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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club

Vette Waves

July 2025 Newsletter



On The Cover: LOCC members lined up at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky.



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President Myers'

Monthly Report



Welcome to Summer LOCC Members!

Old Mother Nature decided to turn up the heat when the calendar switched to the summer solstice. I am sure glad for air conditioned seats!

We kicked the month of June off with the first LOCC car show held in conjunction with the National Day of Survivors Cancer event with Lake Regional Cancer Center. It was so rewarding to share our love for the Corvette with cancer patients and their families. Just like other car shows, the competition among our club members was fun to see. Overall we raised a total of \$5,237 for the Cancer Center! I'm so proud of this club for all we do for the community.

Our monthly meeting was held June 8th in the Anchor Room at the Ozark Yacht Club. Woods catered in an Italian meal for the 70 members that attended. Rather than a drive afterwards, members were treated with boat rides and the use of the pool. A huge THANK YOU to Ed Champion that orchestrated the rides in the "Go Fast" boat and Steve Chalupka that captained the tri-toon for those that wanted a more leisurely ride. This President sure enjoyed her time behind the wheel of "Killer".

Hot Rod Heaven was the theme for the June Hot Summer Nights held on the Bagnell strip on Friday the 13th. The weather was not favorable for the afternoon drive before HSN, but 13 Corvettes came out to enjoy a nice dry evening. We welcomed three new members and two Corvettes into our LOCC family.

Five LOCC Corvettes traveled down to Hot Springs, Arkansas June 12-14 for the 24th Annual Corvette Weekend hosted by the Central Arkansas Corvette Club. Rumor has it that it was a good thing that Corvettes come with wipers. All had a good time despite the weather.

In the next couple of weeks, LOCC will be handing out \$25,000 to local charities from the proceeds of the 2025 Corvettes in Paradise show. The Board has approved giving \$3,150 to eight local charities. More on that will be in next month's newsletter and the CiP Special Edition.

Please continue to follow our monthly newsletter, the LOCC Facebook page and the LOCC website for upcoming events and activities. Thank you all for your support and club participation. I hope to see you at the next HSN on July 11st and the meeting on July 13th at the Great American Campground & Dive Bar in Gravois Mills.

Stay cool!

Brenda

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Date: June 8, 2025

Location: Anchor room at Ozarks Yacht Club

Time Meeting Started: 12:12 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Rich McDowell

INTRO: Thanks to Wood for catering the meal.

New Members or First Meeting:

Chastity Worley – 2000 Yellow CB Convertible

Jay and Debbie Lawson – 2012 Crystal Red C6 Coupe

Jared and Gina Hale – 2024 Torch Red Coupe

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

3 Birthdays and 7 Anniversaries (293 years total)

Members New/Different Cars:

Cristina McDowell – 1979 L82 White

Old Business:

May 28-31 – NCM

9 cars and 16 people. Then 6 cars onto Nashville. Viewed the Earnhardt race car and the new LOCC banner.

June 7 – Shady's Gator (no report)

June 1 – Corvettes Against Cancer

21 cars. Cancer survivors rang the bell. Randy Weber won the Survivor's Choice. Kathy Needham won People's Choice. The Lantzes won the online fundraiser award. A total of \$5237 was raised.

Officer Reports:

Vice President, George Woodrum:

Membership – 213

Corvettes - 174

Treasurer, Jim McMillan:

Car Show Account

Beginning balance 5/1/2025 \$ 26,251.29

Deposits 7,335.67

Checks (6,869.58)

Xfer to Club account

Ending balance 5/31/2025 \$ 26,717.38

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Club Account

Beginning balance 5/1/2025 \$ 12,658.66

Deposits 744.00

Checks (3928.80)

Credit Card (489.66)

Xfers to Show Account

(2,384.36)

Ending balance 5/31/2025 \$ 6,599.84

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary, Sherry Lantz: (not present) Gina McLachlan filled in

of Corvettes: 26 and 1 boat

of People: 70

NCM Ambassador, Ed Carr:

The old banner will be available for auction. Information will be sent out soon.

Tours of the factory will resume at the end of 2026 or beginning of 2027.

Webmaster, Melody Spanos: (not present)

Website <https://locc2010.net/>

Public Relations, Sandy Funk: (not present)

LOCC's Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/>

There was a very nice article about the car show in the Lake Sun Leader. It can be viewed on the Facebook page.

