

### President's Message

The weather is definitely changing, and not for the better. It will be a lot colder in the near future and time to put our Vettes in hibernation for the winter. Maybe there will be good enough weather to get our Vettes on the road for the Fall Colors.

Fun Fest in Effingham is on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> thru Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> in Effingham. This could be the last year for this FUN EVENT. Mike Yager is wanting to retire and enjoy life.

You need to also mark your calendars for the Club Weiner Roast/Soup Dinner at Roger and Aly Jackson's on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be more information in newsletter before the 14<sup>th</sup>. Thanks in advance to Roger and Aly for hosting this FUN Event. Remember that we have decided to add the Chile/Soup Cookoff this year to the Weiner Roast because of the previous years, Soup Cookoff was too weather dependent.

Remember everyone to mark Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Elks Lodge in Savoy for the Christmas Party. This always is a Great time for everyone. There will be more information in the next few months.

We definitely are headed to fewer events, the Calendar of Events is getting smaller, so check your emails and of course make sure to check out the calendar. Please check out the Club Newsletter for updates on events.

If any members have knowledge of a Car Show/Display or Cruise-In for 2023 you can email me at <a href="mailto:dug.hanner@gmail.com">dug.hanner@gmail.com</a> 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 <a href="www.ccofi.org">www.ccofi.org</a>. If you have any flyers from other shows and events bring them to the meeting or email them to Gordon (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.



At the upcoming September club meeting, we will be voting on important and necessary changes to our club by-laws as presented at the August 8th meeting, with a published copy that was e-mailed to the membership on August 13.

Next Meeting 7:00 PM September 12, 2023 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

> wear your name tag and bring a chair

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#### Minutes of August 8, 2023

President Doug Hanner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., 41 members were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and greeting everyone.

#### **Guest or Prospective Members or Associate Members** None

### Members with a new or different car – color and year None

#### **Good and Welfare**

Larry Retter had hip replacement surgery.

Ken Guyette has COVID.

A Thank You note from Kathy McKenzie was read.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

George Dick made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Chuck Croxton. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurer report**: Brenda Croxton

Brenda Runyon made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Cynda Dick. Motion carried.

#### **Governors Report:** Tom McKinley

Corvette Club of Illinois has 155 members.

Tom handed out Dues Notices for 2024. They need to be returned to him no later than October 27<sup>th</sup>. He needs to have them to National asap.

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**

We are taking reservations for your car to be featured in the 2024 calendar. The following months have been taken: February, April, May, June, July, August, November, and December. That leaves: January, March, September, and October. Please let Barry know what month you want. We will be checking on the prices for 2024.

#### **Social Functions:**

30 people have signed up for the Barn III on August 5<sup>th</sup>. The cut-off date to make reservations for the trip to Branson, Mo is September 4<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$1,000.00 per couple.

#### Vice President: Barry Wagner

Corvette Indy Car Show is Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at Penske Chevrolet. We will leave the Oakwood McDonald's promptly at 7:00 am.

Scott's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Car Show will be held on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at Baum Chevrolet in Clinton, IL. Registration will run from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, and is \$15.00. Judging will begin at 11:00.

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.

#### President: Doug Hanner

Veteran's Day at the Illinois State Fair will be Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Contact Doug if you want to caravan over.

Corvettes at Carlisle will be held August 24<sup>th</sup> thru 26<sup>th</sup>. Tom and Nancy Burgess have tickets but are unable to go. See them if you are interested.

Vettes on the River will be held August 26<sup>th</sup> at LeClaire, Iowa. Corvette Adventures Fall Tour will be held September 8<sup>th</sup> thru 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mid-America Funfest will be held September 14<sup>th</sup> thru 16<sup>th</sup> in Effingham.

#### **Old Business:**

We had a nice turn out for the trip to Dave's Shed in Bloomington. Everyone had a good time and a lot of things to see.

#### Minutes of August 8, 2023

Lunch was at Avanti's.

Thank you to Dick and Janice Lampe for hosting the Club Picnic. Everyone had a great time and a lot of good food topped off with homemade ice cream from Rich Larimore.

We had 24 cars at the Steve Brown Memorial Dinner Dash. It was very hot and appreciated everyone coming out.

Barry gave a report and presentation regarding the dues update for 2024 and changes to the club by-laws. These will be sent to the club members prior to the September meeting when we will vote on the changes. He checked with 27 clubs in the Midwest Region and found that we are dues are on target with theirs. The yearly dues for a club in Chicago is \$395.00.

#### **New Business:**

The Arcola Broomcorn Festival Parade will be Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. The details will be sent out when we receive them. This is a parade you can throw candy so bring lots of it if you want. We will plan on eating at Yoder's afterwards. Sullivan-Parkhill's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be held on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. They are setting aside 25 spaces for Corvettes. A sign-up sheet was sent around and so far we have

20. We would like as many generations there as possible. Special Olympics Family Fest will be held on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at Lakeland College in Mattoon. If you have not participated in the past, this is a wonderful way to spend your day helping the Special Olympians have fun. We will have details at the September meeting.

The Chili, Soup Supper and Weiner Roast will be held on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, south of Mansfield. Thank you to Aly and Roger Jackson for letting us hold it at their place.

#### **Corvette Chat**

If you have Run Flats on your car be sure and keep a tire repair kit in the car.

Doug presented the 3<sup>rd</sup> place award for Valve Cover Design to Rick Dawkins, that the club received at the Convention in Bowling Green. Rick did a wonderful job and it looked better than the others. There were 55 entries in the Valve Cover Race.

