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***1st Thursday of every month except
January at Galati's Hideaway
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*Our monthly membership meetings will continue to be held virtually via Zoom until Illinois allows groups of more than 50 to gather.



Sunburst Mission

- To encourage planned trips, events and social activities for the members of the club.
- To provide and regulate events and exhibitions for Corvette Owners.
- To encourage careful and skillful driving.



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**President
Dee
Rosendahl**



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Governor – Mike Stevens

Sunburst Corvette Club is a member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs. For more information on the NCCC on upcoming sanctioned events contact Mike Stevens at governor@sunburstcorvetteclub.com



**Vice-President
Loren Doppelt**



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Marilyn Roberts**



Membership Renewal
Effective 1.1.21 thru 12.31.21
Single: \$49.00
Couple: \$67.00
New Member
Single: \$67.00 Couple \$90.00



Sunburst Corvette Club is a member of the National Corvette Museum. For more information on the NCM contact Scott Schulz at ncmambassador@sunburstcorvetteclub.com



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Ambassador
Scott Schulz** 3



Message from The President

President
Dee
Rosendahl

Happy Spring!

Mother Nature is starting to tease us with periods of warm now and then. I know we are all getting anxious to get our cars out of storage, cleaned up and get out there and drive them like they are meant to be driven.

The COVID-19 virus is still with us, but things are starting to look somewhat better for getting back to “normal”, in the near future. Hopefully, with the vaccine becoming available and restrictions letting up, we will be able to meet face to face (6’ apart) soon.

March was quiet, but the calendar is starting to have some events to look forward to including a parade, 2 Autocross events, a Fall Color Run & our Car Show! Watch for e-mail updates on Cruise Nights & Car Shows from our Cruise Director, Ken Monroe.

If you have an event you would like to plan, make sure to fill out an Event Request Form (found on the SCC Website) and get it to the Board for approval and have it added to the Sunburst Event Calendar.

Our Car Show is really taking shape, with Mike Stevens, Loren Doppelt & Mike Rosendahl stepping up to take on as Co-Chairmen. There are plenty of opportunities for everyone to step up and help with all the tasks that go along with hosting a Car Show. More info coming!

Save the Wave!

Dee Rosendahl



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Message from The Governor

Governor
Mike
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April 2021

Greeting Fellow Sunburst Members,

Welcome to Spring! The days are getting longer and it's almost warm enough to ride around on those summer tires. Vaccination rates are improving throughout the nation and, in Illinois, the Covid 19 metrics are pointing to a much more normal summer than 2020.

You may recall that last month I wrote the paragraph below, regarding the NCCC tire raffle. You probably said to yourself, "Nobody I know ever wins these raffles." Well, last year Sunburst members **Rich Orr and Kris Jensen** won a set of Michelin tires for their 2010 GS Coupe. Who knows, you could be next.

Need new tires for your ride? Feeling lucky? NCCC is conducting 4 different raffles for sets of Michelin tires, with the proceeds benefiting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Tickets are \$25 a piece. If interested, you can go to the NCCC website <corvettesnccc.org> and print out the application and mail it to the Director of Charity, in Bowling Green, KY. The first drawing was held on February 20th and the next one will be on May 1st.

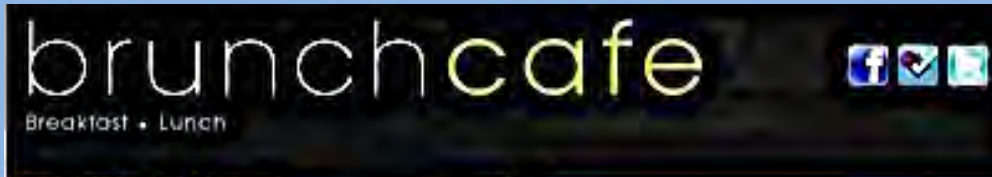
The Midwest Region competition schedule kicks off this month. The first event of the season is scheduled for Sunday, April 18th – three rallies in Milan, IL. Milan is just south of the Quad Cities on the Illinois side of the Mississippi River. This event is usually dependent on the flooding, or lack of, on the river in early spring time. The last weekend of the month will see autocross events at the Tire Rack facility in South Bend, IN. I plan on attending that event, weather permitting. Join me!

Right now, the April 30 – May 1st Governor's meeting is still being planned in St. Louis. I'm really looking forward to seeing my colleagues and getting back to the business of NCCC. It's been a year since we've met in person and I've missed those meetings.

Stay well and get your Vette out of the garage.

Mike Stevens, Governor





This contemporary breakfast and lunch café opened its doors in February of 2008. You'll find plenty of breakfast basics here, but we're also well-known for our decadent twists on the regulars... like stuffed French toast, blueberry bliss cakes and berry explosion waffles. Savory options include and avocado-topped breakfast quesadilla and potato skins filled with scramble eggs, ham, peppers and cheddar cheese. Brunch Café is perfect place to start your Corvette day. There's plenty of parking and the service and food are both exceptional!

