

# ORIGINAL CORVETTE CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

## April 2024 Newsletter



## **The Vette Gazette**

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### Mailing Address

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P.O. BOX 725  
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### OCC Meetings

Are held on the 2nd  
Tuesday of every Month  
and are open to all  
members and guests.

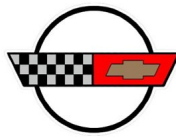
### Our Next Meeting

#### Will Be:

May 14th, 2024

### Meeting Location:

The meeting is going to  
be at: Saucy's  
1630 Gravois  
High Ridge MO 63049  
Doors open at 6 pm to  
order dinner. Meeting  
starts at 7:30 pm.



For Additional Information See

**groupworks™**

## The President's Report

**Kenneth Schaeffler, President**

**Original Corvette Club of St. Louis**



April 9, 2024

### PRESIDENTS OPENING STATEMENT

Thank you all for coming out tonight.

- Welcome back to Saucy's.
- Thank everyone for participating in the Show & Shine. Our servers will be making the pick for the Saucy's Vette of the Month and the winner will receive a Saucy's \$25 gift card.
- It has been an exciting month since the last meeting.
- A few members attended the Corvette Expo in Pigeon Forge Tennessee. The bad news was that it rained Friday morning and most people were not comfortable with doing the Tail of the Dragon
- This past Saturday, we had 11 corvettes, 2 steel cars and 24 people take the ride to Lambert's Café in Sikeston, Missouri. It started out a chilly morning, but turned into a beautiful day with blue skies and lots of sun. Thank you Bill and Connie for putting the event together.
- Larry Dann will be talking about the past months events and going over upcoming events a little later.
- I would like to mention the Route 66 Corvette Clubs "Salute to the Troops" Car Show on May 11<sup>th</sup>. It would be great if we could get a lot of members to participate considering they had a number of members at our Butler Show. This will be posted on Groupworks as well for sign up and we'll determine a place to meet so we can arrive together as a group.
- I want to talk to the two police officers again to see about another photo shoot at the arch and possibly some other locations. I apologize for not getting on this sooner, but I have been buried at work. I'm thinking about a Saturday or Sunday morning early, like we did the last time some time in June. We will have all FAA requirements met and approved before we attempt. Also, the one officer is a licensed drone pilot and has offered to do the shoot as well.
- There were inquiries about purchasing Club name tags. I have pricing information and will post on Groupworks. We'll get an order together once I have names of those that would like to purchase.
- I received the email invitation for this years July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade downtown. If you are interested in participating, please let me know. I will also post on Groupworks for those interested. Once again, I would like to try and get all 8 generations in the parade. Based on other groups of vehicles that participate, I'm not going to limit the number of cars we have.
- And as always, if we have the chance to support our sponsor, please do. Butler has a parts department and offer full service on all your cars.

Thank you again for your support and together we will make 2024 a spectacular year for OCC.

*The weather was a little dicey but there was a fantastic turn out of members beautiful corvettes at this months meeting.*

**GREAT JOB!!!**



***Original Corvette Club of St. Louis***  
***Meeting Minutes– April, 2024***  
***Sharon Young - Administrative Assistant***



OCC April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

Intro of officers

Sid gave the treasurer's report which was accepted by Dennis and seconded by Rich.

The minutes from the March meeting were approved by Rick and seconded by Sid.

Ken welcomed everyone to the meeting and that this is the first Show & Shine for members to show off their cars to win a \$25 Saucy's gift card. 27 cars participated. He touched base on the Corvette Expo in TN and our trip to Sikeston to enjoy throwing rolls at Lamberts. There were 11 Corvettes, 2 steel cars carrying a total of 24 people. It was a great day for a drive and many thanks to Bill and Connie for planning it.

In the opening statement, Ken reminded everyone to please consider participating in the route 66 Salute to the Troops car show on May 11<sup>th</sup> especially since many of them came to our Butler show.

