



The St. Louis Corvette Club Club Newsletter

December 2012

Upcoming Events

December 1 Christmas Party
Sunset Hills

January 12 Planning Meeting
@ 12 noon
Grand Slam



Honoring our Vets on Veteran's Day!

President's Column

Hello Fellow St. Louis Corvette Club Members,

Well, the end of 2012 is upon us. It seems like just yesterday we were planning our up-and-coming year's activities on the first floor of the Sunset Lakes clubhouse. Since then, there have been numerous opportunities to go to the Corvette Museum, take day trips around St. Louis, drive out west, go on a girls-only outing, plus a monthly visit to a familiar ice cream stand. Along the way, we have had monthly charities to contribute to, as well as countless gardening and cleanup activities at the VA Hospital, all while eating copious quantities of delicious food along the way. Please don't hold it against me that I left out many other events that are too many to count. I only get a part of one page for this note. And Marya, I agree, the rattlesnake and rabbit sausage at the Roundhouse in Lead, SD was tops on the list for me too.

As I look to 2013, we have a fresh crop of newly elected board members to take on the work of keeping our club running smoothly. Besides them, there are many volunteer committee chairs who facilitate many important aspects of our club. I wish them all the best in the year ahead.

Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.

Michael R. Zlatic

President - 2012

P.S. - Don't forget to give the wave when you are driving the greatest American sport car.

2012 Officers



Interim President: Michael Zlatic, president@stlcorvettes.com

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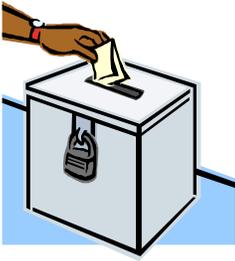


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National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor: Rich Luebcke, 636.532.9620, nccc@stlcorvettes.com

Or, you can contact the Club through the general email box at stl.corvettes@gmail.com



2013 Election Results

Thanks to *all* candidates for taking the initiative to lead our Club!

President:	Ruth Howard
Vice President:	Larry Akins
Secretary:	Karen Price
Treasurer:	Rich Doerr
Membership:	Jan Murray
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Don Pickles

December Birthdays & Anniversaries



Jerry Craig, December 2
Mary Doerr, December 4
Craig Cobler, December 8
Ruth Howard, December 9
Randy Howard, December 16
Christina Oster, December 26
Bob Woods, December 28
Michelle Finn December 29



Ron & Carol Miesner, December 5
Mike & Joan Jennewein, December 29
Tom & Sherri Marlo, December 31

Letter from the retired editor By Amy Zlatic (aka Calamity Aim)

Although my term as editor came to an end much more quickly than I anticipated, I leave my post with gratitude for having the opportunity to serve the Club and get to know many of you better through the process. I thank you all for your comments and suggestions, for your photographs and stories, and for your support. I am so grateful and happy that Don has taken over the newsletter; he will do a phenomenal job and you will receive it in a much more timely fashion! Please be sure to feed him lots of pictures and stories and news. It will make his job easier and we all know we want our newsletter editor to be happy. As for me, I will now have more time to dedicate to building my house, serving as Girl Scout troop leader, working, and wearing all my other hats. Plus maybe I will finally get around to harnessing that lead foot and learn to race with the Craigs. Vroom!



Meeting Minutes

Couldn't make it to the meeting?
Find out what you missed (or what we
volunteered you for) here. We meet the first
Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.
At Grand Slam Sports Bar.

November 6, 2012 – Grand Slam Sports Bar

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by sergeant at arms Dave Horstmeyer, filling in for acting president and vice president Mike Zlatic. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A moment of silence was observed in memory of recently deceased club member Armynta Craig. Dave recognized current board members Mike Zlatic in absentia, secretary Mary Ann Hagenow, treasurer Rich Doerr, membership Ron Hagenow, immediate past president Marty Dooley, NCCC Governor Rich Luebcke, and NCM Ambassador Judy Dooley. Member Don Pickles filled in as sergeant at arms. Amy Zlatic, the club's fearless newsletter editor, was also introduced. Webmaster Dave Davidson was absent as were sponsor representatives Mark Gerecke and Eric DeBruin. In their absence, Randy Howard told members that Elco would be taking an additional \$3,000 off of purchase price for any Corvette owner who bought a Corvette.