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10:00AM - MEET AT STARBUCKS IN
CRYSTAL LAKE ON RTE 14

10:30AM - DRIVE TO THE STAGING
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1:00PM - PARADE STEPS OFF
NO TOSSING OF CANDY
FROM CARS

3:00 PM - OPEN TO
SUGGESTIONS

**SIGN UP AT THE MAY OR JUNE MEMBERSHIP
MEETING. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
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Message from The Ambassador

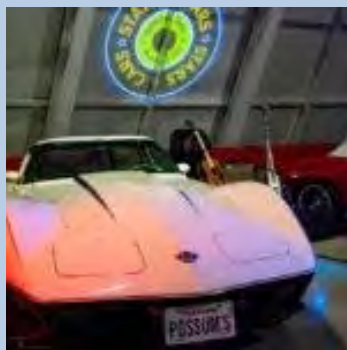
NCM
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Scott Schulz

New NCM Exhibit - Stars and Cars Exhibit Now Featured In The Skydome

The National Corvette Museum has a new exhibit on display in the Skydome - *Stars and Cars*. The featured cars include George Jones' 1978 Corvette and Roy Orbison's 1967 Corvette Stingray. Along with their shared love for music, Jones and Orbison loved their Corvettes.

Country music singer George Jones special-ordered his 1978 two-tone Corvette to feature a one-off paint scheme of Corvette Dark Brown and Corvette Light Beige. Jones chose the two-tone paint because he was fond of the 1978 Corvette Pace Car's two tone paint job. The front license plate remains showcasing his nickname, "Possum". Jones had more than 160 chart singles throughout his career. At the National Corvette Museum's Grand Opening celebration in 1994, Jones performed his best-known hit, "He Stopped Loving Her Today". George's love of Corvette also inspired his song, "The One I Loved Back Then (The Corvette Song)". George Jones' car is the first celebrity-owned Corvette now permanently displayed the National Corvette Museum.

Also on display, is a red 1967 Stingray once belonging to musician and six-time Grammy winner, Roy Orbison. With close to two dozen Billboard Top 40 hit singles including, "Only the Lonely", "Crying", and "Pretty Woman", Roy Orbison's talent and success in the music industry would earn him a spot in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Throughout his life, Orbison owned many Corvettes, but the red '67 Stingray was his personal daily driver. He would commute to the studio to record albums such as *The Traveling Wilburys* and *Mystery Girl*.



Read the full article by Mariah Hughes at [Stars and Cars Exhibit Now Featured in the Skydome – National Corvette Museum](#).



Looking to learn all about the 2021 Corvette? Specs and Options for the model year are now available on the NCM website.



Ever wonder what options were available on your model year corvette, how many were produced with certain options, what options were available, what was standard equipment, or how many were produced?

Whether you are researching a particular model year Corvette, or just browsing through history, the NCM has specs, production counts and other information of interest available for all model years.

Corvette specifications can be found by following this link - [Corvette Specs.](#)

Corvette Racing Legends Will Offer Instruction at the Performance Track Day Event at NCM MSP



Photo Credit: Keith Cornett

Several Corvette legends will come together for a once-in-a-lifetime fantasy camp experience at the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park this summer, June 19-20.

Race champions Darren Law and Johnny O'Connell will be running their Performance Track Day, offering ordinary sports car enthusiasts a chance to spend two days at the track, while receiving instruction from Corvette legends including three-time IMSA champion Jordan Taylor, former Corvette Racing star Jan Magnussen, and Corvette Hall of Fame driver Andy Pilgrim.



Photo Credit: Keith Cornett

The event includes a cocktail hour and dinner on June 19 with recently retired Corvette Racing Program Manager [Doug Fehan](#) as keynote speaker, with all the coaches also slated to be there. Anyone can attend the dinner, not just track day participants.

Track Day participants will be able to take their own cars on the track, getting an introduction to the basics of car control and line technique before being split into groups based on experience or skill level. Participants will spend time on track with one set of coaches, then get off-track debriefs with another set. y “a fantastic time and learn a tremendous amount.”



Photo Credit: Keith Cornett

Register for the event at [Performance Track Day at National Corvette Museum](#).

Read the full article by Mitch Talley at [Corvette Racing Legends Will Offer Instruction at the Performance Track Day Event at NCM MSP - Corvette: Sales, News & Lifestyle \(corvetteblogger.com\)](#).



Upcoming Museum Events & Events On-Site at the Museum

April

- [BG Cars and Coffee March Monthly Meetup @ NCM](#) | Apr 17
- [Michelin NCM Bash](#) | Apr 22 – Apr 24
- [2021 VIRTUAL Michelin NCM Bash](#) | Apr 22 – Apr 23
- [MiM Dragon Run Presented by Michelin @ Biltmore Estates](#) | Apr 25 – Apr 23 | **SOLD OUT – Contact NCM to be put on Wait List**

May

- [BG Cars and Coffee March Monthly Meetup @ NCM](#) | Apr 22
- [MiM 2021 9-Day Caribbean Cruise](#) | May 14 – May 23

June

- [MiM Branson Experience](#) | June 1 - 5

July

- [BG Thunderfest @ National Corvette Museum](#) | Jul 3

Sep

- [27th Anniversary Celebration – National Corvette Museum](#) | Sep 2 – Sep 4

Nov

- [Vets 'n Vettes presented by Mobil 1 – National Corvette Museum](#) | Nov 4

MiM = Museum in Motion event. The Museum in Motion events combine the fun of driving, socializing with other Corvette enthusiasts, sightseeing and visiting unique places – including many V.I.P. and behind the scenes opportunities that only the Museum can get you.)

View a complete list of events with more information and links to register on our the [NCM Events Website here](https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/) (<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/>).

