



**Next CCKC meeting is Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at:  
Granite City Food & Brewery  
15085 W 119th St, Olathe, KS 66062**

Meeting starts at 7:00, so let's meet at 6:00 to eat and visit before the meeting.

The Corvette Club of Kansas City was founded on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1960 by a group of people that had one common interest – The Chevrolet Corvette, America's only true sports car! After +50 years, our club is one of the largest Corvette Clubs in the Kansas City area. We are sponsored by Hendrick Chevrolet, Shawnee Mission, one of the largest Corvette dealers in the country.

### May Birthdays

- 1 Frank Escobar
- 5 Mike Hannah
- 8 Cindy Gierstikas
- 10 Jim Field
- 11 Joe Campbell
- 13 Natasha Chappelle
- 17 Sherri Vaitekunas
- 18 Robert Hill
- 20 Dianne Keith
- 21 Chuck Levenson
- 23 Hank Lavery
- 23 Jan Towell
- 25 Scott Babcock
- 26 Adam Hoehn

27 Wally Phillips

### May Anniversaries

- 1 Joyce & Wayne Butler
- 1 Natasha & Charles Chappelle
- 3 Barb & Tom Kearns
- 6 Karen & Tim Carlin
- 15 Claudia & Carol Scott
- 28 Pei-In & Don Speer

### Events:

#### **NCRS Judging School, Reported by Bob Henn**

On Saturday February 2, 2019, five members of CCKC attended an NCRS Judging School and were treated to



the opportunity to view an almost complete 1966 L36 (427ci/390hp) chassis. The five of us are all members of the KC chapter of the National Corvette Restorers Society. The owner (Tony Stein, who spoke to our club several years ago) is a Master Chassis judge with the NCRS. Tony walked us through the complexity and detective work necessary to bring a 53-year-old car back to the way it was when it left the St Louis Assembly Plant in April 1966.

For members not familiar with the NCRS, it is an organization dedicated to "the preservation, restoration,

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and enjoyment of early Corvettes and related material as well as to encourage and publish studies and research pertaining to their history.” NCRS Judging is recognized around the world as THE STANDARD in determining originality. The Judging System is designed to educate each owner about their car, as well as providing recognition for excellence in the areas of restoration, performance, or preservation.

Tony walked us through many of the details necessary to obtain a high score in the chassis section of Top Flight certification. You rarely see a chassis without the body attached, so we were privy to seeing how well engineered and solid these C2 Vettes were.

As an extra treat Mark Gordon of Mark's Paint and



Fiberglass, trailered the 1966 Corvette Roadster body of the same car, in its prepped but pre-paint condition.

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Mark's work is so desired in the Corvette restoration community that his next available appointment is in 2020!

To a true Corvette “geek” having a chassis completed to exactly this stage and at this level, plus the body, at this point in time, is a tremendously rare opportunity.

We all walked away with one thought, “Wow, I want that car!”



Pictured from left to right: Dana Forrester, Bob Henn, John Hecker, Daniel Rechtferg, and Mike Towell





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**Bob Henn** attended his first National Corvette Restorers Society Regional Meet in Sharonville OH April 11-13. The NCRS is an organization dedicated to the preservation of America's only sports car, the Corvette. Judging and the subsequent awards are based upon originality and condition as listed in the Judging Guide versus the show and shine format that we are familiar with. Every car is evaluated against the standards versus being judged against the other cars at a show.

Bob owns a 2003 50th Anniversary convertible (in addition to a 2001 Z06), which was one of three 50th Anniversary cars used for test judging for the 2003-2004 Corvette Technical Information Manual & Judging Guide. The manuals will be completed in time for the NCRS Nationals in July 2020, with judging to begin sometime shortly after the Nationals. The judging required extra attention from the judges, as they were comparing the draft Judging Guide with what

they found on the actual cars. Quite a few corrections were noted for inclusion in the 2nd draft of the manual. **Alan Tremain**, National C5 Judging Chairman, used pictures of Bob's F55 suspension computer and cover pad for inclusion in the next revision to the Judging Guide.

Since it was Bob's first Regional, **John Hecker** (another CCKC member) provided valuable assistance and guidance to walk him through the process and what to expect. At the end of the day, here are the results:

Operations 740 out of 740

Mechanical 1144 out of 1158

Chassis 645 out of 649

Exterior 1156 out of 1179

Interior 762 out of 774

Net score of 98.8%

Bob's got the fever and will be working on bringing up his score so he can begin to campaign the car in the second half of 2020. He can't thank his wife Terry enough for all her patience and support on his journey to Top Flight "Apple" the 50th Anniversary Vette.



