

# The Vette Gazette

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## The Original Corvette Club of St. Louis

### Club Officers...

Kendall Willis, President

Randy Volmer, Vice- President

Dennis Osterhorn, Treasurer

Mike and Suzanne Koenen, Membership Directors

Richard Brewer, Sgt. At Arms

Larry Dann, Club Secretary

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### Future and Past Events- Randy Vollmer- Vice President

The Marine, IL parade went well according to those who participated. Kendall Willis will update the membership on this in the future.

Art Delhounge reported that the winery run was a smashing success.



enjoyed by all.

Ken Schaeffler reported a good time was had by all at Defiance Ridge Vineyard. Also good music and a full bar along with the wine.

The Anheuser Busch OCC Corvette Show was on August 11. John said there were 30 Corvettes there and he thanked all that helped. Tommy Messina continued his reign as the People's Choice winner. Apparently the Clydesdale in attendance was rattled a bit

when the Corvettes all started up and revved the engine upon leaving. OOOPS!

August 24 is the Meals for a Million event at the Family Arena in St. Charles. Steve Willis is the go-to guy for this event.

August 24, is the Indy Car race at Worldwide Technology Raceway. We have two cars participating in the parade of drivers- Kendall Willis and Rick Poepping will be 'ON THE TRACK'!

Sunday August 25 is the trash pick up. 8-AM at I-44 and Antire Road. Breakfast to follow.

August 28- 31 is the NCM 25th Anniversary Caravan. This is being coordinated by Byrle Layman, our NCM Ambassador.

Sunday September 29 is the OCC annual picnic at Jefferson Barrack's Park. We are at the Blackhawk Shelter on Gregg

Road. Enter the park off of the North Broadway entrance to the park. Gregg Rd. is the first right after you enter the park.

Jim Butler Chevrolet is supposed to be getting their first C-8 Corvette delivered with some sort of open house on October 10. Updates on time to follow!

October 20 is the Jim Butler Car Show. The time listed is 9 am til noon.

October 27 is the St. John's Gildehaus Sausage Dinner. Meet at McDonald's/ MotoMart at 10 am Rich and Esther Brewer have the lead on this!

Respectively Submitted  
by

Randy vollmer

### Important Club Information

#### OCC Website:

[www.occofstl.com](http://www.occofstl.com)

#### Mailing Address:

OCC of St. Louis, P.O.  
Box725, Manchester,  
MO 63011

OCC Meetings: Are held on the **2nd Tuesday of every Month**

and are open to all members and guests. Our Next Meeting Will Be: Sept. 10 Meeting

Location: Jilly's Café & Steakhouse, 1630 Gravois Road, High Ridge, MO 63049, Phone: (636) 449-4500  
[www.jillyscafeandsteak](http://www.jillyscafeandsteak)

house.com (for directions, go to their website and click on "Contact Us" at the top of the page)

### Old Business and New Business at O.C.C. August 2019



Hey there Folks! The OCC Picnic is just around the corner. Ann Nickelson-Jennings has been working hard! Sunday September 29 at Jefferson Barracks Park in the Blackhawk Shelter. Smoked Pulled Pork and Fried Chicken are headlining this years 'Country Charm' menu. Y'all Comandgetyasum!



There was no old business to discuss at the meeting.

Richard from Hagerty Insurance made a presentation on the options that Hagerty offers for Corvette and collector car insurance.

Coming from a 'Car Family" he says he understands the lifestyle of the Corvette Enthusiast.

His specialty line of insurance is typically 30-40% less expensive than traditional insurance.

It is a no hassle process that is done completely online. There are no appraisals or stated amounts.

Hagerty has a team of professionals that collect data from all across the world. They attend auctions to ascertain car value data creating their 'Evaluation Tool'. You and

the company will have an agreed/guaranteed value on your car. If your car were to be totaled or damaged they will pay the agreed to amount—no questions.

There is no mileage cap as long as you do not use the vehicle as a daily driver. That being said you are allowed to drive the car to and from work for a maximum of 5 months per year.

Other drivers must be 16 with a clean driving record to be covered on the vehicle

The claims department is very knowledgeable as all they deal with is collector cars and understand the emotional attachment to your baby. They also have contracted agreements with towing companies to assure your car is handled with the care it should be on specified flat bed trucks with soft straps.

