#### ORIGINAL CORVETTE CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

August, 2021 Newsletter

# **The Vette Gazette**

# OCC 2021 Board

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Treasurer – Cheryl Osterhorn

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Membership – Mike and Suzanne

Koenen

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Trash Pick-up- Dick and Karen Mer-

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Club Historian – Karen Mericle

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#### Mailing Address:

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<u>OCC Meetings:</u> Are held on the **2nd Tuesday of every Month** and **are open to all members and guests**.

Our Next Meeting Will Be: Sept. 14 Meeting Location:

Jilly's Café & Steakhouse, 1630 Gravois Road, High Ridge, MO 63049, Phone: (636) 449-4500

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

# The Presidents Report ... Dennis Osterhorn

### August 2021



#### **Presidents August Message**

It's hard to believe that 8 months of the year are already gone, summer is slowly coming to close and we are heading into fall. The temperatures hopefully will get more comfortable and fun to be outside. I would like to thank those members who come out for our monthly meetings and participate in the discussions. Also, I would like to thank Fred & Carol for hosting the Copper Dock Wine Run, it was fun, and the weather was somewhat comfortable to be under the dock canopy. Also, thank you to those who joined us.

As you know I am taking reservations for the *OCC Annual Picnic on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at Cliff Cave Park*. You can check Groupworks for the information and Flyer. If you plan to attend "PLEASE" send me an email (drcao@sbcglobal.net) stating your intentions. Remember the only thing you must bring is your beverage of choice, everything else is being provided by the club. Reminder I have a number of people that have signed up for the *Manchester Parade October 11th*, the more the merrier, here again check groupworks for all of the details. We will meet at 141 & Big Bend Schnucks parking lot at 9 AM leaving for the staging area at 9:15 AM. The parade starts at 10 AM. By the way we can throw candy at this event. Right now, we have 12 Corvettes signed up---lets try for 8 more.

John Miceli put out a notice for the *Lindberg High School Homecoming Parade on Friday September 24<sup>th</sup>*. Please let John know if you can attend and stay tuned, since John will put more information out on Groupworks. Let's try and make a big showing.

Remember we do have a *Trash Pick up date on August 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 7 AM* to avoid the heat. The more we have the easier it is, and we can get done sooner.

Our monthly meeting will be at Jilly's on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

The last Ice cream Social was held on August 15<sup>th</sup> at Oberweis our next will **be September 19<sup>th</sup> Ice cream Andy's custard. On South Lindbergh. (Kirkwood) 6 PM.** 

As you know John Miceli has accepted the position of chairman for the 2022 Nomination Committee. John posted a note on Groupworks about nominations being accepted. This is your opportunity to step up and support a board position and other volunteer positions. Remember It is "YOUR CLUB" don't just sit by, be an active member and enjoy more on what the club can offer.

*Mike Koenen* put out a post on Groupworks about any one wanting to get an OCC Name tag. The cost to members is three dollars, the club picks up the balance. You can order and pay at the September Meeting or mail me the name and the \$3.

One last important thing "Please Pray" for our US forces who are doing their very best to help control the situation in Afghanistan and to those people who are looking for a better life from all of the terrorism.

I received a call about not receiving Groupworks post notifications, please make sure they do not end up in Spam.

#### **August 2021 Meeting Minutes**

#### Kenneth Schaeffler, Administrative Assistant



August 10, 2021 Meeting Location – Jilly's - 7:30

Meeting called to order by President, Dennis Osterhorn

Board and Volunteers present: Dennis & Cheryl Osterhorn, Gary Messenger, Ken Schaeffler, Tom Nicholson, Mike and Suzanne Koenen, Karen Mericle, & Esther Brewer.

There were 35 members participating in the meeting as well. Thanks to those members for taking the time and making the effort to attend.

Dennis Osterhorn presented opening statement:

Like to thank everyone who came out for tonight's meeting, I really appreciate it make all the work of running the organization worthwhile.

The meeting tonight most likely will be short since not a lot has gone on except 2 great winery runs that were orchestrated by Fred & Carol. Great food and great socializing. A big thank you to you both.

In addition, thanks to Jan & Doug for organizing the Wednesday night dinners.

