

September 2014

## CORVETTE CLUB OF KANSAS CITY

# Hi Beams



### Next CCKC meeting

Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

Uncle Buck's Grill

Bass Pro Shop

12051 Bass Pro Drive

Olathe, KS 66061

**Note the location change!**

Business meeting starts at 7:00 PM

**Come early and eat before the meeting!**

### October Birthdays

2 – Vicki Sinkler

6 – Frank Papish

9 – Kay Boyd

11 – Janet Paskon

11—Martha LaTurner

13 – Marilyn Moss

13—Elaine Holmes

16 – John Hamblin

19 – Chuck Abbott

19—Charlene Shyver

22 – Carol Hamblin

28 – Mary Luhrs

### October Anniversaries

12 – Gil & Liz Campbell

14—Todd & Mary Elmore

15 – Ed & Ellen Rose

16 – Andy & Helen Campbell

16 – Robert & Marcia James

16—Patrick & Dea Liang

18 – Ron & Cheryl Gibbs

18 – Art & Mary Luhrs

19 – Jim & Mary Cahill

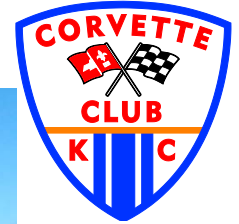
21—Dick & Elaine Holmes



### September Events:

#### **CCKC Cruises the Northland**

On Saturday, September 5, crystal blue skies, wispy clouds and pleasant temperatures welcomed 28 CCKC members and guests in 15 gleaming Corvettes on a cruise in the Northland. The caravan set out from the Argosy Casino parking lot, traveling up through Smithville, Missouri and across the dam of Smithville Lake – actually, we crossed the lake several times during the excursion. Cruisers got a glimpse of Paradise



(Missouri), drove past The Boondocks, and saw miles and acres of serene countryside, rolling hills and mostly gentle curves. The excursion ended with a fried-chicken feast at the Stroud's in Oak Ridge Manor, where most diners leave with leftovers from the enormous servings. The event was hosted by Lee and Janice Burkhead.



### Ghost Squadron Air Show

On Saturday September 13, 2014 a group of CCKC members went to the Commemorative Air Force Air Show at the New Century Airport (formerly the Olathe Naval Air Station). 15 people and 5 Corvettes met at the Gardner McDonald's and drove to the airport together. There were several Vintage planes including the B 17 "Flying Fortress" and B 25 available to see or tour and for a fee you could book a ride on them. The Commemorative Air Force Group at New Century also has a Museum which was open for tours. The museum has several interesting displays about the Naval Air Station and other Flight

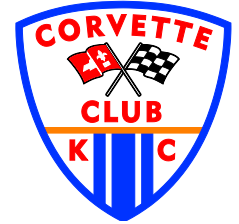


related points. The flight demonstrations started at 1:00 including a dog fight with a Japanese Zero (converted from American plane) as well as air acrobatics and demonstrations of some great airplanes from World War II. Following the air show most of the attendees enjoyed a great meal complete with favorite libations at the KMACHO Mexican Cantina. The food was great and the opportunity to sit and talk with our Corvette friends is always a pleasure.

**From Jim Clyde Your heating and Cooling Specialist**







### Kansas City Auto Museum – Olathe

Sharon Bybee and Joe Campbell arranged for CCKC to visit the newest car museum in Kansas City on Saturday September 20. The Kansas City Automotive Museum just opened this year to tell the automotive history of Kansas City. It is located in Olathe. A private lunch followed the tour at the Granite City Brewery.



### TECH TALK – By Chuck Levenson

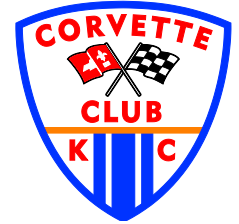
Battery tender time if you stop driving your Vette for two or more weeks.

GM issued a stop sale order for select C7's. First is for 800 corvettes which are suspected to have a poorly installed parking brake cable. A second recall of select 2014 Chevrolet Corvettes is for an internal short-circuit in the sensing and diagnostic module (SDM) which could disable frontal air bags. GM is unaware of any crashes or injuries related to the condition.

