palace in Foster Pond, near Waterloo, IL

Lunch at Pere Marquette State Park in IL

Wild Bird Sanctuary visit in Valley Park, MO

2005

Brunch at Scott AFB, IL Officers Club

Lunch at Dreamland Palace in Foster Pond, IL

Vettes on the Rockies in Colorado

Poker Run starting at Kimmswick for breakfast and ending up back in St. Louis

Lunch at Blue Springs Café near Highland, IL

Fast Eddie's in Alton, IL

Autumn leaves tour and Crown Valley Winery in St. Genevieve, MO

2006

Valentine Day brunch at Scott AFB, IL Officers Club

Visit to Fast Lane Cars in St. Charles then lunch at Blue Springs Café near Highland, IL

We loaded up our cars onto a ferry and had lunch at the Finn Inn in Grafton, IL

About 17 cars got to participate in the Opening Day ceremony for the 90th running of the Indy 500. We got to drive a parade lap on the track and had a lunch provided by Chevrolet. We got to do this through the generosity of Associate Members Jim and the late Sharon Love.

Another run to Dreamland Palace in Foster Pond for lunch

Corvettes at Carlisle, PA

Richard's Restaurant in Herman, MO

Blue Springs Café lunch near Highland, IL

2007

Sunday Brunch at Gallagher's in Waterloo

Herman Wurstfest

Another ferry ride, this time to the Wittmond Hotel in Brussels, IL

Dinner at Montelle Winery

Armed Forces Day parade in St. Peters

Corvette Weekend in Black Hills/Spearfish, CO

Gateway Grizzlies game. We got to drive our cars through the concourse during the 7th inning stretch.

Lunch at Miller's Grill in Washington, MO

Car show in Columbia, IL

Dreamland Palace (again) for lunch

We will continue with more events in the next few newsletters. Hopefully, this will give you an idea of what events we have done in the past and maybe an idea for a new event.

Lastly, a few pictures.



Some of our members at the Gencota Winery in New Harmony, Indiana from July 2004.



A Sunday brunch at the Scott AFB Officer's Club from July 2005.



Getting ready for a poker run and ending up at Elephant Rock State Park in May 2005.



Some of our cars on the track at Indy in May 2007.

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