



October 2004

2004 Officers

President: Jeff Schroeder Vice President: John Gesslein Secretary: Judy Mosley Treasurer: Pat Smith NCCC Governor: Tom Stibbe Activities: Joan Schreck Webmaster: John Gesslein Sergeant-at-Arms: Tim Davison

2004 Events Calendar

October:	 10/8 - Ride & Dine. Meet @ River Jacks/ Midway Motor Lodge 1835 Rose St. (Hwy 53) @6:30pm. We can visit with our friends here to attend the' Color Run'. before dinner. 10/9 - Color Run with Suburban Corvette Club. Our members will meet @ 9am at the Kwik Trip near the Onalaska City Park. If you did not get a brochure please give me a call for details. 10/24 - Monthly Meeting @ American Legion, LaCrescent, MN 509N. Chestnut St. 5:30pm Meet for Dinner, 7pm Meeting ELECTION MEETING
November:	 11/20 – YEAR END PARTY @ Doc Powell's 6pm Cocktails Bring White Elephant Gift Invitations will be Emailed later

Monthly Newsletter

A Word From The Pres

What a beautiful month September has been. There will be a special gift for the person at our next member meeting that comes up to me and tells me what is so special about September 30th.

We had some great weather for our fall parades. One was the Applefest, and the second was the kick-off parade for Octoberfest. A big thanks to all of you for marketing our club. It is very difficult to juggle all the things in our life; I know all of you do a tremendous job of keeping it balanced.

I want to thank all of you at the meeting the other night at John and Susan's for your spirited discussion and for letting your thoughts and feelings be known. I have really been blessed to meet all of you. OK, Del, wipe away the tears; it wasn't that sloppy. Or are those tears for da Bears. I thought you all might want to know that Ruth did watch the Packer game. She assures me that the papers did get graded.

A great big thank you to John and Susan for their gracious hospitality. What a beautiful home.

Congratulations to Tom and Mary on their new arrival, a brand new 2004 Corvette coupe.

I hope to see all of you at the fall color run. Jeff

September 2004 Monthly Meeting

General Meeting: Sunday, Sept. 26, 2004 at home of John and Susan Gesslein. Thanks to John and Susan for hosting a wonderful dinner after a scenic ride. Meeting called to order by president, Jeff Schroeder, at 8:20. Fourteen members present.

Secretary's Minutes: Mark Kay motioned to approve minutes and Mike Foster seconded. Motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Pat Smith, gave checking balance after autocross. Claude Mosley reported timing equipment sold. Susan Gesslein motioned to approve treasurer's report and Pat Foster seconded. Motion carried.

Web Master's Report: Web Master, John Gesslein, reported our fundraiser is on the website. He is working with advertisers in setting up ads

Governor's Report: Governor, Tom Stibbe, reported autocross results have been approved by Jack, the Regional Competition Director. In the future the autocross flyers will be on e-mail which will save postage. He asked to think about options for our sanctions for next year. There are two Corvette clubs in the area that have expressed an interest in helping us with our autocross, namely clubs in Eau Claire and Rochester. <u>See</u> <u>Governor's Report</u>.

Activities Report: Joan Schreck reported on **October Ride N' Dine on Friday, Oct. 8.** Meet at River Jack's and ride will leave from there. Saturday is Fall Color Run. See Activities Report for details. The year end party will be held at Doc Powell's. Susan Gesslein motioned to spend extra money to reserve private room, John Gesslein seconded and motion was carried. Joan can use her discretion on this issue. Tom Stibbe motioned to pay full price of dinner for those you worked both autocrosses, one-half price for workers of one autocross. Mike Foster seconded. Motion was unanimously approved with one abstaining and 2 nays. **Monthly meeting is Sunday, Oct. 24 at La Crescent Legion, Dinner at 5:30, Meeting at 7:00 with ELECTION OF OFFICERS. <u>See</u> <u>Activities Report</u>.**

Old Business:

- 1. Advertising Jeff Schroeder reported he had several responses to the advertising in newspapers, etc. We will continue to work on exposure. Judy Mosley suggested participating in charity walks (e.g. Cancer, Diabetes, Alzheimer's) as a club and make a club donation for the participants.
- 2. Autocross Prepare for discussion at next meeting regarding use of sanctions by autocrosses, road rallies, or car shows.