NCM Motorsports Park

Have a need for SPEED? The NCM Motorsports Park is located less than two miles from the Museum and offers the chance for you to ride in a Corvette, drive your car on the road course for a lap, participate in a high-performance driving school and/or spectate at one of many motorsports events going on throughout the season. [NCM Motorsports Park | NCM Motorsports Park](#)

Corvette Experience

Ever dreamed of driving America's Sports Car on a race track? Now you can with the Corvette Experience at the NCM Motorsports Park! Get behind the wheel of a C8 Corvette Stingray Z51 laps around our 3.2 miles, 23 turns road course, built for speed! The Corvette Experience gives you a combination of classroom instruction and hands-on practice on the track in a lead/follow format. It also includes lunch and a guided VIP tour of the National Corvette Museum.



View a complete list of NCM Motorsports Park events here ([Motorsports Park Event Schedule](#))

NCM Corvette Raffle

Want to try your luck at winning a new C8? Currently the NCM has three active raffles. Visit the Raffle website at this interactive link [Corvette Raffle - Main Page \(corvettemuseum.org\)](#). All proceeds from the raffles go to support the NCM.

Tickets can be purchased at the museum, online if you are located in Kentucky, or downloading a form from the NC website and sending the completed form to the NCM. You do not have to be a resident of Kentucky to participate.



2021 Shadow Gray Corvette Coupe 4/1/2021. With Z51 Performance Package, Z51 Performance Suspension with Magnetic Selective Ride Control, Performance Exhaust, 5-Trident Spoke Spectra Gray Wheels, 2LT Jet Black Interior with GT2 Seat, and more. For full details visit the website.



2021 Build Your Own Corvette or \$65,000 4/23/2021. Select your Color and Options, Coup or Convertible. 1LT, 2LT, or 3LT Trim Options. Corvette Museum Delivery. Factory Installed Options Only (All LPO or Dealer Installed Accessories Excluded). Excludes Customer Selectable VIN, Build Your Own Engine, Special Edition Models or Packages, any options on constraint.



2021 Arctic White Corvette Coupe 4/24/2021. With Performance Exhaust, 5 Spoke Carbon Flash Painted Wheels with Machined Edge, Bright Red Calipers, 2LT Adrenaline Red Leather interior with GT2 Seats, Engine Appearance Package, Front Lift Adjustable Height, and more. For full details visit the website.

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Sunburst CC Meeting Minutes

Secretary
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Sunburst Corvette Club General Membership Meeting Minutes– 03/04/2021

Opening

- President Dee Rosendahl called the meeting to order via meeting via Zoom Teleconference at 7:00pm
- Motion was made from the Members to approved minutes from Membership meeting dated 02/04/2021 – motions were made, and they were approved
- No guests or new members at the meeting
- No new Corvette arrivals

Officer Reports

President – Dee Rosendahl – Dee mentioned that they sold and closed their home and waiting for their new one to be built. Currently living in temporary housing until May 1st

Vice President - Loren Doppelt – Loren received his new Illinois plate “Zorange” for his new orange C8

Treasurer – Lee Thorson – Financials are in good standing.

Secretary – Marilyn Roberts – Nothing to report

Governor – Mike Stevens – Mike advised that the Governors met Saturday via zoom meeting which was a long meeting. Mike asked the members if we all had received our NCCC membership cards, if not please let him know asap there is a deadline in 2 weeks for a reprinting.

Question in getting signature for electronically signatures on NCCC application, decision was not made and will keep process as it has been

Standing Committee Reports

Membership – Erin Risch - Currently we have 128 members

Cruise Director – Ken Monroe – Not in attendance, Dee is going to reach out to Ken to make sure he is still interested in being the Cruise Director, hasn't attended a meeting in many months





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Sponsorship – Mike Moushey – Not in attendance

Charity – Julie Thomas – Nothing to report

Historian – Chuck Pipher - Not in attendance

Ambassador NCM – Scott Schulz – Scott has gotten a 25% discount for any NEW NCM member that is a Sunburst Member, you can't do this online must call the museum directly and mention Sunburst

NCM Bash April 22nd-24th will be a in person event and will have a virtual option too. Scott isn't planning on attending this year. Tail of the Dragon and staying at the Biltmore. Scott said that the Tail of the Dragon event has been sold out but there is a waiting list. NCCC 27th Anniversary event coming up in September

Raffles at the NCM for winning a C8 Corvette. Getting Raffle tickets, you will need to go online to buy tickets, please reference you are with Sunburst Corvette Club. Erin purchased a raffle ticket for 3/18, which is her birthday, good luck Erin hope you win!! Scott has the full schedule of the racing schedule, please check with him for details or go to the NCM website

Newsletter – Patti Schulz – Nothing to report

Webmaster – Gary Gembala – Nothing to report

Apparel – Loren Doppelt – Nothing to report

Sergeant of Arms – Dave Thomas - Nothing to report

Goodwill – Andy Pollina and Nancy Nance acknowledged Birthdays for March, no anniversaries for March

Old Business – N/A

New Business – 2021 Budget Membership Approval. Lee Thorsen reported the proposed budget and the members approved the 2021 budget





Sunburst CC Meeting Minutes

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Upcoming Events

8/7 – 8/8 Flying by the Seat of Our Pants Autocross – Stevens & Moushey. Mike Stevens reported that everything is set for the autocross at MCCC and also the October 10/16 – 10/17 Autocross NICCf. Everything pending on the Department of Public Health

9/19 – Sunburst Car Show – Doppelt, Stevens & Rosendahl, Loren advised that the flyers promoting the car show are ready to go to the printer, Loren said that everything needs to be ready to go on our website, PayPal etc when we go live. Jim Downing asked questions about what type of raffle we would have. Crystal Lake may need more information on what the type of items will be raffled etc.

