

President's Message

Here we go to have a Great 2020 with all kinds of events, old and new, for celebrating our 50th Anniversary. Please be sure to check out the different events: Club Banquet, Corvette Display at Sullivan-Parkhill, Club Picnic, Corvette Adventures, Bloomington Gold, NCCC Convention, Hannibal, MO Corvette Show, Fun Fest, and Club Christmas Party. These are just some of the big events for the year, but we will be attending all kinds of local events this year. If you have got any events, please be sure and bring them up at the meeting or get in touch with one of the Board of Directors. Please be sure to check out the separate articles on these special events in the upcoming newsletters.

I also got authorization from the Secretary of State for the Club's 50th Anniversary License plates. Please be sure to bring a copy of the registration for your Corvette, or any other vehicle for which you might want a set of these plates, to the February meeting. These plates will cover August, September, and October. You still have to register for your regular plates for the year. I will be sending out a separate email with the final cost for each set, because I have to get final cost from the Secretary of State's Office. These license plates will be really nice for display.

Keep an eye out for emails about information on any Dinner and a Movie Nights that we plan after the first of the year. If you might have a good idea for a Dinner and a Movie, please contact one of the Board of Directors. THANKS!!!

As always, take a minute to check out the Club's website www.ccofi.org 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. 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!!!

Next Meeting 7:00 PM

February 11, 2020 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

wear your name tag

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Minutes of January 14, 2019

President, Doug Hanner, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., 64 members were present. The meeting 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 None.

Members with a new or different car - color and year

George and Cynda Dick – 2019 Yellow Steve Mechling – 1969 Blue Roadster

Good and Welfare

Rhonda Walters brother Randy Williamson passed away. Linda McKinley broke her ankle in December.

Rich Lampo has knee surgery.

Former member Judy Martin had surgery.

Everyone was glad to see Greg Crawford is doing better and coming to the meetings.

Presentation to Special Olympics

Doug Hanner presented a check of \$2,000.00 to Vanessa Duncan of Special Olympics. She was accompanied by Beth Visel and two Special Olympic athletes: Emerson Hjort and Sarah Meents. They are having a Polar Bear Plunge at Lake of the Woods on Saturday, March 21st and a Donut Dash. For registration or more information, you can go to: plungeillinois.com.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

Delora Hanner moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Dave Crull. Motion approved.

Debby also read a card from Carolyn Brown thanking everyone for attending Steve's funeral and for the Dinner Dash in his memory to Dewey's in Farmer City. Carolyn will be moving to lowa to be close to her daughter and her family.

Treasurer report: Ken Guyette

Ken read the report. Dwight Hooker moved to accept the report, seconded by John Lammle. Motion approved.

Governor Report: Tom McKinley

We have 195 members.

Trustees:

Nothing to report.

Report of club support groups and standing committees Communications:

Keep sending pictures for the newsletter.

Website:

Please send any upcoming events, vehicles for sale, etc. so they may be posted on the website.

Public Information:

Nothing to report.

Calendars

It was suggested that we give 6 calendars to our major donors. Ray Gonzalez made the motion, seconded by JR Longsdorf. Motion carried.

Social Committee:

It was proposed to the club that we have this year's Christmas Party at the Elks Club in Savoy on December 5th and have the same caterer. Charlie Mornout made a motion, seconded by Ron Martin. Motion carried.

Charity Committee:

The check was presented to the Special Olympics earlier in the meeting and Ken will be mailing a check for \$200.00 to the Illinois Honor Flight.

50th Anniversary Committee:

The Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 21st at 6:30 p.m. at Ken and Nancy Guyette's house.

Ken reported that the Club Merchandise is on the Wagner Signs & Graphics Facebook page. We will have information in the Newsletter.

The Memorial Day Picnic will be held on May 30th at Homer Lake Pavalion. Information will be released at the upcoming meetings.

Tom McKinley reported that Art Rapp concerning the Corvette Museum Trip in October. He is making final arrangements on the hotel. He has reserved 50 seats at the Grand Ole Opry and is making arrangements for a bus to transport members to Nashville instead of driving their cars.

They are still working on the Corvette Car display at Sullivan-Parkhill on Saturday, May 16th.

Doug hasn't heard back from the State of Illinois concerning the design for the special Anniversary License Plate. We plan on displaying them August thru October.

Ken reported that we have 27 cars registered and 53 people for Corvette Adventures June 4th thru 6th. There are two special club tours: Tour #2 is full and Tour #3 is half full. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please see Ken.