Announcements

Dave Horstmeyer addressed a few issues relevant to the first meeting at the new location. He reminded members not to park in front of the Passing Lanes business. Other parking places may be used, per the Grand Slam owner. Members should also remember to settle their tabs with the waitresses at the end of the evening. Sign-up sheets are available including one for the monthly cakes for next year.

Anyone planning to change oil at Horstmeyers after the Veterans Day parade is also asked to sign up. The annual planning meeting will be held on Saturday, January 12 at 12 noon at Grand Slam. Brunch buffet will be provided for \$10-\$12 per person. Members were asked to sign up for the brunch so that an adequate amount of food can be prepared.

Ruth Howard has a sign-up sheet available for anyone interested in joining a mixed bowling league after the first of the year.

Guests

Guest Anthony Hill was welcomed. Anthony was FCOA #3900! He recently purchased his dad's red '85 and he and his cousin are in the process of restoring the car. Also visiting was Joan Jennewein's sister-in-law Kathy who has a Monterey Red '07.

Gary Murray moved to accept the minutes from the October 2, 2012 meeting as published in the November newsletter. Marya Horstmeyer provided a second to the motion which was then approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Rich Doerr provided copies of the October report for the membership and gave an overview of same. Don Pickles moved to accept the report with a second by Gary Murray and approval by the membership.

Membership Report

Ron Hagenow reported that we have 82 regular members, 21 associate members, and 1 honorary lifetime member. He acknowledged November birthdays and anniversaries. Ron said that he had shared news of Armynta's passing with former club members and received responses from Ron and June Huch and lifetime member June Fain. June thanked the club for get well cards sent recently.

Committee Reports

By-laws – No report.

Car show – No report.

Charity – Judy Giovanoni thanked everyone for bringing Christmas gifts this evening. A few ornaments are still available for anyone still wishing to help. All gifts will be delivered to the respective families in December. Gifts may be brought to the December 1st Christmas party if they were forgotten this evening. Ron Hagenow will send out an email re same. Dave Horstmeyer said that there was \$823 in the 50/50 fund prior to tonight's sales. Distribution of this money will be discussed later in the meeting.

Christmas – Chris Woods reported that the party will be held on Saturday, December 1 from 6-11 p.m. at Sunset Hills Banquet Center with appetizers at 6 p.m. and dinner

at 7. A cash bar will be available. \$25 per person. Checks should be given to Chris by the cut-off date of Saturday, November 17. 44 are signed up to attend so far.

Nominating – No report.

Parade – Ron Hagenow reminded members that the Veterans Day Parade will be held in downtown St. Louis this Saturday, November 10 with a 12:00 start and lunch after. A parade line-up and restaurant directions are available this evening. Meet at the JCPenney Home Store lot in South County at 9:30. Static clings may be displayed on the cars as well as car flags. Ron reminded everyone that the city is very thankful for the club's help with driving the Gold Star Mothers.

VA Hospital – Marty Dooley thanked everyone for the help given this year to maintain the garden. Watering for the year is over.

Website Report

Glenda Davidson reported that Dave thanked everyone for sending in pictures. Directions for sending pictures are on the website.

National Council of Corvette Clubs Governor's Report

Rich Luebcke reported that our club currently ranks 12th out of 29 clubs in point standings, due to the Craig family racers' success on the track! Jeff currently ranks 13th and Jerry 34th out of 397 participating men. Peggy ranks 22nd out of 225 participating women. Congratulations!

The Midwest Region has 31 clubs, 2308 members, 32 members-at-large and 521 FCOA members. The 2013 sanctioned event meeting will take place at the Saturday, November 10th Governors meeting

in St. Louis. Our club will likely be asked to provide two or more sanctions to the Route 66 Corvette Club and will receive compensation for those sanctions.

The Midwest Region Championship Series may be shelved due to the workload placed upon the supporting club and diluted participation caused by overlapping events.

Nationally, a new national budget is coming out. Mid America Motorworks is starting their 40th anniversary celebration. Submission deadline for scholarship requests is April 2013. The 2013 raffle car is a torch red 6 speed 3LT coupe. Volunteers are needed for the 2013 newsletter and website contests. Let Rich Luebcke know if you are interested in helping. Governors are not eligible.

Continue to check the NCCC website for interesting auto-related discounts from various businesses.

National Corvette Museum Ambassador's Report

Judy Dooley reported that Museum members can receive a \$10 gift card with a \$100 Museum store purchase for a limited time. Some exclusions apply. A new catalog is available. Judy is still selling \$10 raffle tickets for the 2013 torch red coupe to be raffled on January 31. These make great stocking stuffers!

