

### President's Message

We think July was busy, August was just as busy with the Hannibal, MO Corvette Show; Carmel, IN Corvette Show; Vettes on the River Corvette Show in Le Claire, IA; and of course, the Corvettes at Carlisle, PA Corvette Show. The members of this great club had some awesome showings at these shows in the number of attendees and the number of trophies brought home. The best thing about attending these shows are the fun, fun, fun and the comradery that happens. WAY TO GO EVERY-ONE!!!

The homecoming season has started already with Fisher High School contacting us about needing 7 Corvettes for their celebration on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. I have also received a request to help Parke Heritage High School in Rockville, IN on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 Indiana time. They also need 7 Corvettes. If you have the time and can help with these and other high school homecomings, please be sure to email me at <a href="mailto:dug.hanner@gmail.com">dug.hanner@gmail.com</a> or call my cell 217-369-5868. THANKS in advance for everyone's help.

The next big event for this club will be FUN FEST 2018 in Effingham, IL on September 20-23. If you have not registered yet, you will need to get this done AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. The best way to register is to call the operator for Mid America Motorworks at 217-540-4200 and ask to get registered for FUN FEST. Be sure to tell them you are a member of the Corvette Club of Illinois so you'll get to park in our club area. Don't forget that we will be competing in the Bartender Challenge Saturday afternoon in and around the food area at Fun Fest. Please come and help with this fun, fun, fun event.

Please to be sure to take a minute to check out the club's website <a href="www.ccofi.org">www.ccofi.org</a> 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 2018. Remember to bring the flyers from other shows and events 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. We all like new ideas to be presented to the club for discussion.

Next Meeting 7:00 PM September 11, 2018 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

#### wear your name tag

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#### Minutes of August 14, 2018

President, Doug Hanner, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., 73 members were present. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a minute to say hello to fellow club members and guests.

#### **Guests or prospective members**

Bill Main - Orange 06

#### Members with new or different cars

Bruce Houle – 2012 Grand Sport Kim Longsdorf – 1987

#### Sickness or distress

A moment of silence was held in memory of Maggie Boles. Dan Cook was in the hospital for 19 days, 11 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  days in ICU. He went back to the hospital and is in the ICU at least for the next 5 days.

#### Secretary report: Debby Wagner

Delora Hanner moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Cynda Dick. Motion approved.

#### Treasurer report: Karen Crull

Jody Retter moved to accept the report, seconded by Greg Crawford. Motion approved.

#### Governor Report: Dave Crull

Dave announced that we have 207 members. We are #1 in the Midwest Region and #9 National. There is a hold on adding new members to the NCCC.

We have several car shows coming up, so please check the website for information.

The next Governors meeting will be held in September.

#### **Trustees:**

Nothing to report.

### Report of club support groups and standing committees Communications:

Keep sending articles and pictures of trips for the newsletter.

#### Website:

Everything is up-to-date at this time. Keep sending car show, etc. information.

#### **Public Information:**

Nothing to report.

#### **Calendars**

Carol Castellon had nothing to report. She had been approached by some of the female members concerning the jewelry Show in October. She wanted the OK to go ahead and sign the contract with the bus company.

#### **Social Committee:**

The Club Weiner Roast will be held on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at Greg and Lynn Crawford's place south of Arthur.

#### **Charity Committee:**

Ken Guyette and other members attended a meeting at the University of Illinois about volunteering to work food stands at football and basketball games. It looks like a lot of long hours and a lot of work with very little money coming in for our charities.

The Special Olympics Family Fest will be held on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at Lakeland College in Mattoon. We will need 15 convertibles for the parade and 10 to 15 members to help with the games.

#### **FunFest Bartender Challenge:**

Linda Ogle modeled the outfit for the women. It includes a "We <u>CAN</u> Do It!" Rosie the Riveter t-shirt. She had made bandanas and headbands for those who will definitely be working the challenge at a cost of \$3.00 each. Women are to wear bib overalls or jeans and red lipstick. The men are asked to wear military green t-shirts. We have stickers to put on people who donate to the cause. They are working on putting 40's music together. We may have someone dress up like Marilyn Monroe.

#### Vice President: Barry Wagner

Barry gave a report on the NCCC Convention held in New Orleans in July. It was a great time to get together and meet people from around the country. Barry urged members to attend the conventions even if you don't race. The hard work of making arrangements with the hotel is already taken care of by the hosts. There are a lot of things to do and tours that are arranged thru the convention or you can go exploring on your own. The 2019 convention will be held in Denver and 2020 will be held in Indianapolis.

