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President's Message

I hope everyone had a safe and fun Memorial Day. This means that it is OFFICIALLY SUMMERTIME!!! I just updated the Calendar of Events and this looks to be a very busy summer of car stuff.

By the time that this month's newsletter is published Bloomington Gold will be in the history books for another year. This being the 50th year should be one for the books. Just a little reminder if you are not too tired after Bloomington Gold there is a cruise at Obie's Arctic Chill in Oakwood that starts at 5:00 pm on Sunday July 4th for some ice cream or eats.

There is going to be a lot of Events to attend this year, so check your emails and of course make sure to check out the Calendar of Events. Please check out the Club Newsletter for updates on events.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the Club picnic at Lampe's in Ellsworth on July 23rd with a rain date of the July 30th. The plans are to eat at 1:00 pm. Please check out the flyer attached to this newsletter.

If any members have knowledge of a car show/display or cruise-in for 2023 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. If you have any flyers from other shows and events bring them to the meeting or email them to Gordon Green (ggreen570@gmail.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.

DOUG'S TECH TIP

TECH TIP: It is that time of the year again, if you have not already taken out your Corvette for a Nice Cruise be sure check the air in your tires, oil level, antifreeze level, brake fluid level, and condition of your tires. I know that everyone is very capable of maintaining your own Corvette, but a little reminder does not hurt anyone. Let's all be prepared for a Busy Summer.

Next Meeting 7:00 PM
June 13, 2023
Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

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

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Minutes of May 9, 2023

President, Doug Hanner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., 46 members were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and greeting everyone.

Guest or Prospective Members or Associate Members

Butch & Linda Brann from Tennessee

Members with a new or different car – color and year

None

Good and Welfare

Wick Wicklund from Philo passed away.

Sharon Pearson reported that Dan McKenzie is failing.

Deb Lammler had a good report from Northwestern.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

Dave Crull made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Steve Tribble. Motion carried.

Treasurer report: Brenda Croxton

Max Mitchell made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Linda Smith. Motion carried.

Governors Report: Tom McKinley

Corvette Club of Illinois has 151 members. The Midwest Region has 28 clubs with 2 new ones and a total membership of 2,804. Route 66 Club is the largest in the Midwest. Nationally, there are 236 clubs and 18,241 members.

NCCC has back tracked on banning EV's and took the ban out of the rule book. This came about due to bad publicity in automobile magazines. Regions or venues can make the decision whether to let EV's run. E-Rays will be allowed because they are a Hybrid instead of a true EV.

750 members have registered for this year's convention.

FCOA will have activities for children that are attending.

There are 50 entrants in the Valve Cover Race

The 2024 convention will be in Joplin, Missouri. Major contracts have been signed.

The 2025 convention will be in Syracuse, New York and the committee is looking into providing buses to Niagara Falls. This would be a 5 hour round trip.

For the 2026 convention, the Steering Committee is looking for a club to host the convention in the Black Hills Area.

When we participate in parades with underage riders, a parent or guardian must sign the waiver. This means that waivers will have to be sent to the venue prior to the day. You will be responsible for making sure that it has been signed or they will not be able to ride on your car. Also, you will need to sign the Witness line at the bottom of the waiver.

The lawsuit over a signature on a waiver has been settled. It was proven that the signature did belong to the plaintiff and not his wife's.

Tom presented NCCC shirt patches to the Greens. Gordon had 200 points and Sandy placed 7th in points.

The club received \$250.00 from Windy City for a sanction used at Tire Rock.

There will be an Autocross in Rantoul on Memorial Day weekend, May 27, 28 & 29. We need volunteers and it is a lot of fun to come and watch everyone maneuver through the pylons.

Trustees: Ken Guyette

No 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: Gordon Green

Website is up to date.

Calendars

The 2023 calendars are available for purchase. We will bring them to the next meeting and they are now \$5.00.

We are taking reservations for your car to be featured in the 2024 calendar. May, June, July and December have been taken. Please let Barry know what month you want. We will be checking on the prices for 2024.

Social Functions:

Reservations are still being taken for the Barn III dinner theater on August 5th. They have a deal that if we pay in the next couple of weeks they will reduce the price to \$42.50 per person instead of \$50.00.

Arrangements for the trip to Branson, Mo. September 18th thru 22nd have been made. Information is in the newsletter.

