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Vette Waves



On The Cover: Several of our members traveled to the Appleton City car show on Saturday, July 11. Pictured, left to right, are Randy and Becky Wormsley, Dave and Dana Noble, Jon Cooper, Dave and Donna Field, and Marlin and Barbara Hammond. Each won a top 15 in the 1980- 2026 class. The LOCC represented very well!!!

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Vice President Darr's Monthly Report

Cruising To Canterbury Hill Winery

What an incredible turnout for our latest Lake of the Ozark Corvette Club (LOCC) July meeting. Once again, our President, George Woodrum, demonstrated why he is the driving force behind this club. George brought our LOCC members together for an absolutely exciting meeting, and the tremendous support he received from everyone in attendance truly shows the strength and camaraderie of our LOCC Corvette family.....

Our July 12th, 2026 meeting destination for the day was the beautiful Canterbury Hill Winery in Holts Summit, Missouri. Perched majestically on a high rock bluff, the winery treats visitors to breathtaking views of the Missouri River valley. With its historic, castle-like architecture, Canterbury Hill is a place where classic heritage meets meticulous craftsmanship—much like our beloved Corvettes, which represent a rich history of precision engineering and timeless beauty. Lining up our BEAUTIFUL, high-performance machines against that historic backdrop was a perfect blending of vintage elegance and modern design and power.....

But as every LOCC Corvette owner knows, even the most finely tuned Corvette needs a dedicated pit crew to keep it firing on all eight cylinders

As we look ahead to the coming year, we are looking for a few of our fantastic members to step up and help steer the LOCC . We'll have some vital spots to fill, whether you want to keep us on track or jump into any other role that helps keep our engine running. It's a highly rewarding way to give back, and we promise the "training wheels" are easy to take off! If you're called upon—or if you're ready to throw your hat in the ring—please consider putting your hands on the wheel for next year. *Contact Parker at 515-778-3570 or parmardar@yahoo.com

Thank you to George for steering us toward such a spectacular venue, and a huge thank you to everyone who showed up to support his vision and the future of our LOCC family!.....

What will George have in store for the next meeting? Make sure to support him and the rest of the LOCC BOARD at the next meeting.....

CHIC'S & DIX HONKY TONK & SALOON

August 9th, 2026

Hoping all LOCC members will have smooth miles ahead ~



Thank
you~

D. P. DARR

Vice Presi-
dent



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Date: July 12, 2026

Location: Canterbury Hill Winery, 1707 S Summit Dr, Holts Summit MO

Special Thanks to Ryan with Canterbury Hill Winery

Ryan thanked LOCC for decorating the parking lot with beautiful Corvettes

Please follow Canterbury Hill Winery on Facebook

Canterbury Hill Winery offers a full Restaurant, Winery and Event Planning that includes Mystery Shows, Comedy Shows & Magic Shows

Time Meeting Started: 12:09 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: George Woodrum

Intro: The June Meeting at Dierbergs with 83-86 in attendance and 30 Corvettes. Some amazing fried chicken was served.

New Members or First Meeting:

Bill Scheulen and Suellen Abercrombie - 2019 Yellow C7 Stingray

Monica and Mike Fogelson – 2023 Red C8

??????? – 2014 Ekhart blue metallic C7

Brian and Barb Newlun – 2017 Red Grand Sport Coupe & 2002 blue Z06 Coupe

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

5 Birthdays and 6 Anniversaries (154 years total)

Members New/Different Cars:

Sandi & Marci Hutchison now have a 2023 Black with red trim C8 Z06 (previously owned by Ernie and Peggy Haskell)

Old Business:

June 17-19 was Corvettes at Karls . There were 24 LOCC members in attendance.

Hot Summer Nights was July 10. There were 15 LOCC Corvettes in attendance with an 11-car pre-drive lead by Steve and Brenda Myers to Hoppers in Waynesville.

President – George Woodrum

Leaving for Iowa tonight for Linda's treatment and wanted to take the Corvette but daughter refused to ride in the "Back".

Vice President- Parker Darr

259 LOCC Members

201 LOCC Corvettes

Secretary - Sherry Lantz

Number of Corvettes – 47

Number in Attendance – 89

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Treasurer– Jim McMillan

July Statements

LOCC Club Account:

Beginning Balance	\$5,890.44
Deposits	2,015.00
Checks	(1,845.48)
Credit Card	(584.71)

Ending Balance	<u>\$7,231.96</u>
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LOCC Car Show Account:

Beginning Balance	\$26,236.87
Deposits	195.00
Checks	(55.90)
Xfers to club account	(1,175.00)

Ending Balance	<u>\$25,203.97</u>
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NCM Ambassador - Steve Myers

July 29-31, August 1 is the Bowling Green, Kentucky Trip. This includes a plant tour with 16 cars and 32 LOCC members signed up. One more space is available.