Gilbert Quick wanted to let members know that the Atwood Apple Dumpling Festival will be held on August 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>.

Remember to notify the Club Board of Directors of any changes in your personal information: emails, home addresses, phone numbers, etc.

Please send in any information on members' outside events such as fish fries, dinners, etc. and we will publish them in the newsletter and mass emails.

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

Sign-up books for known events are available.

We are seeking new ideas for club activities (dinner dash, road trips, etc.). Help is available to aid in the planning of the activities.

#### Minutes of August 14, 2018 (continued)

#### Items for sale

Shirts \$27.00 Hats \$15.00 Decals \$3.00 Pins \$2.00

Parade Flags \$17.00 (flag caddies are available from Corvette after-market suppliers)

#### President: Doug Hanner

Doug gave a report on the Hannibal Car Show. 9 cars won awards and the Club received an award for club participation.

Greg Anderson gave a report on the Black Hills Trip. They had 7 cars on the trip and had a great time. Doug thanked Greg and Rich Lampo on all of their hard work on planning and leading the trip.

#### **Old Business:**

Autocross at Rantoul is still planned for October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Tom McKinley will make the arrangements for the food truck from St. Joe IGA.

The trip to Starved Rock being planned by Dick and Janice Lampe will be on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **New Business:**

The Illinois State Fair will be held August 9 thru 19<sup>th</sup>. Veterans Day at the fair is Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Vettes N Vets will be held on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> in Carmel, Indiana. We will caravan to the event, departing Oakwood McDonalds at 7:00 a.m.

There are still 2 rooms available for Corvettes at Carlisle, August 23 thru 26.

Vettes on the River will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Those going will caravan over on August 24<sup>th</sup> leaving the parking lot on the west side of Red Lobster in Champaign at 9:00 a.m.

The Westville Labor Day Parade will be on Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will need 17 cars and will meet at 9:30 a.m. to go to the parade route.

Curtis Heck hasn't heard anything about the Arcola Broom Corn Parade on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Urbana High School Homecoming Parade will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> in the afternoon, and Schlarman High School's parade will be held on the same day, except in the evening. This is the Friday of Funfest in Effingham.

Monticellobration will be held on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> downtown on the square. There will be one block for Corvettes only and setup is at 2:30 p.m. Plenty of restaurants to visit.

For those that are new to the club, when we caravan to various car shows, parades, etc. most of us have CB radios to communicate with each other. Please see Doug or Barry, if you have any questions.

Carol Castellon gave a brief flag talk.

#### **Corvette Chat:**

For those that have a C7 Coupe, when replacing the roof be sure and latch the rear first before latching the front latches.

50/50 - \$118.00 - Carol Castellon

**Motion to adjourn-** Made by Delora Hanner, seconded by Jackie Heck. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned @ 8:23 p.m.



Several members' cars were among the 165 Corvettes in the American flag display created at Corvettes at Carlisle .



#### **TECH TIP:**

I want to remind everyone to make sure that you keep. your key fobs a pretty good distance away from your Corvettes. If they are kept too close to your Vette, you could drain your battery due to your security system trying to activate. If for some reason the battery in your Corvette gets drained, be sure to disconnect both positive and negative battery cables before you install a trickle charger.

#### Chicago Jewelry Show Trip for Club Ladies and Friends



Once again, we are offering a day trip to Rosemont for the "Jewelry, Fashions, and Accessories" Show, on Friday, October 26. Bus leaves at 8:00 AM from Farm & Fleet in Urbana, where you can leave your car, and returns at 8:00 PM. Cost is \$70/person and includes a sack lunch, bottled water, driver tip, games, prizes, and bus fare. We have a 25-passenger bus, so we should have room for everyone who wants to go, but get your reservation in early to Delora Hanner at 217-369-4543, or email her at delora.hanner@gmail.com.

#### September Birthdays

September 5 Joe Bandy

September 7 Linda Finger

September 7 R.C. Wicklund

September 8 Nancy Burgess

September 12 John Pangburn

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September 12 Roxann Moss

September 12 John Smart

September 12 Jane Wiggins

September 14 Robert Lange

September 15 Lisa Lemenager

September 20 Jerelyn Green

September 20 Dan McKenzie

September 21 Daniel Cook

September 21 Lisa Hardesty

September 21 Mitch Hardesty

September 22 Mike Castellon

September 23 John Grove

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#### **INK CARTRIDGES:**

Please bring used printer ink cartridges to the meetings.

This helps reduce the cost of the newsletter!



