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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club

Vette Waves

September 2025 Newsletter



On The Cover: One fine day in August, members of the LOCC took a ride and stopped at the raceshop.com



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President Myers'

Monthly Report



Hello LOCC Members,

A big shout out and huge THANK YOU to George Woodrum for organizing another Hot Summer Nights and for leading the August meeting in my absence. As the Facebook post noted, you "got a taste of what next year will be like and it's looking great".

While Steve and I (along with the kids) sweltered at the KC Royals vs Twins game in Minneapolis on Friday, August 8th, George hosted the Hot Summer Nights on the strip. He had a great idea to get the community involved and vote for their favorite Corvette while also getting a chance to win a gift certificate and LOCC would make a donation on their behalf to a charity of their choice. Twenty LOCC Corvettes showed up on a very HOT summer night and congratulations go out to Brian Carrara and his 1973 Stingray. Elise Letterman was the lucky winner of the gift certificate and Dogwood Animal Shelter was given the \$50 donation. Well done, George!

It was another great turnout for our August meeting held at Don Chilillo's on the 10th with 93 members attending. Again, George did a great job moving the meeting along and getting everyone out early as storms were threatening and all wanted to get their Corvettes safely back to their respective garage. The winning bid in the silent auction for the 2024 LOCC Banner that was flown at the National Corvette Museum was awarded to Randy Engel. Congratulations Randy.

LOCC has a very busy September ahead and one I am really looking forward to. Remember the final Hot Summer Nights is September 5th. The theme is "A Salute to Our Heroes" and LOCC will be parading local veterans for a Salute to Veterans parade. Don Dettman is organizing this event and for more information contact him at don_dettmann@yahoo.com.

Then on September 6th, we are honoring those members who we lost this year at the annual Lake Regional Memorial Butterfly Release taking place at the Osage Beach City Park. Contact Sherry Lantz at sherrynine@aol.com.

Other activities in September include Corvettes at Karl in Ankeny, IA on September 11-13 and a LOCC favorite, Eureka Springs Corvette weekend September 25-28. So, there are plenty of opportunities in September to spend time with your LOCC family.

Seize those opportunities to share what our club is doing with other Corvette enthusiasts. Continue to follow the monthly newsletter, LOCC Facebook page and the website for current information and activities.

We hope to see all at the September 14th meeting at Shady Gators!

Enjoy the rest of summer!

Brenda

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Date: August 10, 2025

Location: Don Chilillo's Sunrise Cantina, 264 Sunset Hills Dr., Sunrise Beach MO 65079

Time Meeting Started: 12:02pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Gary Findlay

Intro: Special thanks to Brittany and staff of Don Chilillo's for opening on a Sunday for LOCC.

New Members or First Meeting:

John & Nancy Hoffman - 2005 C6 Red Corvette

Jeff & Lesley Wolfe - 2023 C8

Birthdays & Anniversaries: 6 Birthdays & 3 Anniversaries (91 years total)

Members New/Different Cars: Kent & Tricia Morris now have a 2014 C7 in Laguna Blue

Old Business:

July 16th - Corvette Night @ Chic's N Dix HonkyTonk & Saloon, 11754 MO-5, Sunrise Beach MO (just north of Hurricane Deck Bridge). Celebrated Steve & Brenda Myers's 30th Wedding Anniversary.

July 19th - Ladies Day Lunch & Drive (Sandy Funk)

18 LOCC Ladies attended with 9 Corvettes. First shopping at Lake & Land Trading Company then on to Eldon for lunch at Capone's Speakeasy. After lunch we headed to Mathany's Family Vineyard where we were joined by several other LOCC members.

July 25th - 26th - Heart of Oklahoma Corvette Show in McAlester, OK

Melody Spanos, Adam Spanos, Ron Doxtader and Ingrid Doxtader attended. Adam was awarded a members choice award for his 2017 Watkins Glen Gray Metallic Grand Sport Collector's Edition. Ron and Ingrid won a member's choice award and received 2nd place for C7 Wide Body class for their 2019 Elkhart Lake Blue Metallic Grand Sport.