Ken is looking to do another photo shoot at the arch or possibly another location – date to be determined. Possibly June. The last picture had 31 cars in it.

Anyone who wants to purchase club name badges information is on Groupworks.

It is getting that time again; we have been invited to the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade downtown – please see Ken. Let's get all of the 8 generations in it. Last year there were 20 cars.

Rick Poepping updated us on the NCM. They are looking at acquiring property across from the museum so will have to see what they do with it. A new exhibit is coming out and don't forget the Bash is at the end of the month if you are thinking about some of the great raffles.

We had 4 new members attend the meeting.

Ken brought a homemade 2-layer cake to celebrate all the birthdays and anniversaries this month and hardly any was left by the end of the night. Thanks Ken!

Larry talked about the upcoming events coming up with the next one being in Lake Ozark on April 27<sup>th</sup>, followed by Magic Dragon at the lake on May 3-4<sup>th</sup>. For more information about upcoming events check out the calendar on groupworks.

Larry also touched on the St John Gildehaus chicken dinner that was sooo good!! We will be doing the Fall Sausage dinner in Oct so watch Groupworks for more details.

The Men's luncheon will be at Mike Duffey's this month in Kirkwood and the Ladies luncheon will be at Joey B's on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Gary Messinger for \$97.

And, now what you have been waiting for – the winner of the Show and Shine was Tom Messina. He received a \$25 Saucy's gift card.

Connie Finch let us know that Jane Buehler is not doing well, and a card is always appreciated.

Bill Prewitt stated that we have a total of 152 members, both members and associates. Thank you to everyone for helping our club grow.

And Bill Prewitt is also on a mission – he received a letter and pictures from someone in Canada trying to look up some history of a 1972 Vette that they have which carries our car club sticker. See Bill if you think you might know something about it.

Don't forget, Jim Butler is a great place for all your car needs!

And to keep the record straight, Jama is our shortest member!!! She might be short, but she is mighty!



Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ian and seconded by Jama.

The number of attendants was 58 people and the waitstaff did an incredible job!

Sharon

Great turn out for the Lambert's café dinner run!





*Original Corvette Club of St. Louis*  
*NCM Report - April, 2024*  
*Rick Poepping - NCM Ambassador*



## Latest News:

- **Breaking News:** The Museum has just secured the rights to the property currently operating as an RV dealership between the Museum and Interstate 65. The RV dealership will continue operations for the time being. Owning this parcel ensures that its future use will be an enhancement of our current facilities and overall look of the Museum Campus. This acquisition was no small feat, as land is highly sought after in the Museum's area. This is a critical next step in assuring the Museum's physical growth.
- **NCM Search for New Leadership**  
Nothing new on this front
- **New Exhibit: An American Love Affair: 70 Years Of Corvette**  
For seven decades, Corvette has been finding new roads as an experience built only for two. It has been the Heartbeat of America on the street and the ground-pounding sound of American thunder on the track. It is the official car of your dreams. Fall in love all over again with Corvette. Now open in the Skydome.



- **LUSTER Realism and Hyperrealism in Contemporary Automobile and Motorcycle Painting. (runs through Jan05, 2025)**



- **Reminders**

- **Upcoming Michelin NCM Bash**

**April 25-27** Registration is open. Events/Tours fill up. Hotels too

They will have Seminars, product demonstrations, Corvette Donation ceremony, track time and other general fun being surrounded by fellow Corvette Enthusiasts.

