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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club



# VETTE WAVES



## December 2022 Newsletter



**On the cover:** Dressed as Santa and his favorite elf, Randy and Debbie Weber prepare to drive in the annual Lebanon Christmas Parade on November 19th while the Myers have blow up Santa caught in a pickle!

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## *President Spanos' Monthly Report*

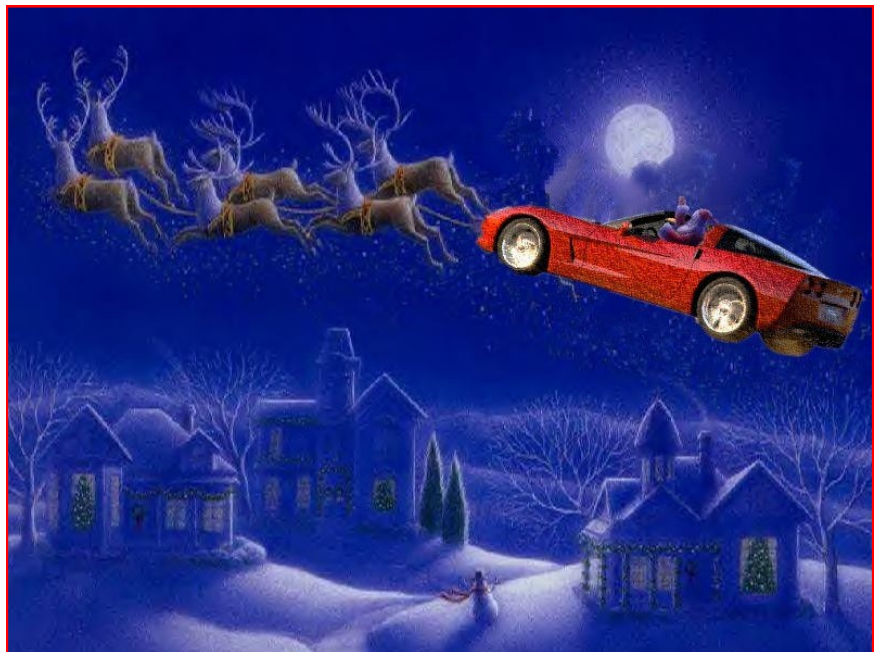


Members,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. As you all know, we will be transitioning to a new Board under the leadership of Mike Funk. I want to thank all the current Board, Mike Funk, Sandy Funk, Ron Wehmeyer, Dave Chapman, Marlin Hammond, Melody Spanos, Peggy Sturn and Don Sturn for all the support they have given me personally, as well as their dedication to making LOCC a better Club and setting us up for the future. It has been an absolute privilege serving this Club as a Board member the last four years.

If I don't see you at the Christmas Party, I want to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year!

Pete



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<https://locc2010.net>



## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club held its November meeting at Lake Valley Golf Course in Camdenton, MO on November 13, 2022. President Pete Spanos opened the meeting at 12:27p. Pete thanked Lake Valley for hosting our lunch, saying it is \$12 a person and to be sure to tip the servers. They did a fantastic job getting us served. Pete welcomed new members Steve and Kathy Chalupka who are former members. Steve explained that they have been busy the past couple years building a home and are glad to be back in the club with their 427 Limited convertible C6. November birthdays and anniversaries were recognized next.

### **Trips & Events:**

Ellen reported that there were 15-20 LOCC people that came out for the "Trunk & Treat" event at the Arrowhead Senior Center on Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. The looks on the faces of the residents and staff were priceless as they walked from car to car decorated for Halloween and collected treats. A very fun and worthwhile community service. Pete thanked Ellen for arranging it.

Pete commented that the Hot Springs trip had 17 cars in the show; 13 of them won 16 awards. Pete recounted the sequence of the sad event of Bill and Rhonda Stone's C7 getting hit and significantly damaged while parked outside the hotel the first night there. The hosting club was extremely supportive and generous with their VP even lending his new C8 to the Stones to use in the weekend events and even to enter it in the show. They came home with a trophy. It was another great showing for LOCC.

The Veterans Parade was on Nov 5<sup>th</sup> and had 12 cars come out for it on a cold and windy day. Everyone kept their tops up and on but threw candy to the small crowd that braved the elements.

Marlin reported on the annual golf outing on Nov 8<sup>th</sup> at Indian Rock Golf Course. The event was originally set up in October with 12 members signed up but the weather was far too cold. We had 7 come out with one guest to make two foursomes on the 8<sup>th</sup>. We had a really good time. Next year will try to set up earlier in the year.

