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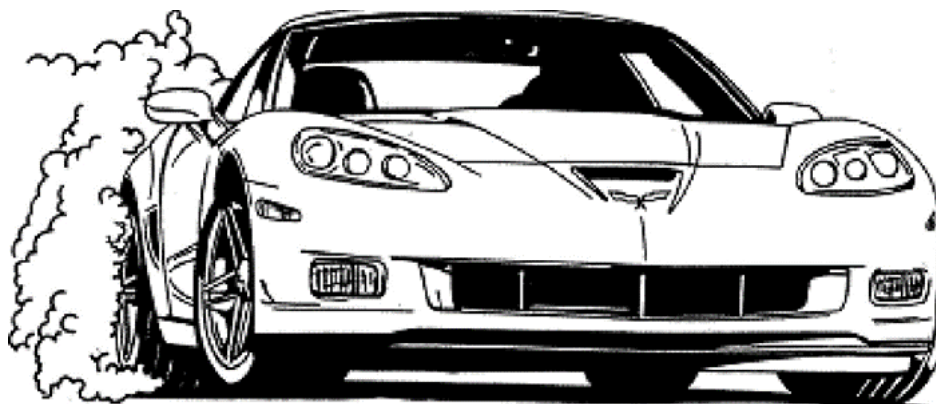
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CCI Board of Directors 2024



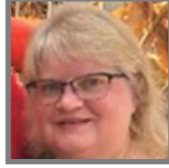
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Calendar of Events

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| February 1 | National Convention Registration Opens |
| February 13 | Valentine's Day Dinner -Who's On 1st, Ankeny |
| February 20 | General Club Meeting—Rackss Fine BBQ |
| March 17 | Wild Wades Swap Meet—State Fair Grounds |
| March 19 | General Club Meeting—TBD |

News from the Board

We were not able to officially hold the **January 16th, General CCI Meeting** since we did not have a quorum. Thank you for those who did brave the cold for some food and conversation.

2024 Sponsorship letters have been mailed out. If you know of a business or someone who would be a great sponsor for your club please let us know and we will get in touch with them.

The itemized list of **CCI property list** can be found on the Members Only section of the website. It does require a password, if you do not know the password please let us know and we will send you the password.

Remember you can **earn points** for referring new members to our club! Make sure to have the new member list your name on the application when they sign-up.

Every year the club puts 10% of the money from the previous year end total towards charitable organizations. This year we have chosen seven programs, these will be voted upon at the February 20th General CCI Meeting. Below is the amount of donation along with a brief description of who and how the organization uses the donations.

- **Children & Families of Iowa—\$500**
Is dedicated to improving the lives of children and families throughout Iowa with services ranging from family support to childcare to career training, behavioral health and more.
- **IA Gold Star Military Museum—\$500**
The Museum's purpose is to collect, preserve and exhibit materials that illustrate the story of Iowa's military past from statehood to the present. The Iowa Gold Star Museum honors the heroic service of all Iowa veterans. Located at Camp Dodge in Johnston.

- **Save a Warrior—\$500**
Is dedicated to the prevention of veteran suicide and the preservation of life through the development and implementation of a groundbreaking, comprehensive program at our non-profit organization
- **West Region NCCC Scholarship—\$500**
Annual scholarships awarded to members, children, and grandchildren of West Region members who are enrolled in any post high school education programs—see Governor Report for additional information.
- **Richard K Mathern Automotive Sciences Scholarship- \$500**
Established in remembrance of Dick Mathern, a longtime member of CCI. The endowed scholarship awards a \$1,000 scholarship annually to a DMACC student who is enrolled on a fulltime basis in any of DMACC's automotive or diesel programs
- **Toys for Tots—\$750**
Is to collect new unwrapped toys and distribute toys to less fortunate children at Christmas.
- **St. Jude—\$1,000**
Is leading the way the world understands, treats and defeats childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases.

For questions or more information please send an email to:
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Officer Reports

From the President...

As I sit here over this unseasonably warm February, I probably like many of you, have considered getting our cars out to help with some of the winter blues that often occurs when for a while we had extremely cold weather and then almost 100% cloud cover for a couple of weeks. As I typed this on February 6, it is 34 degrees and the forecast high for today is 54 degrees in Nevada. My only reluctance, again like a number of you, is all of the brine that has been applied to the roadways. I often must tell myself that the Corvettes Laurie and I have aren't likely to be cars with a high collector value, remind myself there isn't much steel used in our cars anymore with the developments in aluminum and other alloys that will cause any rust, and know that the salt will wash off. Even if we do wait for another month or two, I am usually one to get a car out before there has been a couple of rains to wash off the roads.