September is the 32nd Anniversary of the Museum along with the Grand Opening of the Collection Center.

Newsletter - Gina McLachlan

Keep sending her your ideas. Keep posting on Facebook. New members will be contacted by Gina to obtain more information and Corvette history (when this happens it's for the Newsletter and know that Gina is not stalking you).

Web Master - Wayne Warfel: (not present)

Keep sending Corvette info.

<http://locc2010.net/>

Last week Wayne spent 3 hours with Melody Spanos to update the website. All trophy winners from our last show were entered. Next they will be working on listing all the Sponsorships.

Public Relations - Zoe Evans (not present)

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/>

July 10th Hot Summer Nights pre-drive photos have been posted.

Club Communications - Ron Wehmeyer (not present)

If you have not been receiving Club updates please email Ron at ronweh@gmail.com to update your information. All Board Member's information can be found on our website <http://locc2010.net/>

Project Manager - Gary Elwick (not present)

New Business:

July 26th – Ride to Freedom Caravan

We will meeting at Tavern Smokehouse, 1175 N. Business Route 5, Camdenton at 2:00 pm and will end at Bagnall Dam Strip at Grandpas Ice Cream, 1381 Bagnell Dam Blvd, Lake Ozark. This is an awareness cruise for human trafficking.

August 14th – Hot Summer Night (Exotic Super Cars and Hyper Cars)

August 20-23 – 29th Annual NW Arkansas Summer's End Corvette Show (Ed Tostenrud)

The event will be at the parking lot of the Holiday Inn, 1500 S. 48th Street, Springdale, AR. Two banquet tables have been reserved for LOCC. More information to follow.

September 11 – 9/11 Sunrise Beach Parade

SECRETARY'S REPORT

September 11 – Hot Summer Nights -A Salute of our Heroes (Don Dettmann)

LOCC exclusive parade featuring our salute to our Veterans. Parade starts at 6:00 pm with staging of cars beginning at 5:00 at the Church. More information to come.

September 24-27 – Eureka Springs Corvette Show

Openings at The Lodge will be reviewed hopefully next week and emails will be sent out. The Apple Blossom is booked but David Lantz shared that Country Mountain Inn still had availability. Country Mountain Inn is about 1 ½ miles from The Lodge located at 4112 East Van Buren, Eureka Springs (479)253-7120. Rudy Willingham shared that even though The Lodge is for sale, Sunny and his wife have assured LOCC that our reservation of rooms are being honored. This year will be the 24th Annual Trip. Gina McLachlan will be sending out an email survey and Rudy will be sending out an itinerary.

Marlin Hammond stated that he had coasters, LOCC Stickers, Window Decals, a few shirts, and New Member Bling available.

Next Meeting: August 9th – Chic's and Dix Honky Tonk & Saloon, 11754 MO-5, Sunrise Beach MO 65079

50/50 Drawing:

Last Month Jamie Kost won \$106. A new member drew this month's winning ticket with Peggy Sturn winning \$130

Meeting Adjourned: 12:56 pm

New/Returning Members

Brian and Barb Newlun are returning to LOCC after a few years of hiatus. (They promise to play well with others!) Brian and Barb are Founding and Lifetime members of the National Corvette Museum; Brian is also an Ambassador At Large.

They have had several Corvettes over the years (currently on # 44 and #45) 02' Z06 and 17' GS. From 2001-2005, they produced the Corvettes on the Isthmus Corvette event in Wisconsin. Some say they may have a Corvette issue?

Additionally, Brian participates in the ISCA Car Show Circuit with their 1927 T-Roadster. Brian and Barb also enjoy RVing and taking their Harley's for a cruise, when time allows.

They are excited to be back to LOCC.



Barb and Brian Newlun



Dave and Renee Probst

Dave and Renee started coming to the lake five years ago. They have lived all over the United States during their 33 years of marriage, but they wanted a place closer to family. They love boating so LOTO was the perfect landing spot for them. They also have a home in Durango, Colorado, so they can ski and go Jeeping in Moab and the surrounding areas.

Dave has a toy problem! He saw the 2011 black convertible for sale and couldn't resist buying it. Now he is building a 40 x 60 garage addition to make room for this new purchase, his previous purchases, and any future purchases! Renee doesn't think the garage will be big enough!