They will also pay you directly for labor performed on the vehicle if you wish to repair it yourself.

Another perk available is membership in the Hagerty Drivers Club. You receive the Hagerty magazine with articles by Jay

Leno and other notable car collectors and experts. The magazine is the 3rd largest automobile magazine in the country.

Hagerty also sponsors functions and parties for their members. One was recently held at Fast Lane in St. Charles.

They also insure new cars, not just antique or vintage cars.

Steve Willis offered that Hagerty also offers 'Track Day' insurance. Just in case you 'Feel the Need for Speed'!

Hagerty also sponsors events and fundraises for many children's charities.

There were several folks in the OCC that currently have Hagerty Insurance and they all said how great it is.



*Respectively Submitted*

*Larry Dann*

### Let's All Get Creative.....

The OCC is going to buy a banner to be displayed at the National Corvette Museum for 2020. We have until February to submit what we want on it. Put your creative juices to work! All ideas and designs are welcome. We should have the best banner there!

Some ideas are to include the Arch. An ice cold bottle of Budweiser. Route 66. Maybe the old Corvette Assembly Plant. Our sponsor— Jim Butler Chevrolet. And obviously the OCC Logo.

There are no rules except to have fun doing it.



## *And Now from Bowling Green... The National Corvette Museum Ambassadors Report by Byrle Layman*

August 2019 Ambassadors report.

Hello my Corvette Friends,

As many of you know the NCM has banners displayed throughout the year. The OCC is going to have its first banner next year. The banner has to be submitted by February 28, 2020. The size of the banner is 29.5 inches by 60 inches, so they are fairly large. Put your creative thinking caps on and design a banner or get together as a group and design one.

The NCM is auctioning off a 1968 Corvette on EBAY. It includes a museum delivery. Right now the bid is \$17,000. Bid now and often.

There will be plant tours available during the upcoming Grand Caravan. The price for a personalized plant tour is \$500. They will still be producing the C-7 so you will not see the production of the C-8 yet. Jefferson Starship will be headlining the concert at the Caravan in the Amphitheater on Thursday the 29th.

We will join the Caravan on Tuesday August 27, at Exit 180 in Pevely on I-55 South. Should be leaving about 3 pm. All are welcome to come and join and cruise to Cape Girardeau.

September 30 through October 28 there are four different "Laps of Kentucky". The Kentucky State Police escort the Corvettes and they don't move slow. Some of the featured events are a visit to a Race Horse Farm and Distilleries. Check the NCM Event Calendar for more info.

August 31, 2019 Next Generation corvette VIN #25, \$ 25.00 unlimited tickets to be sold. There are also 2 new raffles available. One is for a 'Build Your Own' C-8 Stingray. Tickets are \$250 each and there are only 132 tickets left out the 1500 available. The other is for a C-8 Stingray at \$25 each ticket but there are unlimited sales.

I have order forms or you can order them form the museum. [Corvettemuseum.org](http://Corvettemuseum.org) click on raffles.

As I say, be safe out there and don't forget to wave.

*Byrle Layman*

*OCC NCM Ambassador*



# Annual OCC Picnic

Jefferson Barracks –Black Hawk Shelter

September 29<sup>th</sup>, 11am till ?



**Live Music**  
**Provided**

**Theme: Southern Charm**

## **Menu Provided by Club:**

**Meat :** *Fried Chicken ----Pull Pork*

**Sides:** *Mac/ Cheese—Corn Casserole –Bake Beans –Green Beans---Buns  
plus condiments (onion, pickles, various sauces & etc.*

**Other Items provided by club:** Ice tubs for cold food items, Plates & Napkins  
Eating utensils , Serving utensils Lawn Darts ---Washers

## ***Side Dishes provided by Members:***

**Last name beginning with “A through “M” sides such as:** *Pasta Salad,  
Coleslaw, Potato Salad, Fruit Salad or Items of your choice*

**Last name beginning with “N through “Z” Deserts such as :** *Pecan Pie,  
Texas Sheet cake, Spice Cake, Cobbler or items of your choice*

**Members to bring their own drinks**

**Prizes for the best Southern Charm attire**

## August 2019 Meeting Minutes.....

Vice President, Randy Vollmer, conducted the meeting. President, Kendall Willis had a family emergency he had to attend to.

