

Windy City Corvettes News



Spring 2024





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My Two Cents Lawrence A. Pagliaro



Wow, what a great winter we had. I think I used my snow blower one time, drained it and put it away. And what is with the title. Normally it is April but we've had flowers starting to pop out of the ground in mid-March. I could really get used to these types of Winters. We could adjust our driving season activities if there were a guarantee that this is the new "norm". Obviously, we can't count on repeated warm winters but we'll see what next winter brings.

As I reported in our Winter issue, our 2024 event schedule was almost complete but there are a few minor adjustments as shown below:

- **April 13-14**, NCCC Autocross at the Tire Rack, South Bend, IN.
- **May-Sep**, 2nd Wed of the month, Cars and Strips Cruise Nights at the American Legion*
- **May 13-19**, NCCC Convention, Joplin, MO
- **June 2**, NCCC Corvette and Kid's car show, Eggsperts Café, Orland Park, IL.
- **June 15-16**, NCCC Autocross, Rantoul, IL.
- **June 23**, NCCC Corvette show, Apple Chev., Tinley Park, IL
- **July 4**, Darien, IL Parade
- **Aug 17**, Taste of Burr Ridge, IL Car show.
- **August 25**, NCCC Corvette show, Mike Anderson, Chev, Merrillville, IN
- **Oct 13**, NCCC Double Rallye, New Lenox, IL.
- **Oct 19-20**, Autocross, Crystal

Lake, IL.

These are our major event dates and we will be adding various social drive outs during the year. The first if the "Corvette Drive outs" is Saturday April 13th with a trip to South Bend to visit our NCCC Autocross event and those who are not competing will drive to the Studebaker Museum. An upcoming overnight drive is planned for Corvette Adventures in June in the Wisc. Dells. Some of these events also support our Charity fund raising activities.

* note: the Cars and Strips Cruise Nights are open to all cars and trucks and each month features a different marque. (May-all makes, June-Ford, July-Mopar, August-Chevrolet, Sept- Corvettes). Various businesses sponsor each cruise night. Food and drink and raffles are available

Flyers and event details can be found in the Events tab of this website.

All-in-all quite a full year of fun Corvette activities. We are always looking for new ideas and opportunities to provide our members with interesting events to enjoy their Corvettes. We also take every opportunity to find sponsors who we can help promote their businesses to make it a "win-win" relationship. Much more to come as we march into 2024.

2024 Special Event License Plates



Orders for the 2024 edition of our clubs Illinois Special Event license plates are underway. See page below for details. Vanity plate

numbers orders have now closed but there are plenty of plate numbers available and you may be able to get one to match the year of your car, your birthdate, etc. Don't wait to order as they are selling fast.





2024 Windy City Corvette Club License Plates

- Will start taking registrations at January business meeting.
- Registrations must be accompanied with payment. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**
- Make checks payable to Windy City Corvettes, for \$40.00.
- **Personalized Plates** (club members car only)
You can personalize plate by mixing letters and numbers
Examples: GS ZR1 Z06. **These registrations must be received by 3/19/24.**
- **Must have a current copy of your vehicle registration and Driver's license number (both valid thru September 30th 2024)**
- **Plates that are being picked up** will receive a \$5.00 refund at time of pick up and must be **submitted before April 16, 2024**
- Grandfathered numbers will be held until the **April** business meeting
- After the April business meeting all remaining numbers will be available
- **It is the club members responsibility to provide updated registrations to receive plates**
- Plates will be valid for 60 days expiring on September 30, 2024.
- Information can be dropped off at a business meeting, or mailed to: Windy City Corvettes License Plates P.O. BOX 353 Orland Park, Illinois 60462

Secretary of State will mail plates to the address on the registration.
To insure the mailing of your plates, be sure all information, including Zip Code are accurate and **current through September 30, 2024.**

For more information contact Perry Scarsellato
(708) 567-2513

Charity Clips

HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2023 was a good year for Windy City Corvettes and the Charity. We were able to raise thousands of dollars for Illinois Spina Bifida Association and A Silver Lining Foundation. Not to mention the numerous items that were donated to the Manteno Veterans Home. I have attached a breakdown that we are asked to send to NCCC showing our accomplishments. The second item that is attached is items that Manteno Veterans Home need at this time highlighted in yellow.

None of this would be possible without the support of our members. I wish I could name everyone who has helped throughout 2023 but I know I would miss someone. So let me say this, THANK YOU to anyone who donated items or money to create raffle baskets, and to those who created a raffle basket and donated it to us, anyone who helped sell split the pot tickets at our events and those who purchased those tickets. Thank You for donating items each month to our Manteno collection box. Thank You to those individuals who had other organizations pledge money to our charities. Thank You to those who purchased gift cards to be raffled off. Thank You to those who send in their own checks to support these worthy causes. Thank You to those who donate to our picnic jug. I can go on and on – THANK YOU!

2024 will be a great year and of course we are looking for your help again. If you have anything you would like to donate or if you have a business connection that would be willing to help, please contact Nancy Burns or myself. As I type this it is -7 degrees, but Spring will be here before you know it. All of our events take a lot of planning and these cold, snowy days are good days to plan. If anyone has any ideas or questions for raising charity money, do not hesitate to contact us.

