

# President's Message

If you would like to eat before the meeting, we will be going to McAlister's Deli at 421 W. Town Center Blvd, Champaign, IL at 5:30 pm again this month. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at <u>dug.hanner@gmail.com</u> or call my cel 217-369-5868.

There are only three club metal signs that have not been picked up yet. I will have them at the club meeting (Tuesday, October 8th). 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. If you have any questions on these signs, you can email me or call my cell. Thanks to everyone for this good order.

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee has been working very hard on the celebration plans and ideas for next year. If you have some ideas to make 2020 a year to remember, please get in touch with one of the committee members or bring it up at a meeting. If you would like to help out on this committee, every member is welcome to attend any of the meetings.

What can you say but WOW about the Bartender Challenge for this year at Fun Fest!!! The members of this club did a great job again this year and won back the traveling trophy with donations for our charity, Special Olympics. I want to personally thank everyone who helped out with either making Jell-O shots, selling Jell-O shots, bartending, buying drinks, or donating to Special Olympics.

#### GREAT JOB, THANKS!!!

The homecoming season has started again this year. I want to thank everyone in advance who takes the time out of their busy schedule to help with these homecoming parades. THANKS!!!

I hope that everyone marked your calendars for the Christmas party on December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Elks Club in Savoy. We will have more information in the next newsletters and meetings.

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. 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

October 8, 2019 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

#### wear your name tag

Officers 2019:

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#### Minutes of September 10, 2019

President, Doug Hanner, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., 67 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 None

#### Good and Welfare

Thank you cards were read from Carolyn Brown and Janet Halford.

#### Secretary report: Debby Wagner

Charlie Mournout moved to accept the minutes, seconded by George Dick. Motion approved.

#### Treasurer report: Ken Guyette

Ken read the report. Jackie Heck moved to accept the report, seconded by Ray Gonzalez. Motion approved.

Annual Dues notices are being sent out. Dues need to be paid by the end of October.

Corvette Adventures will be June 4<sup>th</sup> thru the 6<sup>th</sup>. There will be a special scenic tour for our club only. You will still be able to attend the dinners, etc. with the other people attending. The cost will be \$85.00 or \$90.00 per couple and the room is approximately \$120.00 per night. A sheet will be sent around to get an estimate of those interested in attending.

Ken also had information for a Pickle Ball League. It would be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday night from October to March. The cost is \$75.00 per hour with a minimum of 20, but can have up to 32 people. A sheet was sent around to see if enough members were interested. When the sheet came back, it was determined that not enough members signed up.

#### Governor Report: Tom McKinley

Governors meeting was held in St. Louis on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Tom announced that we are still the largest club in the region with 203 members, and soon to be 207.

NCCC has 18,408 members with an increase of 500 since May. The 2020 NCCC Convention will be held in Indianapolis July 5<sup>th</sup> thru the 10<sup>th</sup>. Cleveland, Ohio has put in a bid and presentation for the 2021 Convention. New Jersey and East Tennessee have expressed interest in placing bids for the 2022 Convention. If you would like to attend a convention, next year would be great since it is so close.

The 2020 St. Jude Drive will be May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, starting from four points: Peoria, Effingham, St. Louis and Louisville.

The region voted on two motions to amend the by-laws, cleaning up some wording and the National has six motions to amend the by-laws for the same thing.

#### Trustees:

The Trustees are taking nominations for all Boards of Director positions and one 3-year Trustee position. They will take nominations starting in September and will close at the end of the October club meeting. The election will be held at the November meeting. Kathy McKenzie has nominating forms for anyone who would like to put their name in to run, or if they wish to nominate someone else. Please check with the person you would like to nominate before submitting their name.

# 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

Nothing to report.

#### Social Committee:

Linda Ogle is the Chair for the Christmas Party which will be held on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Elks Club in Savoy. Please see Linda if you want to help.

There will be a weiner roast at Greg and Lynn Crawford's on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> located between Sullivan and Arthur. There will be a caravan for those wishing to go. More information will be sent out nearer the date.

#### **Charity Committee:**

Ken Guyette reported that the Special Olympics Family Festival at Lakeland College in Mattoon will be on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Parade line-up is at 9:00 a.m. with the parade starting at 10:00. We have 9 cars and 18 members signed up. We will not need everyone to help man the tent. The Funfest Bartenders Challenge is from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. that afternoon.

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#### Minutes of September 10 continued

#### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at Ken and Nancy Guyette's. Everyone is welcome.

There will be no anniversary meeting in October due to the 2020 Planning Meeting.

