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# VETTE WAVES



## LOCC December 2021 Newsletter



**On The Cover: The November 14th meeting proved to be a large turnout for LOCC. Add in a beautiful fall day, and the Corvettes were out in force!**

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## *President Ensminger's December Ponderings*



### **Season's Greetings LOCC!**

Since this will be my last "ponderings", I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to the LOCC membership for allowing me to be your President for 2021. It really was an honor and a privilege. I did not consider the monthly luncheons as meetings but as an opportunity and a joy to be able to talk to my friends.

In looking in the rear view, LOCC had an exciting year! Even though we did not have as many road trips/events this year due to the slow lifting of restrictions, those that were able to be scheduled were a blast! Starting in March with St. Patrick's Parade with beautifully decorated Corvettes and candy (we did push the envelope on that-lol!) The planning of our first Corvette Show held in May and the cooperation/willingness/support of members brought to fruition the best Corvette show ever...Corvettes in Paradise! Great turnout, great fun and meeting great new friends as well as getting awesome new members because they saw how fun and friendly LOCC members are. June saw many of LOCC members going to prison as Mike & Sandy Funk led us to Jeff City for the prison tour. Also in June was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual LOCC Golf Outing at The Oaks and a tour of the Morgan County Museum in Versailles. July's sweltering heat had members take to the road to Bowling Green, KY where Dave & Mary Chapman kept us moving with amazing drives through the countryside ending with awesome one-of-a-kind dinners and entertainment. With their hard work getting so many things for us to do, they set the bar high on road trips. NCM tour, NCM race track, dinner cruises, entertainment, and planes & trains museums! A fun-filled trip! Various road trips were made and reported by members during the summer and solid friendships were forged during those times. Many car shows and parades were attended as well. The Grand Finale of Trips was going to the Corvette Weekend at Eureka Springs. Rudy Willingham and Kathy Needham made sure everyone had a great time! Fun, food, laughter and libations abound. Not saying anymore because what happens in Eureka Springs, stays in Eureka Springs. It is a must do trip!

My last meeting will be our LOCC Christmas Party at Margaritaville where I will turn the gavel over to Pete Spanos, your President for 2022. The Christmas Party Committee, Parker & Marybelle Darr and Rudy & Kathy have once again planned another great event! I would also like to invite everyone to the After Party in the Presidential Suite. BYOB and a snack. Lots of things planned for that as well.

In closing, I would like to thank your awesome 2021 Board of Directors who truly makes LOCC the great club that it is... VP Pete Spanos, Secretary Peggy Sturn, Treasurer Marlin Hammond, NCM Ambassador Dave Chapman, Newsletter Editor Sandy Funk, Webmaster Melody Spanos, Public Relations/Cards Don Sturn and Club Communications Ron Wehmeyer as well as those who take over the duties when one of your board members are away. The position of President is easy when people like these have your back! MERRY CHRISTMAS and have a BLESSED NEW YEAR!

Save the Wave!

*Ellen*



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# SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club held their November meeting at Lake Valley Golf & Country Club on November 14, 2021. President Ellen Ensminger opened the meeting at 12:56 and welcomed everyone. Peggy Sturn introduced her sister Alexis who was visiting. New members at their first meeting, Ed and Lourde Tostenrud; and later during introductions Gary Findlay and MaryAnn Johnson, were welcomed. November birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged, and the microphone was passed around the room for introductions of members and their cars. In recognition of Veterans Day, Ellen asked all veterans to stand and after a round of applause, thanked them for their service.

## Officer reports:

*Vice President, Pete Spanos:* Membership has passed the 200-mark with 209 members. There must have been a membership drive in November as we added at least 12 new members. Per the LOCC Guidelines, Pete introduced the new board and officers for 2022. They are: President: Pete Spanos; Vice President: Mike Funk; Secretary: Peggy Sturn; Treasurer: Marlin Hammond; NCM Ambassador: Dave Chapman; Newsletter Editor: Sandy Funk; Webmaster: Melody Spanos; PR: Don Sturn; Club Communications: Ron Wehmeyer. Pete thanked the board for all their hard work and for agreeing to stay on for next year. Ellen commented that this is a hard-working board, who are committed and love the club; everyone should show their appreciation.