Follow the link and click on the '+' at the end of the event rectangle to see details

[On-Site Events - National Corvette Museum](#)

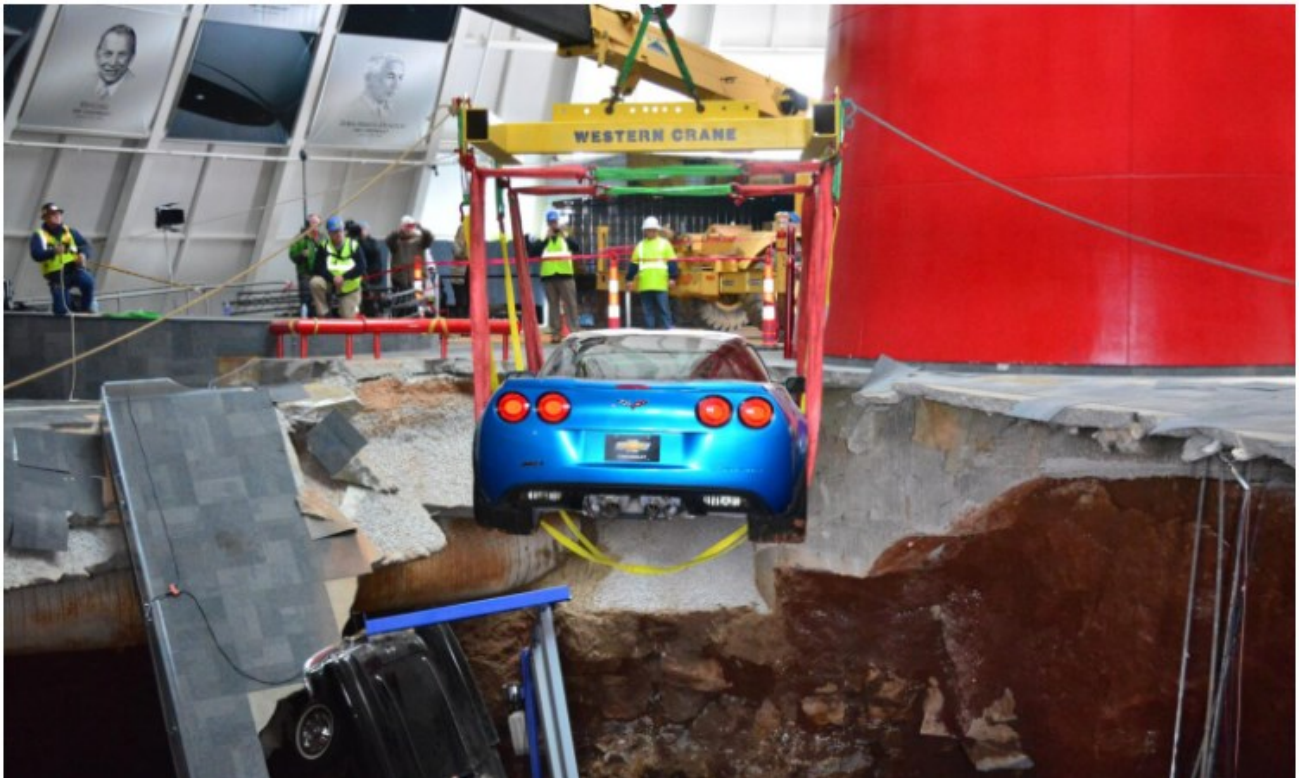
There are driving/tours: Distilleries, Grand Ole Opry – Backstage Tour, General Jackson

Track Events: Drive your own car Touring laps, HPDE (High Performance Driving Event) w/ your own car

[NCM Motorsports Park Spring 2024 HPDE \(motorsportreg.com\)](#)

- **NCM Events/News**

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** – Opening of New Exhibit honoring the 10 year Anniversary of Sinkhole (Feb 12, 2014). It will document the moments, memories, and machines that made history that fateful day.



- **2024 National Corvette Caravan**

Aug 29-31, 2024 Registration is open. Events/Tours fill up. Hotels too

More events/tours and demonstrations. This is a big event. If you want to see the museum full and be surrounded by lots of fellow enthusiasts, this is the event to go to.

Follow the link and click on the '+' at the end of the event rectangle to see details

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The Caravan that we would connect up with is once again stopping in Cape Girardeau. We had a great time in Cape on a previous Caravan. The Corvettes of Southeast Missouri do a wonderful job.