Newsletter Report

Amy Zlatic had no report but it was announced that Don Giovanoni will be taking over as newsletter editor in what is expected to be a "seamless transition". Thanks, Don!

Sponsor's Report

No report.

Prior Events

Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend-October 4-7

Judy Dooley commented on the historic tour through town – participants froze in the wet and cold! Congratulations to Jeff and Peggy Craig for their autocross awards and to Mike and Karen Price for taking 5th place in the Poker Run.

Josephine's Tea Room-October 13

Thanks to Ruth for planning this trip for the girls.

Vettes and Warbirds-October 27

Thanks to Steve Lyle for organizing our participation in this event. He said there were 6 Navions, 41 other planes and 212 pumpkins! Club members said they would like to participate again next year. Sherri Marlo commented that there seemed to be insufficient food and drink.

Fritz's Run-October 28

Future Events

Saturday, November 11 – Veterans' Day Parade, Lunch and Oil Change Party

See Parade Committee report previously for details. After the parade, members are invited to the Horstmeyers' for an oil change party.

Sunday, November 25 – Fritz's Frozen Custard

Will be removed from the calendar as Fritz's will be closed for the season as of that date.

Saturday, December 1 – Club Christmas Party-6-11 p.m. at Sunset

Hills Banquet Center

Saturday, January 12 -
Brunch/Planning Meeting-12 noon
at Grand Slam

August 2013 – Possible trip to
Mackinaw Island-Bowling Green, KY

Carl Ballinger asked if there would be interest in a possible trip. Idea is to leave St. Louis around August 22 for Mackinaw. Drive through Indiana and head to Bowling Green.

Labor Day Week-end 2014 –
Caravan to Museum

22 cars signed up so far.

Old Business

Meeting location – Location was given a “thumbs up” by members. Food was good, hostesses and management were very accommodating and welcoming.

New Business

Jan Murray made a motion to make Jerry Craig a lifetime club member. The club voted unanimously to approve this. The club will also pay for Jerry’s Christmas party reservation.

Board Election – Nominating committee member Marya Horstmeyer read the slate of candidates as they appeared on the printed ballots: president-Dave Horstmeyer and Ruth Howard, vice president-Larry Akins and Mike Zlatic, treasurer-Rich Doerr, secretary-Marya Horstmeyer and Karen Price, membership-Jan

Murray and Michelle Paillou, sergeant at arms-Don Pickles and Mike Price.

Prior to distributing ballots, discussion was held concerning the designation of a charity to receive the 50/50 money for this year. It was determined to give the money to the local Red Cross for use as needed. Charlie Miget made a motion to increase the total amount of monies to be given to an even \$1,000. Rich Luebcke provided a second to the motion which was approved by the club. It was decided to use the ballots for the board elections as well as voting on the charity. The decision was made to write “Yes” at the bottom of the ballot to designate 50/50 money to go to the Red Cross. A written “No” at the bottom of the ballot would retain the 50/50 money in the club account. Ballots were distributed and votes counted.

The newly elected board for 2013 will be: president Ruth Howard, vice president Larry Akins, secretary Karen Price, treasurer Rich Doerr, membership Jan Murray, and sergeant-at-arms Don Pickles. Members voted to donate the 50/50 money to the Red Cross. Dave Horstmeyer thanked all who ran for office as well as those who offered nominations and those who served on the nominating committee. New and outgoing board members will meet after the regular meeting to set a date for a transitional board meeting.

Afghan – Ron Hagenow displayed a sample club afghan. Afghans may be ordered at a cost of \$37 each. A minimum of 12 orders are needed. A sign-up sheet is available.

Memorial – Discussion concerning an appropriate memorial for

Armynta was shared. Michelle Paillou suggested a memorial bench at the museum with a plaque listing names of deceased club members. Bob Woods suggested a local memorial, possibly something at the Veterans Garden though Karen Price said that would most likely not be allowed. Jeff Craig thanked everyone but urged everyone ‘not to go crazy’ even though Armynta would “love another brick”!! It was decided that Marty and Judy Dooley would check on possible memorials available through the museum and would report back to the club.

Karen Price suggested that the 2013 Fall Car Show might be held in Armynta’s memory with proceeds from the car show going to the American Cancer Society.

50/50 Raffle

Congratulations to Elise Akins who won \$80.

Dessert – Thanks to Don and Judy Giovanoni for providing this month’s cake and paper supplies. Ron and Mary Ann Hagenow will bring the Christmas party cake.

