



# Vette Ventures

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

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## **Opportunity for a Corvettes of the Bay Member:**

We have a great opportunity to have a Member of Corvettes of the Bay become an Ambassador to the National Corvette Museum.

Please read the information sent separately by Club email. You will find three pages of documents from the National Corvette Museum including an application. Presently, there are seven Corvette Clubs in Wisconsin that already have an Ambassador to the National Corvette Museum.

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 May meeting Agenda, you will find a wealth of information about our Runs and Events along with listings of up-and-coming Session Member gigs. Please check out these fun and informative garage events.

As we continue to receive Runs and Events from our Members throughout the year, please remember to check out the Website for all updated information. Our website is a great resource. Sometimes you may not find the Run or Event on the Agenda because of the time when it comes in.

When you do receive an email listing an event, please reply to the person leading the event. All of the Leaders of Events appreciate your participation and letting them know you are joining them. Their information will be listed within the email and under the Event Tab on our Website. This is a great way to meet our members.

Our Village Grille Menu in Bellevue for June 4th will be as follows: Pasta Buffet with Fettuccine, Penne, choices of Alfredo Sauce and Marinara Sauce, with Grilled Chicken, Salad and Garlic Bread. \$16.95 per person.

Please support The Village Grille and kindly clear off your tables at the end of our meeting. This is greatly appreciated.

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. Please share all construction information as we continue planning our events for this year.

As of May 7th, there are Corvettes available for Sale:

Rabideau Auto, 1990 White

Gandrud Chevrolet, 2024 1LT Black

Bergstrom Chevrolet, Gray 2LT and Blue 3LT both are 2024s

Jorns Chevrolet, 2 2022s a 2LT Convertible and a 3LT Convertible, 2 2019s both are 2LT Convertibles, 2 2018s both are Grand Sports 2LT Coupes

**VOLUNTEERING – The Backbone of America and our “Corvettes of the Bay Club.”**

**Our next meeting will be on June 4th 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

May 7, 2024

**Call to Order/Silence cell phones/Welcome:** President Tony Yaggie called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at The Village Grille in Bellevue, WI with 89 members in attendance.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Diane Lyman

**Moment of Silence**

**Motion to Approve April Meeting Minutes:** President Tony called for a motion to approve the April minutes as posted in the newsletter. Motion was made by Dan Brunmeier; motion carried.

**Membership:**

- New/Potential Members or Guests in attendance: Dale Kramer, who was a member in 1974.
- Members who had not renewed for 2024 were deleted from our membership list at the end of April.

**Treasurer's Report – Terri Villiesse:**

- Terri Villiesse reported the status of the club's assets and last month's sales of the Shell gas cards and Kwik Trip car wash cards. Membership is currently at 210 paid members - 40 singles, 85 duals - plus 4 honorary members.
- President Tony called for a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion was made by Gene Blohowiak; motion carried.

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

- Walk through the Website – Dan Terrien. Dan explained the log-in process and talked about all the information that can be found on the website. If you are having difficulty signing on to the COTB website, contact the Board and we will contact Gerard. Dan also discussed his father's recovery from recent serious illnesses and his return to home soon on his 77th birthday! Very good news, Dan!
- 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. For example, do we have your correct address, phone number, year of your Corvette? Things can change, and please keep your information up to date.
- Deb VandenAvond discussed the importance of responding correctly to emails regarding planned events. She always indicates in those emails whom you should respond to when an RSVP is requested. If you just do a "Reply" to the email rather than responding to an event organizer, that RSVP goes to the club's gmail and may not be seen in a timely manner.

**Meeting Place – Reminder, 1st Tuesday of the month:**

- The Village Grille, 1390 Bellevue Street. Please join us for a beverage and a wonderful buffet starting at 5:00pm to support our terrific venue.

**Past Runs and Events:**

- April 16 - Narrow Bridge Dinner – Diane Lyman. There were 36 people in attendance – food was great and a wonderful time was had by all.
- April 13 - Sturgeon Run to Peshigo – Sally Northrop. There were not as many sturgeons as thought. There were 20 cars in attendance and a brat sale hosted by the Lions Club, with ice cream afterward.