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## Detailing Seminar, Reported by Joe Campbell



April 20, 2019, on a bright Spring Day 20 plus members of CCKC gathered at the home of **Chuck & Katie Levenson** to study the art of detailing a Corvette. **Joe Campbell** explained the goals of the seminar including how we could provide the detailing tools, but

the participants will have to organize the ways they use them. **Chuck Levenson** started the seminar with a

demonstration of how to use the new foam guns to wash a Corvette and information on the use of buffers for waxing and how to use a plastic bag to check for swirls in your paint. Joe Campbell explained the exhibit we had prepared to provide comparisons of sixteen carnauba and synthetic waxes. For the wax demonstration, we used the hood of **Joe Campbell's** maroon Malibu; which after the tape was removed, displayed a new display

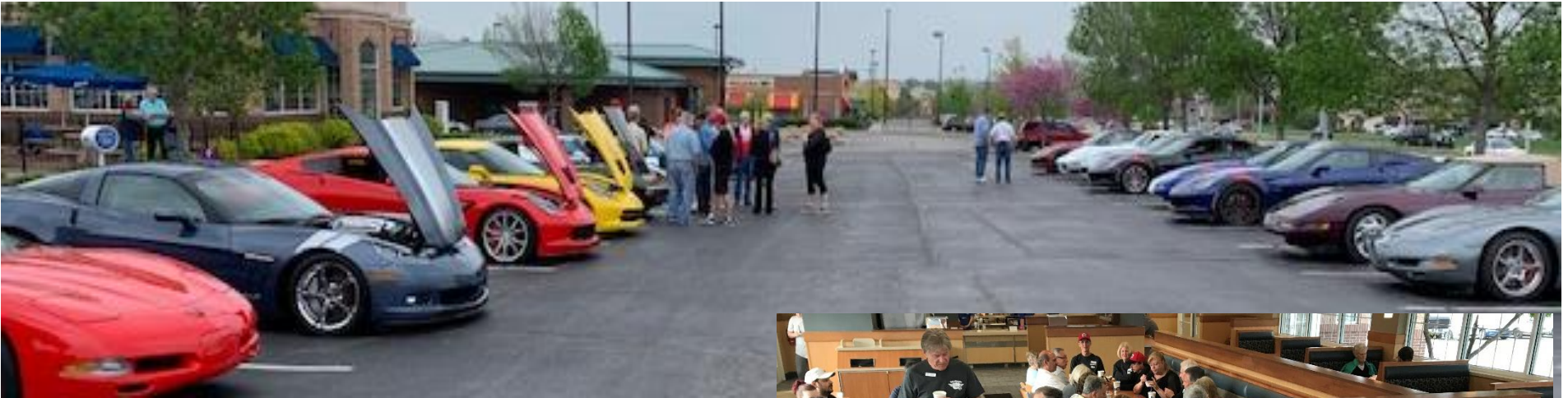
technique, "the checkered hood". After a close vote, **Joe Campbell** announced that the Meguiars Ultimate Liquid Wax (a synthetic wax) and the Mothers California



Gold Brazilian Carnauba (a carnauba wax) had tied for first place in the voting for a favorite wax. **Bob Henn** demonstrated how to clean the dreaded engine and glass areas. He explained that these were the two areas where most people lose judging points. **Lynnette Wheeler** demonstrated the application of a decal on the hood of **Arnie Sdano's** yellow C-7. **Joe Campbell** distributed a handout on ways to stage your

detailing process for in-town shows and how to organize your detailing kit. After the technical portion of the seminar, we adjourned to Katie's kitchen for lunch, including some gourmet cookies. All that is left to do is to try out these lessons in the upcoming CCKC Corvette Show at Hendrick Chevrolet on May 5th.





## Culver's Cruise Night by Bob Henn

**Terry and Bob Henn** hosted the first of six Culver's Cruise Nights on Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>. A record attendance for the first Culver's of the season was established with an incredible 43 members and 8 guests on hand. CCKC packed the restaurant. We had many regulars, plus several members attending for the first time. We welcome the first timers and hope this will become a monthly routine for you.

The group was treated with **Mike Towell's** NCRS Top Flight winning 1970 Donnybrooke Green 454 T-top Corvette. Most of the men spent time ogling over this car and talking with Mike. We had 28 Corvettes in the parking lot (29 if you count Bob's Z06 in absentia as it's in the body shop after a rear end collision).

We spent an easy hour relaxing and talking cars before going into Culver's. After our meal, Bob introduced



**Chase Van Noy**, GM of Culver's; and we thanked him for all the meal coupons donated and the extra staff he brings on to accommodate our group. Bob welcomed new member **Ron Williams** to the Club and to our monthly cruise. Next came one of our favorite parts of

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the evening; raffling off 8 meal and frozen custard coupons to the lucky winners.

