



# Vette Ventures

The Newsletter of the **Corvettes of the Bay** Car Club

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## The Winning Tradition...

Corvette, the car we all love, has been breaking records and setting the bar of excellence for 70 years. Looks like our club is living up to our namesake, because as of our August meeting, Corvettes of the Bay now has 239 members, which is easily the most members we have ever had.

We had many things to cover at the meeting like the diverse outings we experienced over the past month. Members shared the joy of Vette ownership at two different senior centers. Iconic destinations were visited like Lambeau Field, and far away lands like The Land of Oz Museum were (re) discovered.

The future holds car cruises to places including Algoma Shanty Days, Cedar Crest Ice Cream, and Berg's Landing. There are some significant car shows associated with COTB like the Gandrud show on August 6 and the St. Agnes Car Hop Church Festival & Car Show on August 7, just to name a few.

We are blessed to have a carefully orchestrated Summer Party being served up by Tony & Sally on August 27, and that's not all for big events. Luann Poll announced preliminary details and distributed a questionnaire regarding an October Fall Run. I believe this will be the first club sanctioned overnight run to take place since 2019! Deb VandenAvond announced the Christmas party for January 6, 2023, at the Riverside Ballroom with a prediction of no snow and lots of legendary chicken. You won't want to miss any of these events!

The line-up for our Automobile Gallery display is really shaping up. Gene Wagner's '74 was driven back home with those beautiful side pipes rumbling all the way, and Dave Riebe's sexy supermodel of a '67 went on display August 1. I was told it would serve as the backdrop to a wedding that is booked at the Gallery this month. I hope the groom doesn't stare at Dave's Vette for too long! Greg Rohde let me know that he completed a multi-year restoration on his very unique '62. This fuel injected, heavy-duty brake/suspension car will be a treat to see at the Gallery during the waning months of 2022. Please let me know if you have an interest in displaying your Corvette at the Gallery.

Looking ahead to our next meeting on September 6, we'll start talking about nominations for elections and for the 2022 member of the year.

Thank you for being a member during this historic year. We are shaping up nicely as we head closer to another milestone, our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024. How will we celebrate? Hopefully in many ways!

**...Inspires more winning!**

*Dan Terrien*

# Corvettes of the Bay Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2022

**Call to Order:** President Dan Terrien called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at The Village Grille, Bellevue, WI with 95 members in attendance.

**Approval of July Minutes as posted:** President Dan called for a motion to approve the minutes as posted in the newsletter. Motion was made by Vicki Blahnik and seconded by Guy Ringle.

On behalf of the club, we would like to offer our condolences to Cathy Strom on the passing of her husband, Paul. A card and contribution from the Sunshine fund was sent.

**Treasurer's Report:** Diane Lyman reported the status of the club's assets, membership is currently 231 paid members and 4 honorary members. President Dan called for a motion to approve treasurer's report, motion was made by Terry Villiesse and seconded by Tom Harrison, motion approved.

**Scrip Program:** Diane reported that for the month of July we sold \$500.00 worth of Shell gas cards and \$150.00 worth of Kwik Trip car wash cards. The gas cards are accepted at all Shell Gas stations in WI and Upper Michigan.

**New Members:** Returning past members Pat & Rhonda Seidl - 2014 Convertible. New members Keith Dahlke/Cheryl Amenson - '79 Blue Stingray, and Pete Bilski - 2009 Gray Coupe. We welcome you all to the club.

Remember all new and current members can get their pictures taken for the club roster. Cathy Harrison always takes them after the meeting. We are also going to be sending out our newsletters from our main gmail in hopes less people will get them in their spam folder.

## Summary of Past Runs and Events:

July 13 - Rennes Assisted Living residents got a treat in seeing 9 Corvettes show up and offer them rides. Dan Brunmeier was the leader of this great endeavor.