Ken Guyette is taking orders and payment for the anniversary shirts and hats. Remember, we will not accept your order without payment accompanying it.

The committee is finalizing the picnic in May, which will not be held on Memorial weekend. We are looking at Lake of the Woods and someone suggested to check the Homer Lake Pavilion.

Mike Yager will furnish 250 Decals for our anniversary. It will be the same as the license plate artwork.

#### Vice President: Barry Wagner

We need bartenders for the Bartenders Challenge at FunFest from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Those that volunteered were Karl Smith, Sharon Pearson, Tom McKinley, Tom and Nancy Burgess.

The annual planning meeting for 2020 will be held on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at Urbana Gardens at 6:00 p.m. Everybody is welcome. If you can't make it and have any ideas for next year, please contact one of the Board of Directors.

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 is 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 news-letter and mass emails.

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

FunFest will be held September 19<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Fun Run on Thursday evening will go to Newton, IL. It is Mike Yager's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday with a celebration being held at Newton. There will be a Beatle's tribute band on Saturday night. They have moved the registration area. If you have pre-registered or need to register that day, you will need to go to the Fun Dome.

#### 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

#### President: Doug Hanner

after-market suppliers)

Doug and Delora Hanner and Steve and Chris Mechling attended an NCRS event in Northern Illinois. Mechlings received a 2<sup>nd</sup> Flight and Hanner's received a Top Flight for their cars.

#### Old Business:

We had a good turnout for the Vets N' Vettes Corvette Indy Car Show in Carmel, IN. We had 5 members come home with trophies. We also received the Out of State Club Participation Award and Doug presented it to Gilbert Quick.

Thanks to Bob and Sharon Kuntz for the wonderful day we had in Kewanee on August 18th. The tour was great and the dinner at their home was excellent. Everyone had a great time.

Corvettes at Carlisle was great. Ray Gonzalez reported that the C8 is very comfortable and has a very different design.

Kristie Smith reported that they had 6 to 7 cars that went to Vettes on the River in LeClaire, Iowa on August 24<sup>th</sup>. The attendance was down, which they believed was due to the caravan to Bowling Green and the Carlisle show. Chuck and Chris Barham won the scavenger hunt.

Thanks to all of the members that helped with the parking in Bloomington for the NCM 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Caravan and Bash. Chuck and Brenda Croxton and Dick and Janice Lampe went down to Bowling Green. There was a seminar with the head engineer and designer of the C8.

Thank you to everyone for helping out at the Hoopeston Sweet Corn Festival Parade. We had 37 cars: 30 for the queen candidates, 5 for judge,s and 2 for the Grand Marshalls and the Jaycee President.

Thanks to everyone who turned out for the Westville Labor Day Parade.

Thank you to Curtis Heck for taking care of the arrangement for our participation in the Arcola Broom Corn Parade.

#### New Business:

Funfest will be September 19<sup>th</sup> thru the 22<sup>nd</sup>. You will need to go to the Fun Dome if you have pre-registered or if you need to register on that day. They did not mail out the parking stickers. You will need to pick those up at the Fun Dome. Caravans will leave from Planet Fitness in Champaign on both Friday and Saturday at 8:00 a.m. Doug Hanner will lead the caravan on Friday and Karl Smith will lead it on Saturday.

We have several Homecoming Parades coming up. Paxton's will be September  $26^{th}$  with a minimum of 11 cars needed. Fisher's will be October  $2^{nd}$  with a minimum of 8 cars needed.



#### Club Calendar

October 5-6 Wabash Valley Wine & Art Festival Historic Main Street - Palestine, IL

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

October 15 2020 Planning Meeting 6 :00 pm Urbana Garden Family Restaurant 810 W Killarney St, Urbana, IL

October 17 Chicago Jewelry Show Donald E. Stephens Convention Center 5555 N River Road Rosemont, IL

November 8 NCCC Governors' Meeting St. Louis, MO

November 12 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 pm at Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive 440 West Anthony Dr, Champaign, IL (Annual elections)

November 23-24 Muscle Car and 'Vette Nationals Donald E. Stephens Convention Center 5555 N. River Road, Rosemont, IL

December 7 Club Christmas Party Elk's Lodge 903 N. Dunlap Avenue, Savoy, IL



### Veterans to be honored at October 8th club meeting

Alliance Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be at the October Club meeting to honor the Club Veterans. They will have cake and punch for everyone, and will present lapel pins to all of the Veterans. They would also like a group picture of all Veterans.

# 2020 Nomination of Club Officers and Club Charity

In accordance with our club by-laws, the nomination period for club officers Starts in September and concludes at the end of the October meeting.