Denny's passion for Corvettes began at a young age when his older brother owned a C1 and C2 Corvette. He always wanted one, but it took many years before that dream finally became reality.

Prior to moving to Sunrise Beach (at the 36-mile marker) in 2005, we lived in the St. Louis area. Denny's career was in Plant Engineering / Management, Military Veteran, while Nora's was in Montessori Education. They raised two sons and now have two beautiful and energetic granddaughters.

They absolutely love lake life and have enjoyed camping and boating all their lives, moving from the river to different lakes and now living full-time on LOTO.

We love entertaining family and friends, whether we are hanging out on the deck, dock, enjoying local restaurants, or boating activities with our granddaughters. In fact, we still catch up very often with a close group of friends (six couples) from college days and one who even drives a C8 Corvette.



Denny and Nora Rupp

July Meeting

The July meeting was held at Canterbury Winery in Holts Summit, Missouri. Over 20 Corvettes met at Kohl's to caravan to this beautiful venue and met many other Corvettes. We had 87 in attendance and enjoyed meals of burgers, salads, fish, and chicken sandwiches.



July Meeting



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Where in the World is SDCC?



Becki Carr, Melody Spanos, Sandy Funk, Marci Henderson, Sherry Lantz, and Kim Ehlmann point out the LOCC sticker on Humpy's door in Russellville.

Marlin Hammond met Ken Lingenfelter and viewed his car collection in Wixom, Michigan.



Chic's n Dix HonkyTonk & Saloon

LOCC had a great showing for Corvette night at Chic's n Dix HonkyTonk & Saloon! We had 26 LOCC members with 16 Corvettes gracing the parking lot. As in Corvette night fashion, hopefully LOCC will add a few new members to the roster.



Chic's n Dix HonkyTonk & Saloon



Hot Summer Nights—July

The Bagnell Day Strip July Hot Summer Nights started out pretty warm but turned into a pleasant night of conversation and fun. The fun started earlier in the afternoon when 11 beautiful Corvettes did the pre-HSN "Joy" ride down to Waynesville for a bite at Hoppers on Route 66. There we met up with Ed and Becky Carr. After lunch, we all ventured back to the lake and most crossed the dam and up the strip together before parking in LOCC designated spot for HSN. We had 15 Corvettes parked for the evening. We welcomed new members, Bill and Suellen and their yellow C7 Stingray. It was another beautiful night with as a Corvette family!





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)

September 3	National Corvette Museum Anniversary—NCM Museum
September 13-19	National Parks Tour
September 21-October 24	Kentucky One Lap Tour
September 24-28	New York

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.

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<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/subscribe/>

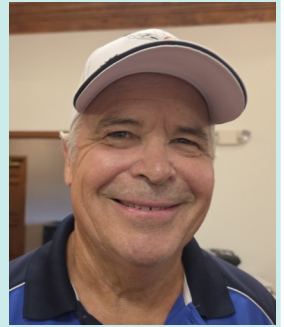


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The Bridge

As it was time to provide an article for *The Bridge*, we were fully engulfed in final planning for the NCM 2026 Visit. Our club's moto this year **BGKY or Bust!** Speaking of the Bridge or Bridges, our desired route to Bowling Green is a challenge

with daily work, inspections and even closures on the bridges across the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers near Cairo. We are electing to steer clear of the area, which means a little more time behind the wheel of our beautiful corvettes. Enjoy this article from Mid America Motorworks on the **A History of the License Plates** while we are on vacation.



While the first "everyday" automobile hit the streets in 1908, license plates have been around for much longer. The first country to introduce the license plate was France in 1893, with the passage of the Paris Police Ordinance. Germany followed suit in 1896, and the Netherlands became the first country to introduce a national license plate known as a driving permit in 1898. Mid America Motorworks looks at the history of license plates, from a simple white plate with black letters to vanity plates that add personality to your ride.

License to Drive

A History of License Plates

Early US Plates

In the US, where each state issues plates, New York State has required plates since 1901, first requiring owners to make their initials clearly visible on the back of the vehicle. New York was ahead of the curve in vanity plates! Initially, plates were not government issued in most jurisdictions, and motorists were obliged to make their own. The first license plates in the United States were made from leather, rubber, iron and porcelain, and painted on the front in usually two different colors. One color was used for the background and another for the lettering.

In 1903, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts became the first state to issue plates. By 1918, virtually every state had adopted its own form of license plates. License plate formatting typically followed this method:

- Registration number in large digits
- Two - or four - digit year in smaller lettering on one side of the plate
- An abbreviated state name

Each year, citizens were usually required to obtain a new license plate from the state government, which would have a different color scheme than the previous year, making it easier for police to identify whether citizens were current with their vehicle registration.

