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Vette Waves



On The Cover: LOCC members attend the Mid Missouri Corvette Show in Boonville. LOCC came away with six winning cars and members Brenda and Steve Myers and Tammy and Arlen Walker won the Grand Sport Scavenger Hunt, each winning \$40 gift certificates



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Vice President Darr's Monthly Report

"A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take."

The Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club wishes a very happy and heartfelt Mother's Day to all the incredible moms in our LOCC. Whether you are behind the wheel or riding shotgun, you are the heart of our families and our club. We hope your day is filled with the appreciation and love you so deserve.

Our last gathering at **Vista Grande** was nothing short of spectacular. The food was top-tier, the service was seamless, and the room was filled with constant laughter—exactly what this club is all about.

The Vista Grande meeting held a few wonderful surprises as well. We were treated to the sight of two stunning **new ZR1s**, which certainly turned heads and sparked plenty of conversation. Furthermore, we are thrilled to officially welcome the owners of Vista Grande as the newest (2) members of the LOCC family. Thank you for your hospitality and for joining our ranks!

Our next meeting will be held on **May 17th at Hulett Chevrolet**. This meeting is a dedicated celebration of the volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the **Corvettes in Paradise** car show such a massive triumph.

The feedback has been unanimous: Participants are calling it one of the best shows around. Every LOCC member should take immense pride in what we accomplished together with Corvettes in Paradise. It is a true "picture" of our passion and community spirit.

We have a packed calendar ahead, so keep those engines warm and those finishes polished:

- **May 6th:** Springfield Cardinals Baseball Game – Expect to hear plenty of highlights and stories from this outing at our next meeting!
- **May 8th:** Hot Summer Nights (Cars of the 60s) – It's time to get the cars cleaned up and ready for the drag.
- **June 5th:** Hot Summer Nights (Muscle Car Madness).
- **June 6th:** LOCC Show and Shine at Shady Gators.
- **June 7th:** Corvettes Against Cancer at Lake Regional Hospital – A meaningful show close to home for our club.

June 17th–19th: Corvettes at KARLS in Ankeny, Iowa – Start making your travel arrangements (block of rooms secured) now for this fantastic event. They always treat the LOCC with wonderful hospitality.

As many of you know, our President, George, and his wife, Linda, are currently spending some time away in Iowa to focus on Linda's health and ongoing treatments. We are keeping them both in our thoughts & prayers and sending nothing but strength and positive energy their way.

Wishing ALL LOCC members smooth miles ahead~

Parker Darr, Vice President

Corvette Trivia

EARLY MODELS

(Look over the newsletter for the answers)

1. What city had the first full-scale Corvette displayed at a hotel in 1953?
2. True or False: The first Corvette windows could not roll down.
3. In what three cities have Corvette cars been manufactured?
 - A. Flint, St. Louis, and Bowling Green
 - B. Detroit, Cleveland, and Indianapolis
 - C. St. Louis, Little Rock, and Flint
 - D. Bowling Green, Memphis, Cincinnati
4. True or False: Corvette was the first vehicle to create a real "wrap around" windshield.
5. In what year was the first coupe and convertible Corvette made?
 - A. 1959
 - B. 1960
 - C. 1963
 - D. 1965

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Date: April 12, 2026

Location: Vista Grande, 4579 Osage Beach Parkway, Osage Beach MO

Time Meeting Started: 11:59 am

Pledge of Allegiance: George Woodrum

Intro: March Meeting we had 68 in attendance at Inn at the Grand Glaize, 5142 Osage Beach Pkwy, Osage Beach MO

New Members or First Meeting:

Kevin Hall has a 2026 ZR1 in Torch Red
Jay English (owner of Vista Grande) has a 2025 Grey Stingray
John Shell has a 2020 Black C8

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

6 Birthdays & 1 Anniversary (66 years)

Members New/Different Cars:

Ed & Kathy Champion now have a 2026 ZR1 in Hysteria Purple Metallic

Old Business:

CIP (will have a meeting after this meeting to discuss)

April 11th – First Elks Lodge Car Show

Don Wormsley spoke about how 20 years ago he joined LOCC along with Gary Cooper and Craig Beach. He shared how 7 of the next 10 years one of the three either were LOCC President or Vice-President.