All Board of Directors positions (President; Vice-President; Secretary; Treasurer and Governor) are up for re-election.

In addition, a three (3) year position for Board of Trustees is up for election.

Also, nominations for our Club Charity are made at this time.

Nominations can be presented to any of the current Board of Trustee members in person or in writing at the following addresses:

> Kathy McKenzie Kamckenzie20@gmail.com (217) 621-5951

Dwight Hooker hook56@mchsi.com (217) 649-2927

Sharon Pearson terry.pearson@comcast.net (217) 433-4694

Nominations will close at the end of the October club meeting.

The annual election will be held at our November meeting.

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Urbana on October 11<sup>th</sup> with a minimum of 12 cars needed. For the Urbana parade, we will meet at Karl and Linda Smith's house and leave there at 2:00 p.m. We will send out information for the other two.

Scott's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Car Show will be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> at Baum Chevrolet in Clinton, IL. Registration is 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Judging will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Newport Hill Climb will be held October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> for cars from 1978 and older.

#### Corvette Chat

It was suggested that you try ProStock ceramic brake pads. There is no dust with them

50/50 - \$111.00 - Jerry Swisher

**Motion to adjourn-** Made by Delora Hanner, seconded by Linda Smith. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned @ 8:33 p.m.



# In Memoriam

## **Barb Esworthy**

Barbara "Barb" Diane Esworthy, 77, of Ogden passed away at 2:36 a.m. Friday (Sept. 27, 2019) at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019.

Mrs. Esworthy was born Dec. 22, 1941, at Urbana and married Jim Esworthy on Oct. 15, 1971, He survives. Barb is also survived by her daughter, Julie (Steve) La Tour of Duluth, Minn. and two grandchildren, three nieces, and four nephews. She was preceded in death by two daughters, Jennifer and Jackie.

**Barb** was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother and aunt. She enjoyed flower and herb gardening and the University of Illinois sports. She worked at the University for over 30 years. She was a member of the Champaign County Farm Bureau Women, the CU Herb Society and Friends of the Ogden Library. She was an honorary member of the Illinois 4-H House Association.

She will be missed by all her family and friends for her kind and gentle spirit, her willingness to help anyone in need, and her ability to never know a stranger.

Memorials may be made to the Ogden United Methodist Church or Journey, an organization set up by Barb and Jim to help provide police departments with patrol car cameras.





#### **October Birthdays**

October I	Dee Gonzalez
October I	Brian Knox
October 2	Tom Finger
October 2	Mickey Haton
October 5	Gary Haton
October 7	Brad Young
October 9	Mykin Bernardi
October 9	Karen Grove
October 9	Pat Tribble
October 9	Nancy VonLanken
October 9	Don Whittle
October II	Carolyn Brown
October 14	Kelly Wolken
October 17	Joan Davis
October 18	Larry Retter
October 20	Mike Vecchio
October 22	John Simpson
October 23	Angela Serd
October 24	Kim Longsdorf
October 24	Mary Timmins
October 25	Richard Golliday
October 25	Susan Larimore
October 27	Peggy Swiisher
October 28	Gail Miholic
October 29	Tony Bernardi
October 31	Kathy Havey

#### Doug's Tech Tip:

I had the question again from one of our members whether to buy run-flat or non run-flat tires for their Corvette. Personally, Delora and I like non run-flat tires because the ride is so much better (not near as stiff) and they seem to last longer than run-flats. I just carry a repair kit, a portable pump, and fix-a-flat that is compatible with tire pressure sensors.

# Corvette Club of Illinois 2020 Charity Nominations

It is the time of the year when we start planning for the charity that we will support in 2020. At the September and October Club meetings, members are asked to nominate charities that they would like to have considered for 2020. Please submit the name of the charity and a brief description of what the charity does to any member of the board, or a member of the Charity Committee. Please keep in mind we are looking for charities that benefit central Illinois. At the November club meeting, a vote will be taken to determine which charity we are going to support.

> Charity Committee: Carol Castellon, Ken Guyette, and Tom McKinley

# Corvette Club of Illinois 2020 Dues Collection

We are now collecting membership dues for 2020. Dues notices were handed out at the September 10<sup>th</sup> club meeting. If you were unable to attend the September meeting, your dues notice was mailed to your home.

Dues for 2020 are the same as 2019.

Corvette Club Dues	\$20.00		
NCCC Primary Membership	\$25.00		
NCCC Spouse/Companion Dues	\$10.00		

Dues can be paid at the October club meeting or mailed to the Treasurer.

