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President's Message

I would like to say that it has been an honor to be the President of this club. I feel that we as a board have done an excellent job of organizing and planning many fun and charitable events. I want to thank all of the committees for their hard work. I want to especially thank the Halloween Picnic Committee for their work planning this year's picnic. It was outstanding even with the rain. I also want to say that the club members were great to participate in and enjoy the event. The Christmas Party Committee is also working hard organizing and planning a wonderful event with dinner, music, dancing, and socializing. We need everyone to take part to keep the price down and show our support for this club event. This committee has had extra challenges this year since the venue has changed hands and has different procedures for next year. I believe they are being worked out.

The Veterans Day Parade will be in St. Charles Saturday, November 8th . Please sign up at the meeting. We would like to see as many cars as possible to show our support, since this is our first time at this parade.

Don't forget to sign in and get your 50/50 tickets.

I want to wish everyone well who has been ill or has had surgery. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I hope you are doing well.

The next regular club meeting is scheduled for November 4th. Hope to see you all there.

As always, we, your board are open to suggestions and ideas to make our club more fun and better. You can text me at 314-799-2749.

Your President,
John Jordan

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Gary Murray

Karen Price

Ray Queen

Valerie Zeisset

Gail Mattler

Mike McElhone

Bev Givens

Mark Shipley

Sharon Ballinger

ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Anne Pickles

Jim & Marilyn Panter

Steve & Dawn Kirby

Mike & Laurie Grubb

John & Cherie Hopson

Rick & Mary Doerr

Terry & Kathy Mueller

STLCC Anniversary Milestones

15 Year

Michelle Finn & Randy Rickerman

10 Year

Sonja Giffhorn

There were no 20-year, or 5-year club anniversaries in November.

Veterans Day Facts

By Kathy Mueller

Information Reprinted from the U.S. Department of Veterans
Affairs Website

Which is the correct spelling of Veterans Day?

- a. Veterans Day
- b. Veteran's Day
- c. Veterans' Day

Veterans Day (choice a). Veterans Day does not include an apostrophe but does include an “s” at the end of “veterans” because it is not a day that “belongs” to veterans, it is a day for honoring all veterans.

On what day of the week will Veterans Day be observed?

Veterans Day is always observed officially on November 11, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls. The Veterans Day National Ceremony, like most ceremonies around the nation, is held on Veterans Day itself. However, when Veterans

Day falls on a weekday, many communities choose to hold Veterans Day parades or other celebrations on the weekend before or after November 11 so that more people can participate.

Who decides if a government office or business closes or stays open on Veterans Day?

Federal Government closing are established by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM). Generally, when a holiday falls on a non-workday, Saturday or Sunday—the federal government is closed on Monday (if the holiday falls on Sunday) or Friday (if the holiday falls on Saturday). State and local governments, including schools, are not required to follow OPM closure policies and may determine for themselves whether to close or remain open. Likewise, non-government businesses are free to make their own decisions to close or remain open for business, regardless of federal, state or local government closings.

What is the difference between Veterans Day and Memorial Day?

Many people confuse Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Memorial Day is a day for remembering and honoring military personnel who died in the service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. While those who died are also remembered, Veterans Day is the day set aside to thank and honor **ALL** those who served honorably in the military – in wartime or peacetime. In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank **LIVING** veterans for their service, to acknowledge that their contributions to our national security are appreciated, and to underscore the fact that all those who served – not only those who died – have sacrificed and done their duty.

Why are red poppies worn on Veterans Day, and where can I obtain them?

The wearing of poppies in honor of America's war dead is traditionally done on Memorial Day, not Veterans Day. The practice of wearing of poppies takes its origin from the poem *In Flanders Fields*, written in 1915 by John McCrae. For information on how to obtain poppies for use on Memorial Day, contact a veteran's service organization, such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States (VFW) or The American Legion, as a number of veterans organizations distribute poppies annually on Memorial Day. You can find veterans groups in the Veterans Service Organization link on VA's Veterans Day web page. Veteran's groups in your area can be found in your local phone book. Look in the yellow pages under "Veterans and Military

Organizations” or a similar heading.

