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President's Report – Scott Maas

September 2024 CCOM President Newsletter Report

I hope you're having a fun summer and enjoying your Corvette at the many car events.

On Saturday, August 3rd, 2024, I organized River City Days Car Show that was held at the Bay Point Park in Red Wing, MN. I worked with Michelle Larson, Red Wing Chamber of Commerce President and Laura Aadalen, Park Manager, to put the show together. I also had many CCOM members that volunteered and helped make the show a success. We wound up with 96 cars and a beautiful day at the best venue in the state for a car show, Bay Point Park.

The Best Car in Show trophy went to Jamie Conway of Prior Lake, MN with his 1969 Plymouth GTX. The Best Truck in Show trophy went to Lynn Peterson of Lakeville, MN with his 1956 Ford F100. The Best Corvette in Show trophy went to fellow CCOM member Tom Weber of Hampton, MN with his 2023 Corvette. These vehicles were judged by spectators attending the car show.

The Best in Show trophy went to Bruce Silseth of Sioux Falls, SD with his 1962 Corvair Ramp Side. This award was judged by the River City Days Royal Ambassadors. Congratulations to all the trophy winners.

On Sunday, August 11, 2024, AJ Kupka organized the 17th Annual Vettes for Vets Car Show at the Savage American Legion in Savage, MN. It was a beautiful day and the show was a big success. There were about 200 vehicles and 180 were Corvettes. We talked with the business across the street, Midwest Special Instruments, about using their parking lot for the car show. It was a good thing we did, otherwise we would have run out of parking spots.

AJ had collected many prizes for the raffles. There was a lot of tickets sold and a lot of money was raised for the MN Veteran's Home. Thanks to all the volunteers, this show was another big success.

On Thursday, August 22, 2024, we were invited to a car show at Jeff Belzer's Chev in Lakeville, MN. The show was organized by Alex Burns, Andrew Miller, and Jenna Novak of Jeff Belzer's Chev. There were 72 cars that attended, and 52 of them were Corvettes.

A week before the car show, Brian and Eileen McConnell volunteered to put their red 1963 Corvette split-window on the show floor of the Chevrolet dealership. Apparently, it was a big hit, with many Chevrolet customers stopping by to look at it.

On Sunday, August 25, 2024, we were invited to a car show at Buck Hill in Burnsville, MN. The Southern Cruzers Car Club organized the event. Fellow CCOM members Craig Duntley and Steve Brehm put the show together and raised a lot of money for their Southern Cruzers charities.

If you are new to the CCOM Club, or if you are thinking about ordering some CCOM branded clothing, take a look at the CCOM website, Member Area. You can also look at the order book and the clothing examples at the next CCOM Membership Meeting. You can also contact me at scottmaas@gmail.com or (612) 940-3446, with questions.

We hope to see you at the September meeting. Have a great Summer!

Scott Maas

President, CCOM



Scott Maas, River City Days Royal Ambassadors Kylie Griffin, Emma Hoppman, and Brianna Tix, RCD Car Show, August 3, 2024



River City Days Royal Ambassadors Brianna Tix, Emma Hoppman, Kylie Griffin, Best in Show Trophy Winner Bruce Silseth, and Scott Maas, RCD Car Show, August 3, 2024



Brian McConnell, Jenna Novak, and Scott Maas,
Jeff Belzer's Chev, August 14, 2024

Vice President's Report – Chris Osgood

August Event Review

We had a full month of events in August. These events are made possible by members who decide to chair an event. If you would like to get an event on the calendar, please reach out to me. We are already working on the 2025 calendar.

River City Days Car Show – Redwing on August 3rd

The weather was spectacular for this show. No rain and nice temperatures. This combination helped bring out more cars and members of the community to enjoy the show. Scott Maas had plenty of help to make sure the show ran smoothly for the River City Days planners. The location for the show is on the banks of the Mississippi. One of the best backdrops for a car show anywhere in the country. Please see just a few pictures from this show.



Vettes for Vets – More than a Car Show

Our family was on our annual trip to Guatemala for this event. I have had a chance to discuss the success of this event with AJ Kupka. We have more cars than any other year. We raised more money for the Vet's than ever before. We started a new tradition with a Vettes for Vets t-shirt. A special thanks to Dick Kolkmann and Barry Ablett for putting the shirt program together.

AJ Kupka puts countless hours into making sure this is one of our hallmark events. Thank you, AJ, for all you do!

Planning has already begun for the 2025 show. It will be bigger and better. We even changed our Guatemala travel plans to make sure we attend.

First annual Jeff Belzer Car Show

This show was organized and run by Belzer Chevrolet. It was put together quickly, and I had my doubts whether there would be any success. Well nearly 50 cars showed up by 5pm on August 22. There was a BBQ and Ice Cream truck on site, both were great! One of the Batmobiles from Cars Against Crime was on site. I look forward to more events like this in the future. We were able to connect with many of the Belzer staff to further strengthen our relationship. I would like to thank Eileen and Brian McConnell for showing their 63 Split Window for the week leading up to the show in the Belzer show room, this likely boosted attendance from the community. Here are a few photos from the show. The Batmobile is powered by an LS engine!



Lee and Penny Anderson Car and Boat Collection

This was a real once in a lifetime trip. Our club were the guests at a rare private collection. Lee and Penny make sure everything in their collection has a story and is very rare. We viewed three Pebble Beach Best-in-Show as well as several Best-in-Class winners. Pebble Beach is the best of the best with cars from all over the world shipped in to be judged.

The museums are located on their property in Nisswa. The Boathouse had eight working rail systems to launch boats for use. Lee personally drives each of his 43 boats a few times each summer. The boat house is in the Adirondack style and feels quite old. In this building there is also an extensive collection of Native American artifacts. Lee is quite fond of this collection; some pictures are below. Lee is also an accomplished hunter and many of his mounts are scattered throughout both buildings.

