

ORIGINAL CORVETTE CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

December, 2022 Newsletter

The Vette Gazette

OCC 2022 Board

President: Kenneth Schaeffler

Vice President– Ann Nickelson-Jennings

Treasurer– Sharon Young

Sgt. At Arms– Rich Brewer

Membership– John Miceli

Administrative Coordinator–
Larry Dann

Volunteers:

Club Outreach: Esther Brewer

Club Historian– Jason Messenger

Webmaster– Dennis Osterhorn

NCM Ambassador– Rick Poepping

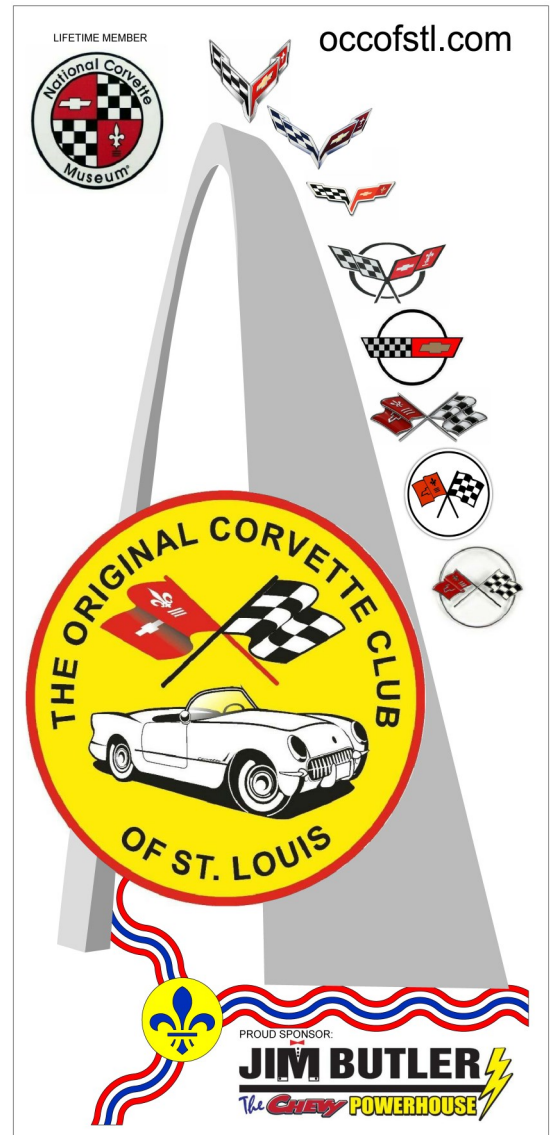
Groupworks Admin– Randy
Vollmer

Facebook Admin: Randy Vollmer

Wednesday Dinner Club– Judy Sil-
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For Additional Information...

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Mailing Address:

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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: **January 10, 2023 Meeting Location:** Dogwood Social House. 15682 Manchester Road, Ellisville, MO 63011. Right behind Freddy's. Meeting starts at 7:30 pm.

The President's Report

Kenneth Schaeffler, President

Original Corvette Club of St. Louis



MERRY CHRISTMAS

PRESIDENTS OPENING STATEMENT

Merry Christmas EVERYONE. Thank you all for coming out tonight. I will do my best to keep this as short as possible

It's been another busy month for OCC.

Donations were collected for Santa's Helpers and thanks to everyone that contributed to this worthy cause. There were lots of toys donated, as well as \$1,100.00 in checks from members. I saw on facebook that Santa's Helpers were at 1,141 families. This meant that they broke their all time high of 1,132 families served in 2020.

The Thanksgiving Day Parade was a success again this year. However, as soon as we got to the TV cameras, they broke for a commercial, only giving us about 10-15 seconds of air time. This year's parade was extra special though, as we, for the first time in St. Louis Parade history, had at least one of each generation, C1 thru C8. I just wish the TV crew and broadcasters would have used the required narrative that I sent describing the importance of our group this year. Thank you to all who participated and thanks to Cheryl for driving their pickup carrying our Club banner. I worked out very well. And Dennis did a great job making the stand to carry the banner.

The Waynesville Christmas Parade looked to be a big success and a great turnout from members. I really did miss participating this year. Thanks, Jim Ford, for putting this together again this year.

I will be working with the new Board to look into making Facebook a PUBLIC this year so we can get the Club out front and show more of what we do.

