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President: Mark Swingle
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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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2014 Events Calendar

April:	12th Ride & Dine hosted by Mark & Mary Swingle 21th Monday, Board Meeting 6:30 pm 27nd Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm, Schmidty's
May:	3rd Saturday, Cars & Coffee- Minneapolis Ride and Dine 12th Monday, Board Meeting 6:30 pm 14th 6:00 pm Brenengen Corvette Clinic 17th Ride & Dine hosted by Tom Jerisha 17th-18th Sat & Sun, Wisconsin Dells Car Show 18th 4 Rallys, Waukesha, WI 18th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm (3rd Sunday) 30th-1st AMA Superbike, Road America 31st Saturday, Chippewa Valley Car Show, Eau Claire
June:	5th-7th Corvette Adventures, Chula Vista, Wisconsin Dells 8th Sunday, RCC 7 Event Road Rally, La Crosse Ride and Dine 12th-15th June Sprints, Road America 16h Monday, Board Meeting 6:30 pm 19th-21st Nationwide, Road America 21st 3 Rallys New Berlin, WI 20th-22nd Back to the 50's Minnesota State Fairgrounds 22th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm, Schmidty's 27th Friday, Drive your Corvette to Work Day 27th-29th Bloomington Gold Show, Champaign, Illinois (7th, 21st Saturday Night Cruise In, Hastings, MN)
July:	5th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis Tuesday, Rudy's Drive Inn 5:00 pm, La Crosse ? RCC Ride and Dine, 17th-20th Redman Vintage Can Am, Road America 21st Monday, Board Meeting 6:30 pm 19th Saturday, RCC Auto Show, Brenengen 27th Sunday, Club Meeting, 5:30/6:30 pm, Schmidty's
August:	2nd Saturday, 7 rallys, Woodbury, MN 2nd Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis RCC Ride and Dine, 7th-10th IMSA/CSCC/TUDOR, Road America

	16th 2 rallies Cary, Illinois 18th- Monday, Board Meeting, 6:30 pm 24th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm, Schmidty's 27th-30th Corvette Caravan, National Corvette Museum
September:	1st Labor Day 6th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 18th- 21st Thurs.-Sun., Fun Fest, Effingham, Illinois RCC Fall Drive-Out ???? 22nd Monday, Board Meeting, 6:30 pm 28th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm, Schmidty's
October:	4th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 11th Saturday, Suburban Fall Color Run, La Crosse, WI RCC Ride and Dine, 20st, Monday Board Meeting, 6:30 pm 26th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm
November:	8th Saturday, RCC Year End Dinner Celebration 22nd- 23rd Sat. & Sun., Corvette Nationals & Muscle Cars Rosemont, Illinois 27th Thanksgiving 28th Friday, Holiday Parade, 4:00 pm, downtown La Crosse
December:	PLEASE NOTE - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Monthly Newsletter

President's Message

The big news for March was the untimely and unfortunate passing of club member Ardie Schock. Ardie was the first member of the club to pass away while still an active member. I remember Ardie as being somewhat quiet but having a forceful personality. Indeed we see from his obituary that he was involved in many things beyond the Corvette Club. To work at Heilemans for 44 years, have your own small business as well, volunteer for all the major festivals, and be active in the Church, he had an extremely active life. Yet he and Susie still found time to participate in many club activities. Ardie will be missed.

The other news for March is, thanks to Charlie Britten and Brian Zenz, my 1966 Corvette is finished and ready to go. I plan on going to both Rudy's on Tuesday's and Dairy Queen on Saturday's this year. I'd also like to take it up to Eau Claire car show and of course it will be at our car show. Also, Dennis ordered a new C7, Claude bought a very nice 1988, Tom J bought a 2010 ZR1!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Can't wait to see that!

Our April outing will be our first Ride N' Dine of the year. Hosted by myself and Mary. We will be meeting at the Onalaska Menard's at 2:45 pm on April 12th, leaving at 3:00 pm. We have two places that we are going for this trip. Please RSVP me by April 5th. I will send out a reminder as well.

Mark Swingle
RCC President



Arden Schock

April 2014 Newsletter - March Meeting Notes

General Meeting: Attendance: Chuck & Carol Britten, Tom Jerisha, Ron & Ramona Callender, Jim & Judy Rowley, Claude & Judy Mosley, Mavis Nicolai, Dave & Kathy Fontanini, Mark & Mary Swingle, Phil Murray, Dennis & Cyndy Schaper, Mike & Cindi Carney, Tom & Mary Stibbe, John & Susan Gesslein and Jim Hubert.

Meeting called to order at 6:50 by President Mark Swingle.

President Mark S. announced that RCC member Ardie Schock passed away suddenly of a heart attack in March. April's newsletter will be dedicated in his memory.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from last meeting were distributed. One correction was pointed out: the rally is in June not March as published in last month's minutes.

Treasurer's Report: The RCCC brick at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY was completed funded through private donations from club members. No club funds were required.

Governor's Report: Everything for the June 8 Rally is on schedule.