Vice President- Parker Darr

260 LOCC Members

197 LOCC Corvettes

Secretary - Sherry Lantz

Number of Corvettes – 26

Number in Attendance – 82

Treasurer– Jim McMillan

March Statements

LOCC Club Account:

Beginning Balance	\$5,962.27
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Deposits	2,680.00
Xfer from Show	1,237.00
Checks	(770.00)
Credit Card	(46.71)
Xfer to Show	(100.00)

Ending Balance	<u>\$8,962.56</u>
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LOCC Car Show Account:

Beginning Balance	\$9,304.88
Deposits	6,965.50
Checks	(6,691.57)
Xfers to Club	(1,237.00)

Ending Balance	<u>\$8,341.81</u>
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Event Bright: \$1,322.00

SECRETARY'S REPORT

NCM Ambassador.- Steve Myers

NCM is awarding points for many things including but not limited to: LOCC members who are members of NCM, members who have insurance with NCM, members who obtain a quote for insurance with NCM, members who take a tour at NCM, and members who attend NCM events

LOCC currently has earned 2 family memberships & 2 individual memberships. One family membership and 1 individual membership will be included in CIP Silent Auction and another used as a door prize at the NCM CIP booth. LOCC is also entered in a drawing for a NCM delivery package.

Newsletter-Gina McLachlan (Absent)

Send pictures.

Webmaster- Wayne Warfel <http://locc2010.net/>

Website is up to date with April's Newsletter recently added. Also added is a link to next year's Vet Cruise (March 6-13 2027). Brenda Myers shared some of the highlights from last year's event—lots of games, meet and greet, and Corvette conversation.

Public Relations- Zoe Evans <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/>

Zoe has been on the radio at 93.5 Rocks the Lake and is scheduled again on the 16th at 4:40 pm. 93.5 will be broadcasting live from 3-5 pm on Friday April 24th during our CIP show. Special thanks for Nikki Kost for taking pictures of the Elks Lodge Car Show held Saturday April 11th.

Club Communications - Ron Wehmeyer (Absent)

Project Manager - Gary Elwick

CIP registration is at 118 (119 including Best of Show) with 6 new registrations since the last meeting. Currently we have 66 Coupes and 53 Convertibles with many states represented.

New Business:

Take advantage of every opportunity to enjoy our cars: George asked the club, "Why did you buy your corvette?" and asked the club to organize more drives.

Check newsletter/web site for things to do. Wayne and Gina have done an excellent job of keeping the calendar of events up to date with all of the available events.

Lodge Eureka Springs:

The Lodge that LOCC has stayed at for years has been put up for sale. No changes are known at this time but will keep the club informed.

Hot Summer nights new guidelines:

LOCC was required to make a \$500 refundable deposit this year and sign a lengthy contract. LOCC was also awarded 3 different locations to park. More information to come.

Karls, make your reservations we have 20 rooms blocked: June 17th-19th

A special rate will be given for LOCC members. Corvettes at Karls will be different this year since Carl Moyer's passing and many of his collection have been sold. More information to come.

May meeting Hulett Chevrolet with Tavern Smokehouse providing the meal. At Linda Woodrum's request last year's coleslaw will be replaced with potato salad.

CIP is here and George says "Thank You". Volunteer meeting immediately following meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Marlin updates:

1. CIP Show Shirts have a special 250th American Anniversary on the back
 2. Orange volunteer shirts are at no charge to LOCC CIP volunteers.
 3. This year Judges will judge 23 different classes and a judging sheet will be emailed out next week.
 4. May 6th Springfield Cardinals baseball game is only \$34 a person and we currently have 23 corvettes with 46 people signed up to go. Cost includes food, parking & tickets to the game.
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Other New Business:

Brenda Myers shared that the Mid-Mo Car Show is next weekend.

Next Meeting:

May 17th, Hulett Chevrolet, 513 N Business Route 5, Camdenton MO.

Continue to promote the Club and Corvettes in Paradise and recruit new members.

50/50 drawing:

Last month's winner, Steve Myers sold tickets with new member Kevin Hall drawing the winning ticket. Lana Elwick took home \$118.

Meeting Adjourned:

12:35 pm

Where in the World is SDCC?



