

Here we go again I hope that everyone has had a safe experience with this winter weather. Let's all hope that SPRING gets here sooner than later. All we can do is wish that SPRING gets here, so that we can get our Corvettes out of storage to do some fun events this year.

I talked to Art this week and it looks like they will be getting to finalize the purchase of the condo next to Carol. They should be able to start getting their stuff back in order a little bit. He also told me that he is working with two construction companies on the rebuild of their house.

It looks like we will not be helping out with the Illinois Marathon in Champaign/Urbana this year. The committee has decided not to have a full marathon (26 miles) this year. If you would like to participate here is the website <u>http://illinoismarathon.com</u>.

There were a few of our club members who went to an Annual Corvette Show in Wentzville, MO by the Route 66 Corvette Club. All members had a great time and all the proceeds go to USO of Missouri. This show will be on Saturday, May 21st this year. Last year we traveled on Friday to stay over night to be there bright and early on Saturday. We are planning on attending this Corvette Show again this year. I will be posting more plans in the next 2 months. I have included the registration form for this show.

www.route66corvetteclub.com

I am working on a place to start doing our Dinner and a Movie Outings for this winter. Just as soon as I nail down a restaurant, I will be emailing everyone. If you might have a suggestion for a restaurant that can handle about 20 people, please email back at <u>dug.hanner@gmail.com</u> or call me at 217-369-5868. I like input for new places to go for this fun event. THANKS

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 <u>dug.hanner@gmail.com</u> 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 <u>www.ccofi.org</u>. Steve Tribble does a great job of

Next Meeting 7:00 PM March 8, 2022 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

wear your name tag and bring a chair

Officers 2022:

President: Doug Hanner 217 354-4542 <u>dug.hanner@gmail.com</u>

Vice President: Barry Wagner 217 356-9961 <u>bkwagner@illinois.edu</u>

Governor: Tom McKinley 217-493-0586 <u>C3Shark@gmail.com</u>

Treasurer: Brenda Croxton 309-661-1640 <u>cacbkc@comcast.net</u>

Secretary: Debby Wagner 217-356-9961 <u>dwagner306@gmail.com</u>

Trustees:

Ken Guyette <u>kjguyette@aol.com</u>

Dan McKenzie dgmckenzi@gmail.com

Sharon Pearson terry.pearson@comcast.net

Web Address: <u>www.ccofi.org</u> Webmaster: Steve Tribble <u>s.tribble@frontier.com</u>

> Newsletter & Web Photos: Jody Retter jodyretter@yahoo.com



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 (<u>s.tribble@frontier.com</u>). 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:

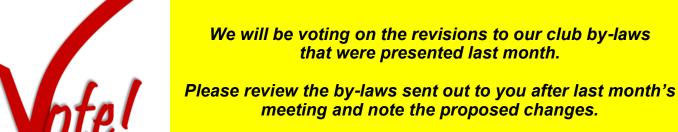
If have not checked your batteries in your Corvettes and remotes for a while, you might want to do so. I have been reading on FB and Corvette Forum of people having problems getting into their Corvettes. One guy even got a locksmith who proceeded to break a window.



"A FORK ON THE ROAD"

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, "A Fork on the Road" will be on sabbatical. There are so many different restrictions as to what restaurants can and can't do, that it is nearly impossible to make any suggestions for one to have a pleasurable dining experience. Seating / capacity, hours of operation, masks no masks, and the list goes on. This "article" will resume once there is more normalcy and accurate information to pass on.



Come to the March 8th meeting and make your vote count!









Welcome to our Club

Max & Betsy Mitchell Champaign, IL 2008 PACE CAR ROADSTER

March Birthdays

- March I Doug Cary
- March I Curtis Heck
- March 2 Nancy Guyette
- March 2 Terri Hooker
- March 7 Scott Walter
- March 10 Jackie Heck
- March 13 Larry Flessner
- March 15 Jim Esworthy
- March 23 George Dick
- March 25 Sue Bandy
- March 26 Michael Green
- March 27 Dale Stauffenberg

SULLIVAN PARKHILL

Call 217-352-4275 Ask for special Club pricing

www.sullivanparkhill.com



2022 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 3LT Convertible Black 6.2L V8 RWD

\$121,490

Club Calendar

March 8 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL

> March 19 Dinner & A Movie 4:00 pm Monical's Pizza 2720 South Philo Road Urbana, IL

April I 2 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL

WHEN: Saturday, March 19th at 4:00 pm

> WHERE: Monical's Pizza South Philo Road Urbana, IL

WHY:

Have early dinner then go to the movies (Your Option).



PAGE 3

Minutes of February 8, 2022

President Doug Hanner called the meeting to order, 33 members were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest or Prospective Members or Associate Members None

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

Good and Welfare

Dan McKenzie became ill in Florida. Sharon Pearson has been the contact person keeping in touch with Kathy. Right now they are waiting for information from the Florida doctor to his local physician.