There are social events already planned for January and February and car-related events are in the works. Hoping to see everyone soon.

Charity Committee

Teresa Kocanda and Nancy Burns



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS, INC.

CLUB CHARITY ACTIVITY REPORT



In an effort to give credit to your club, please list all money contributions, gifts and man hours for charitable events. Please complete this form at the end of each year. **This is for year 2023.**

MONEY DONATED (CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS)

\$4,000 donation check to ISBA (Illinois Spina Bifida Association)
\$2,000 donated from Lyons Club to ISBA on behalf of club member John Callan
\$2,000 donated from Lyons Club to A Silver Lining Foundation on behalf of club member John Callan
\$1,000 donated from Darien Woman's Club to A Silver Lining Foundation on behalf of club member Kathy Callan
\$2,500 donated from the Taste of Burr Ridge to ISBA on behalf of Windy City Corvettes, inc
\$1,500 donated to A Silver Lining Foundation on behalf of several members of Windy City Corvettes
\$750 donated by 5 members to attend A Silver Lining Foundation Fashion Show Fundraiser
\$700 donated to A Silver Lining Foundation from car show
\$1,000 donated to ISBA on behalf of several members of Windy City Corvettes
\$525 raised for ISBA from split the pot activities
\$100 donated as Sponsorship to Thomas E Hartung American Legion Post 1977 in New Lenox, IL
\$1,150 donated by WCC members to ISBA to participate in the Performance Drive fundraiser at the Autobahn
\$195 donated to Brookfield Zoo for their annual Christmas Tree fundraiser

GIFTS (WHEELCHAIRS, CRUTCHES, GIFT BASKETS, FOOD, TOYS, ETC.)

At our monthly club meetings, we collect a multitude of items for the Veterans at the Manteno Veteran's Home in Manteno, Illinois. – toiletries, socks, long underwear, sweatshirts, scarves, cologne, batteries, individual snacks, and cookies, etc.
\$1,050 raised to purchase food for the ISBA Annual Picnic Lunch
10 gift baskets (\$50 value each) were used to raise funds for ISBA and A Silver Lining Foundation

MAN HOURS & WHAT WAS DONE FOR CHARITABLE EVENTS

200+ man hours raising funds for various charities

CLUB NAME, REGION & NUMBER

Windy City Corvettes, inc. Midwest Region #351

DATE SUBMITTED January 8, 2024

OFFICER: Dave Heinemann, Governor

Mail completed form to: NCCC Director of Charity, 1945 Scottsville Road, B2#267,
Bowling Green, KY. 42104. Or email to: charity@corvettesnccc.com by January 31.



MANTENO VETERANS' HOME



MEMBER NEEDS LIST

The following is a list of items that our Veterans can use in their day to day lives at the Illinois Veterans' Home in Manteno.

Please Note: Due to public health guidelines, there are items we cannot accept: No used clothing/shoes (all items must be brand new); no furnishings; no medical supplies; no home-made food; no books/DVDs/VHS.

PERSONAL CARE:

Electric Razors – Philips Norelco – New
Polident Denture Cream
Efferdent Tablets
Non-Alcoholic Mouth Wash
Reading glasses – 1.50 or higher
Men's Disposable Razors

CLOTHING:

Men's button-down shirts, M to 2XL
Men's T-Shirts (sizes M to 4XL)
Men's Sweatpants (sizes XL-4XL)
Men's Hooded Zip Up Sweatshirts – Size M
Men's Slacks (38x30)
Belts – size 36 and up
Velcro Shoes – Men's Sizes 13

SNACK FOODS

Creamer –regular and flavors, individual "pods"
Individually Packaged Cookies
Individual Puffed Popcorn
Microwave Popcorn – reg. and flavors
Soda – Regular/Diet
Snack Cakes – Little Debbie, Hostess
Individually Packaged Sugar Free Cookies
Hawaiian Punch – Gallon Size
Raisins (small individual boxes)
Gatorade – Regular and Sugar Free
Outshine brand popsicles

MISCELLANEOUS

Batteries AAA, AA, C, D, 9V Small
Flashlights
Pocket Talker Personal Amplifiers
Forever Postage Stamps
Weighted Blankets – assorted weights
Travel size toiletries – all kinds
Sturdy Ziploc Baggies – various sizes
Bendable Straws
Birthday paper plates, cups, etc.

FAMILY "COMFORT CART"

Our family comfort cart is meant for the time when our veterans reach the end of their lives and family is "at the bedside". Providing these items to them enables them to stay close to their loved ones:

- Toothbrushes
- Coffee and tea supplies (Keurig and tea bags)
- Kleenex packs (purse size)
- Crossword/Sudoku/Word Search books
- Pens
- Notebooks for Family communications
- Crayons/Coloring books/Children's books
- Night Lights
- Chapstick
- Reading Glasses (assorted strengths)
- Ear plugs
- Hand Sanitizer – purse size
- Playing cards
- Travel-sized toiletries (all kinds)
- Universal phone chargers

**Please call (815) 907-3455 to schedule delivery – no weekends please.
Please do not bring donated items to our units, deliveries should
be brought to Volunteer Services.**