

# Michigan

“Where it all began”



Volume 7 Issue 3

## 2016 MI SACC Chapter Event Schedule

**July 9 (Saturday)**

**Spend the day by the lake  
Corvettes at the Summit**

**August 17 (Wednesday)**

**Corvettes on Woodward M1  
Concourse—Pontiac**

**Sept 11**

**MI SACC Caravan ??? to  
SACC National Convention**

**Sept 12-18**

**SACC National Convention  
Effingham, ILL**

**Sept 17 (Saturday)**

**Paragon Open House**

**Oct 1 or 8 (rain date)**

**Color Tour—TBD**

**Dec. 10 (Saturday)**

**Christmas Dinner**

**Special points of interest:**

**2016 DUES were  
due by**

**Dec. 1st. 2015**

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**for renewal**

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# From the President's laptop

April 2016

Just when we thought spring was on the horizon and certainly on our minds, reality set in. Time to pull of the car covers, check the tire pressure and fire up the old chariot. However, the morning of April 9th we had 6 inches of snow overnight. Just in time for our SACC Michigan Chapter Spring Meeting. Reservations had been made for 11:00 AM, Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at The Brookshire Inn Golf Club in Williamston, MI on a clear sunny day over a month prior. Everyone who attended our spring meeting came in their winter beaters. We had more snow than we had for our 2015 Christmas Dinner. Welcome to Michigan!!

Thanks to Danny Dawes for having signed MI SACC up for the Paragon Club rewards program, Paragon awarded SACC Michigan Chapter \$185 in gift certificates. \$25 gift certificates were won by Danny Dawes, Cheryl Lemieux, Kathy Hutchins, Ira Rosenberg, Ron Melaragni, and Bill Huffman. A \$60 gift certificate was won by Ellie Lickfeldt.

Tom Gamache and Kathy Hutchins were reelected to two year terms for vice president and treasurer, respectively. Thank you both for your contribution to our club success.

We have selected the following as our SACC Michigan Chapter events for 2016:

Sat. May 21	Gilmore Museum	Hickory Corners, MI
Sun. June 12	Lunch and Tour	Frankenmuth, MI
Sat. July 9	Corvettes at the Summit	Canton, MI
Wed. Aug 17	Corvettes on Woodward	Pontiac, MI
Sun. Sept 12 – Sun. Sept 18	SACC National Convention	Effingham, IL
Sat. Sept 17	Paragon Open House	Swartz Creek, MI
Sat. Oct 1 or 8 (rain date)	Color Tour	Chelsea to St. Johns, MI
Sat. Dec 10	Christmas Dinner (Karl's Cabin)	Plymouth, MI

Several MI SACC members have already registered for the 2016 SACC National Convention being held in Effingham, IL prior to and in conjunction with Mid-America's FunFest in September. If you have an interest in attending or have question about travel, caravanning, etc; please contact Bill Huffman (swh73@comcast.net) or Tom Gamache (tsgama22@comcast.net). Effingham is short of Hotel rooms, therefore hotel accommodations are at a premium.

**See pages 8 –10 for additional details.**

Registration with SACC National allows access to a block of hotel rooms that are reserved for SACC.

Bill Huffman, Pres.

Michigan Chapter SACC



**Don't forget our website: [www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com](http://www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com)**

# \$700 Craigslist car find worth millions?

By Jerry Garrett

Published May 29, 2016 Hagerty



(Jerry Garrett)

Have you ever looked at a Craigslist car ad and thought, “I wonder if I should take a chance?” Here’s one that was posted on Craigslist in the Tampa Bay area of Florida about five years ago:

”SERIAL # X53L on documented 1953 pre-production Corvette Frame. We believe this to be a 1953 Pontiac prototype that was to assume the name Longoria? Info received to-date indicates that ZAGATO designed and PINNAFARINA constructed the body for GM in late 52.”

The typos and misspelling might have been one clue that the person who wrote the ad did not know much about the car being offered.

“Might anyone have knowledge of some former FISHER BODY executive that could assist in further identifying this automobile?” the ad concluded.

This basket case could have been yours for perhaps \$700. To no one’s surprise, it didn’t sell.

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Here's what that wreck actually was: arguably, the most sought-after Corvette ever built. Today it is very likely worth several million dollars.

It is the storied No. 1 Cunningham Corvette.

Instead of a "documented 1953 pre-production Corvette Frame" this car is a 1960 model that was among three turned into racecars by the sportsman Briggs Cunningham. He raced them at the 24 Hours of Le Mans that year; the cars, marked "1", "2" and "3", took turns leading the race and delighting fans with their thunderous V-8 engines. Numbers 1 and 2 did not finish, but number 3 did, winning its class and a permanent place in Corvette lore.

