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2013 Officers

President: Tom Stibbe
Vice President: Mark Swingle
Secretary: Ron Callender
Treasurer: Mavis Nicolai
NCCC Governor: Charlie Britten
Activities: Dave & Kathy Fontanini
Webmaster: John Gesslein
Sergeant-at-Arms: Cyndy Schaper

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2013 Events Calendar

August:	3rd -Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 8th-11th, Grand AM/American LeMans, RA Elkhart Lake 11th - Callender's Ride & Dine 19th- Monday, Board Meeting, 6:30 pm 24th - American Legion Parade, Onalaska 25th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm, Schmidty's
September:	2nd Monday Labor Day House Party, Rocky Heike, Mondovi 7th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 12th-15th Thurs.-Sun., Fun Fest, Effingham, Illinois 14th or 15th RCC Fall Drive-Out 16th Monday, Board Meeting, 6:30 pm 19-22th SCCA National Run-Offs, Road America, Elkhart 22th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm
October:	5th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 12th Saturday, Suburban Fall Color Run, La Crosse, WI 21st, Monday Board Meeting, 6:30 pm 27th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm
November:	9th Saturday, RCC Year End Dinner Celebration 16th-17th Sat. & Sun., Corvette Nationals & Muscle Cars Rosemont, Illinois 29th Friday, Holiday Parade, 4:00 pm, downtown La Crosse
December:	PLEASE NOTE - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Monthly Newsletter

President's Message

I have to first thank the members who volunteered and worked very hard during our July 20th Car Show, and those that helped on the days just before and following. Thanks to the members that brought out their Corvettes and displayed them proudly, all parked in a row. We had 140+ vehicles on the parking lot of Brenengen Chevrolet in West Salem and ran out of parking spaces. We sold 155 chicken lunches and could have sold more. The final numbers are in, and the event was also a financial success that will benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Greater La Crosse. This year's event was double the size of any of our previous 7 Car Shows, and we will plan on it to be even larger next year.

We are happy (but sad) to see members Darryl and Ginny Daniel retire and move to North Carolina. They have two married sons with 4 grandchildren to keep them busy in North Carolina. Fortunately, we were able to spend time with these wonderful members at the July Ride and Dine that took us to Cashton, Wisconsin. They also appeared at our Car Show and helped us select a trophy winning car. We hope they stay in touch with our Club, and look forward to seeing them at upcoming events, such as the 2014 Labor Day Weekend Caravan to the National Corvette Museum, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Farewell and our best wishes!

One event you should not miss is the August 11th, (Sunday) day trip to the Botham Winery Annual Vintage Car Show, near Barneveld, Wisconsin. We will leave at 8:00 am from the A&W Restaurant on Mormon Coulee Road, on the South side of La Crosse. Live music on the terrace, a vintage car show featuring race cars and roadsters, lunch, wine tasting, and gallery will keep all of us entertained. For more information, go to www.bothamvineyards.com or call our travel host Ron Callender.

At recent Club events, you may have seen me in a cotton short sleeved shirt with 2 button down pockets and plenty of embroidery. Tom Jerisha was the first member to have this shirt, and I followed his lead and bought both a white and tan shirts. These shirts are purchased at Walmart for approximately \$12. Personal Touch Monogramming (see their link on our Links Page) did the monogramming. I added a C4 logo on one sleeve, and a C5 logo on the other sleeve, to represent the C4 and C5 Corvettes we have. PT Monogramming has C4, C5, and C6 logos available for us. When permission is granted from GM for the C7 logo (thru the NCCC), the C7 logo can be made available. These

shirts are 100% Cotton, wear well in hot weather, and require ironing. If you would like a shirt, various colors are available at Walmart and the shirts are made by Wrangler.

Tom Stibbe
RCC President

August 2013 Newsletter - July Meeting Notes

General Meeting: Attendance: Tom & Mary Stibbe, Chuck & Carol Britten, James & Linda Hubert, Tom Jerisha, Ron & Ramona Callender, Jim & Judy Rowley, Dennis & Cyndy Schaper, Claude & Judy Mosley, Mavis Nicolai, Ardie & Suzie Schock, Dave & Kathy Fontanini, John & Susan Gesslein, Maurice & Valerie Jones, Chuck & Sharon Zimmer and guests Jim & Pam McCorkle.

Meeting called to order at 6:36 by President Tom Stibbe.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from last meeting were distributed for review no corrections were made.

Treasurer's Report: Mavis provided a review of the check book entries.

Governor's Report: No new business to present to the membership.

Webmaster's Report: RCC merchandize information has been added to the web site. It can be found on the Information page then click on the Bulletin Board.

Event Chairperson:

- 1) August 4th "Take the Night Back" in Onalaska.
- 2) August 8-11th Grand Am, American Le Mans Racing [corvettes] Road America, Elkhart Lake, Wi.
- 3) **August 11th, Sunday, Ride & Dine to Botham Winery Car Show in Barneveld, Wis hosted by Ron & Ramona. Details have been e-mailed to you.**
- 4) August 18th Holman Corn Fest car show featuring this year 1963 vehicles. There will be a \$100 club attendance award. Tom S asked in the club would like to attend as a group to go for the attendance award. No decision was made.
- 5) **August 19th, RCC Board Meeting, Corky's La Crescent, 6:30 pm.**
- 6) **August 24th, Saturday, American Legion Parade, Onalaska 11:00 am. Mike Carney, Parademeister.**
- 7) **August 25th Monthly Meeting 5:30 Dinner 6:30 Meeting Schmidty's Restaurant.**
- 8) September 2nd Labor Day, Rocky Heike's Annual House Party in Mondovi.

