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

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Dear Corvettes of the Bay Members,

This month includes an overview of our March 27th Board Meeting.

We discussed providing sign-up sheets to maintain interest and grow our Dinner and Ice Cream Runs.

Also, a good discussion was had regarding our 50th Anniversary Party. We have received two donations of \$500.00 each from Jorns Chevrolet and Bergstrom on Ashland. Please join Jim and Paula Pyle, our committee chairs, on September 21, 2024, at Patty Edinger's home in Suamico. Volunteers are needed to assist in planning this event. Details will follow on times closer to the event.

A discussion was held regarding a fundraising event to benefit two non-profit organizations: One organization Russ Tapley is a member of, and the second is Feed My Starving Children that Kathy and I have been a part of for 12 years. Proceeds to be split equally between both fine organizations. More information to follow.

The Board also wants to find a little bit more information regarding Corvette Insurance. We encourage all members to carefully review their insurance for coverage and rates. Luann Poll informed us she once worked in the insurance industry and would provide more information regarding this topic at a later date. In the meantime, don't hesitate to add your input. It will be much appreciated.

We are always here to listen and improve, and you can reach our Board and Leadership by simply viewing our Corvettes of the Bay Website. Your feedback is invaluable as we continue the success we have seen through our Corvettes of the Bay Club for 50 years.

Again, we thank our members for your support, your passion, and your trust!

GOOD NEWS:

Listed on the April meeting Agenda, you will find a wealth of information about our Runs and Events along with a new listing that focuses on Session Member Gigs. Please check out these fun and informative garage events. This will also allow you to meet our members.

Our Village Grille Menu in Bellevue for May 7th will be as follows: Nacho/Taco Supreme Buffet, \$15.95 per person. Including Warm Tortilla Chips, Soft Tortillas, Seasoned Ground Beef, Seasoned Shredded Chicken, Shredded Cheese, Chopped Onions, Refried Beans or Black Beans, Shredded Lettuce, Diced Tomatoes, Sliced Black Olives, Sliced Jalapenos, Sour Cream and Fresh Salsa.

COTB First Annual Golfing June 7th – Due to lack of interest, the Golf Outing is cancelled.

On behalf of our entire membership, let's continue to support and thank Gene and Linda Blohowiak for their work with aluminum can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. We thank our members who have provided many of the can tabs for this cause.

Road Construction is important information that we will share with our members, as we plan Corvette Runs in 2024. If anyone has experienced road construction, please let us know and we will inform our members. Road Construction on Highway 41 from the Fox Cities to De Pere's Scheuring Road has already started and will continue for approximately six years.

As of April 9th, there are Corvettes available for sale:

At Gandrud Chevrolet, 2LT Coupe Red Mist Metallic Z51 & 2LT Coupe Hypersonic Grey Z51

At Jorns Chevrolet, All Pre-Owned - 2LT Coupe Torch Red, 3LT Convertible Gray, 2LT Convertible Ceramic Gray, GS 2LT Coupe White, GS 2LT Coupe Admiral Blue, 1SA Coupe Black

VOLUNTEERING – The Backbone of America and our "Corvettes of the Bay Club."

Our next meeting will be on May 7th at The Village Grille at 1390 Bellevue St.

In closing, thank you for being a member of our Corvettes of the Bay Club.

Tony Yaggie, President

Corvettes of the Bay Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2024

Call to Order/Silence cell phones/Welcome – Tony Yaggie

President Tony called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at The Village Grille in Bellevue, WI with 72 members in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Russ Tapley

Moment of Silence: President Tony reports Dan Terrien's father is very ill; a prayer was said for Dan and his father.

Motion to Approve March Meeting Minutes:

- President Tony called for a motion to approve the March minutes as posted in the newsletter. Motion was made by Ed Villiesse; motion carried.

Membership

- New/Potential Members or Guests in attendance - None
- Please make sure your Membership has been renewed for 2024. Cost for singles \$30, \$40 for duals.

Treasurer's Report for February and March – Terri Villiesse:

- Terri reported the status of the club's assets and sales of the Shell gas cards and Kwik Trip car wash cards. Membership is currently at 120 paid memberships; 38 singles, 82 duals, plus 4 honorary members. President Tony called for a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion was made by Sally Northrop; motion carried.

Website – CorvettesoftheBay.org – please review – great source of information.