It was expected the cars would be preserved in a museum collection after the race, but Cunningham turned them back into street-legal cars and they were sold through a Chevy dealer. After that, the cars disappeared for a number of years.

Number 3 was found first, and restored by the late Chip Miller and his son Lance. Number 2 turned up in an Irwindale, CA, junkyard a few years ago; it was eventually acquired and restored by Bruce Meyer, a collector and Petersen Automotive Museum board member. But Number 1 proved elusive until a few years ago, when enthusiasts looking for it discovered the purple beast in the Craigslist ad.

A years-long tug of war over ownership ensued. To make a very long, tortuous story short: The Corvette, now positively identified as the Number 1 Cunningham Corvette, is owned by Gino Burelli, an Indiana car dealer and collector.

Under terms of a 2015 legal agreement, Burelli will commission noted Corvette restorer Kevin Mackay of Valley Stream, N.Y., to bring the car back to its original glory. Mackay earned acclaim for his restoration of Miller's Number 3 Corvette.

The restoration, estimates attorney Bryan Shook, a vintage car legal specialist who helped Mackay through the legal dealings, could take a year and cost more than \$500,000. (As of this writing, the car is in Indiana, in Burelli's possession, awaiting a final payment agreed upon in the legal settlement, Shook said.)

Shook said he expects Burelli will sell the car. "He's shopping it," Shook said. And a price of \$3 million to \$7 million – "possibly more" – is not unlikely, Shook added.

The exact story of where the first Cunningham Corvette was for the half-century it was missing may never be fully known. But it appears that at some point it was intended for use as a drag racer. Its blue-on-white racing livery was replaced by gaudy purple paint, poorly applied. And key components, including the original engine, disappeared.

But Mackay said he has molds and rare spare parts still available from his restoration of Miller's Corvette to finish the job to a very high standard.

When it goes up for sale sometime in the next year or two, don't expect to see it on Craigslist. You missed your chance.



**Greetings to all Michigan SACC members**

**from the 2016 MI SACC Board.**

**“Michigan” is your window on the Club, review the 2016 schedule of events and make your plans. We hope to see a lot of you this 2016 driving season**



# MI SACC 2016 schedule of events:



## MI SACC club Events

- May 21, 2016, "New This Year" The Donald Gilmore Classic Collection featuring pre-war classic from 1896 to 1942



# GILMORE

MI SACC east sidiers will be caravanning to this event. Event coordinator: TBD

**Gilmore Car Museum**, 6865 Hickory Rd, Hickory Corners, Mi.

The Gilmore Car Museum is open May thru Sept. \$10 admission.

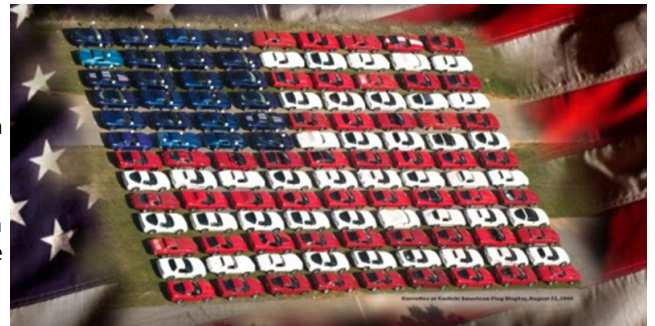
- June 12, 2016 MI SACC Lunch, Browse and tour at and around Frankenmuth. Cheryl Lemieux will be coordinating this event. More info later.
- July 9, 2016 Heritage Park, Canton, MI 11<sup>th</sup> Annual, **Corvettes at the Summit** The most beautiful Corvette Show in Michigan



Tom Gamache will be the Event coordinator and as in the past, MI SACC members are to meet at his home for coffee and donuts

Pre-registration required See pages 6 & 7

- August 17, 2016 **Corvettes on Woodward**  
Corvettes will be assembling at **M1Concourse** in Pontiac.  
Tom and Suzanne Gamache and Dave and Sue Ruby have registered to be a part of the "Corvette" Flag  
See pages 11-13 for more information
- Sept 12-15, 2016 - **SACC National Convention**, Effingham, Ill  
Plenty of activities, Convention immediately precedes Mid-America Motorworks FunFest in Effingham.  
Should be a fun Corvette filled week.. See page 8 -10.
- Sept. 17, 2016, **Paragon Corvette Reproductions** in Swartz Creek, MI hosts a Fall Open House including beverages, lunch & T-shirt. Always a good time to pick spare parts at a reasonable price. More info to follow.
- October 1 or 8 (rain date) **Fall Color Tour**- TBD Information later



