

# Glass Reflections

### President's Message

We had another very successful Annual Chili/Soup Dinner. I think that everyone had a good time and of course nobody went home hungry. This has really turned out to be a FUN time. This will not be the last one we will plan for our members.

Here is another FUN event that is for a GOOD CAUSE. Pi Sigma Epsilon fraternity in Bloomington is having their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Wheels for Meals Car Show on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at the Hancock Stadium at West College and South Main Streets in Normal, IL. A portion of proceeds from this car show will go to the Midwest Foodbank. Food and drink will be available at the show, plus there will be entertainment for all to enjoy. The car show will be from 12:00 noon until 4:00 pm.

Our members will be working our hydra-station and security for intersections at the Illinois Marathon on Saturday, April 22nd from 7:00 am until 12:00 noon at the corner of John and Westlawn Streets. We have filled our allocated volunteer slots, but we can always use more help. This has turned out to be FUN work. If you have any questions, please email me at dug.hanner@gmail.com or call my cell (217) 369-5868.

The Ozark House, 704 McGregor Street, Bloomington, IL on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> is the place and date for our Annual Banquet. This is always a GREAT event with of course FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, and a SILENT AUCTION. We will leave from the parking lot behind the Red Lobster on Prospect Avenue at 11:30 am to caravan to the Ozark House for the Social Hour at 1:00 pm, with dinner at 2:00 pm. Remember that the Ozark House is not open on Sundays, so we will get the entire place to ourselves.

There is still time (very little time) if you might want to go on the Motor City Trip (Detroit, MI). This should be a GREAT TRIP with the GM Heritage Center, GM Performance Center, and Ken Lingenfelter's Car Collection. Check out the information in this newsletter. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Ken Guyette at (217) 954-1411 or email him at <a href="mailto:kjguyette@aol.com">kjguyette@aol.com</a>. The date for this event is 17-21 May. There are so many other things in the Detroit area.

Carol Castellon has planned a Club Trip to Door County, Wisconsin on May 30<sup>th</sup> to June 2. There will be brochures available at the the club meeting. If you have any questions or plan on going and still have questions, please feel free to give Carol a call at (217) 649-2408. or email her at <u>c.castellon@comcast.net</u>.

Next Meeting 7:00 PM April 11, 2017 Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

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#### President's Message continued

You can still register for Bloomington Gold at the 500 Track in Indianapolis. I made my reservation by calling their office in Bloomington, IL. That number is (309) 888-4477, or you can go to their website <a href="https://www.bloomingtongold.com">www.bloomingtongold.com</a>. Don't forget that our club has reserved a suite for the weekend. This will allow us to get out of the heat, into the air conditioning, or into a dry spot if it should rain.

If you have a new idea or a new event for the members of this club to attend, make some plans and bring it up at the meeting to let everyone know about the plans. Let's be getting our information gathered up for 2017 and even 2018, so that it can be added to the website. As always, if you get some flyers from other shows and events please bring them to the meeting or email them to Steve Tribble (s.tribble@frontier.com).

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#### Minutes of March 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Doug Hanner; 58 members were present.

#### Members with new or different cars

Ed Carleton - 1994 Black Callaway

#### Sickness or distress

Dave Blair passed away. A card was circulated among the members present and a memorial collection was taken up to send to Diane.

#### **Special Guest**

Kristen Bosch from Eastern Illinois Food Bank spoke to the Club explaining what the Food Bank does and how it obtains and distributes food to 17 counties in Eastern Illinois. She also explained the Club's involvement and how this will also get our name out to the public and help us with our Charity Golf Outing.

#### Secretary report: Debby Wagner

George Dick moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Cynda Dick. Minutes approved.

#### Treasurer report: Karen Crull

The Treasurer's report was read by Dave Crull. Dwight Hooker moved to accept, Larry Flessner seconded. Reported was approved.

#### Governor Report: Dave Crull

We have 197 members in the NCCC.

The NCCC Convention will be at Bowling Green August 21-25, 2017 at the Holiday Inn and nearby Sloan Convention Center. Registration is now open.

