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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club

# VETTE WAVES

## JUNE 2024 Newsletter



**On The Cover:** The first Hot Summer Night of the year was a brilliant evening display of hot rods, muscle cars, custom trucks and of course, the iconic Corvette, courtesy of LOCC! Hot Blu, aka the 2007 Z06 of Rudy Willingham and Kathy Needham, is reflective of the clouds quietly drifting overhead amidst the onlookers.

The next HSN is June 14th and the theme is Still Cruisin'. See you then!



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# President Santz's Monthly Report



Hello LOCC Members,

Summer is officially here at the lake as we kick off the Memorial Day weekend. We are grateful to those who gave their lives in service to our country. Let us never forget the reason for Memorial Day and those who sacrificed such much for our freedoms.

Our 2024 Corvettes In Paradise car show was another tremendous success. This year we raised approximately \$33,000 for local lake area charities. The LOCC Board has unanimously approved the charities that we will be contributing to this year. We have expanded from 7 charities to 10 charities this year. The following charities have been selected to receive funding from LOCC this year: Citizens Against Domestic Violence, Share The Harvest Food Pantry, Missouri Forget Me Not Horse Rescue & Sanctuary, Dogwood Animal Shelter, Meowtown Animal Rescue, Survivors of Blue Suicide, Kids Cove Respite House, Kids Harbor Inc, Wonderland Camp, and Community Bed Building through the Potter's House church.

On May 10<sup>th</sup>, club members gathered at Two Bit Town on the Bagnell Dam Strip to enjoy the first Hot Summer Nights of the season. LOCC had 19 Corvettes on display for the event. The weather was great, and we met a few people who expressed interest in joining our club.

On May 14<sup>th</sup>, club members traveled to Springfield, MO for our annual trip to attend a Springfield Cardinals game. Club members had a great time driving their Corvettes around the warning track inside Hammons Field as many young fans cheered and waved. After the parade lap around the ballpark, we were allowed to park our Corvettes in front of the stadium as a group. We then got to enjoy some ballpark food and drinks while we watched the game. Although there was a delay in the game for a little rain, a good time was had by all. Thanks to Marlin Hammond & Ed Tostenrud for planning and executing this trip.

We held our annual appreciation meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup> at Hulett Chevrolet in Camdenton, MO. We had 98 members in attendance who enjoyed a great BBQ buffet prepared by The Tavern Smokehouse. Thanks to the restaurant owners John & Sherri Buchanan (who are also now LOCC members) for catering this event. I also want to thank the Hulett family for hosting this meeting at their dealership and for clearing off their front lot so we could display 50 of our member's Corvettes. We were also fortunate to have a videographer from Lake TV stop by to capture some drone videos of our cars on the lot. The videos have been shared on our Facebook page.

Please follow our monthly newsletter, the LOCC Facebook page, and the LOCC website for current information and upcoming activities. Thank you all for your continued support and for your club participation.

I hope to see you at our next meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> at Don Chilillo's Sunrise Cantina in Sunrise Beach, MO.

Enjoy your summer,

Dave

Find us on the web at:  
<https://locc2010.net>

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

**Date:** May 19, 2024

**Location:** Hulett Chevrolet, 513 N Business Route 5, Camdenton MO

**Time Meeting Started:** 12:25 pm

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Mark McLachlan

**Special Thanks:**

Ryan Hulett and Libby Hulett (Hulett Chevrolet) for being a Premier Sponsor of our Corvettes in Paradise Car Show and for allowing us to hold our May meeting at their place of business "Hulett Chevrolet".

John & Sherri Buchanan for catering our lunch from Tavern Smokehouse and becoming a new member of LOCC.

Darin Shackelford for offering his professional suggestions toward the purchase of LOCC's new sound system.

**New Members or First Meeting:**

Jeff Jefferson & Donna Adcox have a 2024 black Z06 and are neighbors of Dave & Sherry Lantz.

Rich & Christina McDowell have lived at Lake of the Ozarks all of their life and have a 2009 Corvette.