*Secretary Peggy Sturn:* This is one of our biggest meetings with 73 people and 30 Corvettes.

*Treasurer, Marlin Hammond:*

Beginning bank balance – 10/01/21:	\$8,873.40
Deposits:	276.00
Disbursements:	80.13
Ending bank balance – 10/31/21:	\$9,069.27

The car show account started with a balance of \$3,345.28, with deposits of \$770 and disbursements of \$46.19 for an ending balance of \$4,069.27. A healthy balance due to registrations and sponsor monies coming in, but there will be expenditures coming up.

Dues for 2022 need to be paid at this time. They are \$45. Can pay together with Christmas party payment. The cost is \$47.17 per person; \$94.34 per couple, which Marlin needs to get as soon as possible. Margartaville needs a headcount by Nov. 19.

Marlin has 6 LOCC afghans left at \$35. If you need name tags, the cost went up, they will be \$17.50. Got another order of gray shirts that are \$15 each. Will be getting more orange shirts that the volunteer workers will be wearing at the show. Marlin has lapel pins, window decals, business cards. Has one club patch left, but can get more; they're \$5. Marlin has ordered 300 show shirts that are Cornflower Blue.

A side-line event for next year is on May 10 when the Springfield Cardinals will have a day game that we can attend. It's the only one on the schedule and Marlin thinks they scheduled it just for us.

*NCM Ambassador Dave Chapman:* Dave reported that the NCM will be present again at the car show next year. They were very pleased and impressed with the show this year and are planning a much bigger and better participation next year. Dave is in the beginning stages for planning the Bowling Green trip for next year. Hopefully, by then the COVID restrictions in Kentucky will be more relaxed and we will have access to more dining facilities. Working on getting track time. Dave will be sending out information in the coming months as plans come together. In answer to Melody's question, Dave stated that it doesn't look good for plant tours for next year. Dave will keep asking but no tours in sight yet.

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# SECRETARY'S REPORT

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*Webmaster Melody Spanos:* Melody has updated the website. She added the Lebanon Christmas parade. She will put in the calendar for next year's meetings once she gets that information from Pete.

*Public Relations Don Sturn:* For PR for the car show, Don spoke with his contact at KRMS, the radio station that helped so much with the car show this year. They will do the same for next year with radio spots and interviews leading up to as well as during the show. One of the reasons we have the show is to provide funds for local charities. We received a thank you from one of those charities, Survivors of Blue Suicide. Don read the very moving comments from those who benefitted from our donation. If you ever wonder what happens with the money, this is a poignant example. Bottom line is we can transfer the good feelings of the show into community support. Ellen added that this is what LOCC is all about.

*Newsletter Editor Sandy Funk:* You may have noticed the newsletter is getting longer – 15 pages this month. She asked that if you go on any small trips with other Corvettes to be sure to send Sandy a write-up and photos for the newsletter. Maybe we'll have a 20-page newsletter!

### **New Business:**

- The Veterans Parade was on November 6. Not a long parade but LOCC had a good showing of 15 cars. Ellen's rider was Winston dressed in camo in honor of canine veterans.

- Rudy reported on the LOCC Christmas party on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at Margaritaville Lake Resort. There will be contests, games, picture taking, socializing and door prizes. At 6:30, Joe Farrell, who is well-known in the area, will provide entertainment. If you want to participate in the gift exchange, bring a \$20 gift per person. After the exchange, there will be a drawing from the participants for a gift basket. The after party will be in the Presidential Suite. The entertainment committee included Rudy, Kathy, Parker, Marybelle and Ellen. Ellen stated that the Cocktail Hour is at 5:00; Dinner starts at 6:00, which will be a buffet. The \$47.17 includes gratuity and tax and entertainment. Ellen invited everyone to the Presidential Suite for the after party. It is BYOB and bring a snack. Margaritaville is offering a discount on rooms for those who wish to spend the night, which is \$99++ for a standard room on Sat. Dec. 4. When you call for reservations let them know you are with the LOCC Christmas Party. The dinner will be in the Compass Rose Room, formerly known as the Crystal Ballroom. Thanks to Marlin for getting this all together last minute after previous arrangements fell through. An email will be going out with all the details.

- Christmas Parade is Sat. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Pete will be in charge of the parade. Line up is at 11:30 on Hwy 242; parade is at 1. Be there at least by 11:45 to decorate your cars.