## NON-MI SACC events of interest

- May 15 2016 10:00 am, Corvette Club of Battle Creek hosts **non-MI SACC event** Annual **Corvettes Only Car Show** at Cornwell's Turkeyville.  
Pre-registration is preferred—\$15 before April 18th , \$20 after April 18th. Register at [www.corvettebc.com/events](http://www.corvettebc.com/events)
- Sunday, July 31, 2016, **non-MI SACC event** **Concours d'Elegance of America** will be held at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth, MI 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. This past year several of us caravanned with the Michigan NCRS chapter with premium and convenient parking on site. Info to follow.
- August 13, 2016, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm Rain or Shine - **non-MI SACC event** Corvette America hosts a huge **Corvette Show & Swap**- meet with dozens of early cars whose owners are not SACC members but could be. This year the meet will be held at Sellers Bowman Auto Center, Clarkson, Michigan. Pre-registration recommended—online or by mail see [www.corvettesamerica.org/Corvettes\\_America/corvettes.html](http://www.corvettesamerica.org/Corvettes_America/corvettes.html)
- August 20, 2016; **Woodward DreamCruise**, **non-MI SACC event** Woodward Avenue from Pontiac to Berkley. For those interested NCRS in the past has arranged for parking adjacent to Woodward in Birmingham for Friday, Saturday and Sunday and has extended the invitation to Michigan SACC members.
- Sept. 9-11 **Frankenmuth Auto Fest** 2016 (Oldies Fest) <http://www.frankenmuthautofest.net>.

### The AutoFest is a non-MI SACC event

Over 60 German Steins will be awarded by category from fellow car enthusiasts (NOT JUDGED)  
Dash plaques for the first 2000 entries

Car Jackets given to top 25 picks

Show Cars must be 1978 and older to register for the Frankenmuth Auto Fest

Show Car entry \$25.00 CASH at the Schaefer & Bierlein Chrysler

See Link to **My Classic Car** > [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT\\_tybpPyRk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT_tybpPyRk)



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- July 9, 2016 Heritage Park, Canton, MI 11<sup>th</sup> Annual, **Corvettes at the Summit**

- The most beautiful Corvette Show in Michigan  
Tom Gamache will be the Event coordinator and as in the past MI SACC are to meet at his home for coffee and donuts

Pre-registration required See below and page 6



JULY 9, 2016 CORVETTES AT THE SUMMIT

HERITAGE PARK, CANTON, MI

**MI SACC Caravan planned**

**Tom Gamache to coordinate**

Tom & Sue Gamache have once again have invited us to meet at their home at 45451 Augusta Dr., Canton, MI prior to caravanning to the show. We leave for the show at approx. 9:45 AM. For those of you who haven't been there before, Summit Park is a beautiful spot to kick back and enjoy a day of nice cars, good friends, great weather and contribute to a worthy cause.

Visit [www.corvettesatthesummit.com](http://www.corvettesatthesummit.com) for registration and event information.

Each participant must pre-register – fee \$25.00 **register ASAP**

In addition, please RSVP to Tom by July 1 at [tsgama11@wowway.com](mailto:tsgama11@wowway.com) to qualify for donuts.....



**Saturday July 9th, 2016**  
**Heritage Park, Canton, MI**  
Canton Center Rd., south of Cherry Hill Rd.  
1 1/2 miles north of Michigan Ave.



# REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

(Your email address will only be used for show information)

## ENTER YOUR CLASS HERE. ALL CORVETTES JUDGED "OPEN HOOD"

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 1 C1 1953 - 1962 | <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 4 C3 1974 -1982 | <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 7 C5 1997 - 2004 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 2 C2 1963 - 1967 | <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 5 C4 1984 -1990 | <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 8 C6 2005 -2013  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 3 C3 1968 - 1973 | <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 6 C4 1991 -1996 | <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS 9 C7 2014 -2015  |

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ / Color: \_\_\_\_\_

- Pre-Registration (before July 1) \$25 ea.
- After July 1 (or at the show) \$30 ea.

**Make all checks payable in U.S. funds to: Corvette Legends Club**

Please mail this entry to: Corvettes at the Summit, P.O. Box 87858 Canton, MI 48187.

Questions? Call Jim Rees at 734.673.4291 or jrees1957@yahoo.com

**IMPORTANT!** Whether you pre-register or register the day of the event...  
you **MUST CHECK IN** at the registration table **NO LATER THAN 10AM** to be judged.