Adam Spanos is the oldest son of Pete & Melody Spanos and had a 2017 gray & blue Corvette.

John & Sherri Buchanan own 3 restaurants at Lake of the Ozarks and have a 2011 heritage orange Corvette.

**Members New/Different Cars:**

none

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:**

4 Birthdays & 5 Anniversaries (totaling 159 years!)

**Old Business:**

April 15 - Mike Funk & David Lantz met with William Holtz of Lake TV to discuss partnering with LOCC on our Corvettes in Paradise car show. Videos are shown on Lake TV and Facebook. Brenda Myers spotted a Lake TV drone flying around in the parking lot taking pictures and/or video of our Corvettes.

April 26-27 - Corvettes in Paradise Car Show. Show was a tremendous success thanks to over 90 volunteers who made it possible. Over \$30,000 was raised for charities. The Silent Auction raised around \$10,000, Sponsorships came in around \$21,000 & \$12,000 in Registration and T-Shirts. In addition to the fundraising many good things were said about our CIP Car Show either by word of mouth or posts seen on Facebook. Great Job LOCC!

May 8 - Brenda Myers, Sherry Lantz, & David Lantz went to Eldon High School (Samuel Simmons) and Camdenton High School (Blake Ford, James Bennion, & Tony Helms) to present four \$500 scholarships for students pursuing an education in the Automotive field.

May 10 - First Hot Summer Nights of the year with 19 LOCC Corvettes at the event.

May 14 - Annual Springfield Cardinals baseball game. Special thanks to Marlin Hammond for setting up the event and Ed Tostenrud for leading the trip. We had 23 LOCC Corvettes in attendance.

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# SECRETARY'S REPORT

## Officer Reports:

**Vice President, Brenda Myers:** Current membership total: 225 (+ 3 pending) with 175 corvettes.

### Treasurer, Jim McMillan: February Bank Statements

#### Car Show Account

Beginning balance April 30, 2024	\$26,591.99
Deposits	8,839.80
Checks	<u>(6,003.79)</u>
Ending balance April 30, 2024	\$29,428.00

#### Club Account

Beginning balance April 30, 2024	\$ 9,506.24
Deposits	1,850.18
Checks	(1,113.15)
Autobooks fees	<u>(14.27)</u>
Ending balance April 30, 2024	\$10,229.00

**Secretary, Sherry Lantz:** # of Corvettes: 50; # of People: 98

### NCM Ambassador, Ed Carr:

Armed Forces Day was yesterday (May 18) and NCM is offering free admission to all veterans in the month of May. NCM is a 2024 Blue Star Museum and is offering free admission to currently serving military until Labor Day.

**Webmaster, Melody Spanos:** (not present) Website <https://locc2010.net/>

Melody is working to get things she has received posted along with the winners from our car show.

**Public Relations, Brian Carrara:** LOCC's Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/>  
Lake Sun will have an article on CIP soon and last Wednesday LOCC was on the front cover from Hot Summer Nights.

On June 8 Warman Autoworks and Shady Gators are hosting a 1st Annual Lake of the Ozarks Show N' Shine and a representative from Warman Autoworks offered to allow LOCC to have it's participants park together during this event. If you are interested in participating contact Brian Carrara.

**Newsletter, Sandy Funk:** (not present) Attending the Ron Fellows driving school.

**Project/Event Manager, Gina McLachlan:** Gina is working on our Christmas Party to be held December 7 at Encore. She has been able to obtain rooms at \$105/night.

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

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# SECRETARY'S REPORT

## **New Business:**

Don Wormsley presented how LOCC began January 9, 2000 with it's first business meeting being held on April 9, 2000 at Arrowhead Lodge. Parker Darr was the first president and membership cost \$25. Rudy Willingham was president in 2002, 2003, & 2004. Rudy shared that Gene Fickle created our logo. Parker spoke of how it was a challenge to get the word out about LOCC before the use of the internet but an ad was placed on a local public service tv (which Rudy saw and called Parker about his interest), placed an ad in a newspaper, and even posted information on several restaurant's bulletin boards. Parker gave a shout out to Krista Shackelford for the many things she did to get/keep things going. If anyone is interested in hearing more Don would be glad to entertain you. It was encouraged to contact LOCC's President if you have information you would like to share with the club at one of our monthly meetings.