Bob thanked the EC for giving him \$100 to purchase Corvette prizes. This month we had a Stingray mug and a Stingray stainless steel travel cup. Next month's Corvette prizes will knock your socks off; so don't miss our next Culver's Cruise Night on Wednesday, May 22, at 5pm. Let's see if we can get 50 members in attendance!

## CCKC April 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Vice President **Gene Sinkler** brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm in President **Steve Garrett's** absence. He asked for more parkers for the Hendrick Car Show and introduced the evening's raffle items.

**Adam Hoehn**, National Corvette Museum Ambassador, stated that the mid-engine C8 will be announced on July 18. The last C7 will be auctioned at Barrett Jackson with the proceeds going to charity. The Corvette Museum is gearing up for the caravan and expect 10,000 cars. On display will be a rotary engine, two cars from Apollo 15 astronauts, and the Indy 500 pace car. Adam shared that Chevrolets have been the most used pace cars with the Corvette being the most numerous used model. He reminded us when shopping on Amazon to use smile.amazon.com to donate to charity.

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In **Gwen Hill**, Secretary's, absence, VP **Gene Sinkler** obtained approval for the March minutes.

**Chuck Abbott**, Treasurer, gave the March financial report stating that we are ahead for March. He added that we have ten sponsors for the Hendrick Show. The report was approved.

**Vicki Sinkler**, Membership, introduced several new members and visitors. They are: **Bev Morey** from Lawrence who owns a 2019 yellow GS convertible; **Jason** and **Mindy Mathes** from Tonganoxie who have a 2008 black Z06; and **Jim Gardner**, owner of a 1970 yellow C3 convertible. Visiting were **Joshua** and **Jennifer Goodspeed** who have a 2005 'mystery red' Corvette. Vicki reminded everyone to register for the car show and talked about donations and trophy sponsorship.

**Chuck Levenson**, Activity Chairperson, discussed upcoming events. Refer to Events Calendar for more.

- 4-20 - Detail Demo at Levenson's with hot dogs, beer, and 16 kinds of wax!
- 4-24 - 1st Culver's Cruise Night, 5pm, 135th and Antioch, hosted by Bob and Terry Henn
- 4-25 - 4-27 - Corvette Museum Michelin Bash, KY
- 5-05 - CCKC Hendrick Show
- 5-15 - CCKC Monthly Meeting at Granite City

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- 5-18 - Evel Knievel Museum, Topeka with lunch at Harley Davidson
- 6-05 - 6-10 - Wisconsin Dells, Corvette Adventures, Sdanos
- 6-08 - NCCO Corvette Show, OK
- 6-15 - Whiteman AFB Tour, Sinklers

**Gene Sinkler** shared information regarding the trip to Whiteman AFB on June 15th to see the Wings Over Whiteman Air Show. A free ticket is required per person that can be obtained online at the Wings Over Whiteman Air and Space Show page at [eventbrite.com](https://eventbrite.com). Register for the show and you will receive tickets in your email. Print off the ticket. Coolers are limited to small, soft-sided ones that hold no more than 6 drinks. Participants will meet before 6:45 at the UMB bank at I-435 and State Line. Gene will give everyone a packet at that time.

Chuck concluded by sharing information about past car shows where several of our members won awards.

The only New or Old Business was to share that the caravan going to the Corvette Museum will stop here on

August 27th for dinner at the Downtown Wheeler Airport.

**Austin Coop**, from Guided Route 66 Tours, was our speaker. He came from Cincinnati to speak to us about taking guided tours along Route 66, starting from Chicago, and ending at the Santa Monica Pier in California. You can start anywhere along the route with adjusted rates. He said that 80% of the route is still intact and that there are 3 versions. The trips are for 13 nights and they handle hotel bookings, daily itineraries, and museum arrangements. There is a maximum of 10-12 cars per trip. Available dates for 2019 are June 15th-

27th and August 3rd-15th. If there are more than 8 cars, custom dates are possibly available. On the flyer there is a coupon code "KC" for the special of \$1,750/person (duo) or \$2,700/person (solo). For more information go to <https://www.guidedroute66tours.com/>

Raffle & Closing - Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

**Colleen Juliff**, Substituting for **Gwyn Hill**, Secretary



Congratulations to  
Dr. & Mr. Adam Hoehn



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#### Corvette Website of interest:

CCKC Website: [www.corvetteclubkc.com](http://www.corvetteclubkc.com)

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