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*Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club*

# Vette Waves

**March 2025 Newsletter**



**On The Cover:** LOCC members aboard the Celebrity Apex for the 2025 Vette Cruise!!



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# *President Myers'*

## *Monthly Report*



March Greeting LOCC Members,

Mother nature has not been cooperating for us in 2025 thus far. As I write this, a new winter storm warning is out there, and it is not going to be above freezing all week. Hang in there though because the week the Myers and 9 other couples are on the Vette cruise, the temperatures are warming up again. Hopefully we'll have better luck at the March meeting getting our Corvettes out for a play day.

Our February meeting was held at Wicked Willies. Given the fact the temperature was barely 20 degrees and the light snow showers we had the evening before, I was very pleased that we had 64 members in attendance. This month though, we had no Corvette presence at the meeting. I am hoping this track record turns around soon!

The 2025 Corvettes in Paradise show will be here before you know it. We have 143 Corvettes registered for the event along with 44 T-shirts pre-ordered. Though it is the same number of Corvettes registered last month, we have had additional registrations come in, but we are also getting cancellations now, bringing our count back to 143. We're behind on the sponsorships, but again attribute that to the weather. Folks are a lot happier and giving when it's nice out. I'm not worried that we won't get the numbers up. (Please contact Dave Lantz or myself if you have any questions on sponsorships.) And it was encouraging to see some silent auctions items starting to appear at our meetings. Dave and Mary Chapman are heading that up again so if you have action items to donate, please contact them. They would appreciate a picture of the item so that they can get the bid sheets printed up. For all those on the car show committee that I have previously spoken with, I will be contacting you in March and we'll have to plan a couple of meetings to ensure we are all ready for our 5th annual Corvettes in Paradise.

Please follow the monthly newsletter, our Facebook page and website for current information and activities. Any ideas for day or weekend trips, thoughts and plans, please let me know. And as always, continue to share club opportunities with fellow Corvette enthusiasts from the lake and surrounding areas.

Our March meeting will be March 9th at Boat Town Brewing in Lebanon. Hopefully, the weather will be nice and we can have a good caravan of Corvettes for that meeting.

Thank you for your continued support and your club participation! We have the best people in our club to share our love of Corvettes with.

Brenda

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

**Date:** February 16, 2025

**Location:** Wicked Willies, 5384 Osage Beach Pkwy, Osage Beach MO 65065

**Time Meeting Started:** 12:07pm

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Les Young

## **New Members or First Meeting:**

Bob & Janice Halterman – rejoined at last meeting

Darrell & Deby Thompson – joined Feb 2025 (not present)

Chris & Robin Bear – joined Feb 2025 (not present)

Steve & Beverly Brewington – They have a 2019 Grand Sport and live off KK in Osage Beach.

Sandy & Marcy Hutchinson – They have a 2020 Z51 and a 2016 C7 and live west of Camdenton.

Chuck & Gina Brewer – They have a 2024 Black Convertible.

Rich & Christina McDowell - They have a 2009 Silver C6.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:** 6 Birthdays & 1 Anniversary (27 years)

**Members New/Different Cars:** None

**Old Business:** Pretty quiet month

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## **Officer Reports:**

**Vice President, George Woodrum:** (not present)

Club membership and payment of 2025 dues – still collecting dues for 2025 – currently 161 renewed members. Membership list will go out later this month.

## **Treasurer, Jim McMillan:**

Car Show Account

Beginning balance (12/31/2024) \$ 8,041.77

Deposits 620.00

Checks

Ending balance (1/31/2025) \$ 8,661.77

Club Account

Beginning balance (12/31/2024) \$ 10,569.48

Deposits 913.00

Checks (4,557.11)

Credit Card (98.71)

Square 1,172.17

Ending balance (1/31/2025 ) \$ 7,998.83

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

**Secretary, Sherry Lantz:**

# of Corvettes: 0

# of People: 64

**NCM Ambassador, Ed Carr:**

NCM trip May 28 - June 1

Based on the information from our recent survey it was found that May and June were the preferred time for the NCM trip along with a requested tour of the NCM factory and museum along with a tour of either a winery or brewery. So far 9-10 cars have signed up for this year's trip.