10/7 – 10/10 – Fall Color Run – Gembala – Gary mentioned that plans are being put together for the event and he will send out information tonight or tomorrow for those signed up. We have a deadline of March 13th for reservations etc. He has gotten 52 people to sign up.

One more thing, Gary took a photo of the zoom attendance and will post on Facebook

Next Membership meeting on April 1st – meeting starts at 7pm via Zoom

Next Board Meeting on March 10th – meeting starts at 6pm with a quorum via Zoom

Adjournment: entertained a motion to adjourn

Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectively,

Marilyn Roberts

Secretary



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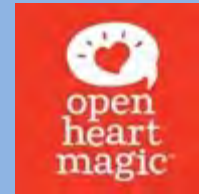




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Open Heart Magic

Open Heart Magic volunteers provide bedside magic for kids and their families in hospitals, providing magical experiences for them where they are unable to participate in other activities. It helps entertain and provide hope and strength sick kids need to fight their issues and start to feel better.



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Clearbrook /CHOICE (the local McHenry Branch) provides children's services including early intervention services, autism resource rooms, and developmental resources. Adult Services include day programs for those needing employment, volunteering, socializing and leisure activities.



Senior Care Volunteer Network

Senior Care Network in McHenry County or Sun City Huntley works with seniors to maintain independence and quality of life by helping them to stay in their own home as long as possible. They provide transportation if needed, give friendly visits, yard work, shopping, all at no charge to the senior.



Elgin Symphony Orchestra

Elgin Symphony performs at area hospitals and hospice care facilities, providing comfort for patients and staff. They also perform for and work with students and have a traveling ensemble that performs at area schools and local libraries.

THERE'S MAGIC IN SUNBURST

If you've been to one of Sunburst's Valentine's Parties, at the Strawberry Moon Martini Bar, you've had the opportunity to be entertained by **Loren Doppelt** and **Mike Stevens**. These two Sunburst members belong to a special group of volunteers at **Open Heart Magic**. They've used their magical talents and skills to thrill and mystify us, although those skills are usually devoted to sick kids in hospital settings.

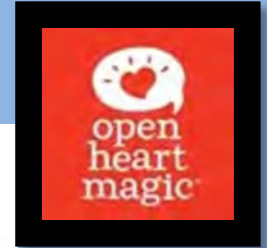
Open Heart Magic was started in 2003 when its founder, Mike Walton, found out how powerful magic can be in helping young patients get through really trying times at Rush University Medical Center. The first group of hospital magicians was formed in 2004 from a group of individuals, interested in helping kids and had no background in magic. OHM was officially recognized as a charitable foundation with tax exempt, 501(c)(3) status. From that small group of hospital magicians, volunteering at one hospital in Chicago, the organization has grown to almost 200 magicians serving sick kids at 15 hospitals in Chicago, Cleveland and Ann Arbor.

What makes Open Heart Magic so special? Well, OHM hospital magicians, including Loren and Mike, have been trained to visit all kinds of young patients at their respective hospitals. The specialty is "close up" bedside magic for all young patients – burn victims, cancer, surgical, physical, emotional and intellectual challenges, and even those young patients in isolation rooms. Loren and Mike have found that the laughter and wonder of magic brings a positive experience and helps the healing for the young patient and their family.

Imagine any youngster in a hospital setting. They're frightened and have little or no control over what's happening to them. Loren or Mike shows up at their hospital room and, for about 30 minutes, they can forget about their discomfort and anxiety. Their family members share that same opportunity. Before the OHM magician leaves their room, the young patient is given an opportunity to learn a magic trick, after they take the "magicians oath". The sense of empowerment is magical.

Mike joined Open Heart Magic in 2011. He was retired from his role as an educator and in between contract jobs. He was bored and looking for something to get him out of the house. His daughter Alyson, was a hospital magician at Children's Memorial Hospital and she served on the Board of Directors for OHM. She convinced Mike Walton to approach Mike about joining this merry band of magical volunteers. It didn't take much to convince him to be part of this group, even though he had no experience with magic tricks.

For three months, Mike met with two experienced hospital magicians, every Friday. The two mentors, patiently worked with "all-thumbs Stevens" as he learned an assortment of magic tricks and hospital protocols. His wife, Pat, became his favorite audience and learned how to give him feedback as he practiced his craft. Finally, in July of 2011, Mike and his two mentors started the bedside magic program at Central Dupage Hospital, in Winfield, IL



In March of 2014, Mike and three other OHM magicians started the bedside magic program at St. Alexis Medical Center in Hoffman Estates. Weekly visits to the pediatric unit were always fun, unpredictable but always fulfilling. Some days Mike would see one patient and some days he'd see 10 patients. Patients ranged in age from 4 to 18 years old. Hyperactive 4-year olds were definitely the most challenging.

Mike remembers being in very young patient's room, one day, and going through his routine. When it came to the magical reveal, Mike asked the little boy "What's your favorite magic word?" Without hesitation the young patient popped up and said "Please!" Mike and the boy's parents just smiled, and remembered the all parental drills to get "please and thank you" to automatic with our children.

Loren Doppelt's interest in magic has its roots in his childhood, although he never got serious about tricks until he and his wife, Stephanie, had children. Even then he just dabbled with card tricks and relatively simple illusions. That all changed in 2012, when a good friend told him about this guy in the Corvette Club that did magic in hospitals for sick kids. It was **Ron Gliot** that passed information to Loren about **Open Heart Magic**.

