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President's Message

The only word that you can say about the weather on February 18th when we went to Springfield, IL to go to the Abraham Lincoln's Library and Museum is UNBELIEVABLE for February in ILLINOIS. I think that everyone had a GOOD TIME and if you have never taken a trip to see this museum, you have missed a very informative venue. THANKS to Terry and Sharon for setting up this great trip.

I hope that everyone has marked your calendars and dusted off your recipes for Saturday, March 18th at the Carpenter's Hall on Duncan road. This is the date for our Annual Chili/Soup Dinner. The plans are to eat at 6:00 pm. We will be talking about this fun event at this month's meeting. If you have not attended this event, it is a great way to get some new recipes for chili/soup dishes. If you would rather bring a dessert or a salad, that will also work.

The Annual Club Banquet is at the Ozark House in Bloomington, IL on Sunday April 30th. This is always a GREAT event, of which we will finalize plans in the next two months. Look for the plans and the signup sheet at the upcoming meetings. You know we feel the more the merrier. We will have entertainment again this year. Be ready to do some dancing.

If you are remotely thinking about going on our Motor City Trip (Detroit, MI), you still have time to sign up, but you need to do so as soon as possible. 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 kjguyette@aol.com. The date for this event is 17-21 May. The Heritage Center is one of the highlights of this great trip and there are so many other places that Ken has coordinated for the trip.

There is another club trip being planned by Carol Castellon to Door County, Wisconsin on May 30th to June 2. Check out the brochure that I emailed earlier and, of course these brochures will be available at the next meetings. If you have any questions, please feel free to give Carol a call at 217-649-2408, or email her at c.castellon@comcast.net.

Next Meeting 7:00 PM

March 14, 2017

Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive

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They have opened registration for Bloomington Gold at the 500 Track in Indianapolis. I just called their office in Bloomington, IL and made my reservation. It works very well. That number is (309) 888-4477, or you can go to their website www.bloomingtongold.com. Don't forget that the Club has reserved a suite for the weekend. This will allow us a place to get into the air conditioning, out of the heat, or in a dry spot if it should rain.

WE LOVE IT WHEN MEMBERS STEP UP TO PLAN TRIPS, DINNER DASHES, OR ANY OTHER EVENT!!! The next step is to get some of the plans more in the final stages so members can make their 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).



Minutes of February 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm by President Doug Hanner. 50 members were present.

New Prospective Members

Mike & Crystal Vecchio – 1979 Frost Blue Coupe
John Grove – 1975 Coupe & 2002 Convertible

Sickness or distress

Dave Blair is home and they are working on getting a ramp to get him in and out of the house easier.
Both Bob and Pam Weeks are going downhill.

Secretary report: Debby Wagner

Charlie Mornout moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Doris Rich. Minutes approved.

Treasurer report: Karen Crull

The Treasurer's report was read. Dwight Hooker moved to accept, Jody Retter seconded. Report was approved.

Governor Report: Dave Crull

We have 198 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.
The next Governor's meeting will be held on February 27th in St. Louis.
Doug read an article from Blue Bars about the Club's Food Trailer at the Autocross competitions in Rantoul last year and the money for Beth's Place.

Report of club support groups and standing committees

Communications:

A few of the members are still not getting the online newsletter. Jody asked that they double check their emails including the spam files.

Carol has a few calendars remaining for the low price of \$5.00. She also has the by-laws for those who need them. We may have to mail them to members that have not attended the meetings. Carol also handed out brochures for the Door County Trip in May.
Concerning the website, Steve Tribble will update it when he gets back.

Trustees:

Sharon Pearson reported that she has turned in the FY-2017 Financial Review sheet.

Social Committee:

Sharon informed the club about the schedule for the Springfield Trip on Saturday, February 18th.
The Chili Cook-off will be held on March 18th at 6:00 p.m. at the Carpenters Hall on Duncan Road.
The Club Banquet will be held on April 30th at Ozark House in Bloomington.

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. This will be a great place to rest and shoot the breeze with each other. Coolers are welcome. There is an elevator to get to the second floor and it is air conditioned.

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 set up with those that wish to help.

We are looking for photos and memorabilia of Club activities over the years. Larry Warf has volunteered to hand compiling the photos.

Suggestions for the 2018 club trip are being taken. Rich and Pat Lampo are willing to help with the planning. One suggestion that has been received is a trip to the Black Hills. We need to making plans since the trip is a little over a year and a half away.

Items for sale:

Club Calendars \$10.00
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. Larry Flessner informed the club that there is a new manager at Sullivan-Parkhill and to make sure they are still on board.

Ken Guyette gave an update on the Detroit Trip. A possible trip to the GM Technical Center and Chevrolet may want a possible photo shoot. Also, there is a dress code for safety purposes.

Barb Utterback gave a report on the WCIA Angel's Among Us spot featuring her and Beth's Place.

Thanks to Steve Brown for making the suggestion to WCIA The NCM/Track Club Trip is a work in progress. Possible trip in the fall.

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.

June 1 – 3 the Corvette Museum will host a Corvette Homecoming.

New Events:

Chili/Soup Cookoff – 3/18/18 – Carpenters Hall - Champaign

New Business:

We have no information on the Illinois Marathon.