Randy called the meeting order at 7:31 pm and Sergeant at Arms, Richard Brewer led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Randy introduced the Board and asked for the Treasurer's report.

Treasurer, Dennis Osterhorn, gave the report and said the club is in good financial shape. Randy asked for a motion to accept the report. Doug Flader made the motion and it was seconded by Walt Yeager.

Mike Koenen, Membership Chair, reported that the OCC currently has 82 members and 63 associate members. New members Herb and Pat Clark were in attendance. They have owned 4 Corvettes throughout the years. They recently moved to Missouri 'full time'. They have been living half the year in Missouri and half in Arizona. They have a Shark Gray 2015 Stingray. Also in attendance was Jeff Seaborn. Jeff was checking out the

club. He has a 2016 White Z06.

Administrative Assistant, Larry Dann, read a thank you letter from the Circle of Concern Food Pantry for the donation of \$285 raised at the Texas Roadhouse car show. A shout out to Erv Bleitner!

National Corvette Museum Ambassador, Byrle Layman, gave his report with his usual unmistakable charm. Please see page 3 for his full report.

Outreach volunteer, Esther Brewer, had nothing to report.

There was no JIM BUTLER CHEVROLET report.

Steve Willis introduced Richard from Hagerty Insurance. Please see new business for more information.

Randy Vollmer commented on the great job that John Miceli did on the AB Car Show. He said with a smile, "See John, I said something nice about you!"

Dennis Osterhorn reported about the car show that was in Hannibal. Mike Orzel won first place in his

division. Rich Brewer won \$100. Dennis and Cheryl's new Z06 was voted the best 'Hot Wheels' car. Most of the OCC's cars won some trophy. Dennis intends to make this an organized event in the future. He said they give out a trophy for the car club that has the most cars in attendance. He said there were 130 Corvettes at this show.

Rich Brewer offered the 50/50 and Ann Nickelson-Jennings won \$90. Tom Dierkes won the Jilly's Gift Card.

Randy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Poepping made the motion and Esther Brewer seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40.

*Respectively submitted*

*Larry Dann*



## Birthdays, Anniversaries, New Editions.....

### August

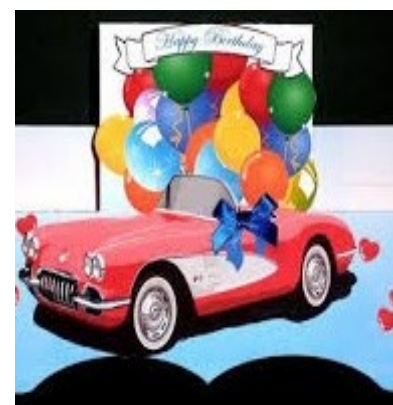
Mary Morgan 8/4  
Norma Bahr 8/5  
Jack Buehler 8/13  
Larry Strathman 8/15  
Richard Renz 8/16  
Eric Stephens 8/19  
John Wohlschlaeger Sr. 8/21  
Don DeLonjay 8/25  
Jim Lanzafame 8/26

### September

Jim Ford 9/3  
Sidney Hirsch 9/6  
Cindy Stephens 9/6  
Dennis Osterhorn 9/9  
Nancy Muskopf 9/11  
Carol Peeples 9/13  
Paul Denninger 9/19  
Mike DeRienzo 9/23  
Dick Mericle 9/23  
Faye Denninger 9/28  
Tom Messina 9/29

Russ and Cindy Murphy are celebrating a Wedding Anniversary!

Joe and Darlene Williams added a 2014 Laguna Blue Stingray to the stable.



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MAIL TO:

Esther Brewer- Club Outreach  
Karen Mericle- Club Historian  
Dick and Karen Mericle- Trash Pick-Up  
Rick Poepping- Webmaster  
Larry Dann- Newsletter

We are on the Web!  
[www.occofstl.com](http://www.occofstl.com)

***The Original Corvette Club of St. Louis Is Corvette Strong!***



Meeting at Jilly's Café  
and Steakhouse-  
Second Tuesday of  
the month  
1630 Gravois Road,  
House Springs



The Chevy Corvette was named after a small type of highly-maneuverable warship called a corvette. The name was suggested by Myron Scott, who also happened to be the creator of the All-American Soap Box Derby!