The 2025 NCM banner will measure 30x60 and will have a 25th anniversary theme. It will feature a picture of a C5 and a C8 both in the color red and was designed with the help of Kelly Travis from Camdenton. Last year's banner will be auctioned off once received.

**Webmaster, Melody Spanos:** Website <https://locc2010.net/> All items are up to date.

**Public Relations, Sandy Funk:** (not present) LOCC's Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/>

**Newsletter, Tammy Walker:** (not present) Send pictures and articles with descriptions to [twalker1060@icloud.com](mailto:twalker1060@icloud.com) or [loccnewsletter@outlook.com](mailto:loccnewsletter@outlook.com).

March newsletter will be out the 2nd week of March due to vacation.

**Project/Event Manager, Gina McLachlan:** (not present)

Next year's Christmas Party will return to Margaritaville.

**Club Communications, Ron Wehmeyer:** (not present)

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**New Business:**

**February 22 - March 1 - Corvette Cruise**—10 LOCC Couples are scheduled to attend this event that departs from Fort Lauderdale and will make 3 stops. This is being organized by an Orlando Corvette Club (Eric Jacky) and donations are benefiting Vettes for Vets. If interested in 2026 cruise visit <http://www.vettecruise.com> for more information.

**March 15 - St Patrick Parade**—Parade is at 1:00pm and this is a candy throwing event. Will be setting up at Rock Solid Concrete, 2769 Bagnell Dam Blvd. Lake Ozark MO 65049 (thanks to Jerry & Kim Ehlmann). Limited to 14 vehicles so sign up early. Email will be sent out early March with more information.

**April 5 - Corvettes in Enid OK**

**April 12 - Mid Missouri Corvette Club in Columbia MO**—Registration is \$40 that includes 1 event t-shirt until April 1st (after \$45)

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

## **April 27 - Corvettes in Paradise** (Gary Elwick/Brenda Myers)

Make your reservations ASAP if planning to stay at Margaritaville

### **Registrations** - (Gary Elwick)

# of cars registered: 143

# of T-Shirts pre-ordered: 44

### **Sponsorships** - (Dave Lantz)

Currently have \$7,000 collected from Sponsors. Last year \$21,000 was collected and this year's goal is \$25,000. Dave encouraged members to seek out new sponsors. Forms and flyers are available.

### **Vendors** - (Brian Carrara)

Currently have 18 of 25 - 30 spots available.

### **Silent Auction Items** - (Dave Chapman)

This year's theme is based on our 25th Anniversary and an email will be sent out soon with suggestions of types of donations and who will be collecting items. Last year we had over 150 items with \$10,000 collected.

### **T-Shirts** - (Marlin Hammond)

Any new volunteers should contact Marlin with sizes for their orange volunteer shirt.

This year's 5th Annual Corvettes in Paradise T-Shirt will be of the color turquoise. Contact Marlin with desired sizes and payment.

**May 9 - Hot Summer Nights** (Randy Gross) - Parking will again be at Two Bit Town starting at 5:00pm.

**May 14 - Springfield Cardinals Baseball Game** (Marlin Hammond) - This day trip is on a Wednesday at Hammons Field with the starting time to be determined at a later date. Cost is \$32.00 per person. Currently 40 people with 20 cars have signed up.