The auto museum is also set up with a bar and is a great place for the Andersons to entertain. The car collection contains cars mostly prior to 1930. The collection has seven Duesenbergs, Mercedes, Cadillacs and many others. The bar top is a custom painted Teepee to tie in the Native American feel.

Here are a few shots and some information. This is just a brief snapshot of the collection. Thank Steve and Ron Potas for putting this together. Those who attended will not soon forget the day.



- Front of Boat House
- Cars inside museum



- Queen Elizabeth Canada Car (She could stand in it)
- Scott Maas and Lee Anderson
- Steam Power Fire Pumper

Corvette Homecoming – National Corvette Museum

Shawn and Jan Hanna coordinated the MN trip. Will have a recap in the October newsletter.

Upcoming Events

Wheels and Wings – September 7th

James and Erika Hill will be leading a cruise to this event. Cars and airplanes what a great time and drive. See the attached information sheet.

Annual Banquet - September 14

Southview Country Club in West St. Paul. Tickets are on sale now, please purchase ASAP so we can have an accurate count. What a fantastic way to connect with the club. Dave and Nina Pounds are working to make the night special.

Taco Cruise – September 28th (NEW EVENT)

Larry Darmer is leading a cruise to his cabin on Lake Mille Lacs. Tacos are provided. Please bring a chair and beverages. Information sheet attached. Sign up soon this will fill up.

Fall Color Cruise – October 13th

The Kupka brothers have planned another great event. See the attached and sign up soon. This will fill up.

Please feel free to send me images you take at any of the club events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location	Address	Club Sponsored	Limit	Contact
Sept 7th	8-1:30pm	Wheels & Wings	L.O. Simenstad Municipal Airport	495 North Cascade Street, Osceola, WI	No	NA	James Hill
Sept 10th	7pm	Meeting	Savage American Legion	12375 Princeton Ave, Savage, MN	Yes	NA	Scott Maas
Sept 14th	5pm	Banquet	Southview Country Club		Yes	NA	Dave Pounds
Sept 28 th	10am-4pm	Taco Cruise	Larry Darmer Cabin	33259 State Hwy 18, Aitkin, MN, 56431	Yes	80	Larry Darmer
Oct 8th	7pm	Meeting	Savage American Legion	12375 Princeton Ave, Savage, MN	Yes	NA	Scott Maas

Oct 13 th	10am-3pm	Fall Color Run	McDonald's	14545 60 th St N, Stillwater, MN 55082	Na	80	AJ and Dave Kupka
Nov 11 th	10:30am	VA Vets Home Parade	Vets Home	Bloomington, MN	Na	NA	
Nov 12 th	7pm	Meeting	Savage American Legion	12375 Princeton Ave, Savage, MN	Yes	NA	Scott Maas
Dec 10 th	7pm	Meeting	Savage American Legion	12375 Princeton Ave, Savage, MN	Yes	NA	Scott Maas

Tech Director's Report – Shawn Hanna

August/September Tech Director's Report

Chances are when you read this AJ, Kathy Kupka, Janet, and I will be on our way home from the National Corvette Caravan. It looks like there will be a ZR1 there, so AJ and I hope to have some pics up close for you.

In addition, on Saturday September 7, 2024, we will be having a Tech Session at Samaritan Tire. Please arrive at the Hopkins/Minnetonka location at 11:00 am. I'll send out an email blast soon.

Which Oil is Best

In my last report, I spoke to you regarding oils for our Corvettes. If you remember I said if you are a "cruiser" and not an aggressive driver you should go with the manufacturer's recommended lubricants.

This time, if you are an "aggressive" driver here is a YouTube video that breaks down many of the "Performance Lubricants" in a contest to see which holds up the best. Since we are looking at performance here, the tests do not take into consideration the prices of the oils. Cheap insurance in my book.

Personally, I use Amsoil in my racing car and it works very well for lubrication and heat protection. Occasionally, my oil temperature will reach around 275 degrees under challenging conditions. Amsoil has served me well.

There is a lot of information and consequently, contention regarding oil selection so you can judge for yourself after viewing the video.

This test is very thorough and is my selection as the best and most thorough oil brand testing out there. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TWuKvnCq1js>

Cheers,

Shawn Hanna, Tech Director, CCOM

Membership Director's Reports – Julie Stulz



AUGUST 2024 Membership Report



New Members

We have 27 new members that joined us this past month, they are:

Mike & Marie Calson, they have 1970 Roadster Red and 2016 Roadster Torch Red
Fred Diedrich & Nancy Lund, they have 2007 Coupe Yellow
David & Tina Gauthier, they have 2008 Coupe Crimson Red
David Gronwall, he has 2008 Coupe Red
Jarred & Tanya Guy, they have 1996 Coupe Silver and 1996 Coupe Green
Warren Herreid & Jeannine Rivet, they have 2022 HTC Black
Daryl & Heidi Hesch, they have 1975 Coupe Red
Gary & Sara Kaiser, they have 1999 Coupe Black
Jon Kotek, he has 2016 Coupe Laguna Blue and 1977 Coupe White
Ray & Susan Nelson, they have 1985 Coupe Red
Nick Osgood, he is searching for his first Corvette
Zach & Laura Pierson, they have 1996 Coupe Polo Green and 1994 Coupe Black Rose
Patrick & Jennifer Regan, they have 1966 Coupe White and 1965 Coupe Green
Jason Swart, he has 1975 Roadster Blue
Jeff Thom, he has 2024 HTC Z06 White
Sherry Wooden & Glenn Sloggy, they have 1980 Coupe Beige

50/50 Raffle

Thank you Vern and Cathy DeHoop for selling tickets

Greeters

Thanks to Patti and David McGregor

Guests

Eric L. Vogel
 Jon Kotek
 Jeff Thom
 Sherry Wooden

CARDS/FLOWERS/MEMORIALS

Sympathy card to family of Mike Mikesell

MEMBERSHIP

We had 96 members at the meeting, not including the 27 new members that just signed up!!!