Is Veterans Day celebrated in other countries?

Yes, a number of countries honor their veterans each year on November 11, although the name and types of commemorations differ somewhat from Veterans Day celebrations in the United States. For example, Canada and Australia observe “Remembrance Day” on November 11, and Great Britain observes “Remembrance Day” on the Sunday nearest to November 11. There are similarities and differences between these countries’ Remembrance Day and America’s Veterans Day. Canada’s observance is actually quite similar to the U.S. celebration, in that the day is intended to honor all who served in Canada’s Armed Forces. However, unlike in the U.S., many Canadians wear red poppy flowers on November 11 in honor of their war dead. In Australia, Remembrance Day is very much like America’s Memorial Day, a day to honor that nation’s war dead.

In Great Britain, the day is commemorated by church services and parades of ex-service members in Whitehall, a wide ceremonial avenue leading from London’s Parliament Square to Trafalgar Square. Wreaths of poppies are left at the Cenotaph, a war memorial in Whitehall, which was built after the First World War. At the Cenotaph and elsewhere in the country, a two-minute silence is observed at 11 a.m., to honor those who lost their lives in wars.



We wish for all veterans
and their families...

HEALING HONOR
UNDERSTANDING
RESPECT SOLACE
PEACE

The above monument is located in front of Rockwood Summit High School in Fenton, Missouri.

STLCC Veterans

Carl Cox	Navy
Eric DeBruin	Navy
Marty Dooley	Army
Ed Flaspohler	Coast Guard
Rick Friedrich	Army
Ron Hagenow	Air Force
Ed Hartzke	Army
John Jordan	Marines
Steve Kirby	Air Force
Mike Kunst	Army
Tom Marlo	Army
John Midkiff	Navy
Terry Mueller	Air Force
Gary Murray	Navy & Air Force
Don Pickles	Army
Marc Portman	Army
Mike Price	Army
CW Riehlman	Army
Jerry Schmidt	Air Force
Dennis Trost	Army
Joe Vitale	Air Force

Brian Walsh Air Force
Bob Woods Marines

Meeting Minutes

The St. Louis Corvette Club met at ELCO Chevrolet in Ballwin, MO on October 7, 2025. President John Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. John led us with the Pledge of Allegiance.

He introduced the Club officers:

President: John Jordan	Vice President: Don Pickles
Membership: Brian Walsh	Treasurer: Anne Pickles
Secretary: June Walsh	Sergeant at Arms: Dennis Trost
Immediate past president: Karen Price	Sponsor: ELCO Chevrolet Mark Gerecke

John went over the following information:

- He thanked everyone for attending tonight. He reminded everyone of the 50/50 tickets, event sign-up sheets, and retiree lunch sign-up.
- He welcomed new members and guests in attendance tonight.
- He thanked Kathy Mueller for the great newsletter and Steve Kirby for the outstanding website.
- John acknowledged new changes the Board is making to the meetings.
- He asked for a motion to accept the September Secretary Minutes. Chris Woods made a motion to accept. Mike Kunst seconded it. The motion passed.
- Treasurer's Report: Anne went over the budget since we are getting to the end of the year. We are pretty much on budget, but things have gotten a little more

expensive this year. Judy Dooley made a motion to accept the September Treasurer's Report. Terry Mueller seconded it. The motion passed.

- Membership Report: Brian reported that we have three new members, Jeff and Karen Gregory and Paul Jarasek. We have 6 guests – Steve House, Larry and Sue Dauer, Walter and Lisa Major and Roger Haddock. The board granted Emeritus status for Gary and Jan Murray.
- Regular Members: 101
- Lifetime Members: 7
- Emeritus Members: 2
- Associate Members: 11

Total Members: 121

- Sponsors: 2
- There are currently fourteen on our waiting list.
- Chris Woods made a motion to approve the Membership Report. Mike Kunst seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Sponsor Report: Mark Gerecke reported that ELCO began a new operating system today. Please be patient as they learn the new system. Z06s has a recall, and they have a fix for it. No new 2026s will be sold until they have the parts to repair the issue. ELCO has a couple for sale, but they cannot sell until they get the shields to repair the issue. They do have some new and used Corvettes on the lot. They still have a 2025 Hysteria Corvette and a 2026 Silver convertible Corvette. They have a very clean 2023 Z06.
- Robert and Vicki Hoogveld upgraded their new Cadillac to a bigger model.