Lynda Lanser stated that she and Vanessa Randolph belong to the Newcomers/Longtimers club and had an LOCC table at a recent dinner event. Their table won and on behalf of the LOCC, they donated their \$20 winnings to the Giving Tree, an organization that gives out scholarship money to local schools.

Lynda went on to say that she sings with the Greater Lake Area Chorale who is doing a group of Christmas concerts in Nov and Dec. She asked if the schedule could be put on the website and in the newsletter for members who might be interested in attending any of them.

Future events include the Lebanon Christmas Parade on Nov 19<sup>th</sup>. Ed Carr stated that there are 14 cars signed up so far. If you plan to come, let Ed know. Bring lots of candy and decorations for your cars. This parade is much bigger than any here at the lake as people come from all around the area. Pete stated that he will lead a caravan from Orscheln's to Lebanon; let him know if you want to join.

The Christmas party is on Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is \$49 per person for a really good meal and live music from Joe Farrell. There will be a gift exchange for which each person needs to bring a \$20-\$25 gift to participate, and to put you in the drawing for a gift basket. The after party will follow and is BYOB and snacks. We have a block of rooms at an LOCC rate of \$109++;

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## Secretary's Report Continued

tell them you are with LOCC to get that rate. Rudy Willingham added that there will be social time, door prizes, photo ops, music and entertainment. You will be allowed to steal gifts only once during the exchange. Any questions, ask Rudy. Pete asked that you send him an email if attending. You can pay Marlin for the dinner and 2023 dues today.

One week after the party, the Osage Beach Christmas Parade is on Dec 10. Mike Funk will be leading the parade. No details yet, but we are registered for it. Will get instructions for lining up. It is not necessarily a candy-throwing event, but everyone can do their own thing.

### Officer reports:

*Vice President, Mike Funk:* Membership is up to 236 with today's new members.

Regarding the show, we are doing extremely well with registrations; we are up to 73. With that number out there, people are getting concerned about being in the top 100. We have dropped flyers at various shows and some have agreed to put our flyers in their goodie bags, which is reflected in the number of registrations we are getting. We have people coming from Florida and many parts of the country as the word is out on our show.

Mike has flyers and sponsor forms on the back table and asked everyone to participate and get involved in recruiting sponsors. There are so many businesses around the lake to approach. Be sure to explain that all money goes back to charity. The form shows where the money went this year. Any assistance will be appreciated.

*Treasurer, Marlin Hammond:*

General account:

Beginning bank balance – 10/01/22:	\$10,274.18
Deposits:	473.00
Disbursements:	100.00
Ending bank balance – 10/31/22:	<u>\$10,647.18</u>

The car show account started with \$4,065.37, with deposits of \$1,250 and costs of \$167.24, ending with a balance of \$5,148.13. We are in pretty good shape. Re paying for the Christmas party and dues, pay those as soon as possible so we can give an accounting to Margaritaville by Nov 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>. If you decide to go and haven't paid, you can pay Marlin that night.

Marlin has name tags that were ordered. He has shirts, afghans, window decals; for anyone who hasn't received one, he has key fobs, money clips and lapel pins.

*Newsletter Editor Sandy Funk:* Sandy is working on December's newsletter, the last edition for 2022. If there is anything different you would like to see for next year, let Sandy know.

*Webmaster Melody Spanos:* Melody stated the website is up to date. Next year's meeting schedule is on the calendar. She only had two photos from Peggy for the golf outing. If anyone has any more or other photos for other events, give them to Melody.

*Secretary, Peggy Sturn:* We have 23 Corvettes, without summer tire concerns, and 67 people here today.

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## *Secretary's Report Continued*

*NCM Ambassador, Dave Chapman:* Dave suggested, with the holidays coming up, that a museum membership or other NCM merchandise would make a nice gift for LOCC members. He reported that the new NCM administration is geared towards preserving the museum past, present and future and is going in new directions. They are wanting to ensure the members' dues and donations are being used wisely. The store has been updated and remodeled and they are bringing in new items. Dave went on to list the benefits of becoming an NCM member, including a 10% discount, a great magazine subscription, lapel pins and discounted entry to other car museums around the country. Regarding plant tours, the Z06 is in production and a few are trickling out but it is a slow process due to supply issues. Tours are happening and they have tours booked up into Jan. Dave asked Don Sturn to talk about the tour he and Peggy recently took.