Eckler's may not send out calendars this next year, as they are not getting enough business in return.

If you should enter a raffle, such as for a Corvette, you will have to pay 25% to the IRS before you can receive your prize.

### Report of club support groups and standing committees

#### **Communications:**

A couple of emails have bounced back. Keep sending Steve Tribble items for the website. You can upload pictures to Shutterfly with a Members only Access.

#### **Social Committee:**

The Chili/Soup Cookoff will be held on March  $18^{\text{th}}$  at 6:00 p.m. at the Carpenters Hall on Duncan Road. Setup will be at 5:30 p.m.

The Club Banquet will be held on April 30<sup>th</sup> at Ozark House in Bloomington. Cost is \$33.00 per person.

#### Vice President – Barry Wagner

The Club has a suite at Bloomington Gold all three days for \$250. Thanks to Dave and Karen for taking care of the registration.

We are searching for any members with Web page design experience. We need to update and enhance it to make it more functional. A dinner meeting will be held on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at Avanti's in Bloomington across from the airport.

We are looking for photos and memorabilia of Club activities over the years. Larry Warf volunteered to hand-compile the photos little over a year and a half away.

Items for sale
Club Calendars \$5.00
Shirts \$27.00
Parade Flags \$17.00
Decals \$3.00
Pins \$2.00

#### **President:** Doug Hanner

Hickory River, Sullivan-Parkhill and Stone Creek are on board for the 2017 Golf Outing. He has talked to the new manager at Sullivan-Parkhill and nothing has changed. They do have 6 Corvettes for sale if anyone is in the market for a different car.

Ken Guyette gave an update on the Detroit Trip. We have 32 cars signed up with a cut-off date of April 12<sup>th</sup>. Beth's Place has finally received some state funds. Ken Guyette has a television to donate to them but does not have a way to transport it to Tuscola. A couple of members offered to help get it delivered.

Art is working on the NCM/Track Club Trip.

There are some changes at Bloomington Gold. There will be no Club parking. It is first come, first serve. This will get parking closer to the vendors.

#### **Old Business:**

Everything is proceeding with the Golf Outing. There are forms to fill out for anything donated for the outing. Please make sure you fill out the form for you or anyone from which you receive a donation. We don't want to miss anyone in our Thank You in the newspaper.

It was asked if the members were interested in taking a major Club Trip in 2018. An interest was given by the membership and suggestions were taken of the possible destinations.

#### Suggestions were:

- a) Niagara Falls, with possibly contacting the Buffalo Corvette Club
- b) Black Hills, South Dakota in conjunction with the Black Hills Corvette Classic
  - c) Various Locations in Texas
  - d) Savannah, Georgia
  - e) Daytona Beach, Florida

Rich and Pat Lampo have researched the Black Hills and a lot of the scheduling is already set-up thru the Corvette Classic. There are many other things to do in the area, including bus trips.

A vote was taken and it was decided that the 2018 trip will be to the Black Hills.

It was suggested that these other locations be considered for future trips and anyone wanting to check on these locations, please feel free to do so. It takes about 2 years to plan these trips.

#### **New Business:**

Illinois Marathon – April 22<sup>nd</sup>: We are 100% manned for our Water Station. There is still a need for Intersection security. Doug is taking the information.

There will be a "Wheels for Meals" Car Show on April 8<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at ISU Hancock Stadium in Normal, Illinois. This is a food drive fundraiser sponsored by PI SIGMA EPSILON Fraternity.

Sign up books are available for the parades, banquet, picnic and trips

**50/50 -** \$98.00 - Gilbert Quick

**Motion to adjourn-** Made by Delora Hanner and 2<sup>nd</sup> by lackie Heck

The meeting adjourned @ 8:35 p.m.





#### **DOUG'S TECH TIP**

It is that time of the year again to get your Corvette ready for a BUSY summer with club events and cruising. Make sure that your battery is fully charged, change your oil, check your Vette for little critters, check the air pressure in your tires, check your antifreeze level, and give your Vette a fresh wax job to help with bug removal.