Committee Reports

Nomination Committee – Val Zeisset said they are still accepting nominations for the Board next year, even though as of now they have a full slate. Nominations will close at the end of this meeting. Please let Val and/or Pam Queen know if you are interested in a position or would like to nominate someone.

Ray Queen said Pam needs to find out how many shirts/jackets everyone needs. The

more orders she receives the cheaper it is for freight. Pam needs to turn the order in within the next few weeks. Anyone interested please contact Pam.

Texas Trip – Barb Payne talked about the trip to Texas in March 2026. Please put your name on the list if you are interested. You can also contact Barb or Ken Payne, Mike Kunst, or Arlene and Clarke Thomas. The trip is March 13-23 – they will be visiting Port Aransas, San Antonio, and the Hill Country. Please see the flyer for all the info.

Picnic Committee – Dee Riehlman said the picnic is on October 18th at 11 a.m. with food ready at noon. It is at Cliff Cave Park at the Pavillion on the lower trail head parking lot. We will have foot-long sandwiches. Everyone please bring a side and your own drinks. Sign-up sheets are in the back. We will have prizes for the scariest, the funniest, and most creative costumes.

Charity – Michelle Finn talked about the Christmas tree ornaments. Judy is still collecting sleepers for Newborns in Need, which is ongoing thru October. The ornaments are for St. Vincent DePaul St. John Church of Imperial.

Michelle updated us on her recent surgery on her foot. A screw was coming out, so they went in and cleaned it all out. She will be getting a graft in a few months.

St. Jude – Jim Givens updated everyone on his recovery from ankle surgery. He is now able to walk as much as he wants. November 21, he will be able to wear a real pair of shoes for the first time in two years!

The club has been doing the St. Jude's ride for nine years. Last year they raised \$540,000 between 112 Corvette owners. Mouse race is the 3rd Friday of March; they are getting a bigger venue this year. There will be an open bar. Bev and Jim are having two fundraisers. The first is the Bourbon Basket – they have ten bottles. They will only sell 50 tickets. \$25/ticket. The bourbon is worth about \$360. More information will be coming soon. The drawing will be set for December 20th. The second fundraiser is cinnamon cakes. Starts next week and will go through November 15th – there is cinnamon, chocolate chip, and apple. Jim will share a link, you will go to the link to place your order, and Jim will meet you at a designated spot and will deliver to you the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. They feed about 12 people. The cinnamon is \$19.99, the chocolate chip is \$21.99, and the apple is \$24.99. Jim will get a portion of the

sales for St. Jude's.

Coffee and Corvettes is this Saturday at The Great Harvest Bread Co. next to Billy G's in Kirkwood on West Argonne. Bring your chairs and we will sit over by the train station after you get your coffee. Jim also explained Sangria and Sunset to the new members. It is the fourth Thursday of every month, and it starts at 5 p.m.

VA Garden – Karen Price thanked all the dedicated members who water the garden. She said the garden still looks phenomenal. She is planning a fall clean up sometime in November. She explained to the new people what we do at the garden. Twenty years ago, Rick Frierdich started maintaining the garden near the spinal cord injury building. Karen asked all the members who water the garden every week to stand and thanked them for their participation. John thanked Judy and Marty Dooley for all the years of service they gave to the VA Garden.

John asked everyone to join us at the annual picnic and reminded members that you do not have to dress up in costume if you do not want to. It is a fun day to play games, eat, and socialize.