**May 28 - June 1 - NCM Trip** (Ed Carr) - Currently 9-10 cars have signed up to attend with the following agenda:

**Wednesday, May 28** - drive to Bowling Green KY.

**Thursday, May 29** - Morning: NCM Motorsports Track, Afternoon: Chaney's Dairy Barn

**Friday, May 30** - Morning: NCM Museum, Afternoon: Option 1 - Local Site TBD, Option 2 - Drive to Nashville TN

**Saturday, May 31** - Option 1 - Drive Home, Option 2 - Sights of Nashville TBD

**Sunday, June 1** - Options 2 - Drive Home

## **June 1 - Corvettes against Cancer** (Don Dettmann)

9:00am - 12:00noon event at Lake Regional parking area. This event will allow for a friendly competition among LOCC members. Each cancer survivor will be given a ticket to be placed in a bucket in front of each car displayed. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$1. Participants are encouraged to decorate their cars in a "Surviving Cancer" theme. Online displays and voting will also be available. More information will be emailed.

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

**June 12-14 24th**— *Central Arkansas Corvette Club Corvette Weekend* (Rudy Willingham) - Event is an indoor event held in Hot Springs Arkansas

**July 16-20**— *Black Hills Corvette Classic* (Steve Myers) - 300+ corvettes travel over 2,000 miles in and around Sioux Falls SD.

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## **Other New Business:**

Marlin Hammond encouraged new members to see him for their gifts (key fob, money clip, etc) Look for future car shows and events in the LOCC Newsletter.

## **50/50 Drawing:**

Last month's winner Steve Myers presented \$98.00 to Zoe Evans (Don Dettmann's friend) .

## **Next Meeting:**

March 9 - Boat Town Brewing, 214 W Commercial St. Lebanon MO 65536

Special thanks to Wicked Willies and staff for providing their excellent food and service. Don't forget when paying your bill to tip accordingly.

Continue to promote Club and recruit new members!

**Meeting adjourned: 1:01pm**

# WHERE IN THE WORLD IS LOCC?



Arlen and Tammy Walker somewhere in the Gulf of America



Keith and Judy Suchman, Harry and Marcia Naught and Sandy and Mike Funk met for dinner in Marco Island, FL with friends Ed and Lois Dixon, who they met in Ankeny, IA on the LOCC trip last year.



Ten LOCC couples just completed the 2025 Vette Cruise aboard the Celebrity Apex. The 7 night cruise left out of Port Everglades in Ft. Lauderdale with stops in St. Kitts, Tortola in the Virgin Islands and Puerto Plata in the Dominican Republic. Add in about 200 other Corvette enthusiasts from around the US and we had plenty of opportunity to meet new friends. The 2026 Vette Cruise will leave out of Galveston, TX visiting some Mexico ports next February with some LOCC members already booking! If interested you can contact Eric Jacky from Horizon Travel for further details. Overall, the ship was beautiful, the food on board was amazing and the ship entertainment left us breathless, it really was that great! Thanks to everyone that joined us, we made some great memories with some great friends, just what Corvette Clubs should do!



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## *Looking In The Rear View Mirror*

Membership continued to grow as LOCC entered its fifth year. Dues continued at \$30 per year. At the start of 2005, there were 60+ members with a goal of having 75 members. The end of December 2006, the Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club had 70 members! The club managed and looked a lot like today, with some different events.

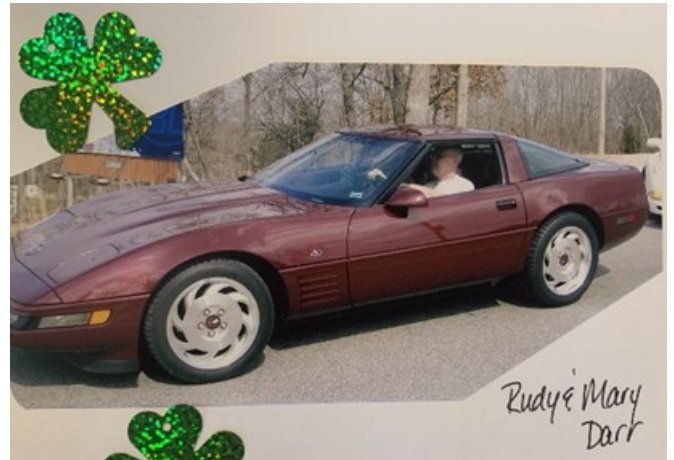
Eleven cars from LOCC participated in the 2005 St Patrick's Day Parade. In the October, 2005 newsletter, the question was asked if YELLOW was the new RED? There appeared to be a lot of yellow corvettes at the annual picnic. And according to the November, 2005 newsletter, the most ordered exterior color for 2005 was Black followed by Machine Silver then Victory Red. What happened to "All Corvettes are RED, the others are mistakes".

