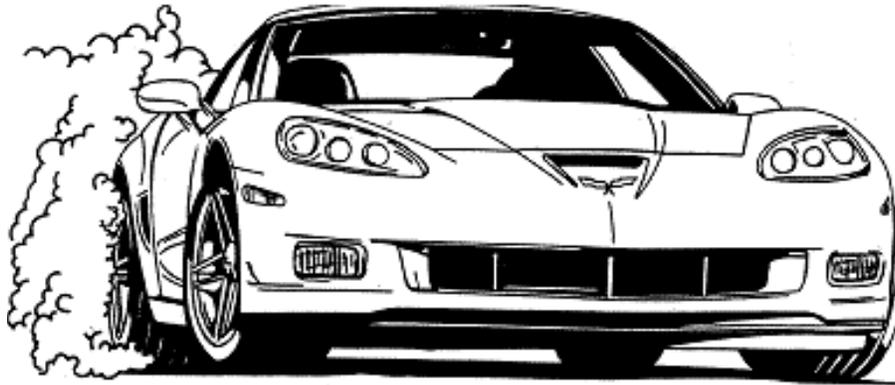


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Calendar of Events

- Dec 21st General Meeting – Chicago Speakeasy, Des Moines and CCI Christmas Social – See Flyer
- Jan 18th General Meeting – Jethro’s BBQ n’ LakeHouse, Ankeny
- Feb 15th General Meeting – TBD

Officer Reports

From the President...

Wow, we are to the end of the year already! It is the season where we deck the halls, fill our bellies and spend extra time with family when possible. Typically, this means our roads are covered in snow or sand, but we have been lucky enough to still have days to get the cars out for a little drive.

I am overwhelmed with pride in how charitable the Corvette Club of Iowa is! With the match in supporting funds from Bob Brown's Dealership, we were able to collectively donate \$6,030 and two bags of toys! That is AMAZING! This group is full of good-hearted caring individuals. The club and its members are philanthropically involved in many other ways of giving as well: St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Iowa Gold Star Museum, Children & Families of Iowa; just to name a few. Each of you deserve a pat on the back and recognition for what we are able to do in our collective group for Corvette enthusiasts. THANK YOU!

It has been my pleasure serving on the Board for the last 5 years, 4 as Competition Director, and this last year as President. Thank you for having me. I will certainly be staying involved with the club, just taking a break from Board responsibilities for a bit. Having said that, you will be left in excellent hands with Jeff stepping into the Presidential position. Welcome Jeff, I know you'll do a great job and be a wonderful fit.

Keep those gears turning,

Nichole DiMaio, President

Governor's Message...

There is definitely a chill in the air and it won't be long before nasty winter precipitation hits us. Many of us have our Corvettes tucked away under a car cover until spring. That's proving to be especially hard for me, again, this year. You may have heard that I bought Denny Luther's C7 Z06 and I sold my old 2002 Z06. As has happened several times now, this transaction happened the first part of December. I haven't even really driven the car yet. That means all I can do is look

at this new acquisition sitting in my warm garage, polish it, sit in it, and dream about it until the weather warms up in March or April. That's a lot of anticipation. I don't know why I can't seem to buy Corvettes when everybody else does – in the spring or summer so I could have some instant gratification while driving them. I guess I just have to be different.

As I write this message, many CCI items are falling into place for next year. Appointed Board positions are being filled, events are being considered and planning is moving forward for CCI's 2022 competition season. Our goal is to put fun back into our events. After autocrossing Hondas and Corvettes for many years with SCCA, I got involved with NCCC. I joined a group of traveling racers from CCI and very much enjoyed my time racing around the country with a good-sized group of club members who soon became friends. It's like the NCCC saying, "I joined for the cars and stayed for the people." That time was the most automotive fun I think I've ever had, and included winning some events and even setting a couple of National drag race records. Even better than my personal accomplishments, however, was having the opportunity to hang out and socialize with people who proved to be true friends. We traveled to events together (linked by walkie-talkie radios), we socialized and we had a blast. It was truly fun! Since most of us have pretty much stopped racing, it seems like our events have all become about business. We're all working at these events and they've gotten to be an obligation. We've allowed the main emphasis to become, "what can we do to attract a large turnout so as to increase the bottom line in our treasury." I want to try to go back to basics in 2022 and ask, instead, "what can we do to have more fun?"

Our events for 2022 will look a little bit different. Initially, I want to plan to hold two autocross events to satisfy our need for speed. I also want to host a car show. It's been a while since we've staged such an event. We can have music and food trucks, in addition to the cars. We might even try a funkhana next year. We won't be trying to attract as many participants as possible to our events, anymore. Instead, we will keep the attendance limited to a number we can manage, and we'll concentrate on providing value and fun for NCCC members. I'm hopeful that by adding events besides just races, we can have events that appeal to everyone in the club. It would be great to see some new faces at our events next year.

