October 2014

CORVETTE CLUB OF KANSAS CITY







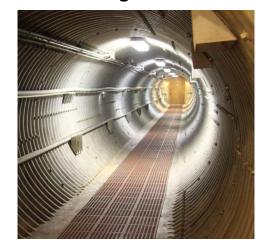
Next CCKC meeting Wednesday, November 19th Uncle Buck's Grill Bass Pro Shop 12051 Bass Pro Drive Olathe, KS 66061 Business meeting starts at 7:00.



Come early and eat before the meeting!

November Birthdays

- 3 Mike Nedrow
- 3 Glenn Smith
- 11 Lloyd LaTurner
- 12 Denice Kaspar
- 13 Tom Shyver
- 26 Jamie Chaney
- 27 Arnie Sdano
- 29 Cynthia Sdano
- 30 Bob James





November Anniversaries

- 1 Tom & Brenda Breitenstein
- 5 Octave & Elyane Merveille
- 6 Don & Carol Hossfeld
- 7 Ralph & Carol Schwartz
- 17 Richard & Shirley Hudson
- 25 Fred & Mary Watson

October Events:

CORVETTERS GO UNDERGROUND by Janice Burkhead

Cool autumn temperatures did nothing to deter an adventurous group of 32 CCKC members in 17 Corvettes on October 4th. Always seeking the next thrill over the next hill, the gutsy group set out to explore a decommissioned underground Atlas E missile base siloturned-family-home in Dover, Kansas, near Topeka. Yes, the space that housed a 4 megaton thermonuclear warhead during the Cold War now is the place its owners call "Home Sweet Home."

Now retired, schoolteacher Ed Peden and his wife Dianna bought the property in 1983 but didn't actually take up residence for another 10 years. In the early 1960s, taxpayers paid \$25 million for the property. The Pedens bought it for about \$40,000, and eventually

renovated it and raised their two daughters in the silo home.



Ed gave CCKC members an interesting and instructive tour, beginning with the 3,000 square-foot "garage," where the warhead previously resided and which now holds Ed's expansive collections of what can only be described as "stuff." Next, Ed took the tour group through a 120-foot tunnel to the home's living space,





which comprises some 6,000 square feet. The home includes two kitchens, living areas, bedrooms, an office and



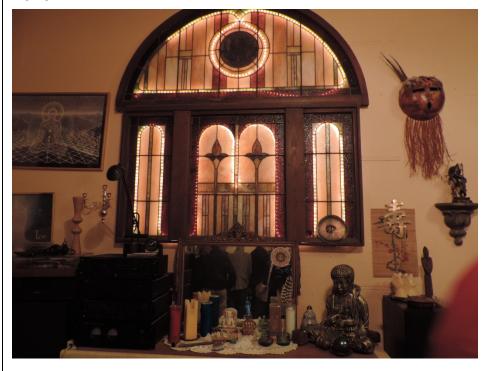
bathrooms. He also built a greenhouse area above ground which lets in the only bit of light. The entrance to the home holds a control panel similar to the original missile control, as well as a selection of historic memorabilia.



The tour ends in the room that's clearly a favorite for the Pedens and their friends: A gathering place complete with colorful hanging fabrics, rich carpets, drums and other percussion



instruments, enough for a party. Ever game, the CCKC group sat in the drum circle and enthusiastically took part in Ed's impromptu performance. Some pretty good bongo-bangers in the group! Finally emerging from the underground, the group took a short drive in the sunshine to enjoy lunch at the Sommerset Hall Café in Dover.



2014 Fall Color Rally

The Fall Color Rally was held on October 18th with 26 members with 13 corvettes participating. The Rally participants received a set of instructions with various questions and "fill-in-the-blanks" to be completed as they drove on a predetermined Rally

course. The final destination was the Holy-Field Winery in Basehor, Kansas where we enjoyed lunch and some very nice wines. Luckily, the weather was perfect and the colors were outstanding.

