

The Vette Gazette

OCC 2020 Board

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Schaeffler

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Club Outreach: Esther Brewer

Trash Pick-up– Dick and Karen Mer-
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Club Historian– Karen Mericle

Webmaster– Rick Poepping

NCM Ambassador– Byrle Layman

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Doug Flader

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www.occofstl.com



Independence Day!

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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: August 11, 2020 Meeting Lo-
cation:** Jilly's Café & Steakhouse, 1630 Gravois Road, High
Ridge, MO 63049, Phone: (636) 449-4500

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

August meeting is tentative depending on CDC guideline

President's comments

I would like to say the OCC is back to normal but that would not be true. We are still seeing more delays or cancelations of events. However, we held our July 14th meeting at Jilly's and under the circumstances the board felt it was a good meeting. Everyone was following the guidelines as put out in Group works including the staff at Jilly's who were wearing masks while they were taking orders, delivering drinks and food. You will see in the minutes we had a number of items to discuss at the meeting; 1) Resignation of club the Treasure, Appointment of a New Treasure, 2) WEB site upgrade position, 3) Dropping the word Associate in the bylaws and 4) Dropping all Wednesday night dinners until next year or until things improve. All of this will be addressed in the minutes. As I stated in the meeting as we approach the August meeting the board will determine to go forward or cancel depending on the current situation and guidelines. Again "THANK YOU" for those who attended and to all members please stay healthy and safe. As always watch for updates and news in Groupworks

Dennis



MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2020, 7:30 PM

Meeting Location – Jilly's

Meeting called to order by President, Dennis Osterhorn

Dennis led the Pledge of Allegiance

Dennis Osterhorn presented opening statement:



Dennis introduced the Board Members present.

Welcome back to everyone, this has been unforgettable past 4 months for everyone. We need to really thank Danny for getting things back open for us to have our meetings. Would appreciate we support him and his staff.

One thing for sure we were not alone in this when it comes to all the cancellations and events moving way out to the end of the year. I have purchase Masks for those who forgot them and hand sanitizer. For the safety of the others please wear a mask when not speaking. Cheryl, Karen, Mike K, and I wiped down all the tables and chairs with the recommended CDC sanitizer.

Also please note that all of Jilly's employees are wearing masks while in the room with us, very much appreciated.

As I mentioned on Groupworks and the club Yahoo site if you do not feel comfortable coming to these meetings "PLEASE" stay home. Even now if this setting is bothering you can leave, I understand. We have several items to discuss on the agenda tonight:

Ann Jennings Resigned as Treasure for personal reasons. In accordance with the Club's Approved Bylaws is the following:

SECTION 3: RESIGNATION OR VACANCY In the event an officer resigns or has to vacate office before his/her term expires, a majority of the remaining officers shall appoint someone to fill the office for the remainder of the term.

In that light I appointed Cheryl Osterhorn to fill the remaining time as Treasure, I am trying to make this change as seamless as possible to the club. This has been approved by the officers of OCC with a vote by e-mail. The vote was in accordance to the bylaws

Cheryl Osterhorn presented the treasurers Report. A motion was made by Rich Brewer to accept, seconded by Doug Flader.

It was brought up at the last meeting about dropping the word "ASSOCIATE" from the membership designation. Not sure why some feel this is that important, it has been this way since the bylaws have been developed. However, after considerable discussion Herb Clark has accepted the task of looking into this and develop language that could be used to address the issue also how the various sections in the bylaws would need to be changed. This process will require some time to make sure the wording is

acceptable to all members and presented to the members and later a vote at one of the upcoming OCC meetings

Revising the OCC web page to attract potential members. There is multiple approach 1) try and fix what we have, 2) do nothing, 3) go with a new provider and layout. After some discussion it was determined that we need to go with a new provider (GoDaddy) and revise the layout to gain attention. The cost per year with current provider is \$131.73 and with GoDaddy it would somewhere around \$144.00. There was a vote to go forward and invest the \$144 to see if we can improve the OCC Site. Ken Schaeffler is going to look into this. His company uses GoDaddy. At this point this is only a trial and there was a vote to spend \$144.00 to see what we can do. Ken also volunteered to assist Dennis in building the new website with the free tools provided by GoDaddy. There will be "NO" more Wednesday night dinners due to the current situation and the restrictions placed by the restaurants in accordance with State and local counties mandates. Report by Doug and Jan Flader

It was also determined there will be "NO" Annual OCC picnic this year

At this time, we are waiting to determine if we should have our annual Christmas party at Orlando's. Comment was made, saw considerable decrease last years attendance and not sure why.

Trash day last weekend was excellent as expressed by Karen and the breakfast at the Shack was good.

Rick Mestre had his new Red 2020 there and it was awesome looking.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM by motion from Ken Schaeffler, seconded by Doug Flader.

Corvette C8 wins at Daytona and Sebring!!!!!!!



The National Corvette Museum Report ***By Mr. Byrle Layman, NCM Ambassador***

July 2020 Ambassadors Report.

As with many organizations the Covid 19 virus has hit the museum, limiting group sizes and cancelling events. The staff has used this time to create new exhibits, refresh old ones and in general creating better sensory and visual experience for museum visitors. The old museum has been transformed into a new and exciting venue.

So briefly some examples of what's going on at NCM.