Webmaster's Report: All the rally information has been posted on the web site.

Event Chairperson:

- 1) April 12th will be our next Ride & Dine hosted by Mark & Mary S. Meet at the Onalaska Menards at 2:45 PM RSVP by April 5th.
- 2) April 7th Eau Clair Club Meeting - Mark S & Charlie B are planning to attend.
- 3) May 14th Brenengen Corvette Tech Talk at the Onalaska location. Detailing class will be held. Date still needs to be confirmed!
- 4) May 15th – 17th National Corvette Restoration Society will meet in Rochester, MN For more details contact Claude M who is a member of the Society.
- 5) May 17th Ride & Dine hosted by Tom J. The club will travel to the Eagle Viewing Center in Wabasha, MN with lunch at T Bones. Other stops along the way will be Lark Toy Museum, an Ice Cream Shop and a ride through Buffalo City.
- 6) May 31 West Salem Dairy Days Parade, first of the season.
- 7) June Ride & Dine will be hosted by Dave & Kathy F. September and October hosts are still needed. Let Mark S know if you want to host either of these.
- 8) July 19th Annual RCCC Classic & Custom Car Show at Brenengen West Salem.

Old Business:

- 1) Nine members attended the God's Country Racing Auto Show March 8th with dinner at the Three Rivers Lodge.
- 2) The final RCCC brick paver order and adjacent personal pavers was placed by Tom S. The order was mailed the day the sink hole occurred at the museum.
- 3) Thanks to Tom S. for filling in as Activity Director during Dave & Kathy absence.

New Business:

- 1) Classic and Custom Car Show will be held July 19th ay Brenengen 's West Salem dealership. The flying will feature a picture of last year's People Choice Award Winner – Dennis Schmidtnect's 65 Corvette.
- 2) Car Show committee consisting of Tom S, Jim H, Mark S. Dennis S, Mike C, Charlie B and a respresentate from the Boys & Girls Club will meet Wednesday April 4. Leslie Smith the Boys & Girls Club director has resigned.
- 3) Beater Rally was well attended and resulted in 5 perfect scores. The winners by the luck of the card draw were Ron & Ramona C. Thanks to Claude M for setting it up.
- 4) Tech Talk scheduled for May 14th still has not been confirmed due to Brenengen's personnel availability.
- 5) Mark S reported on 2014 Race Card sponsorship – Bill Martin \$100.
- 6) There is now one open hotel reservation for the National Corvette Museum trip to Bowling Green, KY Labor Day weekend if anyone is still interested in going and has not made a reservation. Talk to Tom S.
- 7) We celebrated Tom S 61st birthday with cake.
- 8) Next Membership Meetings will be April 27th at Schmidty's.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM by Mark S.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Callender,
RCC Secretary



April Birthdays

Carol Britten 4/1
Mark Swingle 4/30

Governor's Report - April 2014

Thanks to Dave Fontanini, for letting us know of the passing of Arden Schock. This is a horrible news. They were such a great couple, I am glad we talked about how they met, how long they have been together, at the last meeting. It is a real shame that they were so active and fun and then to have him taken much too early. I guess we never know when that day will come. It reminds us all to live each day to the fullest. He is a good example for us all. Let's get out there and drive, try new things. Take new roads.

Just like Ardie!!!

Go in peace.

Charlie Britten
RCC Governor

Webmaster's Notes

To see what club events are coming up for the month of April, 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.

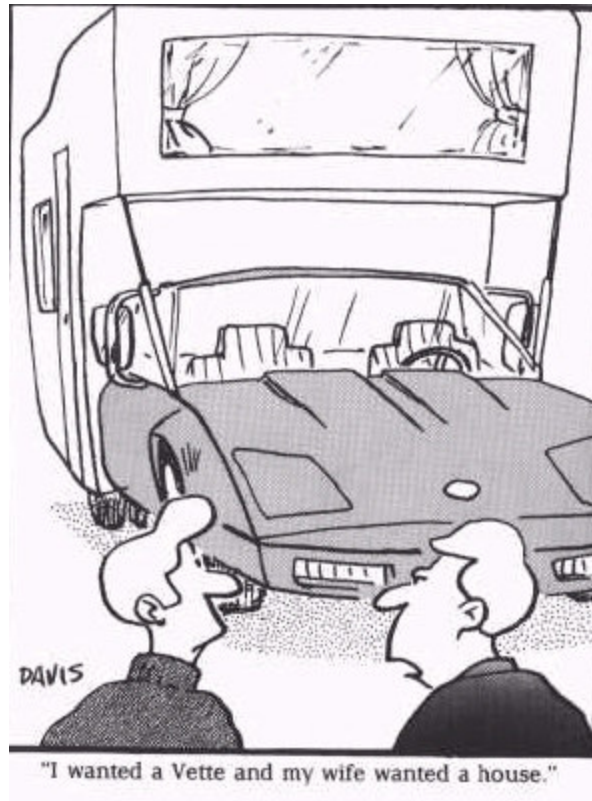
To get a copy of this month's newsletter, just click on **Download**.

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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