July 20 - Luann & John Poll took a group of 27 cars to Sweet Mama's in Krakow, then to New Care Senior Facility in Crivitz where residents were thrilled to see them. On to The Land of Oz Museum in Wausaukee where, even if you knew a hoarder, this place would put them to shame. Just across from there, the Ice Cream Station was the last place to finish out the day. Luann gave out treat bags at the start of the run and made sure Prez Dan got one at this meeting.

July 26 - Mark and Bev Hendricks took 13 Corvettes on a run to The Marq where it was Taco Tuesday for great Tacos. Again, everyone had great fun.

July 28 - Kathy & Tony Yaggie had 9 Vettes enjoy a great day at the Lambeau Field tour and Hall of Fame and then just a short trip to Drift Inn for some great burgers. Everyone had a great time.

## Upcoming Runs and Events:

August 4 - Dinner Run to Brother's Pub in Shawano by Dave & Betty Byrnes, contact 920-621-2214.

August 7 - St. Agnes Church Car Show will be hosting lots of different cars.

August 13 - Algoma Shanty Days Car Cruise by Marty and Sherry LaFond, contact 920-255-0478

August 17 - Cedar Crest Ice Cream Run by Sally & Rick Northrop, contact is 920-660-4793.

August 21 - The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Drive to End Alzheimer's Car Cruise and Luncheon. New member Pete Bilski brought this up at the meeting. You can go to the website <https://theautomobilegallery.org/events/> and get all the information about this great program. Sign up by August 12.

Summer Party!!!! August 27 by Tony & Sally Steffen, going to Primal Eats – you must sign up no later than August 10. \$5 per member, \$10 for a guest of a single member. It will be buffet style with sides. A run is planned to get there, contact Sally or Tony Steffen 920-660-8053.

September 8 - Ken and Diane Lyman are planning a run to include lunch at Roadside Bar & Grill in Plymouth and ice cream at Gessert's in Elkhart Lake.

September 9-11 - Chula Vista is hosting Road Tours, visit website [FallCorvetteAdventures.com](http://FallCorvetteAdventures.com)

September 15 - Dinner run to Berg's Landing in Menominee by Keith & Linda Bauer.

October - Luann Poll is planning a Fall Run. She handed out surveys to see what dates would work out for most, and if you are interested in this survey, please contact Luann at [lupoll1955@gmail.com](mailto:lupoll1955@gmail.com).

Activities Director Kristin Kolkowski of Emerald Bay Assisted Living in Hobart asked if we can do a stop by with our Corvettes and show them to the residents. If someone is interested in taking this on, please contact her at 920-373-4412.

## Next Year's Plans:

Now is the time to be thinking about the Christmas Party!!! It will be held on Friday night, January 6.

In May, Mark Nemetz is looking into having a Road America Sunset Cruise just for Corvettes, and the suggestion is to invite other Corvette clubs to join as well. More information to come.

Please everyone look at our website because all information will be there...Events, Community Calendar, Monthly Newsletters, even our roster with current club members (with smiley pictures). This will cover all information and Deb VandenAvond sends out emails with all the information included also.

**Corvette News:** Big news...Don VandenAvond finally got his Corvette 2023 convertible red mist and he has only put 400 miles on it. Safe travels Don and to everyone else!!

**Adjournment** was at 7:51 pm, President Dan asked for motion, motion made by Dan Brunmeier and seconded by Dan Linssen.

Elizabeth Kelling

Corvettes of the Bay Secretary

## Corvettes of the Bay “Community Connection”



**Written by guest columnist**

Jim Frey, Car Guy Garage, Inc.

Hi, I'm Jim, and I have a car problem. Okay, not an actual problem with a specific car, but that I always seem to have cars on my mind. I've had this problem for as long as I can remember. It's great to be welcomed by Dan to chat with a bunch of guys who have the same problem. Thanks Dan!

