

President's Message

Just like the last few months, we will be going to McAlister's Deli at 421 W. Town Center Blvd, Champaign, IL at 5:30 pm for dinner before the meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at <u>dug.hanner@gmail.com</u> or call my cell phone, 217-369-5868.

We still have a few of the club metal signs that have not been picked up yet. I will have them at the club meeting (Tuesday, August 13th). If you ordered a sign, you will need to pay Ken Guyette \$25.00 at the meeting. We have only black primer enamel left. You can paint yours whatever color you want. Thanks to everyone for this good order.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee have been getting some ideas gathered for next year. There are some GREAT ideas to make 2020 a year to remember. If you would like to help out on this committee, every member is welcome to attend these meetings to bring some IDEAS or help with the plans. THANKS!!!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Fourth of July Parades, either Rantoul or Champaign. Just like the rest of the summer has been, it was definitely hot. The good thing was I did not hear of anyone's Corvette overheating in either parade. THANKS!!! THANKS!!! THANKS!!!

Make sure and mark your calendars for the hog roast on Sunday, August 18th at Bob and Sharon Kuntz's house in Kewanee. Check out the flyer in this newsletter. They have contacted Good's Furniture and Cerno's (an 18th century nostalgic bar) for tours. We know that is the day after the Corvette only show in Carmel, Indiana on Saturday, but please plan on this club outing to support the Kuntz's. THANKS!!!

Don't forget that this is our year to escort the queen participants in the Sweet Corn Festival in Hoopeston. We can still can use some more members to help with this fun event. At this time there are 30 queen participants and 5 judges that will need rides in the parade. If you would like to volunteer, either email Barry at <u>bkwagner@illinois.edu</u> or myself at <u>dug.hanner@gmail.com</u>. Thanks in advance for everyone's help on this matter.

Please take a minute to check out the club's website <u>www.ccofi.org</u> for any updates on club events. Steve Tribble does a great job of keeping the website up to date for all members to keep in the know. There will be more information in the upcoming newsletters on all events for 2019. Remember to bring the flyers from other shows and events to the meeting or email them to Steve Tribble (<u>s.tribble@frontier.com</u>). 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!!!

Next Meeting 7:00 PM

August 13, 2019 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

wear your name tag

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Minutes of July 9, 2019

President, Doug Hanner, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., 75 members were present. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. We took a minute to say hello to fellow club members and guests.

Guest or Prospective Members or Associate Members

Tim Wedig – 1992 C4 Yellow

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

Good and Welfare

Rich Halford passed away.

Freda Warf has been diagnosed with Leukemia and is just starting treatment.

Oak Chancellor has Melanoma and has been at Northwestern to determine his treatment.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

Charlie Mornout moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Delora Hanner. Motion approved.

Treasurer report: Ken Guyette

Ken read the report. Ray Gonzalez moved to accept the report, seconded by Chris Mechling. Motion approved.

Governor Report: Tom McKinley

Tom announced that we have 208 members.

The NCCC had a booth at Bloomington Gold for members to get a cold bottle of water and a snack. They were also selling merchandise.

Midwest Region will hold an Autocross at Rivets Stadium in Loves Park, IL Labor Day Weekend – August 31st and September 1st. Also, they will be holding their October Fundraiser in Rantoul at Hangar 2 on October 5th & 6th.

For new members, since it is late in the year, we will be holding their dues to NCCC until the first of the year. They are still members of the club but not in NCCC. This way they will not have to pay again for the coming year.

Trustees:

Nothing to report.

Report of club support groups and standing committees Communications:

Keep sending pictures for the newsletter.

Website:

Website is up-to-date.

Public Information: Nothing to report.

Calendars

Carol Castellon reported that pictures are coming in for next year.

Social Committee:

Nothing to report.

Charity Committee:

Ken Guyette reported that the Special Olympics Family Festival will be at Lakeland College in Mattoon on September 21st. Parade line-up is at 9:00 a.m. with the parade starting at 10:00. We will man a game tent from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Reminder, this is the Saturday of FunFest and the Bartender Challenge is from 2:00 to 3:00.

50th Anniversary Committee:

A report was given to the members on topics that were discussed at the meeting. We are looking at having a Club Picnic the Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend at the St. Joseph Sportsman's Club. It was suggested about contacting vendors to sponsor some of the club activities for the year. Art Rapp is checking into arrangements for a Bowling Green Trip. Corvette Adventures is working with us for a special driving tour just of our club in the spring. Doug is working with the state for special license plates to be used for a couple of months. We are urging members to attend the NCCC Convention in Indianapolis next July. The shirt with the 50th logo was shown and sample colors passed around at the meeting last month. The most popular color was black. Ray Gonzalez made a motion to accept the logo design and shirt and seconded by Chris Mechling. Motion passed. We are not sure if black will be the confirmed color. Ken Guyette will have samples of the shirts at the August meeting. We will take orders August thru October and will place the order in November. Payment must accompany order. An order form will be included in the newsletter for those unable to attend the meetings. The committee will not meet in August.