The 2015 Corvette Z06 will be powered by a 6.2 liter V8 supercharged engine, capable of producing no less than 650 HP and 650 Ft-Lb of torque. The company is now placing the model into the spotlights once again, by announcing performance specifications. According to GM, the 2015 Corvette Z06 can accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in just 2.95 seconds when equipped with the optional 8-speed automatic transmission.

When equipped with the 7-speed manual gearbox, the model can accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in 3.2 seconds. The quarter mile can be done in 10.95 seconds with the automatic and in 11.2 seconds with the manual. The sports car is capable of achieving 1.2 G's in lateral acceleration, which is up from the previous best of 1.13 G's.

Cynthia and Arnie Sdano recently took advantage of GM's subsidized tuition for Ron Fellows Performance Driving School in Pahrump, Nevada. The two day course was only \$1000, including a night stay in their track side condominiums. With 24 students and 12 instructors, a lot of personal instruction was provided. Short power point class room instructions were followed by extensive track time practice on their 2.2 mile long 10-turn race course. Cynthia spent most of her time riding along with a lead instructor (she declared that 11 of the 12 instructors looked really cute, one looked like Arnie). Skid-pad car control, negotiating a low-speed cone course with the windshield blocked and use of launch control were also covered. Great experience!



### September 2014 Meeting Minutes

On Wednesday, September 17, 2014, at 6:30, the CCKC meeting, held at Hendrick Chevrolet, was called to order by **President Lee Burkhead**; there were 55 members in attendance.

Hendrick representative John Bivens provided an update; Mr. Hendrick's car was built today. CCKC members receive a discount on service and parts at Hendrick; if you are having your car serviced talk to Jason or Alex they are familiar with CCKC discounts.

**Membership:** **Carol Schwartz** introduced guest Bob Sardou. Carol reminded us that renewals will be emailed. She will also be updating the membership directory in October, if you have changed cars, etc., please let her know. As a reminder for new members, see Carol for your membership name badge. CCKC currently has 192 members.

**Secretary: Linda Downing** obtained approval of the August 2014 meeting minutes as published in the Hi Beams.

**Treasurer's report: Jim Juliff** updated us on the budget; we are ahead for the month.

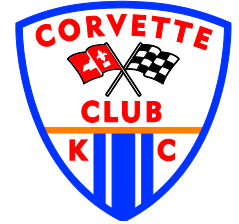
**National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) - Jim Cahill** advised the next edition of Blue Bars should include the write up on Chuck Levenson a 50-year member of CCKC.

**National Corvette Museum** - no report as Ambassador **Adam Hoehn** was absent.

**Insurance: Jim Cahill** advised in April & May the club received a solicitation from Hagerty Insurance, it was a bare bones quote. Jim then obtained a quote from Schiffman Remley Associates (SRA) to get a quote for the same insurance we have today via NCCC. Jim advised we currently have Directors & Officers coverage for elected officers. He advised CCKC currently shares our limits via NCCC with other clubs in NCCC; there are 263 clubs nationwide and 18,000+ members. He discussed the cost of the new coverage; the pricing is based on 80 people.

Jim advised the new plan would afford coverage of \$1M, with a \$4M umbrella and would include Directors & Officers coverage and crime coverage. The cost for the new plan would be: \$55 per primary member which price would include CCKC membership. The cost for the new plan for a spouse or significant other would be \$10 which price would include CCKC membership. The new plan would not cover low speed events; our current insurance coverage covers low speed events.

Currently the cost for insurance via NCCC is \$35 per primary member for the first year, \$25 per year thereafter. The cost for a spouse/significant other is \$10. In addition CCKC dues are \$20 for the primary member and \$10 for the spouse/significant other. The total current cost for club membership and insurance for a primary member is \$45; the total current cost for a spouse/significant other for club membership and insurance is \$20.



The proposed new coverage would be better for CCKC as CCKC would be the sole user of the \$5M limits (\$1M primary, \$4M umbrella). Michael Rodriguez of SRA was in attendance and answered questions advising he has access to 19 carriers; should we choose to switch coverage to SRA, 90 days before our 2016 renewal he would shop the coverage to ensure we are getting a good rate. He also advised SRA has a Claims Manager in their office that could assist in handling a claim should our club have a loss.