It all started when I was a kid riding my bike through my Chicago neighborhood. I spotted an old mini-bike frame on the side of a garage buried in a bunch of weeds. I rang the doorbell and exchanged some hard earned grass cutting funds for the old frame. A few days later I was able to get an old Tecumseh snowblower engine from another neighbor. And with another bike ride to the local bicycle shop, I was able to get a centrifugal clutch, chain, and throttle cable (back in the day when the local Schwinn bicycle shop carried mini-bike parts.)

I spent a bunch of time sanding the rust off that frame. I knew it had good bones! Once I got down to bare steel, I went to the local auto body shop and asked if they could paint it. I got lucky since they were about to paint a black Corvette. The guys at the shop said to bring in the mini-bike ASAP, and they'll spray it with the same Corvette black when they spray the car. I was on cloud nine when I got the gloss black frame back!

I doubt you remember me from my neighborhood famed Corvette black mini-bike, but you may have heard of a company I started many years later in 2006 called Car Guy Garage. If you haven't, I invite you to check us out at [CarGuyGarage.com](http://CarGuyGarage.com)

Car Guy Garage started a few years after I graduated college with a degree in Computer Science. I was at my second job out of school working for a small online based home theater company. I realized the parallels between guys doing home theaters in their basement, and guys like us who like to hang out in garages. But at the time no one was catering to outfitting garages to make them into cool places to hang out. So I quit my job, and I started Car Guy Garage.

Today [CarGuyGarage.com](http://CarGuyGarage.com) has over 10,000 products ranging from custom aluminum cabinets made in Wisconsin, to Corvette neon lights, epoxy flooring, and all the way to a toilet paper holder shaped like a Chevy exhaust header. We try to offer everything a car guy would want to make their garage another room in their house.

Thanks for the opportunity to share my passion with fellow car guys up north. If you ever need anything for your garage, you can always call 800-736-9308 and ask for Jim. If there's anything we can all agree upon it's... Go Bears! — hey no, it's a joke, Dan stop kicking me...

Jim Frey

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*The Community Connection column is new in 2022 and is meant to highlight partnerships and various ways that Corvettes of the Bay connects to, and is part of, Northeastern Wisconsin and the greater automotive community. Please submit ideas for guest columnists to Dan Terrien at [terrL28@yahoo.com](mailto:terrdL28@yahoo.com).*



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You get out of your club what you put into it.

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KEITH AND LINDA BAUER (AUG 5)  
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JIM AND PAULA PYLE (AUG 20)  
ROGER AND MARY TANK (AUG 22)  
JIM AND SUE WOEPSE (AUG 25)

**ENJOY YOUR DAY !!**

### MONTHLY DINNER RUN LEADERS 2022

August 4 Dave & Betty Byrnes  
September 15 Keith & Linda Bauer  
October open  
November open  
December open

### SEASONAL ICE CREAM RUN LEADERS

August 17 Rick & Sally Northrop  
September 8 Ken & Diane Lyman  
October open

### ADDITIONAL RUNS

Aug 13 Algoma Shanty Days Marty & Sherry LaFond  
Aug 27 Summer Party Tony & Sally Steffen  
Oct Fall Run Luann & John Poll  
Chicken Run open  
Christmas Party Jan 6, 2023 Deb VandenAvond

When you have selected a specific date for your dinner or ice cream run, or to volunteer for an open month, e-mail the details to [debvan64@sbcglobal.net](mailto:debvan64@sbcglobal.net).

Deb will add it to the events calendar on the website and e-mail the members.

Visit the Events/Community tabs at [www.corvettesofthebay.org](http://www.corvettesofthebay.org) to see the most up-to-date list of events!

### SCRIP Cards available for purchase at monthly meetings

- Shell Gas Cards - \$25, \$50, and \$100 amounts

- Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards - \$30 each for 5 Ultimate washes

Contact our treasurer to purchase cards.

### **Contact The Editor**

If you have any questions or concerns with the content of the newsletter, or would like to submit an article, please contact the editor, Diane Lyman, at [dtlyman@hotmail.com](mailto:dtlyman@hotmail.com).

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