# "A Fork on the Road

#### SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH
OAKDALE DAM INN
11899 W. OAKDALE DRIVE
MONTICELLO, INDIANA 47960
1-574-965-9104
http://www.oakdaledaminn.com

#### **RESTAURANT HOURS:**

Tuesday –Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday – Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.





The Oakdale Dam construction was completed in 1925. Lake Freeman was created as a result of the dam construction. During construction, the workers (250) lived on site, worked seven days a week with a night shift to complete the work. Living quarters, a commissary and a mess hall were built on site, with the mess hall eventually evolving into the Oakdale Dam Inn. Their trademark is "The Best Catfish by a Dam Site". While fish and seafood are featured items, the menu contains many other tasty offerings such as steaks, salads, numerous sandwich options and side dishes. Two fish selections available, are blue gill and smelts, which are rarely found on anyones menu. The catfish can be prepared either fried or broiled. The broiled version is affectionately known as ""Indiana Lobster". Another featured item is the "Make Your Own 'Dam' Burger". Chopped steak with your choice of toppings. Seating is available in their family room, the patio or beer garden, which has the best "Dam" view in Monticello. Adult beverages are available.

Please visit their web site to see the full menu and for map and directions.

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



#### **April Birthdays**

Apr I Chellee Camp Apr 4 Tom Serd Apr 4 Cynda Dick Apr 8 Gene Schmidt Apr 10 Linda Hanslow Apr 13 Gloria Bolton Apr 17 Karen Crull Apr 20 Earl Ross Apr 21 Steve Rhodes Apr 23 Linda Smith Apr 26 Shawna Wycoff Apr 28 Kent Schurg Apr 30 Amber Howe

#### Club Calendar

#### Apr II Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 PM at Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

440 West Anthony Drive - Champaign, IL

#### Apr 15 Champaign Cars & Coffee

7:30 am to 10:30 am 44 E. Washington St.

#### Apr 22 Illinois Marathon

7:00 am until 12:00 noon corner of John and Westlawn Streets Champaign, IL

#### Apr 30 Club Banquet

Ozark House Restaurant 704 McGregor St. – Bloomington, IL



### ANNUAL BANQUET

#### SUNDAY APRIL 30, 2017

OZARK HOUSE 704 McGREGOR STREET BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

SOCIAL HOUR: 1:00 P.M. DINNER: 2:00 P.M.

#### BANQUET BUFFET MENU INCLUDES:

CHICKEN; ROAST BEEF; MASHED POTATOES; AU GRATEN POTATOES; GREEN BEANS; CORN; SALAD; ROLLS; CHERRY COBBLER; ICED TEA; POP AND COFFEE

ENTERTAINMENT BY: CAPTAIN RON

COST: \$33 PER PERSON (INCLUDING TAX AND GRATUTITY)

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: CORVETTE CLUB OF ILLINOIS

SEND YOUR CHECK TO: KAREN CRULL 2815 GRANDVIEW DRIVE BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS 61704

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 20, 2017

#### "SILENT AUCTION"

THE CLUB WILL AGAIN CONDUCT A "SILENT AUCTION" AT THIS YEARS BANQUET, WITH THE PROCEEDS GOING TO THE CLUBS CHARITY FUND.

#### ITEMS ARE NEEDED!

PLEASE BRING ITEMS FOR THE AUCTION WITH YOU TO THE BANQUET.

LAST YEAR THE CLUB EARNED OVER \$500 DOLLARS FROM THE AUCTION. LET'S SEE IF WE CAN TOP THAT NUMBER THIS YEAR.

WITH YOUR HELP, "WE CAN DO IT"

\* HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE \*

#### 50TH ANNIVERSARY PROJECT CALL FOR MATERIALS

The Corvette Club of Illinois will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> 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.