Newsletter, Tammy Walker: (not present)

Keep sending pictures and articles to Tammy.

Project/Event Manager, Gina McLachlan:

Nothing to report

Club Communications, Ron Wehmeyer: (not present)

New Business:

June 13 – Brenda Joy's Joy Ryde

Meet at Chicks N Dix at 2:00 for preflight; Wheels up at 2:30; Skelly's Ice Cream in Stover with Wheels up at 3:45. Bagnell Dam Strip for Hot Summer Nights at Two Bit Town at 4:45

June 14 – Cruise in at Woods

This is the location in Sunrise Beach on Highway 5. The event runs from 10:00-2:00.

June 12-14 – Central Arkansas Corvette Club Corvette Weekend (Rudy Willingham)

12 cars are signed up. There is still time to register.

July 4 – Jefferson City 4th of July Parade

An email with information will be sent. Parade starts at 4 so line up will be at about 3. Veterans will ride with you.

July 12 – Car Show at Camdenton High School (Rudy Willingham)

Sponsored by the Camden County Sheriff's Employee Association. Show is from 11:00-3:30. An informational flyer will be sent out.

July 19 – Ladies Trip (Sandy Funk)

This year's plan is to travel to Sedalia and have lunch at Truffle & Sorrel, 322 S Ohio Ave Suite 100, Sedalia MO.

September 11-13 – Corvettes at Karls

LOCC has a block of rooms 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 13 – Battle on Elm Group Cruise

Car Show for Ford vs Chevrolet - Information will be coming.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Other New Business:

**Marlin Hammond requested that new members come to him to obtain LOCC Goodies (Fobs, Window Decals, Stickers, etc). Marlin is designing 25th Anniversary shirts. All shirts are \$20. Let Marlin know if you want to order one. Marlin is also placing another order for the red LOCC shirts. They are \$20. Contact Marlin to order.

**Ed Champion announced that members want a ride on the Fountain boat with 450's should be at the gas dock. Others can ride on a tritoon.

Day Trips:

Plan and share your suggestions

50/50 Drawing:

Last month's winner Darryle Modesto presented \$105.00 to Chastity Worley

Next Meeting: July 13th at Great American Dive Bar in Gravois Mills

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

Meeting adjourned: 12:45 pm

Looking in the Rear View Mirror

The "Looking in the Rear View Mirror" segment has made a pit stop this month and will return next month. The Club scrapbooks were discontinued after 2012. However, the Vette Waves became more elaborate and had a lot of pictures included in the newsletter. Speaking of newsletters, we are missing newsletters from 2016-2017 in our archives. If any members in that time period have hard copies or maybe saved on the computer, will you please let Brenda Myers know at brendajoymyers@comcast.net. Thank you!

Where In The World Is LOCC?



The Ohio Club is the oldest bar west of the Mississippi. Maxine's is a bar from the 1950's that a prostitute bought for \$1,000. Submitted by Rudy and Kathy

Mount Charleston, NV
Submitted by: Stephanie Wiskur



After Meeting Fun



With the storms in the area during the day, Brenda Joy's Joy ride was cancelled for the afternoon drive. But it cleared for the evening and we had thirteen cars coming and going for the June Hot Summer Nights on the Bagnell Strip. New members joining LOCC that night were John & Nancy Hoffmann and Danny Nunamaker. There was one little guy was so interested in Corvettes. Ernie Haskill was kind enough to let him sit in his car for a photo. The family was thrilled!





The following text and photos are from the Facebook posts by Sandy Funk. This is a great summary of the LOCC trip to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY and Nashville TN. Thank you, Sandy, for this great write up.

Five LOCC Corvettes left for Bowling Green from Lebanon yesterday and 4 more left from Osage

Beach, arriving at almost the same time. The hotel is beautiful, and you can't beat happy hour and the breakfast included in an Embassy Suites stay. The Carr's hit a home run with the hotel! Following happy hour, the group dined at Montana Grill and returned to the hotel for more socializing and cards. Today, we hit the track and the new building is finally open, and it's a great asset for the track. Four members took to the track, all looking good while the rest of us cheered them on. We spent the afternoon at Chaney's Dairy Barn and what a literal treat! Lunch, a tour of the dairy followed by some of the best ice cream ever is a must do in BG! We couldn't miss happy hour back at the hotel before dinner at Chuy's Mexican restaurant. Looking forward to tomorrow's museum tour!