Don't miss "The Corvette Show of Shows"... the **Motor City Corvette Concours**  
at Les Stanford Chevrolet [www.motorcitycorvetteconcours.com](http://www.motorcitycorvetteconcours.com)

- Registration opens 8am
- Award presentation 3pm

For more information please visit: [www.corvettesatthesummit.com](http://www.corvettesatthesummit.com)





# NOW FOR THOSE INTERESTED

By Mary Rae Brockhouse—Great Rivers Chapter

## SACC NATIONAL CONVENTION PLANS:

Hotel Rooms: Since this is very important, we will cover it first! Corvette Funfest is big, and Effingham is not a mega-city. Hotel rooms are not easy to come by. We have secured 3 blocks of rooms in 3 hotels. The main hotel has 40 rooms, the second one has 10 rooms and the 3<sup>rd</sup> has 5 rooms blocked just for SACC. I believe we will be just fine if everyone does not try to bring a Corvette friend who does not belong to SACC. Once you have returned your SACC Registration form to Mary Rae Brockhouse, you will be personally contacted by one hotel to make your room registration within a few days. The hotels are within 1 block of each other and are comparable. You must provide your cell phone# and your email address. This information will ONLY be used by the hotels to contact you for this registration. You will be asked for a credit card number to hold your room. If you prefer a suite, please write that on your registration form and I will have that hotel contact you, if that block is not used. All 3 hotels are

very nice and very clean! There are no bargains. The first hotel is \$159.00 plus tax per night, the 2<sup>nd</sup> hotel is \$169.00 plus tax for a regular room and \$189.00 per night for a suite. The 3<sup>rd</sup> hotel is \$160.00 per night. WE LOOSE OUR BLOCKS OF ROOMS ON AUGUST 12, 2016. We have no control after that date. The registration form will be printed in our magazine and available online at [www.solidaxle.org](http://www.solidaxle.org) in January. The dates are firm, so you can begin making your plans.

**Sunday Sept. 11 MI SACC Caravan to SACC National. Caravan to depart 11:00 am and arrive by 5-6:00 pm. Only one "PIT" Stop???**  
**If interested contact Tom Gamache (tsgama22@comcast.net).**

Monday, September 12, 2016, Board Meeting at 9 AM, at 2:00 PM, the Board will meet with Chapter Reps. Approximately 5 PM we will convoy to the Yager Home for our Welcome Party.

Tuesday, September 13, 2016. A motor coach will pick us up at the ho-

tels and take us to St Louis to see the City, followed by dinner and a show at an iconic venue and return to the hotel. There will be plenty of time to rest, visit and eat! More later as our plans become more solid. At the present time all the plans are not solidified for this excursion, consequently, the cost may change.

Wednesday, September 14, 2016. Special SACC workshops and special workshops with the women in mind! Solid Axle Corvette Club Annual Banquet at 6 PM with Guest speaker, at the Mid America Campus.

Thursday starts FUNFEST. The Funfest Road Tour is late afternoon and you must sign up for this with Funfest registration. I strongly suggest that you register for Funfest fairly quickly. Just call 866-309-6459. (This will be the only driving road tour for SACC.)

The weekend is Funfest and it is tops. You will be on your own to experience the fun and hospitality of the Mid America Motorworks Funfest

## Registration for 2016 SACC National Convention pages 9 &10

## 1954 Corvair Re-Creation Motorama Car at 2015 FunFest



General Motors Motorama shows were the pinnacle of the automotive hobby, where prototype and concept vehicles were unveiled to crowds of enthusiasts. One such vehicle, a 1954 Corvair Re-Creation Motorama Car, was on display at Corvette Funfest 2015! Attendees took a step back in time to the original Motorama shows all weekend with this replica. Motorama showcar. Indiana native Mike Terry purchased a 1954 barn find from New Jersey with intentions to recreate the stunning looks and style of the Motorama car. He

enlisted the help of Brett Henderson and Blue Flame Restorations to bring his vision to life and unveiled the results at the 2015 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance. The 1954 Corvair Re-Creation Motorama Car features the same aircraft-inspired roof and European styling of the original. Four years of restoring, fabricating and upgrading virtually every inch of this Corvette successfully created a faithful re-creation of the Corvette Corvair Motorama car. See it in person at Corvette Funfest 2015!

# 2016 SACC National Convention Registration Form

## September 12-15, 2016

### (Corvette FunFest begins September 15-17, 2016)

NAMES \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

SACC MEMBERSHIP NUMBER and CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU A CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVE? \_\_\_\_YES/NO

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_

We have secured a block of rooms for SACC in 3 separate hotels. You MUST be a member of SACC and you must pay registration and attend the SACC National, to qualify for room assignment. If any of our rooms are assigned to a non-member, the registration will not be honored! I will provide the hotel with the list of members who may register for rooms. YOU WILL RECEIVE A CALL OR EMAIL FROM THE HOTEL TO MAKE YOUR ROOM RESERVATIONS. YOUR CELL PHONE AND EMAIL WILL BE GIVEN TO THE HOTEL SO THAT THEY CAN CONTACT YOU TO FINALIZE YOUR RESERVATION. This information will only be used only for reservations! This is done so that rooms for SACC can be provided as there is very limited hotel space available in Effingham, Illinois. The room rate is \$159.00 PLUS TAX. ONLY 2 QUEEN bedrooms are available in the contract. The main hotel has been refurbished in the last 2 years and is very comfortable and clean. It is located near Corvette Funfest. The other hotels are equally nice and very near. Completed registration form AND PAYMENT must be received by August 1, 2016. However, once our block of rooms is exhausted, we cannot guarantee room availability! ONLY 1 ROOM PER REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE DURING FUNFEST.

