

ORIGINAL CORVETTE CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

January 2024 Newsletter



The Vette Gazette

OCC 2024 Board Members

President: Kenneth Schaeffler

Vice President– Larry Dann

Treasurer– Sidney Hirsch

Administrative Assistant– Sharon Young

Sgt. at Arms– John Miceli

Membership– Bill Prewitt

Volunteers:

Club Outreach: Connie Finch

Club Historian– Jason Messenger

Webmaster– Dennis Osterhorn

NCM Ambassador– Rick Poepping

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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:

February 13, 2024

Meeting Location:

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



January 9, 2024

PRESIDENTS OPENING STATEMENT

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE



Thank you all for coming out tonight.

- Welcome back to Saucy's.
- It's nice to start the year here, knowing that the room is booked.
- This statement will be a little short, as there's not much happening at this point, but we're working on the coming year and hoping to find some great thing to do and see as a group this year.
- I want to thank all of the Board Members and Volunteers again for stepping up and helping us work towards another great year.
- I recently learned that Brad Sower's father passed. The services are in Indianapolis, so as a club we couldn't participate in a procession. I would like to make a memorial donation in his father's name as requested in lieu of flowers. Suggestion \$200.00
- Again, thanks Larry for organizing the Christmas Party at Orlando's. It was a great evening of fun, dancing and delicious food.
- With the January meeting coming earlier this year and with the holidays, I wasn't able to hold the executive Board meeting. I will make sure that is accomplished before the February meeting.
- 2023 was a banner year for OCC. Many members participated in numerous car shows and quite a few awards were won.
- We made a good presence at the Auto Show at the Dome in January.
- We participated in both downtown parades again representing the Corvette and celebrating its 70th anniversary.
- Larry will be looking into the Pacific Car Show to see if we can provide enough volunteers from the Club. Last year's event went much smoother than our first year, but it will be up to our members volunteering before we commit.
- The Annual Jim Butler All Chevy Show was a huge success last year, and this year's show is scheduled for September 15, 2024. I have secured Give Back Pack for Judging again this year.
- Ladies Luncheons, Guys Lunches and Wednesday night dinner were well organized and great participation by the members. We're all looking forward to the continued planning for this year.

To sum up last year's donations:

\$350.00 to Santa's Helpers in the name of Dick Mericle and 50/50

\$2,000.00 in Scholarships from Pacific Car Show

\$1,004.00 to USO from 50/50 drawings

\$3,000.00 in toys and donations to Santa's Helpers at the November meeting

\$5,036.00 to Boys & Girls Club from Butler car show.

OVER \$11,000.00 IN DONATIONS FOR 2023

- Thank you to all of the members that bought tickets, donated gifts and worked so hard at events to get us to this amount. Last year's total was just over \$8,000.00. WELL DONE!
- I submitted a letter to Brad Sowers at Jim Butler Chevrolet requesting his annual donation as Club Sponsor.
- I have distributed copies of the 5 entries for the 2024 Banner to the NCM. It's also posted on Groupworks along with alternate methods to vote. (if you want your vote to be anonymous). I have submitted the application through Rick Poepping. He will tell us when the deadline is to provide them the electronic file.
- 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.



Meeting Minutes- Original Corvette Club of St. Louis
January, 2024
Sidney Hirsch– Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order by Ken Scheffler at 7:26

There were 17 members in attendance

John Miceli led the Pledge of Allegiance

Intro of Officers not in attendance:

Rick Poepping

Sharon Young

Connie Finch

Randy Vollmer

Sidney Hirsch gave the Treasurers Report accepted by Dennis Osterhorn and seconded by Jim Thacker

Published minutes were accepted by Steve Willis and seconded by Sidney Hirsch

Larry Dann gave the vice presidents report along with upcoming events

Admin Asst had nothing to add

Membership report was provided by Bill Prewitt

New Business Motion to donate \$200 in Brad Sowers fathers name motion accepted by Sidney Hirsch and seconded by John Miceli

Mike Koenen showed a canvas made from a picture more info on Groupworks

50/50 was \$90, \$45 goes to USO \$45 goes to John Miceli

Gary Messinger won \$25 Saucy's gift card.