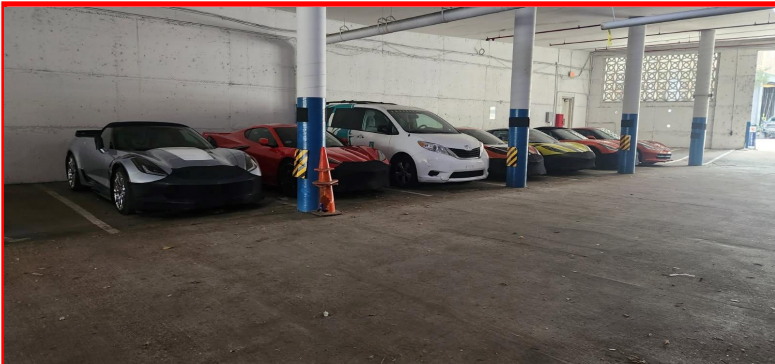
The last two days have been action packed, to say the least! Friday morning, LOCC members toured the NCM Museum, including a private tour of the Richard Prince collection. During lunch at the Stingray Cafe, a 2026 E-Ray in the new Roswell Green Metallic color was spotted outside. We struck out in seeing a ZR1, but it's always fun to gawk at the new Corvettes on Corvette Boulevard anyway. After lunch, three Corvettes headed home while 6 Corvettes drove just over an hour to Nashville. The hotel was expecting us, cordoning off private parking for our cars in the valet garage. Once parked the remaining group hit the ground running! Friday we dined in

The Gulch area of Nashville at Bar Louie's and then explored the area until we couldn't anymore. Saturday the entire group hopped on the Nashville trolley for a narrated tour of different areas of Nashville hopping on and off, including the downtown area where busy is an understatement! Dinner was much more relaxed, at a fried chicken staple in Nashville, Hattie B's. It was stupendous! Following dessert at Five Daughter's Bakery and a little shopping, it was time to wrap up our quick trip. It's been a great time with some great people in some awesome cars!













Zora Duntov's Corvette is seen off frame in the background



Approximately 2 weeks following the 2001 24 Hour Daytona race in the C5-R, Dale Earnhardt lost his life in the infamous Daytona 500 race. The Museum has the letter he wrote to Richard Pilgrim expressing his interest in joining the Corvette Racing Team in the future just days after the 24-Hour race.



Cancer Survivor Day with Fun, Food and Corvettes!



One beautiful Sunday morning LOCC teamed up with the Lake Regional Cancer Center for a special National Cancer Survivors Day celebration. This celebration falls on the first Sunday in June, which happened to be June 1st this year. This free event welcomed all cancer survivors and their families and offered gifts, refreshments and tours of the center. When we were approached by the Cancer Center, LOCC members decided to make this a fun internal car show plus we wanted to help out the community with a goal of raising \$5,000 for the Cancer Center.

We had 17 LOCC Corvettes competing for the top fundraiser spot on the Lake Regional fundraising page. Family and friends were encouraged to go out to the page and vote for their favorite car. On the day of the event, we had 21 Corvettes present where cancer survivors and their guests could vote on their car of choice.

It was a very moving morning. After opening remarks from Cancer Service Line Director TJ Sweet, LOCC's Vice-President, George Woodrum welcomed all to the event and shared his own cancer story. Then cancer survivors were recognized and invited to step forward and ring the bell. Even some of our own members stepped forward to ring the bell. They were Ron Long, Don Wormsley (rang the bell twice, once for him and once for his late wife Marlene), and new member Ray Payne, who sadly passed away a week later.



So, who has LOCC bragging rights? Dave and Sherry Lantz won the award for Top Fundraising. They raised \$1,036 on the online fundraising page. Randy Weber won the Survivors Choice Award with 13 out of 35 votes counted. Kathy Needham won the overall Peoples Choice award, raising \$144 the day of the event.

The overall top award, the "Best of Care" award was presented to the Lake Regional Cancer Center staff that day. They were also presented the "Big Check" for the fundraising and donations given on behalf of the Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club.

Overall, the club raised \$5,237 for the Lake Regional Cancer Center and had a fun time doing it! We would be remised if we did not mention that between the Online Fundraising and the additional donations that came in the day of the event, Don Dettman did beat out all with \$1,052 in donations. Good job Don!!!