From our February Board meeting, it was great to learn that we have a few dates set for some competition events. Please see if you can keep your calendars open for June 8, August 3 and 4, and September 21 and 22. It sounds like we will have two autocross events and then something unrelated to autocross to change things up for the members.

The Board has also reviewed and are proposing the following list of charities for donations this year:

- St. Jude - \$1,000
- Children and Families of Iowa - \$500
- IA Gold Star Museum - \$500
- Save a Warrior - \$500
- West Region NCCC Scholarship - \$500
- Richard K Mathern Automotive Sciences Scholarship (DMACC) - \$500
- Toys for Tots - \$750

We will be discussing these possible donations at our membership meeting on February 20 at Crackss Fine BBQ, 401 E Court Ave Suite 300 in Des Moines. If you have any questions or comments on them, please let me know.

One other item that I have mentioned before, but I want to remind everyone that we are all volunteers. If you have any ideas for places where we can meet for board or membership meetings, please let us know. If you have any ideas for trips or activities that our club may like to do, let us know about that too, and be willing to plan and schedule it. Too many times we have heard about something that may be fun, but it falls on one or two peoples' shoulders to set it up. We need your help along with ideas!

Enjoy the warm weather while you can, and I hope we all have an early spring for us to get out on the roads! We also hope to see you at the club's Valentines Day dinner at Who's on 1st, 810 E 1st St, Ankeny on February 13.

Carrol McCracken, President

Governor's Message...

With the competition season rapidly approaching, I want to make you aware of the West Region's (WR) permanent number program. For \$15.00 you can purchase a number that is exclusively yours for the entire competition year. No other competitor can use that number at a WR sanctioned event in 2024. Below is the application form for a permanent number. The program is administered by the WR Treasurer, Linda Hommer.

100% of the funds generated by the WR permanent program are used to fund the WR Scholarship program. Annually, the WR awards scholarships to members, children, and grandchildren of WR members who are enrolled in post high school education programs. Below is an informational article about the program. I encourage you to read the article and review the information on the WR website regarding the scholarship program. Link to the [WR Awards Scholarship Application](#)

Finally, I want to make you aware of a scholarship opportunity at Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC). The Richard K Mathern Automotive Sciences Scholarship was established in remembrance of Dick Mathern, a longtime member of CCI. The endowed scholarship awards a \$1,000.00 scholarship annually to a DMACC student who is enrolled on a fulltime basis in any of DMACC's automotive/diesel programs. The application deadline for this year's applicants is March 1, 2024. Link to the [Richard K Mathern Automotive Sciences Scholarship](#).

I will be attending the NCCC governors' meeting in St. Louis at the end of the month. The competition year events and sanctions should be pretty much finalized at this meeting.

Jay Hommer, CCI Governor



Member News

February Birthdays

Wishing a Happy Birthday to the following members with birthdays this month!

Kari Schulte	02/07
Carol Wisnousky	02/14
RoseAnn Genovese	02/14
Dave Larson	02/15
Mary Robbins	02/16
Larry Kelly	02/22
Luke Stillely	02/24



New Members

Help us welcome our new members to the CCI family.

Jay and Deana Meyer

Ankeny, Iowa

2022 Yellow Coupe C8R Edition

They want to be part of the
Corvette Community

General Club Meetings

Come meet other members of CCI at one of the monthly Club Meetings. Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at varying locations.

February's General Meeting

Tuesday, February 20

at Rackss Fine BBQ— 401 E Court Ave Suite 300, Des Moines, IA

Dinner/Socialize at 6:00pm

Meeting to follow at 7:00pm

Agenda Topics will include:

- Approving Meeting minutes from previous meeting—[view online](#)
- Approving Treasury Report—[view online](#)
- Charity Funds Review and Approval

Save the Date

Mark your calendars and look for additional details and registration coming soon. You don't want to miss out on these upcoming fun events!

Valentine's Dinner

Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00pm

at Who's on 1st, 810 E 1st St, Ankeny

Sign up via the website—[SignUp](#)

4 Party Points!



Wild Wade's Swap Meet

Sunday, March 17th 8:00am-3:00pm

Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fairgrounds

4 Party Points!

Driving Education Event

April 19-21

Ozark International Raceway—Missouri

A weekend of fun and driver education

More details and registration coming soon!

NCCC National Convention

May 13-18

Joplin, Missouri

For more information go to the National Council of Corvette Clubs site and click on the Convention tab.