August 8th - Hot Summer Nights (George Woodrum)

People's Choice Award went to Brian Carrara with 60 votes for his 1973 C3 Dark Blue Stingray

\$75 gift certificate to Malted Monkey was awarded and \$50 donated to Dogwood Animal Shelter

Officer Reports:

Vice President, George Woodrum:

Membership - 236

Corvettes - 184

Treasurer, Jim McMillan:

Car Show Account

Beginning balance 7/1/2025 \$ 26,640.38

Deposits \$160.00

Checks \$21,875.00

Xfer to Club account

Ending balance 7/30/2025 \$ 4,925.38

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Club Account

Beginning balance 7/1/2025 \$5,990.85

Deposits 1,494.00

Checks 1,480.42

Credit Card (95.05)

Return Item (45.00)

Ending balance 7/30/2025 \$5,864.38

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary, Sherry Lantz:

of Corvettes: 41

of People: 93

NCM Ambassador, Ed Carr: Anyone that participated in the spring NCM trip, see Ed to obtain a small gift as a token of appreciation. New members are encouraged to join NCM. Our second banner is being auctioned off with current bid of \$265 going to Randy Engel. Our third banner is currently displayed at NCM and may be the last one for awhile due to the cost increasing. This 25th Anniversary banner price was \$750 and will be auctioned off next year

Webmaster, Melody Spanos: Website <https://locc2010.net/> All awards and pictures have been updated and just waiting on obtaining pictures from our LOCC July meeting.

Public Relations, Sandy Funk: LOCC's Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/> Be on the lookout for LO Profile September/October edition that will have a full LOCC page focusing on Pioneers & Leaders

Newsletter, Tammy Walker: Keep sending pictures and articles to Tammy. July's Newsletter dropped the evening of August 8 so check your email.

Project/Project/Event Manager, Gina McLachlan: A questionnaire was sent out to all members about attending Eureka Springs. A paper copy of the questionnaire is available if needed.

Club Communications, Ron Wehmeyer: Nothing to report.

Other Old Business: George Woodrum shared that during our June National Day of Survivors Cancer event with Lake Regional Cancer Center, LOCC obtained new members, Ray & Mindy Payne. Unfortunately Ray passed away a week later. Mindy has asked Mike Funk to assist in the selling of their 2024 Red Mist C8. George read a thank you note that Mindy wrote about how Ray enjoyed the day with LOCC and how our club made them feel welcome and special.

New Business:

August 22nd – 23rd – NW Summer's End Arkansas Show - Show of hands of LOCC members attending
September 5th – Hot Summer Nights Veteran's Parade (Don Dettmann) - Last HSN of 2025. Last year 30 LOCC cars participated but Don Wormsley recalled as many as 72 LOCC cars have participated in the past. Don Dettmann requested LOCC veteran stand and he challenged each of them to recruit 10 additional veterans. An email will be sent out with additional information.

September 11-13 – Corvettes at Karls - LOCC has a block of rooms (25) reserved at the Residence Inn Des Moines in Ankeny for \$159.00 per night. Last Day to Book is Tuesday, August 12. This is an invitation only event so if interested contact Jamie Paulson at J.PAULSON@KARLCHEVOLET.COM

September 25th – 27th – Corvette Weekend at Eureka Springs (Rudy Willingham) - 60+ LOCC members attended in 2024. Gina McLachlan sent out a questionnaire. Things are planned similar to previous years but a little different. Brenda would also like to know of other LOCC members who are going to Eureka Springs but are NOT staying at the Lodge. Please email or text Brenda with that information.

Drawing for rooms consisted of 8 names in the drawing for 4 rooms:

Chastity Worley – Permanent Room	Kelly Kite/Chris Duggan – Permanent Room
Paul & Nancy Jensen – Temporary Room	Stephanie & Malcolm Marsh – Temporary Room
Don Dettmann – Alternate	Rick & Joy McFarland - Alternate

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Other New Business:

**NCM Banner awarded to highest bidder (currently Randy Engel for \$265)

**Marlin Hammond shared a LOCC license plate design that will be available for \$10.00. 25th Anniversary shirts and are available for \$20.00 each. This will be the last time for ordering these items.

**Tricia Morris spoke of Captain Ron's Poker Run and the opportunity to drive on the Racetrack on the 21st. She also shared that her Rotary Club is raffling off a Wave Runner with a Trailer. Contact Tricia if interested.