Meeting adjourned 7:59 motioned by Sidney Hirsch and seconded by Dennis Osterhorn



- The 2024 Banner Program opened today – Jan 09. Since, orders will then be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, we reserved a Banner slot.
 - Artwork for our banners is due after the February meeting.
 - Upcoming Events:
 - 2024 Michelin NCM Bash - April 25-27, 2024 Kickoff of the NCM onsite event season with us here in Bowling Green, KY! Returning activities include a seminar and classroom sessions by GM-certified Corvette Technician Paul Koerner, guided road tours, artifact pitstops featuring items only found in the National Corvette Museum’s collection, guided tours of the NEW Luster Realistic Art Exhibit, the NCM judged car show, LIVE auction, and seminars. NCM Motorsports Park will be hosting their Bash HPDE on Wednesday and Thursday of Bash week for more information [Click Here](#)
 - Corvette Museum 30th Anniversary Party August 29-31, 2024 Caravan to the museum. Let Rick know soon if you are interested in the event and doing a caravan. While event Pre-Registration will remain open until August 5th caravan registration will close on July 8th at 12pm CDT. Participants registering after that date will be able to select a caravan and receive route information, but credentials, event pins, or dash plaque will NOT be sent to caravan captains and MUST be picked up upon arrival at the National Corvette Museum. On Tuesday, August 27th, Onsite Registration will open at the National Corvette Museum. Onsite registrants will receive an event credential and event pin. Event Pre-Registration: \$50 for Lifetime Members; \$60 for Members; \$85 for Non-Members Event Onsite Registration: \$60 for Lifetime Members; \$70 for Members; \$95 for Non-Members You can check on the schedule and other information at: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/event/anniversary-celebration/>
 - Kansas and Missouri – 2024 National Corvette Caravan
- Upcoming Raffles - Corvette Raffle - Main Page (corvettemuseum.org)

January Birthdays

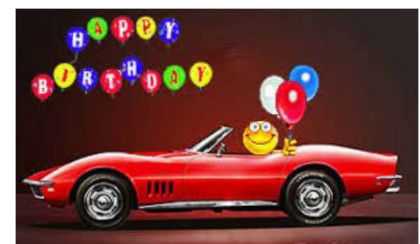
John Miceli 1/3
 Carol Lanzafame 1/3
 Mike Koenen 1/3
 John Scarborough 1/6
 Bill Prewitt 1/1
 Janet Methany 1/19
 Russ Murphy 1/19
 Rich Brewer 1/20
 Wayne Lepper 1/20
 Ron Zimmerer 1/22
 Jennifer Holmes 1/24
 Jim Thacker 1/25
 Amanda Dalton 1/26
 Sharon Young 1/23
 Larry Strassburger 1/27

February Birthdays

Walt Yeager 2/5
 June Schmidt(Breen)2/7
 Julie Willis S 2/9
 Cindy Murphy 2/13
 Caryl Wilson 2/10
 Kenneth Schaeffler 2/19
 Art Delhougne 2/21
 Eric Stephens 2/26
 Kent Morgan 2/27

Anniversaries

Eric and Cindy Stephens
 43 Years 2/28/1981



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO EVERYONE!
 FROM ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS IN THE OCC!**



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 IN FENTON IN THE GRAVOIS BLUFFS COMPLEX!

Upcoming Events

Defiance Ridge Winery: February 3, 1:00 to 4:00

Ladies Luncheon: February 9, 11:30 AM; Joey B's, Concord

Guys Lunch: February 23, 12:30 PM; Blarney Stone Pub

Corvette Expo, Pigeon Forge, TN.: March 15 & 16, 2024

Klas Act Car Show: May 18; Pur Performance, St. Charles, MO

The Real Easter Show: May 31; Family arena, St. Charles, MO

Magic Dragon, Lake of the Ozarks: May 3 & 4, 2024

Salute to the Troops, Route 66 Corvette Club: May 11, Poage Chevrolet, Wentzville, MO

Loafers Car Show, Hannibal, Missouri: May 11, 2024

Give Back Pack Car Show: Sunday, June 23, Westpark Bowl, Columbia, IL

Jim Butler All Chevy Car Show: Sunday, September 15, 2024

FOLLOW GROUPWORKS FOR UPDATED EVENTS, DATES & TIMES