**Upcoming Runs and Events:**

- May 7 – Teachers' Appreciation Day at Christa McAuliffe Elementary School - Chuck Templer. There were 20 cars today who transported 35 teachers to lunch, and although it was a rainy day, it was a thrilling day for all. Chuck recognized Don VandenAvond, who helped coordinate this event from the start of the March meeting. Also, Luann Poll, who contacted Chuck about making thank you cards/treats for drivers and teachers. Chuck has already been contacted by four different schools for next year! Fox 11 had media coverage. The good will that COTB demonstrates in the community helps secure donations for us to continue with our events throughout the year.
- May 16 – Garage Session - Joe & Mary Ann Torrez, 3647 Bower Creek Rd, De Pere
- May 18 – Attend Cars and Café Meet, Neenah High School, 9 am to 4 pm – Jackson Graham Email: jacksongraham@icloud.com
- May 18 – Festa ITALIANA 2024, The Automobile Gallery – Darrel Burnett. Cars coming in from as far away as South Carolina and Texas - just for the day!! The C8 was modeled after Ducati 959 motorcycle. There is a C8 on display at The Automobile Gallery called the "Tour de Fox Valley." All profits go to charity and The Automobile Gallery program.
- May 22 – American Legion Flags Placement – Cathy Harrison. Starts at 8 am at the Riverside Drive entrance to the cemetery. There are 3000 veterans at rest in this cemetery. Please let Cathy know if you are interested in participating in this event.
- May 27 - Celebrate De Pere Memorial Day Parade – Dan Terrien. Get there early to park at Voyageur Park, where you can walk to the parade or the staging area where the "6-pack of red, white, and blue Corvettes" will be located.
- June 2 – 53rd Annual Trip Around the Lake – Noon at Halfway point at Waverly Beach Bar and Grille – Contact Bob Davidovich at 662-643-8620. The event starts at 7 am, but you can meet at Waverly Beach, which is the halfway point which is by Anduzzi's.
- June 2 – Watches, Whiskey, and Wheels – at Diamonds and Gold in Bellevue. Starts at 10 am. Adam Funk is hosting this event.
- June 9 – Allouez Optimist Precious Metals Car Show at Green Isle Park – Joe Torrez.
- June 13 – Twigs Factory (producers of Sun Drop) – Luann Poll. Diane Lyman reports that Luann will get information to Deb later this week regarding the run; it will be driving back roads to Shawano to tour Twigs, then ice cream afterwards. Email forthcoming this week.
- June 14 – 7th Year Veterans Home on Flag Day – Dave Riebe reports this is a great event and quite personal to him. At this location, there are 4 female and 46 male residents. The Veterans are in need of laundry detergent in pod form, personal hygiene products, such as deodorants, soaps, and lotions. Donations are also accepted and appreciated. Leave Festival Foods on University Avenue at 11:30 am. The Moose Lodge will provide food and the cooks for the noon luncheon. Reservations are appreciated in order to have enough food provided. President Tony read a letter from Mary Beth at the Veterans Home, who would like the Corvettes shown again and for the club to join them for lunch. This marks the 7th anniversary of the COTB support of the Veterans Home of Green Bay, and is also Flag Day. Each Corvette driver will hold a flag out their window as they drive past the home, and a flag will be given to each veteran at the luncheon. Taps will be played by Connie Feldman as last year and is greatly appreciated.
- June 15 - Red Lewis Community Car Show – Cars & Guitars – Darrel Burnett. \$25 VIP Packages up to 100 Reserved Parking, 2 Gallery Admission Tickets, 1 50/50 Raffle Ticket, Automatic Entry for Special Prizes. We have 8 VIP Packages sold/reserved for COTB. \$15 Registration Package and includes 2 Gallery Tickets; 2 Drink Tickets for soda/water. More information is available on theautomobilegallery.org. Darrel adds special parking for this year. Another block and one half are added from St Brendan's. The stage will now be facing The Automobile Gallery so everyone can have access to the music. COTB members enter on Crooks Street for preferred parking.
- June 19 – Geno's Supper Club, Black Creek – Cheryl and George Yursis. Cheryl states the run is full already, but there is a waiting list in the event someone cancels out.
- June 23 – Chicken Run to Van Abel's - Terri Villiesse. Leaving 3:30 pm from De Pere Park and Ride. Reservations are needed by June 17.
- June 28 - Cool City Classic Car Cruise and Show, Two Rivers - Start at UW Manitowoc 4 – 6 pm, then dinner at Par 5 Bistro in Mishicot at 8 pm – Carol Jacobs/Joe Flegel. Meet at Fleet Farm East. Sign-up sheet was passed around for preliminary count.
- July 13 – Ride with the Lights to The Iola Car Show – Dan Terrien. This event has expanded through the entire state, and law enforcement provide gift cards to citizens who may be down in their luck. \$40 admission provides Mission BBQ lunch and also gets into Iola. Registration is a must - "Ride with the Lights" on COTB website or Q90 website. Meet at 9:30 am at Copper State Brewery on Dousman Street with destination to Doc's Harley Davidson with a police escort into Iola.
- August 1- 4 – IMSA Sports Car Weekend at Road America. Sign-up sheet passed around for those interested in registering.
- August 10 – Algoma Shanty Days Parade and Show – Marty and Sherry LaFond
- August 28-31 - National Corvette Caravan to NCM 30<sup>th</sup> 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 Resort, Wisconsin Dells, WI, August 25.
- September 21 – Anniversary Party/Picnic, Patty Edinger's Home – Jim Pyle, Chair. We are looking for a few additional members to help. Major sponsor donations have been received from Gandrud, Bergstrom, and Jorns for \$500 each, for a total of \$1500. There are also 10 gift certificates from Global Recognition to be used in a drawing. If anyone knows of a business who would like to make a donation for a drawing, it would be appreciated. Bring plate to pass, own beverage, and chair. This is also an opportunity to celebrate Patty's birthday!
- October 4-5 - Fall Run to Timms Hill, Copper Falls Park – Rick & Sally Northrop and George & Cheryl Yursis
- November 9 - Green Bay Yacht Club Veterans Day Event – Dan Brunmeier. Great opportunity to honor our Veterans and get some Corvettes together. Starts at 11 am. More information forthcoming.
- Yesteryear Village/ADRC – Pete Bilski