REGISTRATION FEE (individual or family) \_\_\_\_\_ **\$80.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**ONSIGHT REGISTRATION FEE OR AFTER AUGUST 1, 2016** \_\_\_\_\_ **ADD \$20.00** \_\_\_\_\_

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016 **BOARD MEETING** 9:00 AM AT THE HOTEL \_\_\_\_\_

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016 **CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES MEET** THE BOARD AT THE HOTEL AT 2:00

MONDAY EVENING AT 5 PM, **MR. AND MRS MIKE YAGER, OWNERS OF MID AMERICA MOTORWORKS, WILL HOST A WELCOME PARTY AT THEIR HOME, at BOW TIE POOL AND BACK YARD, FOR REGISTERED SACC MEMBERS AND FAMILY** \_\_\_\_\_ **(NUMBER ATTENDING)** \_\_\_\_\_

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016: **DAY AND EVENING BUS TRIP TO ST. LOUIS.** (THIS FEE WILL INCLUDE ADMISSION TO THE GATEWAY ARCH, BUDWEISER BREWERY, CARDINAL VILLAGE, TOUR OF LANDMARKS, DINNER, AND ADMISSION TO A SHOW AT THE FAMED FOX THEATER OR OTHER VENUE, DEPENDING ON PERFORMANCE SCHEDULES, IN DOWNTOWN ST.LOUIS.) (LUNCH WILL BE ON YOUR OWN AT CARDINAL VILLAGE). A COMFORTABLE AIR CONDITIONED MOTOR COACH WILL PICK US UP AT THE HOTEL AND RETURN AFTER THE SHOW.

This trip will give you an idea of all the great things St. Louis and includes some of the most iconic venues in ST. Louis. There will be restrooms and rest time. Best of all we spending time with our C1 Corvette friends!

\_\_\_\_\_ **Number attending @ \$180.00 each** \_\_\_\_\_ . **(Subject to change)** \_\_\_\_\_

Registration for 2016 SACC Convention (continued)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016:

Special SACC workshops and a Special treat for the ladies:

Lunch at the HOTEL: # attending\_\_\_\_\_ at \$25.00 each\_\_\_\_\_

SOLID AXLE CORVETTE CLUB ANNUAL BANQUET at 6 PM WITH A SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

followed by ANNUAL MEETING. \$55.00 EACH # ATTENDING\_\_\_\_TOTAL\_\_\_\_\_

(You may attend the annual meeting, after the banquet at no charge.)

Thursday, September 15, 2016

**Funfest starts!** Men may attend workshops at Funfest.

**REMEMBER THE MID AMERICA FUNFEST ROAD TOUR. (SACC MEMBERS SHOULD SIGN UP ASAP**

**AS ONLY THE FIRST 100 CORVETTES WILL RECEIVE THIS HONOR)**

This will be the only road tour offered this year.

*Ladies will spend the day together at Funfest. We will have our own tent, chairs and refreshments with*

*plenty of time to visit and other fun activities! Activity Suggestions WELCOMED!*

DO NOT MISS THE AWSOME CONCERT AND DINNER ON THE GROUNDS OF MID AMERICA ON SATURDAY EVENING. Be sure to make your arrangements when you register for Funfest.

Call 866-309-6459 for Funfest Registration. Please indicate you want CLUB REGISTRATION

MEN'S EVENT T SHIRTS\_\_\_\_\_ Small\_\_\_\_\_ MEDIUM\_\_\_\_\_ LARGE\_\_\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00\_\_\_\_\_

XXL\_\_\_\_\_ @\$25.00 EACH.\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00\_\_\_\_\_

LADIES ROUND NECK EVENT T SHIRTS \_\_\_\_\_ SM \_\_\_\_\_ MED \_\_\_\_\_ LG \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00\_\_\_\_\_

LADIES SHIRTS WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE IF PREORDERED, add \$5.00 if unable to attend and it will be mailed.