BIRTHDAYS

09/01 Martha Bemis	09/15 Denise Farnsworth	
09/01 Jan Duntley	09/16 Marcus Glass	09/25 Kathy Haug
09/01 James Hill	09/17 Corey Minnich	09/26 Mark Haug
09/02 Dan Boria	09/18 Stephanie Maas	09/26 Paul Jacobsen
09/03 Susi Brooks Kamrad	09/19 David Anderson	09/27 Vern De Hoop
09/04 Paul Smith	09/20 Brian McConnell	09/27 Pat Osborn Estrem
09/04 Shirley Smith	09/21 Pam Barkland	09/27 C. (Bill) Gibson
09/05 Erika Hill	09/21 Cathy Crosby	09/27 Shayna Schwach
09/10 Dawn Rennich	09/21 Glenn Sloggy	09/29 Margo Burk
09/11 Nathan Noznesky	09/23 Larry Pantsari	09/29 Patrick Regan
09/12 Patti McGregor	09/23 Jolynn Wedekind	09/30 Shawn Waite
09/14 D. Muellenberg	09/24 David Allen	

NAME TAGS

See me after the meeting if you would like to order name tag/s

CLUB STATISTICS:

Memberships	Family	Single	Members	Corvettes
179	129	50	308	219

CORVETTE COUNT by SERIES:

C1 53 - 62	C2 63 - 67	C3 68 - 82	C4 84 - 96	C5 97 - 04	C6 05 -13	C7 14 -19	C8 20 - 24	Total Cars
6	14	21	20	45	46	39	29	219

Membership Profile Changes:**Have you upgraded or changed your car?**

If you have any other changes in your profile i.e., name, address, email address, or phone related please send me an email.

Thanks!

Julie Stulz

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National Corvette Museum – Chris Osgood

National Corvette Museum Update



All roads lead to Bowling Green, Kentucky for the 30th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum

This year attendees had a chance to view the new C8 ZR1. There were thousands of Corvettes from all over the world in attendance. Shawn and Jan Hanna will have much more to report for the October newsletter. They were the leaders from Minnesota.



Artifact of the Month

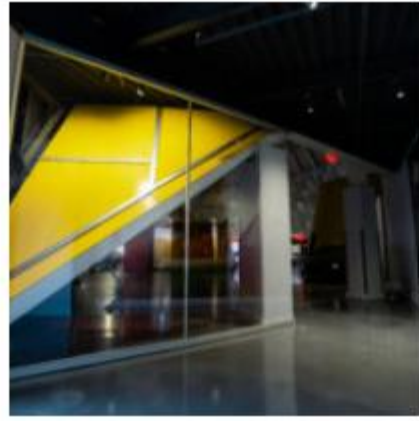
The creation of the National Corvette Museum was a true grassroots effort. Members of the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) sought to create a technical library for preserving Corvette-related documents and literature. This idea blossomed into support for a museum, and the NCRS found valuable allies at Bowling Green Assembly and the city's Chamber of Commerce. The NCRS accepted the city's donation of about 33 acres of land along Interstate 65 near the Corvette plant. Bowling Green was on its way to becoming the center of the Corvette world.

Once the NCRS had their land for the museum, the next question was what kind of building to create. One suggestion was to shape the Museum like the Chevrolet bowtie, but this idea was scrapped when it became obvious that people would only recognize the design from overhead. Another possibility for the museum was a large, rectangular building that resembled an Incan temple. However, the idea that stuck was to create a building with a sleek, curving exterior and an industrial shine. The design represents speed, innovation, and performance, themes that characterize the history of the Corvette.

The most iconic feature of the National Corvette Museum building is the Skydome. Constructed in 1994 as part of the original Museum, the Skydome opened as the home of the "Corvette Salon" exhibit. Today, it still serves as a place for [exhibitions](#), [receptions](#), and [other special events](#). As plans for the Museum came together, architects wanted to add something that looked

futuristic and easily recognizable. The Skydome's round shape complements the curvature of the museum building and even resembles the speedometer on a Corvette dashboard when viewed from overhead. Its bright yellow paint and dramatic height make the Museum easy to spot for travelers on I-65.

Despite its name, the Skydome is not technically a dome. The structure consists of a conical base with the top portion of the cone removed, creating a sloped surface. Architects refer to this type of shape as a frustum. A red spire pierces the Skydome through the top of the frustum, reaching 128 feet high. As a feature of the Museum's award-winning architecture, the Skydome captures the excitement that makes Corvette, America's Sports Car, known worldwide.



Membership

Starting at \$65 per year. Includes discounts on Corvette merchandise.

Secretary's Minutes – Kathy Haug, with John Wessel and Jan Hanna

Classic Corvettes of MN Membership Meeting Minutes August 13, 2024

President Scott Maas called meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the "Pledge of Allegiance". Scott began his report with the sad news of the passing of Mike Mikesell, longtime CCOM member, who was very active in chairing events and serving the Club. He will be missed. Mike's wife, Carol, will keep us informed of plans to celebrate Mike's life so we can honor him with our presence at the ceremony. Scott then mentioned his own medical issues with his blood cancer returning and current treatment.

On a more pleasant note, Scott announced that our New Member campaign has resulted in a total of 300 members currently (round of applause). He then reported on the recent River City Days car show, which he chaired. There were 96 cars in the show and a beautiful day, so a successful event!

John Wessel gave an update on the recent Pan-o-Prog parade and show, which he chaired. Again, the weather was perfect. There were 186 cars in the show and 15 convertibles for the parade. Everything went well, and John is hoping to grow the show even larger next year.

Mark Stulz mentioned that he found a Corvette valve cap in the parking lot after parade staging. Anyone missing a cap can contact Mark to retrieve it.