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005, the first Corvette of 2006 came off the line.

In 2006, five cars from LOCC participated in the St Patrick's Day parade.



*The Club's first C6 Z06 owned by Wally Cunningham.*



### **LOCC Presidents Throughout the Years**

2000 Parker Darr  
2001 Parker Darr  
2002 Rudy Willingham  
2003 Rudy Willingham  
2004 Rudy Willingham  
2005 Denny Pennington  
2006 Denny Pennington



*The guys talking "smart" getting ready for the parade.*

# Looking In The Rear View Mirror



*Don Bates is doing a burnout at NCM*

Excitement was building as another Bowling Green trip was planned for May 19-May 21, 2006. Seventeen LOCC Corvettes made the trip to the National Corvette Museum which included factory tours. LOCC was also the first Corvette Club ever to have dinner at the museum. A story told to this author was that Don Bates and Rudy Willingham did burnouts in front of the museum. They were told not to do that again in so many words. Attendees saw the new "Atomic Orange" coming off the line.

June 15, 2006, Whiteman Air Force Base had an air show and asked LOCC to bring their cars. What a site to see all Cor-



Rudy's dream came true in August 2006. (At least for that time in his life.) His '93 coupe became a 2007 blue Z06. He went big and did the museum delivery which he highly recommends. Hot Blue still looks as good as it did in 2006.



The Corvette Club has always participated in the Corvette weekend in Eureka Springs. The first few years, the members were spread out but after the 2006 event, The Lodge was reserved in its entirety for LOCC members

## EXTRA! EXTRA!

If you are in need of LOCC club gear and want something more than a t-shirt, Traci Kahrs in Osage Beach has our club logo and can embroider the logo on most types of clothing you bring to her, including polo shirts, jackets, button down shirts, even tote bags! Not only does she have the club logo, but she can do special requests if you get the logo to her, just give her time to create it. Recently, she created the Grand Sport logo for our Collector Edition and the C8 Z06 as seen below. Head to Marshalls, get on Amazon, wherever you buy your shirts, jackets, etc. and get yourself something for upcoming club events! Call Traci at (573) 280-7107 for further details.



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### A Favorite Recipe for the Holidays

St. Patrick's Day may be more of an American holiday than a true Celtic tradition, but there's no denying it's a lot of festive fun—and really, who couldn't use a bit more of that in their lives. Whether you're celebrating your heritage or only going green for March 17, here is a cocktail to toast *sláinte* with.

#### *St. Patrick's Day Cocktail - Emerald Elixir*

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|-------------------------|---|
| ♣ 2 slices of cucumber  | ♣ .75 oz St Germain/Elderflower liqueur |
| ♣ 5 basil leaves        | ♣ .75 oz lemon juice                    |
| ♣ 8 mint leaves         | ♣ .5 oz sugar syrup                     |
| ♣ 1.5 oz Absolut citron |   |

#### Instructions:

- ♣ Muddle cucumber, basil, and mint in a shaker tin.
- ♣ Add other ingredients with ice, shake hard, and double strain.





*Ed Carr*  
**NCM Ambassador**  
*News & Views*



## “Adrenaline Meets Tradition”



NCM AMBASSADOR

The mission of the National Corvette Museum is to celebrate the Corvette’s invention and preserve the legendary automobile’s past, present, and future. The Museum will serve as an educational and research model for all to enjoy.