Vice President: Barry Wagner

The Chicago Corvette Club will be coming down on Saturday, May 27th to Papa Del's and we are invited to meet them there at 11:30 a.m. They are friends with the owner and have set up a space that we can meet and chat. This would be a good time to meet members of other clubs.

The Fisher Car Show scheduled for July 15th has been cancelled.

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.

Minutes of May 9, 2023 *continued*

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

The 2023 NCCC Convention will be held in Bowling Green, Kentucky on June 25th thru 30th. Registration is still ongoing. Bloomington Gold will be held on Friday, June 2nd and Saturday, June 3rd. The Club will caravan over on the 3rd and we will have club parking. Doug will send out info on the place and time to leave. When you register be sure and let them

know you are with the Corvette Club of Illinois. If you want a T-shirt let Doug know your size.

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

Old Business:

We had 7 cars caravan to Cake Bake and Ford's Garage in Indiana on April 18th. The food was good and everyone had a great time. Everyone was on their own going home.

We had 9 cars caravan to Mission BBQ in Peoria on April 22nd. The food was great and the décor was interesting. While we were eating it began to snow and sleet. Everyone made it back without any incidents.

Thank you to everyone who worked the Illinois Marathon.

The weather wasn't the best and there were a few hiccups along the way but everything worked out.

Barry and Debby Wagner, John and Nina Gill and a friend of theirs went on the Route 66 Red Carpet Tour on May 6th. Everyone went on their own, taking their time to make stops at different locations. We met in Wilmington at Nelly's on Route 66 for lunch and were joined by Todd and Lisa Lemenager.

There were fewer vehicles than previous years.

There were a total of 75 vehicles at the Tuscola Benefit Car Show on May 6th which included 20+ Corvettes.

Dick and Janice Lampe won an award for their C7 at the NCM Bash in Bowling Green.

New Business:

Sullivan-Parkhill will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary this year. The celebration will be held on Saturday, September 30th. More information will be given when it becomes available.

May 20th, the National Corvette Restorers Society will be judging cars in Pontiac at Driscoll Motors.

July 23rd the Club Picnic will be held at Dick and Janice Lampe's in Ellsworth at 1:00 p.m. Rain date is July 30th.

July 27th is the Steve Brown Memorial Dinner Dash to Dewey's in Farmer City.

August 5th there will be an All Car Show at the Vermilion County Airport.

Funfest will be held September 14th thru 16th in Effingham.

Corvette Chat

Be sure and change your C6 cabin air filter. It was suggested that you put screen wire over the filter while storing to keep out mice and their nests. Also, dryer sheets and Irish Spring soap will deter them.

When buying a used Corvette pay to get the Car Fax report.

Ray Gonzalez told owners of C7 to check their rims. He had 3 that were bent.

50/50 - \$87.00 – Craig Makemson

Motion to adjourn- Made by George Dick, seconded by Karen Crull. Motion carried.


The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.



Dick and Janice Lampe
attended the
National Corvette Museum's
annual "Bash" on April 27-29.

At Saturday's Museum Car Show their 2015 Corvette Stingray
was awarded "C7 Best in Show".

Congratulations, Dick and Janice!!!

<p style="text-align: center;">June Birthdays</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>Kay Cain</td><td>June 2</td></tr> <tr><td>Tom Forrest</td><td>June 3</td></tr> <tr><td>Chuck Cain</td><td>June 6</td></tr> <tr><td>Molly Musgrove</td><td>June 6</td></tr> <tr><td>Sharon Kuntz</td><td>June 7</td></tr> <tr><td>Monty Ewing</td><td>June 9</td></tr> <tr><td>Joyce Cryer</td><td>June 12</td></tr> <tr><td>Rich Lampo</td><td>June 19</td></tr> <tr><td>Lori Davis</td><td>June 24</td></tr> <tr><td>Steve Erwin</td><td>June 26</td></tr> <tr><td>Brenda Runyon</td><td>June 26</td></tr> <tr><td>Charlie Mornout</td><td>June 28</td></tr> <tr><td>Larry Warf</td><td>June 29</td></tr> </table>	Kay Cain	June 2	Tom Forrest	June 3	Chuck Cain	June 6	Molly Musgrove	June 6	Sharon Kuntz	June 7	Monty Ewing	June 9	Joyce Cryer	June 12	Rich Lampo	June 19	Lori Davis	June 24	Steve Erwin	June 26	Brenda Runyon	June 26	Charlie Mornout	June 28	Larry Warf	June 29	 <p>Wagners Signs & Apparel</p> <p>BANNER SIGNS GRAPHIC DESIGNS T-SHIRT PRINTING</p> <p>JimWagnerSigns.com 209 E LINCOLN ST ST. JOSEPH, IL</p> <p>PROUD PARTNER CORVETTE CLUB OF IL PROVIDING YOUR CLUB APPAREL corvetteclubil.itemorder.com VISIT THIS SITE TO SEE ALL YOUR CLUB APPAREL</p>  <p>Call 217-352-4275 Ask for special Club pricing</p> <p>www.sullivanparkhill.com</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Club Calendar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June 13 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June 24-30 NCCC National Convention Bowling Green, KY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">July 4 4th of July Parade Rantoul, IL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">July 9 Mahomet Auto Fest Mahomet, IL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">July 11 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL</p>
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Sullivan-Parkhill 100th Anniversary Celebration

