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President's Message

Don't forget to check your emails to make sure if there might be a change to the status of meetings and events being cancelled or re-scheduled. The board of directors will try to make a decision by at least 3:00 pm on the day of the meeting or event on the status because of the weather conditions. THANKS FOR EVERYONE'S HELP ON THIS MATTER!!!

The next club meeting just happens to fall on Valentine's Day, there might be some special treats for members.

I scheduled our first Dinner/Movie for 2023 for Saturday, February 18th at 6:00 pm at Smoky's House BBQ in Savoy. CHECK OUT THE FLYER ATTACHED!!!

Make sure your email and phone numbers are current on our rosters. If you have a change on either of these items, you can email me at dug.hanner@gmail.com or call me at 217-369-5868.

If you are trying to plan your outings for this summer, the Board of Directors are completing a Calendar of Events. If you know of any car shows, cruise-ins, charity events, dinner dashes, or any other fun stuff for club members, please contact one of the Board of Directors. THANKS!!

We are still looking for a member to take over the Club's Website. Steve Tribble is wanting to stepdown as the webmaster. If any member would like to help the Club out with this position, please get in touch with me. If you hear of a car show/display or cruise-in for 2023, you can email or call me. You can also get in touch with one of the Board of Directors. Steve Tribble does a great job of keeping the website up to date for all members to keep in the know. If you have any flyers from other shows and events bring them to the meeting or email them to Steve Tribble (s.tribble@frontier.com). New ideas or events can be talked about at any meeting or just get in touch with one of the Board of Directors. THANKS STEVE!!!

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

Next Meeting 7:00 PM
February 14, 2023
Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

**wear your name tag
and bring a chair**

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Minutes of January 10, 2022

President Doug Hanner called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., 36 members were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest or Prospective Members or Associate Members

None

Members with a new or different car – color and year

Mike & Pam Sims – 2023 White Convertible

Good and Welfare

Dan McKenzie is holding his own.

New Trustee

Doug welcomed Aly Jackson as our new Trustee.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

George Dick made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Charlie Mornout. Motion carried.

Treasurer report: Doug Hanner

Doug presented the report in the absence of Brenda Croxton. Ray Gonzalez made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Larry Warf. Motion carried.

Governors Report: Tom McKinley

We have 149 members: 86 Primary and 63 Spouses or Companions.

Scholarships are available on the NCCC website and met be completed by May 1.

The Midwest Region banquet will be held on March 25th in Madison Wisconsin. Registration and payment must be received by February 25th.

The first Midwest Autocross will be held on April 15th & 16th at Rantoul. The Midwest Fundraiser is May 27th, 28th & 28th.

They can always use help for these events.

There is a new password for the Members Only section of the NCCC website. Please contact Tom for the information.

The National Convention will be held June 24th thru June 30th in Bowling Green, Ky.. The host hotel for the Convention is: Holiday Inn University Plaza at 1021 Wilkinson Trace. The rate is \$108.00 plus tax per night. Registration for the convention opens on February 1st. You must register for the convention before you can make your hotel reservation.

Trustees:

Nothing to report.

Report of club support groups and standing committees**Communications:**

Jody needs the items for the newsletter one week prior to the meeting. Please keep sending pictures and articles for the newsletter.

Website:

We still need someone to volunteer to manage the website.

Public Information:

Nothing to report.

Calendars

The 2023 calendars are available for purchase. They are \$10.00 each.

We are taking reservations for your car to be featured in the 2024 calendar. Please let Barry know what month you want.

Social Functions:

Nothing to report.

Vice President: Barry Wagner

Please check your email the day of the meeting in the event that bad weather is forecasted. The Board will make the decision by 2:00 p.m. that afternoon whether to cancel the meeting.

We received an email from Mike and Brenda Runyon. Last February they bought raffle tickets for the Ronald McDonald House Charity in California. They are the winners for a 2022 Blue Corvette Stingray.

We are requesting Emergency Contact Information for the Club Member Spreadsheet. We will be sending out an email request.