**Total for all functions and shirts\_\_\_\_\_**

Send to **Great River Chapter SACC, MARY RAE BROCKHOUSE, 215 CEDAR DRIVE, CHAPIN, ILLINOIS, 62628**  
**NO CREDIT CARDS CAN BE ACCEPTED. PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH ONLY.**

**Questions: Mary Rae Brockhouse 217-472-3222.** Be sure to register for Funfest by calling 866-309-6459 and indicate you want the CLUB Registration. To do it online is very complicated. I also recommend signing up for the Saturday night meal before the Concert.

Sorry, no refunds will be made for cancellations occurring after August 1, 2016.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: I agree to insure my vehicles and property against loss, damage and liability and to provide proof of such insurance to SACC. I agree to assume the risk of any and all damages or acts or omissions, which may result in the theft, damage or destruction of my property or injury to me or to others occurring during or as a consequence of this convention wherever located.

Signed\_\_\_\_\_ DATE\_\_\_\_\_

**Camping is available within 3 miles of the host hotel and Funfest at Camp Lakewood, 1217 Rickelman, Effingham, Illinois 217-342-6233.**

**Make your own arrangements.**

**Be sure to tuck in your lawn chairs and get ready for a fun and relaxed show! See you at Funfest 2016! You will need them for the concert.**

**Great Rivers Chapter of SACC**

# Corvettes on Woodward

I am running a little late this year with information about **Corvettes in the D** and **Corvettes on Woodward**.

First, I had to cancel this year's **Corvettes in the D**. The City of Detroit moved its' River Daze to the same weekend and I lost my parking lots. I decided to cancel this year and start over later.

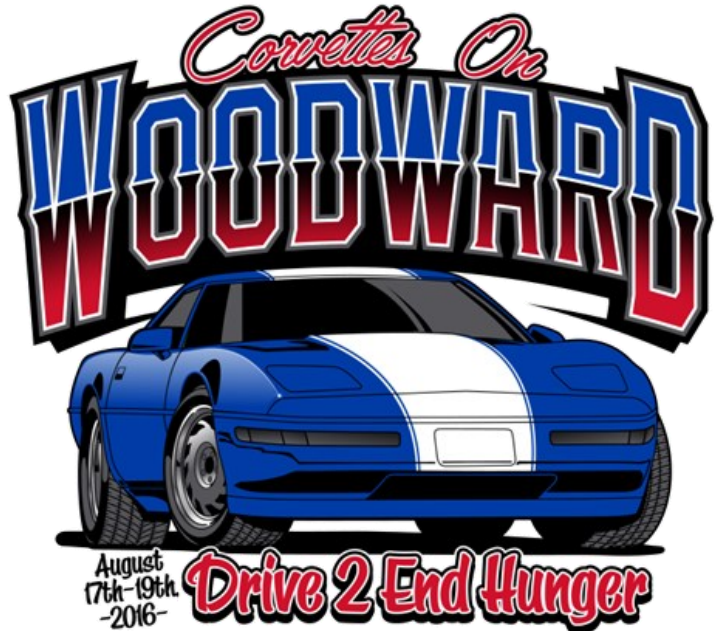
**Corvettes on Woodward**. Please read the pages 12 and 13 for complete details. There will be more updates coming soon. The important message is that Corvettes on Woodward is moving about three miles north on Woodward. We will no longer be at the Kingsley Hotel.

The new home is the **M1Concourse**. I will have plenty of room, up to 1000 Corvettes. There will be more details coming in the next couple of months.

With this much room I will be able to make the American Flag with Corvettes. See page 12.

I need 51 RED, 42 WHITE and 20 BLUE Corvettes.

↑ ↑  
Tom and Suzanne Gamache White 1954 Corvette  
Dave and Sue Ruby Venetian Red 1957 Corvette



MI SACC members have responded....

**We would encourage other MI SACC members to be a part of this great display..**

If you would like to be part of this display please email me at [VJNLCSVETTE@AOL.COM](mailto:VJNLCSVETTE@AOL.COM) and give your name, phone number and color of your Corvette.

We will continue to support the Open Hands Food Pantry.

Also attached is the design for this year's T-shirt

Larry Courtney 586-876-6923 cell 586-218-8616 home  
Corvette Event Organizer  
Corvettes on Woodward August 2016  
NCM Ambassador  
2019 Michigan/Indiana/Western Kentucky Captain NCM National Caravan