Vettes n Vets – Carmel, IN – 8/19

Sign up books are available for the Marathon, Parades, Banquet, Picnic and Trips

Charities – 90% is designated for Beth's Place and 10% to Other Charities. Barry Wagner made a motion to nominate the Eastern Illinois Food Bank to receive the 10%, seconded by Barb Utterback. Ken Guyette suggested that there be other nominations. A discussion was held. The food bank services 17 counties. For every \$1.00 that they receive they can purchase \$10.00 worth of food. A voted was called with a show of hands. Motioned carried.

50/50 - \$82.00 – Freda Warf

Motion to adjourn- Made by Delora Hanner and 2nd by Doris Rich.

The meeting adjourned @ 8:10 p.m.

INK CARTRIDGES:

Please bring used printer ink cartridges to the meetings. This helps reduce the cost of the newsletter!



Club Calendar

Mar 14 Monthly Club Meeting
7:00 PM at Sullivan-Parkhill Automotive
440 West Anthony Drive - Champaign, IL

Mar 18 Chili/Soup Dinner
6:00 PM at Carpenter's Union Hall
402 S Duncan Rd - Champaign, IL

Apr 30 Club Banquet
Ozark House Restaurant
704 McGregor St. – Bloomington, IL

DOUG'S TECH TIP

I want to remind all C6 owners with automatic transmissions to be aware that there are some problems with the shifter locking in park. The more you drive your Vette, the worse it will get. I would suggest that if you are experiencing this problem, to take your Vette to your local Chevy dealer to have the shifter replaced. There are not any repair kits out there to rebuild your original shifter. I know of a 2008 and 2010 that have had to have their shifters replaced.



"A Fork on the Road"

SUGGESTED DINING LOCATIONS FROM CCI MEMBERS

THIS MONTH

IRISH PUBS AND RESTAURANTS

RESTAURANT HOURS:

VISIT THE VARIOUS WEB SITES



It's March and that means that St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner, Friday March 17.

This is the time when many folks claim Irish ancestry, whether they have any Irish in them or not.

St. Patrick's Day has evolved into a day of celebration with good friends, combined with some traditional Irish food and drink.

This month, I am changing the format of this column to list some regional Irish Pubs and Restaurants that specialize in Irish fare, as well as other regular menu options.

Due to space limitations, it is impossible to review the menus of each establishment, so please follow the links to each restaurant and view the menus and hours of operation on their web page.

D'ARCYS PINT 661 West Stanford Avenue Springfield, Illinois

<http://www.darcyspintonline.com>

Kelleher's Irish Pub and Eatery 619 SW Water St. Peoria, Illinois

<http://kellehersirishpub.com>

Donnelly's Irish Pub 4501 N. Rockwood Peoria, Illinois
<http://www.donnelyspubpeoria.com>

Maggie Miley's 126 E. Beaufort Normal, Illinois
<http://places.singleplatform.com/maggie-mileys/menu>

Doherty's Pub & Pins 242 E. William Decatur, Illinois
<http://dohertyspubandpins.com>

Happy St. Patrick's Day and Erin go Bragh!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

BEMENT AMERICAN LEGION are holding their Friday "FISH FRYS" on the following dates:

March 10; March 24 and April 7. Great Walleye dinners! Well worth the trip.

Please make your suggestions and recommendations for submission to "A Fork on the Road", to Barry Wagner

(bkwagner@illinois.edu) 217-356-9961

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-a-kind 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 went three years ago for the first time, and now we go back every year - we love it and hope you will too! Carol Castellon





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.

If you have any questions on loaning us materials and how you can help with this project, please contact Barry Wagner 217-356-9961, bkwagner@illinois.edu

March Birthdays

Mar 1	Curtis Heck
Mar 2	Nancy Guyette
Mar 2	Terri Hooker
Mar 5	Kathy Hilliger
Mar 7	Gilbert Quick
Mar 7	Scott Walter
Mar 10	Jackie Heck
Mar 10	Joyce Woodworth
Mar 13	Larry Flessner
Mar 17	Sally Killhoffer
Mar 22	Curtis Stiner
Mar 23	George Dick
Mar 23	John Strehlow
Mar 25	Sue Bandy
Mar 26	Pat Chancellor
Mar 26	Michael Green
Mar 27	Dale Stauffenberg



Call John Dotson
217-352-4275
ask for special Club pricing
www.sullivan-parkhill.com

In Memoriam

On Sunday, March 5, we lost our beloved club member, Dave Blair. David Allen Blair, 76, of Danforth, IL., formerly of Harvey, IL. died at 2:37 P.M. at his home in rural Danforth. Dave was born on September 23, 1940 in Harvey, IL. He married Diane Morris on October 20, 1977. She survives. Dave was a member of the Corvette Club of Illinois and the Antique Oakland Club. He also enjoyed the Annual Hill Climb in Newport, Indiana. Dave loved fast cars, old cars, and tacos. He never met a stranger and could always make you laugh. RIP, Dave. We will miss you and your antics.



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 Heights, MI
 - 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.
 - Contact Ken Guyette to reserve a room. (Club will pay master bill, with members paying club)
 - 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
 - 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 Buddy's Pizza 12:00pm
 - \$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 23rd. Ask for the Corvette Club of Illinois booking, using code CCI .
 - 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.
 - 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)
 - This is North America's Largest Auto Museum with 400 vehicles and automobile history on display.
 - \$10 per person group rate for 15 or more
 - Gilmore to Champaign 264 miles.
- Or stay and see any of the following Detroit area landmarks
 - Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn Michigan
 - Greenfield Village, which is next door to the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn.
 - Detroit Casinos
 - Frankenmuth, Michigan
 - Famous for its chicken dinners and year round Christmas stores