We are seeking suggestions for recommended locations for the "Fork On the Road" article for the newsletter. Please send your recommendations for locations to Barry.

Remember to notify the Club Board of Directors of any changes in your personal information: emails, home addresses, phone numbers, etc. Make sure that you have Doug Hanner's, Barry Wagner's, and Jody Retter's email addresses in your contact/address list on your computer and cell phones. It may help you receive emails from these people if they are in your contact list.

We are always seeking new ideas for club activities (Dinner Dash, Road Trips, etc.). Help is available to aid in planning the activity.

Please send in any information on members outside events such as fish fries, dinners and we will publish them in the newsletter and mass emails.

Items for sale

Hats \$15.00

Decals \$3.00

Pins \$2.00

Patch \$3.00

Nametag Magnets \$3.00

Parade Flags \$17.00 (Flag Caddies are available from Corvette after-market suppliers)

Current Corvette Club of Illinois merchandise is available from Wagner Signs in St. Joseph.

Minutes of January 10, 2022 *continued*

President: Doug Hanner

The 2023 NCCC Convention will be held in Bowling Green, Kentucky on June 25th thru 30th. Registration begins online on February 1st. You must register for the convention before you will be able to make your hotel reservation.

Corvette Adventures will be held June 8th – 10th. Flyers are available.

Thank you to the Christmas Party Committee.

We will post any trips and car shows in the newsletter.

Doug is working on making arrangements for Dinner & a Movie for the Saturday after Valentines Day, February 18th. More details to follow.

Corvette Expo will be held March 24th & 25th at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

Old Business:

The Christmas Party was great. We had good food and fun.

New Business:

Dick and Janice Lampe have offered to host the Club Picnic in July.

Ken Guyette read a letter for Special Olympics Region 1. They are asking for sponsors for the Polar Plunge to be held on Saturday, March 11th at Lake of the Woods. Tom McKinley made a motion that we donate \$250.00, seconded by Aly Jackson. Motion carried.

Former member, Bob Utterback, is selling his 2003 with 1962 features. The asking price is \$90,000.00.



Corvette Chat

None

50/50 - \$67.00 – Doug Hanner

Motion to adjourn- Made by Dick Lampe, seconded by Ray Gonzalez. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

<p>February Birthdays</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>Cregg Miyat</td><td>February 4</td></tr> <tr><td>Terri Pepin</td><td>February 4</td></tr> <tr><td>Mikki Pierce</td><td>February 5</td></tr> <tr><td>Roger Jackson</td><td>February 13</td></tr> <tr><td>Richard Larimore</td><td>February 16</td></tr> <tr><td>Jerry Swisher</td><td>February 20</td></tr> </table>	Cregg Miyat	February 4	Terri Pepin	February 4	Mikki Pierce	February 5	Roger Jackson	February 13	Richard Larimore	February 16	Jerry Swisher	February 20	 <p>Call 217-352-4275 Ask for special Club pricing</p> <p>www.sullivanparkhill.com</p>	<p>Club Calendar</p> <p>February 11-20 Chicago Auto Show McCormick Place 2301 S. King Drive Chicago, IL</p> <p>February 14 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL</p> <p>February 18 Dinner and a Movie 6:00 pm Smokey's House BBQ 1333 Savoy Plaza Savoy, IL</p> <p>March 11 SOILL Polar Plunge Lake of the Woods Mahomet, IL</p> <p>March 14 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL</p>
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<p>DOUG'S TECH TIP</p> <p>The tip for this month is to wish for WARM WEATHER.</p>														
<p>Have an idea for a dinner dash, mystery cruise, roadtrip, tour, or anything else you think our club might enjoy?</p> <p>Let's get the wheels rolling and have some fun this year!</p>														

WANTED

Club member willing to take over the position of Web Master for our club's website.

This important position allows the club to show off our club and activities on the world wide web.

Steve Tribble is the current webmaster and due to personal schedules, needs to step down.

