

The Vette Gazette

OCC 2021 Board

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**In Honor and Remembrance of our
fallen heroes who gave the ulti-
mate sacrifice for the Home of the
Brave and Land of the Free!**

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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: June 11, Meeting Location:

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)

The Presidents Report ... Dennis Osterhorn– May, 2021



Well, here we are at the end of May and things are looking better every day and getting back to normal. There will be some changes going on here shortly within the club so stay tuned. There are a number of events that took place during the month that some OCC Members participated in but wish there were more that would have come with their corvettes and to enjoy the fun and socialization with the others and make new friends. At the Route 66 USO Car show Mike Koenen received an award and Rich Brewer won the 50/50 (\$400). There was a run to Perryville to see the Vietnam Memorial wall, which was “Fantastic”. This is a permanent wall and an exact replica of the wall in WDC, after that the group made a trip to Crown Valley Winery. We just heard the 4th of July parade (really the 3rd) is a **go** so hopefully we will hear about our participation in this event.

There is another event coming up it is the Annual Father’s Day Classic Car show on June 20th in Kimmswick, you can go online and register. Also just got an email that the Manchester Homecoming Prade is on and OCC was invited to attend on September more data to come, the club will have to submit the registration form.

Another significant event is the Scott AFB Heritage Air Park Car Show on June 12th. If you are going you need to register on-line, and it cost \$25.00 per car.

One other event that was posted is the Cruise -In Route Cuba Car Show on June 26th.

Would like to thank Doug and Jan for restarting the Wednesday night dinners. These have been posted on Groupworks under Events, check them out the last few has been an excellent turnout.

So, as you can see, we are slowly getting back to normal for participating in events with our cars. By the way they are still doing remodeling at Jilly’s, however, we are able to hold our monthly meetings. Keep up your thought and prayers for our Ambassador Byrle Laymen, as he always says “Remember The Wave”

May 2021 Meeting Minutes

Kenneth Schaeffler, Administrative Assistant



May 11, 2021

Meeting Location – Jilly's - 7:30

Also on ZOOM

Meeting called to order by President, Dennis Osterhorn

Board and Volunteers present: Dennis & Cheryl Osterhorn, Randy Vollmer, Karen Mericle, Esther Brewer, Mike and Suzanne Koenen & Ken Schaeffler

Attending via ZOOM; Gary and Jason Messenger

There were about 25 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:

First of all, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for coming out tonight at Jilly's for our May Meeting. Hopefully we have turned the corner and start to see more warmer weather and to enjoy those Corvettes.

Its good to see that the City and County are opening up more towards full capacity. Things look to be getting back to normal, whatever the new normal looks like.

We have been trying to hold our first trash pickup of 2021, but the weather is not cooperating very well with the rain and wet conditions.

Hoping the City of St. Louis contacts us about the July 4th Parade.

We are on for the Alton Memorial Day Parade. Fred Gronemeier will keep everyone up to date on times and meeting places.

At this year's 2021 Bash at the NCM, our new banner was flying high, and it looks great. I did pick up the previous banner and brought it back. Club members attending were Dennis and Cheryl Osterhorn, Mike and Suzanne Koenen and Randy Vollmer. Randy will share his story later. There is a picture on Groupworks. Check it out. And a special Thanks to Byrle for the donation to the NCM of \$500.00 to have the OCC Banner hung at the NCM for another year.

Dennis attended the Ambassador meeting for Byrle. Mentioned Byrle's health situation (as much as Ann said was OK) and everyone was concerned and asked that Dennis pass on their thought and prayers for a fast recovery.

A. At the meeting they announced the effort underway to develop a set of by-laws for the Ambassadors. It's in the early stages with a draft copy handed out for review. They are also going to establish regional Ambassadors

B. Interesting points of view from other Ambassadors on trying to get the various clubs back to normal with improved attendance. Some clubs are just starting to have in-person meetings.

Everyone left Sunday morning, but Dennis headed south to Florida. Driving south of Macon, GA. To Florida destination, the traffic was cruising at 85 MPH and at time, 95-100 MPH just to keep up with traffic.