AJ Kupka gave a detailed report on the Vettes for Vets show of August 11th. He thanked all members and the 60 volunteers who supported and helped bring this event together with a nearly flawless execution! In addition, he thanked Cretin-Derham Hall JROTC, the American Legion Post 643 staff and color guard, and Minneapolis Veterans Home for giving us a reason to celebrate our freedoms. The Savage Police Department helped by clearing out the Legion parking lot. And Midwest Special Instruments allowed us to use their parking lot as overflow. There were over 200 cars in the show on a beautiful day. Extra thanks went to Dick and Elaine Kolkmann and Barry Abbott and Deb Miller for designing and selling Vettes for Vets T-shirts, which made a good profit to donate to the Veterans Home.

And AJ thanked his team leaders:

Media/Publicity: Dick Kolkmann

Honor Guard & VA Cruise: John Wessel

Veteran Detail: Roger Haro

Raffle Chairs: Mary Shaughnessy and Pam Tikalsky

Photographers: Dave DuBay and Marcus Glass

Corporate Donation Curator: Dave Kupka

Ballot and Award Ceremony: Paul Christopher

VA Social Event: Julie & Mark Stulz

The preliminary monetary results for donations appear to be well over last year's donation of \$4700. It looks like we may be able to donate as much as 15% more this year. Plus Mark Stulz collected 600 pairs of socks for the veterans.

Contributors who donated raffle items: Past Member Earl Benson, Burks, DuBays, Elkins, Friedrichs, Gamsts, Hannas, Hills, Kupkas, Liccardellos, Maas, Montgomerys, Pauls, J. Stulz, Wessels, and J. Zoller. Corporate Sponsors/Donators: Belzer Chevrolet, Corvette Adventures Road Tours, Corvette America, Corvette Central, Griot's, Jegs, Metro Brush & Supply, Motorsports Marketplace, Samaritan Tires, Summit Racing, Top Flight Corvette, Unruly Acres (Trophies and Metal Work), and Classic Corvettes of MN.

And finally, AJ presented one final Show Favorite trophy to Mark Stulz, with a 2016 Roadster Long Beach Red Metallic. Congratulations, Mark!!

Looking forward:

- Next year's 18th Annual Vettes for Vets show will be Sunday, August 10, 2025. Put it on your calendars!
- We may consider using an on-line registration system next year.
- John Wessel and AJ are teaming up to work with the City of Savage to close a portion of

Princeton Ave between 123 Street West & Alley South of 124 Street West to gain another 60 parking spots

Lastly, AJ said if you have comments (positive/negative) please let him know. And thanks again for all your support.

VP Chris Osgood was unable to attend, so Scott Maas informed the members of upcoming events. He asked Dawn Rennich to talk about the needs of our Club charities. The Club supports 2 charities - the 30 Day Foundation and Gifts for Seniors. More information on the 30 Day Foundation is in the newsletter with a separate page notice.

Dawn said in the past 4 years, we have collected requested gift items for Gifts for Seniors. We are not collecting items this year. This year, Gifts for Seniors is requesting monetary donations to support their Tech for Seniors drive. For a \$50 donation, a Senior will receive a fully loaded tablet to use. ALL DONATIONS must be made by check payable to " Gifts for Seniors" and are tax deductible. Please bring your checks (for any amount) to our treasurer, Mark Haug.

Scott listed the following upcoming local events: This Saturday, August 17, will be the St. Croix Valley Car Show at Stillwater Motors from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Next is a CCOM Out-to-Eat, hosted by Doug and Judy Tews, at ZE-s Diner in Prior Lake, at 5:00 p.m. on September 19th. A sign-up sheet was available. Then there is a free Car Show at Jeff Belzer Chevrolet on August 22nd from 5-8 p.m. There will be food trucks and fun! Saturday, August 24th is the Revving for Heroes Bike and Car Show in Eden Prairie. Registration starts at 10:00 a.m. and voting finishes at 2:00 p.m. A \$20 donation includes show admission, lunch and a raffle ticket, and proceeds go to provide Service K-9s to veterans and first responders. On August 25th, there will be a car show at Buck Hill, put on by the Southern Cruisers, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All cars are welcome and proceeds go to charity. Steve Potas is hosting a cruise to the Lee Anderson Museum in Nisswa on the morning of August 29th. A sign-up sheet was available. And into September, Wheels and Wings in Osceola will be on September 7th. James Hill is chairing a cruise to that event. Contact James if interested (info will be in the newsletter).

Secretary Kathy Haug was unable to attend, so Scott asked for a motion to approve last month's minutes as published. Dave Pounds made the motion; Jane Wessel seconded, and the motion passed.

Treasurer, Mark Haug was also unable to attend, so there was no Treasurer's report.

Tech Director, Shawn Hanna, announced a Tech Session to be held at Samaritan Tire in Minnetonka on September 7th at noon. He also mentioned the upcoming 2024 Corvette Caravan. He and wife Jan are leading the MN contingent of the caravan, departing on Sunday, August 25th from Luther Brookdale Chevrolet at 10:00 a.m. Contact Shawn and/or check the Corvette Caravan website for details. Shawn is also Equipment Manager for Corvettes of MN, holding an autocross this Sunday morning, August 18th, at Dakota County Tech Center racetrack. See motorsportreg.com to register. And Shawn is chairing a Driver's School and Track Day at Brainerd International Raceway, along with David Scherf, on Monday, September 16th. This event can also be accessed through motorsportreg.com. And finally, there is a car

show hosted by Suburban Corvettes of MN at Matt Saxe Chevrolet in Belle Plaine on Saturday, August 24th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with awards, door prizes, raffles, food truck and DJ. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Spina Bifida of MN.