**June 1** - Lebanon Route 66 Festival Car Show

**June 8** - Corvette Club of Kansas City Summer Fling Car Show

**June 14** - Hot Summer Nights

**June 15** - Cruise-In at Shady Gators

LOCC is hosting from 11:00am - 2:00pm. Flyer has be sent out soon. The following have been invited to attend:

Mid-Missouri Corvette Club

Lake of the Ozarks Jeep Club

Fun Runners Car Club

Torque Motorsports

A Shady Gator's Discount Card was provided at each place setting that can be used at this event or at our September meeting.

This is a non-judging/non-trophy event.

**July 6** - Lake of the Ozarks Harley Davidson is hosting a Rods & Rides Drive In from 10:00am - 2:00pm

**July 24-27** - NCM Club Trip (Ed Tostenrud)

Ed shared some of his plans for this Wednesday - Saturday event. Hotel accommodations will be provided by Embassy Suites and meals and activities have been planned. Email or text Ed if interested. Currently 10 cars have signed up.

**September 12-14** - Corvettes At Karl

Save the Date and Hotel information were sent out on Saturday, May 18. Hopefully activities will mirror last year with 25 rooms blocked at Marriot Residence Inn. This is an invitation only event so please contact Jami Paulson if your interested. Invitations are sent out to people who have attended previously and should arrive closer to the event.

**Day trips** -plan and share your suggestions

**Annual LOCC Ladies Corvette Day:** Brenda Myers shared the 2nd Annual LOCC Ladies Corvette Day will be Saturday, July 20, heading to St. James for lunch at Sybill's at 11:30 then an optional stop at St. James Winery. This is about a 1 1/2 hour drive beginning around 9:30/10:00am from Lowes parking lot. 22 Ladies went last year and the planning this year is being done by Brenda, Sandy Funk, & Tammy Walker.

## **Other New Business:**

Rudy Willingham discussed after meeting drive. plan to drive on A,V,7,&5 then end up at Leprechauns for refreshments and then on to the Kegroom.

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# SECRETARY'S REPORT

**50/50 Drawing:** Last month's winner Steve Lorne presented \$176 to Cheryl Waisner. 29 remaining CIP goodie bags were given to members when their winning number was drawn. Next 2 remaining silent auction items were awarded. Trisha Morris & Bob Pessina were the winners.

**Next Meeting:** June 9 - Don Chilillo's Sunrise Cantina, 264 Sunset Hills Dr., Sunrise Beach MO 65079. They have kindly agreed to open on a Sunday to host a Mexican buffet meal for us. Please come join us but make sure you reply to the invite by the due date so an accurate head count can be provided.

Continue to promote Club and recruit new members!

Meeting adjourned: 1:22pm

## LOCC Members Out & About



Congratulations Dean Burchett (left) on a second place finish in his class at the Poage Chevrolet Salute to the Troops show in Wentzville!

Thank you Sandy Williams for the submission!

Below, Jerry Ehlmann heads to a driving exercise at the Ron Fellows Corvette Driving School. On the left, Jerry and Mike Funk receive their certificates at Ron Fellows. You can read more about the trip on p. 11.



# LOCC Provides 4 Area Students with \$500 Scholarships

On Wednesday May 8th, President David Lantz and VP Brenda Myers attended award ceremonies at the Eldon Career Center at Eldon High School and the Lake Career & Technical Center in Camdenton to present \$500 scholarships to four aspiring students of the automotive industry. The annual awards continue to be one of the ways LOCC gives back to the Lake community and made possible through membership dues collected annually. Thank you Sherry Lantz for the photos and, Congratulations to these area students!

