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October 18th

Cozy Café



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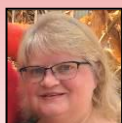
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Calendar of Events

Oct 18 th	General Meeting – Cozy Café, Johnston Also TP Roundup – See Flyer
Oct 28 th - 30 th	Fall Color Run – See Flyer
Nov 12 th	Toys for Tots Cruise – See Flyer
Nov 15 th	General Meeting – TBD
Dec 20 th	General Meeting – TBD

Officer Reports

From the President...

Greetings Corvette Club of Iowa Family,

I'm happy to share some exciting news with you all. But first, I need to give a huge shout-out to Pat Whalen. For those who don't know Pat, he is the Social Media Director for the club and also helps with the website. We as a Board have been discussing for the last few years about trying to make some aspects of this club easier for members and the Board. One of those improvements comes in the way we do registrations for events and even membership renewal. More on why Pat is amazing and what we are doing in a moment.

People ask what I do for a living. I won't go into the long explanation but will share the current project I am working on with the Governor's office (I am the Director of Outreach and Strategic Projects at Iowa State University). Currently we are working to improve the statewide child care system. We are investing over \$34 million to improvements to make our child care businesses more successful. One of the main ways we can accomplish that is through automation and use of what is called a Child Care Management System/Software (CCMS). By collecting fees, taking attendance, sign-ups, documentation, and other required tasks being done on a cloud-based software, we can save child care providers time and money.

So, Jeff, how does this relate? Glad you asked. To save time and money of our members and our

The logo for MotorsportReg.com, featuring the text "MOTORSPORTREG" in a bold, italicized font with a red underline, and ".COM" in a smaller font below it.

Board, we are utilizing Motorsport.reg which is a cloud-based program through Hagerty that offers us the ability to register for events such as race events, cruises,

holiday parties, gatherings, competition events and even becoming a member or renewing as a member. This allows for payment online versus the Treasurer needing to handle all the checks and cash. This means you can renew your membership 24 hours a day 7 days a week when it works best for you. This means you can register for events in that same timeline and not worry about "Please email or text so and so to register."

This is an exciting step for our club and something that will be a great benefit to current and new members.

My work has gotten extremely busy and even going through some challenges and changes, which has kept me extremely busy during work hours, which is the same time Motorsport.reg works and so it took me longer than planned to get the club and Board onto this system. This is where Pat's work has come in as he graciously offered to step in and move us forward with this project. And... AND we are almost there. By the time you read this we might be ready to unveil it fully. The goal is this month to be up and running (but you know technology always has delays). Thank you, Pat, for your work on this and thank you Board for the support to make this a reality through idea generation, discussions and testing.

As a club we continue to grow both in numbers and in abilities. We improve to stay relevant and successful. We encourage one another and stand by each other because that is what a club does. Thank you all for your support of myself as President for this past year. I have only a short time left and it truly was one of the best years I have had in a long time. I look forward to many more years ahead.

Just a reminder of our upcoming special events such as the TP Roundup at our October 18th meeting, and the Toys for Tots Cruise November 12th. Thanks for all you do.

Vroom Vroom,

Jeff Jackson, President

General Meeting Minutes, September 20, 2022

The general meeting of Corvette Club of Iowa was called to order @ 6:57PM, September 20, 2022 at Cozy Café in Johnston by President Jeff Jackson. Jeff thanked all the members who were able to attend the photo shoot for the club photo that will be featured in Blue Bars. Jeff had members present look at photo options to choose which version would be in Blue Bars.

Secretary Dave McChesney reported that general meeting minutes are published in Sportsmate. From now on, Board meeting minutes will only be

published on CCI's website in the Members Only section. General meeting minutes will continue to be published in *Sportsmate*. There was no discussion and a motion was made by Dave Brown to approve the minutes. Wayne Nikolish seconded and the motion passed the body. Treasurer Laurie McCracken was not present and she submitted the Treasurer's report via email. Detailed current balances were reported. Disbursement to the West Region was made for dues. Paul Wyman moved to receive the Treasurer's report. Jim Lucas seconded and the motion was approved.

Vice President/Social Director Carrol McCracken reported via email that there is a cruise this coming Saturday to visit the Steamboat Bertrand exhibit and museum. Carrol was not present. Governor Gary Foster reported information from his attendance at the Governor's meeting in St. Louis. Scholarships are available at both the West Region and NCCC levels. NCCC starts accepting applications in January. WR Scholarship applications must be received by August 1st. Three by-law changes were voted on at the meeting. RCDs discussed the issue of electric vehicles competing in autocross. NCCC will NOT be allowing electric vehicles to compete in sanctioned autocross events. There was discussion about 2024 Convention which will be held in Joplin, MO. In 2025 it will be in the West Region and held in conjunction with the Black Hills Classic. Next year clubs will be allotted 14 sanctions versus the usual 10 in prior years. Corvette Museum and plant tours will begin again

soon. Competition Director Denny Luther was not present and no report was made.