### **Corvettes in Paradise 2022:**

- Registrations: Peggy reported that we have 65 cars registered representing six states. Marlin added to let anyone know who is interested in registering to get it in soon if they want to be inside with the first 100 entries.

- Trophies / Shirts: Marlin stated we will be giving away 57 trophies for the show and looks like we're on track to have 100 sponsorships for next year; this year's was around 50. Awards, trophies, and the shirts are our biggest cost. Marlin has ordered 300 show shirts. They're the same fabric and will have the same logo as the orange shirts, but with the show year indicated. If you know what you'd like, let Marlin know what size, S thru 3X, and he will put aside for you. They are \$15 for members and people registering for the show who pre-order. We have 60 shirts ordered by show registrants right now. Will be selling them at the show for \$20.

Sponsorships: Mike Funk thanked Marlin for the fantastic job designing the sponsor plaques and passed around two sample plaques for everyone to see. Sponsorship drive is going extremely well. Mike has already handed in \$2,600 in sponsorship money. If you know of a restaurant or business not on the list, let Mike know.

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# SECRETARY'S REPORT

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If everyone does just a little bit, it will be easier and more successful. When approaching sponsors, explain to them that the money is going back to the local charities. Mike has flyers with the sponsorship form attached; grab a couple if you know of any potential sponsors. A new list will be going out with additions; please look it over as there have been changes. If there isn't a member name behind a sponsor, jump in and contact them but let Mike know so there is no duplication of effort. The minimum amount is \$100 for a sponsor plaque with their name on it. Have had some give more. Sponsors are encouraged to attend the show to choose and present their plaques to their favorite Corvette. If unable to attend, LOCC members will select and present. Trophy sponsors have all been spoken for, but it is \$300 to cover cost of trophies for a class. David Lantz is in charge of the goodie bags and has already contacted about 20 organizations to make commitments for goody bag items. We also want to support the sponsors throughout the year, which we have done with happy hours and gatherings. Ellen suggested we let potential sponsors know that the LOCC has 209 members who will support their businesses.

The 50-50 drawing for \$91 went to Sandy Funk...to a chorus of groans since this was two in a row for the lucky Funks! Congrats!

Our next meeting is December 4<sup>th</sup> at Margaritaville Lake Resort.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Sturn, Secretary



From the looks of these pictures from the November meeting, the large LOCC group had ample opportunity to socialize with each other and enjoy a meal at the same time!





# VETERANS DAY PARADE

LOCC showed up in force in Osage Beach to honor our Veterans on November 6. With 17 Club Vettes in attendance, LOCC rolled side by side to pay honor to those who have served both past, and present. Even K-9 Veterans were honored by LOCC mascot, Winston as he dressed in camo and helped throw candy to the kids! LOCC is especially thankful to all our members who have served our great Country so we may enjoy days like this. THANK YOU!





# NOVEMBER 2021 MEETING

## LAKE VALLEY GOLF CLUB

The November 14, 2021 meeting was held at Lake Valley Golf Club with a large LOCC showing. With 73 members and 30 Vettes present, this was one of the largest meetings yet!



President Ensminger leads the meeting, packed with a lot of information.





# LEBANON CHRISTMAS PARADE



11/20/2021

"Twas the morning before the annual Christmas parade in Lebanon and six LOCC Vettes were shined and decorated, in preparation for the big parade soon to begin!" It was a perfect day for a parade, with lots of sunshine and tons of children excited to collect candy and maybe even catch a glimpse of LOCC's own, Corvette Santa! Yes, Randy "Clause" Webber dressed in a Santa beard and hat, along with his merry elf Debbie, drove their '65 Roadster, as we all heard the shouts, "Santa!" He even had one little guy run up to the car to hug him! If you have never done the Lebanon parade, this is one NOT to be missed. With a large crowd, marching bands, antique cars, candy and a lot of great floats, it is truly a reflection of Mid-America tradition and pure happiness for everyone involved. A big THANK YOU to Ed and Becki Carr for entering LOCC and organizing our participation. Thank you to those LOCC members who participated as well!