Sullivan Parkhill has asked the Corvette Club of Illinois to help in the celebration of their 100th Anniversary. The date for this celebration is Saturday, September 30th.

Closer to the event we will meet with Dave Parkhill to discuss what the Club can do to help with this celebration. We think they will want us to display our Corvettes and maybe help with parking.

For now, please put this date on your calendars so we can show Sullivan Parkhill how much we appreciate their support and use of their building for our meetings.

In Memoriam

Romayne Wicklund

PHILO - Romayne Clare "Wick" Wicklund, born Sept. 7, 1929, in Rockford, the son of Dorothy Irene Rowley and Roy Wicklund. He passed on Sunday (May 7, 2023) at 2:35 p.m. at Arbor Rose, Tolono.

He graduated East High School, attended the University of Illinois through Navy ROTC, earning a bachelor's in journalism, and later attended the UI law school, earning his law degree. After completing officer training, he served as a journalist in the Persian Gulf and traveled extensively. Eventually, he retired as a commander in Naval Intelligence within the Naval Reserves.

While stationed in New Orleans, he married Lila Jean Jones and began raising his children. After attending law school, Wick chose to work at the UI Extension Office instead of practicing law. In 1966, he was hired as assistant secretary to the board of trustees. He served the University of Illinois for 37 years before retiring as associate secretary.

In 1987, he married Linda Little Plotner, and they enjoyed many adventures together from trips and cruises, gardening and the search for many eclectic items for their home.

Linda and Wick enjoyed almost 36 years of marriage together. The guardianship of their grandson, Cody Plotner, gave them years of unexpected joy. With their nurturing, he lived years beyond expectations until his loss at 12 years old in 2008.

He is survived by his wife, Linda; children Deni Wicklund (Palo Alto, Calif.), Julie McMahon (Champaign) and Eric Wicklund (Austin, Texas); six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his stepchildren, Brian Plotner (Fairmount), Christopher Plotner (Tolono) and Susan Ward (Tolono), and their spouses; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his son Jim Wicklund and grandson Cody Plotner.

The funeral arrangements are being handled by Freese Funeral Home. Services will be held at Countryside United Methodist Church, Urbana. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon, and funeral services will be at noon, Monday, May 15. Burial will follow in Locust Grove Cemetery, Philo. Please join the family for a luncheon following the cemetery at Countryside United Methodist Church. Condolences may be made at freeseFH.com.





Pizza Dash at Papa Del's in Champaign with members from the Chicago Corvette Club
May 27, 2023





Enjoying Papa Del's with members of the Chicago Corvette Club.



CORVETTE CLUB OF ILLINOIS

ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

HOSTED BY DICK & JANICE LAMPE
205 E. SOUTH ST., ELLSWORTH, IL.

SUNDAY JULY 23, 2023

(RAIN DATE JULY 30, 2023)

EAT AT 1:00 PM


CLUB PROVIDES:

HAMBURGERS, BRATS, HOT DOGS & BUNS
CONDIMENTS, TABLE SERVICE
LEMONADE & ICED TEA



**YOU BRING:
DISH TO PASS, CHAIRS**

Join us 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 regarding this event.



“A FORK ON THE ROAD”

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

THE TAMALE PLACE
5226 ROCKVILLE ROAD
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46224
1-317-248-9771
<https://www.thetamaleplace.com>



RESTAURANT HOURS: (EST)

MONDAY – SATURDAY 9 AM – 6 PM
CLOSED - SUNDAY

In a search for authentic tamales, I approached some local purveyors of Mexican food and was referred to The Tamale Place on the east side of Indianapolis.