John Hardesty
NCM Bash
Museum in Motion Trip
Tail of the Dragon



Meet the New Members

Our new members are John and Julie Schell, but he goes by John John. John and Julie have been married over 33 years. His family opened Vista Grande in 1984; he's been there since day one. He came about this car in a very sentimental way, because, unfortunately his younger brother passed of cancer four years ago. John John and Julie purchased it from his trust. It's a 2017 Stingray with 9200 miles. They personally had no interest in Corvettes; therefore, it's kind of a sentimental thing now. It's become a game changer as they love the power and the looks.



Thomas Sullivan graduated from Kirkwood High school and college in Houston Texas College in San Marcos. He moved to the lake 13 years ago and retired 3 years ago from his career in the telecommunications industry. He lives near McCubbins Point and has land with distant views and a tractor in the barn rather than a boat on a dock. He enjoyed keeping his land, that even has a cave, maintained. Thomas was married for 35 years but became a widower three years ago when he lost his wife to lung cancer. He has two stepchildren that live out of state. He purchased his Z06 2LTZ with carbon in January and has put thousands of miles on it. Thomas also enjoys health fitness, being a foodie, and maintaining his time-consuming property.



Welcome
To
The
Club



Corvette Trivia

ANSWERS

1. C. New York City at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel 2. True. The windows had to be taken out, in order to have the windows down. 3. A. Flint, St. Louis, and Bowling Green 4. True 5. 1963

April Meeting

The April meeting was held at the Vista Grande. Members enjoyed ordering from the menu. There were 82 members and 26 cars who attended the meeting!



April Meeting



April Meeting



Mid Missouri Corvette Show

On April 17 and 18, LOCC had several members caravan to Boonville for the Mid-Missouri Corvette Show. The day started a little brisk and windy, but Conquest Automotive & Off Road was a very gracious host. They opened their facility up to protect our beautiful Corvettes! Thank you so much as it was greatly appreciated!



Left: Tammy and Arlen Walker, 2nd Place, C8 Wide Body



Right: Melody Spanos, 3rd Place, C7



Left: Nikki Kost, 2nd Place, C4



Right: Becky Wormsley, 2nd Place, C5



Left: Zoe Evans, 3rd Place, C5

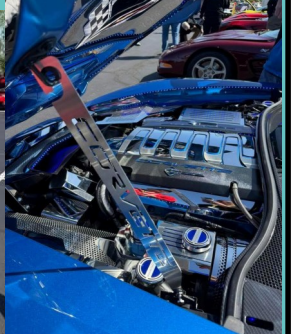


Right: Joy and Rick McFarland, 1st Place, C8

Mid Missouri Corvette Show



There were definitely many LOCC Corvettes at the show. MMCC put on a great show, silent auction, dinner, & awards ceremony. Congratulations to all winners!



Corvettes in Paradise

Sneak Peak (More in Special Newsletter)

The 6th Annual Corvettes in Paradise Car Show was held on April 24-25 at Margaritaville In Lake of the Ozarks. Our group came together to put on an outstanding show. Here is a sneak peak of the show. A special edition newsletter will come out later this year with many more pictures, winners, sponsors, and those who benefit from the money made. Thanks to all members who helped out! Mark your calendars for next year's show!



Silent Auction



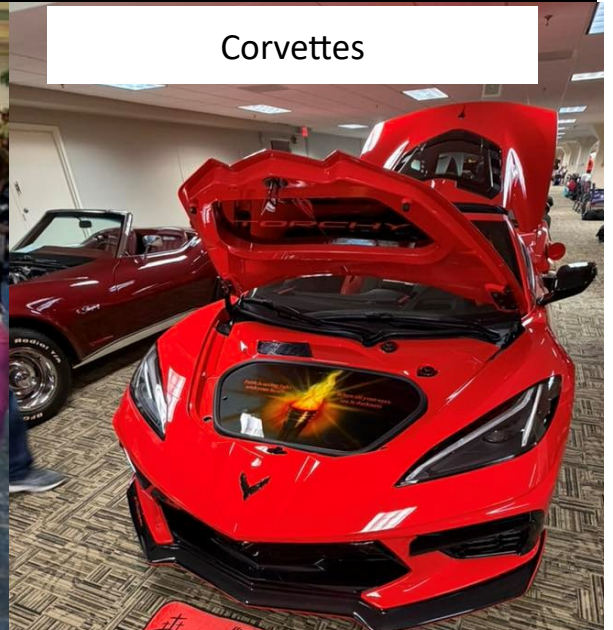
Vendors



Corvettes in Paradise



Meet and Greet



Corvettes

SDCC in the Wild



Left: Zoe Evans and Don Dettman in Nassau, Bahamas
Right Kathy and Rudy at Isle of Capri in Booneville.