AJ Kupka and Keri Kuechle reported for Julie Stulz, Membership Director. There were lots of guests and new members to meet. Guests included Eric Vogel, who just moved from Tucson to Lakeville. He has a yellow 2018 C-7 convertible. Jon Kotek joined the Club tonight. He said he has two Corvettes - a blue C-7 and a 1977 C-3. Jeff Thom was a guest with a 2024 Z06 C-8 (wow!). And Sherry Wiggins plans to join the Club. She has a beige 1980 C-3 and met Club members at Pan-o-Prog and Vettes for Vets. Daryl Hesch and his wife learned of CCOM through Lyle and Evie Orland, and joined the Club tonight. They have a 1975 Stingray. Other new members welcomed were: Jared and Tanya Guy (they joined after the Redwing Car Show), who have two 1996 coupes — an LT1 and an LT2. Jared is a retired police officer. Also new are Mike and Marie Carlson, Gary and Sara Kaiser, Fed and Nancy Deidrich, Zack and Laura Pierson, Jason Schwartz, Dave and Tina Gautier, Warren Herein, and Pat and Jennifer Regan. Pat said this is their third time as members. Our total membership is now 163 members with 198 cars. There were 130 members present at our last meeting! Scott reminded everyone that name tags can be ordered through Julie Stulz (order forms were available).

Scott then announced CCOM member anniversaries: Barry Abblett and Deb Miller have been CCOM members for 15 years; Jim and Sandy Elkin for 10 years; and Dick and Cindy Jensen for 15 years. They were applauded and congratulated.

Past President, Andre Montgomery, was not able to attend, but Scott announced Andre's recent NCRS award for his 1967 Corvette - the Zora Arkus Duntof Award, which is very much coveted by classic Corvette owners.

Joel Meyer, Editor, was unable to attend so there was no Editor's report, and there was no news from our Members at Large, John Wessel and Pete Licardello.

Old Business:

John Wessel handed out ballots for members to nominate and vote for Member of the Year and the Classic Award. Scott Maas accepted nominations as follows: For the Classic Award (member for at least 5 years who does much to support the Club and events and does not seek recognition for his or her efforts) - Dick Kolkman, John Wedekind, and John Wessel. For the Member of the Year (one who has gone over and above helping the Club in all aspects) - Sue Bohrer, Scott Maas and Chris Osgood. Awards will be presented during the Fall Banquet and Awards Dinner, hosted by Dave Pounds and John Wessel on September 14th.

New Business:

Keri Kuechle talked about the Black Hills trip (Corvette Classic), led by Chris Osgood in July. There were 21 cars with 40 people, all of whom had a great time on the Needles Highway, at Devil's Tower in Wyoming, Mount Rushmore, and the car shows in Sioux Falls and Spearfish, SD. Chris and his son Nick do a fabulous job of planning event cruises, including stops, restaurants, hotels, activities, and super-fun roads for cruises. Keri boasted about the top speed of her car during that trip (driven by Julie Stulz). This was all leading up to the new business — Chris is leading a group in late May to the Tail of the Dragon, with stops at the John Deere Museum, Indy Speedway, Biltmore Estate, Broadway Honky Talks, National Corvette Museum, Corvette Factory, Gateway Arch, and Amish Community. Contact Chris if interested in joining the group.

Other New Business discussed was the upcoming Awards Banquet. It will be held at the Southview Country Club on September 14th. Registration and \$40 payment per person must be received by Dave Pounds or John Wessel no later than September 10th. Dave Pounds thanked their supporters - Sandy Elkin, who is providing gift baskets, Shawn and Jan Hanna, who are providing raffle prizes, Nina Pounds, who is creating raffle baskets and decorations, and the many businesses who have donated gift cards for the raffle. Dave and John hope to see everyone there!

AJ Kupka talked about the upcoming CCOM Fall Cruise, from Stillwater to Redwing, on October 13th. Registrations and payment must be received by AJ or Dave Kupka by October 8th. Flyers / registration forms were available at the meeting.

Scott entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting, made by Elaine Kolkmann and seconded by Matt McMullen. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jan Hanna, substituting for Kathy Haug

July 23, 2024 CCOM Virtual Board Meeting Minutes

John Wessel – Scribe

PRESENT:

Scott Maas – President, Chris Osgood – Vice President, Julie Stulz – Membership Director, Pete Liccaddello & John Wessel – Members at Large, Joel Meyer – Editor, Andre Montgomery – Past President, Shawn Hanna – Tech Director

ABSENT:

Mark Haug – Treasurer, Kathy Haug – Secretary

Meeting called to order by Scott Maas at 7:09 PM

President – Scott Maas

1. Red Wing River City Days: discussed plans which are moving forward. Locals are distributing flyers, a few pre-registrations received. Need help Friday, August 2nd setting up. Volunteers needed early Saturday @ 6:00 AM. Car Show runs from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Saturday August 3rd.
2. `Vettes For Vets: Discussed plans which are coming along well, no issues at this time. More parking will be available.
3. PA system: purchased to use for RCD and `Vettes for Vets Car Shows. The system includes wired microphones, but can be adapted to wireless microphones at a later time.
4. Membership Contest: going well; Update from Dave DuBay & Board members. Julie Stulz needs to send lists of new members with phone numbers to Dave DuBay and the CCOM Board members monthly so we can help welcome new members. Scott will send an email blast to members for August events. Discussion: Do more email blasts vs too many emails which would annoy members.
5. Belzer Car Show is August 22nd. Need signup sheet distributed and available for August 13th Membership Meeting
6. Chris Osgood asked about how we market club events. More emails sooner. Send River City Days email reminder now.

Vice President – Chris Osgood

1. Discussed upcoming events (see calendar)
2. Marketing: Need to come up with a standard/better Marketing Plan approach for club events such as Sign-up Genius or something similar.

Tech Director – Shawn Hanna

1. Tech session: Talking with Chris Mortenson of Samaritan Tire about a Tech Session, tentatively August 24th. Will confirm one way or another.