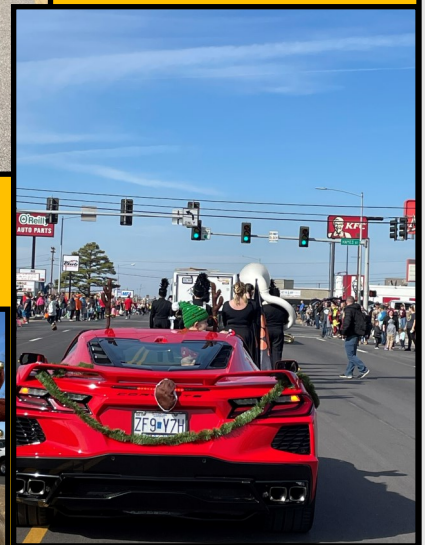
Ed Carr and son, ??



Pictured left to right: Diane Lewis and Rick Horsman, Randy and Debbie Webber, Ed Carr, Pete and Melody Spanos, Sandy Funk, Betty and Bob Goble



Randy "Clause" Webber





***Dave Chapman***  
***NCM Ambassador***  
*News & Views*



Greetings LOCC Members,

Hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. As Corvette enthusiasts, we all have so much to be grateful for throughout the year. As we now transition into the Christmas season, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Blessed and Merry Christmas!

Thought the following article was interesting, especially to those club members who travelled to National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY this past July, as we met with Zack, and toured this behind the scenes restoration area. Great to see the beautiful restoration completed!!

Dave Chapman  
NCM Ambassador



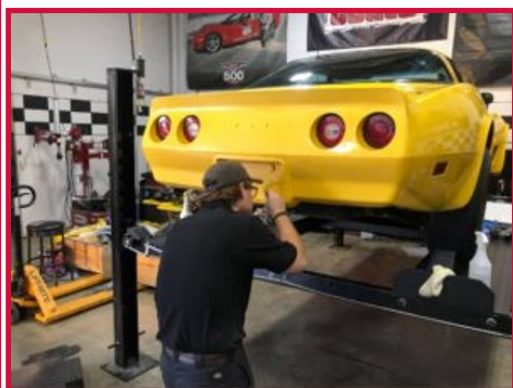
# 1979 Engineering Development Corvette Unveiled

By [Mariah Hughes](#)

At the National Corvette Museum's 27th Anniversary Event, Derek E. Moore, Director of Collections and Curator, joined Zach Bredfield, Preservation Intern, to discuss "Rebuilding the 1979 Engineering Development Corvette." Bredfield was the 2021 Summer Preservation Intern from McPherson College, located in Kansas. Bredfield is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Automotive Restoration with an emphasis in History. Zach, influenced by his grandfather's passion for cars, has been a Corvette fan since he was a child.

During his internship, one of the many projects he was assigned to was working on the 1979 Engineering Development Corvette. When Zach arrived at the Museum back in May, the body and frame were separated, but the cracked front fender had already been repaired. Some of the tasks Bredfield performed himself were mating the body to the chassis, fully installing all interior components, touching up the paint, wet sanding, and polishing the entire car.

The collections team set out to preserve the 1979 Corvette and not necessarily restore it. The team guided Bredfield in the preservation process, and Bredfield quickly learned that it is a different process from the restoration. This allowed him to develop stronger mechanical skills. On the last day of Bredfield internship, they were able to install a new engine. The engine used was as close as possible to the original, but they were able to use many original parts that were periodically appropriate.



Zach working on the 1979 Development Engineering Corvette.



1979 Development Engineering Corvette being revealed.

During Bredfield's preservation internship, he was exposed to many different opportunities. He was able to attend the Cincinnati Concours, deliver a car to Washing D.C., and attend the Keeneland Concours. He also spent time learning how to revive cars, perform car show prep, shutdown procedures, and Museum level conservation. Bredfield found it to be extremely educational and fun to be exposed to a new level of work that he had never been exposed to prior. Bredfield is now able to be a voice at his college about museums and preservation methods because of his time spent at the NCM. The preserved 1979 Corvette was unveiled during the presentation to show Zach and the team's beautiful work!