NCCC Vice President – Competition, Bill Docherty's wife, Bev passed away.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

No changes or corrections.

Treasurer report: Brenda Croxton

Thanks to outgoing Treasurer, Ken Guyette and his wife, Nancy.

The budget has been approved by the Trustees and Board of Directors.

We still have calendars for sale.

Ken Guyette moved to accept the report, seconded by Chuck Croxton. Motion approved.

Governor Report: Tom McKinley

We have 174 members. We are one member behind the largest club in the Region.

The Michelin National Corvette Museum Bash will be held in Bowling Green on April 28th to 30th.

The Museum in Motion Dragon Run and Tail of the Dragon will be held at the Biltmore Estates on May 1^{st} to 4^{th} .

Trustees:

Sharon Pearson reported that everything is in order. The Trustees signed off on the Annual Budget 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 still have 2022 Calendars available at \$10.00 each. See Brenda to purchase one.

We are taking requests from members to showcase their car in the 2023 calendar. December has already been taken.

Social Functions:

No report.

Charity Committee:

Nothing to report.

Vice President: Barry Wagner

If the weather should become an issue for safe travel to the meeting, the Board of Directors will make a decision no later then 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting whether or not to cancel the meeting. A "mass email" will be immediately sent out to all club members. So before heading out to the meeting, please check your email for a cancellation notice. While we encourage all members to attend the meetings, please do not put yourself at risk if travel conditions are questionable on meeting day during these winter months. We want everyone to be safe. Typically, we only have to deal with winter weather issues December thru March.

The Board of Directions went through the By-laws last week and have proposed the following changes:

QUORUM – Change the quorum from 20% to 10% to be able to conduct business with fewer members in attendance.

Barry will send out an email with the proposal and is encouraging phone calls for any questions/clarifications. At the March meeting, the members will vote on the revised by-laws. The goal is to clarify the Standard Operating Procedures so we may conduct business more smoothly.

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

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.

May 7th is the Red Carpet Tour on Route 66. It is only held for one day. Everyone is encouraged to go. We may try to put together something to make it a Club trip. There are some tips about the route: There are scenic stops and some of the towns have sales along the route.

Minutes of February 8, 2022 continued

A check was given to Brenda in the amount of \$187.31 from the sale of items from the Jerry Weise estate. This was the final sale. Doug encouraged members to contact Barry about any future sales.

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.

"Fork on the Road" is on sabbatical until normalcy returns. Recommendations are still requested for future articles

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

Doug reported on the Christmas Party. It was brought to the membership about holding this year's Christmas Party at the Elks Club. The members responded positively and enthusiastically.

The Christmas Party will be held on December 3, 2022, at the Elks Club. Tom McKinley will be signing the contract with the Elks Club. The rental fee is \$500.00. This was covered in the approved budget.

Ken Guyette is the Chair for the 2022 Christmas Party. He reported that for the 2021 Christmas Party,

we had 127 members sign up to attend and we ordered food for 130 with 99 members attending. Some members were ill and there were various other reasons for no shows. The Christmas Party has always been free for the members.

Old Business:

Doug may be sending out an email about a Dinner Dash soon. He is checking a BBQ restaurant in Peoria called The Mission. He will let us know the details when they are available.

Due to the St. Joseph Santa Run, the Prairie Dragon Paddlers received a donation of \$3,500.00.

The State of Illinois/Christie Clinic Marathon will be held April 28th to 30th. They may need volunteers.

Report on Art and Chona Rapp's house fire was given. Right now they are living with his sister,

Carol Castellon in Savoy. They are talking to contractors. The water in the basement is frozen solid so they can't retrieve very many items. They were able to save Art's gun collection. They believe that it was an electrical fire but don't know the cause.

Members spoke of smoke detector details and insurance coverage. You need to take pictures for proof to the insurance company.

The Gilmore Car Museum show will be held in Michigan on July 17th.

The Spring Corvette Adventure trip to Chula Vista Resort will be held June 9th to 11th and the Fall event will be held September 9th thru 11th. See Doug for details.

New Business:

We need to increase the dues for 2023. It is needed in order to offset cost, such as the Christmas Party.

If we do not increase the dues we will soon be running in a deficit. There has been no increase in dues for decades. Ken Guyette reported that we are currently spending approximately \$46.00 per person for club events.

Tom McKinley asked members that have copies of the old application, which shows \$20.00 Membership fee for new members to throw them away. The fee has been increased for new members. See Tom for a new application.

Any other New Business:

Dick Lampe presented a gift to Doug in honor of his retirement from IDOT.

Corvette Chat

Information was given out concerning washing your Corvette engines:

C7 – Washing the engine may be OK, if you are not using a high pressure washer.

C6 -- can be washed

- C5 Doug washes his engine with no problems.
- C4 Do not wash the engine.

50/50 - \$56.00 - Rich Lampo (?)