Membership Director – Julie Stulz

1. 130 members attended the July Membership Meeting
2. 197 Corvettes in the club
3. We have 3 new members

Editor - Joel Meyer

1. Newsletter articles: Please submit in Verdana 11 font by the 26th of the month.

Members-at-Large - John Wessel and Pete Liccardello

1. Event briefcase: Discussed.
2. Board member voting process: Action - John and Joel to discuss the Board Member voting process. Action – Board members that have not voted yet need to do so by tonight.
3. Welcoming new members: Pete commented that we need to make new members feel welcomed with information about club, activities, getting involved. Chris Osgood suggests a letter to new members outlining CCOM. John Wessel asked about the idea and status of an

Event Briefcase. More discussion needed to define what it is and how to implement it. Action
 – Chris, Julie, & Scott to discuss the new member welcome process.

Discussion held on Ballot for Banquet Awards. Newer Board members have difficulty with identifying who many of the members on the ballot are. Additional discussions were made for certain ballot names to help clarify some of this. Ballots are due tomorrow, July 24th. John will send out the ballot results to the Board for a final look and discussion before ordering them.

The Board agreed:

1. To extend a Banquet Invitation to our sponsor Belzer Chevrolet for 2 of their people.
2. CCOM will pay for those 2 individuals.
3. Board also agreed that CCOM will present an Award to Belzer Chevrolet for being our GM Sponsor

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kathy Haug, Secretary, from notes from scribe John Wessel and Scott Maas

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Editor's Remarks & Miscellaneous – Joel Meyer

The picture of the Batmobile was taken by Scott Maas at Belzer's first car show on August 22nd. The car is owned by Mike Karch and is part of his Cars Against Crime collection which is intended to raise money for grants for law enforcement, fire fighters and first responders.

<https://www.carsagainstcrime.org>

Be sure to see the pictures from recent events in the pictures area of our website. Generally, they are provided by Dave DuBay, Marcus Glass, Scott Maas and others.

Recent Events



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS Minnesota Veterans Home - Minneapolis

5101 Minnehaha Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55417-1699
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August 14, 2024

AJ Kupka

Classic Corvettes of Minnesota

Vettes for Vets

1821 Cloud Drive NE

Blaine, MN 55449

Dear AJ and Classic Corvettes of MN Members,

On behalf of the Residents, their families, and the staff of the Minnesota Veterans Home-Minneapolis, I would like to extend our gratitude to you for organizing the Vettes for Vets, Classic Corvette Parade and Car Show. The joy on the faces of our residents as they admired the beautiful cars was truly heartwarming. It was a wonderful event that brought our community together, creating special moments for our veterans and their families.

We'd also like to thank you for providing and serving the delicious root beer floats. The floats are always a delightful addition, and everyone enjoyed the treat! Your kindness and generosity never go unnoticed, and we are so fortunate to have such a supportive friend in Classic Corvettes of Minnesota. Enclosed a collage of pictures from the event that captures the joy and excitement of the day. We hope these photos bring a smile to your faces, just as the event did for us.

Thank you for always thinking of us and for helping to brighten the days of our veterans. Your continued support means the world to our Residents and their families. We look forward to working with you again in the future.

With heartfelt thanks,

Cheryl Garrison

Public Affairs Director

Minnesota Veterans Home-Minneapolis

612-548-5993

Cheryl.Garrison@state.mn.us



More regarding the Vettes for Vets event is on the pages below.



September 4, 2024, Classic Corvettes of Minnesota presented a check for \$5500 to the Minnesota Veteran's Home – Minneapolis (MVH) from the proceeds generated during the Vettes for Vets Car Show. These funds will help cover expenses for Veteran's Day meal and several other recreational programs offered to the residents.

In the above picture on the left, from left to right is Doug Britain (Administrator - MVH), Julian Stulz (grandson of Mark Stulz), Mark Stulz (Co-founder of Vettes for Vets Car Show), AJ Kupka (Vettes for Vets Chair), and Cheryl Garrison (Public Affairs Director - MVH). The picture on the right, Julian was just 17 months old at the very first car show back in 2007.

THANKS to all those who volunteered to make this possible...

The story of the Original Vettes for Vets t-shirt

It all started at the Sovereign Estates Red, White and Blues festival with wine, friends, Mick Sterling and the Stud Brothers blues band, a question, a napkin, and a borrowed pen. The question was "What do you think about a t-shirt for Vettes for Vets?" The napkin became an impromptu sketch pad and the answer was a resounding Yeah, let's go for it. Little did we know what we didn't know. It was an all-out learning experience, culminating in selling out and donating our entire order of 100 t-shirts.

It was like starting up a small business, initial concept, design development, copyright issues, finding a manufacturer with design capability, quality of the shirt, sizing and style, cost vs design vs sales price, marketing, sales and finally distribution. It was a team effort all the way every day. We weren't satisfied with anything until everyone was in agreement.

For example. The guys were going to order all crew neck shirts but our wives insisted we have v-necks for the women. It was going to increase the cost but after a bit of mumbling we agreed and are glad we did. Women were delighted to have v-necks available.

We presented four design concepts to the board. We would have liked to use a flashier design but ran headlong into copyright and licensing issues. There's a lot of great artwork on the web but we learned that all creative work is copyright protected once it is created. We found artwork that could be used but at a significant licensing fee.

In fact, a copyright issue arose as we were ready to submit the order. Our club logo has a checkered flag and fleur-de-lis flags inside a circle. That design has been copyrighted since the creation of the first Corvette. The copyright compliance people at our printer would not allow us to use our logo as is. Within minutes the printer changed the fleur-de-lis to an American flag and we were off to production. As Barry was to find out, the American flag and checkered flag that is on the shirt was the original Corvette logo that was never used. See the link to the 70 year history of the Corvette logo.

