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President's Message

Well Corvette Summer has started, there are all kinds of Car Shows, Car Cruises, Dinner Dashes, Displays, and even some Drive-Outs. Please take a minute to look at the Calendar of Events attached to this newsletter to plan your Summer. There all kinds of Stuff already planned for the next few months.

Here is a schedule for the Club caravan to Bloomington Gold:

Date: Saturday, June 11th
 Time: Leave at 8:00 am SHARP
 Where: Leave from behind Red Lobster off of Prospect Avenue
 Travel: West on I-74 to the Rest Area just west of Farmer City, then on to the Club Parking Area for Bloomington Gold

Don't forget about the Dinner Dash to Motorheads Bar, Grill, and Museum outside of Springfield, IL on June 12th. SEE FLYER ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER.

As always, I want to Thank all members for their continue support of the Board of Directors and the Corvette Club of Illinois. This is the reason our Club always has a good turn-out for our events.

Let's all be looking out for Car Shows and Cruise-Ins for 2022. If any members hear of a Car Show/Display or Cruise-In you can email me at dug.hanner@gmail.com or call 217-369-5868. You can also get in touch with one of the Board of Directors. You can also add events to the Club's website www.ccofi.org. 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 New Events can be talked about at any meeting or just get in touch with one of the Board of Directors. THANKS STEVE!!!

TECH TIP:

I have a tech tip this month that happened to me. I was getting our "13" ready for the Corvette Show in Wentzville, Missouri. Just was planning on replacing the front spoiler when I noticed that the right front tire had some Cords showing on the inside. We were lucky that I had purchased wheels and tires from a former member, so after the front spoiler installation the wheels and tires were next. What I want to remind everyone is to check all your tires inside and out for any problems before you take a trip.

Next Meeting 7:00 PM
 June 14, 2022
 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

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

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Minutes of May 10, 2022

President Doug Hanner called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., 54 members were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest or Prospective Members or Associate Members

Dan Edwards - Two 1996's and one 2014

Members with a new or different car – color and year

None

Good and Welfare

Dan McKenzie is done with radiation. His chemo doctor has him on chemo medicine and so far, he has had no side effects. Deb Lammle – Still is not doing well. She has gone to see the doctors at the University of Chicago Medicine.

Bob Kuntz– Has been battling respiratory problems. He is in Iowa City and found out he was being over medicated. He has sold his C5.

Bloomington Gold

Bethany Brucker, Judging Operations Manager, from Bloomington Gold gave the Club information about this year's event. It will be held on June 10th & 11th on the Illinois State University campus. There will be Club parking at the corner of Main and College Avenue. Please specify if you want Club parking when you register. Most of the activities will be held at Red Bird Arena and Horton Fieldhouse. There will be car related vendors as well as food vendors. There will be giveaways, Route 66 Road Tour plus more. See Bloomington Gold website for details and registration.

The show was held at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, but the problem was there was nothing for Clubs to do and they were not drawing a crowd.

At the end of her talk, a drawing was held for 2 free tickets to Bloomington Gold.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

George Dick made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Charlie Mournout. Motion approved

Treasurer report: Brenda Croxton

We still have some 2022 calendars and they are free for the taking.

Jody Retter made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Max Mitchell. Motion approved.

Governors Report: Tom McKinley

Tom was unable to attend the Governors meeting.

Tom, Ken Guyette and Art Rapp are working on setting up a Road Rally. They are planning on holding it Sunday, July 31st. This event is not sanctioned by NCCC. The fee is \$20.00/2 member team. They will collect the fee at both the June and July club meetings. They have prizes: 1st - \$50.00; 2nd - \$30.00 and 3rd - \$20.00. The proceeds from the Rally will go into our Charity Account. More details will be coming as soon as they

are available.

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:

Please send any upcoming events, car shows, vehicles for sale, etc. so they may be posted on the website. Steve Tribble has everything up to date.

Public Information:

Nothing to report.

Calendars

We are taking requests from members to showcase their car in the 2023 calendar.

The following months have been taken: January: Bob Smith; February: Rich & Pat Lampo; March: Doug & Jennifer Cary; May: Van Thompson; June: Chuck & Kay Cain; July: Charlie & Charlene Mornout; September: Melinda & Aaron Burke; October: Doug & Pauline Murray; and December: Tom Jamison.

We still have April, August, and November available. Please contact Barry Wagner if you wish to have your car featured on one of these months. Payment is \$30.00 which includes a free calendar and must be paid prior to Brenda Croxton before it will be included in the calendar.