Motion to adjourn- Made by George Dick, seconded by Delora Hanner. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 13th at 2:00 a.m.









MIDWEST REGION PARTY

Saturday, March 12, 2022



CHICAGO SW - BURR RIDGE

Crowne Plaza Chicago SW, Burr Ridge

300 S. Frontage Rd., Burr Ridge, IL 60427, 630-325-2900

Midwest Region Hospitality Room ~ 2pm to Midnight

Open Bar ~ 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Family Style Dinner ~ 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Soup, Mixed Greens Salad, Roast Sirloin, Chicken Vesuvio, Mediterranean Cod, Penne Pasta w/meat sauce, Mashed Potato, Green Beans Almandine, Cheesecake and Coffee and Tea

Recognition and Award Program for the 2021 Competition Season ~ 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Bar Reopens from ~ 8:30pm to 10:30pm, Party closes at 11pm.

Hotel Bar is open until 2am

Door Prize Drawings ~~~ FREE ONE NIGHT LODGING FOR REGISTERED GUESTS ONLY and a BOTTLE OF WINE

(to make hotel reservations see information on the reverse side of the flyer)

DIRECTIONS TO THE CROWNE PLAZA-SW, BURR RIDGE, IL

From Chicago or Joliet:

- 1. I-55 Stevenson Expressway (West from Chicago and East from Joliet)
- 2. Exit at 276, County Line Road South
- 3. At first traffic light, turn Right (west) onto Frontage Rd.
- Proceed 1/4 mile; hotel is on the left
- From O'Hare and Wisconsin:
- 1. I-294 Southbound
- 2. Exit toward I-55 Stevenson Expressway
- 3. At toll booth, exit Westbound toward Joliet.
- 4. Proceed Westbound to Exit 276, County Line Rd. South, follow #3 and 4 above.

Please make Party Registration checks payable to Windy City Corvettes Mail to: Windy City Corvettes, Midwest Region Party, P.O. Box 353, Orland Park, IL 60462-0353 For more information: contact Larry Pagliaro at ShadowLAP@icloud.com or 708-341-7852

××	FINAL DATE FOR	PARTY REGISTRATION	IS FEBRUARY 26, 2 	<mark>:022</mark> XX
Name:				@ \$40.00
Club Affiliation:				
E-Mail Address:			Telephone:	
Name:				@ \$40.00
Club Affiliation:			Total Enclos	sed: \$
OFFICE USE ONLY:	Date Rec'd:	Check #:	Amount Paid	: \$

A message from the Hotel management to make it easier to book your room:

Thank you for choosing Crowne Plaza Chicago SW- Burr Ridge for your Windy City Corvettes, inc. Annual Banquet Room Block.

- The group code and IATA number is already plugged in the reservation books. The only thing you have to change are the dates.
- The group block dates are **March 12 and 13, 2022**. If they try to book outside of those dates, the rate will be different (higher rate).
- If guests would like to make reservations over the phone call the number Central Reservation at (800) 227-6963.

IMPORTANT ROOM BLOCK INFORMATION:

Block Code (up to 20 rooms): WCW which is not required when you click on the link below.

- You may want to keep the Block Code handy if you have a reason to contact the hotel regarding reservations.
- Firm Cutoff date for Room Block reservation: Friday, February 25, 2022.
- Room Rate is \$119.00 plus tax and includes two Breakfast Vouchers per room
- Cancellation policy: 6pm the day before your reservation

Below is the link to make hotel room reservations

https://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd-photostours&brandCode=CP&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&_PMID=99801505&GPC=WCW&cn=no&vie wfullsite=true

1. After clicking the link above, fill in the following information:

City: Burr Ridge, Illinois, **Check In Date**, **Room and Guests info**, then click the Search button (ignore the displayed room rate)

- 2. Select Hotel: Crowne Plaza Chicago SW-Burr Ridge
- 3. You will then be presented with our discounted room rate of \$119.



Burr Ridge, IL, United States 03/12/2022 - 03/13/2022 1 Guest 1 Room **Change Search** Currency -Ġ Show prices with taxes and fees Kng Leisure Nonsmoke Our standard king bed accommodations offer guests all the comforts of home including a workstation with free wifi access and a 43-inch lcd ty an easy chair and bedding featuring FROM 11900 USD even layers of comfort. The bathroom includes a stand up shower. A 2 0 SELECT ROOM Two Queen Beds Nonsmoke Our standard two queen bed accommodations offer guests all the comforts of hom including a workstation with free wifi access and a 43 inch lcd tv an easy chair and FROM 11900 USD bedding featuring seven layers of comfort. The bathroom includes a shower tub combo. 23 4 Å SELECT ROOM

We have been invited to attend the May Day Market at the Old Rugged Barn just outside Towanda, IL on May 1st.

The owner would like to have a nice display of cars, hoping it will bring more of the public out to the event.

More details will be available as the date nears.