Last year was a great year for OCC with all of the various events attended by members. Between Car Shows, Sunday Sundaes, Wednesday night dinners we had some other events worth mentioning this year. Tech day sponsored by Bill Prewitt and Connie Finch, Meet and Greet Kenny Wallace sponsored by Eric and Cindy Stephens and the Fall Color Tour sponsored by Bill Prewitt and Connie Finch. I would like to thank Bill and Connie, John and Yvonne Renz, Eric and Cindy, Judy Silvagni, Jim Ford, and all of the members that helped out with the Jim Butler All Chevy Car Show doing registration, judging cars, selling raffle tickets, and making it a great show. I believe it was the best one to date. Everyone that helped work the car show and solicited gifts from outside restaurant, auto part stores and even a round of golf for 4, w/ cart. Would you please stand and be recognized.

At the November meeting we elected new board and volunteer members. Before I introduce the new Board, I would like to have the 2022 Board and volunteers come up to be recognized for another great year of service and dedication. Outgoing members this year are:

VP-Ann Jennings

Administrative Assistant – Larry Dann

Sargent At Arms – Tom Nicholson (Rich Brewer kindly stepped in when Tom had to go out of town for work

Membership – John Miceli

Club Historian – Karen Mericle

Outreach Volunteer – Esther Brewer

Members and volunteers that will remain for 2023;

President - Ken Schaeffler

Treasurer – Sharon Young

NCM Ambassador – Rick Poepping

Newsletter Editor and Publisher – Larry Dann

Webmaster – Dennis Osterhorn

Facebook Coordinator and groupworks – Randy Vollmer

President's Report Continued.....

I would like to introduce your newest Board Members and Volunteers;

Vice-President – Gary Messenger

Administrative Assistant – Syd Hirsch

Sargent At Arms – Eric Stephens

Membership – Bill Prewitt

Club Historian – Jason Messenger

Outreach Volunteer – Connie Finch

This year, as a club, we made a lot of donations and I want to thank everyone for participating in the 50/50 and the Butler Car Show. This year we made donations to the USO, Backstoppers, Junior Diabetes Foundation, Wounded Warriors and Santa's Helpers. These charities and organizations received \$3,083.00 in 2022.

At the Butler Car Show this year, we awarded 30 plaques and trophies and in addition to the 50/50 at the event, the winner took home \$265.00, we gathered an additional 24 prizes that we gave away after the 50/50 drawing. We judged 143 cars and there were another 20-25 on display only. In total we raised \$3,141.00 to go to Boys and Girls Club of Greater St. Louis.

The last thing on my agenda tonight is to talk about one of the changes that was made to the ByLaws. Earlier in the year, the Executive Committee met and we created a new membership category. This new status is to honor a member for many years of dedication and service to OCC. The Executive committee met online and approved the nomination that I made for this status. So I will be asking for a vote tonight to honor Jim Ford with the status of "MEMBER EMERTUS". [VOTE]

Thank you again for your support and it has been a great 2022.
MERRY CHRISTMAS, enjoy yourself tonight and let's party.

MEMBERS EMERITUS 2022

Don and Judi DeLonjay

Byrle Layman

Jim Ford

Congratulations to all!





Sundaes
On
Sunday!



Check GroupWorks for upcoming Sundaes on Sunday!



Cheers!!!



Meeting Minutes- Original Corvette Club of St. Louis

December 13, 2023



President Ken Schaeffler opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was held at Orlando's Event Center for the Annual OCC Christmas Party.

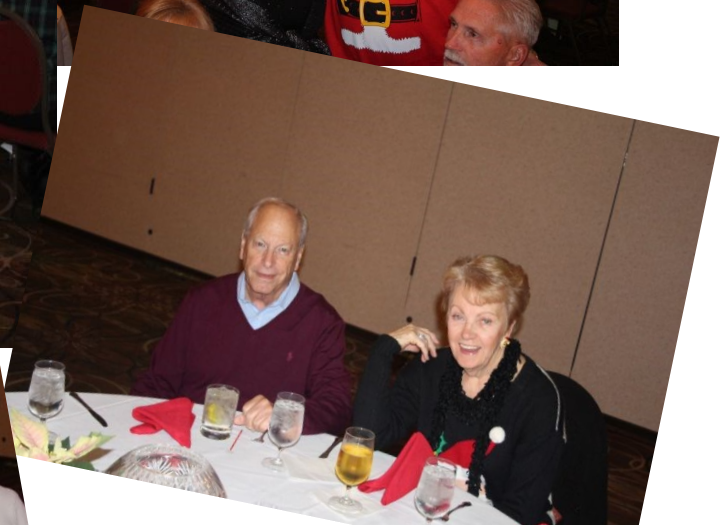
Ken gave his report which can be seen on the President's page. He introduced the current club board members and volunteers and then he introduced the newly elected board members and volunteers

The Board had voted to make Jim Ford a Member Emeritus. Ken bestowed the honor upon Jim at the meeting.