Social Functions:

Jody Retter is taking reservations for Sunday, October 30th, for the Barn III Dinner Theater. The show is a comedy "Run For Your Wife". The cost is \$43.20/person and payment must be received by Brenda Croxton no later than our September 13th meeting date. Contact Jody if you have any questions and/or would like to go.

Vice President: Barry Wagner

There are a few upcoming dates for the club to participate in: Mahomet Auto Fest will be held Sunday, July 10th. It starts at 9:00 a.m. in downtown Mahomet. Admission is free. If you wish to showcase your vehicle there is a fee of \$15.00. There will be food trucks, music, raffle and awards.

The Steve Brown Memorial Dinner Dash will be held on Thursday, July 28th to Dewey's in Farmer City.

Corvette Indy will be holding their Vettes for Vets on Saturday, August 13th at Carmel, Indiana. The location has been moved. They award a lot of trophies. Last year the club came back with several awards plus a 50/50 winner. We will send out more information as it becomes available.

Barry is looking into a Dinner Dash to Motorheads in Springfield in the near future.

Minutes of May 10, 2022 continued

Current copy of the By-laws have been emailed to the membership. Please discard the previous versions.

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

We have resumed "Fork On the Road" 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.

President: Doug Hanner

Thank you to all of the volunteers that worked the Christie Clinic Marathon. The weather wasn't too bad but we did get a heavy rain towards the end of the race.

Doug and Steve Mechling will be attending the NCRS Meet on May 13th & 14th to get certification for their cars.

The Spring Corvette Adventures at Chula Vista Resort will be held on June 9 – 11, 2022 and the Fall one will be held September 9 – 11, 2022.

Corvette FunFest will be held September 16th & 17th at Effingham. Registration is \$16.75 per car and the dinner on Saturday evening is \$10.00/person.

Old Business:

Reminder that members are supposed to wear their name tag to the meetings. If you forget, it will cost you 25 cents. The collection box is on the officer's table.

The club had a great time at the Mission BBQ in Peoria. The food was great and they had a good time.

The members had a good time on the Fairbury Cruise for lunch. There were 8 cars. One of the highlights was visiting Kilgus Dairy for fresh ice cream.

The Ta'Carbon Car show in Tuscola was well attended. There were 91 vehicles and 20 motorcycles registered. Member Bob Utterback had bought a Hot Rod three weeks prior and while it was at the show a drunk driver hit it.

Barry and Debby Wagner went on the Route 66 Red Carpet Corridor Tour. It went from Lexington to Joliet. There were 12 towns along the way and you would stop in each one to get a sticker to place on a sheet with the picture of the Volkswagon owned by Bob Waldmire which is on display at the Route 66 Museum in Pontiac.

New Business:

Dick Lampe brought a wooden flag that he made to display. Contact Dick if you are interested in purchasing one. The cost is \$100.00.

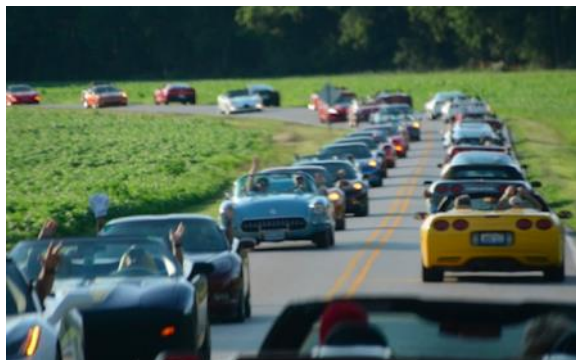
Corvette Chat

A reminder to C6 owners, you need to change your cabin air filters.

50/50 - \$87.00 – Gordon Green

Motion to adjourn- Made by George Dick, seconded by Steve Mechling. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



June Birthdays

June 2	Kay Cain
June 3	Tom Forrest
June 6	Chuck Cain
June 6	Molly Pettice
June 7	Sharon Kuntz
June 9	Monty Ewing
June 12	Joyce Cryer
June 19	Rich Lampo
June 22	Denise Unrein
June 24	Lori Davis
June 26	Steve Erwin
June 26	Brenda Runyon
June 28	Charlie Mornount
June 29	Fred Wahlfeldt
June 29	Larry Warf



Call 217-352-4275
Ask for special Club pricing

www.sullivanparkhill.com

**Club Calendar**

June 9-11
Corvette Adventures (Spring)

Chula Vista Resort
Wisconsin Dells, WI

June 10-11
Bloomington Gold
Illinois State University
702 W College Dr, Normal IL

June 12
Dinner Dash
Motorheads Bar, Grill, & Museum
Springfield, IL

June 12-17
NCCC Convention
Atlantic City, NJ

June 14
Monthly Club Meeting
7:00 pm
Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive
440 West Anthony Dr
Champaign, IL