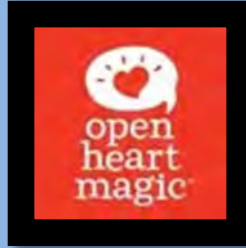
Loren headed off to Magic University for a 12 week course in close-up, hospital magic in December of 2012. Loren was one of 17 "magicians in training" that winter and spring. That instruction was the springboard for tapping into a super magical talent. Loren quickly expanded his repertoire of illusions well beyond the expected level of OHM hospital magicians. Only five of those that started with Loren are still with OHM.

The pediatric unit and pediatric Emergency Room at Northwest Community Hospital, in Arlington Heights, was the first hospital where Loren volunteered. He joined a small, but talented group of magicians and delighted the patients and families. That December, Loren answered the call for volunteers to work on the Polar Express in Rosemont. That event was for kids with fairly severe and fragile medical conditions. They got to ride on a special train and then Santa presented them with presents and treats. This was the first time Mike and Loren met.

After two years at Northwest Community Hospital, Loren was then asked to be part of a team to open up service at Lutheran General Hospital, in Park Ridge. How could he refuse. Loren was one of the first magicians in OHM to volunteer at two hospitals..... and his magic grew stronger with the experience.

He recalls a day at that hospital, when he entered a room with a young girl, who had just finished a painful medical procedure. Her discomfort was obvious through her tears. Loren asked if you could do just one magic trick and young girl nodded, yes. When the trick was done, the tears stopped. After the second trick, there was a smile. The third trick brought laughter. Loren noticed the mom had tears streaming down her cheeks and said that was the first time she saw her daughter laugh in weeks.





He also fondly remembers checking into the ER at one of the hospitals, for his tour of duty, when a doctor grabbed him and asked for help. They had a young teenage girl, in one of the stations, who was terrified and hyperventilating. The doctors and nurses tried everything they knew, but to no avail. The doctor dragged Loren into the room and announced that “He was going to cure her”. (Not really OHM protocol). Again, trick one – calmer breathing. Trick two – the paper bag came down. Trick three – smiles. Trick four (sponge bunnies) – laughter.

Then Covid 19 came on the scene and all volunteer activity at hospitals came to a screeching halt. It’s been a year since Open Heart magicians have seen patients in pediatric units. Just recently Magicians have returned to Rush University Hospital and the prospect of other hospitals opening up, in the near future, is brighter. Mike and Loren look forward to being in the first wave of hospital magicians to return to the pediatric unit.

Sunburst Corvette Club has designated OHM as one of our Charities 3 times, over the past 10 years. They even sent a representative, Becky Evans, to our last car show. Becky grew up as a “gearhead” and really enjoyed hanging out with Club members at the show. The staff and magicians at Open Heart Magic are truly appreciative of the contributions they received from Sunburst. Those dollars went into the training of new magicians at “Magic University” and supplying the materials for all of the magic tricks we teach and leave with patients.





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THINKING OF AN ACTIVITY OR EVENT

Any Member can plan a club event. Doing so can be fun, create a good forum to interact with others and everyone is encouraged to think of new or different activities. This could be planning a Sunburst Corvette Club Activity or making arrangements for Sunburst Members to participate in another organizations' event.

IF you have ideas for a future event/activity don't be afraid to step forward. When practical, begin well in advance in order to obtain participants and make necessary reservations or collect pre-payments. Talk-up opportunities with Members whenever possible, via Groups IO, our Facebook Group Page or at Membership Meetings.

Ask for guidance – others have planned activities and will gladly offer their expertise. Going where we can drive our Corvettes and congregate is why many of us belong to a Corvette Club. Remember we often travel/tour as couples so incorporate spousal interest activities.

Some general event ideas include:

- *Any destination where you have been or wish to go that may interest other Members. May involve route creation, overnight accommodations and arranging meals.
- *Cars and Coffee at local coffee shops or plazas,
- *Car Shows often arranged by local restaurants or pizzerias to encourage diners,
- *Gatherings at auto-parts stores, pet shoppes or shopping malls offering public-interest, community cruise-ins, holiday/veteran/homecoming parades organized by others but open to Sunburst Members.
- *An activity to support a Charity, Senior Living Facility or Food Bank
- *Track events (e.g. Road America, Go Karting, NCM Motorsports Park)
- *R8C Delivery of a Member car or other National Corvette Museum Event. The

Bourbon Trail or various Equestrian activities are nearby too.

*Seminars for Corvette or automobile-related subjects (e.g. car detailing, Preparation techniques for being judged at a Car-Show, tuning, maintenance)

*Museums or Collections – the Midwest has many interesting ones

*Organized drives either local or long distance (e.g. seasonal festivals, fall colors, etc.)

*Anywhere for something good to eat at an interesting place (restaurant, winery, historical site.)

*Create a Picnic, BBQ, Potluck at a local park

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*Autocrosses – participate or assist. Use the opportunity to promote our Club autocross event

There are available tools to guide you.

- A) IMPORTANT FIRST STEP - Look at the [Sunburst Event Calendar](#) for openings where date(s) have not been reserved. Consider potential alternative date(s) or rain date(s). The Board will not approve conflicting Club activities.
- B) Develop a “Flyer” to promote the activity to Members on-line and at meetings.
- C) Print a copy from this link of the [Sunburst Event Approval Form](#), it will guide you for information the Board needs to approve your event and enter it onto the calendar.
- D) Submit your Sunburst Event Approval Form and Flyer to the Sunburst Board by email at: Board@SunburstCorvetteClub.com in advance of the monthly Board Meeting held the 2nd Wednesday of each month. You may be contacted should multiple submissions with conflicting dates be submitted. The Board wants to approve all submissions – the **only** reason for Board approval is to prevent conflicting activities. Once approved and entered onto the Sunburst Event Calendar your event date is secure.
- E) Sunburst Corvette Club is a member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC). For all events, participants MUST sign a [NCCC Release and Waiver of Liability](#). Print sufficient copies from this link, complete the heading and have ALL participants sign before departing on the event.