Day Trips:

Plan and share your suggestions

50/50 Drawing:

Last month's winner Danny Nunamaker and son sold tickets. Guest (Gary Carlson's Daughter) drew the winning ticket and Mark McLachlan left with \$125.

Next Meeting: September 14th at Shady Gators, 132 Sweet Williams Road, Lake Ozarks, MO 65049

Continue to promote the Club and recruit new members.

Meeting adjourned: 12:40 pm

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS LOCC?



Sandy Funk at Alley
Cats on the strip.



Owner let us tag his wall at Stewarts on the Dam. I got him as a \$500 sponsor in 2023 and he's continued his support each year. Nice guy, Steve Beck. - submitted by Mike Funk





A long time Lake Ozark tradition is the Hot Summer Nights on the strip. LOCC is proud to be a sponsor of HSN and to have the opportunity to show off our club cars to everyone visiting the area. This last Friday, VP George Woodrum hosted the LOCC display on the strip with a twist: a chance for onlookers to vote on their favorite Corvette. Brian Carrara won bragging rights, receiving the most votes for his dark blue, 1973 Stingray. Congratulations Brian, well deserved! Elise Letterman's ticket was drawn from Brian's bucket of voting tickets and she won a \$75 gift certificate to Malted Monkey as well as \$50 donated to a charity of her choice, the Dogwood Animal Shelter. Thank you to Malted Monkey for donating a part of the gift certificate and to the anonymous LOCC members for donating the remainder of the gift certificate and the charity donation!



THE OLD GUARD...

Wednesday morning, August 13, three LOTO couples – Bob & Judy Pease, Gary & Nancy Carlson with daughter, Lana, and Ellen Ensminger & Larry Howery met for lunch at Stadium Grill in Columbia with former LOTO members Steve & Connie Swanson and Eric Rosenthal. A lot of reminiscing about past LOTO outings, laughter and catching up on each other made for a wonderful afternoon!

Those that know, will know...

Submitted by Ellen



Names from top to bottom, left to right: Eric Rosenthal, Ellen Ensminger, Nancy Carlson, Larry Howery, Judy Pease, Connie Swanson, Bob Pease, Steve Swanson, Gary Carlson.

ONE FINE DAY...

On a beautiful Tuesday morning in August, 2 ½ Corvettes and a Porsche Boxter S with their tops down took to the scenic back roads around the Lake. The drive was led by Larry Howery with his Boxter (aka Por-Vette) followed by the one-half Corvette (a '56 T-bird with a LS-2 Corvette engine...For-Vette) of Kay and Ed McMillan. The muscles of the road brought up the rear to push the others along in the form of Don and Peggy Sturn's C8 Z06 and



Ellen Ensminger's C7 Grand Sport. Our first stop was just off the Eldon exit to RaceShop.com, a consignment shop for vintage vehicles. What an amazing place to visit! We had a great time with Taz and Tater Pie, car enthusiast extraordinaire! It is definitely a must see! After about an hour at the

RaceShop.com and koozies given to each of us, we took to the gorgeous winding back roads heading to our next stop.



We were almost there when we ran into rain, so our tops came back on. The second stop was KD's Bar (formerly Miss Kitty's) in St. Elizabeth for lunch. Miss Kitty happened to be there for lunch as well. The sun came back out, so it was top down and back on the curvy, Corvette roads again to our final stop before heading home...none other than the Brumley Bar! It was agreed this was one of the best drives of the year. Looking forward to Fall and another great adventure.

Submitted by Ellen



LOCC representation at the Northwestern Arkansas, End of Summer Corvette show may have been smaller than usual, but we still brought home some hardware! The Funks brought home the first place trophy in the C7 Grand Sport class with their sterling blue metallic convertible. The Tostenruds placed second in the C8 convertible class with their hypersonic gray metallic Stingray R. Finally, the Ehlmann's and their Sebring orange Z06 received the 1st place trophy in the C8 wide body coupe.



Barb won "Best of Show" at the Syracuse Home Town Showdown car show with her 2015 Stingray!! The show was held on Saturday, August 2 at Syracuse, MO.