A big thank you to Don Dettman and George Woodrum for coordinating and working with Lake Regional Cancer Center. Together they made this a truly wonderful, rewarding and FUN event for our club. Photos continued on next page.





Vette Views

By: Peggy Sturn

The Central Arkansas Corvette Club held their 24th Annual Corvette Weekend in Hot Springs from June 12-14, 2025. Rainy weather was forecast and although the venue is in the Conference Center, the weather kept many vette enthusiasts from attending. Rudy Willingham and Kathy Needham led Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club members that included Keith and Melody Mellen and Gary and Nancy Carlson. Larry Howery and Ellen Ensminger and Don and Peggy Sturn made the trip later in the morning.

Hot Springs is a great place to visit with many restaurants and bars within easy walking distance ... or a quick shuttle ride ... from the host hotel. The LOCC crew enjoyed a wide variety of places including The Ohio Bar, Rolando's, Steinhaus Keller, and Luna Bella Restaurant on Grand Isle Way...and Kathy's favorite, Maxine's. Group members took different scenic runs thru the area and joined the parade of Corvettes on the annual caravan thru the downtown.

While only two member Corvettes participated in the show, all club members enjoyed the indoor competition of 100 sparkling beauties which shone proudly in the well-lit indoor arena. Don & Peggy Sturn won a Third Place trophy in the C8 Wide-Body competition with their 2023 Red Mist Metallic Tintcoat convertible.

A few club members celebrated a wonderful Father's Day Sunday Brunch at the Historic Arlington Hotel before departing in the sunshine filled highways of the lovely city to return to the lake.





Ed Carr
NCM Ambassador
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“Adrenaline Meets Tradition”

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Plant Tours

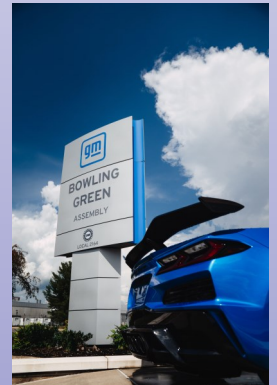
Go behind the scenes at the General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant, where America’s Sports Car comes to life. This immersive experience takes you inside the intricate Corvette assembly process, from start to finish. Plant Tours are offered on select dates only. Please review the available weeks below before booking:

Week of August 11

Week of August 25

Week of November 10 (not available on 11/11)

Book Your Plant Tour Online – Plant Tour tickets must be purchased online before your visit. Tickets are not sold at the Museum, plant, or entry gate. Walk-up and same-day tickets are not available.



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Museum in Motion

Museum in Motion events aren't just about the destination – they're about the journey. Join fellow Corvette aficionados for unforgettable tours that blend the thrill of driving with socializing, sightseeing, and exclusive access to VIP and behind-the-scenes opportunities. Past excursions have granted participants rare glimpses into typically off-limits locations such as the Milford Proving Grounds, Consumer Reports Auto Test Division, GM Heritage Center, and Pratt & Miller. Experience the Corvette lifestyle like never before with the National Corvette Museum's Museum in Motion program.

MiM Colorado Springs Adventure - Jul 13 to Jul 17, 2025

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



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National Corvette Museum Event
NCM 31st Anniversary - August 28 to August 30, 2025

Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club NCM Members

If you need to have your name added or removed or any changes, please contact Ed Carr (edcar@earthlink.net Text: 417-718-0824) or George Woodrum (glwoodrum@msn.com Text 417-718-0532).

National Corvette Museum membership.

Lifetime Membership	\$2000.00
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

Corvette Store

www.corvettestore.com



2025 Torch Red Corvette Convertible
\$200.00/ticket 1500 Tickets Drawing:
July 31, 2025 2:00 PM Central Time



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 (tentatively)~~

~~October 12—Willows~~

~~November 9—Lake Valley Golf Club~~

~~December 6—Christmas Party at Margaritaville~~

CORVETTE EVENTS CALENDAR

July 11—Hot Summer Nights

CCKC Sumer Fling Show—TBD

Ladies Day Trip—TBD

August 8—Hot Summer Nights

Aug 8-9—KCCA Vettes on the Plains show

August 22-23—NW Summer's End Arkansas Show

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



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