Later, send completed document(s) to: governor@Sunburstcorvetteclub.com.

HELPFUL PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

These may not apply to every event, applicability depends on matters specific to your activity; and this list of hints may not be complete. Please remember, if you’re planning something, others have gone before you so take advantage of their experience by inviting someone to partner. The goal is to have a good time.

*When your event is more impulse, we refer to these as **Flash Drives**. NO PRE-APPROVAL is necessary. This might be for ice cream on a summer day, dinner or just a drive, etc.

- a) Simply get an email blast out via Groups IO using: Sunburstmembers@groupsio.

Provide a gathering location, time and destination.

- b) Sunburst also has a closed Facebook Group page (Members MUST be registered into the Group to post or receive) for communication, simply open Facebook and under Groups connect to: Sunburst Corvette Club.

- c) Interested Members will respond and meet you.

*Dates should be identified in advance as far as practical to help coordinate events.

*Arrange specifics relevant to each activity such as:

Volunteers – what help is needed and how many helpers

Equipment/Supplies/Sponsors/Vendors/Prizes

Will Members want to bring chairs or shade structures?

Catering/Restaurants – Contact restaurants well in advance. Determine what accommodations they offer for your size group. Keep in mind that all of us

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arriving at the same time can overwhelm a kitchen so work with the restaurant enabling them to schedule necessary wait and kitchen staff.

Separate checks per couple are the club preference. Arrange with restaurant.

PRE-PAYMENT - IF advance payment is necessary for anything (be it food, admission, ferry, etc.) determine the amount and have participants remit via PayPal or give you a check payable to Sunburst Corvette Club. Give any checks to the Sunburst Treasurer (the Event Organizer has the option to request checks be payable to themselves) who will deposit for your event. The club considers these pre-payments to be "Non-Refundable". Then you can make the advance payment on your credit card. When you submit a receipt to the Treasurer you will be reimbursed. This method maintains integrity of money. IF someone must cancel, a late registrant can reimburse the initial Member for their pre-payment and be substituted.

Lodging – If overnight accommodations are planned, most hotels will reserve a block of rooms with a preferred rate for a period of time in advance. Speak with the Reservation Agent, sometimes they will even arrange special parking for our group. It is recommended that the respective hotel(s) be mentioned in your communication with the dates and agreed upon rate. Provide a telephone number for participants to **each make their own reservation**. As Event Planner it is a good idea that you keep in contact with the Reservation Agent(s) to verify reservations have been made by everyone for the correct date and location. Many Sunburst Members have Hilton frequency accounts and we have enjoyed hospitality at their Hampton Inns and Homewood Suites where Members can earn/redeem points for their room(s).

Route Planning – There are numerous routing programs on-line such as MapQuest and Google Earth, or simply study a map or Rand McNally atlas. Scenic, off-interstate driving is a favorite when possible/practical. Whatever the destination:

- a) Create a planned route to drive.
- b) When possible, turn-by-turn directions with a copy given to each car is recommended. IF your destination is relatively close, pre-driving to learn road conditions is a good idea.
- c) Trip directions can be emailed to participants in advance but ALWAYS have a few extra copies at the Drivers Meeting prior to departure for someone who forgot.
- d) Provide addresses of destinations, including restaurants, rest points and hotels. Should people get separated they can enter the address into their phone or Navigation.
- e) Gather and share telephone numbers of participants for use in the event of separation.
- f) Plan for frequent breaks – at least every couple hours. Highway rest areas, chain restaurants, convenience stores or gas stations. Include these as part of your route.
- g) IF many cars will be participating, divide into groups of 5-6 cars. This number can remain together thru traffic and intersections.

*Some Members have preferred companion-members to travel with, so ask.

*Perhaps arrange for experienced Members to be the Group Leader and Back Door. Many have CB or GMRS radios and are the best candidates for those positions.

*IF someone needs to stop for a mechanical issue, fuel or facilities, accommodate them – keep the group together.

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Organization – Create and maintain a spreadsheet with participants names and relevant information.

Assembly – Frequently we assemble at a restaurant - allow sufficient time to enjoy a meal before the designated departure time. Often we support one of our sponsor restaurants in this manner. Arrangements with the restaurant will be necessary.

Drivers Meeting - should be conducted immediately prior to departure to have Waivers signed, distribute any pass-outs, communicate information and enable groups to assemble. Groups will space themselves.

We hope this will be helpful and encouraging for Members, long-time and new, to plan an activity. Only you know why you joined Sunburst, but most likely it was to enjoy your car with others sharing a similar passion. As a club, we depend on ourselves to fulfill the passion – it doesn't happen automatically.

Developed by Forrest Roberts and Gary Gembala

On the Lighter Side....



Source: JerryKing.com



Submitted by Jim Downing

Sunburst Corvette Club New Member Interview with Dan Rubinger

SCC: Where did you grow up:

DAR: Los Angeles:

SCC: Tell us what you do (or did) for a living:

DAR: Mechanical Design Drafter: Worked at Motorola;
MCC Powers; Extel Corp; Lowrey Organ Company

SCC: What keeps you busy when you are not behind the wheel of your Vette? (Hobbies, sports, shopping, fishing,...you get the idea)!