If we do not renew with NCCC we lose the Blue Bars publication and any hotel discounts.

If a spouse or significant other chooses not to join the club or participate in insurance they cannot vote at CCKC meetings or on any CCKC matters and they would not be covered by the insurance.

Jim Clyde made a motion that Jim Cahill obtain firm pricing and bring this back for a club vote, if the pricing is in line with the quote discussed we would vote on the matter; \$55 cost per primary member which includes insurance and CCKC membership, and \$10 cost for spouse/significant other for insurance and CCKC membership. The motion was approved by the majority, Tom Kearns opposed the motion.

**Activities:** Dianne Keith thanked those who planned events in August.

Joe Campbell reported there were 15 cars that caravanned to the Summer's End show in Rogers, AR with a stop along the way at Macadoodles. He advised of the 15 cars, 6 won class awards, 5 won best of class,

and the club received the award for the most club participation. He reported it is a nice show to consider for next year, all who attended had a great time.

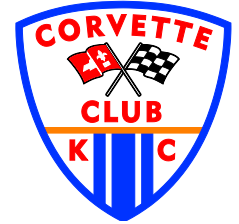
Dianne reported there were 15 cars and 28 people that were able to participate in the Cruise of the Northland and Stroud's, hosted by Lee & Janice Burkhead, it was a nice cruise and the food was great.

Jim Clyde advised there were 15 cars that participated in the Ghost Squadron air show. Club members John & Sandy Hines had a cousin with a plane at the show which members also were able to view. The festivities were concluded at K-Macho's where they had margaritas and good food.

Joe Campbell updated members on the upcoming Kansas City Auto Museum event on Saturday, September 20, at 10:00AM. Joe advised currently 34 people are signed up; the group will have 3-guides. Joe and Sharon Bybee are finalizing the plans. Sign-up sheets were on the table.

Jerry Keith provided the details on the Day trip to the Missile Silo Home scheduled for 10/4/14. Jerry advised this is a missile silo E, where the missile lays flat and then is raised for firing. The owner has made a home out of the facility. It is a 1.5 hour drive to the site, but a stop is planned. The group will be at the site from 11:00 to 1:00; a \$5 donation is requested. Lunch will follow at the famous Somerset Café in Dover, KS. Jerry and Dianne reported the café was visited by Good Morning





America who announced Sommerset Hall as the winner of the Best Slice Challenge with its coconut cream pie. Flyers were on the table.

Julie Dailey provided details about the Colby & Casey Unplugged event scheduled for 10/16/14, the day after our October club meeting. Longbranch Steakhouse has agreed to reserve 30-40 parking spaces. The evening begins at 5:00, with entertainment at 6:00 by Casey & Colby Unplugged; Casey is Julie's son and is one of the members of The Stolen Winnebagos band. Flyers were on the table

Chuck Abbott provided details about the Fall Color Run scheduled for 10/18/14, currently there are 13 members signed up for the event. He reminded us this is a rally, each car is on its own, and the destination is a winery. Each car must have a navigator. He told us each car will have an envelope which will be sealed and will contain the driver's license of the driver and instructions if you get lost. If you get to the destination and your envelope is opened there is no prize. Cars are judged on mileage and ability to answer questions. Flyers were on the table.

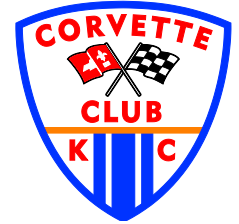
Jim Clyde provided us details about a Flower Farm trip he and Janet are planning for 11/15/14. The destination will have 7-8 hot houses, 2 full of poinsettias. They are still working on the details; it will be a mid-day event.