<https://www.motortrend.com/features/corvette-logo/>

In the end we gave 12 t-shirts to the Veterans Home at an in-kind value of \$137, donated another 9 shirts and sold 79 shirts at a profit of \$435 which will be given to the Veterans Home

Our thanks to AJ for giving us the go ahead before he even saw anything, to the board for encouraging us to order 100 shirts when we only had 45 pre-orders and to all of you who bought the shirts. We're already working on an exciting idea for next year.

This ad-hoc committee consisted of Deb Miller, Barry Abblett, Elaine and Dick Kolkmann.

Upcoming Events



SAVE THE DATE for Sept. 7, 2024



Osceola Wheels & Wings is celebrating 43 years of FREE family fun! It's a great day to take in all the excitement!

Schedule of Events

8 a.m.	Gates Open
8 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Pancake Breakfast
8 a.m. - Noon	Aircraft viewing
12:30 - 2 p.m.	Air Show
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Car & Motorcycle Show
1:30 p.m.	Car Show Awards

For those wanting to cruise to the event together we will be meeting at the Ikea north of the Mall of America at 7a and leaving by 7:15a. W&W is a favorite event that draws a big crowd and has a pancake breakfast and free air show. Car show is limited to the 1st 800 cars, registration is \$15 in advance, \$20 day of.

<https://www.wheelsandwings.org/>

We will be cruising to Bug Guys BBQ in Wisconsin for lunch after the show

Big Guys BBQ 1237 WI-35, Hudson, WI 54016



Classic Corvettes of Minnesota



Fall Banquet & Awards Dinner

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Southview Country Club

239 Mendota Road East, West St. Paul, MN

5:00 p.m. Reception & Appetizers / CASH BAR ONLY

6:00 p.m. Welcome – Chris Osgood, MC

6:05 p.m. Comments – Scott Maas, President CCOM

6:15 p.m. Dinner Service – Your choice of:

- ❖ **Roasted Chicken stuffed with Parma ham & smoked Provolone cheese, served with garlic potato puree lemon broccolini and tree-onion cream sauce**
- ❖ **Broiled Walleye cracker crusted filet served with garlic potato puree and green beans**
- ❖ **Sirloin 8 oz. seared and served with herb potato puree, green beans and Merlot demi glaze**

7:00 p.m. Social Break

7:15 p.m. 2024 Club Awards Presentation

7:40 p.m. Door Prize Drawings

8:10 p.m. Closing Comments – Chris Osgood, MC

8:15 p.m. You are welcome to stay and socialize

Cost is \$40.00 per person / Make check payable to CCOM

Mail with your reservation to: Dave Pounds, 13004 Forest Glen Dr., Burnsville, MN 55337

Your completed reservation with payment must be received by Tuesday, September 10th, 2024

REGISTRATION FORM

Circle 1 Entrée per person

Name #1: _____

Chicken / Walleye / Sirloin

Name #2: _____

Chicken / Walleye / Sirloin



2024 Taco Cruise and Beach Picnic
Saturday, September 28th (Rain or Shine)
Limit 80 Members (RSVP)



Meeting Place: Bill's Superette at 10:00 AM
(Drivers Meeting 10:20 AM)
Address: 4412 Viking Blvd. NW,
Oak Grove, MN 55303

CCOM will be providing the food (tacos) and all the fixings.
All you need to bring is your lawn chairs, coolers and drinks.
Come on up and enjoy the afternoon!!!

The last day to sign up is Tuesday, September 24th

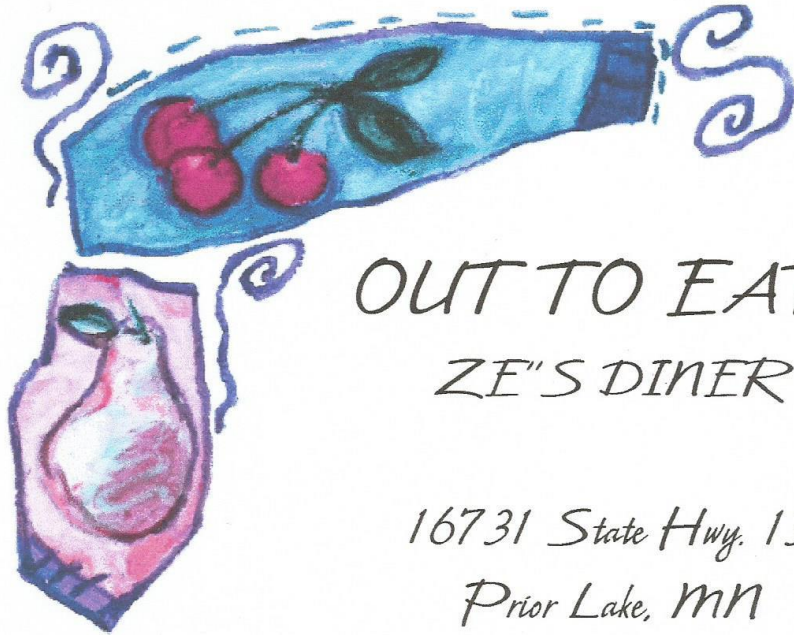
Your Host: Larry Darmer / Email: larryvdarmer@gmail.com

Any questions? Call Larry at (763) 442-2764

A very nice cruise is planned with one potty break, 93 mile trek
which will take approximately hour and 45 minutes.

Destination is my summer home, located on the NE side of Mille Lacs Lake.
Address: 33259 State Highway 18, Aiken, MN 56431

If you have a walkie-talkie, please bring it...



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*16731 State Hwy. 13
Prior Lake, MN
952-226-2272*

Thursday, Sept. 19, 5:00 P.M.