This position requires someone with some computer knowledge and be willing to learn the process and software used. Please contact Doug Hanner at dug.hanner@gmail.com or Steve Tribble at s.tribble@frontier.com for greater details as to requirements and time required.

Steve has been gracious to continue until his replacement is found, however we need to have a replacement soon. PLEASE consider taking on this important position.

An interview with Club members Gordon & Sandy Green

By Carol Castellon

After Gordon and Sandy bought their 2015 Night Race Blue Stingray in September 2021, they googled "Corvette Club" near me, and our Club came up. They went to the October meeting and joined! This is proof that our Website Works! They talked about how friendly everyone was at that meeting, particularly Doug, and were impressed when members volunteered to pay for the Club's sponsorship of a charity walk for officer Oberheim (who was killed in the line of duty). They really like the club members and consider the club to be their main social group now!



Gordon had his eye on the C7 before it even came out. He liked the looks, technology, specs, and the speed. In 2014 they made a special trip to see the caravan of Corvettes that drove through Monticello as part of Bloomington Gold in Champaign. At Bloomington Gold in Indy, they took the ride around The INDY Track with Ron Fellows Racing School - another check on the bucket list. While standing on the observation deck and watching the Corvette owners driving on the track, they made plans to be part of that someday. After 7 years of dreaming and months of looking on the internet, in 2021, Gordon found the car they wanted at Bob Grimm Chevrolet in Morton.

At that first Club meeting he saw Jerry and Peggy Swisher, who were his neighbors when he was growing up! That was a surprise and made it easier to be in a room full of strangers. Also at that first meeting, they met Tom McKinley and learned about NCCC autocross. Years ago, Sandy's cousin and husband raced autocross in their Porsche. They knew back then they wanted to try that someday. After connecting with Tom, who explained what was needed to race, they jumped in with both feet and are loving it. Gordon and Sandy have enjoyed hanging out with Tom and Linda at the autocross events.



Gordon and Sandy have jumped right into Club events, and in one year have attended Dinner Dashes, Effingham Funfest, Corvette Indy, Bloomington Gold, Ellsworth car show, the wiener roast, Special Olympics Family Festival, several NCCC Autocross events, and regularly attend the meetings. One of their favorite activities was Tom and Ken's road rally. The best part of the club is getting to know everyone.

An interview with Club members Gordon & Sandy Green *continued*
By Carol Castellon

They live in the country northeast of Sidney, southeast of St. Joseph, on 6 acres. They have lots of trees behind the house, but love the lot because they no longer rake leaves as they did when they lived in St. Joseph. In the country, they wait until the wind blows them away!



Sandy graduated from Oakwood HS, then attended ISU majoring in special education. She taught at Westville, then stayed home raising their daughters for 13 years. When the girls were in school, she started teaching at St. Joseph Grade School, where she still works as a special education teacher. She enjoys quilting and gardening. Last year, she made each daughter a small Christmas quilt. She found out that they both wanted one at the last minute, so she spent all of December binge quilting in order to get them ready to go under the tree.

Gordon graduated from St. Joseph-Ogden HS, then attended ISU where he met Sandy on the co-ed floor in the dorm where they both lived. They were part of a group of 5 friends that hung out together. In 1990, he married Sandy in August after graduation. Then he worked in Chicago for a couple of years as a computer programmer. They didn't want to raise children there, so he took a job at Parkland in 1994 in IT (Information Technology), and they moved to St. Joseph.



They have two daughters, Kayla and Lauren, who both had weddings this year – Lauren was married in June, and Kayla in October. Kayla lives in Chicago and Lauren lives in North Dakota. As empty nesters, they decided to move to the country and really enjoy their house and setting.