Member at Large Wayne Weidmann did the 50/50 drawing, the winner donated the funds back to the club. Editor Dave Howard noted some minor changes to the layout of *Sportsmate* with the elimination of Board meeting minutes from the newsletter and Governor's report no longer appearing on a monthly basis. Points Director, Janelle Ohmstede submitted updated points standings that are published on the website. Membership Director Mike Golightly reported membership numbers have not been very active as we approached the renewal period and he expects numbers to drop a bit as they typically do during renewals. Social Media Director Pat Whalen had nothing to report.

Old Business: all Board nominations are unopposed and Wayne Nikolish moved to accept the nominations by acclamation. Paul Wyman seconded and the motion passed the body. New Business: Paul filled the members in regarding upcoming annual events, those being the TP Roundup at the October general meeting and our Toys for Tots Cruise in November. Buy and Sell: Dave McChesney has a lift for sale at \$1,500. Steve Rahn has a '94 Vette for sale.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Wayne Weidmann. Meeting was adjourned @ 7:33PM.

Dave McChesney, Secretary

CCI Odds and Ends

General Meeting Details

Join us for CCI's October general meeting at Cozy Café in Johnston. Here are the details:

Cozy Café
8385 Birchwood Ct
Johnston

Located just north of the NW 86th St interchange with I-80/35. Take the first right off 86th and go east to the restaurant.



Gather to eat & socialize @ 6:00PM
Meeting following @ approximately 7:00PM

See you on the 18th!

Member News

New Members. Look to this space for the most recent additions to the CCI family. We have two new members to report for September. Please welcome Craig & Julie Stevens to CCI! They are the proud owners of a Red 2008 convertible.

Birthdays. Wishing a Happy Birthday to the following members with October birthdates:



Linda Hommer 10/2

Adam Walker 10/4

Kenneth Merten 10/5

Nichole DiMaio 10/6

Ruth Kelly 10/7

Ken Wilson 10/9

Vern Robbins 10/10

Duane Seiberling 10/13

Cheryl Weidmann 10/15

Paula Crowley 10/15

Bobbi Rietz 10/23

Dave Pepper 10/24

Dave Howard 10/27

Mary Seiberling 10/27

Larry Mark 10/31

CCI Apparel. CCI apparel is available from Kris & Steve Howard's KSH Design Studio. Choose from t-shirts, long sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies and more. Custom embroidery services are now available from KSH as well! If you are new to CCI, want a piece of CCI apparel embroidered or just like to sport the latest designs, check with Kris or Steve.

Events

Here's a wrap-up of recently held events along with a description of events on the horizon:

Steamboat Bertrand Cruise. CCI took a cruise to Western Iowa on September 24th to visit

the Steamboat Bertrand exhibit and museum. The thousands of artifacts on display from this sunken Civil War-era sternwheeler provided an intriguing look into life in the Old West in the mid-1860s. Enjoy the photos for this and other recent CCI activities on succeeding pages.

TP Roundup. Don't forget that CCI's annual TP Roundup will be held in conjunction with this month's general meeting on October 18th. Paul Wyman will collect your donations of personal care items that will be passed along to the VA. Cash donations are also accepted. Everything will benefit deserving vets who are in need of help that isn't available through traditional programs. The flyer on Page 11 has all the details.

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars and look for more details in upcoming issues of *Sportsmate*:

October 28 - 30, 2022. A fall color run to Eastern Iowa and into Wisconsin and Illinois is scheduled for late October. The trip will offer much more than sightseeing with the kind of fun experiences and adventures you would expect on a cruise of this length mixed in along the way. Theme days are planned to add to the fun. A brief flyer appears on Page 10. Stay tuned for further details to follow.

November 12, 2022. CCI's annual Toys for Tots drive will take place at Bob Brown Chevrolet in late fall. We've had considerable success with our donations to this annual Marine Corps event in years past. We are thankful for your generosity as we help make Christmas a memorable experience for needy youngsters around the Metro. See the flyer on Page 12 for details.