Mike and Sandy Funk
Key West, Florida

NCRS Show in Springfield

The NCRS (National Corvette Restorers Society) Show Me Regional is a major regional judging event hosted by the Kansas City and St. Louis chapters of the NCRS, bringing together Corvette owners, restorers, and judges from across the country. Flight judging, for Corvettes restored to factory specifications, concours for high-quality restorations, performance verification for restomods, and an open class for any Corvette are judged. Stefanie Wiskur and Pepper Guthrie attended this event.



1965 owned by Shawn Truitt,
owner of Classic Cars.



A Personal Corvette Story

Submitted by Sandy Funk

2017 Grand Sport Collector's Edition #771: A Corvette Love Story

Every Corvette owner can tell you why they love their car, why it is better than any other Corvette and love to share what is special about their car. This story is not really any different, but it is a tribute to one of our favorite Corvettes out of the many we have owned over the years.

In early 2018, I was driving back home to Illinois for work after spending a week at the Lake, leaving a newly retired Mike on his own at the lake house. As I approached Mexico, MO, I came up behind the most beautiful C7 Grand Sport I had ever seen. The coupe was a dark, gray metallic with bright blue hash marks on the fenders. The satin black stripe on the hood and trunk was a subtle, but perfect touch to offset the bright hash stripes on the front fenders. Immediately I called Mike with much excitement and told him, "I have found our next car!"

After the sighting, we searched and searched for the perfect 2017 Collector's Edition convertible. With less than 1,000 of these cars made (and only 124 convertibles) it proved to be a difficult task. We ended up buying a different C7 but never gave up on the Collector's Edition. If you know us at all, you know we are constantly searching and researching cars, mainly Corvettes, but it is just one thing we like to do. During a trip back to Illinois to see family over Labor Day in 2022, we finally found a Collector's Edition convertible in Bloomington, IL. We took a short trip from our son's home to Lemans Chevrolet on Saturday of Labor Day weekend, and they delivered the car to our son's house on Labor Day afternoon! We were ecstatic about the car; it registered just over 9,000 miles and in perfect condition. We brought it back to the Lake for a couple of months, even taking it to Corvettes at Karl in Ankeny, IA that fall. We both enjoyed taking it on the track, although Mike almost tore the door handle off the panel as I drove the track due to his stress of not being in control. That may or may not be an exaggeration!

That winter, we brought the CE to Florida, where it has lived since. In Florida, the car has become our show car, our perfect get out and cruise the coastline car, a ride up and down a palm tree lined street, car. The car has NEVER failed to draw admirers, has won its class in almost every show it entered, even a best of show during an all-car event. It has provided us with much quality garage time together, cleaning it and making sure it shines like new. We had most recently drove the car to Port St. Lucie and entered a show there on March 29, bringing home yet another trophy.



2017 Grand Sport Collector's Edition #771: A Corvette Love Story, Cont.

The euphoria from the show would be short lived. On April 1 st , it was another gorgeous day in SW FL, so we put the top down and headed to lunch. We stopped in a left turn lane at a red arrow. I looked in my passenger rear view mirror and commented to Mike,

“That is one big Dodge truck behind us”. The truck, a commercial Dodge 4500 came to a stop behind us as we waited for the green turn arrow. Suddenly, BAM - we were knocked forward from a rear impact! We were both stunned. With a much-delayed reaction, I yelled a singular curse word that I do not usually say. We were both in shock, but I could not get out of the car to look. I did not want to. I was crushed. Our beautiful, perfect car had been smashed in the rear by a truck so big we were lucky when he hit us, he started from a stop. Had he been rolling, he would have been on top of us.