July 4
Rantoul 4th of July Parade
9:30 am
Rantoul, IL

July 12
Monthly Club Meeting
7:00 pm
Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive
440 West Anthony Dr,
Champaign, IL

July 28
Steve Brown Memorial
Dinner Dash
Dewey's Drive-in
Farmer City, IL

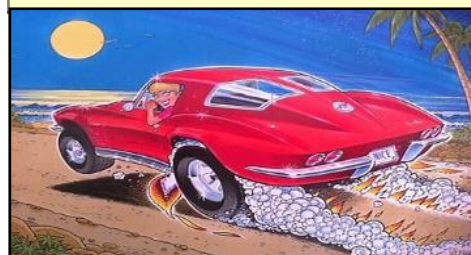
July 31
Road Rally
Farm & Fleet
Urbana, IL

September 17, 2022**Special Olympics Family Festival**

Lake Land College, Mattoon
8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

On September 17, 2022, the Central Illinois Special Olympics (Region 1) is having its Family Festival. The Corvette Club of Illinois will be an integral part of this very special event by participating in the parade, displaying our cars and volunteering to work a game tent. It is estimated that there will be about 800 athletes, 800 friends for a day escorts, and some 400 volunteers at this event. This festival event features sports activities, fun games, singing and dancing, performances by local entertainers, exhibitions and a free lunch. This is a very rewarding day when you see the reaction of the participants.

P.S. You will still be available to go to Fun Fest



CORVETTE CLUB OF ILLINOIS**"Dinner-Dash"**

**ROUTE 66 MOTORHEADS BAR AND GRILL
600 TORONTO ROAD
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

SUNDAY JUNE 12, 2022

DETAILS:

We will CARAVAN starting promptly at **9:30 a.m.** from **Planet Fitness in Champaign.**

We will travel West on I-72. Members can join the Caravan along the way or just meet us at Motorheads.

The Rest Stop East of Decatur is CLOSED.

The Caravan should arrive at Decatur US 51 approximately 10:30 a.m.

We will continue travelling west to Springfield where we will junction with I-55, travelling south to Toronto Road West exit.

Our goal is to be at Motorheads about 11:30 a.m. and dine around noon.

Motorheads is a not only a restaurant, but a museum / collection of automotive and automotive related history.

To watch their video, go to this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G26UHshUYbg>

"Time to go Corvetting "



Welcome to our Club

Dan Edwards

Mahomet, IL

2014 PREM. CONV; 2X 1996 COLLECTOR ED



“A FORK ON THE ROAD”

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

R PLACE RESTAURANT

MORRIS, IL 60450

815-942-3690



<https://www.ta-petro.com/amenities/restaurants/r-place-restaurant-morris-il-60450>

Located within the TA Travel Center on Illinois Route 47 in Morris is the R Place Family Eatery Restaurant.

This restaurant does not fit the mold of a traditional “truck stop” restaurant. Their menu offers selections typically not found at the run of the mill truck stop restaurants. Yes, there are the favorite selections you would expect to find, such as a wide variety of breakfast choices, dinner entrees and sandwiches along with a selection of salads.

The restaurant also includes an “in-house” bakery that turns out a wide variety of home-made breads, flaky pastries and cakes.

Of particular interest are the daily breakfast and dinner specials. Many of the specials are quite upscale from what is normally found at a truck stop style restaurant.

The restaurant is colorfully decorated with many vintage toys and pictures.

Another unique and beautiful dining experience in Illinois.

Please visit their web site for more information.

NOTE: All information is believed to be accurate at the time of publication. Because of the effects of COVID, business's may have to alter their normal operation dealing with staffing issues as well as any imposed restrictions. It is advised to contact the business prior to making a special trip.

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

An interview with Club members Mike and Brenda Runyon

By Carol Castellon

On the Club Calendar the month of May, is a black 2014 convertible ... well, the Runyons no longer have this Corvette! They traded it for a 2014 red convertible with adrenaline red interior.

Mike was always “into” sports cars. He said that once he drove a Corvette, he was hooked – and he liked the way they looked. He bought his first corvette in 2002 – it was a red 2000 coupe. He’s owned 5 more corvettes since then: he traded the 2000 for a 2005 Laguna Blue coupe; traded it for a new 2014 red coupe that he ordered; traded it for a 2016 red coupe, but it had torque converter issues so he traded for the 2014 black convertible featured on the Club Calendar. When Mike was considering looking at the 2014 red convertible last month in Morton after going to lunch at Mission BBQ, their friends and fellow club members, Mike and Patti Gruber jokingly encouraged them to stop by and see it – saying “you know you want it!”