Pictured on the right, Dave Lantz, James Bennion, Blake Ford, Tony Helms and Brenda Myers at the LCTC.



Left, scholarship recipient, Samuel Simmons stands with David Lantz and Brenda Myers at the Eldon Career Center.

## First Hot Summer Night of 2024

Friday May 10th was the first HSN of the year and it was a beautiful evening! The old Two-Bit Town is now barren, except for the iconic Chief Bagnell still presiding over the area. LOCC Corvettes formed a gauntlet for onlookers to walk through as they admired the cherished autos. In all, 19 LOCC Corvettes showed up throughout the late afternoon and early evening to enjoy the LOTO tradition of Hot Summer Nights.







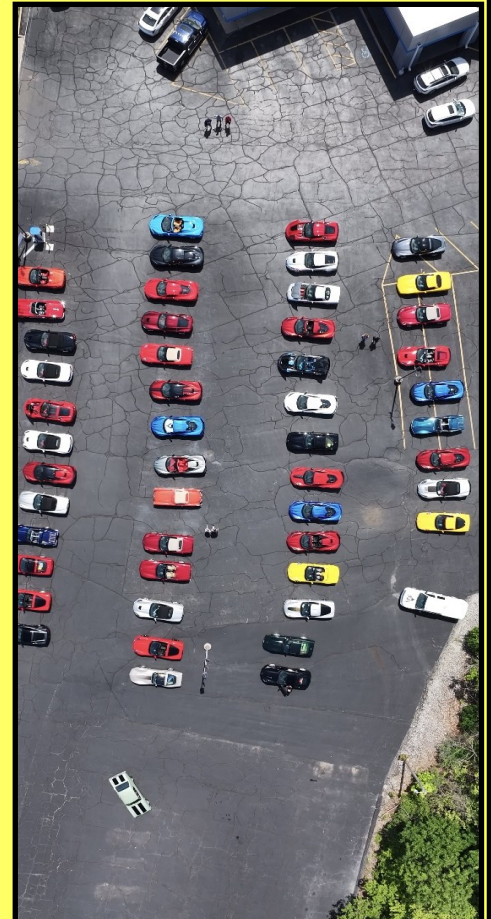
# LOCC SCORES A FOUR-BAGGER AT THE ANNUAL SPRINGFIELD CARDINALS BALL GAME!

The annual trip to Hammons Field, home of the AA Springfield Cardinals, was another great trip for LOCC members. While the rain held off for the morning drive to the stadium (lead by Ed and Lourdes Tostenrud) and the tour around the warning track, a rain delay was inevitable. In all, 23 LOCC Corvettes participated in the event. The Cardinals did not pull out a win for the home crowd to cheer about, losing 6—4. A loss never spoils the day, if you have never been this is a must do LOCC Corvette activity!



# LOCC MAY MEETING IN RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS AT HULETT CHEVROLET

LOCC held it's May meeting at Hulett Chevrolet on May 19th. In it's second year of hosting LOCC, Hulett's cleared their lot for LOCC to showcase their Corvettes, so anyone driving on Business 5 in Camdenton could see. Fifty club cars filled the lot and caught the attention of Lake TV who took drone videos of the colorful array of Corvettes. The club provided the meal for attending members with lunch catered by the Tavern Smokehouse. A great meeting was topped off by a scenic drive afterward, hosted by Rudy and Kathy on roads A, V, 7 & 5 with stops at Leprechaun's Corner and the Kegroom.