Each couple was graded on the number of correct answers on the instruction sheet; and, the number of miles driven. The three couples receiving a prize for having the highest scores were:

> 1st place - Jim & Colleen Juliff 2nd place - Jim & Mary Cahill 3rd place - Jerry & Dianne Keith

Additionally, there was one couple kept getting lost but, finally arriving at the winery 45 minutes after everyone else. Fortunately, they were very light-hearted about their position in the rally and took our ribbing in stride. Who was this couple - Marty & Debbie Craven, who received a "glad you finally made it" prize.

Everyone had a great time with several couples commenting that they were sorry when it was over and time to return home.

Jeff and I would like to thank all of the couples that participated in the Rally. We certainly enjoyed putting the Rally together for everyone's enjoyment.

Chuck Abbott & Jeff Moss

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Donation to Cancer Action

Dear Cynthia,

What a pleasure to meet you and what a joy you have given to many women who are going through cancer treatment through the generous donation of 24 Miche purses. I can't tell you how special it has made women feel to get such a beautiful gift at a really difficult time in their lives. That someone would care enough to provide something so wonderful is overwhelming. They have brought smiles of joy as well as tears that someone cared that much for what they were going through. We



have kept a few back to give in our Holiday Gift Program.

Thank you so much for your generosity to Cancer Action and to the women we serve. You have truly helped us brighten the path of many women. Every time they carry their new purse they will be reminded someone

cares for them. Though you may never meet the women whose life you have touched, know you have made a significant difference.

With Gratitude,

Karla Nichols, Executive Director, Cancer Action





Robert Nelson and Don Speer recently went to **MoKan Dragway** to scrub off some of their old tire rubber.

Looks like Robert achieved that goal.



CCKC October 2014 Meeting Minutes

On Wednesday, October 15, 2014, at 7:00, the CCKC meeting, held at Uncle Buck's/Bass Pro in Olathe, was called to order by **President Lee Burkhead**. There were 64 people in attendance.

Hendrick representative John Bivens advised he has cars for sale; 42 in stock, no convertibles.

Membership: Carol Schwartz welcomed new member Sonnye Lovell. CCKC currently has 190 members. Carol reminded us that membership renewals need to be turned in to her before the November meeting; if your 2015 renewal is not turned in by the November meeting you will be unable to vote. She thanked those who turned in their renewal forms and dues at the meeting.

Secretary: Linda Downing sought approval of the September 2014 minutes as published in the Hi Beams; it was pointed out that at the September meeting members had voted and approved the change in insurance. Linda will revise the September meeting minutes and the revision will be published to the members.

Treasurer: Jim Juliff reported the club is ahead of budget for the month and the year.

Insurance Coordinator: Jim Cahill talked about the new insurance for 2015; the policy will be effective 1/1/15. Jim stated we need waivers for events and car shows. We will maintain a sign-in sheet at the club meetings for our own records.

National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC)-Jim Cahill will inquire about maintaining individual membership in NCCC for those who are interested. The NCCC website is always accessible.

National Council of Corvette Museum (NCM): Ambassador Adam Hoehn reported the 20th anniversary celebration event was a huge success. The last day



for the public to view the sinkhole and the Great 8 is November 8; after that time the sinkhole will be covered up. Only 3 of the Great 8 will be restored, the 62 "black corvette", the 2009 ZR1 "Blue Devil", and the 1992 white "1 millionth corvette. The Motorsports Park race track is open and doing well, the track is booked for a year and includes the corvette racing team.

Activities: Dianne Keith reported there were 34 people who attended the Kansas City Auto Museum on September 20. She thanked Joe Campbell and Sharon Bybee for their work in organizing the event.

Dianne reported there were 17 cars and 32 people who ventured on the Missile Silo tour on October 4.

Julie Dailey reminded everyone about Colby & Case Unplugged, an event scheduled for October 16 at Longbranch Steakhouse. The event begins at 5PM; music will be from 6-10PM.

Chuck Abbott discussed the Fall Color Run scheduled for October 18. He and Jeff took the route and made a few adjustments and he advised all was ready. He reported they saw a lot of color; the reds and oranges should be evident at the time of the event and the weather looked to be perfect. He reminded all to meet at the BMO Bank on 435 & Midland. The first cars will take off at noon. He again stressed each car must have a navigator and a driver in order to participate. Flyers and sign-up sheets were on the table.