Find the NCM at [www.corvettemuseum.org](http://www.corvettemuseum.org). Subscribe to the “Corvette Campus Connection”.  
For museum happenings and information at: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/subscribe/>  
Follow all of the National Corvette Museum’s existing social media channels



## Museum in Motion

Museum in Motion events aren't just about the destination—they're about the journey.

Join fellow Corvette aficionados for unforgettable tours that blend the thrill of driving with socializing, sightseeing, and exclusive access to VIP and behind-the-scenes opportunities. Past excursions have granted participants rare glimpses into typically off-limits locations such as the Milford Proving Grounds, Consumer Reports Auto Test Division, GM Heritage Center, and Pratt & Miller. Experience the Corvette lifestyle like never before with the National Corvette Museum's Museum in Motion program.

**28<sup>th</sup> Annual Michelin NCM Bash – April 24 to April 26, 2025**

**MiM Dragon Run at Biltmore Estate – April 27 to April 30, 2025**

**MiM Le Mans Tour – June 7 to Jun 17, 2025**

**MiM Branson Experience – June 24 to June 28, 2025**

**MiM Colorado Springs – Jul 13 to Jul 17, 2025**

**2025 NCM 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary - August 28 to August 30, 2025**

**MiM 2025 National Parks Tour – September 21 to September 27, 2025**



*Ed Carr*  
**NCM Ambassador**  
*News & Views*



**Speed Captured:  
The Photographic Works of  
Richard Prince**

**New Exhibit Opening Soon**

This breathtaking exhibition will open on **Friday, March 7, 2025**, celebrates the art of speed through the lens of famed automotive photographer Richard Prince. Known for capturing the essence of motion, design, and adrenaline, this exhibition will feature iconic Corvette images that bring the thrill of the track to life. Whether you are a racing enthusiast or an art lover, *Speed Captured* offers a striking perspective on Corvette's legacy of performance. art of speed through the lens of famed automotive photographer Richard Prince. Known for capturing the essence of motion, design, and adrenaline, this exhibition will feature iconic Corvette images that bring the thrill of the track to life. Whether you are a racing enthusiast or an art lover, *Speed Captured* offers a striking perspective on Corvette's legacy of performance.

## NCM Motorsports Park and Pratt Miller Announces a Corvette Racing Fantasy Camp

Ever wonder what it would be like to be part of the [Corvette Racing](#) team? Now you can through a joint venture between the [NCM Motorsports Park](#) and Pratt Miller Motorsports. Coming this October is the first Corvette Racing Fantasy Camp that will bring together racing enthusiasts with some of the top minds on the Pratt Miller racing team for an immersive experience. Learn about prepping a car for a race, the technology that provides the crew with insights, and unlocking the data captured during the race. Participants will also participate in pit stops and on-track driving experiences.

Greg Waldron, president of the National Corvette Museum's Motorsports Park made the announcement of the Corvette Fantasy Camp this morning during a seminar in the Corvette Corral at the Rolex 24 at Daytona. Greg was joined by Corvette Racing ambassador Wes Wong in making the official announcement.

According to the initial plans, these Corvette Racing Fantasy Camps will take place beginning in October with the first planned for October 22nd. Participants (campers?) will arrive the day before for a dinner at the National Corvette Museum's Sky dome, before undergoing the immersive experience on Wednesday, October 22nd. The class will be limited to 28 with the different sessions broken out in groups of fours.

In attendance will be crew members and drivers from the Pratt Miller MS Corvette Racing team who will cover their respective jobs, and everyone will get the opportunity for a hot lap by a Corvette Racing driver at the Motorsports Park track. Participants will be able to drive one of the NCM's C8 Corvettes on the autocross course, and you'll also get to drive the C8 Corvette for lead/follow laps on the East Track.

The NCM Motorsports Park already has the details for the [Pratt Miller Fantasy Camp](#) and registration is open for the first class. The cost to participate is \$3,180 for each person.