As you know Cheryl and Esther collected money at the Wednesday night dinners and at the last meeting. They collected \$200.00, then took the money and went to Sam's to purchase snack for the troops going through the USO at Lambert Airport. The workers there were pleased with our contribution. They brough 2 hand carts out to the underground parking lot and picked the items from our car. They provided us with a tour of the facility and what the service people can enjoy while there. During the tour, they said that they have between 90,00 & 100,00 military personnel a year go through the facility. An average weekend is about 900 to 1,000 troops. I believe this something we as a club should doing a quarterly bases plus have the club treasure pitch in a few bucks. Again, thank you for your donation.

On the same note would like to thank those who either provided items or cash so we could buy items to support Santa's Helpers. A special thank you to Karen for leading this effort.

We have a number of events that will be coming later this month which may be fun to participate.

Please remember to pay your bill for Jilly's

Now for a little more serious discussion and that is the nominations of officers for 2022.

John Micelli has volunteered to head up the nomination committee. A nomination committee shall be named by the executive committee in September of each year. So, I need 2 volunteers

Some of the current members have been on the board 6 years plus and would like a little break

We have a number of positions that we need to fill, since the current officer time limit will expire or need a break. These positions are voted on by the members

President

Vice President

Administrator

Treasure (Cheryl has been in the position for two years and cannot stay per the Bylaws)

Membership committee

Sgt of Arms

We need to have a list for the September meeting, publish in October, vote at the November meeting and announce the new Board and Volunteers at the Christmas party.

Let me be very clear if no one steps up to take these offices, this club will cease to exist.

If you think by doing nothing the current officers will stay on----your wrong.

I have posted the Annual Club Picnic at Cliff Cave part in South County. I am seeing a good response thus far.

Please make sure you sign up so we an accurate count for food ordering. There is a list here if you want to sign up tonight

#### TREASURERS REPORT - Cheryl Osterhorn

Cheryl presented her report to the members. Motion to accept was made by Syd Hirsch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Peeples.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – Ken Schaeffler**

Ken reminded everyone to view the meeting minutes posted in the newsletter.

I have can coolers made with the club logo on them. I will distribute to all members at 2 per car. We may give some out at car shows or other events after members get theirs. If you haven't picked some up, let me know.

I have also booked the band for the Picnic.

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Motion: Doug Flader, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Brewer

#### MEMBERSHIP - Mike Koenen

We currently have 64 paid members and 52 associate members. Total membership is 116.

Mike and Suzanne will also be taking orders for Club Name Tags. The cost to each member will be \$3.00

Please let Mike or Suzanne know if your information is correct or needs to be updated in the member directory.

#### **OUTREACH – Esther Brewer**

Nothing to report. Dick Mericle and Bob Shissler both express thanks for the cards, etc.

#### NCM REPORT - Byrle Layman

Tom Nicholson presented Byrle's report.

It has just been announced that the Corvette team will be onsite for the museums 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There will Corvettes on display. Harlan Charles will give a Corvette team presentation. This is the first time in two years that GM has been able to attend. If you can't attend in person you can register for virtual viewing. Just visit <a href="http://bit.lv/316JOh">http://bit.lv/316JOh</a>.

Larry and Carol Watkins, long time members of the museum, donated their 1996 Grand Sport Coupe to the museum. Because of the options they added at the time of purchase, this car is unique with only five cars just like it. Donations are welcomed by the museum. If you have a Corvette you would consider donating or loaning, contact the museum.

The Stingray Grill is opening on August 12, 2021. This will give you dining options when you visit the museum. They now offer a full menu and a nice variety of offerings for your dining pleasure.

#### NCM upcoming events

Lemans Race weekend viewing party – August 21 – 22. Registration open.

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Remember, Be safe out there and "Don't Forget the Wave"

#### **NEW MEMBERS/1st time visitors**

Cheryl Allison - 2019 Stingray - Red/Red, Black Interior

#### **Birthdays / Anniversaries / New Addition**

New addition - Mike De Rienzo - 2018 Grand Sport - Black

#### Jim Butler Update

Ken Schaeffler is still waiting for his car.

#### <u>UPCOMING EVENTS – Gary Messenger</u>

Gary presented a number of upcoming events. Please see Groupworks for upcoming events, dates and times.

#### **Old Business**

Karen reported on the recent donations to Santa's Helpers and reminded everyone about donations for Santa's Helpers to be dropped off at the November meeting.