Marty Craven reported on the Jesse James Museum Cruise and Ghost Tour at The Elms scheduled for November 8.

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We will meet in Liberty at 1:00, the Jesse James Farm tour costs \$6. He anticipates they will arrive at The Elms around 4:30. Currently 8 couples have booked rooms at The Elms. The ghost tour begins at 9PM. You can participate in one or both tours. Flyers and sign-up sheets were on the table.

Jim Clyde reported on the Ottawa Veteran's Day Parade scheduled on November 8. He stated this was not meant to compete with the Jesse James Ghost tour. They will meet at 9:15. Flyers and sign-up sheets were on the table.

Jim Clyde also reported on a Flower Farm tour scheduled for November 15. We will meet at 12:145; there will be 4 or 5 hot houses. He also planned a tour of the Gardner Museum and dinner at Beethoven's in Paola. Flyers and sign-up sheets were on the table.

Patti Norris reported on the CCKC Holiday Party scheduled for December 5. You must RSVP by November 19, the cost is \$30 and is required with your RSVP. Dress is casual, but jeans are not allowed. If you are worried about your car the hotel has security and the Overland Park Police will also be present. Flyers and a sign-up sheet were on the table.

Dianne notified us of a KC Saints Poker run on October 25, to support youth football. Flyers were on the table.

Dianne is still looking for someone to organize a Mavericks game(s).

Dianne reported Jerry & Suzanne Stanton were in the midst of organizing an Auto Cross to Bowling Green in May 2015 but had a conflict arise in their calendar and the event is no longer available.

New Business: Lee Burkhead advised Jim Clyde, Linda Kirkpatrick, and David Bledsoe volunteered to research new meeting sites. There was discussion of staying at Bass Pro;

we can see how things go over the next couple months. Jim Cahill advised Bass Pro is willing to work with us and we can make changes to the menu if desired.

Lee Burkhead reported he revised the Constitution and By-Laws; the revision will include the elimination of the Event of the Year and Member of the Year, as previously voted by the club, as well as the removal of references to NCCC and the NCCC Governor position due to the change in the club's insurance for 2015. Lee will email the information to members and asks that we review and advise him of any changes ASAP as the final version needs to be communicated to members, pursuant to the By-Laws, no less than one week prior to the November meeting so we can vote on the revised Constitution and By-Laws at the November meeting.

Lee reported CCKC raised just under \$7K this year for the club charities. The Executive Committee recommended each of the 2014 club charities receive \$1750, which was approved by the members. The checks will be presented to the charities at the November meeting. Alice Ann Bennett, Paige Campbell, Cynthia Sdano, and Vicki Sinkler will each invite a representative of their charity to attend the November meeting for presentation of the check and pictures. The charity representative is invited to come early and enjoy dinner, paid for by CCKC. The members approved picking up the tab for the 4 dinners for the charity representatives at the November meeting. Presentation of the checks will be the first item of business at the November meeting.

Election of Officers/Nominations: The following members were nominated for the following positions: President- Jim Cahill; Vice President- Cynthia Sdano, Treasurer-Jim Juliff;

Membership-Carol Schwartz; Secretary-Linda Downing. Editor (Hi-Beams)-Arnie Sdano. The Events Coordinator position remains open, although Dianne Keith and Jamie Chaney were nominated and declined. Jim Cahill was nominated for Insurance Coordinator and stated he would be able to fulfill the duties of Insurance Coordinator and President if he were elected for both positions.

The Insurance Coordinator position was discussed. Currently this position is an elected officer of the Executive Committee. Given the reduction in the duties of the position due to the change in insurance for 2015, there was discussion that the Insurance Coordinator position become an appointed position. This would reduce the Executive Committee from its current 8-member committee to a 7member committee and would prevent a tie vote situation. There was also discussion about the Webmaster position and whether the Webmaster should be a part of the Executive Committee as the CCKC website is where members of the community learn about CCKC and our events. We also discussed whether the Corvette Museum Ambassador position should also be a part of the Executive Committee. Concern was expressed about increasing the size of the Executive Committee. It was suggested that the Executive Committee review all positions and determine if they should be elected or appointed positions.