George and Linda Woodrum had a great time at the first annual, Captain Ron's Cannonball Run event! George took to the track, along with Kent Morris at the Ozarks International Speedway. George and Linda attended the car and truck show at Captain Ron's with their Daytona Sunset Orange C6 convertible. First Place in the Stock 2000 to Present, First Place Best in Show and the Best in Show trophy!

Looking in the Rear View Mirror

By: Brenda Myers

- LOCC started off 2017 with 191 members under the direction of President Ellen Howery. David Buss started the year off as Vice President but bowed out in February when he sold his Corvette and dropped out of the club. In stepped Keith Suchman to take over the Vice President role. Also referred to as "Mr. Corvette", maybe because he won a prize for answering the most Corvette trivia questions in 2016?

- The year appears to have been a cold blustery start into spring. LOCC pulled out of the St. Patrick's Day parade when the forecast was a strong chance of ice/snow mix. The parade lasted 23 minutes that year.



Undaunted by the weather, folks still gathered for the Irish celebration.

- The Cardinal's game in May was dubbed "It was the best of times. It was the worst of times." The Vettes and their owners braved wind chills of 31 degrees. In the newsletter, it noted that "Larry was caught holding hot dogs in each hand. It was wondered if he was really hungry or if he was just trying to keep his hands warm.??"
- The weather did warm up and lots of trips planned and car shows attended. In August, one such trip was to the Whiteman Airforce Base. Impressive picture of the group!



- President Keith Suchman started 2018 with Bill Kaimann as Vice President and 176 members. Again, the weather did not cooperate and in the interest of safety, the February meeting was called off.

Looking in the Rear View Mirror

By: Brenda Myers

- The St Patrick's Day parade was a big success with over 20 Corvettes in the parade even though it was mentioned that it was nice to use Rock Solid Concrete facilities as it was cold and blustery.



- Since football season is back, it's a good time to mention that in June, 2018, six LOCC members attended the Corvette Adventures trip to the Wisconsin Dells in Wisconsin. The trio of LOCC Vettes then traveled to Green Bay's Lambeau Field. Members toured the stadium and the Packer Hall of Fame. So, who are our Green Bay Packer fans?
- In the January, 2019, newsletter, then President Bill Kaimann stated that Santa had given LOCC a gift. It was a karaoke speaker box with a wireless microphone. It was supposed to make its debut at the January meeting but the weather did not cooperate and the meeting cancelled.



- Corvettes at Karl's was held in June 2019. Jacob Wormsley enjoyed a photo taken with Carl Moyer and a 30's Chevrolet vehicle that was restored by Karl's Chevrolet after purchasing it from a neighbor of the Wormsley's. It was noted that it is now one of Carl's favorite cars with a 383 crate engine.
- The "Presidential Spark Plug" noted that the all new, mid-engine, 2020 Corvette Stingray was revealed on July 18, 2019. President Kaimann believed the vehicle was quite beautiful with many surprising details, creating lots of conversation and interest to showrooms across the country.



Looking in the Rear View Mirror

By: Brenda Myers

- On September 22, 2019, Vice President Pete Spanos led a group of LOCC members to Kansas City to visit Hendricks Chevrolet to see the new C8 Stingray in the flesh. They were met with other members from Kansas City joining them. It appeared they were very impressed by the Stingray and the comfort of the new design.

LOCC members check out the new C8!!



- In the October, 2019, meeting, Pete Spanos reported that Margaritaville approached the club regarding a car show there in 2021. An exploratory committee was put together and more members were added at that meeting. This committee did a wonderful job laying the groundwork for "Corvettes in Paradise".
- As 2019 wrapped up, plans were also under way to celebrate the 20th year anniversary of the Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club!





Ed Carr
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.

Plant Tours

Go behind the scenes at the General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant, where America's Sports Car comes to life. This immersive experience takes you inside the intricate Corvette assembly process, from start to finish.