There were no reports from any of the other board members or volunteers.

Ken adjourned the meeting at 7 pm.

The buffet was served and music and dancing followed.



More Christmas Party Fun!



UPcoming EVENTS

- 1.) STL Auto Show-January 13-16. Still need at least 4 more entries. Contact Jason Messenger
- 2.) **Wednesday Night Dinner. January 18, Ruby Tuesday's Restaurant, 942 Meramec Station Road. 5:30 pm**
Judy Silvagni
- 3.) Guys Lunch. Wednesday January 25th, 11:30 am. Deer Creek Bar and Grill. Contact John Renz
- 4.) Pacific Car Show– either the last weekend in June or first weekend July– Larry Dann
- 5.) Reoccurring events that start in April-
 - A.) Sonic every Friday, South Lindbergh at Big Bend weather permitting. Not sure how many more this year.
 - B.) Faith Church Sunset Hills First Friday of each month



Happy Anniversary Baby, Got you on my mind!

John & Yvonne Renz 1/2/82 41 Years



In Sympathy:

Hi everyone, some of our longer standing members may remember previous member Larry Tennell. Larry and his wife Marilyn were OCC Members in the early to mid 2000's. We received word that Larry passed away last Friday. Bill and I were fortunate to see Larry at Bloomington this year and really enjoyed our visit with him. Our deepest sympathy's go out to his wife Marilyn and his children. **Connie Finch**



**If you see this guy hob-
bling around, wish him
well. Sidney had a knee
replaced in mid-
November. Buy him a
beer!**

The National Corvette Museum Report

Rick Poepping, NCM Ambassador

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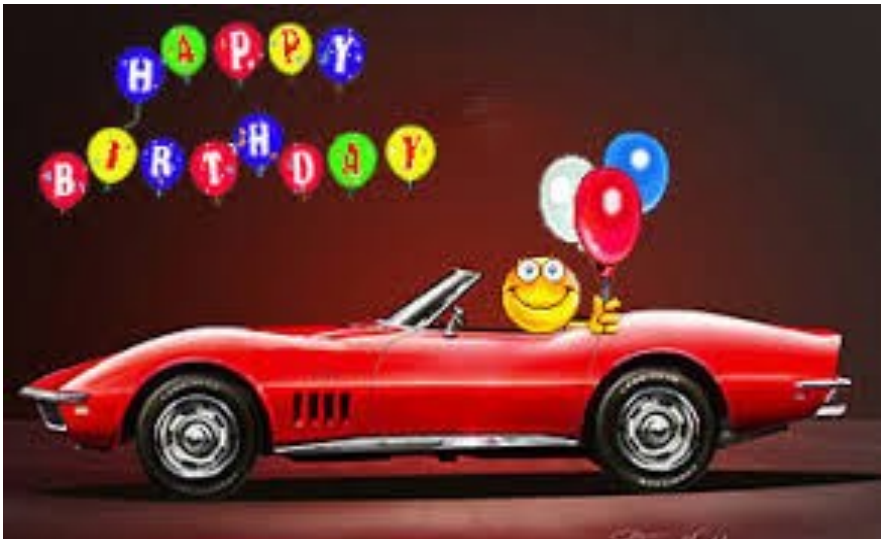


Rick has no report for the December Newsletter- He wishes everyone a great Holiday Season!



December Birthdays

Carol Burroughs 12/1
John Holmes 12/2
Carol Gronemeier 12/3
Liz Ann Mestre 12/5
Shirley Mueller 12/6
Margaret Messina 12/7
Tom Brendel 12/9
Lori Chesley 12/16
Kathy Poepping 12/16
Ron Londe 12/18
Jacob Stanton 12/19
Randy Vollmer 12/22
Mary Ann Kinworthy 12/24
Ian Rendell 12/25
Joe Vitale 12/28
Richard Reim 12/31



Happy Birthday to Everyone!

From all of your friends in the OCC!

January Birthdays

John Miceli 1/3
Carol Lanzafame 1/3
Michael Koenen 1/3
Bill Prewitt 1/18
Janet Methany 1/19
Russell Murphy 1/19
Richard Brewer 1/20
Wayne Lepper 1/20
Mary Heeley 1/21
Ron Zimmerer 1/22
Sharon Young 1/23
Jennifer Holmes 1/24
James Thacker 1/25
Amanda Dalton 1/26
Ann Nickelson-Jennings 1/27
Larry Strassburger 1/27



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!

Corvette Trivia

In 1978, the Corvette's 25th anniversary was celebrated with a two-tone Silver Anniversary Edition and a an Indy Pace Car replica edition of the C3.

