

Lake Superior Corvette Club

Vette Waves

In Michigan's Upper Peninsula

Early Spring 2006

Presidents Letter—Bill Henry

What a rewarding and exciting year it was for LSCC. Members stepped up to help plan events, membership increased, another successful car show was sponsored, a charitable donation was given to the Marquette Humane Society Shelter, member profiles were featured in the newsletter, an annual business meeting replaced monthly meetings, a second major sponsor was added, and a wide variety of highly publicized new events were offered.

So now what? Well, for 2006 we are going to provide a LSCC website so communications can be improved, new car owners will be recognized with a gift and be highlighted in the newsletter, a third major sponsor will be recruited, travel agendas will be provided for events, Sunday Sundaes will be expanded to include all specialty or classic cars in the community, and we will continue our charitable giving.

Thanks to everyone that took the time to fill out the survey. A summary was reviewed at the January officers' meeting and many of the ideas were included in the 2006 goals and events calendar.

We all have fantastic sports cars, but more importantly, we have developed fantastic friendships! Hopefully you will have an opportunity this year to join in some or all of the events. I look forward to another successful year.

Drive safe,

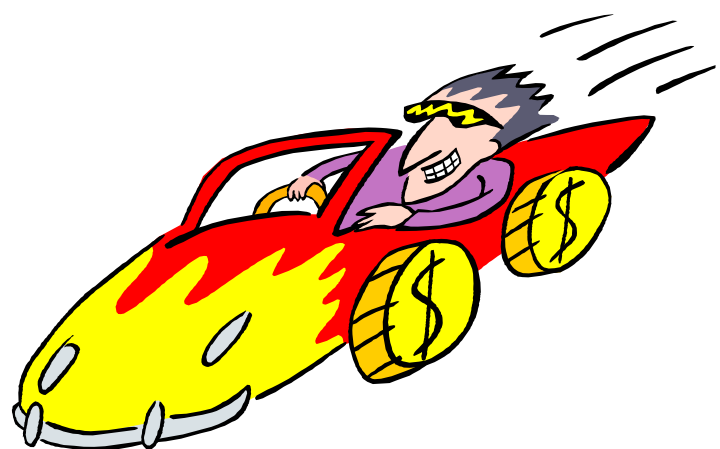
Bill

It's Finally Here!

The Lake Superior Corvette Club web page is now official. Club member Gary Jerry volunteered to develop and maintain the site and has done a fantastic job. You can check out his handiwork at www.lakesuperiorcorvetteclub.org

Along with the club calendar of events, links etc.. there is also a classified ad section. If you have something to sell (and we're talking about automobile related items here - so please don't try and list your used sofa!), submit the ad and photo to Gary at webmaster@lakesuperiorcorvetteclub.org

As always, we are interested in your feedback/suggestions so please let us know if there is anything you would like to see added to the web site.

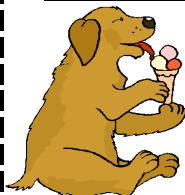


Dinner Runs/LSCC Events —2006 *Specific details of each event will be mailed to the membership*

Date	Event	Location
4-22-06	Spring Social	Wahlstrom's (details coming soon!)
5-20	Spring Fling Road Trip	The Blind Duck Iron Mountain
6-17	Progressive Dinner	Various gracious members homes (volunteers welcome!!)
7-22	Dinner Run	Riverside Pizzeria Iron River
8-26	LSCC Car Show	Lower Harbor
9- 23/24	Fall Tour	Sault Ste. Marie
10 -14	Scavenger Hunt	Marquette Area (Honest. Just the Marquette area!)
12-9	Christmas Party	TBD

Special Events—2006

Date	Event and Location	Contact
May 19-Sept 24	Road America; Elkhart Lake WI Spring Vintage Weekend: May 19-21 June Sprints: June-25 Brian Redman Vintage Race: July-16 ALMS Generac 500: Aug 17-20 Fall Vintage Racing: Sept 15-17 Champ Car World Series; Sept 22-24	Steve Luoma
June 2-3	Kruisin Klassics; Escanaba	Bill Henry
June 16—18	Bloomington Gold	Bill Henry
June 18	Iron River Fathers Day Show; Iron River	Jim Johnson
July 13 - 15	Black Hills Corvette Classic	Jim Anderson
TBD	Bay Cliff "Give the Kids a Ride"	Ann Beauchaine
August 12	Buzz the Gut; Ishpeming	Rob Same
August 25-27	Corvettes at Carlisle	Joe Pepin
August 26	LSCC/Rotary Seafood Fest; Lower Harbor	Gary & Linda Dionne



Show & Shine Sunday Sundaes

7PM; June 4 - August 28

Meet at Presque Isle every Sunday evening, as you can, for ice cream, car talk and if it's really necessary, some exercise.