We have had this Corvette longer than any other we have owned, and we have owned quite a few. The car now has just over 14,000 miles on it and was literally a perfect specimen. Through Corvette networking, Mike found the best body shop in SW Florida and left our baby in a garage with a Ferrari, a T bucket, a C7 Z06 and two custom SEMA show cars. It was in great hands, while we were still in disbelief. I was even in tears. Yes, I loved that car.

The commercial truck that hit us was insured, but of course we were getting nowhere with that company. We have been long time NCM insurance (American Modern) customers and all four of our Corvettes are insured through them with agreed values. After much run around and our time winding down in Florida for the season, we decided to call American Modern. They took over the matter and within two weeks are making us whole. They will take over the fight with the other driver's company insurance.

Sadly, our much-loved Collector's Edition is totaled. While we would have eventually sold the car, seeing it broken as it was is much worse. We cannot express enough to LOCC members, if you have not checked out collector's insurance through NCM, then do it right away! You will not be sorry.

Finally, we are thankful for the great times we have had with this particular Corvette. It's really not about who has the best Corvette, but who makes the best memories with their Corvette, and we definitely have had the greatest of times with this one.

RIP #771 Collector's Edition.





Steve Myers
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.

Museum in Motion & NCM Events

(Museum in Motion events aren’t just about the destination—they’re about the journey)

June 2-6	2026 Charlotte Experience
June 25-27	R8C Reunion (Customers that took delivery at the NCM)
June 23-27	2026 Branson Experience
June 27	NCM Membership Appreciation Day. (Includes a car show)

Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club NCM Members

If you need to have your name added or removed or any changes, please contact Parker Darr
 573-434-1076 or parmardar@yahoo.com

National Corvette Museum Membership

Are you a Corvette owner and member of NCM or do you just own a Corvette?

Individual Membership	\$65.00/year
Family Membership	\$100.00/year (5 years) \$350.00
Lifetime Membership	\$2000.00
Senior Individual Membership	\$750.00/valid for 20 years
Next Generation Member	Children ages 0-9-\$400/ages 10-18 \$200
Lifetime Legacy	\$1000.00 One-Time Donation

Find the NCM at www.corvettemuseum.org.
 Subscribe to the “Corvette Campus Connection”.
<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/subscribe/>

Follow all the National Corvette Museum’s existing social media channels



The Bridge

As your ambassador, I'm going to attempt to be a bridge between LOCC and the NCM. I'm going to title this section, The Bridge. We will use this section in the monthly newsletter to spotlight some of the interface between LOCC and the NCM.

There are a couple of things happening between the NCM and our club. As you are aware of by now, there NCM has a program for your ambassador to keep the NCM on the front burner of local clubs. These annual awards are given out at the Ambassador's meeting, which was held in conjunction with the NCM Michelin Bash. It's not a bad deal at all as we have earned enough points to be rewarded two individual members, two family memberships, and four guess passes. Plus, we were in the drawing for one museum delivery.

The Bash was held at the same time as our Corvettes in Paradise Car Show so we asked if we could receive our awards in advance. The NCM staff agreed and sent us the memberships and guest passes in advance. The Museum Delivery award was still in play as the drawing took place at The Bash. We did not win but our neighbor club, Route 66, was selected. This is very fitting since it is the centennial year of Route 66.

We used three of the NCM memberships during the car show. Two were used in the silent auction and one at the NCM booth. The NCM passes will be available for any LOCC trip to Bowling Green this summer. Currently, we have accumulated 10 of these passes that expire on December 31 of this year, so let me know if you are interested so they don't go unused.

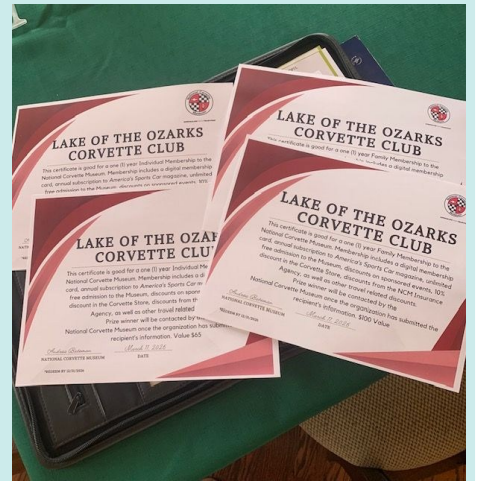
We earn club points by doing what we do—being Corvette Enthusiasts! As we interact with NCM, we earn points—buying insurance, memberships, parking lot banners, visiting the museum, taking plant tours, and attending museum events like The Bash and Tail of the Dragon. Even if we give a donation to the museum, we earn points which turns into perks. I will be more than happy to be *that bridge* to the museum for LOCC but I'll need your assistance in keeping me informed.