#### Club Calendar

### September 8 Arcola Broom Corn Festival

Parade starts at 3:00 Morore Park, Arcola, IL

## September II Monthly Club Meeting

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

### September 15 Special Olympics Family Fest

8:30 am - 2 pm Lake Land College, Mattoon, IL

### September 20-23 Mid America Corvette Funfest

Mid America Motorworks Effingham, IL

### September 29 Monticellobration

2:30 on the square in Monticello, IL

### October 6-7 NCCC Autocross

Rantoul, IL

## October 7 Starved Rock Club Trip

Starved Rock Park Utica. IL

## October 26 Chicago Jewelry Show

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center 5555 N River Road Rosemont, IL





Bob Ogle was among the winners at the Vettes N Vets Corvette Show in Carmel, IN August 18, 2018



Our club had many winners at this year's Vettes N Vets Corvette Show in Carmel, IN. Among them are (left to right) Rick Dawkins, Dan McKenzie, Gilbert Quick, Ray & Dee Gonzalez, Doug & Delora Hanner, Jackie & Curtis Heck, Charlie Mornout, and Scott & Rhonda Walter.



### Vettes N Vets Corvette Show August 18, 2018



Dan McKenzie



Curtis and Jackie Heck





### Vettes N Vets winners (continued)







Doug and Delora Hanner



Scott Walter



### Vettes N Vets winners (continued)





(Above) Charlie Mornout (Below) Gilbert Quick





(Below) Rick Dawkins



### Vettes N Vets winners (continued)









Ray and Dee Gonzalez









# "A Fork on the Road"

#### SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

#### **THIS MONTH**

HOTEL NAUVOO HISTORIC INN AND RESTAURANT 1290 MULHOLLAND STREET NAUVOO, ILLINOIS 62354 217-453-2211 http://www.hotelnauvoo.com

Dining room open:

Tuesday – Saturday 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. Sundays 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. CLOSED Mondays



The Hotel Nauvoo Historic Inn and Restaurant has been around for approximately 175 years.

They are known not only for their beautiful "period" style lodging, but also for their unique dinner buffet. For those who desire something other than the buffet, you can order from their a la carte menu.

Please visit this link to view the entire menu: http://www.hotelnauvoo.com/pdf/menu-2018.pdf

Located just across the street from the hotel is Grandpa John's Café and Soda Fountain (<a href="http://www.grandpajohnscafe.com">http://www.grandpajohnscafe.com</a>)
Here one can find breakfast, sandwich and dessert items on the menu.

Consider the Hotel Nauvoo for a great get-away weekend coupled with some good food and visit many of the attractions that can be found in one of the most historic towns in Illinois.

A list of attractions can be found linked on the hotel's web page.

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

#### **INFORMATION REQUESTED**

Please send us any information that you have regarding any upcoming food festivals, fund raising events, so that we can list them in the newsletter. We need to have the information by the first of the month for publication.

These can be fish frys, chili – soup dinners, etc., put on by your church, fraternal or civic organization. Many of our members have been to these events when we know about them. Always looking for a reason to not cook and to support members' activities.

We can always send mass mailings, however we would like to get them in the newsletter.

Send your information to: bkwagner@illinois.edu



Many members attended Vettes on the River in Le Claire , IA August 24—26



A stop was made at the American Pickers' store while in Le Claire.

#### Corvette Club Participation in Special Olympics Family Fest

September 15, 2018 Lake Land College, Mattoon 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

On September 15, 2018, the Central Illinois Special Olympics (Region 1) is having its Family Festival. The Corvette Club of Illinois will be an integral part of this very special event by participating in the parade, displaying our cars and volunteering to work a game tent. It is estimated that there will be about 800 athletes, 800 friends for a day escorts, and some 400 volunteers at this event. This festival event features sports activities, fun games, singing and dancing, performances by local entertainers, exhibitions and a free lunch.

I want to thank the following members who have signed up to attend this event

Rick Dawkins & Lori Davis, Tom & Linda McKinley, Mike & Patty Gruber, Ray & Dee Gonzales, Doug & Delora Hanner, Doris Rich & Monty Ewing, Greg Anderson & Kristie Smith, Mike & Kathy Havey, Dave & Karen Crull, Barry & Debbie Wagner, Larry Flessner, John & Linda Higgins, Ed Carleton, Ken & Nancy Guyette.

#### Please contact Ken Guyette (217-954-1411) if you want to get in on this great day.

The event will be held on the grounds of the Lake Land College in Mattoon. All club participants should arrive at the McDonalds at exit 184 on I-57 South at 8:30 am on Saturday, September 15th. We will then caravan the ½ mile to Lake Land College.