Byrle sent regrets on not being able to attend meetings and club events at this time. He misses everyone and wants to thank everyone for the thoughts and prayers.
and "Don't Forget the Wave"

Gary Messenger has been posting a number of car shows on groupworks. If you can attend, that would be great. If you have interest in a specific show, bring it up at the meeting to see if others would like to attend also. A few members will be attending the Route 66 Club car show at Poege Chevrolet in St. Charles this Saturday, May 15th benefitting the USO at Lamber Airport.

Meeting minutes continued:

John Miceli will have an update on the A-B car show.

Jan and Doug Flader have started up the Wednesday night dinners. Please see Groupworks for upcoming locations and time. Contact Jan or Doug for additional information

Again, we would like to encourage those who have not paid their dues, please do so or let Mike and Suzanne if you will be dropping out.

Please watch Groupworks for other upcoming events.

The OCC Board and I are always looking for ways to get more members to attend the meetings. So again "THANK YOU" for attending our monthly meetings.

Ken Schaeffler had can coolers "coozies" made with the club emblem. He has distributed them to the members present tonight.

TREASURERS REPORT – Cheryl Osterhorn

Cheryl presented her report to the members. Motion to accept was made by Syd Hirsch, 2nd by Doug Flader.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – Ken Schaeffler

Ken reminded everyone to view the meeting minutes posted in the newsletter. As Dennis mentioned, I had 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.

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Motion: Sharon Young, 2nd by Esther Brewer

MEMBERSHIP – Mike Koenen

We currently have 73 paid members and 58 associate members. Total membership is 131.

OUTREACH – Esther Brewer

Esther sent Byrle a card from the Club. Encouraged members to send cards. Mailing info is in Groupworks under Members.

NCM REPORT – Byrle Layman

Dennis reported the 2021 BASH information in his opening statement.

CLUB BANNERS are flying high at the NCM. The new banners are in place. The NCM website has Pictures and a map showing the locations of all the banners. OCC banner is at Location #19 on one of the main parking lots. Looks great. Old banners are ready for pickup.

There is much more to see and do at the NCM. Check it out on the web – www.corvettemuseum.org for all the news and events.

NEW MEMBERS/1st time visitors

None

Birthdays / Anniversaries / New Addition

Anniversary – Dennis and Cheryl Osterhorn (53 years) Congratulations

Jim Butler Update

NB Nothing to report

UPCOMING EVENTS – Gary Messenger

Gary presented a number of upcoming events via ZOOM. Please see Groupworks for upcoming events.

Old Business

Karen stated that Trash pickup would be Friday, May 14th due to USO car show on Saturday

The Old Club Banner from last year will be presented to Jim Butler Chevrolet.

Randy Vollmer told his BASH story. On the way to the track he had a flat tire. Got the car to the closest dealer. Turns out it was a bad valve. The service department replaced it and he was able to make the track for the afternoon session

New Business Discussion

Witness Distillery – Saturday, May 15, 2021 in Vandalia, Illinois. Fred and Carol Gronemeier are the organizers for this event. **CANCELLED**

Alton Memorial Day Parade – Fred Gronemeier will have details and meeting times prior to the event

4th of July Parade through Downtown St. Louis – Dennis Osterhorn will be coordinating this event. Details forthcoming.

Attendance Prize

Rich Brewer won this month’s prize of \$50.00

Motion to adjourn was made by Rich Brewer, 2nd by Art Delhoune

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

**Father’s Day Car Show in
Kimmswick!**



Only \$10 entry fee!

**Trash Pick-Up is Sunday
June 6th. D-Day!**

7:30 am!

**Some folks will be there
at 7 am.**

FATHER’S DAY CAR SHOW
SUNDAY June 20th, 2021
 • Open to All Makes & Models
 • Car Registration 9am-12pm **\$10.00**
 • Free General Admission

gokimmswick.com
636-464-6464

Come on down for the Kimmswick Car Show **Sunday June 20th, 2021!** Enjoy a day of lunch and shopping, and view the cars, trucks, and motorcycles on display at this one-of-a-kind Car Show! There’s fun for the entire family, including a D.J. and other activities. Open to all makes and models of cars.

Online pre-registration is open. Please check the Paypal form below.