[Kansas and Missouri - 2024 Caravan - National Corvette Museum](#)

## Upcoming Raffles

- **2024 Riptide Blue Corvette Coupe 4/18/2024** Price: \$150.00  
Tickets: 1500 Available: 1172 Drawing: April 18, 2024 2:00 PM
- **2024 Build Your Own Corvette Stingray or \$85,000 4/26/2024** Price: \$250.00  
Tickets: 1500 Available: 1308 Drawing: April 26, 2024 3:00 PM
- **2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible 4/27/2024** Price: \$20.00 Tickets: Unlimited Available: 1695 Drawing: Apr 27, 2024 3:00 PM
- **2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Convertible 5/16/2024** Price: \$200.00  
Tickets: 1500 Available: 1229 Drawing: May 16, 2024 2:00 PM



***GUESS WHO THIS IS WITH HIS BRAND NEW 1962  
CORVETTE FOR HIS 22ND BIRTHDAY?***

Boy, oh boy, that was some mighty fine fried chicken. Sunday March 10 marked the day of the annual chicken dinner run to St. John's Gildehaus Catholic Church in Villa Ridge. The group met at the McDonald's in Eureka near Six Flags and motored on out in a caravan to the church where they kindly provided special parking for the Corvettes. The Sausage Dinner is normally in October and it is just as good. A special thank you to Rich and Esther Brewer for coordinating this always popular event!

On April 6, the Corvette Carvan met at the commuter parking lot at Gravois and I-270 before cruising south on I-55 to Lambert's Restaurant in Sikeston, MO. The famous home of the "threwed rolls" did not disappoint. Thanks to Bill Prewitt and Connie Finch for making this happen!

Some scheduled calendar events:

- April 12: Ladies Luncheon at Joey B's in Concord Village. 11:30 am- Suzanne Koenen
- April 19: Men's Luncheon at Mike Duffy's Pub and Grill, Sunset Hills. 12:30 pm- Bill Prewitt
- April 27: Corvettes in Paradise- Margaritaville Lake Resort, Lake Ozarks, MO. Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club for more info.
- April 25-27: 2024 Michelin NCM Bash- Bowling Green, Kentucky. See Rick Poepping for more info or visit NCM website.
- May 3-4: Magic Dragon- Lake Ozarks, MO.
- May 11: Route 66 Corvette Club Salute to the Troops Corvette Show. Poage Chevrolet. 851 W. Pearce Blvd, Wentzville, MO.
- May 18: Spinal Bifida Rides- Babler State Park. Lois Yeager.
- June 2: White Rose Café 2024 Cruz-N-24. 208 E. Main Street, Union, MO. A great diner from the 1930's is still serving it up!
- June 16: Father's Day Car Show- Kimmswick, MO. Mike Koenen.
- June 29: 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pacific Car Show and Block Party, Downtown Pacific, MO. 8 am-4 pm. Larry Dann
- September 15: Annual Jim Butler All Chevy Car Show- Gravois Bluff. This is OUR OCC CAR SHOW! Kenneth Schaeffler.
- September 22: OCC Annual Club Picnic. Riverside Shelter, Cliff Cave Park in South County. 642 Cliff Cave Road. Larry Dann
- December 10: Annual OCC Christmas Gala. Orlando's Event Center, 4300 Hoffmeister Ave, St. Louis. 6 pm. Larry Dann.

**JIM BUTLER CHEVROLET**  
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Presents: **The Annual Jim Butler ALL CHEVY CAR SHOW**

Along with: **THE ORIGINAL CORVETTE CLUB OF ST. LOUIS**

LOCATION:  
Jim Butler Chevrolet  
759 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard  
Fenton, Missouri 63026

TIME:  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024  
(RAIN or SHINE)  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Registration 9:00-12:00 Noon

AWARD PRESENTATION @ 2:30:  
Corvettes  
Camaros  
All Other Chevys  
All Trucks  
All Modified  
Best of Show  
Butler Pick (Sponsor Award)  
Peoples Choice  
Best Club Participation

Independent Judging by:

ENTRY FEE:  
Judged \$25.00  
Display Only \$15.00

Dash Plaques to first 100 Entries  
50 / 50 RAFFLE  
Other Prize Raffles

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF GREATER ST. LOUIS**

**22ND ANNUAL PACIFIC CAR SHOW**

MAIN EVENT SPONSOR: **Dave Sinclair**

+ TRACTOR SHOW  
+ BLOCK PARTY

REGISTRATION 8AM-NOON

\$20 JUDGED  
\$15 DISPLAY ONLY

**SATURDAY JUNE 29, 2024**  
DOWNTOWN PACIFIC, MO

CAR/TRACTOR SHOW 8AM-4PM ○ BLOCK PARTY 4-11PM

FOOD/DRINK VENDORS ○ FREE SPECTATOR ENTRY ○ KID'S ZONE

DYNO 10AM - 6PM  
KSHE95 11:00-1PM  
Awards @ 3PM

Little Blue Pill 4-6:30PM  
QUEENS BLVD 7:30PM-11PM  
Fireworks @ 9:30PM

FIND MORE INFO @ [WWW.PACIFICMO.ORG](http://WWW.PACIFICMO.ORG)  
AWARDS SPONSOR: SHOW ME AUTO BODY  
No outside coolers - please support local vendors

**ROUTE 66 CORVETTE CLUB**

**SALUTE TO THE TROOPS**

**CORVETTE SHOW**

Saturday  
May 11th 2024

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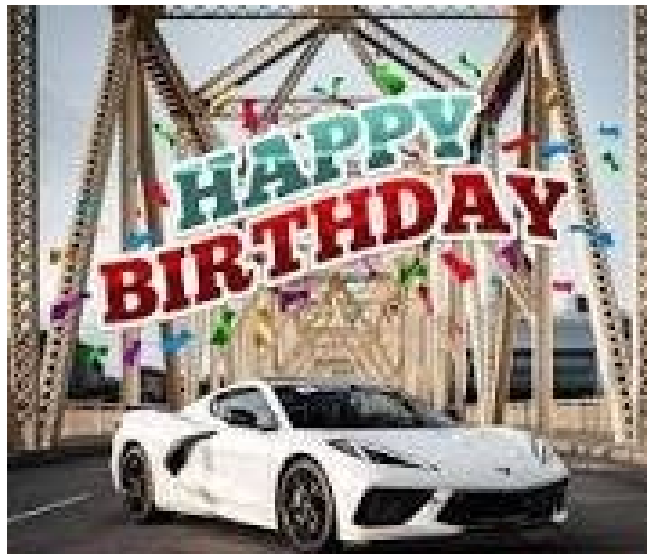


**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF A NEW CORVETTE OR VEHICLE OF ANY TYPE  
GO AND SEE THE OCC'S GOOD FRIEND AND CLUB SPONSOR AT  
JIM BUTLER CHEVROLET**



***April Birthdays***

Larry Dann	4/2
Darlene Williams	4/2
Richard Kircher	4/6
Cheryl Osterhorn	4/10
Angie Davis	4/12
Bill Mulder	4/12
Joe Stanton	4/13
Fred Gronemeier	4/14
Jerry Wilson	4/17



***May Birthdays***

Brenda Navratil	5/2
Connie Finch	5/7
Kelvin McMillin	5/15
James Joyce	5/18
Chris Davis	5/19
Michael Orzel	5/20
Jane Buehler	5/21
Bob Shissler	5/21
Suzanne Koenen	5/22
Lois Yeager	5/22
Barb Lemay	5/31

***APRIL ANNIVERSARIES***

Ian & Jama Rendell	4/3/1993
Ed & Judy Lang	4/24/1963
Rich & Ruth Reim	4/28/1962



**After hearing the details of the Shohei Ohtani controversy, Pete Rose announced that he also was going to fire his interpreter!**

*Don't blame me folks... I'm only the newsletter editor and chief!*

*Jim*