Speaking of banners and donations, the 2025 banner has been returned to us for auction to our members and the 2026 banner is displayed proudly at the museum, just in time for the annual Bash. There will be more to come on banner and donations during the May meeting at Hulett's Chevrolet.

I look forward to being your NCM Ambassador, the bridge between our organization!

Cheers!

Steve



UPCOMING EVENTS




2026
Height of Summer
Corvette Show
INDOORS
at the
Southeast EXPO
Center
4500 W Highway 270
McAlester OK 74501
Friday, July 24, 2026
9:00AM - 7:00PM
Saturday, July 25, 2026
Doors Open 6:00AM




2026 DATES
 MAY 15TH
 JUNE 19TH
 JULY 17TH
 AUGUST 21ST
 OCTOBER 16TH
 (ALL CRUISES START AT 5PM)
MUSIC, FOOD, AND MEMORIES
 Bennett's Boujee Bites, Martin House Pizza, Mr. Murphy's,
 Sweet & Salty Kettlecorn, The Bucket 1979 LLC and
 Luda's Lemonade LLC

Northwest Arkansas Corvette Club's
Summer's End Corvette Show
 August 21 - 22, 2026
 Springdale, Arkansas



Register at:
www.nwacorvetteclub.org

4th of July Parade

City of Osage Beach

When: 4th of July

Where: Same route as Veteran's Day Parade

Start Time: 10 a.m.

What else? There will be family friendly activities in the City Park to include bounce houses, food trucks, vendors, and much more. We will conclude the event with a large commercial fireworks show and allow families to watch from our baseball field complex.

They would like our participation in the parade.

- May Birthdays**
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| <i>Randy Weber</i> | <i>Jack McFarland</i> |
| <i>Barb Busch</i> | <i>Randy Mitchell</i> |
| <i>Cheryl Waisner</i> | <i>Buster DelaRoche</i> |
| <i>Barb Bierman</i> | <i>Jim Brewer</i> |
| <i>Peg Klaus</i> | <i>Janet Sapaugh</i> |
| <i>Shayden Sapaugh</i> | <i>Mike Funk</i> |
| <i>Kent Morris</i> | <i>Tom Hohnecker</i> |
| <i>Gary Simpson</i> | <i>Zoe Evans</i> |
| <i>Jann Bramen</i> | <i>Kathy Chamption</i> |
| <i>Merlyn Vandervort</i> | <i>Mel Mellon</i> |
| <i>Nate Schriener</i> | <i>Becky Wormsley</i> |

SAVE THE DATE

2026 LOCC Meetings

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

January 11—Tucker's Shuckers

February 15—Wicked Willies

March 8—Inn at Grand Glaize

April 12—Vista Grande

May 17—Hulett Chevrolet

June 14—Dierberg's

July 12—Canterbury Hill Winery (JC)

August 9—Chic's and Dix Honky Tonk & Saloon

September 13—Angel's Mexican Restaurant

October 11—Don Chilillo's Sunrise Cantina

November 8—Lake Valley Golf Club

December 5— Christmas Party (Margaritaville)

Corvette Events Calendar

May 8	Hot Summer Nights (Cars of the '60s)
June 5	Hot Summer Nights (Muscle Car Madness)
June 6	LOCC Show and Shine Shady Gators
June 7	Corvettes against Cancer Lake Regional Hospital
June 11-13	Hot Springs Arkansas
June 17-19	Corvettes at Karls
July 10	Hot Summer Night (Trucks and Off Road Wheeling)
August 14	Hot Summer Nights (Exotic Super Cars and Hyper Cars)
September 5	St . Jo Frontier Casino/ Glass Express Corvette Club Car Show
September 11	Hot Summer Nights (A Salute of our Heroes)
September 19	Battle on Route 66 Car Show
March 6-13, 2027	Vette Cruise https://www.vettecruise.com

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