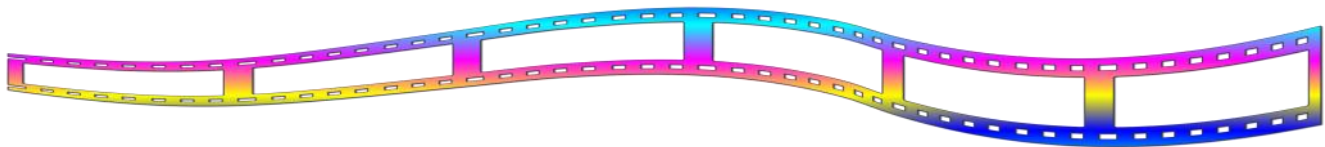
Gordon has been riding mountain bikes for 7 years. He started this sport after retiring from motorcycle hill climb racing, which he enjoyed from 1999-2012. During that time, he was the Director for IL and IN. As Director he worked with clubs on setting the schedule for the year, and rule changes. He also kept track of points and handed out the year end awards. All of this while he kept competing. He transitioned out of competing and was just the Director for the last couple of years. The competition was getting younger and younger, and he was "getting fatter and slower." So, he switched to mounting biking for more exercise!



An interview with Club members Gordon & Sandy Green *continued*

By Carol Castellon

Sandy told the story of the day they bought their Corvette. They had made plans to meet with their daughter's boyfriend that evening. They spent all day in Morton test driving and purchasing the car and had to hurry home to meet him on time. They all arrived at nearly the same time. He was surprised they had bought the car and they were excited to show him, however he seemed distracted. Soon they found out why, when he asked for their blessing to propose to Lauren. They happily said yes, he showed them the ring, then they had to keep it a secret for a month. Sandy was anxious for him to propose, and it was so hard to wait for him to find the right moment. So that day, September 18th is very special to them with two happy events to remember!



Dinner and a Movie

Saturday, February 18th 2023

Time: 6:00 pm

Smokey's House BBQ

1333 Savoy Plaza
Savoy, IL 61874
(217)355-2272



This will be a Great Chance to do some socializing with other Club Members and order from a complete BBQ menu at a good restaurant. I talked with the manager and everything is good to go for our group.

We will meet at Smokey's House BBQ in Savoy at 6:00 pm on February 18th to partake of some Good BBQ and catch up with each other at the Club's first Dinner and a Movie for 2023. I made a reservation for 20 people and, of course if the weather is questionable, we will reschedule at a later date.

Here is the website (<https://www.smokysbbqsavoy.com>) for their menu.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THIS EVENT PLEASE RSVP ME AT (217) 369-5868 or dug.hanner@gmail.com by FEBRUARY 14TH, SO I CAN CONFIRM OUR RESERVATION.

THANKS, Doug



“A FORK ON THE ROAD”

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

MAID-RITE
 118 N. PASFIELD
 SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702
 217-523-0723
<http://maid-rite.com>



OPEN:

M – F 10 AM – 3 PM
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The Springfield Maid-Rite building is listed on the National Registry of Historic places.

It is the first “Drive Thru” in the nation beginning in 1924. It now offers eat-in and walk-up service.

Maid-Rite is home to the “Loose Meat” sandwich. (not to be confused with a “Sloppy Joe”).

The inventor of the “Loose Meat” sandwich was a butcher named Fred Angell, who combined a special cut and grind of beef combined with a selected blend of spices, served on a steamed white or wheat bun with choice of ketchup, mustard, onion and pickles.

In addition, other sandwich options are pulled pork, fried tenderloin, chicken, and a beer battered cod. Wraps and salads are also on the menu.

Numerous side dishes are available.

Be sure to check their web site for the complete menu.

Maid-Rite has locations mainly in Iowa but also in Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, and Ohio.

Be sure to check them out on your travels.

Definitely a different sandwich experience.

(Of Special Note)

Esquire Lounge, 106 N. Walnut Champaign, Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) celebration on Tuesday February 21, 2023

They will be serving New Orleans themed food selections in addition to the regular menu.

Live music will be provided by the Vine Street Syncopators Jazz Band from 5 – 8 pm.

This special event is not to be missed, so mark your calendars.

Please make your suggestions and recommendations for submission to “A Fork on the Road”, to Barry Wagner (bkwagner@illinois.edu) 217-356-9961





Mike and Brenda Runyon won a 2022 Corvette in a raffle!