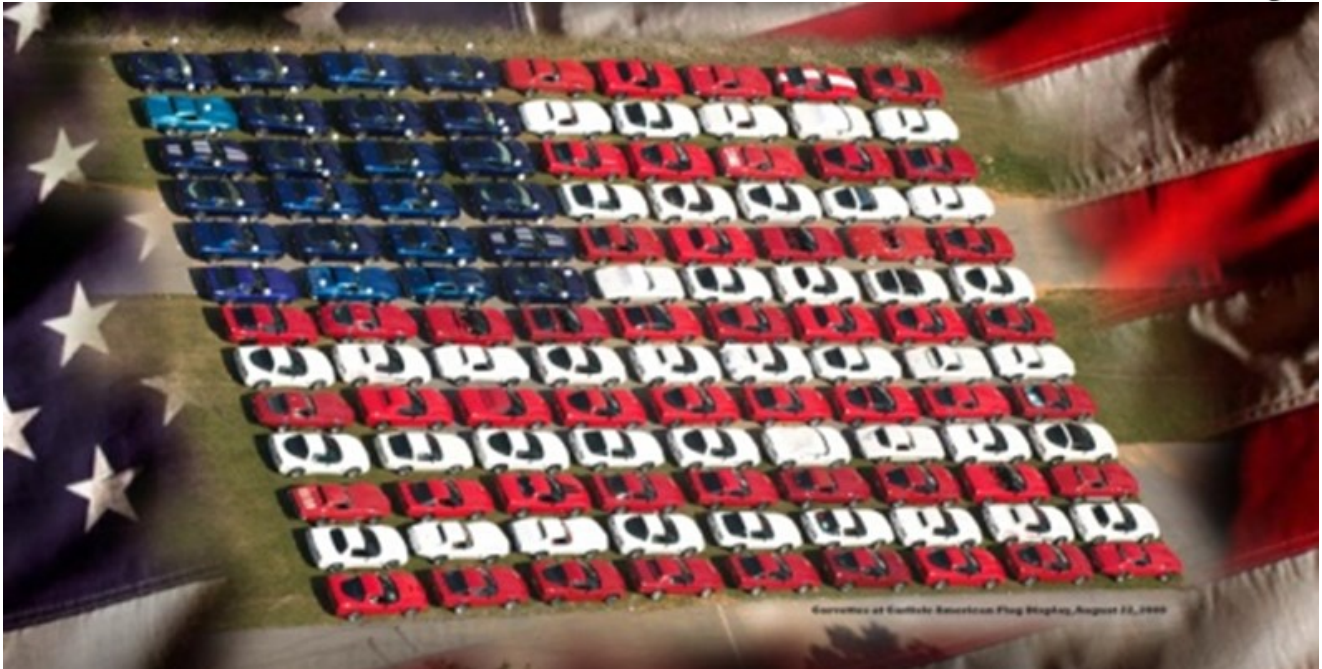
# Corvettes on Woodward

Corvettes on Woodward will continue to support the **Open Hands Food Pantry** and we may consider additional local charities to help. Please remember to bring your Food Donation and a \$10 donation.

All proceeds go to the **Open Hands Food Pantry**.

There will be a **CORVETTE GENERATIONS DISPLAY** and a Souvenir Book again this year. Display Corvettes will be chosen in June. You will be receiving details of tours and addresses for the three day event in future emails.

Additionally, we plan to do an American Flag formation of cars for a great media opportunity and aerial photo. If you own a Red, White or Blue Corvette make sure I have your contact information so we can contact you in advance.



Verna and I are really excited about this move and look forward to seeing you there. So, tell all of your Corvette friends that this year is going to be bigger and better.

This is turning out to be a year of changes. If you are on Facebook or the Corvette Forum or read the Corvette Blogger you know that **CORVETTES IN THE "D", Vettes for Vets is cancelled**. I need to find a new location and possibly a different weekend. I will be writing to all of you at a later date about that.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

**Larry Courtney**  
586-876-6923 cell  
586-218-8616 home  
Corvette Event Organizer  
[vjnlcsvette@aol.com](mailto:vjnlcsvette@aol.com)

# Corvettes on Woodward

March, 2016

Dear Corvette Friends,

I hope this note finds you doing well and gearing up for another great season of cruising in our Corvettes. Many of you have asked what our plans are for **CORVETTES on WOODWARD** this year. After many years at the Kingsley Inn, I am very excited to announce that our beginning event (on Wednesday August 17, 2016) will be moving a few miles up the road to **M1 Concourse** in Pontiac ([www.m1concourse.com](http://www.m1concourse.com)). In case you have not heard about **M1 Concourse**, it is an 87 acre playground for auto enthusiasts right on Woodward that includes a secure community of 250+ Private Garages and a state of the art 1.5 mile Performance Track with its own private Motorsports Club. The property was formerly a General Motors factory for 100 years!

**M1 Concourse** is going to be the largest facility of its kind in the world and they have already sold over 125 of the Private Garages. This will be the place to be during Dream Cruise. The owners have welcomed us with open arms and the facility can accommodate many more Corvettes than we have ever had before. Plus, they have a big tent to provide shade and food will be available. The coolest part is we will all have the opportunity to drive on the 1.5 mile Champion Motor Speedway on the way out of the facility in the evening. We will also drive the loop around downtown Pontiac with a police escort.