Many Vettes have been added to the collection all have their own stories Ec: The 1954 that was entombed in a grocery store for decades. This exhibit has been recreated as it was for so many years. Recently a Miss America Pageant winner Vette, the owner did not know it a pageant Vette for many years. So that's some of what has been going on. If you visited the museum years ago a trip to the new museum will be a new and exciting experience.

Here is some of what the remainder of the year has to offer. (Not a complete list).

26th Anniversary and Hall of Fame inductees. September 2, -5, registration is now open.

\$20.00 for Life Members. \$25.00 for members. \$35 for non members. Some presentations will be virtual and the fee is \$20.00 per household.

MIM Branson experience, Sept 8, thru September 12. I did this event it was a fun time.

MIM tail of the Dragon. Sept7 through September 10. This follows the 26th. Anniversary event.

Fee is \$1450.and \$500.00 for [passenger.

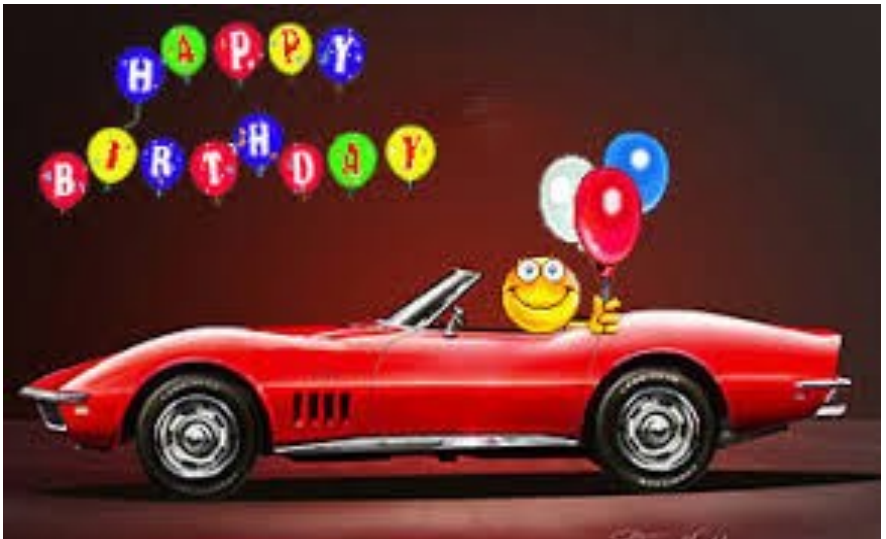
MIM National Parks Tour September 20 thru September 26, 2020 I did this event last year with my son in law and another club member. I t was a great time.

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



July Birthdays!

Jason Messenger– 7/5
John Carver– 7/7
Janet Flader– 7/7
Joe Williams– 7/8
Esther Brewer– 7/12
Erv Bleitner– 7/15
Zane Latham– 7/22
Byrle Layman– 7/22
Karen Mericle– 7/23
Nancy Hirsch– 7/24
Steve Willis– 7/29
Tom Nickelson– 7/30



Happy Birthday to Everyone!
**From all of your friends in
the OCC!**

August Birthdays!

Mary Morgan– 8/4
Norma Bahr– 8/5
Jack Buehler– 8/13
Larry Strathman– 8/15
Richard Renz– 8/16
Jama Rendell– 8/17
Eric Stephens– 8/19
Pat Clark– 8/25
Don DeLonjay– 8/25
Jim Lanzafame– 8/26



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!



The July Meeting at Jilly's..... Who is that masked man? Or Woman?



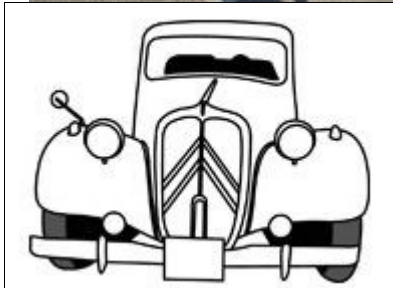
Trash Day– July 7-

Good morning, A warm, humid morning, but 7 of us braved the sweltering morning to pick up 10 bags of trash, plus some other junk,

Thank you to Fred/carol==Dennis/Cheryl== Mike== Dick and Karen afterwards breakfast at the Shack on Big Bend,, good breakfast. again, thank you to those that helped pick up crap others have tossed out.

Karen

Note: Hey people. This is a great community service the club performs. And it is fun, believe it or not. Please try to come and help out if possible. Fred and Carol drive out from Alton to make it happen. And Breakfast afterward. Cheers!



From Herb Clark....

Coloring Contest Ages up to 11

St Louis Car Museum Car Show

On Saturday, July 25th, from 10-2 PM, the St. Louis Car Museum will be hosting a "FREE" Car Cruise! **You are NOT required to sign up in advance! If you want to park together you MUST arrive together!** This is a GREAT indoor/outdoor car show. Come and see some of the incredible cars on display! Social distancing will be observed!

St. Louis Car Museum 1575 Woodson Road

If you have kids, grandkids, or neighbor's kids, invite them to be a part of the Drawing Contest (12-16 years old), or the Coloring Contest for kids 11 and under. We have valuable prizes! For more information contact Herb Clark, [314-882-1530](tel:314-882-1530), or email woodmedic@aol.com! This is a great way to get the younger generation involved! Do it NOW!

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Corvette
Trivia.....



Of the 300 (some sources argue 314) Corvettes hand built in 1953 only 183 were sold because of "average" performance at a relatively high price, \$3513. The popular Jaguar XK120 sold for \$3345; \$168 less than the Corvette.