Here is Mike's account of their winning.

Brenda and I have routinely donated to Ronald McDonald House Charities for several years as we have friends who have utilized their services.

I came across the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Valley (rmhccv.org or rmhc-car.com), in Motortrend magazine and sent them a donation of \$50.00 for 80 raffle tickets. At the time, February 2022, they had three cars they were raffling, and I placed all 80 of my tickets on the 2022 Corvette.

On December 9, 2022, as I was sitting at my "home office" desk when I received a phone call from Fresno California. I assumed this was some one contacting me about my auto warranty so I simply pressed disconnect and did not answer the call. Within a minute I received another call from the exact same number, which I again did not answer as I congratulated them in my mind for their persistence.



On the second call they left a message indicating that it was Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Valley and that they were calling with a concern about my donation so they needed to speak with me right away.

I returned the call and it was at this time the gentleman identified himself and asked a couple of non-intrusive questions to assure I was Mike Runyon. He then made some small talk and asked if I was ready to upgrade my vehicle to a 2022 Corvette. I was on a speaker phone and cheering and congratulations erupted on the other end as he notified me, that I was the winner in the 2022 raffle.

All I could say was, "is this for real?"

Yes, people do win these raffles as the car, after the shipping company brought it to my door, is sitting in my garage. And yes, Uncle Sam and of course the State of Illinois takes their cut of "gambling" winnings, but it was a relatively small investment for a brand new 2022 Corvette.

Even seeing and driving the new car I am still in disbelief.



2023 CONVENTION SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
6/24/2023	Saturday	12pm - 6pm	Registration and Tech Inspection	Hotel
		2pm - 6pm	Corvette Mall and Hospitality Room	Hotel
		6pm - 10pm	Hospitality Room open to hang out	Hotel
6/25/2023	Sunday	9am - 5pm	Registration and Tech Inspection	Hotel
		12pm - 5pm	Corvette Mall and Hospitality Room	Hotel
		6pm - 7:30pm	Champions Dinner	Hotel
		7:30pm - 10:30pm	Welcome Party/Speaker/Awards/Entertainment	Hotel
6/26/2023	Monday	8am - 12pm	Concours/People's Choice Shows	NCM
		9am - 3pm	Tour: Country Music Hall of Fame/VIP lunch	Hotel
		11am - 3pm	Rallye	NCM
		12pm - 5pm	Corvette Mall and Hospitality Room	Hotel
		7pm - 10:30pm	Champion Celebration Party	Hotel
6/27/2023	Tuesday	6am - 7pm	Tour: Bourbon Trail	Hotel
		8am - 5pm	Drags	Beech Bend
		8am - 3pm	Funkhana	Hotel
		10am - 4pm	Tour: General Jackson Showboat Lunch Cruise	Hotel
		12pm - 5pm	Corvette Mall and Hospitality Room	Hotel
		6pm - 10:30pm	Ballpark Dinner/Team Spirit Party	Hotel
		7pm - 9pm	Valve Cover Race	Hotel
6/28/2023	Wednesday	6am - 6pm	Tour: Bourbon Trail	Hotel
		8am - 5pm	Low Speed	MSP
		9am - 3pm	Tour: Country Music Hall of Fame/VIP lunch	Hotel
		12pm - 3pm	Funkhana	Hotel
		12pm - 5pm	Corvette Mall and Hospitality Room	Hotel
6/29/2023	Thursday	8am - 5pm	High Speed	MSP
		8am - 5pm	Tour: Ryman Auditorium/Grand Ole Opry House	Hotel
		10am - 4pm	Tour: General Jackson Showboat Lunch Cruise	Hotel
		12pm - 5pm	Corvette Mall and Hospitality Room	Hotel
		7pm - 10:30pm	Party/Ice Cream Social	Hotel
6/30/2023	Friday	7:30am - 11am	Breakfast/Convention Awards	Hotel
		9am - 3pm	Tour: Summer Crest Winery	Hotel
		9am - 3pm	Tour: Lane Motor Museum	Hotel
		6pm - 10pm	Gala @ NCM/Speaker/National Awards	NCM