New Business:

Nomination of Officers for 2004-2005:

- Jeff Schroeder ---- President ---- Motioned, seconded, and approved.
- John Gesslein ---- Vice-President and Webmaster ---- Motioned, seconded and approved.
- Judy Mosley ---- Secretary ---- Motioned, seconded and approved.
- Pat Smith ---- Treasurer ---- Motioned, seconded and approved.
- Jim Rowley ---- Governor ---- Motioned, seconded and approved.
- Judy Rowley ---- Activities Chairperson ---- Motioned, seconded and approved.

Motion to Adjourn: Mary Stibbe motioned to adjourn, Pat Smith seconded. Motion carried at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Mosley Secretary

ELECTION OF OFFICERS MONTHLY MEETING Sunday, October 24, 2004 La Crescent Legion, La Crescent, MN Dinner @ 5:30 Meeting at 7:00

----- THANK YOU ------

Thank You to Jeff and Ruth Schroeder For Hosting the Applefest Parade Lunch

Thank You to John and Susan Gesslein For a SCENIC RIDE in the Hills and Curves to Viola and a Wonderful Italian Sausage Dinner with All the Trimmings

----- THANK YOU ------

REMEMBER THE PHOTOGRAPHY FUNDRAISER

<u>Governor's Report - September 2004</u> Tom Stibbe 608-788-2772

October is renewal time for River City Corvettes, as well as all the National Council of Corvette Clubs across the USA. The dues are structured so that a renewals are less expensive than lapsed memberships. Please take care of your renewals by November 1st and vote for the 2005 Club officers at the next regular club meeting.

2004 was my 4th consecutive year as RCC Governor. When taking this position, I was concerned about being able to learn the duties, procedures, and interface with the 30 other NCCC Clubs in the Midwest Region. I learned many things about the NCCC, the rule book, and the people that operate the Midwest Region. I quickly learned that the Clubs' and Regional Officers are intelligent, helpful, and kind group of people. If I had a question or concern, I could ask a Regional Officer and get the information I needed in a timely fashion. I found these folks are seriously committed to being helpful. I found the rule book and procedures to be cumbersome, rigid, and occasionally difficult to understand, although necessary for conducting competitive events. If the Region offered sessions (such as; The Rule Book, How to Run a Competitive Event, How to Develop your local Club, and Tips for making a Successful Club) it could help Club Officers understand NCCC and strengthen the organization. The role of Governor provides the link to NCCC.

2004 was quite a "Corvette Summer" for me. Preparing a Corvette and participating in Bloomington Gold Certification and coming away with a"Gold Certification" was a conclusion to a desire that began in 1981, during my first visit to the Bloomington Corvette Show. Mary and I repeated our 2003 Black Hills Corvette Classic trip with another visit this year. The highlight of this trip was sharing the experience (Badlands, Devil's Tower, autocross, drags, and fine dining) with the Fosters and Schrecks. The RCC Autocrosses (April and August) were a heck of a lot of work, but I am proud of the group that gave their day to support and promote our local club. I couldn't resist the opportunity to purchase a deeply discounted new 2004 Corvette Coupe during late summer. IOMYWIF was suggested for new license plates. New dreams and schemes were discussed with friends within the Club, for attending future events in 2005 (National NCCC Convention in St. Cloud, MN) and in 2006 (Corvettes at Carlisle, PA). I can't imagine how any summer could be more fun than my summer of 2004!

Webmaster's Notes

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

New pictures have been added to the **<u>Gallery</u>** page.

The <u>**RCC Photo Session Brochure</u>** which will benefit Coulee Council on Addictions is available on our website.</u>

If you are a Corvette owner and would like get more information about the River City Corvettes Club, just send us an email at <u>rcc-boardmembers@rivercitycorvettes.com</u>.

John Gesslein



"This year's award for the most hideous and repulsive costume goes to Ed Gibbish!"