Trash pickup will be on Saturday, August 28, followed by breakfast.

#### **New Business Discussion**

Rich Brewer announced the St. John Gildehaus dinner will be October 24, 2021. Follow on Groupworks for time and meeting place.

Doug and Jan Flader are still waiting on repair work to fix shift mechanism.

#### **Attendance Prize**

Esther Brewer won this month's prize of \$50.00

Motion to adjourn was made by Sharon Young, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Flader.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Respectively submitted by Ken Schaeffler-Administrative Assistant

# **Upcoming Key Events for The OCC**

OCC Picnic Cliff Cave Park South County OCTOBER 2nd,2012
Jim Butler/ OCC Car Show OCTOBER 10th, 2021 
OCC Annual Christmas Party @ Orlando's December 14th,2021
Wine Runs by Various Members TBD's Check Groupworks
Trash Pick Up's Check Groupworks
Car Shows Check Groupworks
Monthly meetings Jilly's 2nd Tuesday of the month
Special Car Runs to various locations Check Groupworks
Wednesday Nights Various Restaurants Check Groupworks

#### Lindbergh High School Homecoming Parade

Lindbergh High School has requested the OCC participate in their annual homecoming parade on Friday, September 24, 2021, parade starts at 4:30 PM. They are requesting approximately 20 cars to participate. Please let me know if you're interested in participating. I will have all the necessary information at our September 14th meeting. You can let me know your interest, or if you have any questions via this post or email me at <a href="mailto:Johnpmiceli@gmail.com">Johnpmiceli@gmail.com</a> or call my cell at 231-357-4483.









## **The OCC Annual Picnic is Fast Approaching!!**

Mark your calendars now. Saturday October 2 is the day for our annual picnic. The club is providing all of the food and live entertainment.

Cliff Cave Park—Riverside Shelter is the place to be.

Lunch and Dessert is to be served at Noon. Bring your own refreshments.





#### From John Miceli.....

A relatively new member, and a very good friend of mine, Mike Manzelli, who joined OCC in 2019 has been in the hospital battling leukemia. Mike has been battling this disease for close to 6 months now. Mike recently received a bone marrow transplant from his daughter and is now on the long road to recovery. It's been an uphill battle but Mike's "numbers" are improving to the point that he may be able to go home soon. I'm sure Mike and his wife Karen would really appreciate anyone reaching out to them with prayers and good thoughts. I thank you for your support and prayers for Mike and Karen!! MANZELLI STRONG!!

Mike and Karen's address is 2428 Waterfront Dr. Imperial, MO 63052



## Name Tags, Get Your Name Tags Here!

We will be ordering name tags sometime after our September meeting. The cost to members is three dollars, the club picks up the balance. You can order and pay at the September Meeting, or mail me the name and the \$3.

Mike Koenen: 4327 Apple Grove Lane St. Louis, Mo 63128 314-540-0816



# The National Corvette Museum Report <u>By Mr. Byrle Layman, NCM Ambassador</u> August 2021



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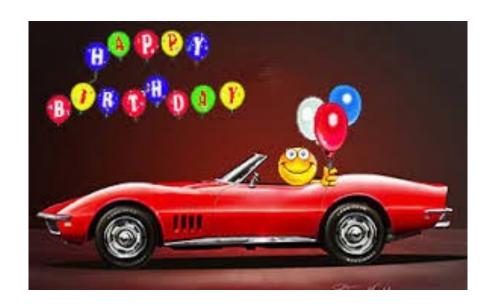


## **August Birthdays**

Mary Morgan 8/4 Norma Bahr 8/5 Jama Rendell 8/17 Eric Stephens 8/19 Don DeLonjay 8/25 Jim Lanzafame 8/26

# September Birthdays

Julie Willis 9/2
Jim Ford 9/3
Sidney Hirsch 9/6
Cindy Stephens 9/6
Dennis Osterhorn 9/9
Carol Peeples 9/13
Mark Navratil 9/18
Mike DeRienzo 9/23
Dick Mericle 9/23
Tom Messina 9/29



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 our good friends at Jim Butler Chevrolet in Fenton in the Gravois Bluffs Complex!

# **Corvette Trivia!!**

A 36 gallon fuel tank, the largest ever offered, was available as an option in the Corvette from 1963 to 1967.



A very rare 1963 Z06 Tanker