*Ed Carr*  
**NCM Ambassador**  
*News & Views*



**National Corvette Museum membership.**

Lifetime Membership	\$2000.00
Senior Individual Membership	\$750.00/valid for 20 years
Family Membership	\$100.00/year (5 years) \$350.00
Individual Membership	\$65.00/year
Next Generation Member	Children ages 0-9-\$400/Children ages 10-18-\$200

**Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club NCM Members**

If you need to have your name added or removed or any changes, please let Ed Carr ([edcar@earthlink.net](mailto:edcar@earthlink.net) Text: 417-718-0824) or Brenda Myers ([Brendajomyers@comcast.net](mailto:Brendajomyers@comcast.net) Text 651-283-5006) know.

***The Corvette Store***

*Need some new threads for your new C8, or any year, to replace your old worn out stuff with some new? Check out the NCM Store at [www.corvettestore.com](http://www.corvettestore.com). NCM Members get a 10% discount and free shipping on orders over \$75.00*

**Win a Corvette while you support your National Corvette Museum**



Answer: It was made of acrylic plastic.  
The option cost \$595 and over 15,000 were sold in 1984.

**2025 Red Mist Corvette** Ticket Price: **\$150.00** Total Tickets: 1500 Available: 783 Available on 01-29-2025 Drawing: February 13, 2025 2:00 PM Central Time

# Save the DATE™

## 2025 LOCC Meetings

Social Hour 11:00 am  
Lunch 12:00 Noon Meeting 1:00 pm

~~January 12—Tucker Shuckers~~

~~February 16—Wicked Willies~~

March 9—Boat Town Brewing

April 6—JB Hooks

May 18—Hulett's

June 8—Ozark Yacht Club

July 13—Great American Campground and

Dive Bar

August 10—TBA

September 14—TBA

October 12—Willows

November 9—Lake Valley Golf Club

December 6—Christmas Party at Margaritaville



## CORVETTE EVENTS CALENDAR

March 15 - St. Pat's Day Parade

April 5 - Corvettes of Enid Show

April 12 - Mid Missouri Corvette Cup

April 25-26 - LOCC 5th ANNUAL CORVETTE SHOW

Hot Summer Nights—May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, September 5

May 14—Springfield Cardinals Game

May 28-31—NCM Club Trip

June 1—Corvettes against Cancer

June 12-14—Central Arkansas Hot Springs Corvette Show

June 21—17th Annual NCCO All Corvette Show at The Grand

CCKC Sumer Fling Show—TBD

Ladies Day Trip—TBD

Aug 8-9—KCCA Vettes on the Plains show

August 22-23—NW Summer's End Arkansas Show

September 5—Salute to Veterans Parade (HSN)

September 11-13—Corvettes at Karls

OB Rehab Ctr Cruise In—TBD

September 25-28—Eureka Springs

Trunk or Treat at Arrowhead Senior Ctr—TBD

Veterans Day Parade—November TBD

Dec 6—LOCC Christmas Party

Lake Ozark Christmas Parade—TBD

# March 2025

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2 <i>Genevieve Haas</i>	3 <i>Gary Cooper</i>	4	5 <i>Kurt Steidley</i> <i>Trish Callahan</i>	6 <i>Sherry Lantz</i>	7	8 <i>Bob Pessina</i>
9	10	11 <i>Jan Mitzel</i>	12 <i>Laurie Aubert</i>	13 <i>Donnie Gemes</i> <i>John Hardesty</i>	14	15
16 <i>Debbie Linneman</i>		18 <i>Rhonda Stone</i>	19	20	21 <i>Bill Kaimann</i> <i>Tom Kidwell</i>	22
23 <i>Dean Barker</i> <i>Bill Walton</i>	24 <i>Steve Myers</i>	25	26	27 <i>Randy Engel</i>	28 <i>Chris Elliott</i>	29
30 <i>Kathie Brick</i>	31					

Trivia Question:

In 1984 option CC3 was a see-through roof. What was it made of?

Answer hidden in the newsletter