Christmas Party – Ruth Howard talked about the Christmas Party on December 6th at The Falls in Columbia, IL. This year the ticket prices are \$65 per person. New members are invited to attend. \$65 gets you cocktails at the open bar from 6:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m., cash bar after 9:30 p.m., appetizers from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and dinner at 7:00 p.m. We will have the same DJ as last year. If you need a gluten free option, please make a note on the memo line of your check. Please RSVP by November 10th and make checks payable to St. Louis Corvette Club. You can bring your check to the next meeting or mail it to Ruth's house. There will be a flyer on the website, and it is on Facebook. We have 48 members who have signed up.

Ruth and Val showed a beautiful quilt that Kim Gerecke made. They will be selling raffle tickets as a St. Jude's fundraiser.

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

Past Events

September

2nd – Monthly Meeting at ELCO.

6th – Return of the Alaskan cruise group – Karen Price reported 15 people went. Russ and Brenda Lauer celebrated their 50th anniversary, Mike and Judy Henges celebrated their 10th anniversary, and the cruise was Judy and Mike McElhone's honeymoon. They met up with Michelle Paillou for dinner, and they did some fun stuff with her. Karen thanked Barbie Payne for putting this all together.

13th – Coffee & Corvettes @ Lil Ireland Coffee in Pacific MO - Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens.

13th – BUNCO – Sponsored by Steve and Dawn Kirby. Everyone had a fun time.

17th – Retiree Lunch @ the Big Chief Roadhouse in Wildwood – Sponsored by Jim and Marilyn Panter – Jim shared that this place is a unique historical location. The place was closed for twenty years and reopened by new owners. Great food and great seating arrangements. 48 people came.

19th-20th – Funfest @ Effingham. John Lasinski sat with Mike Yager, and he said this would be the last one. Mike Yager announced his retirement.

24th – Josephines – Ladies day run – Val said 19 people came, weather was not great, but the food was. They will be doing this again next year.

25th – Sangria and Sunsets in Columbia sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens. Six people came, Randy and Ruth Howard, Tom and Sherri Marlo and Gary and Debbie Tidwell.

25th – 28th – Eureka Springs trip. Karen Price reported that thirty people attended. She recognized Rick Frierdich for setting up the dinner train reservations. They toured the Sam Walton Museum, and from there went to Crystal Bridges, which is an art museum. Some of the women went to The Quilted Cow to shop. Marty Dooley led the group to the covered bridge and then they all attended the car show. Please think about going next year.

28th – Fritz's Ice Cream – Sponsored by Ken and Barbie Payne. Ken reported a good

turn-out. It is fun to visit with your friends and eat ice cream. October will be the last one for the year. This event takes place on the last Sunday of the month from March through October.

Future Events

October

7th – Monthly Meeting at ELCO.

11th – Coffee & Corvettes – The Great Harvest Bread Co. in Kirkwood on West Argonne.

15th – Retiree Lunch- Sponsored by Mike Kunst at Edgewild at 11:30.

18th – Annual Picnic – sponsored by the Board at Cliff Cave Park.

23rd – Sangria and Sunsets – Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens.

25th – Gateway Trunk or Treat – Sponsored by Michelle Finn - Meet at Home Depot in South County at 8:00 a.m. leaving the parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Gateway Classic Cars in O'Fallon, IL. Please sign up and bring lots of candy. The more cars from our club that participate, the more of a donation they will give to us. You also get free admission to see the cars.

25th – BUNCO – Sponsored by Karen and Mike Price – starts at 6:00 p.m. Soup and Salad – bring \$5 and a side. Eat at 6 and play at 7:00 p.m.

26th – Fritz's Ice Cream - Last one for this year!

Boone Trail Corvette club had a show last month and a few of our members went. Steve Hedgorth, Robert Hoogveld, CW Riehlman, Barry Seelig. Barry won 3rd place in the C3 class.

November

4th – Monthly Meeting at ELCO.

8th - Ron Hagenow explained to the new members that we do two parades a year. We do the Webster 4th of July parade, and we do the Veterans parade. In the past we have

gone downtown. Last year we switched to the St. Charles Veterans parade, but it was cancelled due to rain.