Gary Murray moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 with a second by Don Pickles and approval by the membership. The planning meeting will be held on Saturday, January 12 at 12 noon at Grand Slam. There will be no business meeting in December.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hagenow

Secretary 2012

Veterans Day Parade



Sent to Marty & Judy Dooley:

The Gold Star Mothers wish to thank you for driving us in your awesome cars and taking such an interest in our welfare. We felt the Parade was one of the nicest we have participated in and we are so grateful for the connection with all of you. In talking with the Boy Scout I realized that your caring for us made a big impression on them. (There's just something about a Corvette).

Thank you all very, very much.

Love,

Susie K. Moore



Helpful & Fun Corvette Sites

National Corvette Museum

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com>

National Council
of Corvette Clubs

www.corvettesnccc.org

Official Corvette Site

www.chevrolet.com/corvette

Boone Trail Corvette Club

www.boonetrailcc.com

Original Corvette Club
of St. Louis

www.occofstl.com

Corvette Racing

www.corvetteracing.com

Mid America Motorworks

www.mamotorworks.com

Elco Chevrolet

www.elcochevroletcadillac.com

Corvette Motorsport

<http://www.corvettemotorsport.com>

Corvette Central

<http://www.corvettecentral.com/>



Corvette C7 Engine Teaser

While the official C7 will not make its debut until January 13, 2013, Chevrolet has announced some tidbits about the new *standard* engine for the seventh generation of the flagship Corvette:

Is designated **LT1**

Will be a 6.2 liter normally aspirated V8

Will deliver 450 bhp (or more) and 450 *lb-ft* of torque (LS7 torque level)

Have direct fuel injection

Features Active Fuel Management (cylinder deactivation) for fuel economy

Contain a **11.5:1** Compression ratio - although premium fuel is recommended it is not required

Will make the C7 the fastest "standard" Corvette ever (0-60mph < 4 seconds)

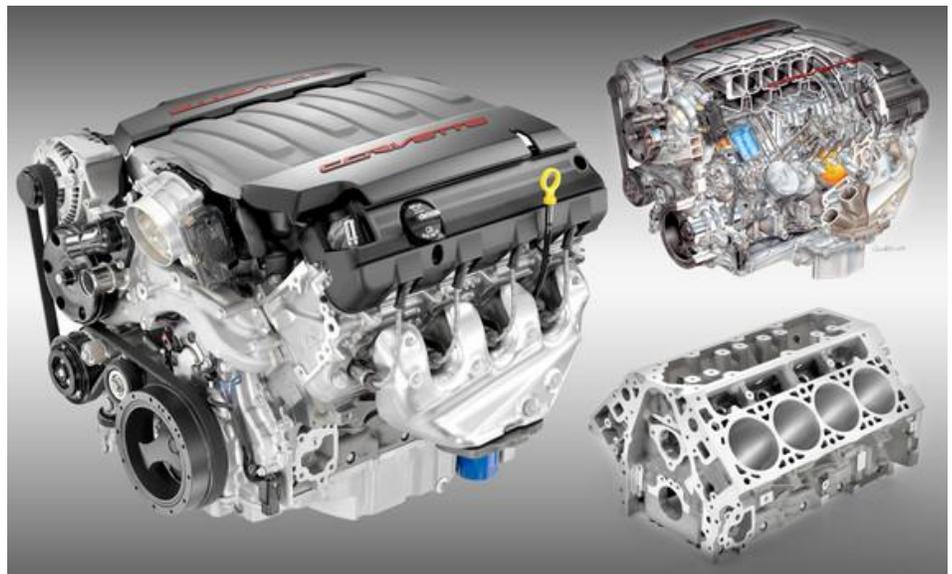


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ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY

DATE: Saturday, December 1, 2012

RSVP: Chris Woods at (314) 846-6176 or woods1890@sbcglobal.net by November 17, 2012

COST: \$25 per person

TIME: 6 -11 pm (Cocktails & Hors d'oevres at 6 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m., Cash Bar)

PLACE: Sunset Hills Banquet Center, 13366 West Watson Road, Sunset Hills, MO 63127

MENU: Caesar Salad, Garden Salad, Roast Beef Au Jus, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Green Beans, Vegetable Medley, Mashed Potatoes, Cheesecake Bar & Cookies

PAYMENT: Make check out to "St. Louis Corvette Club" (Payment must be received by 11/17)



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