So, as you can tell, I've got my work cut out for me. I won't be alone, however. This year, we'll have a Competition Committee consisting of several members to plan and host these activities. In the next couple of months, we will get the West Region calendar firmed up, as well as our own. When we have dates for our events, we can start

finalizing the sites and putting together how things will work. I hope you'll want to join us!

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year!

Gary Foster, Governor

Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting, November 4, 2021

The November CCI Board meeting was held at Old Chicago in Ankeny. President Nichole DiMaio called the meeting to order @ 6:20PM with the following members present: Nichole DiMaio, Laurie McCracken, Carrol McCracken, Dave Howard, Jeff Jackson, Luke Stilley, Wayne Weidmann and 2022 Secretary Dave McChesney.

Officer Reports

President's Report: Nichole welcomed new Board member Dave McChesney to the meeting. Secretary's Report: Jeff asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes from October. Nothing was mentioned and a motion to approve the October Board meeting minutes was made by Carrol. Laurie seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Treasurer's Report: Laurie shared the financial report for the club treasury. She said some funds were transferred to CD's. Discussion about ways to get people to pay their annual dues in a timelier manner ensued.

Vice-President/Social Director's Report: Carrol provided an overview of the recent Fall Color Run trip. He also talked about the club's upcoming Christmas party scheduled for the evening of December 21st which is also general meeting night. Governor's Report: Gary Foster was not present and there was no report. Competition Director's Report: Luke had nothing to report.

Member at Large Report: Wayne said the December Board meeting is at Old Chicago. Editor's Report: Dave Howard asked Laurie & Carrol if there were any photos from the Fall Color Run... they will send them in the next week or so. Points/Membership Director's Report:

Mike Golightly was not present and there was no report. Social Media Director's Report: Pat Whalen was not present as well and there was no report. Old Business: none. New Business: none.

A motion for adjournment was made by Carrol and the meeting adjourned @ 7:00PM.

Respectfully,

Jeff Jackson, Secretary

General Meeting, November 16, 2021

CCI's November general meeting was held at Jethro's in Ankeny. The meeting was called to order @ 6:56PM by President Nichole DiMaio. Members at this meeting: see sign in sheet. No new members or guests attended.

Officer Reports

President's Report: Nichole had nothing to report. Secretary's Report: Jeff Jackson sought comments or questions on the general meeting minutes that were published in *Sportsmate*. Nothing came forward. Julianne Pawlosky made a motion to approve the September minutes as published. Jim Lucas seconded and the motion carried unanimously. The October minutes were moved for approval as published by Sheila Wyman and seconded by Paul Wyman. Motion carried unanimously. Treasurer's Report: Laurie McCracken was not present and Nichole shared details of the e-financial report for Laurie. A motion to receive and file the October Treasurer's report was made by Jeff Jackson, seconded by Larry Mark and the motion carried unanimously. Nichole also noted that Laurie is getting the new President set up for signing checks and also looking to move \$17,500 into CD's.

Vice-President/Social Director's Report: Carrol McCracken was also not present and Nichole commented on his behalf that the Fall Color Run went well and there are lots of pictures. Toys for Tots at Bob Brown Chevy is this coming Saturday. Chicago Speakeasy will host the CCI Christmas Party. Call or text Carrol for RSVP. Question of any activities in January and February through the colder months. Governor's Report: Gary Foster talked about the recent November Governors meeting. West Region received 3 scholarship requests and the committee awarded \$500 scholarships to all three. Discussion of West Region permanent number program for competitive events. \$15 fee for this and the money goes into the scholarship fund. Deadline for numbers is February 15th, but they will still allow anytime afterwards. West Region operating rule requiring long pants has been changed and now based on various classes. Looking for a Registered Agent to represent the West Region and looking for someone younger. Cornhusker Corvette Club will host West Region Awards Banquet in Omaha and will be an afternoon event. 2022 competition events conversation was had. Looking to build the competition calendar for next year. NCCC states that membership is up. Looking at ways to evaluate C8 engines for events and also looking to better balance the points system. 258 Corvette deliveries this year at National Corvette Museum. Budget looks good for this year but insurance costs are going up. Other increases are expected as well. Three proposed By-Law changes from September meeting were all passed. National Corvette Museum is still inviting those that take delivery from them to NCCC. April 28, 2022 is the Corvette Museum Bash. FCOA for 16 and under enrollment is open January through May. 2022

Convention to be held in Atlantic City. Election of National Officers took place. Grand Sport will be moved to Class MM. Competition rules were defeated so the rule stays at 7 events per day for autocross. Competition Director's Report: Luke Stilley had no report.

Member at Large Report: Wayne Weidmann announced \$124 in 50/50 sales. Bette Murray won \$62. Next meeting is December 21st at Chicago Speakeasy. Take your name tag home with you. Editor's Report: Dave Howard thanked Luke and Nichole for their article in the *Sportsmate*. Thanks for all the pictures especially from the Color Run. Points Director's Report: Mike Golightly said a points audit is going to be completed soon. Membership Director's Report: Mike is in flux with the renewal process for membership. Continuing to remind people to renew. We have several new members on the roster. 60th Anniversary preparations are under way and looking to get the contract for the location approved by the Board. Social Media Director's Report: Pat Whalen was not present and nothing was reported.