On May 16, Jerry and Kim Ehlmann and Mike and Sandy Funk arrived in Las Vegas in anticipation of Mike and Jerry attending Ron Fellow's Z06 class at the Corvette Owners School. The temperature easily reached 100 degrees, (it is in the desert after all) however without the Midwest humidity, it was pleasant in the shade when you could find it. After the hour long drive through the beautiful Spring Mountains, the group settled in for a two night stay at

the Spring Mountain Resort. For those who have not taken advantage of the driving school, a well apportioned room, two breakfasts and two lunches are included in the price. Whether driving a Stingray or a Z06, students are taught how to drive the sports cars as they were designed to be driven. Students are taught how the ABS system works through exercises which include driving through water and hitting the brakes while safely steering the car, driving and turning the car using only the mirrors and peripheral vision, and a competitive autocross course. Moreover, students are given plenty of track time where they are taught how to manually shift using the paddle shifters while reducing their lap times each time out. There is plenty of class time as well, where instructors go over the features used in the practical exercises and the special features of the cars.

When asked what the main difference between attending the Stingray and Z06 classes, Mike indicated the track is different, given a longer straight a way, and experiencing the high rev, 8500 rpm Z06 was a thrill. Jerry stated he really enjoyed running the track as well as seeing just how hard you can push the Z06, knowing it could do even more.

Finally, given Jerry's naturally competitive nature, he managed to win the Z06 autocross competition. He also had the fastest track times in the Z06 group at 1:15. Great job Jerry and Mike!

Following class and "graduation", the group returned to Las Vegas on Saturday and enjoyed the sights of Freemont Street and a full day on the strip Sunday before heading home Monday. The school is definitely worth the \$1,000 cost (\$ 1,135 if you stay 2 nights) to attend the driving school when purchasing a new Corvette. Your guest can stay for an extra \$40 and sit in the classroom, learning the features on the car and also watch as you participate in the driving exercises.



Kim is pictured with Tammy, one of the driver/instructors at Ron Fellows. Kim enjoyed a couple of aggressive laps around the track with Tammy as her driver.



Mike turns a corner in the riptide blue Z with Jerry in the torch red Z following quickly behind.



Jerry and Mike pictured in their safety helmets before an exercise.

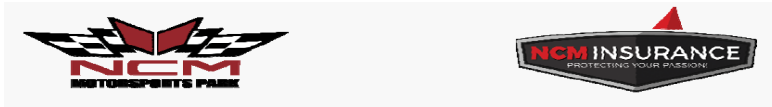




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**NCM Ambassador**  
*News & Views*



“Adrenaline Meets Tradition”



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



**LOCC NCM Trip July 24 to 27, 2024.**

The Annual NCM trip is absolutely the best way to get to know other LOCC members and to see first-hand your museum. Ed & Lourdes Tostenrud have given a great amount of time and effort planning what will be a great museum visit.

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

Drive to Embassy Suites Bowling Green, KY  
 Dinner at Montana Grill

Thursday, July 25, 2024

NCM Motorsports Park  
 Lunch at Stingray Grill  
 NCM self guided tour  
 Dinner with Donato’s Pizza

Friday, July 26, 2024

Aviation Heritage Park  
 Lost River Cave Tour  
 Lunch at Spillway Bar & Grill  
 Rail Park Train Museum and Depot Tour  
 Or Trolley Tour of Bowling Green  
 Dinner at Tony’s Steak & Seafood

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Return Home

There is still time to join in, just let Ed know you want to join the trip.

Email: [maddog1526@gmail.com](mailto:maddog1526@gmail.com) or by  
 Phone: 1-360-202-8305.



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**NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS**  
 and **BLUE STAR FAMILIES** present  
 arts.gov/bluestarmuseums  
**BLUE STAR MUSEUMS**

NCM announced it will join museums nationwide in the Blue Star Museums initiative, a program that provides free admission to currently serving U.S. military personnel and their families this summer. The 2024 program began on Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 18, 2024, and will end on Labor Day, Monday, September 2, 2024.

**National Corvette Museum Membership**

Lifetime Membership	<b>\$1953.00</b>
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 (Email: [edcarr@earthlink.net](mailto:edcarr@earthlink.net) Text: 417-718-0824) or Brenda Myers ([Brendajomyers@comcast.net](mailto:Brendajomyers@comcast.net) Text 651-283-5006) know.