2025 Bowling Green Assembly Plant Tours are sold-out

Museum in Motion

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

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

Corvette Racing Weekend in Hershey 2025 @ AACA Museum

October 2 to October 4, 2025

National Corvette Museum Events

1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (1) – September 23 to September 27, 2025

1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (2) – September 30 to October 4, 2025

1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (3) – October 14 to October 18, 2025

1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (4) – October 21 to October 25, 2025

Corvettes in Paradise 2026 Margaritaville Lake Resort

494 Tan-Tar-A Drive Osage Beach, Missouri 65065

Corvette only show with 23 classes with 69 class awards and another 9 special awards. Also 58 sponsor plaques are awarded. The location is at one of the premier vacation spots in the Midwest, Lake of the Ozarks. Open to the public for viewing. Over 100 Corvette registrants and vendors indoors. Spaces for another 50 Corvettes outside on paved surfacing. Registration and parking Friday, April 24th from 11 am to 5 pm and Saturday April 25th from 7:00 am to 9:30 am. Corvettes in Paradise Corvette Show from 10 am to 3 pm. Awards ceremony from 3 pm to 4 pm.

Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club NCM Members

If you need to have your name added or removed or any changes, please contact George Woodrum (glwoodrum@msn.com Text 417-718-0532).

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 &~~

~~Dive Bar~~

~~August 10—Don Chilillo's Mexican Restaurant~~

~~September 14—Shady Gators~~

~~October 12—Willows~~

~~November 9—Lake Valley Golf Club~~

~~December 6—Christmas Party at Margaritaville~~



CORVETTE EVENTS CALENDAR

September 5—Hot Summer Nights

September 5—Salute to Veterans Parade (HSN)

September 11-13—Corvettes at Karls

OB Rehab Ctr Cruise In—TBD

September 25-28—Eureka Springs

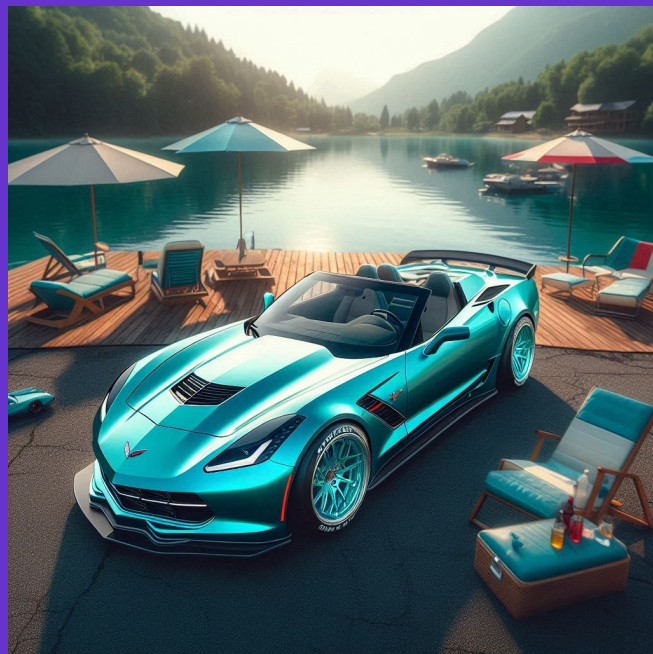
Trunk or Treat at Arrowhead Senior Ctr—TBD

Veterans Day Parade—November TBD

Lebanon Christmas Parade—TBD

Dec 6—LOCC Christmas Party

Lake Ozark Christmas Parade—TBD



September 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1 <i>Judy Massey</i>	2 <i>Keith Suchman</i>	3 <i>Sherri Mitchell</i>	4 <i>Dennis Bierman</i> <i>Christina McDowell</i>	5 <i>David Buss</i> <i>Katie Doran</i>	6 <i>Carol Branson</i> <i>Michael Simpson</i>
7 <i>Marybell Darr</i> <i>Dale Negus</i> <i>Marc Robbins</i>	8	9	10 <i>Barb Hammond</i>	11	12 <i>Mary Chapman</i>	13 <i>Bill Busch</i>
14 <i>Brian Carrara</i> <i>Joanne Engel</i>	15 <i>George Woodrum</i> <i>Mary Hardesty</i>	16 <i>Diane Lewis</i> <i>Jeff Skjerseth</i>	17	18 <i>Junella Hiatt</i> <i>Annette Miller</i>	19 <i>Harry Naught</i> <i>Eric Aubert</i>	20 <i>Matthew Benne</i>
21	22 <i>Ed Farnsworth</i>	23	24 <i>Curtis Edic</i>	25	26	27 <i>Joe Dillard</i>
28	29	30 <i>Bob Goble</i>				