Don gave plant production numbers for C8s the past three years. Production for 2022 saw a 28% drop because of constraints. With there being no tours for the past five years, it was exciting to be able to go in. Don and Peggy invited Ellen along and did one of the first tours. You aren't able to take any purses, phones, cameras, anything into the plant. The tour guides are new and ours had only done 3 before ours. The tours will improve as they get more experience. The tour was 90 minutes and involved about 1.5 miles of walking because the \$450 million paint plant – the star of the tour – was on the opposite end of the plant. It includes 3 floors and 800,000 sq. ft. with 19 vertical lifts, 51 robots and 240 employees. The tour allowed a sample view of the new technology thru a window where the huge robot "arms" can be seen applying the various colors. The assembly line portion is pretty much the same but the guides have transmitters and everyone gets a receiver with ear buds so you can hear better. We hoped to see the water blast testing area but that is no longer shown. Those who have been on the annual tours before will see the changes but, especially if you have never toured the plant, it is incredible. If you have any questions, ask Don.

*Club Communications, Ron Wehmeyer:* Ron reminded everyone that whenever he passes on an email for someone requiring a response, you need to be sure to send your response to their email address and not simply hit "Reply" - which goes only to Ron rather than to the person who needs your information.

Ron went on to say that while he and Kathy were in St. Lucia, they got married. (Congratulations!) Also, while there, he received an email from Pete requesting he buy gift cards for him, which Ron did once he returned to the US. After not getting replies from Pete re delivery of the cards, Ron called him and learned the email request was bogus. They are getting more and more clever, creating email addresses with the alleged sender's name. Do not reply to any email requests for money or asking you to purchase of gift cards that appear to be from Pete or any other club member. Pete added that it was because of this incident that he sent out the email to everyone warning them of these scam emails.

### **New Business:**

Pete stated that according to the guidelines, the President Elect is to announce the new Board for the coming year at the November meeting and, as such, turned the floor over to Mike Funk. Mike stated that he would like to thank each and every one of the new board members for volunteering their time and joining the board for next year and hopes 2023 continues in a positive manner. The new slate of officers and board members are:

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## Secretary's Report Continued

*President:* Mike Funk

*Vice President:* Dave Chapman

*Treasurer:* Marlin Hammond

*Secretary:* Sherry Lantz (Sherry is not here today.)

*Public Relations:* Brian Carrera

*Newsletter Editor:* Sandy Funk

*NCM Ambassador:* Ed Carr

*Webmaster:* Melody Spanos

The position of *Project Events Manager* was added which Brenda Myers has accepted.

Mike is looking forward to 2023 and asked that if there is anything different you would like to see or any suggestions, let them know. He plans on being as transparent as possible.

Ellen Ensminger thanked Pete Spanos for being an awesome 2022 President.

The official passing of the gavel will be in December. Pete said he appreciates the new board officers stepping up, getting fresh blood on the board and thanked them and all members.

Next meeting is Dec 3 during the Christmas party. Cocktails start at 5p.

The 50-50 pot of \$83 was won by Jim Gillham. Next, the last Fish & Co. \$10 gift card also went to Jim. You cleaned up, Mr. Gillham! Congrats!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Peggy Sturn, Secretary*



### LOCC Annual Golf Outing

As reported by Marlin in the meeting minutes, the LOCC golf outing was held on November 8 at the Indian Rock Golf Course. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate and only 7 members plus one guest showed up to play on the cold day. The two, diehard foursomes played for bragging rights and enjoyed the fun competition all the same.

Pictured on the left is Peggy Sturn, Marlin Hammond, Don Lanser and Randy Engel. The four-person scramble group shot two under par, edging out the other group of Mike and Michelle Waite, Darryle Modesto and guest.



# OSAGE BEACH VETERANS' DAY PARADE

Pictures by Melody Spanos and Brenda Myers

With respect to all our member and local Veterans, LOCC was honored to participate in the annual Osage Beach parade on November 5th. Coordinated by President Pete Spanos as he lead the group in his dynamic, red mist metallic C8 through the US 54 main thoroughfare, the group was met with smiling faces and waves as they passed. LOCC thanks all veterans for their service and sacrifices.



# NOVEMBER MEETING LAKE VALLEY BAR & GRILL

NOVEMBER 13, 2022



The November meeting is the last formal meeting of the year and its always great to see so many members show up. Lake Valley Bar & Grill is no stranger to our large group and they always do a great job with accommodating us. As a sponsor of Corvettes in Paradise we like to return the favor and provide them with our business!