DAR: Working out; Relaxing



SCC: Tell us your 'Corvette story' - when/how you discovered your Corvette passion?

DAR: It was 2005, when my kids first reached their teen years and suddenly it wasn't cool hanging out with dear old dad. So, gone were the little league baseball games, movies, Chuckie Cheese parties, etc. And out of the blue I found myself doing nothing, sitting around, watching the grass grow. The ex-wife suggested I join her book club, but I had a better idea...buy a Corvette. Well she dared me. She never realized how much fun it could be driving around country roads until after the divorce.

My first was a 1978, which I bought from a woman that must have needed the money more than me. So I bought it. The car barely made it home. Smoking and leaking fluids everywhere, I then realized this car is closer to the junk yard than any car shows, and now its sitting in my garage...and all mine. Talk about having a breakdown, and I don't mean mechanical. What was I going to do? I don't have the money, knowledge or know-how to do a restoration. I quickly joined an on-line corvette forum and met a couple corvette enthusiasts who enjoy working on these cars and offered their help. At the same time, a huge work project came thru that was going to require overtime for the next few years. The car was saved and so was I.



Visiting car shows, the car won a few trophies, but as the years went by I started to appreciate the beauty of the newer Corvettes and started to imagine owning a vette with no carburetor problems, no leaky roof, a clock that worked, and how about rear view mirrors that you can see out of.

With retirement still a few years away, I started thinking about a gift to myself. And low and behold, one of my corvette forum buddies put his C6 up for sale so he can buy a C7. I bought the 2009 Conv, LT3 in Feb, 2020, just before Covid hit. And then my employer decides to offer voluntary buyouts, which was an easy decision for me.

Now 6 months into the retirement years, I am finding myself sitting around watching the snow fall. What am I going to do? And then I got a brain storm... join the Sunburst Corvette Club!!! So here I am. What a ride.

SCC: Our club offers a lot to our members (autocross events, weekend trips, social gatherings, drives for dinner, charity events, etc). What is the best way Sunburst can enhance your Corvette ownership experience?



DAR: Looking forward to some camaraderie, car shows, trips, eating out, preventive maintenance workshops

Welcome !!

APRIL

2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Membership Meeting 7pm via Zoom <i>Remember</i>	World Autism Awareness Day Good Friday	
4 EASTER	5	6	Board Meeting 6pm via Zoom <i>Remember</i>	8	9	10
11	Ramadan (Begins at Sundown)	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		



Family Helping Family

The NCCC has established a program where NCCC members traveling have options if something happens to them; their car or if they just want to have a cup of coffee with a fellow member.

The Family Helping Family directory that is currently published is up to date but the Password has been changed for the new year.

User Name: NCCCHelp
 Password: 1963SplitWindow
 Please note that both the User id and PW are Case Sensitive.



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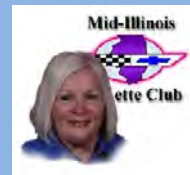
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2021 Midwest Region Schedule of Events (Last Updated 03-012-2021)

DATE		EVENT	LOCATION	HOST CLUB(S)
9-Jan	Saturday	MWR Governors Meeting	On Line	MWR Virtual Meeting
27-Feb	Saturday	MWR Governors Meeting	On Line	MWR Virtual Meeting
18-Apr	Sunday	3 Rallye Events	Milan, IL	Mid-West Corvettes
24-Apr	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	South Bend, IN	Windy City - Chicago CC - Chicago Crossroads
25-Apr	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	South Bend, IN	Little Egypt - Corvette Cruisers
Apr 30 & May 1	Fri/Sat	MWR & NCCC Meetings	St. Louis, MO	MWR & NCCC Meetings
15-May	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul, IL	Windy City - Chicago Cross Roads - CC of Illinois
16-May	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul, IL	Corvette Cruisers - Corvette Club of Illinois
23-May	Sunday	3 PC Concours Events	Burr Ridge, IL	Windy City Corvettes
29-May	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul, IL	MWR FUNdraiser - MWR Clubs
30-May	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul, IL	MWR FUNdraiser - MWR Clubs
31-May	Monday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul, IL	MWR FUNdraiser - MWR Clubs
5-Jun	Saturday	7 Rallye Events	West Salem, WI	River City Corvettes
6-Jun	Sunday	4 Rallye Events	Brookfield, WI	Badger State - Brew City
Jun 13 to 18	Sun-Fri	NCCC	Cleveland, IL	NCCC Convention
27-Jun	Sunday	3 PC Concours Events	Tinley Park, IL	Chicago CC - Windy City
10-Jul	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Twin Lakes, WI	Badger State - Brew City
11-Jul	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Twin Lakes, WI	Northern Illinois - Brew City
17-Jul	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Columbus, WI	Mad City - Northern Rays - Kettle Moraine
18-Jul	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Columbus, WI	Mad City - Northern Rays - Kettle Moraine
24-Jul	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	TBD	Great River - Little Egypt
25-Jul	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	TBD	Great River - Little Egypt
31-Jul	Saturday	7 Rallye Events	Woodbury, MN	Corvettes of MN
1-Aug	Sunday	2 Rallye Events	Orland Park, IL	Windy City - Central MN
7-Aug	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Crystal Lake, IL	Mad City - Glass Favorites - Sunburst
8-Aug	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Crystal Lake, IL	Northern Illinois - Sunburst
14-Aug	Saturday	2 PC Concours Events	Evansville, WI	Mad City Vettes
15-Aug	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Davenport, IA	Mid-West Corvettes
15-Aug	Sunday	1 Concours - 2 PC Concours	West Allis, WI	Badger State
21-Aug	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Pekin, IL	Central Illinois - Rolling Prairie
22-Aug	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Pekin, IL	Central Illinois - Rolling Prairie
28-Aug	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Pekin, IL	Mid-Illinois - Glass Favorites
29-Aug	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Pekin, IL	Mid-Illinois
Sep 10 & 11	Fri/Sat	MWR & NCCC Meetings	St. Louis, MO	MWR & NCCC Meetings
18-Sep	Saturday	5 PC Concours	TBD	Wisconsin Corvette Club
25-Sep	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul (?)	Northern Rays - Windy City - Chicago CC
26-Sep	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Rantoul (?)	Chicago Crossroads - Chicago CC
2-Oct	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	St. Charles, MO	Route 66 - St. Louis
3-Oct	Sunday	5 Autocross Events	St. Charles, MO	Route 66
9-Oct	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	TBD	MWR FUNdraiser - MWR Clubs
10-Oct	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	TBD	MWR FUNdraiser - MWR Clubs
16-Oct	Saturday	7 Autocross Events	Crystal Lake, IL	Northern IL-Northern Rays-Sunburst- Windy City
17-Oct	Sunday	7 Autocross Events	Crystal Lake, IL	MWR FUNdraiser - MWR Clubs
Nov 12 & 13	Fri/Sat	MWR & NCCC Meetings	St. Louis, MO	MWR & NCCC Meetings