Competition Driving Events

June 8; August 3 & 4; September 21 & 22

We have secured dates for hosting three driving events in Des Moines. The exact locations are being confirmed. Two events will be autocross style and the third event will be a different format to shake things up. These events are for any and all levels of driving experience. Volunteering to work at an event is also a great way to get involved and check out how it works. More details will be coming soon. Mark your calendars and come out to one or all three events!





COMPETITION EVENT NUMBERS

Per current West Region Operating Rules and Procedures, the West Region will again administer a program under which **"permanent" entrant numbers may be assigned to those competitors who desire a "permanent" regional entrant number for the current competition year.** Competitors must be current NCCC members. Requests for a **"permanent"** number will be administered as follows:

1. From January 15th through February 15th you may request the same **"permanent"** number you had the previous year. You have priority.
2. After February 15th, you may request a number with the understanding that numbers will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Linda Hommer, assigned by the West Region Competition Director, will be collecting your application and fees.
3. Entrants must send their request form for a number assignment to Linda Hommer **no earlier than January 15, 2024.** Each club Governor should provide the proper form (included) to his/her members.
4. Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) in cash or check must accompany each request.
5. The numbers 1 through 999 shall be available for assignment.
6. Numbers shall be assigned by the RCD, or his designee, as requested on an annual basis following receipt of all requests postmarked as per Items 1, 2 and 3 above. Members who held a **"permanent" number from the previous year will be granted priority to that same number upon receipt of the proper form and fee if received in the January 15th to February 15th time period.** NCCC membership must be maintained.
7. In case of more than one request for the same number, the following procedure will be used: First choice will go to the earliest postmark (but no earlier than January 15th). In the case of a request for the same number postmarked on the same day, the RCD will conduct a random drawing.
8. No later than March 15th, the RCD or his designee will send a confirmation email to each NCCC member who requested a **"permanent"** number and a list of all currently assigned **"permanent"** numbers to each Governor of the West Region.



NUMBER REQUEST for COMPETITION EVENTS

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

NCCC NUMBER: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

REQUESTED NUMBER: _____

SECOND CHOICE: _____

Proceeds for this program go to support the West Region Scholarship Fund.

- ✓ Fill in ALL the above blanks.
- ✓ Any number 1 through 999 is a valid request.
- ✓ Send this form along with your payment to Linda Hommer (address is below).
- ✓ If paying by check, make the check payable to WEST REGION TREASURER.
- ✓ Mail this form no earlier than January 15, 2024.

Please send form and payment to: Linda Hommer
1314 NW Pebble Dr
Ankeny, IA 50023
Phone: 515-779-0287
E-mail: momsvette@live.com

WEST REGION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL CORVETTE CLUBS

WEST REGION SCHOLARSHIP

Requirements/Rules of the Scholarship

The WR Scholarship will be given for the purpose of assisting a person with an WR affiliation in the continuation of his/her formal education. Any continuing education program is acceptable – any school or any college having any curriculum. However, some preference will be given to high school seniors and recent high school graduates who wish to attend college. The period of the award will be for one year, and previous award winners will be eligible.

No financial need requirement is to be established.

The Applicant

The applicant for the WR Scholarship must meet the following requirements:

a) a close involvement with the WR/NCCC for a minimum period of three (3) years either as an WR/NCCC member or a legal member of the immediate family of a WR/NCCC member—child or grandchild.

b) a high school diploma or the anticipation of a high school diploma before the time that the scholarship is to be awarded. A copy of the diploma must be provided before an award can be presented.

c) college students must submit a copy of their college transcripts.

d) an academic standing in high school in the upper third of the high school graduating class.

e) a record of involvement in some extra curricular activities in high school or college.

f) a letter of acceptance from the institution for which the scholarship is to be awarded.

g) a brief 300 word essay included with the application outlining the applicant's reasons for wanting the scholarship and the applicant's career goals.

h) Three letters of recommendation from persons who are qualified to evaluate the applicant's potential. The "Recommendation for WR Scholarship" form is to be used when asking for the recommendations.

Although the WR Scholarship is an award of money which does not necessarily need to be repaid, it would be appreciated if the recipient would consider contributing to the WR Scholarship Fund in some future time following the completion of his/her education.



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Wild Wade's

High Performance Swap Meet And Trade Show

Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fairgrounds
Sunday, March 17th, 2024
8:00AM - 3:00PM

Again this year CCI will have a space at Wild Wade's to display NCCC and CCI promotional materials

Come out... and tour the show, there's lots to see!

Hang out... with us for some good old "car talk" and donuts!

Help out... with setup at 7:00AM or teardown at 3:00PM

Four Party Points

Questions?

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