The Tamale Place is the real deal.

Opened in 2014 by husband and wife team of Angela Green and Vladimir Ronces (yes, a Mexican with a Russian name).

Their menu is not limited to tamales, but they offer bowls, tortas, tacos, combos and nachos, along with sides and family friendly drinks.

Of particular note are the dessert (sweet) tamales.

Please go to the website to view their menu.

One thing to keep in mind is that a limited quantity of tamales are hand-made every day and they sell out fast. It is best if you get there early or call ahead with your order.

If you are in the mood for authentic Mexican food, this is the place for you.

Your first visit will not be your last.

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 Art & Chona Rapp

By Carol Castellon

Art was 9-10 years-old when he saw his first Corvette. He was riding with his dad when a '59 or '60 red 'Vette with a white Ermine passed them. Art couldn't stop looking at it out the back window of his dad's truck. He asked his dad what it was and his dad said "kids in a damn hotrod." From that time, he wanted a Corvette.

He started to buy one several times but insurance nixed the idea. He let his first wife talk him out of buying a Corvette, twice. Once he bought a '77 Trans Am after looking at a '77 Vette, which she didn't like as it had no back seat but she liked the '77 Trans Am. He gave in again in 1980 for an '80 Chevy XII Citation, "with a back seat." (LOL) Then, after having a daughter, a Corvette was on hold. After his daughter was grown and on her own, he bought a new 2003 Anniversary Edition Convertible. He had ordered it from Rasmussen in Mattoon, but they raised the price when he went to pay for it, and he refused to buy it. He then went to Sullivan Chevrolet and they offered the same 'Vette for a lower price. FYI: He had already bought a new Chevy Avalanche a few months before at Rasmussen's. (Buying a new Corvette and new Avalanche gives new meaning to "empty nest.")



He didn't know about NCM Museum Delivery at the time he bought his Corvette, but a year later, paid for the NCM Experience and enjoyed it. He tells everyone to get that option when they buy a 'Vette.

Shortly after buying his 'Vette, Art joined the Club at the encouragement of Tom McKinley. He and Chona immediately enjoyed the cruises, shows, dining, and activities. They went on the Club trip to Maine in 2007 and loved it, and have gone on every trip since. But one that Art particularly loved was the trip to the GM Heritage Museum in Michigan. No one can forget the picture of Club members dragging Art out of the Museum so they could get to dinner on time. Art helped plan several trips while he was VP of the Club.

In April 2008, thanks to Larry Retter, the Club "roasted" Art at a dinner event. A guest, Dennis Gunning, who was a childhood friend of Art's and restored cars for Mike Yager, told about Art saving his life by pulling him out of a pond when he thought he was drowning. Dennis evidently did not recall that first, Art pushed him in the pond, then pulled him out. As a sister, I had a long list of true stories about Art, and the Club seemed to enjoy them all!



At that "Roast," Arthur was the original recipient of the "PooPoo Paddle," now given to a Club member who did something memorable in a goofy/bad way. Arthur got it from Doug when Art mailed a buffalo turd to Doug from Yellowstone. Doug & Delora were not able to go on the Yellowstone Club Trip, so it was a souvenir Doug just loved. That turd was given as a white elephant gift for several years at the Club Christmas Party, and eventually mounted and painted with sealer. Someone ended up with the turd when we stopped trading white elephant gifts. The paddle was passed every year to another member, chosen by the one holding the paddle. Some of the recipients were Ray Gonzalez for leaving his cell phone in a bathroom in Colorado, Kathy McKenzie, for being pushed down a hill in Fontana Resort, and Vanessa Brewer for her portraying a nurse at FunFest fundraiser.

An interview with Club members Art & Chona Rapp

By Carol Castellon



Art was drag-racing his car "Short Cut" when he was in his early 20's. Art drag-raced his Corvette (but only beat his sister once when he pushed "the button" on her car and she lost control). He liked racing so much that he attended Ron Fellows racing school in Nevada, and loved it! At Bloomington Gold at the Indy 500, Chona had a chance to ride with a driver from Ron Fellows racing school. After the ride, she got out of the car, threw her helmet down and said to Art "Is THAT what you did for 3 days at racing school?!!"