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Sunburst Corvette Club Apparel

KC Printing Services is the official embroidery company for our Sunburst Corvette Club. They are a family owned business that has been in the area for 31 years. They are located at NW Highway and Pepper road in Lake Barrington.

Members can either purchase clothing directly from them OR bring in your own items to have our new Sunburst Corvette Club logo embroidered. The cost for the logo on a shirt is \$8.00. If you add your name, that will be an additional \$7.00. Soon, we will have our own online store where you can order some stock items. More information to come

KC printing does all their work on premise and is a full-service printer too. You can come in to their store or work with them on the phone. Our contact there is Tom O'Dell. His work phone number is 847-382-8822. Cell phone 630-776-9492 Email tom@kcprint.com

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If you have any questions, please contact our Apparel Coordinator, Loren Doppelt at lorendoppelt@comcast.net or 847- 652-6865



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Another addition of Sunspots has hit the streets. Thank you to all who contributed to this addition! I encourage everyone to send any articles/pictures/trivia/etc. that you think our club members might enjoy. I apologize for any mistakes or omissions in the newsletter. When you post pictures from an event, please add a short narrative about the event. Email me, Patti Schulz, with your info at newsletter@sunburstcorvetteclub.com.

Corvette Classifieds is offered to members of Sunburst Corvette Club at no charge. Non-members are invited to advertise in Sunspots at a charge of \$25 per half page for 2 months. If you wish to advertise in this publication of SCC, please send all information to newsletter@sunburstcorvetteclub.com.

April Anniversaries

A very happy
Wedding Anniversary
to both of you



08	Jim & Joani Downing
15	Bob & Joanne Hrodey
20	Vern & Judy Chapman
24	odd & Jill Gray
26	Don & Dee Elliott
26	Gary & Cathy Gembala
26	Andy Pollina & Nancy Nance
30	Steve & Carol MacCabe
30	Bill & Kathy Marston

April Birthdays

01	Jeane Gockenbach
01	Mike Rosendahl
06	Ann Almasi-Bush
08	John Schneider
11	Jill Gray
19	Rick Edwardsen
19	Joanne Hrodey
19	Mark Pippel
26	Tom Marks
27	Jan Seputis



Happy Birthday !

SUNBURST CORVETTE CLUB Crystal Lake, Illinois



SUNBURST CORVETTE CLUB *Sponsorship Information*

We are pleased that you have expressed an interest in sponsoring Sunburst Corvette Club (SBCC) and would like to provide you more information on our club and the opportunity for a partnership as a valued sponsor.

Sunburst has been an active club within the Lake and McHenry and surrounding Counties for over 40 years as a 501c3 non-for-profit organization. We have a current membership of over 170 Corvette enthusiasts and are one of the largest clubs in the Midwest Region within the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC).

We enjoy hosting many Corvette related events and activities throughout the year i.e.

- Monthly Club Meetings
- Fun Rallye's
- "Struttin Ur Stuff" Car Show
- Cruise Events
- Parades
- Sponsor Events
- Autocrossing
- Cruise Nights
- Competitions at Regional / National level

We take much pride in giving back to our communities and we donate "all" of our net proceeds to local designated charities each year. Our funding is generated from club dues, sponsors, donations and funds raised at club events. This past year we donated a total of \$8,000 to our five designated charities within our local community.

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Please review our website referenced below at www.sunburstcorvetteclub.com to view the newsletter and more information on our various activities and the sponsorship pages.



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We'll be happy to use your existing company logo or additional artwork to display on the related forums for advertising.

We hope that you will considering a partnership as a sponsor with our club and enjoy the benefits of a unique advertising opportunity.

Please feel free to contact me for any additional questions or inquiries. I would also like to extend an invitation for you to join me as my guest at a monthly club meeting if you would like to get a feel for our corvette club enthusiasts and related activities we support.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!!

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