Chuck Abbott stated CCKC is known as a social club; we all want to have fun but he felt we needed newer members to volunteer to run events, become officers, and work at events, we all want to have fun but we can't rely on the same people all of the time.

Charity Nominations: Lee reminded us charity nominations for 2015 will be voted on at our January 2015 meeting. Charity nomination forms were not turned over to

him; if anyone has a form from prior years please share with Lee. There was discussion about the qualifications for a charity and how we determine the



number of charities CCKC would have for the year. At the January meeting the club will vote on the number of charities they want to support for the year and the charity(s) they wish to support.

Raffle: Barb Kearns and Sharon Bybee displayed the raffle items for this month. Donations were received from the following club members: Barb & Tom Kearns, Debbie & Marty Craven, Arnie Sdano, Julie Dailey, Darryl Prock, Dianne & Jerry Keith, and Jim Cahill. The club raised \$154.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Downing, Secretary

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Club officers for 2014 are:

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CCKC is the largest NCCC-affiliated Corvette club in the Kansas City Metro area. The club was founded in July 1960. Keep abreast of the club's website. current events at

http://www.cckc.net/

Additional Websites of interest:

National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc.

http://www.Corvettesnccc.org/

National Corvette Museum

http://Corvettemuseum.org/

	DAY OF		
<u>2014</u>	<u>WEEK</u>	CCKC SPONSORED EVENTS	COORDINATOR
		NOVEMBER	
11/8/14	Sat	CRUISE TO KEARNEY – JESSE JAMES HOMESTEAD/LUNCH OPTIONAL GHOST TOUR & OVERNIGHT AT ELMS Confirmations for overnight needed by 10/15- See flyer	Marty & Debbie Craven 816-883-8742 805-459-3993 (C)
11/15/14	Sat	FLOWER FARM – POINSETTIA SHOPPING Details at Oct Meeting	Jim & Janet Clyde 913-706-0316
11/19/14	Wed	MONTHLY CLUB MEETING 7 PM UNCLE BUCKS GRILL – BASS PRO SHOP, OLATHE, KS (Election of 2015 officers)	
		DECEMBER	
12/5/14	Fri	HOLIDAY GALA – Marriott Hotel, OP, KS	Norris 816-304-9372

It's the most wonderful time of the year!

Please join us for the **CCKC 2014 Christmas Party**Friday, December 5, 2014

at the

Marriott Hotel & Convention Center

Marriott Hotel & Convention Center 10800 Metcalf Overland Park, Kansas 66210

Mingle & Jingle , making spirits bright:

6 p.m. Cash bar and appetizers
7 p.m. Dinner and dessert served
8:30 p.m. Awards, entertainment
... & oh, what fun it is!
Midnight: To all ... a good night!

Cost: \$30 per person.

RSVP no later than November 19, 2014 to: Patti Norris, 18817 Hanthorn Drive, Independence, MO 64057, or at the November club meeting.

Payment is required with your RSVP. No refunds after November 19, 2014.

For those who want to stay the night at the hotel, we've negotiated a CCKC room rate of \$99 + tax. Call (913) 451-8000 for reservations.







Corvette Club of Kansas City 2014 Christmas Party Friday, December 5, 2014 RSVP

Name(s)
Attending
All meals include wedge salad with house-made ranch or lemon vinaigrette dressing, rolls & butter, Starbuck's coffee, Tazo hot tea, water & chocolate ganache cake with strawberries & cream. Choose one entrée per person:
Braised short ribs with red wine sauce X Served with roasted garlic mashed potatoes & green beans with pimientos
Grilled Tuscan chicken with herb au jus X Served with roasted potatoes & vegetable medley
Seared salmon with horseradish sauce on the side X Served with creamy risotto & green beans with pimientos

Return this form with your menu selections and payment by November 19, 2014. Cost: \$30 per person.

For club use: Paid _____