**Welcome to the Michigan Chapter  
SOLID AXLE CORVETTE CLUB**



**Michigan Chapter SACC Membership or Renewal Application - 2016 New\_\_\_ Renewal\_\_\_**

Michigan Chapter Membership requires membership in the National SACC organization.

For record keeping: MI SACC collects both National and Chapter dues and submits your National dues to SACC National.

	1 year	3 years
2016 Michigan Chapter SACC dues @ \$15.00 a year:	\$15.00.	\$40.00
Michigan Chapter SACC windshield decals: ___ decals @ \$5.00 each:	_____	_____
National SACC yearly dues, renewable December 1st :	\$35.00 *	\$100.00*
Total :	_____	_____

\*SACC National and MI SACC offer one year or three year dues options.

Chapter dues include our quarterly Chapter Newsletter "Michigan"

National Membership includes the quarterly magazine "On Solid Ground"

SACC National publishes an annual membership & roadside assistance roster. The roster contains names, phone numbers, city & state, but no street address. It also has a field to indicate that you are willing to help if a traveling SACC member needs roadside assistance in your area.

If you do not want your name listed in the roster initial here: \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not want to participate in the road side assistance program initial here: \_\_\_\_\_

**FAILURE TO INITIAL ABOVE INDICATES YOUR PERMISSION TO BE LISTED IN THE ROSTER.**

If you are a new member: SACC National will send you a National membership number separately.

If you are an existing National member please insert your National membership # \_\_\_\_\_

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Please make checks payable to: MI SACC and mail to: **Kathy Hutchins**  
**MI SACC Treasurer**  
**9417 N Rich Rd**  
**Alma, MI 48801**

Questions: (989) 463-1512 , kjhh41@hotmail.com or MI\_SACC@yahoo.com

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Corvettes presently owned - please include the VIN # for all C-1's

I will enjoy participating in these club activities: Driving tours\_\_\_ Get away weekends \_\_\_  
 Museum tours \_\_\_ Historic site/shop tours \_\_\_ Car Shows \_\_\_ Tech sessions \_\_\_ Race events\_\_\_  
 Newsletter Contributions \_\_\_ Tour/Event Planning \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Suggestions for events or cruise \_\_\_\_\_

I would be interesting of chairing an event or gathering. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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# Solid Axle Corvette Club

The Solid Axle Corvette Club is for enthusiasts who drive and show America's first sports car., our beloved C1's. The Solid Axle Corvette Club invites you to share our enthusiasm and dedication to the Solid Axle Corvettes, and to enjoy the fellowship of our members.

SACC is the initials of the Solid Axle Corvette Club. So, just what is a solid axle Corvette? The rear axle housing on all 1953 to 1962 Corvettes was a one-piece shell. The rear differential (rear gears) and the axles were mounted within this rear axle housing. (The rear axle housing is sometimes called a solid [or straight] axle housing.)

Beginning with the 1963 model year, Corvettes had an independent rear suspension (IRS). The rear differential is built into the center housing: universal joints and short shafts (called jack shafts) transfer power to the rear wheels. Each rear wheel reacts independently to the road surface, and has earned the nickname "rubber axle".

The Solid Axle Corvette Club (SACC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, care, history, and enjoyment of the 1953 to 1962 Corvettes. Ours is a family oriented club with membership covering all members of your family. You do not need to own a Corvette to join.

## Road Rules

The *Michigan* is the quarterly newsletter for the Michigan Chapter of the Solid Axle Corvette Club and is published four times yearly (Spring, Summer, Fall & Winter). It is published in PDF format, e-mailed to members in good standing.

Membership in the Michigan Chapter is open **only** to members of the parent organization, the Solid Axle Corvette Club. The Solid Axle Corvette Club is a non-profit organization, serving members with an interest in 1953—1962 model year Corvettes. Ownership of a Solid Axle or any Corvette is not necessary to become a member of the organization.

The newsletter provides a forum for members to communicate with other members. As a result, the newsletter will often contain member opinions. Those opinions should not be construed as an endorsement by Michigan SACC or the parent organization, SACC.

**Direct National SACC Membership questions to:**

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**Michigan membership dues, inquiries and corrections to the address list should be directed to the Treasurer:**

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Membership renewal and application form on previous page.

**Please submit articles for publication to the editor.** Generally, articles for publication should follow the broad theme of anything of interest to the Solid Axle Corvette community". Suggested items for publication would include how-to articles, parts information, performance issues, scheduled events, restoration or repair information, and personal stories.

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