Car Show Highlights (subject to change):

- Open to all makes and models of cars, trucks, and motorcycles
- Show will be held rain or shine
- Entry Fee \$10 (no refunds)
- Registration 9am to Noon
- Awards at 3pm, trophies will be awarded by over 20 participating merchants, strictly the vehicle of their choice
- Dash plaques given to first 100 vehicles
- All proceeds benefit Kimmswick’s Visitor Center
- More information, call Visitor Center 636-464-6464

Check Groupworks for a list of upcoming car shows.

There are a bunch of them listed!

[A few of our members took a cruise down to Perryville to see the Vietnam Memorial Wall](#)



Wednesday Night Dinners are Back! It's been 16-17 months since we have had a WND! This should be awesome!

If you are a new member, this is a great way to make new friends in the club and hang out having a great time!



Wednesday June 2, 2021 6:30 pm to 8 pm.

You might want to arrive a little early for Happy Hour!

14445 Manchester Road, Manchester

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



May 2021. Ambassadors Newsletter Report.

As most of you are aware, Byrle has been a little under the weather lately, so there is no Ambassador's report at the time of publishing. There may be one submitted later. Keep Byrle in your thoughts and prayers please! And as Byrle always reminds us.....

As always be safe out there and don't forget to WAVE.



Upcoming Wednesday Night Dinners.....6:30 pm to 8 pm

June 9th— Three Kings Public House- South Lindbergh- Ronnie's Plaza

June 16th- Helen Fitzgerald's- South Lindbergh- Sunset Hills

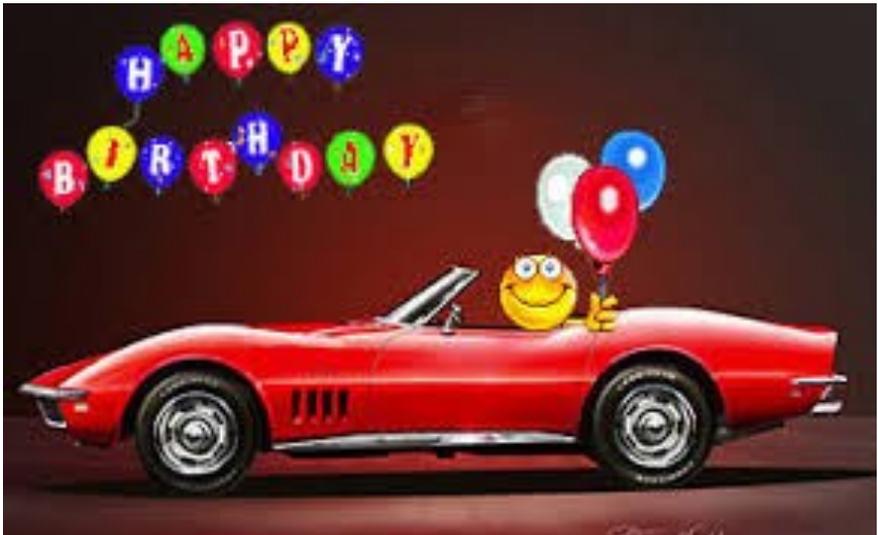
It got a little hot under the collar!

Kirk Pohl's beautiful Corvette caught fire! Thankfully he had a fire extinguisher handy and prevented a total loss.



May Birthdays

Frank Visconti 5/6
Connie Finch 5/7
Sharon Bleitner 5/9
Dan Turner 5/14
James Joyce 5/18
Kelvin McMillin 5/15
Jane Buehler 5/21
Bob Shissler 5/21
Suzanne Koenen 5/22
Lois Yeager 5/22



June Birthdays

Sandy Van Mill 6/3
Sandy Krechel 6/5
Gary Jr. Messenger 6/6
Judi DeLonjay 6/8
Joyce Dann 6/10
Kirk Pohl 6/10
Gary Messenger 6/11
Bob Carnaghi 6/12
Jeanette Delhougne 6/12
Paul Ritter 6/20
Doug Flader 6/28
Jo Strassburger 6/28
Paula Miceli 6/30

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!!

The man who named the Corvette was Myron Scott... Then Chevrolet's Chief photographer. He also created the All American Soap Box Derby!