> Ken Guyette 404 Denton Dr. Savoy, IL 61874

Dues need to paid to the Club Treasurer By November 1<sup>st</sup>



# "A FORK ON THE ROAD"

#### SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

PEORIA HOFBRAU 2210 N.E. JEFFERSON PEORIA, ILLINOIS 309-686-9739 https://peoriahofbrau.com



#### OPEN:

TUESDAY -SATURDAY 11a.m. – 10p.m. (Dinner from 4 – 9p.m.) CLOSED: SUNDAYS, MONDAYS AND HOLIDAYS

It's October and one thing that comes to mind this time of year is Oktoberfest. Technically Oktoberfest begins the second to last Saturday in September and concludes the first Sunday of October. However, in the United States, it has evolved to being celebrated the entire month of October.

For those wishing to celebrate Oktoberfest, consider going to the Peoria Hofbrau in Peoria. The Peoria Hofbrau has been serving German and American cuisine since 1984.

They offer both a lunch and dinner menu. The lunch menu focuses primarily on a wide variety of sandwiches, but also includes a selection of appetizers, German sausage platters, salads and authentic German side dishes. The dinner menu includes many soups, salads and side dishes, seafood and a large selection of traditional German specialties.

Please visit their web site to view their complete menu.

In addition, the Peoria Hofbrau offers an extremely wide selection of German beers as well as beer from around the world, in addition to domestic brands. German wines are also available at their full-service bar. Desserts are also available.

A great place to celebrate Oktoberfest.

Reservations are highly suggested as most German restaurants get very busy this time of year.

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



In the **"Be careful what you ask for"** department, during Funfest some of us went to Niemerg's for dinner.

One of our members asked for "extra butter" for his baked potato.

Here is what he got:

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK FOR!





Our club once again won the Bartender's Challenge at Mid America's Corvette FunFest on September 21, 2019. Thank you to all members that made this charity event a big success.



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Bill Maiden & Joan Davis

Champaign, IL

2006 Daytona Sunset Coupe



# 2020 Especially for Corvette Club of Illinois' 50<sup>th</sup> 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 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. At the September club meeting, I sent around a sign-up sheet to find out how many members would be interested in attending this special Corvette Adventures, and we already have 30 cars interested in attending this fun event.

Ed is planning a special tour that will be just for our club. We will plan on taking this tour on Thursday and then everyone will be able to pick from all of the other tours that will be available on Friday and Saturday. We will also be able to enjoy all of the parties and dinner that is part of the Corvette Adventures experience.

He can arrange for us to have our own time at the Dells Raceway track if we want.

We need to start putting our plan together now for this club trip. Ed has told me that registration for the 2020 Corvette Adventures will be open by November 1, 2019. We are going to have a block of rooms set aside for our club in the recently renovated North Tower at the Chula Vista Resort.

When I receive confirmation that registration is open, I will notify everyone by email. It is important to register early, as the tours fill up quickly and our block of rooms will be limited.

Any questions please contact Ken Guyette 217-954-1411.

At this time, we would like to get an estimate of the number of members that would be interested in going on this trip. Please add your name to the list if you want to have a fun weekend.

We are now taking orders for polo shirts, t-shirts and hats with our club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo. Orders will be taken through October 15<sup>th</sup> and will be handed out at the annual Christmas party in December. Please use this order form to place your order. Additional order forms and samples of the shirts will be available at the September and October Club meetings.



### Corvette Club of Illinois 50th Anniversary Shirts and Hat Order Form Payment must be submitted with order and given to the Treasurer All of the items below will come imprinted with the Club's 50th Anniversary logo

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Mens Bla	ack Polo Shirt	Small	Medium	Large	X Large	XX Large	XXX Large	Total Quanity	Total Cost Quanity x \$40
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Quanity wa	nted (\$40 Each)								
Mens Moisture Wicking Black T-Shirt		Small	Medium	Large	X Large	XX Large	XXX Large	Total Quanity	Total Cost Quanity x \$15
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Quanity wa	nted (\$15 Each)								
Mens & Womens Black Hats		Adjustable one size fits all Quanity							Total Cost Quanity x \$20
Quanity wa	nted (\$20 Each)								
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Date									
Name									
Address									
Phone Number									
Email									
All orders mu	st be placed by the Octo	ber 8th C	lub Meetin	g and will	l be availa	ble for pic	k up at the	Club Christi	mas Party
Turn in or mail this order form with payment to Ken Guyette, 404 Denton Dr, Savoy IL 61874									