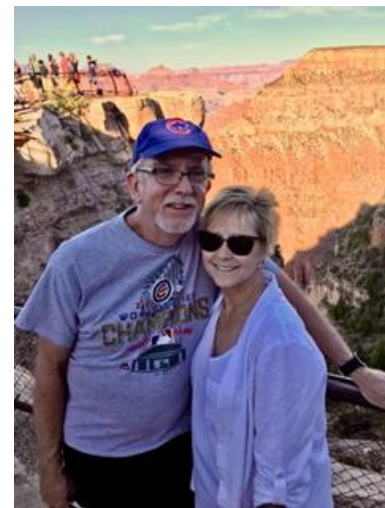
Mike and Brenda joined the Club in 2016 after the late Jerry Weise, who was a club member at the time, saw Mike washing his corvette on the driveway and stopped to invite him to join. Jerry lived down the street around the corner from Mike.

Mike worked with former club member, Greg Anderson, since 1987, so naturally, their first trip was to Vettes on the River which Greg had planned. It was really hot, but both Mike and Brenda said it was fun.

Mike and Brenda went to Bloomington Gold both years it was in Champaign, and enjoyed the road trip to Monticello that was part of BG. They enjoy the dinner dashes and look forward to more of them. They feel the Club offers an excellent variety of activities for members.

Mike graduated from Rantoul HS, then attended Parkland College. After college he worked for Alltel Phone Company in Rantoul from 1979 - 87, when he started working at Communications Data Group in Champaign. He has worked for CDG for 35 years and plans on retiring at the end of July 2023.

Mike’s family also owned the bowling alley, Country Tyme Lanes, in Rantoul from 1988-2007. The bowling alley managed to survive the closing of Chanute AFB in 1995 and the family was able to enjoy many years of providing a place for families and kids to come together to have fun and make lasting friendships. Mike has bowled for 50 years, and has bowled 18 games with a score of 300. Both of his sons have also been bowling since the ages of 3 and his oldest son has bowled 21 of the 300-games, while his youngest son has bowled 13. Brenda was also a bowler who could hold her own but not quite as good as Mike and the boys. Mike has also bowled in 17 National tournaments throughout the country.



Mike met Brenda when she worked as a waitress at the bowling alley. They were married in 1981 and have two sons, Aaron and Garrett. Both boys are married and they each have two children – a boy and a girl each - ages 6 – 4 – 2 – 3 months. Interestingly, the two girl granddaughters are the first girls born into the Runyon family in about 60 years –as the Runyon family usually only had boys.

An interview with Club members Mike and Brenda Runyon *continued***By Carol Castellon**

Brenda's father served in the Air Force so they lived many places, including Lackland AFB, Texas (where she was born), Tachikawa AFB, in Japan, Wiesbaden, Germany, and Chanute AFB in Rantoul. Two years after coming to Chanute, her parents divorced and she moved to live with her mother in Galeton, PA where she graduated high school. After graduation she then moved to California with her dad, and then back to Rantoul, where her dad managed the bar at the bowling alley after retiring from the Air Force. That's how she got a job as a waitress at the bowling alley where she met and then married Mike. Brenda worked for a local attorney from 1979 to 1987 where she took some time off after having their youngest son before going to work at the Champaign County Courthouse from 1988 to 1998. She then worked at the Village of Rantoul from 1999 until her retirement at the end of June in

2021. Brenda loves to quilt and shop for antiques.



Mike shared an interesting fun fact. For many years, he has allowed high school boys to take their date to the Prom in his Corvette. It started with his youngest son, then he started letting other boys who have asked, take his Corvette for the evening. Mike says he has to know the family and boy. He required the

boy to come over so he could explain the car's features to the boy and then the boy has to take Mike for a ride so that he can make sure the boy is comfortable driving the car. Mike has never had to change his mind after a ride and the boys knew what they could and couldn't do. The boy has to return the car after the dance, but it makes for a memorable evening for that young man. The last time his Corvette was taken to the Prom was in Spring 2020. I admire Mike for doing this, but doubt it will start a trend in the Club!



At the next meeting, you may want to shake hands with the brave man who loans his Corvette to teenage boys to drive to the Prom!

August 13, 2022

St. Joseph Parade and Fair

On August 13, St Joseph will be having its City Fair and Parade. Last year we had 11 Corvettes in the parade. More information will be coming out soon. Please let Ken Guyette (248-880-4952) know if are available to drive in the parade.