Sign up sheet and let us know if you have to cancel

*Doug & Judy Tew's
952-237-9102*



K-Bro's 2nd Annual

*Fall Color Run at The Smokin' Oak
Sunday, October 13th (Rain or Shine)
Limit 80 Members (RSVP ASAP!)*



Meeting Place: McDonald's Parking Lot at 9:30 AM
(Drivers Meeting 9:45 AM)
Address: 14545 60th Street North
Stillwater, MN 55082

- 1st Run:** Leaving McDonald's at 10:00 AM heading East across the St. Croix River into Wisconsin's back country for 33 miles and stopping at Kwik Trip in River Falls.
- 2nd Run:** Leaving Kwik Trip around 11:05 AM heading South towards and along the Mississippi River and finally crossing back into Minnesota stopping at Kwik Trip in Wabasha.
- 3rd Run:** Leaving Kwik Trip #2 around 12:30 PM heading Northwest along the Mississippi River for another 34 miles before having lunch at "The Smokin' Oak Rotisserie & Grill" at 4243 Hwy 61 Red Wing, MN 55066.

The cost is \$28.00 per person for pulled pork and quartered chicken buffet, beverages are separate. You can order off menu at your own expense... Make checks payable to CCOM.

Reservations and payment must be received by Monday, October 7th

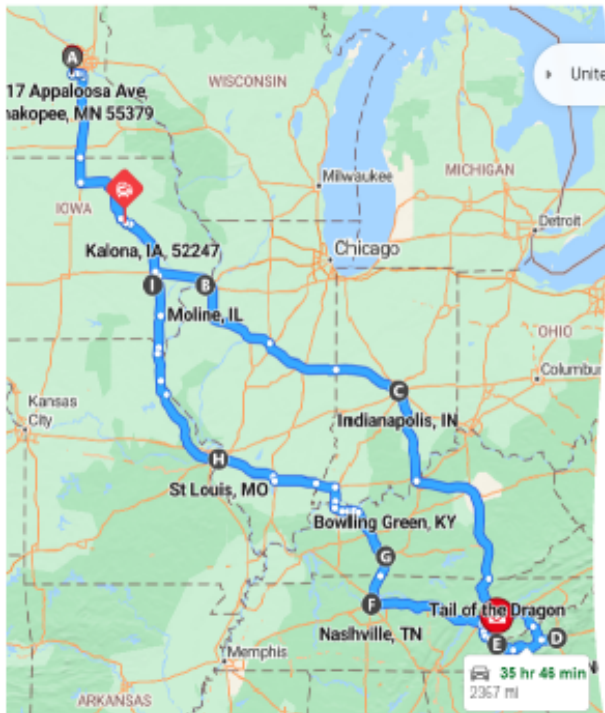
Your Hosts: David & LuAnn Kupka Email: kenwoodwav@msn.com
AJ & Kathy Kupka Email: aj_kupka@msn.com

Any questions? Call AJ (952) 210-6087
Mail payments to AJ Kupka, 1821 Cloud Drive NE Blaine, MN 55449

We have a beautiful scenic cruise planned, covering 126 miles
with all the good stuff including door prizes!

Tail of the Dragon

318 curves in 11 miles!



Sample itinerary (route in progress)

- John Deere Museum – Moline, IA
- Indianapolis Motor Speedway – Indianapolis, IN
- Biltmore Estate – Asheville, NC
- Tale of the Dragon – Robbinsville, NC
- Broadway Honky Talks – Nashville, TN
- National Corvette Museum – Bowling Green, KY
- NCM Motorsports Park – Bowling Green, KY
- Corvette Factory Tour – Bowling Green, KY
- Gateway Arch – St. Louis, MO
- Amish Community – Kalona, IA



- Total Miles approximately 2,500
- Depart Saturday, May 24, 2025
- Return Saturday, May 31, 2025
- Estimated costs: Gas \$500, Hotel \$1,200, Food and other \$1,200 per person
 - Hosts: Chris and Nick Osgood
- Contact Chris if you are interested or have any questions at osgoodc@outlook.com or 612-756-1928



The 30 Days Foundation

The 30 Day Foundation assists Minnesotan citizens in real-life financial crisis by providing a one-time financial grant that is made payable *ONLY to the service provider* requiring payment. **The 30-Days Foundation** has fulfilled over 100,000 requests for assistance for matters such as back rent, utility bills, medical bills, car repairs, sober house assistance, moving fees, storage fees and more. The basic bills that if not paid, lead to further debt and potential eviction from homes or apartments.

The club holds a monthly raffle, where for **only \$5.00 per ticket**; you can purchase a chance to win 50% of the nightly ticket proceeds. The other 50 % is sent monthly to **THE 30 DAY FOUNDATION** to support their charitable mission of helping those in need.



Classic Corvettes of Minnesota Fundraiser

\$50 provides a tablet for an isolated senior.

ALL donated amounts are pooled & appreciated!

The Board is collecting through October.

Questions may be directed to:

Dawn.Rennich@gmail.com

Checks payable to: Gifts for Seniors

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Vettes Happenin' Classified Ads

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Page Size	1/8	1/4	1/2	Full Page
Inches	2x3	3x5	5x7	8x10
6 Month (minimum)	\$30	\$40	\$70	\$110
12 Month	\$60	\$80	\$140	\$220

Business Card (3" x 2") Electronic Newsletter Ads For Member's Businesses Vendors and Suppliers

\$15 for 6 months (minimum)

\$30 for 12 months

Contact Newsletter Editor, Joel Meyer at joelmeyerbiz@outlook.com

Classified ads for member's personal cars and accessories are free for a nominal 2" x 8" ad with one picture embedded.

CCOM Member, Joyce Warner, is selling her 2007 C-6 convertible with power top. It has the LS 2 motor, automatic transmission, 24,100 miles, with the front tires being the original Goodyears and 12,475 miles on the rear Goodyear tires. Atomic Orange exterior with Oak top and interior. Price is 29,900. Wiltb59@Gmail.com



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