- 9) September 7th Cars & Coffee in Minneapolis.
- 10) September 12 – 15th Funfest in Effingham sponsored by Mid America Motorworks.
- 11) **September 19th Ride & Dine Fall Drive-out hosted by Tom Jerisha.**
- 12) **September 19th RCC Board Meeting Corky's La Crescent 6:30 pm.**
- 13) **September 25th Monthly Meeting 5:30 Dinner 6:30 Meeting Schmidty's Restaurant.**
- 14) October 6th Nekoosa Giant Pumpkin Fest Car Show \$10 (2 people) Contact Deb @ 715-323-4533 for more information.

Old Business:

- 1) July 9th Rudy's Drive Inn RCC host night. It was very hot & humid so the attendance was also light.
- 2) July 20th RCC Car Show at Brenengen Chevrolet in West Salem was our biggest ever with over 140+ cars shown. Don Brenengen was pleased with the show. 155 chicken dinners were sold. The weather was great and the advertising this year was better and more concentrated on the West Salem area. This year's Club Attendance Award was won by Coulee Classics. The \$100 award to the West Salem Boys & Girls Club was presented to Don Brenengen. Tom S presented the preliminary financial results and it was very positive. The executive committee will make a final recommendation on donation of the proceeds at next month's Board meeting. The club discussed improvements for next year's event.
- 3) July 28th Membership meeting was held at Mavis's Lake Onalaska Cabin and included a pot luck meal. Thank you Mavis for hosting the event.

New Business:

Reminder: Membership Meetings will be at the Schmidty's Restaurant, State Road Hwy 33 on August 25th.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Judy Mosley and a 2nd by Claude Mosley, Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Callender,
RCC Secretary



August Birthdays

Ron Callender 8/17

Governor's Report - August 2013

Well, the summer is slipping away and the weather has been great!! Our big events are mostly complete so we can enjoy the rest of the summer. I have been asked to explain why I have been so busy that I have neglected to have a Governor's report for the first few months of this year. Those of you who follow our facebook wall (rivercitycorvettes) have noticed that I have been building a C6 from a wreck. I have had help and encouragement from friends, club members and facebook followers. So here is a short recap.

I bought a wreck from the internet (be very careful of this) and it was priced for the condition it was in. It needed extensive frame work, cracked bellhousing and a $\frac{3}{4}$ front end. It also had Autocross tires on it and had obviously been racing when wrecked. So much for a lower mileage, 1 owner cream puff.....



So with the help of fellow club member Mark Swingle, we pried out the frame before cutting it off to remove the motor. We made brackets to lift it and luckily it was balanced perfectly. Actually got very lucky throughout the project.



So fast forward, lots of dismantling and cleaning. Tacking in the frame and taking it to a shop to finish.



Lots of work and mods to finish put it back together and updated as much as I could think of while it was apart and easy to replace. I hope I caught everything. Below is the pic of my first drive, which was to the back yard to give it a much needed bath and look it over top out in the sun.



After driving and having fun I was able to get a time to get it into the booth. With help from Ward, we sanded most of the car and primed the bad spots to try to get it ready for paint. The guys still spent a lot of time getting it just right.



Above we just made it for its first showing at our Annual Car Show. Many of you were there and saw what a little hard work can accomplish. Now the days are getting shorter and the road beckons. Let's get out and drive our toys. I know I can't wait to get out there and play. The snow will be here before we know it..... Have fun.

Charlie Britten
RCC Governor

Webmaster's Notes

To see what club events are coming up for the month of August, please check the **Events Calendar** page.

Check out our Facebook page, a link to it is on our home page.

Check out the **Bulletin Board**, for RCC Merchandise.

New pictures have been added to the **Gallery** page.

RCC Videos YouTube link now available on the **Gallery** page.

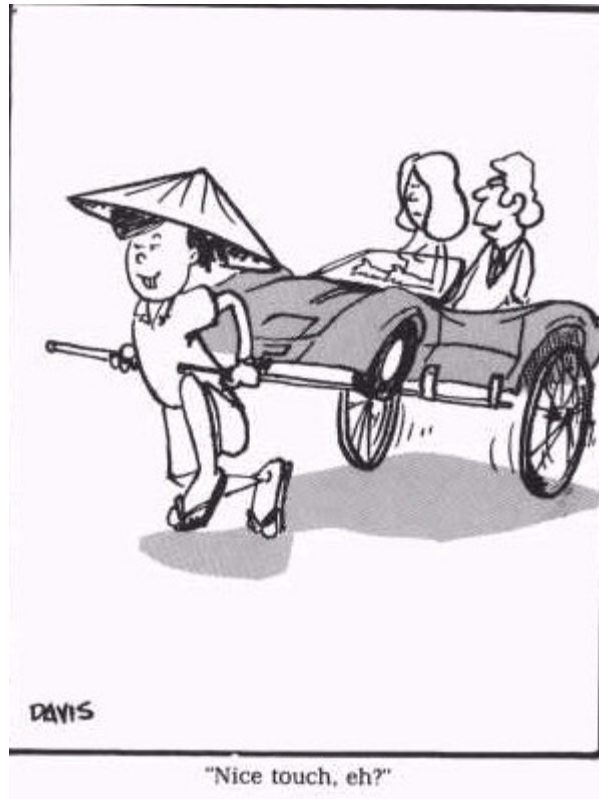
To get a copy of this month's newsletter, just click on **Download**.

I have added a link to our YouTube Introduction on the **Information** page.

To get a copy of the RCC Constitution, just click on the **Member Page**.

If you are a Corvette owner and would like get more information about the River City Corvettes Club, just send us an email at **postmaster@rivercitycorvettes.com**.

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John Gesslein
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"Nice touch, eh?"

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