- Newly established guidelines to follow for any future events funded by COTB, named "Guidelines for Hiring Vendors to Provide Services to Corvettes of the Bay."
- Check on member's information for accuracy.

Meeting Place – Reminder, 1st Tuesday of the month - The Village Grille, 1390 Bellevue Street. Please take time to enjoy the buffet which gives the ability to cover costs of operating this great venue.

Past Runs and Events

- President Tony states he and his son, Brad, attended the Ron Fellows Driving School for three days last week. They met the Ambassador with the National Corvette Museum, and if you are interested in becoming an ambassador, please see Tony and he will submit a letter to the museum on your behalf.
- President Tony reports there was a Board Meeting on March 27, and the following was discussed:
 - Future dinner and ice cream runs; a sign-up sheet will circulate for those interested.
 - The 50th Anniversary Party. A donation of \$500 was received from Bergstrom and Jorns, and Gandrud has also committed to a donation. The donations were received because of the COTB community participation, such as ride-alongs at different sites in the community. Tony and Kathy prepared a letter on behalf of COTB outlining our activities to support our community.
 - There was concern about holding the party at Vickery Village - mostly where to park the Corvettes. Patty Edinger graciously offered to open her home for a combination of the 50th anniversary and picnic on September 21; thank you so much Patty!! The plan is to bring your own beverage and a plate to pass; chicken will be provided.
 - Automobile insurance. Luann Poll worked in the insurance industry, and she provided some insight on types of coverages available when shopping for insurance. A handout was provided in the meeting, and will also be sent by e-mail. Very helpful information; thank you Luann!

Upcoming Runs and Events

- April 27 – 7th Rally for a Reason for Howe Community Resource Center – Community Event - Dan Terrien - Scavenger Hunt via cars by figuring out clues and driving to various destinations throughout Brown County. This event starts at Badger State Brewery, and tickets are available on howecommunityresourcecenter.org at \$25 each.
- May 4 - Brown County Library Classic Car Exhibition that is free and open to the public from 10 am-2 pm. A representative from The Automobile Gallery will discuss renovating classic cars.
- May 4 and 5 – Road America MVP track times. Details forthcoming.
- May 7 - Teacher Appreciation Run – Chuck Templar. There are enough drivers for this run.
- May 18 – Cars and Café Meet, by Neenah High School 9 am to 4 pm – Jackson Graham Email: jacksongraham@icloud.com for more information.
- May 18 – Festa ITALIANA 2024 – Darrel Burnett reports last year was a tremendous event and there were about \$40 million worth of Italian cars. This year there should be approximately \$70 million, with some cars arriving from as far away as College Station, Texas, and this event is all word of mouth! The cost is \$15 to get in. BelGiososo Cheese is providing free cheese, and there will be fantastic food available.
- May 22 - Memorial Day Event – Allouez Cemetery Flag Placement, starting at 8 am – Cathy Harrison reports you don't need to sign up ahead of time. Just meet at Monroe Avenue/Riverside Drive at the end of the cemetery. The plan is to work our way up to Webster Avenue where approximately 3,000 flags will be placed. Please come dressed for the weather.
- May 27 - Celebrate De Pere Memorial Day Parade: Six COTB cars will be in the parade. Members are needed to distribute candy while walking in the parade. Please see Dan Terrien if interested in helping.
- June 2 – 53rd Annual Trip Around the Lake, starts at Holiday Automotive, Fond du Lac, WI at 7 am with Fond de Vettes Club. Check their website for details.
- June 7 - Golf Outing at Patriot Golf Course – Tony Yaggie. The total cost is \$50 per golfer, includes 9 holes plus cart, burger & chips, and golfers put their name in a hat for prizes. Limited to 50 golfers. Sign-up sheet is available; prizes will be given.
- June 9 – AllouezFest, Allouez Optimist Club, Green Isle Park - Joe Torrez will have the COTB tent set up, and a special area is available for Corvettes.
- June 14 – Veterans' Home Visit on Flag Day – Russ Tapley - This is the 7th year COTB organized this event. The items most in need are Tide pods, Kleenex, and toilet paper. No toothbrushes, toothpaste, books or magazines. Russ will need to know approximately by the end of May who plans to attend. The plan is to provide food and music like last year.
- June 15 - Red Lewis Community Car Show – Cars & Guitars – Darrel Burnett and Tony Yaggie. We have reserved 30 VIP Packages at \$25 each for COTB Members. Each VIP Package includes a Reserved Parking location, 2 Gallery Admission Tickets, 1 50/50 Raffle Ticket, and Automatic Entry for Special Prizes. Make checks payable to The Automobile Gallery. More information is available on theautomobilegallery.org. Sign-up sheet is available. Darrel states he extended the show another block and a half to the entrance of St Brendan's Inn. The same band from last year will play, there will be great food, giveaways, and the money raised will go back to charities.
- June 28 - Cool City Classic Car Cruise and Show, Two Rivers: Guy Ringle summarized Joe Flegel's report of this event. Friday night's cruise begins at UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus, with the lineup starting at 4 pm and the cruise leaving at 6 pm for downtown Two Rivers. A dinner is planned for club members at the Par 5 Bistro at 8 pm. Carol Jacobs and Joe Flegel are sponsoring this run.
- July 13 - Ride with the Lights – Brown County Sheriff's Office – sign-up online starting May 1 – Dan Terrien
- August 10 – Algoma Shanty Days Parade. Joe Feld gave a brief report. More details to come.
- August 28-31 - National Corvette Caravan to NCM 30th Anniversary Celebration, Bowling Green, KY- Luann Poll with Ed Saari, North Central Corvette Caravan edsandbara@gmail.com 309-530-9235. Event will begin at Chula Vista, Wisconsin Dells, on August 25. Luann states there are five COTB members signed up so far.
- Yesteryear Garage/ADRC Update – Pete Bilski reports the west side facility had a \$5 million renovation. There will be an open house in May, and he would like the club to participate in something in July or August.
- October 4-5 - Fall Run to Timms Hill, Copper Falls Park – Rick & Sally Northrop and George & Cheryl Yursis. Rick reported they will still take names for the wait list in case anyone has to cancel out.
- November 9 - Veterans' Day Run/Green Bay Yacht Club – Bill Miehle
- President Tony states for the May meeting, there will be a meeting at 6 pm prior to the general meeting starting at 7 pm to discuss concerns of the 50th Anniversary Party/Picnic. Recommendations can be made to Tony, who will present to the Board for further discussion.