CCI Club Picture Day





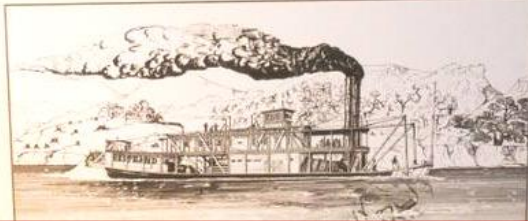
Steamboat Bertrand Cruise



The Steamboat *Bertrand*

Built: 1864 in Wheeling, West Virginia
Owner: Montana and Idaho Transportation Line
Departure: March 18, 1865 from St. Louis, Missouri
Length: 161 feet
Expected Arrival: June 1865 at Fort Benton, Montana
Width: 32 feet 9 inches
Sank: April 1, 1865 at DeSoto Bend, Iowa
Cabin Space: 45 to 50 passengers
Cargo Space: 250 tons
Time in Operation: 4 months

Settlers along the Missouri River depended on steamboats during the mid-19th century. These boats transported people, goods, and ideas to the West, connecting the frontier to the rest of the nation.



The Final Voyage

On March 18, 1865, the *Bertrand* left St. Louis, Missouri for Fort Benton, Montana Territory. Its cargo included housewares, clothing, canned food, alcohol, building materials, and mining tools. These goods would be sold at stores in the mining towns that sprang up after the discovery of gold in Montana.

On April 1, 1865, the *Bertrand* left Omaha, Nebraska. About 25 miles upstream at DeSoto Bend, the boat hit a sunken piece of wood that pierced the hull.

The *Bertrand* sank in only ten minutes. No one was harmed during the disaster but between \$100,000 and \$300,000 worth of goods were lost (\$1.5 to \$4.7 million in 2019).

Account of the *Bertrand* Sinking by John Edward Walton

"Things were going along fine for some time when all of a sudden we felt a jar, and found out that the boat had struck a snag and punched a hole in the bottom. Soon the boat began to sink. There was great excitement and confusion, I climbed to the top deck right away, but the river was so shallow that the boat struck bottom before much of it was under water. When it hit it rolled part way over on its side and almost threw me overboard. We were all taken off the boat without a mishap and taken to a small town to await another boat."





Buy & Sell

FOR SALE: 2017 Corvette. Larry Mark's 2017 Corvette Grand Sport is for sale. The car is in excellent condition and currently lives in the Corvette Suite under a soft cover where the floors are heated so the tires don't get cold in the winter. It's a 2LT with 17,600 miles, 8-speed automatic with paddle shift, heads-up display, heated/cooled seats and finished in Blade Silver Metallic with Jet Black interior. Asking \$66,600. If interested, contact Timothy Mark at 713-826-9802 or timothy.mark@sbcglobal.net.



VEHICLE DESCRIPTION

2017 Chevrolet Corvette Grand Sport 2LT

VIN: 1G1YY2D79H5116738

Stock:

Engine:

Color: Silver

Transmission:

Technical

- *Remote Engine Start
- *Rear Wheel Drive
- *Active Suspension
- *Keyless Entry
- *Power Door Locks
- *Power Windows
- *Cruise Control
- *Power Steering
- *Locking/Limited Slip Differential
- *EPA estimated fuel consumption: City: 15 mpg
- *EPA estimated fuel consumption: Highway: 26 mpg
- *Security System - Engine Immobilizer
- *Gasoline Fuel
- *Transmission w/Dual Shift Mode
- *Fuel Capacity: 19 gal.

Safety

- *Driver Air Bag
- *Passenger Air Bag
- *Passenger Air Bag Sensor
- *Front Side Air Bag
- *ABS
- *Stability Control
- *Traction Control
- *4-Wheel Disc Brakes
- *Rear Parking Aid
- *Daytime Running Lights

Interior

- *Auto-Dimming Rearview Mirror
- *Power Driver Seat
- *Driver Adjustable Lumbar
- *Heated Front Seat(s)
- *Cooled Front Seat(s)
- *Passenger Adjustable Lumbar

Interior

- *Bucket Seats
- *Leather Seats
- *Multi-Zone A/C
- *A/C
- *Adjustable Steering Wheel
- *Leather Steering Wheel
- *Rear Defrost
- *Driver Illuminated Vanity Mirror
- *Passenger Illuminated Visor Mirror
- *Mirror Memory

Exterior

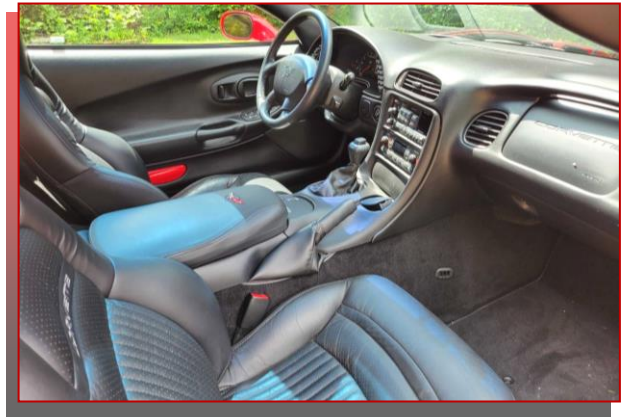
- *Intermittent Wipers
- *Power Mirror(s)
- *Heated Mirrors
- *Aluminum Wheels
- *Tires - Front Performance
- *Tires - Rear Performance
- *HID headlights