We are working on the details for the group picture for our 50th Anniversary for publication in Blue Bars and the Club Calendar.

Minutes of January 14, 2019 continued

The annual Banquet will be held on April 19th at Lincolnshire Country Club. Reservations will be taken at the February, March and April meetings. We will have the time and cost information at the February meeting. Payment must be received at the time the reservation is made.

The Club History sub-committee is working on the history of the club that will be the basis for the article in Blue Bars.

Ken passed around a sheet showing two choices for the 3x5 banner that will be displayed at various events. He also had attached a sheet for members to vote on their choice. They were to vote by marking either #1 or #2. Banner #2 won.

Vice President: Barry Wagner

A reminder for members to check their emails on the day of the meeting, if the weather may be a concern. A decision will be made by the Board of Directors no later than 2:00 p.m., if the meeting is to be cancelled.

Bloomington Gold will be held June 25th thru 27th at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. We have secured the same suite as last year along Gasoline Alley.

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.

Keep sending your suggestions 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

The Hot Rod Power Tour will be in Champaign on Thursday, June 11, 2020. We will volunteer to do registration only.

Art Rapp will be taking a club calendar to the National Corvette Museum. In the past, he has taken them a big box of candy. Scott Walter's made a motion that the club pay Art \$50.00 for the candy. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Doug recapped the Christmas Party and thanked the Christmas Party Committee for all of their hard work. Everyone had a great time.

New Business:

Doug reported that Jody was wanting to know how many members want to go to the Barn III on February 23rd for the play "Love, Sex and the IRS". Doug was making a list of those who were interested so that he could forward it on to Jody.

Kevin Ulsted from the State Farm Center wanted to know if we could help with the Make-A-Wish Walk on May 2nd. That is also the day of the Parkland Car Show. With our busy schedule this year, it was decided that we would not be able to do it this year.

NCCC Convention registration opens up on February 1 $^{\rm st}$ at 9:00 a.m. (Central Time). The convention will be held in Indianapolis July 5 $^{\rm th}$ thru 10 $^{\rm th}$.

Corvette Chat

C-6 – When you change your battery you will lose he clock the in the navigation system. You can download a CD for the website to bring it back.

It was suggested that you routinely change the battery in your key fob the first of the year before it goes bad. You may want to keep a battery in your glove compartment.

The National Corvette Museum is selling dealer Corvette brochures for \$2.00.

50/50 - \$120.00 - Rhonda Walters

Motion to adjourn- Made by Delora Hanner, seconded by Karen Grove. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 8:25 p.m.







February Birthdays

February 4	Cregg Miyat
February 5	Mikki Pierce
February 6	Ron Egolf
February 10	Ed Carleton

February 12 Margaret Brewer

February 13 Duane Martin

February 14 Kathy Link

February 15 Freda Warf February 15 Greg Crawfo

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February 20 Jerry Swisher

February 28 Larry Askew

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Club Calendar

February I I Monthly Club Meeting

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

> February 8-17 Chicago Auto Show

February 21-22 NCCC Governors' Meeting

St. Louis, MO

February 23 Barn III Dinner Theater

Doors open at 12:30 pm Dinner from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Show begins at 2 pm. 1451 Timberline Rd Goodfield, IL

March 10 Monthly Club Meeting

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

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March 21 Chili/Soup Dinner

6:00 PM at Carpenter's Union Hall 402 S Duncan Rd - Champaign

Doug's Tech Tip:

There was a discussion at the January meeting about members who were having a problem when they replaced the battery in their C6, losing the clock in the radio.

Charlie Mornout downloaded a CD to get the clock back in radio display. If you have this problem, Charlie can help you get your clock back. His cell number is 217-260-4468 and his email address is totop73@yahoo.com.

Thanks, Charlie!!!



We presented our 2019 Charitable Donation of \$2000 to Special Olympics at the January meeting. Pictured above, Left to Right, Beth Visel, Emerson Hjort, Vanessa Duncan, Sarah Meents of Special Olympics and Doug Hanner, President.



"A FORK ON THE ROAD"

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

Happy Valentíne's Day



Here is a list of a few special restaurants that you might consider to take that "Special Someone" to celebrate Valentine's Day.