Chevrolet and Corvette Racing claimed all three full-season GT Le Mans titles of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship. This year, Chevrolet claimed its 14th Manufacturers title in GT racing. Antonio Garcia and Jordan Taylor went back-to-back as Drivers champions while the No. 3 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C8.R repeated as Team title-winners. Chevrolet and Corvette Racing won 7 times in the IMSA Championship and claimed a pole position in each GTLM race heading into Petit Le Mans. No. 4 Corvette C8.R teammates Tommy Milner and Nick Tandy finished second in GTLM points with the start of today's race. Milner and Tandy were also contributors in the Manufacturers Championship with three victories and two pole positions.

Corvette Racing will return to IMSA in January for the season-opening Rolex 24 At Daytona in the new GTD PRO category. That effort will go along with a single-car entry in the FIA World Endurance Championship.

Save the  
**DATE™**

**COMING UP:**

**LO Christmas Parade Dec 11**

**The 2nd Annual Corvettes  
in Paradise is April 30,  
2022!**

**Mark your calendars!**



**2021 LOCC Meetings**

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

Jan 10 — Tucker Shuckers —  
Feb 7 — JB Hooks  
Mar 14 — Camden on the Lake  
Apr 11 — Dog Days  
May 16 — Ehlmann's Garage  
Jun 13 — Bee's Knees Ale House  
Jul 11 — Willowes Bar and Grill  
Aug 8 — The Rock Bar & Grill  
Sep 12 — Smith's Café  
Oct 17 — Canterbury Hills Winery  
Nov 14 — Lake Valley  
Dec 4 — **\*\*LOCC Christmas Party @  
Margaritaville**

**LOCC is 209 Members Strong!**

**\*\*NOTE: The LOCC Christmas Party  
will be held at Margaritaville on**

**December 4th.**

**Cocktails @ 5:00**

**Dinner @ 6:00**

**The 2nd Annual Corvettes in Paradise show is April 30 2022!**

You can use the following link to find the show registration on the LOCC website. If you are out and about and see a fellow Corvette enthusiast who may be interested in participating in the show, hand them a registration: <https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/916fc882-27f1-4b45-a62e-00ee8743b644/2022%20Car%20Show%20Flyer%20%26%20Registration%20%20form-0004.pdf>

Use this link to the show sponsor form on the LOCC website: <https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/916fc882-27f1-4b45-a62e-00ee8743b644/LOCC%20Car%20Show%20Sponsor%20Form%202022.pdf>

If you support a local business, please take a form with you and ask if they would support our show for \$100. Remember, all proceeds are returned to the community. In return, the sponsor will have a plaque made with their business name, to be awarded to a participant of their choice. The 2022 plaque is being designed at this time, stay tuned!

The following businesses have already supported Corvettes in Paradise with paid sponsorships:

<b>A1 Towing and Recovery</b>	<b>Decatur, AL</b>	<b>The Bank of Versailles</b>	<b>Laurie</b>
<b>Big Oak Self Storage</b>	<b>Camdenton</b>	<b>Big Thunder Marine</b>	<b>Lake Ozark</b>
<b>Gross Insurance Agency</b>	<b>Camdenton</b>	<b>Hulett Chevrolet Buick GMC</b>	<b>Camdenton</b>
<b>Jansen Chevrolet</b>	<b>Germantown, IL</b>	<b>Josie Mantle Remax</b>	<b>LOZ</b>
<b>Muscia Dumptruck</b>	<b>Camdenton</b>	<b>Ozark Yacht Club</b>	<b>Lake Ozark</b>
<b>Rock Solid Concrete</b>	<b>Lake Ozark</b>	<b>Show Me Window Tinting</b>	<b>Lake Ozark</b>
<b>Sunset Tire and Service</b>	<b>Osage Beach</b>	<b>Waves and Wheels</b>	<b>Osage Beach</b>
<b>Willowes Bar and Grill</b>	<b>Linn Creek</b>		

**Your assistance in making this another successful show is appreciated!**



# DECEMBER 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Jack Reiner	3	4 LOCC holiday party
5	6 Jane Shelley	7 NATIONAL PEARL HARBOR Remembrance Day DECEMBER 7	8	9 Gary Waisner	10	11 Kathy Needham
12	13	14	15	16	17 Judy Suchman Don Wormsley	18
19	20 Dave Fields	21	22	23 Karen Barker	24 <b>Merry Christmas</b> Merry Christmas	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	

## Parting words:

***"I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all the year." - A Christmas Carol***