Marty Cravens provided details about the Cruise to a Ghost Tour at The Elms, scheduled for 11/8/14. Marty grew up in Excelsior Springs and decided to plan this event for us. It will include a tour of the Jesse James

Farm and museum in Kearney and of course food at J'J's Homestead which is home cooking. Following lunch, there will be a 20-30 minute drive to The Elms Hotel & Spa in Excelsior Springs. The hotel was re-done a few years ago and has a great spa. They have Ghost tours either at 9:00 PM or 11:00PM, cost is \$15 for the tour. He reported rooms are \$209 per night (includes tax), he blocked several rooms but the hotel is not giving us any break in the price. The deadline for reserving rooms is 10/15/14. He suggested we might want to do an overnight at an off-season time of the year if there is not enough interest in an overnight stay. If you have questions contact Marty at 816-883-8742 or 805-459-3993 or at mdc3337@yahoo.com

CCKC Holiday Party: Patti Norris provided members with an update on the CCKC Holiday party, to be held 12/5/14 (Friday). It will be at the Marriott Hotel on 108th & Metcalf. The meal will include a choice of salmon, thai chicken, or short ribs. The cost will be \$30 per person, there will be appetizers, the meal will include salad, potatoes, vegetable, dessert, and coffee and tea. Social hour will be from 6:00-7:00 PM, dinner from 7:00-8:30 PM, it will be served. Music/entertainment will be provided by DJ Kirby Wells. A set of rooms has been blocked for CCKC members at a cost of \$99 per room. If 8 rooms are booked, CCKC will get a complimentary suite.

Steve Garrett advised the Mavericks home season begins in November. If the club is interested in getting a block of seats we need to look at dates and if we are



able to get 15-20 people interested in a game, this can include your family, friends, etc. we can get block seating, just let him know.

**New Business:** the CCKC October meeting will be held at Bass Pro, Uncle Buck's restaurant in Olathe, KS. The room will be available from 5:30 to 9:00; the meeting will begin at 7:00. We will be provided with their menu in advance of the meeting.

Darrell Prock informed us the Lawrence corvette club provides convertibles for KU's Homecoming and is in need of a couple more convertibles. Homecoming is Friday, 9/28/14. Please see Darrell if you can assist.

**Raffle:** Barb Kearns and Page Campbell oversaw the monthly raffle; we raised \$119. Prizes were donated by Arnie & Cynthia Sdano, Fred & Sharon Bybee, and Hendrick Chevrolet.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**  
**Linda Downing, Secretary**

## Hello CCKC

The Cravens have come up with a great event on November 8 that includes Jesse James Homestead & museum and an optional night & Ghost Tour at the Elms Hotel in Excelsior Springs. They need to release the remaining rooms in their block on October 15 - our meeting day. So, please take a look at this fun event

and let them know if you want to reserve a room. See attached brochure for more information.

Do you have a 70's Corvette Stingray? There is a 10 year old boy who is crazy about these cars and his military mom wants to create his January birthday event around this car. Because of her military duties, this will be the first birthday she can celebrate with him. If you can help her out, please call Raychelle Jones at 702-557-5061.

**Dianne Keith**



C6 ONLY weather proof floor buckets with black carpet for sale at +50% off (\$50).  
Call Tom or Barb Kearns at 913-541-8146

**Club officers for 2014 are:**

President	Lee Burkhead
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ta86man@sbcglobal.net	913-980-4083
Membership	Carol Schwartz
cschwartz@kc.rr.com	913-488-2275

**2014 Appointed Officers:**

Webmaster	Steve Shinnors
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Museum Ambassador	Adam Hoehn
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Social Chairperson	Patti Norris
r.norris@sbcglobal.net	816-304-9372

CCKC is the largest NCCC-affiliated Corvette club in the Kansas City Metro area. The club was founded in July 1960. Keep abreast of current events at the club's website, <http://www.cckc.net/>