License Plate Law

In 1960 the University of Illinois published an engineering study that recommend that the state of Illinois adopt a numbering system and plate design "composed of combinations of characters which can be perceived quickly and accurately, are legible at a distance of approximately 125 feet under daylight conditions and are readily adapted to filing and administrative procedures." It also recommended that a standard plate size of 6 inches by 14 inches be adopted throughout the United States to replace the earlier 6 inches by 12 inches size to allow longer registration numbers to be displayed without excessively tight spacing or narrow characters. The 14 -inch wide plate was never adopted in the US.

Today in the US, a standard full size license plate is 6 inches by 12 inches. The main requirements for automobiles license plates are straightforward.

The Bridge, continued

- The plate should be valid and clearly visible.
- The plate should be mounted to the car in the proper place in a manner that is free of obstruction.
- All the numbers and letters should be clearly visible, as well as any other identifying markers.

Add Your Own Style

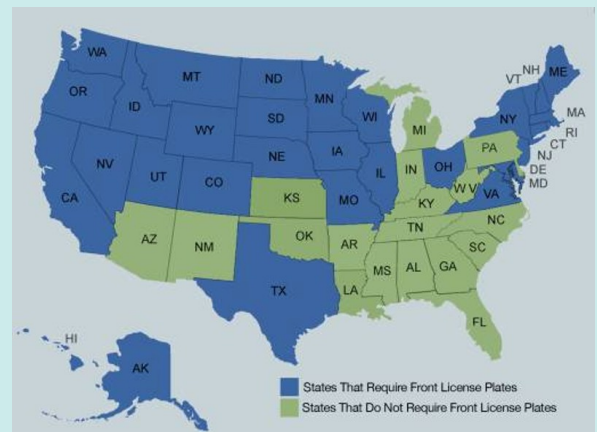
Typically, if you bought your corvette new, it left the dealership with a license plate frame that displays the dealership's company name. As we all know, one of the fun parts of owning is personalization and the license plate frame is a great place to start! License plate frames are inexpensive and come in chrome, painted plastic, carbon fiber and stainless steel. The other factor you may consider when picking your license plate frames the wording or absence of wording. Some corvettes owners choose to have a plain sleek license plate frame, while others choose a saying or try to find a match to their exact model.

Front License Plates

If you live in a state requiring front plates, but don't love the look, there is a solution! Removable front license plate brackets keep your corvette legal on the road while giving your corvette a sleek appearance while parked. There are a few options from Velcro to removable brackets and even retractable brackets that keep the plate on your corvette but hidden while parked.

If your state doesn't require a front plate, the mount can be removed or filled with a variety of choices to personalize the corvette. While license plates are required in all states and you no longer have freedom to fabricate your own plate, there are still many options to personalize our plates to match your corvette style.

Some states require a license plate to be displayed on the front and rear of the vehicle, while others only on the rear of the vehicle. (see Figure)



Ambassador's view of Front Plates

Yes, in many cases our corvettes would look nicer without that front plate as required here in Missouri. Some would argue it's not only ascetics but also air flow. This is very true of our C7 Grand Sport but will offer this **work around** which we did on our Grand Sport. I have found that the combination of the front plate and the Novi Stretch Mask will raise the overall water temperature of the engine. If driving hard on a track or tail of the dragon, it raised the temperature 20 degrees and the cooling fans stayed on for some time after engine shutdown. Easy fix, just remove the Novi Stretch Mask, but what about the front plate?

I'm certain the license plate will also impact the air flow, but who wants to invite being stopped when spotted not sporting a front plate. For me it's all about ascetics. We found that if you shape the front license plate and frame it works with the car. After a while, I didn't even notice it. Of course, we run with the Nove Stretch Mask and like the front-end black look with the vehicle. Once removed, the molded plate blends in with the front end.

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

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

September 24-27 Eureka Springs Car Show

March 6-13, 2027 Vette Cruise
<https://www.vettecruise.com>

August Birthdays

Rudy Willingham	Dan Mille
Julie Schell	Tish Mueller
Marlin Hammond	Marleen Schooler
Diane Longo	Paul Jensen
Dustin Shamblin	Kathy Hoelsler
Peggy Sturn	Jim Gilham
Debbie Weber	Mindy Payne
Jack Rice	Lois Modesto
Dan Bates	Sandy Funk
Joe Smelser	Bob Pease
Lana Elwick	

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