Art doesn't attend many meetings since being elected to the St. Joseph Village Board - they meet the same time as the Club meeting. But he and Chona still attend Club events.

Art graduated from Palestine High School, then worked for Crawford County Road Commission for about a year until he starting working for Illinois Central Railroad, now known as Canadian National Railroad. In 2005, he was in a bad auto accident which broke his heel in 6 pieces and was forced to take disability. He had been dating Chona Collins since 1989, who worked in Dr. Shepardson's office. The auto accident was a wake-up call for him to marry Chona, so they married in 2005 a month after the accident. Chona came from the Philippines as a nurse on a work visa in 1978. She has a son, Christopher, wife Jamee, 4 grandchildren, Nicholas, Kaylee, Drew, and Kingston, and one great-grandson, Braylin. Arthur has a daughter, Christina, and two grandchildren, Colton and Maegan. Chona became an American citizen in 1993 with Art's encouragement.



In about 2010, Arthur convinced the Club to set aside some money to help a member(s) who were in a bad situation as "charity begins at home." It was agreed the Club would give the member up to \$500. Over the years, the Club helped members who lost their house in a tornado, had a severe medical emergency, needed assistance with hotel costs when a child was hospitalized after a serious auto accident. The Club Board makes the decision when and who to help, realizing it is the gesture, not the amount, that would give meaning to the gift received by the member in need. Arthur never thought he'd need help, but on December 29, 2021, his house in St. Joseph caught fire and burned down. He lost

nearly everything. Fortunately, the Corvette was in storage, and the firemen removed his other cars before the garage burned down. He was surprised when he too got a check from the Club. He would like to thank the Club, and commented that this Club really is a family that cares. He moved into his new house in February 2023, built on the old foundation with work still ongoing.

Our Club is fortunate to have many members willing to help others, and Art is another good example.





Corvette Club Participation in Special Olympics Family Fest

September 16, 2023
Lake Land College, Mattoon
9:00 a.m. – 2 p.m.

On September 16, 2023, 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.

I will like to get a commitment of 13 - 15 cars and at least 25 club members to sign up before I tell Special Olympics that we are good to go for this year.

The event will be held on the grounds of the Lake Land College in Mattoon. All club participants should arrive at the McDonalds at exit 184 on I-57 South at 8:30 am on Saturday, September 16th. We will then caravan the ½ mile to Lake Land College at 9:00 am.

We will leave McDonalds at 9:00 am to drive the ½ mile to Lake Land College where we will line up for the parade. The Corvettes will start lining up about 9:00 to be featured in this short parade that winds through the Lake Land parking lot. The Corvettes will be carrying 4 Special Olympics Athletes and about 10 local Princesses and Queens (we will need to have waivers signed by all riders). The parade will start at 10:00 and after the parade there will be a torch lighting. About 10:00 am, we will park the parade cars in the Corvette only parking area.

This is when all of the Special Olympians and their families will get a chance to see our cars up close. The organizers have requested that we DO NOT let anybody sit in our cars.

During the day, there will be all kinds of games, activities, music and lunch. The Corvette Club will be the volunteers for one of the activity tents. Our tent will have three games for the athletes, a soft ball toss, bucket ball, and a drag race game. Each athlete will have a "friend of the day" to help them with each game. Each athlete will be given a ribbon for participating. The ribbons will be supplied by Special Olympics. I will need about 14 club members at a time to run the games, and we will switch out during the event. I would also like to have some of the members check on the Corvettes during the day.

All volunteers will get a Special Olympics Family Fest Volunteer Shirt.

Lunch will be provided by Special Olympics from 11:00 – 1:30. I understand it is a box lunch with a Jimmy John's sandwich, other healthy snacks and bottled water.

The games in the tent will close at 1:30, and then we will be able to clean up and leave by 2:30.

If some of the Club members are wanting to go to Fun Fest in Effingham you will be able to leave around 12:00 noon.

At 2:00 pm, they will have the closing ceremony if you want to stay.

Please contact me if you want to join in on this great club charity event.

Ken Guyette

248-880-4952

kjguyette@aol.com

September 18-22, 2023



Road Trip to Branson

This trip will include a scenic drive to beautiful Eureka Springs, a day at Top of the Rock, 2 musical shows, and a dinner cruise on the Branson Belle Showboat. Free time is also on the agenda to explore Branson as you wish!