# LEBANON CHRISTMAS PARADE



November 19, 2022

With Jack Frost nipping at their wheels, LOCC could not be deterred from participating in the annual Lebanon Christmas Parade. While the day was a bit blustery, parade participants were dressed in layers as they festively decorated their motorized sleighs. Lead by Ed Carr, his son Nathan and grandson Ozzie in his torch red C8, LOCC joined the large parade with 11 Corvettes of four different generations. The success of a parade can be measured by the number of parade goers, and judging by the numbers of people lining the parade route, the Lebanon parade was a huge success! Noting the large amounts of candy thrown from the cars and floats, some Lebanon dentists may be busy in the next few weeks. After the parade, the group was invited to the beautiful homestead of Ed and Becki Carr for some delicious, warm chili. What a way to kick off the holiday season! A big thank you to the Carr's for leading LOCC in the parade and hosting the group at their home afterward.



Top Left: Ed and Becki Carr's C8 ready to lead the LOCC parade entry with the Spanos Grand Sport in the background. Top Right: Ron and Dianne Long's Stingray is ready, with Santa holding Rudolph back! Right: The Myers' Grand Sport delighted the parade crowd with their Santa stuck in the chimney, blow-up. Above: Rick Horsman and Diane Lewis wave at the crowds in that shining Stingray



## More From Lebanon...

Right: Rudy Willingham wows the crowds as the Z06 roars through the parade.

Below: The Funk Z06 ready for some serious candy throwing.

Below Right: Ozzie Carr tries out Grandpa Ed's ride, and he knew how to turn the music on too!



← Parker and Marybelle Darr in their C6 "sleigh" enjoying the crowds.



Right: Pete and Melody Spanos's Grand Sport was ready to lead the group to Lebanon, with the group meeting at Orscheln's in Camden.



Left: Lined up outside the Carr residence, the C8's of Don Sturn and Keith and Mel Mellen, the Spanos C7 and the Darr C6 only added more beauty to the beautiful neighborhood.



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



Seasons Greetings to All,

First of all, I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy and healthy New Year!!

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of the calendar year once again. However, what a wonderful and exciting year it has been for Corvette, and the National Corvette Museum. The assembly plant continues to crank out the ever popular C8 Corvette at record numbers, and still the demand exceeds supply. Then, the long awaited announcement for the much anticipated super car, the Corvette Z06. Again, the general has hit another home run as demand for the Z06 has outpaced all expectations. Not to be outdone, the National Corvette Museum has undergone significant improvements throughout its facility to ensure that it remains a world class museum, and to preserve the past, present, and future. In addition, Motorsports Park is still in the process of recovering from the devastating effects of the tornado that caused significant damage to infrastructure. The facility is, and has been in the process of a multi-million dollar renovation project that will enhance its place as a true destination point for track enthusiasts of all levels. Along with the National Corvette Museum, I would like to express my appreciation for your continued support of the NCM with your memberships, donations, purchases from the NCM retail store, and visits to the museum. The future of our world class museum dedicated to America's Sports Car is alive, and well because of dedicated supporters, and enthusiasts, such as you, members of the Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club.

Merry Christmas,

Dave Chapman  
NCM Ambassador



# Chevy Outlines the Next Three Monthly Order Cycles for Stingray and Z06

By

**Keith Cornett**

Nov 22, 2022



Photo Credit: Chevrolet

Chevrolet sent their dealers an email on Monday outlining the next three months of [ordering for the Stingray and Z06 models](#). If you hoping for a more normalized ordering process for America's newest sportscar, we are sorry to bring you this disappointing news.

Before we get to that, we are currently in the middle of the second order cycle for the Z06. Last Thursday, Chevy sent out new Z06 allocations to dealers, and typically that would be followed up on this Thursday with dealers submitting orders. However, because of the Thanksgiving holiday, we are most likely looking at next Thursday for the latest constraints to drop and dealers submitting orders.

When those constraints come in next Thursday (Nov. 30th), we believe that the High Wing Aero Package will have extremely low quantities nationwide to order, and then dealers can start to match up those orders to customers. Many of these first Z06 orders are so heavily optioned that some dealers during the first Order Cycle in August had to go way down their lists to fill those Standard Aero Z06 allocations, and that will probably be the case again next week. If you think you are low on your dealers list and would accept a non-Z07 build, you should be waving your hands high and yelling "Pick Me!"

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Now back to this week's dealer communication from Chevrolet. The memo lays out the ordering dates for the next three months, but nowhere does it specify Z06, so once again, dealers assume that the Z06 ordering will happen anytime a month has a second DOSP planned. FYI, DOSP stands for Dealer Order Submission Process.