**Museum in Motion**

- MIM Le Mans Tour 06/08/2024 – 06/18/2024
- The 7<sup>th</sup> National Corvette Caravan August 29-31, 2024.
- 30th NCM Anniversary Celebration August 29-31, 2024
- MIM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (1) September 24-28, 2024
- MIM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (2) October 1-5, 2024
- MIM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (3) October 15-19, 2024
- MIM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (4) October 22-28, 2024



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Win a Corvette while you support the National Corvette Museum



**2024 Arctic White Corvette Coupe**

**6/13/2024 Price: \$100.00 Tickets: 2000 Available: 1752 on 04/22/2024**



**2024 Build Your Own Corvette**

**Stingray or \$85,000 Price: \$250.00 Tickets: 1500 Available: 1108 on 05/24/2024  
Drawing: June 27, 2024 2:00 PM Central Time**

# Save the DATE™

## CORVETTE EVENTS CALENDAR:

<b>Hot Summer Nights</b>	<b>Jun 14, Jul 12, Aug 9</b>
<b>CCKC Summer Fling Show</b>	<b>Jun 8</b>
<b>LOCC/Shady Gators Cruise In</b>	<b>Jun 15</b>
<b>LOCC Ladies Trip/St. James</b>	<b>Jul 20</b>
<b>NCM Club Trip</b>	<b>Jul 24-27</b>
<b>KCCA Vettes on the Plains</b>	<b>Aug 10</b>
<b>NWArkansas Show</b>	<b>Aug 23-24</b>
<b>Salute to Veterans Parade (HSN)</b>	<b>Sep 6</b>
<b>Camdenton Air Show</b>	<b>Sep 7</b>
<b>Corvettes at Karl</b>	<b>Sep 12-14</b>
<b>OB Rehab Ctr Cruise In</b>	<b>Sep 27</b>
<b>Eureka Springs</b>	<b>Oct 3-6</b>
<b>Trunk or Treat Arrowhead Senior Center</b>	<b>Oct TBD</b>
<b>Veterans' Day Parade</b>	<b>Nov TBD</b>
<b>Lebanon Christmas Parade</b>	<b>Nov TBD</b>
<b>LO Christmas Parade</b>	<b>Dec TBD</b>

LOCC outside of Hammons Field



## 2024 LOCC Meetings

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

Jan 14	Tucker's Shuckers
Feb 18	JB Hooks
Mar 10	Wicked Willies
Apr 14	Camden on the Lake/H. Toad's Bar & Grill
May 19	Hulett Chevrolet Dealership (Gatered)
Jun 9	Don Chilillo's
Jul 14	The Bistro in Lebanon
Aug 11	Hopper's Pub (Waynesville)
Sep 8	Shady Gator's
Oct 13	Willowes
Nov 10	Lake Valley Golf Club
Dec 7	LOCC Christmas Party Encore Event Center

We will see you June 9th for the June meeting!

Don Chilillo's  
264 Sunset Hills Drive  
Sunrise Beach, MO 65079





# JUNE 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Jerry Ehlmann Dave Lantz Suzanne Skjerseth
2 Linda Getz	3	4 Barb Newlun	5	6	7	8
9	10 Tammy Walker	11	12	13	14	15 Darryle Modesto Chad Gerber
16 Dan Mitzel	17	18 Ron Wehmeyer	19 Jane Cooper John Shepherd	20	21 Carrie Reiner	22
23 30 National Corvette Day	24	25	26 Cindy Dela Roche	27 Joy McFarland Steve Chalupka	28	29 Sandy Williams Nona Nissen

### NATIONAL CORVETTE DAY FACT:

In 2008, the American House of Representatives announced that June 30 would be commemorated as National Corvette Day. Incidentally, this was the year when GM had completed 100 years of its operations, which made it the right time to dedicate an entire day in the national calendar to celebrate an important milestone. Another interesting fact is that 2008 was also the year when the American automobile industry, and the entire economy for that matter, was undergoing a huge crisis. It was the biggest crisis since the Great Depression and was being felt quite severely by the automobile industry, including General Motors.