Any New Runs we can add? Any dinners we can add?

- June 13 – Twigs Factory (produces SunDrop Soda) - Luann Poll. She reports this is a run that will start from Green Bay, take some back roads to the facility in Shawano, and go for ice cream afterwards.
- April 16 - Narrow Bridge - Diane Lyman. This is not a run, just meet at the restaurant, does not need to be in your Corvette. Cocktails at 5:30, dinner at 6 pm. Please let Diane know by April 14 if you plan to attend.
- April ? – Sturgeon Run in Peshtigo – Rick Northrop announced this event, with the date dependent upon when the sturgeon come in. When he is notified of the best day for this, likely in the next couple weeks, he and Sally will get a message out to the members. Meeting place for the run will be the Citgo Station at Hwy B and 41 in Suamico.

Sessions Member Gigs – 6 PM Thursday unless otherwise noted:

- May 16 – Joe Torrez Garage, 3647 Bower Creek Rd., East De Pere
- June 20 – Joe Rabideau Auto, 1416 West Mason, Green Bay
- July 18 – Tom Wauters' Motor Condos, East Deerfield Frontage Rd.
- August 15 – Gary Beyers Garage, 957 Outward Ave., West De Pere
- September 19 – Todd Doubledays Gasser Garage, 3546 N Hwy P, New Franken 54229
- October 17 – Auto Gallery, Adams St., Downtown Green Bay

Corvette News:

- New Corvettes/Modifications/Tech Tips
- Joe Rabideau Dealership
- Bergstrom Dealership
- Gandrud Dealership – 2- 2023's
- Jorns Dealership – 2023, 2022, 2019, 2-2018's
- Displays at The Automobile Gallery – As of March 5, Tony Steffen's C7 Z06 is on display. Contact Dan Terrien if you are interested in displaying your Corvette at the Gallery.
- Aluminum can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House – Gene Blohowiak reports so far this year, we collected 7.63 pounds of tabs, that is for a period of three months. Thank you to all who donated!
- Corvette related video from Greg Rohde – None this evening.

Adjournment, Motion and Approval: President Tony asked for motion; motion made by Rick Northrop; meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Mary Ann Torrez, Corvettes of the Bay Secretary

2016 Chevrolet Corvette Z06



"To those who would question the forward direction of man's technological progress, we point to the Z06 and rest our case!"