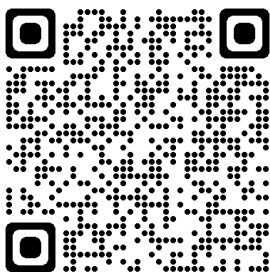
For December 2022, there is only one DOSP planned. Dealers will receive their allocations (or Consensus) on December 8th and then the Constraints and Ordering will come on December 15th.

For January 2023, there again is only one DOSP planned with the Consensus coming on January 12th and Constraints and Ordering will open on January 19th.

Finally, in February 2023, there are two DOSP cycles planned, and we believe Chevy will follow the previous trends of holding the Stingray DOSP first, and then the 2nd being the Z06 cycle. The first DOSP will begin on February 2nd, and orders will start on February 9th. The second DOSP begins on February 16th, and orders will happen on February 23rd.

For the current Z06 order cycle we are in now, these orders show the targeted production build dates starting in January 2023. With the next Z06 order cycle closing in late February, those orders may see a targeted production date beginning in April. Again, that could be subject to change based on strength of the supply chain and other factors known and unknown.

The obvious next question is, will Chevrolet take another pause for a month or two on Z06 ordering after February's DOSP, or will we be able to get to a monthly order cycle for the new car? Only time will tell.



For NCM membership information, point your phone's camera at the QR code and click on the link to the membership page on the NCM website.



## The 3rd Annual Corvettes in Paradise Show is April 29, 2022!

Use the following link to go directly to the Corvettes in Paradise Show information on the LOCC website: [LOCC Annual Car Show \(locc2010.net\)](http://locc2010.net) You will find a copy of the show registration as well as a Sponsor Form on the page. Contact Mike Funk at (217)622-7514 if you would like to have copies of registrations or sponsor forms.

If you support a local business, please take a sponsor form with you and ask if they would support our show for \$100. Remember, all proceeds are returned to the community and last year's charities are found on the sponsor form. In return, the sponsor will have a plaque made with their business name, to be awarded to a participant of their choice. The sponsors who show up to the show have a great time picking out which Corvette they feel best deserves their plaque. The 2023 plaque is being designed at this time, stay tuned!

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

**Hulett Chevrolet**

**Jim Falk Motors**

**Cable Dahmer Chevrolet**

**Leman Chevrolet**

**Willowes Bar and Grill**

Your assistance in making this another successful show is appreciated!

# Save the DATE™

## CORVETTE EVENTS COMING UP:

**Lake of Ozarks Christmas Parade  
Dec 10**

LOCC Member Lynda Lancer has invited members to the Greater Lake Area Chorale , 2022 Winter Concerts.

You can see the group on any of the following dates. Free admission with donation at each concert.

Sun Dec. 4, 2:00 p.m. - West Lake Christian, Laurie

Sun Dec. 11, 2:00 p.m.—Morgan County Performing Arts Center, Versailles

Tue Dec. 13, 7:00 p.m.—Lake Ozark Christian, Lake Ozark

Sun Dec 18, 2:00 p.m.—Christ the King Lutheran, Lake Ozark

# CORVETTES IN PARADISE

**Saturday**

**April 29, 2023**



## 2022 LOCC Meetings

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

- Jan 9 — Tucker Shuckers
- Feb 13 — JB Hooks
- Mar 13 — Encore
- Apr 10 — Camden on the Lake/Horny  
————— Toads
- May 15 — Ehlmann's Garage
- Jun 12 — Canterbury Hill Winery
- Jul 10 — Jones Chop House
- Aug 14 — Smith's Restaurant
- Sep 11 — Willowes Bar and Grill
- Oct 09 — Captain Ron's
- Nov 13 — Lake Valley
- Dec 3 LOCC Christmas Party  
@ Margaritaville

LOCC Christmas Party is December 3rd with cocktails starting at 5 p.m. and dinner starting at 6 p.m.

If you are participating in the gift exchange, be sure to bring a \$20—\$25 wrapped gift.

Don't forget your name tag if you have one and we will see you at Margaritaville!





# December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Jack Reiner	3 LOCC @ Margaritaville 
4	5	6 Jane Shelley	7	8	9 Gary Waisner	10 Susan Steinlage
11 Kathy Needham	12	13	14	15	16 Dawn Vandervort	17 Judy Suchman Don Wormsley
18	19	20 Dave Fields	21	22	23 Karen Barker Linda Woodrum	24
25 	26	27	28	29	30	31 Hank Steinlage

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**