Why I Had To Have a Vette...

I've been a "car guy" for as long as I can remember. My first car was a '49 Chevy, 2 door fastback, 6 cylinder. I removed the power glide transmission and put in a standard 3 speed on the column, split manifold dual exhaust and spun aluminum hub caps. That was a fun car and would rattle the bank windows on Front Street in Marquette. Gas was \$.30 a gallon so for a buck I could go from my home in Sands to Marquette and cruise the gap and Third all night and return home. I spent one summer cutting pulp wood with my Dad and then purchased a '52 Chev which is the car that I had when I started dating Nancy. During that time I was also racing a '39 Ford Coupe with a Chevy V8 in it at the UP stock car tracks and held the track record in Escanaba for one year. The Chevy's continued with my first fast car which was a '57 2 door hardtop with the 283 power pack and overdrive. The speeding and excessive noise tickets continued but also the car we had when we were married! My first new car was a '66 Chevelle SS396, 360hp and fast!

My first memory of Corvettes was in a '57 Mechanix Illustrated article on the new Corvette, 283ci with 283 hp. This is the first time that a motor equaled one horsepower per cubic inch displacement. After spending two years in the Army during the Vietnam War, we were living in the northern Detroit suburbs and purchased my boyhood dream car, a '72 Ontario Orange 4 speed Corvette. In '76 we moved back to Marquette and started Down Wind Sports. In 1982 we sold the '72 (John Marshall from our club now owns it) to buy a 33' sailboat! What a mistake as we'd love to have that car back today. More years passed and in '94 our partner in our Houghton store told us about a friend of his that had a '63 convertible stored in his garage for a long time. His new young wife wanted a new kitchen so he finally called me and offered to sell me the '63. I did a complete body off restoration and did all of the work myself except the body work and paint which Soapy & Sons completed over a long winter. After paying someone else to do painting, I decided that I needed more experience painting besides my one year at Frei Chevrolet during high school working for Jim's Dad, so I started restoring old motorcycles and the rest is history. Eleven motorcycles later, I'm still practicing! Last year we purchased a '03 anniversary 'vette from club member Bob Raica. What a ride! That's Nancy's 'vette because I'll always be an old school car guy and the '63 is heaven!

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Thanks to **Dennis Henderson** for a great kick-off to the 2006 series of 'Why I Had to Have a 'Vette'. Do **you** have a tale to tell about the great(est) American sports car? Please e--mail it to the editor at [Yandersen@peoplepc.com](mailto:Yandersen@peoplepc.com).

## Other stuff.....

### LSCC Charity of Choice

The Marquette County Humane Society will again be the LSCC's 'charity of choice' for 2006. As you may be aware, the shelter is in dire need of a new facility/ building and is trying to raise funds for this endeavor. While the Club will be making a donation at the end of the year, you can make an individual contribution by saving those annoying little grocery slips from Econo and mailing them directly to the shelter. It may seem like a small thing but these receipts really add up to a lot of pet food, cleaning products etc.. that help keep the shelter going. And aside from the price of a stamp, it doesn't cost you a thing.



### Board Meetings

All LSCC members are always welcome to attend the monthly board meetings. The board meetings are held at various board members homes on the third Wednesday of every month at 7 pm. If you would like to attend a meeting or meetings please contact any board member (applicable numbers can be found on page 4) in order to find out any given months meeting location. The Board meetings these days are *nothing* like the old "Bonanza meetings". Join us sometime and see for yourself!

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And last but not least...it's that time of year again for paying your annual dues to the club. This form can either be mailed to the Membership Director or given to any Board Member. This year we will only be sending out the form one time so please submit your dues promptly so that you will continue to receive the newsletter and be included in all the upcoming events.

**Lake Superior Corvette Club**

**2006 Dues: \$20.00**

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Year/Model/Make:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please send and make checks payable to :

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