- -Timpone's 710 S. Goodwin Urbana, IL 217-344-7619 https://timpones-urbana.com
- -Silver Creek Restaurant 402 N. Race Urbana, IL 217-328-3402 http://www.couriersilvercreek.com
- -Maldaner's Restaurant 222 S. 6th Springfield, IL 217-522-4313 http://www.maldaners.com
- -Jim's Steak House 2307 E. Washington Bloomington, IL 309-663-4142 https://www.jimsbloomington.com
- -Nando Milano 204 N. Neil Champaign, IL 217-954-1439 http://www.nandomilanochampaign.com
- -Beef House Restaurant 16501 North State Route 63 Covington, IL 765-793-3947 https://beefhouserolls.com

Just a few suggestions. Valentine's Day is usually a busy time for restaurants, so reservations are highly recommended.

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



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Corvette Club of Illinois store is now open

We now have our own website to order custom made shirts, hats, jackets, and chairs with our club's emblems on them.

Please go to covetteclubil.itemorder.com to see all of the great items you can order from Wagner Signs located in St. Joseph on 209 E. Lincoln.





Love, Sex and the IRS
By William VanZandt & Jane Milmore

It's the heart of the 1970's and male roommates Jon and Leslie each have secrets—Leslie has been seeing Jon's girlfriend Kate on the sly and Jon has been filing joint income tax return for himself and Leslie as a married couple! The day of reckoning comes when the IRS informs the "couple" that they're going to be investigated and Leslie is forced to masquerade as a housewife! Throw in Jon's mother, arriving to meet Jon's fiancée and Leslie's ex-girlfriend demanding to know why Leslie won't see her anymore and the stage is set for a frantic farce of gigantic laughs!

Join us at the Barn III on Sunday, Feb. 23rd for the performance of "Love, Sex and the IRS".

Doors open at 12:30 p.m.
Dinner from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Show begins at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$45 per person, which includes dinner, show, tax, and \$3 gratuity.





CORVETTE CLUB OF ILLINOIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET APRIL 19, 2020

The 50TH anniversary banquet is going to be one you don't want to miss. It will be held on Sunday, April 19th at the Lincolnshire Fields Country Club, located at 2000 Byrnebruk Dr., Champaign IL 61822. Social Hour will begin at 1:00 p.m., with a buffet dinner at 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$30.00 per person.

The two-entree buffet will include:

Mixed Green Salad with Cucumbers, Carrots, Tomatoes & Croutons with the choice of Ranch, French or Balsamic Vinaigrette

Marinated Skirt Steak

Chardonnay Chicken with White Wine Cream Sauce

Twice Baked Potato

Green Beans with Sliced Almonds

Dinner Rolls and Butter

Vanilla and Chocolate Cakes

Coffee, Tea, and Water

The bar will be available for drinks, but is payable by **Credit Card Only.** The price of drinks will include an 18% gratuity.

We have invited several guests to speak and the NCCC President Dale Samuelson has accepted our invitation. We will also hand out some awards and have door prizes.

Reservations and payments will be collected at the February, March, and April Meetings. If you will not be able to come to a meeting, please send your names and payment of \$30.00 per head to Ken Guyette, 404 Denton Dr., Savoy, II 61874. Please make checks payable to the Corvette Club of Illinois



Especially for Corvette Club of Illinois' 50th Anniversary

Ed Saari has contacted the club on how he will make our club's experience at the June 4-6, 2020 Corvette Adventures event extra special for our 50th Anniversary.

Ed has planned special tours that will be just for our club. The special club tours are on Thursday and then you will be able to pick from all the other tours that will be available on Friday and Saturday. We will also be able to enjoy all the parties and dinner that is part of the Corvette Adventures experience. Registration for the 2020 Corvette Adventures is now open. We have a block of rooms set aside for our club in the recently renovated North tower at the Chula Vista Resort.

We now have 28 cars and 55 people that have already registered for this trip.

It is important to register early, as the tours fill up quickly and our block of rooms will be limited.

- 1) Go to CorvetteAdventures.com for all the information about this great time.
- 2) Make your reservation at the Chula Vista Resort (ph. 833-771-5945) and use the booking code H48845 for the Corvette Club of Illinois block of rooms.
- 3) Get your confirmation number from Chula Vista to have when you register with Corvette Adventures.
- 4) Then go to Corvette Adventures.com website and fill out your registration for the tours you want to take. The club's private tours are on Thursday.
- 5) Our club will be caravanning up to Chula Vista on Wednesday morning June 3rd.
- 6) If you have any questions about Corvette Adventures, call Ed Saari at 309-530-9235.
- 7) More information about our club's plans will be given out as we get closer to June 2020.
- 8) If you haven't already put your name on Ken's list of people interested in this trip, please do so now.

Any club questions, please contact Ken Guyette at 217-954-1411.