Vice President: Barry Wagner

Barry wanted to give an update on rumors that have been going around. First, Bloomington Gold has a contract with the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the next 2 years. Second, Mid-America Motorworks is not closing. The For Sale signs are for excess land that they are not using. Tabby Yager is stepping down from her duties and Dawn James is taking her place.

Remember to notify the club Board of Directors of any changes in your personal information: emails, home addresses, phone numbers, etc. The membership list is in the process of being updated. 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.

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.

Minutes of July 9, 2019 continued

Keep sending your suggestions in for "Fork on the Road".

Items for sale

Shirts \$27.00 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)

President: Doug Hanner

Doug showed the Bartender Challenge Traveling Trophy from MidAmerica Motorworks. It was presented to the club at Bloomington Gold by Mike Yager. We need to return it for Fun-Fest to be used for the tips at the Bartender Challenge. Doug presented the trophy to Rick Dawkins for the work he did for last year's challenge with the life size Rosie the Riveter sign.

Veterans Day at the State Fair will be on Sunday, August 11th.

Bob and Sharon Kuntz will be hosting a sightseeing day and pig roast at their home in Kewanee on Sunday, August 18th. They will be providing everything, but please bring your own chairs. More information will follow. The flyer was in the newsletter.

Old Business:

A report on Bloomington Gold was given. Curtis Heck made a motion that the club reserve the same suite for 2020, seconded by John Grove. Motion passed.

Steve Mechling had his 1967 go thru Bloomington Gold Certification and received a Survivor Certification. In all the years he has been attending Bloomington Gold this is the first time he took a car for certification.

We had a great time at both the Rantoul and Champaign 4th of July Parades.

New Business:

Greg Anderson and Kristie Smith are in charge of the Vettes on the River Car Show in Le Claire, Iowa on August 24th.

Fisher Car Show at the Fisher Fairgrounds will be held on July 13th. Registration is from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., voting from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and awards will be handed out at 4:00 p.m.

Mahomet Car Show will be held July 14th in downtown Mahomet. Registration is from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and awards will be handed out at 3:30 p.m. There will be a Lake of the Woods Cruise at 4:00 p.m. Afterwards, club members are invited to Dwight and Terri Hooker's for a cookout. Please let them know if you will be attending and bring your drinks and chairs.

The Hannibal Car Show will be held August 3rd. Sharon Pearson has a block of rooms set aside at the Quality Inn for Friday and Saturday nights at \$114.00 per night. You can go on line for the registration form at the Mark Twain Corvette Club. Registration is \$25.00. She is checking out a restaurant approximately 15 minutes north of the hotel at Palmyra for dinner on Saturday night. The building started out as a Civil War Hospital. We will caravan on Friday, August 2nd. An email will be sent out to those attending with information on the time and place we will be leaving. Club members are welcome to travel on their own to Hannibal.

Corvette Indy will be held in Carmel, IN on August 17th. We will caravan over that morning. Three members are needed to volunteer as judges for the "Most Patriotic" category. Members who volunteered are Doug Hanner, Tom McKinley and Rick Dawkins.

Doug informed the club that we are considering combining the Christmas Party and Banquet in 2020. He asked the members to think it over and we will vote on it at the next meeting.

Vinnie's Car Show in Decatur was held on June 16th. Bobby Pearson and Larry Flessner both won 1st place trophies and Terry and Sharon Pearson won Best of Show.

50/50 - \$115.00 - Dave Crull

Motion to adjourn- Made by George Dick, seconded by John Grove. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 8:30 p.m.





Welcome to our Club

Jay & Julie Bruninga

Jacksonville, IL 1999 Black Convertible

Doug's Tech Tip:

Since we have had such a hot summer so far, you might want to take a minute and check your antifreeze in your Corvette. Another item that you should check is the air pressure in your tires. Make sure to check the air pressure when the tires are cold. With all this hot weather your tires could gain 5-8 pounds on a long trip on the highway.

August Birthdays

August 4	Craig Musgrove
August 5	Rick Link
August 7	Craig Makemson
August 9	Debra Golliday
August 10	Ron Martin
August 12	Delora Hanner
August 14	Julie Bruninga
August 14	Robert Kuntz
August 14	Chona Rapp
August 15	John Moss
August 15	Doris Ewing
August 15	Teresa Schurg
August 16	Betty Manning
August 16	Maryjo McNeeley
August 22	Todd Lemenager
August 26	Barb Utterback
August 29	David Hilliger
August 29	John Lammle
August 30	Crystal Vecchio
August 31	Ray Reed

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"We've been here over an hour and you haven't taken a single bite of your meal. Never park your car where we you can see it again."