GM Corvette Assembly Plant Tours

Tours of the Corvette assembly plant are now open for the week of June 26th through June 30th. If you wish to tour the plant, you will need to book these on your own. The price is \$35.00 for NCM members and \$50.00 for non-members. The link for additional information and to register is:

<https://10514.blackbaudhosting.com/10514/page.aspx?pid=196&tab=2&txobjid=4da729e0-e461-4a3d-8a6c-6f6faed17099>


If you have any issues reserving a plant tour, contact Paul Haley at the Museum's number: 270-781-7973 at Extension 266.

Plant tours are available on a first come – first served basis and may very well sell out. We suggest you book your tour as soon as possible



Save the date for good food and fun at the

Barn III Dinner Theater in Goodfield, IL
Saturday, August 5
5:30-9:30



UNNECESSARY FARCE
BY PAUL SLADE SMITH
DIRECTED BY MARY SIMON

ENTREE SPECIAL: MANGO TILAPIA
SIGNATURE COCKTAIL: "THE ANGRY SCOTSMAN"
(SCOTTISH OLD FASHIONED)

Two cops. Three crooks. Eight doors. Go! In a cheap motel room, an embezzling mayor is supposed to meet with his female accountant, while in the room next-door, two undercover cops wait to catch the meeting on tape. But there's some confusion as to who's in which room, who's being taped, who's taken the money, who's hired a hitman, and why the accountant keeps taking her clothes off!



Please contact Jody Retter at 309-824-6648 with any questions you might have.

2023 At a Glance

Feb. 11-20	Chicago Auto Show – Chicago, IL
Feb. 18	Dinner & a Movie - Smokey's BBQ in Savoy, IL
Feb. 24 -25	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
March 11	Polar Plunge – Mahomet, IL
March 24–25	Swap Meet / Car Show - Pigeon Forge, TN
Apr. 27-29	Illinois Marathon – Champaign/Urbana, IL
Apr. 27–29	NCM Michelin Bash - Bowling Green, KY
May 5 - 6	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
May 11-13	NCM Vets 'n Vettes - Bowling Green, KY
May 20	Corvette Show - Wentzville, Mo
May 28	Indianapolis 500 – Indianapolis, IN
June 2–3	Bloomington Gold – Normal, IL
June 8-10	Corvette Adventures - Wisconsin Dells, WI
June 24-30	NCCC National Convention – Bowling Green, KY
July 4	4 th of July Parade – Rantoul, IL
July 9	Mahomet Auto Fest – Mahomet, IL
July 12–15	Black Hills Classic – Spearfish, SD
July 15	Fisher Fair Car Show – Fisher, IL
July 16	Gilmore Car Museum Corvette and Camero Show – Hickory Corners, MI
July 23	Club Picnic at Lampe's – Ellsworth, IL (rain date July 30)
July 27	Steve Brown Memorial Dinner Dash to Dewey's – Farmer City, IL
Aug. 5	Barn III Dinner Theater – Goodfield, IL
Aug. 10–20	Illinois State Fair – Springfield, IL (Veteran's Day Aug. 13)
Aug. 12	Corvette Indy Vets 'n Vettes – Indianapolis, IN
Aug. 19	River to River All Corvette Show – Herrin, IL
Aug. 24–26	Corvettes at Carlisle - Carlisle, PA
Aug. 31–Sept. 2	NCM 28 TH Anniversary Celebration - Bowling Green, PA
Sept. 8 – 9	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
Sept. 11	Special Olympics Family Fest – Mattoon, IL
Sept 14-16	Mid-America Motorworks Corvette Funfest - Effingham, IL
Sept. 22–24	Route 66 Mother Road Festival Car Show – Springfield, IL
Sept. 29–Oct. 1	Newport Antique Car Hill Climb – Newport, IN
Nov. 10 – 11	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
Nov. 18–19	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals - Rosemont, IL
Dec. 2	Club Christmas Party – Savoy, IL