Information is in the back. So far, we only have sixteen cars, we usually have thirty cars. Meet at parking lot off Hwy 70 and 5th street at 10:00 a.m. then line up at Lewis & Clark clubhouse. Contact Ron Hagenow with any questions. There will be all kinds of food, vendors, and stuff to do after the parade. It is okay to throw candy from your car for this parade. You can also put your service flag on your car.

9th – ELCO Hayride at Dickherber Farms in Dardenne Prairie, 7063 Hwy N, 63368. Flyer is on the website. It starts at 2:00 p.m., bring your own drinks, chairs, hot dog stick, and a side. Hot dogs provided by ELCO. There will be one or two hayrides depending on number of members who come. Please sign up in the back.

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ALL EVENTS.

New Business

Corvette Hot Wheels – Marty Dooley talked about Corvette Club Hot Wheel. The more we sign up, the cheaper it will be. He is guessing \$20-\$25. Marty suggested adding \$5 to the cost as a fundraiser for our club.

Good and Welfare

Brian Walsh read the names of members celebrating October birthdays and anniversaries.

Brian tested everyone's knowledge of Corvettes and Chevys with several trivia questions.

- June read thank-you notes from Pat Cox, Kirt Sheer, Gary Duke, and Bruce Wooldridge.
- Ruth Howard gave an update on Joe Kusky, Bob and Patti Kusky's son. He will continue chemo but will not have to do radiation. The last scans showed no more mass on his chest and neck.
- John thanked Angie and John Midkiff for bringing dessert.
- Dennis Trost announced we have \$116 tonight for 50/50. Congratulations to Sherri Marlo for winning.

- Brian reported we had sixty-eight regular members, one lifetime, two sponsors and six guests.
- John asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marilyn Panter made a motion to adjourn. Sherri Marlo seconded the motion. The motion passed, and John adjourned the meeting.
- The next meeting will be on November 4th at ELCO Chevrolet.

***** PLEASE REMEMBER TO ARRIVE AFTER 6:30 PM AND TO BRING YOUR CHAIRS TO THE MEETING *****

Respectfully submitted,
June Walsh
Secretary

UPDATE to attendance. The actual attendance number is seventy-two, as four members did not check their names on the attendance sheet. Please remember to check your name on the attendance sheet that is located on the table by the door where Dennis sells the 50/50 tickets. You do not want to miss getting credit for attending!

Committee Reports & Sponsor Reports

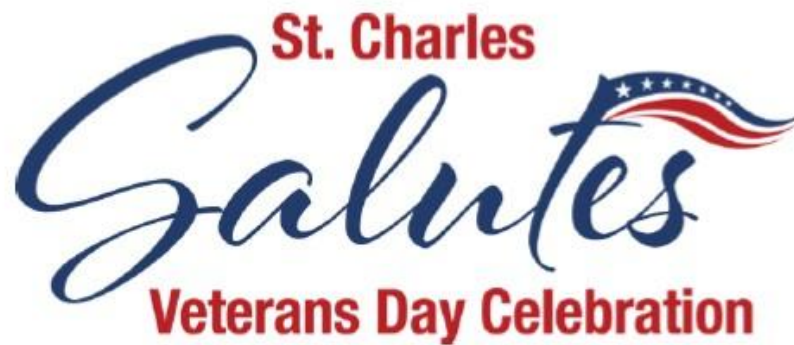
NCM Ambassadors Report

The 1963 split-window Corvette (C-2) remains one of the most popular Corvettes in the history of Corvettes. As part of the Driven by Design exhibit, this iconic Corvette showcases Bill Mitchell's vision of a uniquely American sportscar. The "crease on the pants" flows along the fenders, leading to the most distinctive split rear window, offered for just one year but it still remains one of the most distinctive Corvettes ever. See it in person at the National Corvette Museum.

Marty and Judy Dooley

NCM Ambassadors

Future Events



***St. Louis Corvette Club Annual Veterans Day
Parade***

Saturday, November 8, 2025

Parade begins at 11:00 am

Sign up at the meeting or email Ron Hagenow at
hagenow1@charter.net

More details to follow as we get closer to the
date.



**ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB
ANNUAL HAYRIDE SPONSORED BY ELCO**

SUNDAY – November 9th – 2:00 pm

**Dickherber Farms
7063 Highway N
Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368**



Many thanks to ELCO for sponsoring our annual hayride! We are lucky to have a sponsor that is so involved and generous!

Please come out and join us for a great night around the firepit and going for a ride on the hay wagon!

Hotdogs will be provided by ELCO, and we ask that everyone bring a side dish or a dessert.

Don't forget your chairs, beverage of choice and hotdog cooking stick! Looking forward to a relaxing time and enjoying the camaraderie of friends.

Your last chance to sign up is November 4th.

Please respond to Ruth Howard for your reservation at 314-486-6836 or rhoward15@charter.net

THERE WILL BE A SIGN UP SHEET AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING!



Hosted by Kim and Steve Marre'

Saturday, November 15, 2025, 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.

R.S.V.P. to Kim at 314-800-7781 and let her know what you will
bring by November 8.



Hosted by Barry Seelig and Kathy Kilburn

November Retirees' Lunch

Date: November 19, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Where: Ethyl's Smokehouse & Saloon, 8505 Veterans Memorial Pkwy, O'Fallon, MO 63366

There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting. Or you can let Barry know at vetdude67@gmail.com or 314-974-4644.

Click below for the menu.

<https://ethylssmokehouse.com/>



St. Louis Corvette Club Monthly Ice Cream Run Rain Date



When: Sunday
November 23

Where: Fritz's Frozen Custard
815 Meramec Station Road, Valley Park, MO 63088

Time: Please note the new time is 3:00 PM until we all leave

What: Come for the Custard
Stay for the People



St. Louis Corvette Club
ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

DATE: Saturday, December 6, 2025
TIME: 6:00 pm - 11 pm
PLACE: THE FALLS
300 ADMIRAL WEINEL BLVD.
Columbia, IL 62236
COST: \$65 per person
(Payments made to St. Louis Corvette Club)

COCKTAILS

Open Bar 6-9:30 pm

Cash Bar 9:30 - 11:00 pm

Appetizers served 6 - 7 pm

Dinner 7 pm

BUFFET

Roasted Pork Loin in gravy, Chicken Piccata, Spinach & Sundried Tomato Pasta, Broccoli with Infused Pecan Butter, Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Spinach Poppyseed Salad, Dinner Rolls, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Soda

IF YOU REQUIRE A GLUTEN FREE MEAL - YOUR OPTIONS ARE
GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST OR PORK LOIN - PLEASE NOTE OPTION ON YOUR CHECK WHEN
SUBMITTING PAYMENT

Please RSVP by November 10th to Ruth Howard - Email rhoward192@charter.net -

3004 Collington Court

St. Louis, MO 63129

If you have any questions please feel free to contact
Valerie Zeisset - 618-719-4937 or Ruth Howard 314-486-0836



Past Events

Clarke & Arlene's Most Excellent Adventure

US-66 Tour from Start to Finish!

By Mike Kunst

BEGIN

HISTORIC



ROUTE

Here is the start to US-66 in Chicago. Clarke and Arlene arrived there on September 20, 2025 to join their guided tour by Two Lane America.



That is Tow Mater from CARS!



The halfway point!



Route 66 Corvette Club members on the tour with Clarke & Arlene! John & Angie should recognize some of these people!



The end of the trail and the guided tour on October 2, 2025! Now what? Four days of driving and three more hotel nights to travel home.

Coffee and Corvettes

Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens

Photos by Jim Givens







October Retirees' Lunch
Sponsored by Mike Kunst
Photos by Terry Mueller









St. Louis Corvette Club Annual Picnic

Picnic Committee: Anne Pickles, June Walsh, Dee Riehlman, Maggie Hedgcorth,
and Kathy Mueller

Photos by Terry Mueller and Ruth Howard











Below are some of the winners of the beautiful table decorations that Maggie created. Thanks Maggie for all your work on this!









One of our events was the Washers Tournament.