Automobile Magazine

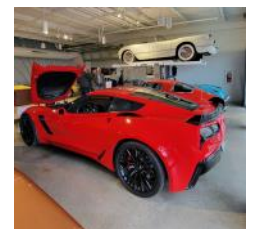
Owners: Sally and Tony Steffen

Speed has always been in Sally and Tony Steffen's blood, but it wasn't always in their garage. That was destined to change on a fateful day in 2015 when these two devoted Corvettes of the Bay members toured the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY. The timing of Sally and Tony's tour just happened to be on a day when the very last 2015 Corvettes were rolling off the assembly line and the first 2016 Corvettes were being introduced. In that moment they witnessed a sparkling Z06 coming off the line for the very first time. Tony looked at Sally and proclaimed, "We're buying that car!"

That starstruck love of Corvettes has been part of Tony's pedigree dating back to his teen years. As a young man, only two cars captured the fancy of Tony and his friends...Corvettes and the 1955-1957 two-seater Thunderbirds. Tony's appetite leaned more toward Corvettes, and he purchased his first one, a black '61 with silver covers in 1964. Through no fault of his own, it turned out to be a fleeting love affair because he was forced to sell it just 6 months later when Uncle Sam came calling in the name of the U.S. Army. It would be 40 years before Tony would own his next Corvette.

Upon returning from their tour at the National Corvette Museum, Sally and Tony spied this 2016 Z06 on the showroom floor at Gandrud Chevrolet in Green Bay, WI. Following some good-natured give and take with the dealer, they traded in their beautiful 2010 Corvette Grand Sport for the Torch Red Z06 you see on display at The Automobile Gallery & Event Center.

This isn't just any Z06 though, this Torch Red rocket stands out among the 14,275 Z06s produced in 2016. Tony sums up the difference in one word....Scary! Modifications improve on an already legendary performance curve boosting horsepower from 650 to 705 and torque from 485 to 648 ft. lbs. Remembering that his first Corvette was only his for 6 months, as past president of Corvettes of the Bay, Tony says he and Sally are committed to keeping their Z06 in the Steffen family for generations to come. You might say the Steffens have come full circle. Tony's first Corvette came and went quickly due to being drafted into the army, this one comes and goes even quicker and never leaves their sight!



"The Automobile Is The Art"
by Wm "Red" Lewis



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For Sale!

1978 Corvette, White - \$15,000

It has the black glass T-tops on it, but also comes with the traditional white T-tops, as well as a very nice Corvette cover.

Cassie is unsure of the mileage, not knowing whether the odometer is new or if it rolled over.

If interested, please call **Cassie DuChateau** at 920-471-2363.



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One full set of OEM Corvette C7 chrome wheels and OEM Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2 ZP Run-Flat tires off our 2019 Corvette Grand Sport 3LT. 4,200 miles on them.

Wheels and tires are in excellent condition. Original GM TPMS sensors still installed. **Asking \$2000.**

Call, text, or e-mail **Bob Davidovich** (Menasha) at 662-643-8620 or rdavido@comcast.net.



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RUSS TAPLEY AND DIANE VAN BOXTEL (APR 11)
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GARY PAUL AND BONNIE MEISTER (APR 18)
CYNTHIA AND DAMIAN SCHUMACHER (APR 26)

The more you put into the club...the more you get out of it!!

DINNER/LUNCH RUN LEADERS

2024

SEASONAL ICE CREAM RUN LEADERS

April 13	Rick & Sally Northrop	(lunch & ice cream along with sturgeon run)
April 16	Diane Lyman	
May	open	May open
June	open	June 13 Luann Poll
July	open	July open
August	open	August open

ADDITIONAL RUNS/EVENTS

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Summer Party/50th Anniversary Party, September 21 - Jim & Paula Pyle
Fall Run, October 4-5 - Rick & Sally Northrop, George & Cheryl Yursis

When you have selected a specific date for an event, email the details to debvan81664@gmail.com. She will add it to the events calendar on the website and e-mail the information to club members.

Visit the Events/Community tabs at www.corvettesofthebay.org to see the most up-to-date list of events!

Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Our club is collecting pop can tabs to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. Please save your tabs for this worthwhile cause, and bring them to our monthly meetings. You can give them to Gene or Linda Blohowiak.



SCRIP Cards available for purchase at monthly meetings

(a great fundraiser for our club)

- 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.

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