I have already registered and have received the volunteer shirts for the club members listed above. I will distribute these shirts at the Club meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>, so please try to attend this meeting. If you cannot make the meeting, I will have your shirts for you to change into at the McDonalds. The volunteer T-shirt must be worn because it is part of the security process for the event.

We will leave McDonalds at 8:45 am to drive the ½ mile to Lake Land College where we will line up for the parade. The Corvettes will start lining up about 9:00 to be featured in the one-mile long parade that winds through the Lake Land parking lot. The Corvettes will be carrying 4 Special Olympics Athletes and about 10 local Princesses and Queens (we will need to have waivers signed by all riders). The parade will start at 10:00 and after the parade there will be a torch lighting. About 10:30 am, we will park the parade cars in the Corvette only parking area.

This is when all of the Special Olympians and their families will get a chance to see our cars up close. The organizers have requested that we <u>DO NOT</u> let anybody sit in our cars.

During the day, there will be all kinds of games, activities, music and lunch. The Corvette Club will be the volunteers for one of the activity tents. Our tent will have three games for the athletes, a soft ball toss, another ball toss, and a plastic dragster race game. Each athlete will have a "friend of the day" to help them with each game. Each athlete will be given a ribbon for participating. The ribbons will be supplied by Special Olympics. I will need about 8 -12 club members at a time to run the games, and we will switch out during the event.

I have put together a work schedule for our club members that has each member working 1 hour of the day watching over the Corvettes, and 1 hour working in the game tent out of the 5 hour duration of the festival. I will need about 10 members to help tear down our tent games at 1:45.

Lunch will be provided by Special Olympics. I understand it is a box lunch with a ham & cheese sandwich, other healthy snacks and bottled water. Each member should probably bring a small cooler of water for themselves for the event.

At 2:00 pm, we will have the closing ceremony; Special Olympics has asked that all of the Corvettes stay in place for about half an hour after the event so they can focus on getting all of the athletes and families on their way.

Special Olympics will be having a pizza party for all of the volunteers at the Mattoon Eagles Club at 3:00pm.

I am also going down to Lake Land College on Friday September 14 to set up the games in our tent, and would appreciate it if a couple members could ride down with me to help.

Please contact me if you want to join in on this club charity event. Ken Guyette 217-954-1411 kjquyette@aol.com





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#### Club shirts now available to order

Shirt details and color selections are shown above. They tend to run a little large. Price will be \$35 to \$40 each. The more we order, the cheaper the price. To place an order, contact Doug with your selection of color, size, and quantity.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug at <a href="mailto:dug.hanner@gmail.com">dug.hanner@gmail.com</a> or call his cell, 217-369-5868.

Thank you, Rich Larimore, for getting the samples made with our logo.

#### 50TH ANNIVERSARY PROJECT CALL FOR MATERIALS

The Corvette Club of Illinois will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in the year 2020.

We are in the process of putting together an anniversary book highlighting the history and activities of the club throughout the 50 years. We NEED YOUR HELP to gather information for this book. We are looking for pictures of club events, stories, either written or verbal of the beginning of the club and the ongoing activities over the years. Please look through your photo collection for any photos pertaining to the club.

Larry Warf, our club photographer, has agreed to help with this project. Your photos will be copied and returned to you. Photos can be prints, color or black and white, 35mm slides, and digital. Ideally we need to have information about the photos as to the activity, year, and names of people, year of Corvette, etc. in the photos. For any stories, please write them down on paper or if you prefer, we can set up an interview process to document the stories.

In addition to this request for materials, we need volunteers to serve on the Editorial Committee for this project. Needless to say, this is no small undertaking and will require a great deal of help from the membership.



#### Reminder!!

We are participating in the bartender's challenge at Mid America's Corvette Funfest on Saturday, September 22.

Our theme this year is "We Can Do It!". Women are to wear bib overalls or jeans and red lipstick, to resemble Rosie the Riveter. We will be selling red and white polka dot bandanas and headbands at the meeting for \$3 for those participating. Karen Crull will collect the money. Correct change is appreciated.

Men are asked to wear military green t-shirts.



# This Saturday, September 8th, Parade at the Broom Corn Festival in Arcola.

Here are the plans for Saturday:

LEAVE FROM: Planet Fitness, 2002 Glenn Park Drive

TIME: 1:30 pm

ROUTE: I-57 South to Arcola, Route 133, Exit #203

WEST: To Moore Park
SPACES: #69 to #87
PARADE STARTS: 3:00 pm



Feel free to meet us at Moore Park, we have plenty of room for everyone to attend.

REMEMBER THIS IS ONE OF THE PARADES AT WHICH WE CAN THROW CANDY!!!!