Winners of the Washers Tournament!



There were many great costumes for the Costume Contest.



Winners of the Costume Contest. The categories were scariest, most creative, and funniest.



Winner of the Guess How Many Pieces of Candy Corn are in the Lantern contest.



Many thanks to all the members of the Picnic Committee for putting together such a wonderful picnic.

Sangria Sunsets
Sponsored by Jim and Bev Givens
Photo by Marilyn Panter



There were only two people at Sangria Sunsets in October: Marilyn and Jim Panter.

Bunco
Hosted by Karen and Mike Price
Photos by Terry Mueller











Bunco Winners!

Ice Cream at Fritz's

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

Photo by Ken Payne



Due to the rain, Ken Payne was the only person who went to Fritz's. He is really dedicated! There will be another Fritz's event on November 23. Please mark your calendars and we hope to see a great turnout next time!

Features and Announcements

Nominations for St. Louis Corvette Club Board Members

Voting Form - Please circle your choice.

<u>President-</u>	C. W. Riehlman _____
<u>Vice President-</u>	Randy Howard _____
<u>Secretary-</u>	Chris Woods _____
<u>Treasurer-</u>	Mike McElhone _____
<u>Membership-</u>	Judy McElhone _____
<u>Sergeant-at-Arms</u>	John Midkiff _____

Since there are no contested offices, the nominations will be accepted by acclamation at the November meeting.

VA Garden Update
Photos by Don Pickles

Thanks to all the members of our club who watered the VA garden and a donation of beautiful mums, the garden looks fantastic!





Articles

The St. Louis Corvette Club

Historical Society Column

By Ron Hagenow

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

November usually sees most of us putting away our Vettes for a long winter nap. Usually, our last driving event is the Veterans Day Parade. Surprisingly however, there seems to be an overabundance of club members who joined in November. They are as follows: Michelle Paillou in 2006, Rick and Mary Doerr in 2007, Larry Akins in 2009, and Michelle Finn and Randy Rickerman in 2010. Then, in 2013 there were a bunch who joined, namely Erin and Gary Duke, Dawn and Steve Kirby, Mike Kunst, Marc Portman, Pam and Ray Queen. In 2015, Sonja Giffhorn joined us and then Barry Seelig joined us in 2017 with Jerry Schmidt joining us in 2019. 2023 also seemed to be a popular year as Jenni and Patrick Belding, Ed and Joanmarie Hartzke, Kim and Steve Marre, Joe Vitale, John and Kitty Lasinski, CW and Dee Riehlman, and Ed Flaspohler and Lisa Schuenke joined. Glad I wasn't membership chair that year! Finally, Arlene and Clarke Thomas joined us in 2024. Doing a little math, that's a third of our membership!

When Michelle joined in 2006, Rick Frierdich was club president and we had 51

members. We were meeting at Hessler's Pub on Tesson Ferry Road. When Clarke and Arlene joined in 2024, Karen Price was our president and we had 100 members with 9 on the waiting list. We were meeting at ELCO Chevrolet at that time.

Club presidents in the meantime were Bill Dotson in 2007, Theresa Luebcke in 2009, Randy Howard in 2010, Ruth Howard in 2013, Mike Price in 2015, Ray Queen in 2017, Don Pickles in 2019, and Karen Price in 2023 and 2024.

Here are a few November pictures:



In 2006, after doing the Veterans Parade, we took our cars to the garden we maintain at Jefferson Barracks Hospital. Here is former member Les Gibson with two "Hooters" girls who came out to celebrate with us. All the patients enjoyed checking out our cars.



In the Veterans Parade in 2009, Chris Woods drove Gold Star Mother Mary Jane Kiepke (now deceased).



In 2013, our cars were all lined up ready for the parade to start.



In 2023, Steve Kirby poses with a fellow veteran prior to the start of the parade.

Managing Editor	Kathy Mueller
Columnist	Ron Hagenow
Senior Photo Journalist	Terry Mueller
Photo Journalist	Ruth Howard
Aerial Photo Journalist	Tom Marlo
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