Corvette Club of Illinois 2022 Road Rallye

Can you just imagine driving all over Champaign County looking for landmarks, and answering silly questions with instructions that are coded and will take some brains to figure out? Well, get ready for the road rallye that you won't want to miss. For every landmark you find or question you answer correctly, you earn points, and the 3 teams that get the most points will win prizes.

We will be doing this on Sunday, July 31st, starting at 1:30 with a Drivers meeting from the Farm & Fleet parking lot and ending at a TBD restaurant at 5:00 for awards and food.

Entry fee will be \$20.00 per car/team, with proceeds going to our charity account. Entry fee will be collected at the Club's June and July meetings and the day of the Rallye.

The highest point team will win \$50.00, second place \$30.00, and third place \$20.00. More information will be available at the June and July meetings, and the day of the Rallye.

This event is a non-sanctioned NCCC event for points, but all participants will need to sign a waiver.

Contact Tom McKinley (217-493-0586) or Ken Guyette (248-880-4952) to get on the list of teams participating. We would appreciate knowing if you're planning to participate as soon as possible to know how many teams we will have.

Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	WHERE
June 9 th -11 th	Corvette Adventure	Wisconsin, Dells, WI www.corvetteadventures.com
June 10 th -11 th	Bloomington Gold	Bloomington, IL www.bloomingtongold.com
June 11 th	Show & Shine	Culver's, Danville, IL
June 11 th	Car Show	Fairbanks Pk, Terre Haute, IN
June 18 th	Milford Fun Days	Downtown, Milford, IL
June 19 th	Car Show	Lil Nugget, Danville, IL
June 19 th	Car & Bike Show	Life Church, Bowman Ave, Danville, IL
June 25 th	Car Show	Lincoln Park, Danville, IL
June 25 th	Car Show	Downtown Tolono, IL
July 2 nd	VFW Car Show	City Park, Oakland, IL
July 2 nd	Car Show	Beaverville, IL
July 4 th	4th of July Parade	Rantoul, IL
July 4 th	Car Show	Pells Park, Paxton, IL
July 10 th	Car Show	Downtown, Mahomet, IL
July 10 th	Cruise-In	Oakwood, IL
July 17 th	Car Show	Downtown, Hume, IL
July 23 rd	Car Show	Fairgrounds, Champaign, IL
July 28 th	Dinner Dash	Dewey's, Farmer City, IL
July 30 th	Car Show	Downtown, Sidney, IL
July 31 st	Road Rally	Farm & Fleet, Urbana, IL
August 6 th	Car Show	Georgetown, IL Fairgrounds
August 6 th	Car Show	Perrysville, IN
August 7 th	Cruise-In	Oakwood, IL
August 13 th	Corvette Show	Carmel, IN
August 13 th	St. Joseph Parade & Fair	St. Joseph, IL
August 20 th	Cruise-In	Georgetown, IL
August 27 th	Car Show	Legion Park, Watseka, IL
September 3 rd	Car Show	City Park, Hoopeston, IL
September 4 th	Car Show	Ellsworth, IL
September 4 th	Cruise-In	Oakwood, IL
September 10 th	Mega Car Show	Former Tatman's, Champaign, IL
September 11 th	Car, Truck, Bike Show	St. Mary's Church, Beaverville, IL
September 16 th -17 th	Fun Fest	Effingham, IL
September 17 th	Special Olympics Festival	Lakeland College, Mattoon, IL
September 17 th	Fall Festival Car Show	Ellsworth Park, Danville, IL
September 23 rd -24 th	Rt 66, Car Show	Downtown, Springfield, IL
September 24 th	Apple Fest Car Show	Covington, IN
October 30 th	Barn III Dinner Theater	Goodfield, IL

Classic Car CRUISE-IN

MAY 1, 2022
JUNE 5, 2022

JULY 10, 2022
AUGUST 7, 2022
SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

Please practice social distancing. Thank you.

5 P.M.



**In Loving Memory of
Fred Thornsborough
and Jim Wright**



Obie's Arctic Chill
102 S. Oakwood St.
Oakwood, IL 61858
(217) 354-4412



Join us at the Barn III on Sunday, October 30th
for the performance of "Run For Your Wife".

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Show begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$43.20 per person and include dinner,
show, and tax.

Contact Jody Retter at 309-824-6648 or jodyretter@yahoo.com
to reserve your seats.



**← RUN
for your
WIFE →**



Run For Your Wife
By Ray Cooney

The hilarious tale of John Smith, a London taxicab driver, who literally has two lives...complete with two different wives! Somehow, he manages to juggle them both without arousing suspicion until one fateful night when he wakes up in a hospital which is where his unscrupulous world starts to implode and hilarity ensues. This fast, furious and funny farce will leave you reeling as John Smith does his best to unravel his mess!