Old Business: none. New Business: Adopt a Star's are ready – see Cheryl. Wayne Nikolish is taking donations for Toys for Tots tonight if you are unable to make it on Saturday. Buy and Sell: Gary Foster has Stinger exhaust for C5 Corvette – CHEAP! Bob Brown has a 2007 Z06, Black on Black, 10,000 miles, asking \$48,000.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jeff Jackson and the meeting adjourned @ 7:38PM.

Respectfully,

Jeff Jackson, Secretary

CCI Odds and Ends

General Meeting Details

Join us for CCI's December general meeting at Chicago Speakeasy. Here are the details:

Chicago Speakeasy
1520 Euclid Ave
Des Moines

Located just east of the Des Moines River on the south side of Euclid Ave.



We'll gather to socialize @ 5:45PM

A short meeting will be followed
by dinner @ approximately 6:30PM

See you on the 21st!

Member News

New Members. Look to this space for the most recent additions to the CCI family. Sorry, there are no new members to report for November.

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



<i>Ed Loeb</i>	<i>12/1</i>
<i>Peter Vance</i>	<i>12/12</i>
<i>Dave Ohmstede</i>	<i>12/13</i>
<i>Elizabeth Mitchell</i>	<i>12/15</i>
<i>Steve Rahn</i>	<i>12/15</i>
<i>Carrol McCracken</i>	<i>12/17</i>

<i>Brian Sult</i>	<i>12/17</i>	<i>Steve Garland</i>	<i>12/24</i>
<i>Mark Cooper</i>	<i>12/27</i>	<i>Sharon Heggen</i>	<i>12/31</i>

CCI Apparel. CCI apparel is available from Kris & Steve Howard's KSH Design Studio. Choose from long sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies. If you're new to CCI or just want to sport some of the latest designs, you can print the

order form on Page 14 or use the following link to the form:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/10zro0eP0a5-53oDLtYALP6J1owotKnPhQefaVGe8_HU/edit?usp=sharing

Custom embroidery services are now available from KSH also! Check with Kris or Steve if you want a piece of CCI apparel embroidered.

Events

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

Toys for Tots Cruise. CCI's annual charity event started at Bob Brown Chevrolet with the collection of donations from club members. Those donations were \$2,265 and along with the \$750 donated from the club treasury, that's a total of \$3,015! With the match from Bob Brown, that makes a grand total of \$6,030 plus 2 bags of toys. Thanks to all who helped make this such an impressive gift to Toys for Tots! Enjoy the following photos from this event, the last general meeting and other recent club member outings.

Christmas Social. CCI's annual Christmas social will be held at Chicago Speakeasy on December 21st. We're expecting a turnout of over 40 for this holiday gathering which will include a short general meeting. We hope to see you there! The flyer on Page 13 has all the event details.

November 16th General Meeting





Toys for Tots Cruise





More from 2021 Fall Color Run



More from Museum in Motion National Parks Vette Tour

Photos courtesy of Ari Ioannides



Buy & Sell

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: Enclosed Trailer. RANCE all aluminum enclosed trailer. Renegade, Warrior Limited Edition, model #RECH822TA2. V-nose, Racer Cabinet Package, 2 x 5,200" axles w/electric brakes and 4,000lb electric tongue jack. .040 Pewter Epoxy exterior, aluminum wheels, 18" anodized lower side trim, extra tall front stone guard (48") and extra wide escape door (60"). Black & white checker tile floor, screwless sidewalls plus rear door & transition flap covered in ATP aluminum. Extra-wide rear flap (36"), white vinyl ceiling & walls, ATP covered ramps inside to make tie down hook up easier plus 13 additional options! \$17,000. Contact Larry Steffen at 515-975-3885.

FOR SALE: 2004 Corvette Exhaust. 2004 Corvette Z06 OEM mufflers, tail pipes and tips. Titanium, was a new take off, never run. \$300 OBO. If interested, contact Clayton Smith at 641-203-6111.

FOR SALE: 1994 Corvette. Torch Red 1994 Corvette with red leather interior and removable hard top. Low miles (45,048) and is in great condition but driver's side pop-up headlight not working and a few knicks on paint. Always stored inside and not driven during winter or rain. Comes with custom car cover. Asking \$8,500. Contact Will at 515-556-1377.



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CCI's

Christmas Social



5:45PM

Tuesday,

December 21, 2021

Chicago Speakeasy, 1520 Euclid Ave

We'll gather in the south dining area and order dinner at 6:30PM.

The entrée menu is TBD at this point but will include the salad bar.

All drinks are additional and a cash bar is available.



You **MUST** make a reservation

with Carrol McCracken by

Tuesday, December 14th

at 515-291-7688 or

carroldmccracken@gmail.com.

A short general meeting will also be held.

Hope to see you there!



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- Delivery at next meeting
- All Shirts are Black with White lettering (Special Requests are accepted)

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