**Additional Websites of interest:**

**National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc.**

<http://www.Corvettesnccc.org/>

**National Corvette Museum**

<http://Corvettemuseum.org/>



## 2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## CORVETTE CLUB OF KANSAS CITY

AS OF October 12, 2014

<u>2014</u>	<u>DAY OF WEEK</u>	<b>CCKC SPONSORED EVENTS</b>	<u>COORDINATOR</u>
		<b>OCTOBER</b>	
10/4/14	Sat	<b>DAY TRIP to MISSILE SILO HOME (\$5 pp) + LUNCH</b> Meet at McDonald in Gardner at 8:45 am – Depart 9 am sharp Lunch following tour at Sommerset Hall	Keith (Jerry) 913-961-3615
10/15/14	Wed	<i>MONTHLY CLUB MEETING 7 PM</i> <b>UNCLE BUCKS GRILL – BASS PRO SHOP, OLATHE, KS</b>	
10/16/14	Thurs	<b>COLBY &amp; CASEY UNPLUGGED</b> <b>Longbranch Steakhouse - 8600 Marshall Drive, Lenexa, KS</b> <b>5 pm/Music starts 6 pm</b>	Julie Dailey 913-706-5727
10/18/14	Sat	<b>FALL COLOR RALLY \$5 PP</b> 11:00 AM – Meet at Bank (435 & Midland) First car departs at noon. See flyer for requirements.	Abbott 913-649-9152
		<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
11/8/14	Sat	<b>CRUISE TO KEARNEY – JESSE JAMES HOMESTEAD/LUNCH</b> <b>OPTIONAL GHOST TOUR &amp; OVERNIGHT AT ELMS</b> Confirmations for overnight needed by 10/15- See flyer	<b>Marty &amp; Debbie Craven</b> <b>816-883-8742</b> <b>805-459-3993 (C)</b>
11/15/14	Sat	<b>FLOWER FARM – POINSETTIA SHOPPING</b> Details at Oct Meeting	<b>Jim &amp; Janet Clyde</b> <b>913-706-0316</b>
11/19/14	Wed	<i>MONTHLY CLUB MEETING 7 PM</i> <b>UNCLE BUCKS GRILL – BASS PRO SHOP, OLATHE, KS</b> <b>(Election of 2015 officers)</b>	
		<b>DECEMBER</b>	
12/5/14	Fri	<b>HOLIDAY GALA – Marriott Hotel, OP, KS</b>	Norris 816-304-9372

Other events

Oct 25, 2014 (noon) KC Saints Poker Run, Independence, Mo Contact Ray Williams 816-332-0833 (Benefit KC Saints Football)

# **CCKC October Event**

## **Fall Color Rally**

**Date: Saturday, October 18, 2014**

**Time: Registration begins - 11:00 am**

**Driver's & Navigator's meeting - 11:30 am**

**First car leaves - 12:00 pm**

**Starting Place: BMO Harris Bank parking lot -**

**I-435 and Midland Drive, Shawnee, Kansas**

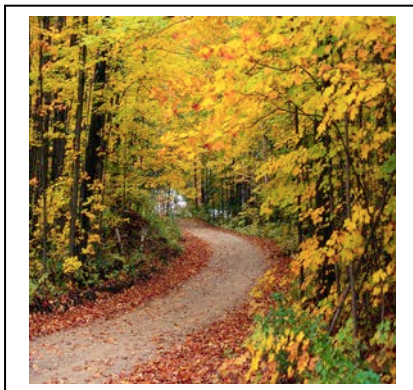
**Rally Requirements: Navigator, pencil, clip board,**

**valid driver's license, working odometer**

**Destination: A Kansas Winery with free wine tasting**

**Food: We will provide sandwiches & snacks**

**Cost: \$5.00 per person**



**Rally Masters:**

**Chuck Abbott (Cell) 913-961-1401**

**Jeffrey Moss (Cell) 913-486-7655**

**Please RSVP by October 4, 2014**



## Night at the Elms Hotel & Ghost Tour

November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014

1:00 pm

We will meet in Liberty at 1:00pm. Leaving at 1:15 pm after a short drivers meeting. From there we will travel to Jesse James Farm for a tour of his historic family home and museum. Then we will return to Excelsior Springs and the Elms Hotel. Dinner at the Hotel or Walbash BBQ on your own. Meet at 9:30 in the lobby for Haunted Hotel Ghost tour. Should be fun...quite a history at this beautiful old hotel.

Jesse James museum: \$6.00

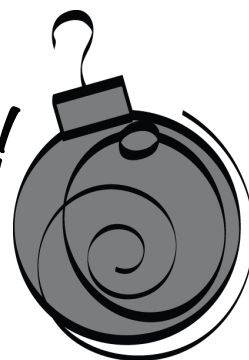
One night stay at the Elms Hotel: \$207.00 tax included.

Ghost Tour \$15.00

Contact Marty or Debbie Craven 816-883-8742



*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  
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 \_\_\_\_\_