## DOOR COUNTY WISCONSIN TRIP May 30- June 2

Door County is the peninsula between Green Bay and Lake Michigan. Known for fresh dairy products, perfect growing conditions for cherries, lots of shoreline, beautiful scenery and beaches, fish boils, unique shops, wineries, and one-of-akind restaurants with no fast food chains! Bring your coolers to take home cheese, cherries, and smoked fish! Club members will meet to experience a fish boil, and a Fireboat ride in the bay, but this is not a follow-the-schedule trip - you are free to explore, shop, eat-till-you-drop, or just relax on your deck overlooking the beautiful bay. We love it there and hope you will too! Please let me know if you are going. Carol Castellon



#### Motor City (Detroit) Trip May 18 -21, 2017

#### **CUT OFF DATE TO PARTICIPATE IS APRIL 12, 2017**

Please contact Ken Guyette to register or if you have any questions Ph 217-954-1411 or kjguyette@aol.com

May 18 (Thursday) Drive is 6 hours 19 minutes, 393 miles with no stops (plan on stopping every 1 ½ hours)

- Leave Champaign at 7:00am
- Lunch stop at Redamak's (616 E. Buffalo Street, New Buffalo, Michigan) 11:00 11:15 arrival
- Leave Redamak's 12:15-12:30 and drive 5 miles to Corvette Central for a tour
- Scott Cowen (269-426-3342) at Corvette Central to take the club for a tour 12:30 to 1:30
- Will make one more rest stop halfway to Detroit, near Jackson
- Hotel Stay at Wyndham Garden Sterling Heightsk, MI
  - o Room \$96.05/ including tax for a king or two queen beds, plus breakfast and a drink coupon for each person, (soda, coffee, beer, wine, or cocktail in the Loon River Café), based on two people per room.
  - o Contact Ken Guyette to reserve a room. (Club will pay master bill, with members paying club)
  - o The hotel has a restaurant on site called the "Loon River Café" and there are numerous restaurants within a mile of the hotel. A list of restaurants will be provided in the trip book.

#### May 19 (Friday)

- Leave hotel at 8:45am drive 2 miles to GM Heritage Center
  - O GM Heritage Center \$10.00 per person entrance fee (prepaid to club)
- Leave GM Heritage Center at 11:30am and drive 16 miles
- Arrive at Detroit's famous <u>Buddy's Pizza</u> 12:00pm
  - o \$12 per person to be prepaid to club
- Leave Buddy's Pizza at 1:30pm and drive 5 miles
- Tentatively visit the GM Technical Center in Warren, incl. a visit with Chevrolet and a possible photo-shoot
- Arrive at GM Powertrain Performance and Racing Center at 2:00pm
  - We will tour the engine building area, the engine dyno area, and the machine shop.
- Leave Performance center at 4:00pm and drive 4 miles to hotel
- Drive to Hampton Inn at Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills
  - Rooms are \$134.00/plus tax. Phone: 248-874-4902 to make your reservations starting January 23<sup>rd</sup>.
     Ask for the Corvette Club of Illinois booking, using code CCI.
  - O This hotel is located on the site of the Great Lakes Crossing mall, an indoor mall with 185 stores and over 30 that only can be found in Michigan. The mall has 20 restaurants within the mall to have dinner. Great Lakes Crossing will deliver coupon books for the stores and restaurants to the hotel, which you can pick up when you check in.

#### May 20 (Saturday)

- Leave at 8:30 and drive for 39 miles for a tour of the The Lingenfelter Collection of cars in Brighton, Michigan. Lingenfelter has been contacted and is happy to have the club tour their location.
  - O A \$10.00 per head fee, which goes to the Lingenfelter Foundation, will be prepaid to club.
- Saturday afternoon is open to head back to Champaign. Lingenfelter to Champaign 264 miles.
- A list of places for lunch will be included in the trip book.
- On the way back people can stop at the Gilmore Car Museum (108 miles)
  - O This is North Americas Largest Auto Museum with 400 vehicles and automobile history on display.
  - o \$10 per person group rate for 15 or more
  - O Gilmore to Champaign 264 miles.
- Or stay and see any of the following Detroit area landmarks
  - O Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn Michigan
  - O Greenfield Village, which is next door to the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn.
  - Detroit Casinos
  - O Frankenmuth, Michigan
    - Famous for its chicken dinners and year round Christmas stores