Electronics

- *Keyless Start
- *Back-Up Camera
- *Entertainment System
- *Premium Sound System
- *AM/FM Stereo
- *Satellite Radio
- *Navigation from Telematics
- *Navigation System
- *Bluetooth Connection
- *MP3 Player
- *Steering Wheel Audio Controls
- *WiFi Hotspot
- *Remote Trunk Release
- *Security System
- *Heads-Up Display
- *Universal Garage Door Opener

FOR SALE: Fuel Rail Covers. Fuel rail covers for an LS 3. OEM Machine Silver w/ red lettering, includes the pads that go underneath them. \$300. If interested, contact Larry Steffen at 515-975-3885.

FOR SALE: 2004 Corvette. Ken Wilson's 2004 Corvette Coupe is for sale. The car is in excellent condition and comes equipped with two tops and heads-up display, both rare options for 2004. 4-speed automatic, Torch Red exterior with Ebony leather interior and Bose sound system. Inquire for price by contacting Ken at 515-999-2700 or kenwilvette@aol.com.



Event Flyers



When: Friday, October 28 through Sunday, October 30th, 2022

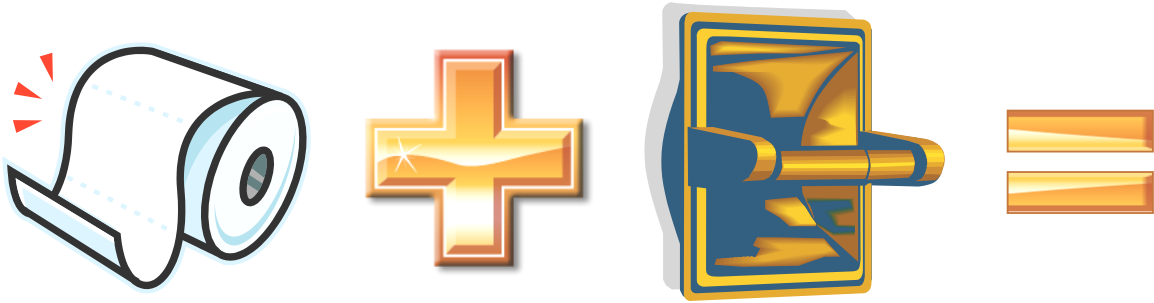
Meeting place: Kum & Go, I-35 Exit 102 & Hwy 210

Time: Drivers' meeting at 8:00 a.m. Sharp, Departure immediately after meeting.

Fall Color Run – Eastern Iowa into Wisconsin into Illinois

Many of you have been asking about going on a Fall Color Run. Pending the weather cooperating, we have picked a weekend to make it happen! Watch for further details on hotel rooms, and featured highlights of the trip. Be prepared for a trip full of laughs, fun experiences, and loads of adventures! We will also be having theme days: Orange shirt day, Halloween costumes, and the last day will be CCI shirt day. If we miss the colorful leaf season, we will still make the run. If the weather dips down in the 30's, we may need to cancel due to the stress on some members tires.

TP ROUNDUP



ONE OF LIFE'S SIMPLE NECESSITIES!

UNFORTUNATELY, FOR SOME IT'S NOT SO SIMPLE.

The VA Medical Center's Homeless Veterans Coordinator needs your help! While homeless veterans are assisted by the VA to get back on their feet, there are many items that food stamps/assistance won't provide. Toilet paper is at the top of the list along with many other personal care items.

Paul Wyman will be collecting toilet paper and other personal care items at the October club meeting...

that's Tuesday, October 18th

Donate a four-pack or larger of toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc. and you will help deserving men and women who have served our country and are now in need. As always cash donations will be accepted as well.

In return you will receive many thanks and...

***FOUR COMMUNITY
SERVICE POINTS***

Call Paul @ 277-3303 if you have any questions



CRUISE

Saturday, November 12, 2022

10:30AM

Meet at

Bob Brown Chevrolet

I-35/80, Exit 126 (Douglas Ave)

Urbandale

Bring a new, unwrapped toy or cash donation (a check is best). We will present these and our club check to Bob Brown's before we cruise to Cozy Café in Johnston for lunch (off 86th St & I35/80 near the Wynnsong Theaters). We'll arrive a little before noon to eat and hang out.

I think I'll make
a cash donation...
Bob Brown's will
match it!!



FOUR PARTY POINTS PLUS

FOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE POINTS

NOTE: You must attend Bob Brown's and lunch to receive both sets of points

Questions? More information?

Call Paul Wyman

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