INK CARTRIDGES:

Please bring used printer ink cartridges to the meetings. This helps reduce the cost of the newsletter!



Club Calendar

August I I Veteran's Appreciation Day Illinois State Fair Springfield, IL

August 13 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm at Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL

August 17 Vettes N Vets All Corvette Car Show Registration 8:30-11:00 am Awards at 3:00 pm American Legion Post 155 852 W Main, Carmel IN

> August 18 Hog Roast Bob & Sharon Kuntz's 426 E South St. in Kewanee, IL

> > August 22-25 Corvettes at Carlisle Carlisle Fairgrounds, Harrisburg, PA

August 24 Vettes on the River 8:00 am to 4:00 pm LeClaire Levee 107 South Front Street, Le Claire, IA

August 3 I Sweetcorn Festival Parade Hoopeston, IL

September 6-7 NCCC Governer's Meeting St. Louis, MO

September 7 Arcola Broomcorn Festival Parade Arcola, IL

September 10 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm at Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL



In Memoriam

Steve Brown

Stephen E. Brown, 69, of Mahomet passed away at 5:15 p.m. Thursday (July 11, 2019) at his residence. There was a memorial service Saturday, July 20, 2019.

Stephen was born June 22, 1950 and married Carolyn Huber on April 13, 1974, in Galesburg. She survives.

In 1979, Steve joined the faculty at Parkland College in Champaign. He was the director of broadcasting and the general manager of 88.7 WPCD FM, Parkland's radio station. He also began Parkland's cable and video

station, PCTV. In 1985, Steve opted to move to teaching speech and mass communication, which he did for the next 27 years. In 2008, he was named professor emeritus of speech communication, and was inducted into Parkland's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2017 for his years of support of athletics, including the more recent creation of CobraSports on internet radio. Steve served on the board for the School of Communication at Illinois State University, and was a friend and mentor to many of his former students.

Throughout his life, Steve enjoyed a range of hobbies. As a teen, he was a member of drag racer Arnie Beswick's crew, and played drums in a rock 'n' roll band. Steve enjoyed fishing with his father. He was a ham radio operator, trained storm spotter, private pilot, ground school flight instructor, airshow narrator, Civil War reenactor, historian and educational speaker.

Steve also had a deep passion for classical music: He sang in the Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church choir for more than 20 years and served on the boards of the Champaign Symphony and the Prairie Ensemble.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge 157, Urbana, and the Corvette Club of Illinois. He was a supporter and advocate of BETHS Place until its closing. Steve was a member of The Chapel of Saint John the Divine, where he served as Rector's Warden.

Steve's greatest joys were his family and a large orange cat named Yoyo. He loved driving his "girlfriend" Carolyn to Dewey's Drive-In in Farmer City.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, memorial contributions may be made to the Canterbury House Replacement Fund c/o The Chapel of Saint John the Divine, 1011 S. Wright St., Champaign, IL 61820.



Several club members participated in a memorial dinner dash to Dewey's Drive-in located in Farmer City, one of Steve's favorites.



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"A FORK ON THE ROAD"

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

OLD ROUTE 66 FAMILY RESTAURANT 105 S. OLD ROUTE 66 DWIGHT, ILLINOIS 60429 815-584-2920

http://www.route66restaurant.com

OPEN:

SU -TH 5 AM – 9 PM FRI – SAT 5 AM – 10 PM



The Old Route 66 Family Restaurant is listed as one of the Top 10 Restaurants for dining on the "Mother Road" in Illinois.

Although a "Family" restaurant, it reminds one of the old school Route 66 diners that are now just a memory.

Three menus are available, one each for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The breakfast menu features many traditional egg selections, pancakes and French toast, skillets, a Papa and Mama Special along with a wide variety of breakfast side orders.

Lunch items are classic burgers, classic sandwiches, both offering many choices in each category, club sandwiches and open face hot sandwiches.

The dinner menu starts with a selection of appetizers and goes on to include many beef, chicken and seafood choices, along with pasta and stir fry entrees.

Many side dishes are also on the menu.

After your meal, desserts, pastries and ice cream are available.

Beverages are "family friendly".

Please be sure to visit their website to view their complete menu.

Route 66 souvenirs are also available.

Another great dining destination when cruising the "Mother Road".

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



4th of July Parades





Hannibal Car Show—August 3, 2019





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