Please let us know if you'd like to join us on this adventure. We need to get our lodging and show tickets reserved as soon as possible! More details will be made available once we know how many will be in our group.

Please contact Jody Retter at 309-824-6648 or jodyretter@yahoo.com with any questions you might have.



2023 At a Glance

June 17	All Wheels Show—Newman City Park, Newman, IL - 9 am-2:30 pm
June 17	Car Show – Milford, IL
June 18	Car Show – Life Church in Danville, IL
June 24	Car Show—Lincoln Park in Danville, IL
June 24	Car Show – Tolono Fun Days in Tolono, IL
June 24-30	NCCC National Convention – Bowling Green, KY
June 25	Mahomet Cars & Coffee—Whisk Coffee & Wine Bar, Mahomet, IL—8-10 am
July 1	Car Show – Covington, IN City Park
July 1	Car Show – Beaverville, IL
July 4	4 th of July Parade – Rantoul, IL
July 4	Car Show – Bement, IL Park
July 8	Car Show – Village Mall in Danville,
July 8	Morris Cruise Night—Downtown Morris, IL—6-9 pm
June 8	Cars & Coffee—Indy 500 Museum 8-11 am
July 9	Mahomet Auto Fest – Mahomet, IL
July 9	Cruise Night – Obies in Oakwood, IL
July 12–15	Black Hills Classic – Spearfish, SD
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
July 29	Car Show – Danville, IL VA
July 29	Car Show – Sidney, IL
July 30	Mahomet Cars & Coffee—Whisk Coffee & Wine Bar, Mahomet, IL—8-10 am
Aug. 5	Barn III Dinner Theater – Goodfield, IL
Aug. 6	Cruise Night – Obies in Oakwood, IL
Aug. 10–20	Illinois State Fair – Springfield, IL (Veteran’s Day Aug. 13)
Aug. 12	Corvette Indy Vets ‘n Vettes – Indianapolis, IN
Aug. 12	Morris Cruise Night—Downtown Morris, IL—6-9 pm
Aug. 12	Cars & Coffee—Indy 500 Museum 8-11 am
Aug. 19	River to River All Corvette Show – Herrin, IL
Aug. 19	Car Show – Sadoris, IL
Aug. 19	Corvette Cruise—Atlanta, IL
Aug. 24–26	Corvettes at Carlisle - Carlisle, PA
Aug. 26	Car Show – Ogden, IL
Aug. 26	Car Show – Legion Park in Watseka, IL
Aug. 27	Mahomet Cars & Coffee—Whisk Coffee & Wine Bar, Mahomet, IL—8-10 am
Aug. 31–Sept. 2	NCM 28 TH Anniversary Celebration - Bowling Green, PA
Sept. 2	Car Show – National Sweetcorn Festival in Hoopeston, IL
Sept. 3	Cruise Night – Obies in Oakwood, IL
Sept. 8 – 9	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
Sept. 9	Morris Cruise Night—Downtown Morris, IL - 6-9 pm
Sept. 9	Cars & Coffee—Indy 500 Museum – 8-11 am

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Sept. 10	Car Show – Beaverville, IL
Sept. 11	Special Olympics Family Fest – Mattoon, IL
Sept. 14-16	Mid-America Motorworks Corvette Funfest - Effingham, IL
Sept. 18-22	Road trip to Branson, MO
Sept. 22–24	Route 66 Mother Road Festival Car Show – Springfield, IL
Sept. 24	Mahomet Cars & Coffee—Whisk Coffee & Wine Bar, Mahomet, IL—8-10 am
Sept. 29–Oct. 1	Newport Antique Car Hill Climb – Newport, IN
Sept. 30	Sullivan-Parkhill 100th Year Anniversary—Champaign, IL
Oct. 7	Car Show – Caliber Collision in Champaign, IL
Oct. 7	Car Show – Museum in Watseka, IL
Oct. 14	Morris Cruise Night—Downtown Morris, IL—6-9 pm
Oct. 14	Cars & Coffee—Indy 500 Museum 8-11 am
Oct. 29	Mahomet Cars & Coffee—Whisk Coffee & Wine Bar, Mahomet, IL—8-10 am
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



Tuesday, July 4th

Caravan leaves from Urbana Farm & Fleet at 8:30 am sharp

Meet at corner of N. Maplewood & Rt 136 in Rantoul at 9:00 am

Parade starts at 9:30 am

This is a candy throwing event