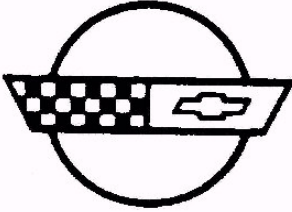




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# 2012 Officers

**President:** Tom Stibbe  
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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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# 2012 Events Calendar

<b>October:</b>	6th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 13th Saturday, Color Run, La Crosse, WI 28th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm
<b>November:</b>	10th Saturday, RCC Year End Dinner Celebration 17th-18th Sat. & Sun., Corvette Nationals & Muscle Cars Rosemont, Illinois 23rd Friday, Holiday Parade, 4:00 pm
<b>December:</b>	PLEASE NOTE - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

# Monthly Newsletter

## President's Message

Fall is here, and there is no better time of the year to take your Corvette on an afternoon cruise for enjoying the fall colors. If you prefer to do this with other enthusiasts, there are two organized events to enjoy fall colors. The Suburban Corvette Club of Minnesota's "Fall Color Run" is scheduled for 9:30 am, Saturday, October 13th. The event leaves Rowe Park in Onalaska, and includes a chicken lunch at the Rockton Bar. Pre-registration is recommended, \$20 per car and \$10 per lunch. The next opportunity is a drive to the Stevenson Auto Museum in Richland Center, leaving at 10:00 am, Sunday, October 14th. The event starts at Dahl Ford, La Crosse. No registration fee, just \$5 for lunch. All local car clubs are invited.

River City Club events during the fall include:

Sunday, September 30th, Gays Mills Apple Fest Parade, departs La Crosse South side Shopco 10:15 am. This event includes lunch, parade, and apple orchard visit. (Parade meister Phil Murray)

Saturday, October 6th, Ride and Dine, departs 4:30 pm, Onalaska Menards parking lot. (Ron and Romona Callendar)

Saturday, November 10th, Awards Banquet, Pogrebra Restaurant, 5:30 pm social/dinner at 6:30 pm/short program/optional gift exchange (\$20 limit please). (Dave and Kathy Fontanini)

Friday, November 23rd, Downtown La Crosse Holiday Parade, 4:30 pm line-up, walk and dine following in downtown La Crosse. (Carol Nelson-Britten)

Our final regular monthly club meeting will be held on Sunday, October 28th, at Schmidty's Restaurant, 5:30 dinner/6:30 meeting. We will finish up the year by collecting dues for 2013 memberships and electing new officers. Renewal fees are \$35 single, \$45 couple for membership. Failure to get your renewals in by this meeting will result in an additional \$10 late fee.

A few members attended the Corvette Funfest Weekend in Effingham, Illinois on September 14-16th. We enjoyed viewing the GM Auto Museum in Decatur, Illinois on

our trip to Effingham. At Funfest, we were offered seminars, wine and beer tasting, all the Mid-America Motorworks vendors, and evening outdoor concert . Approximately 6,000 corvettes attended the event on Saturday. If you have not gone to this event previously, please talk to someone who did, and make plans to attend next year. September is a great time of year to take a drive and attend a corvette weekend event.

Tom Stibbe  
RCC President

## **October 2012 Newsletter - September Meeting Notes**

**General Meeting:** Attendance: Chuck Britten & Carol Nelson-Britten, Tom & Mary Stibbe, Mike & Cindi Carney, Tom Jerisha, Phil Murray, Ron & Ramona Callender, Jim & Judy Rowley, Mark & Mary Swingle, Dennis & Cyndy Schaper, Chuck Zimmer, Jay Sind and Mavis Nicolai.

Meeting called to order at 6:41 PM by President Tom Stibbe.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes for the August 26, 2012 meeting minutes were reviewed at the meeting. No corrections were recommended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Overall we are within +/- \$100 from this time last year with all outstanding bills paid. Membership due are now being collected and deposited.

**Governor's Report:** Dues now due to NCCC which Mark is now collecting. Discussions have been held about hosting an Autocross next year.

**Webmaster's Report:** John was not present so no report was given.

### **Event Chairperson:**

- Big Blue Bridge Car Show Dahl Ford La Crosse on Sept 30th from 9:00 to 3:00 PM. Dave needs volunteers to work the show. There are two shift requiring two people each shift 9:00 to Noon and Noon to 3:00PM b. October Ride & Dine will be Oct 6th hosted by the Callenders. Meet at the Onalaska Menards parking lot at 4:30 PM. We will not be going to a "Tofu" restaurant which is Tom Jerisha's biggest fear.

- Fall Color Run will be Oct 13th. Pre-register by Oct 4th , \$20 / car. Lunch will be at the Rockton Bar because the Fire House is no longer open. Cost \$10 / person. Friday night festivities are \$42 / person. See registration at [www.suburbancorvettes.com](http://www.suburbancorvettes.com).
- Stevenson Auto Museum Richland Center trip on Oct 14th. Will leave from Dahl Ford at 10 am, lunch is \$5. Contact is Don Strittmater.
- RCC Award Banquet is Nov. 10th at Pogrebra Restaurant, cocktails 5:30, Dinner 6:30 [limited menu], short program, voluntary gift exchange with a \$20 per person gift limit. No “White Elephant” gifts this year.
- November 17th Corvette Car Club show in Rosemont, IL more details at next month’s meeting.
- November 23rd Downtown La Crosse Holiday Parade. Line-up at 4:30pm at 6th and Cass Street. Carroll has requested pick-up duties again. Dine afterwards somewhere downtown.
- December no activities.
- January Ride and Dine, Fish Fry, more details later.

**Old Business:**

- September Ride & Dine was held on 8th with 6 cars and 12 people participating. They went to Signatures in Winona. Former members and past president Tim & Sandy Davison also attended.
- Funfest in Effingham had 4 cars participant. The group stopped at the GM museum in Decatur, IL on the way down.

**New Business:**

- Nominations for club officers will be held at our October month’s meeting. Nominations were opened and all current offices except Activities Director (Dave and Kathy Fontanini were not present) have accepted to be on the ballot for next year. Nominations will be re-opened before voting at our next meeting.

- Jim suggested the Treasurer be someone who can complete 990 federal tax paperwork. This is a new requirement for all Not-for profit organizations.
- Tax returns for the last three years and Not-for-profit paperwork will be finished and sent in shortly.
- Our final parade will be Gays Mills Apple Fest September 30th. Meet at the Shopko South parking lot at 10:15AM. Will eat lunch before parade and may stop at one of the apple orchards. More details will be provided at the September meeting.
- Oktoberfest Races will be held 13, 14 & 15. Mike will be running in the races. Mark will be attending at least the first two days.
- Claude Mosley had heart surgery and valve repair. He is doing very well. RCC delivered a fall gift basket.

The next monthly meeting will be October 28th at Schmidty's.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ron Callender,  
RCC Secretary

## **Governor's Report - October 2012**

I want to thank all those who participated in our Rally last month. It gets better each year and we get better at running it. I want to thank my crew for all the hard work they do to make it fun event. We plan on getting out to more events in the region next year. Looking forward to next year.... Also looking forward to the fall color drives, there are still a lot of driving opportunities this season. Get out there and drive.

Charlie Britten  
RCC Governor

## **Webmaster's Notes**

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