**50/50 -** \$70.00 - Gordon Green

**Motion to adjourn-** Made by Delora Hanner, seconded by Ray Gonzalez. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.





Corvette Indy Vets 'n Vettes August 12, 2023







## "A FORK ON THE ROAD"

#### SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

#### **THIS MONTH**

McCOOK BOHEMIAN RESTAURANT 8300 JOLIET RD. McCOOK, IL 60525 1-708-442-0836 https://mccookbohemian.com

#### **RESTAURANT HOURS:**

Open: Monday – Saturday 11 am – 11 pm Sunday 11 am – 8 pm



McCook, Illinois is home to the McCook Boehemian Restaurant and Bar, that specializes in Bohemian dishes from the Czech Republic as well as other European cuisine.

Here is ethnic home cooking at its best.

So many choices that may require repeat visits to the restaurant Their menu has numerous meat and fish offerings. Of particular note is the roast duck. Difficult to find outside of Chinese restaurants.

All entrees include bread and butter, soup or salad. Choice of mashed potatoes, boiled potatoes, potato salad or bread dumplings, plus choice of sauerkraut, cabbage, vegtable or beets with dessert and coffee.

A full service bar features many imported and domestic beers in addition to ethnic and standard cocktails.

The McCook Boehemian Restaurant, the place to experience and enjoy some eastern european cuisine.

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

# The Untold Story of Motorola's Secret 1990's Corvette EV Project: Where the Dream Began

Back in 1993, Motorola built an advanced electric Chevy Corvette and buried it before anyone found out.

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Just know this: The modern electric sports car revolution didn't start with Tesla or GM. It started in Arizona, with some crazy engineers seeking to break EV speed records without any bigwig executives finding out.













Corvette Indy Vets 'n Vettes
August 12, 2023
followed by Dinner at Ford's Garage







#### September Birthdays

Joe Bandy September 5

Linda Finger September 7

Nancy Burgess September 8

Jennifer Cary September 11

Teresa Erwin September 12

Bob Lange September 14

Lisa Lemenager September 15

Jerelyn Green September 20

Dan Cook September 21

Michael Stark September 26

Steve Mechling September 28

Linda Ogle September 30

#### DOUG'S TECH TIP:

Check your batteries in your Corvette plus your FOBs before the long winter storage to make sure that you don't have problems in the Spring. This might save you some headaches. I have been reading about automobile batteries not lasting as long as they used to in the past.



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#### Club Calendar

September 9 Broomcorn Parade Arcola, IL – 3:00 pm

September 12 Monthly Club Meeting

7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL

September 14-16 MidAmerica Funfest Effingham, IL

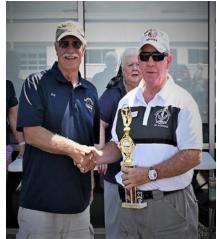
September 16 Special Olympics Family Fest Mattoon, IL

September 18-22 Road trip to Branson, MO

September 30 Sullivan-Parkhill 100th Year Anniversary Champaign, IL

October 10
Monthly Club Meeting

7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL





VISIT THIS SITE TO SEE ALL YOUR CLUB APPAREL



Winners at this year's Corvette Indy Vets 'n Vettes included: Left—Doug Hanner, Center—Mike Simms, Right—Rich Larimore

## NOMINATIONS FOR ALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS POSITIONS AND ONE TRUSTEE **POSITION (3 YEAR) ARE NOW OPEN.**

#### THE TRUSTEES WILL PREPARE A SLATE OF NOMINEES.

CONTACT ONE OF THE TRUSTEES, KEN GUYETTE OR ALY JACKSON, IF YOU DESIRE TO RUN FOR A POSITION.

NOMINATIONS WILL CLOSE AT THE OCTOBER MEETING WITH THE ELECTION HELD AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING.

# 2023 At a Glance

Sept. 8 – 9	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
Sept. 9	Cars & Coffee – Indy 500 Museum – 8-11 am
Sept. 9	Broomcorn Parade – Arcola, IL – parade starts at 3:00 pm
Sept. 9	Cruise Night – Downtown Morris, IL
Sept. 10	Car Show – Beaverville, IL
Sept. 10	Car Show – Farmer City, IL
Sept. 14-16	Mid-America Motorworks Corvette Funfest - Effingham, IL
Sept. 16	Special Olympics Family Fest – Mattoon, IL
Sept. 18-22	Road trip to Branson, MO
Sept. 22–24	Route 66 Mother Road Festival Car Show – Springfield, IL
Sept. 24	Scott's 17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Car Show - Baum Chevrolet in Clinton, 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	Cruise Night—Downtown Morris, IL
Oct. 14	Cars & Coffee—Indy 500 Museum 8-11 am
Oct. 14	Wiener roast / chili-soup dinner – Roger & Aly Jackson's, Mansfield, IL
Oct. 29	Mahomet Cars & Coffee—Whisk Coffee & Wine Bar, Mahomet, IL 8-10 am
Nov. 10 – 11	NCCC Governors Meeting - St. Louis. MO
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	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals - Rosemont, II
Nov. 18–19	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals - Rosemont, IL
	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals - Rosemont, IL  Club Christmas Party – Savoy, IL



More winners at Vets 'n Vettes

Left - Max Mitchell Right—Aaron Burke







Above—Ray Gonzalez

Below—John LeConte