**Any New Runs can we add? Any Dinners can we add? Sign-Up Sheets are available.**

**Corvette News:**

- New Corvettes/Modifications/Tech Tips:
  - Chuck Templer reports he and Chris have a new 2023 Z51 Torch Red Corvette.
  - Ed Villiesse has a new exhaust system which will provide more horsepower.
- Joe Rabideau Dealership – 1990 White Coupe for sale. Joe is hosting a Garage Session on June 20th.
- Bergstrom Dealership – 2LT 2024 and 3LT 2024
- Gandrud Dealership – Black 1LT Coupe
- Jorns Dealership – List is forthcoming.
- Displays at The Automobile Gallery – Tony Steffen's C7 ZO6 is no longer on display. A volunteer is needed for the months of May and June. Contact Dan Terrien if you are interested in displaying your Corvette at The Automobile Gallery.
- Aluminum can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House – Gene or Linda Blohowiak. In the month of April, 8.21 pounds of tabs were collected, with a total collection through April of 15.8 pounds. After the June meeting, tabs will be taken to the "Back to the 50's" car show. Please continue collecting tabs throughout the year.
- Corvette related video from Greg Rohde. None this evening. Greg's wife had a knee replacement about three weeks ago, had some complications, and spent two weeks in the hospital. Our prayers are with Kathy for a full recovery.

**Adjournment, Motion and Approval:** President Tony asked for motion; motion made by Dan Brunmeier; meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Mary Ann Torrez, Corvettes of the Bay Secretary



**Teachers' Appreciation Event—May 7**  
**Giving Teachers a Special Ride to Lunch**



*Twenty Corvettes lined up and ready to go!  
Everyone had fun despite the rain.*



*Some comments from the teachers were:*

*"Best ride ever!"*

*"It was awesome!"*



*The students were thrilled to see these awesome cars too!*

*Luigi's opened early just for this event!*

*THANK YOU, LUIGI'S!!*

**THANK YOU** to all the club members who participated.  
Such a **SPECIAL** way to show appreciation to these **SPECIAL** teachers.

Please support our SCRIP fundraising efforts. The Club earns 10% on the Shell Gas Card sales and \$10 on every Kwik Trip Car Wash Card that is sold. You can buy cards and give them away as gifts to family and friends too!

**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.**

## **Members' Ads**

### **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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Treasurer - Terri Villiesse  
Board Member - Cathy Harrison  
Board Member - Luann Poll  
Board Member - Dan Terrien

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

### DINNER/LUNCH RUN LEADERS

2024

### SEASONAL ICE CREAM RUN LEADERS

May	open	May	open
June 19	Cheryl & George Yursis	June 13	Luann Poll
June 23	Terri & Ed Villiesse		
July	open	July	open
August	open	August	open
September	open	Sept	open
October	open	Oct	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](mailto: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](http://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.



## MAY BIRTHDAYS

CONNIE BLOEDEL (MAY 6)  
GLORIA FELD (MAY 14)  
LINDA WALLANDER (MAY 14)  
DEB BOETTCHER (MAY 15)  
CATHY STROM (MAY 15)  
GINA BARTH (MAY 16)  
JOSEPH TORREZ (MAY 16)  
KALE HAMACHER (MAY 18)  
KEITH DAHLKE (MAY 20)  
DAVID BOETTCHER (MAY 22)  
JERRY JACOBS (MAY 22)

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES

MIKE AND CATHY REKIZKE (MAY 2)  
MARTY AND SHERRY LAFOND (MAY 5)  
DAVE AND BETTY BYRNES (MAY 19)  
CLAYTON WESTCOTT AND JENNA CULLIGAN (MAY 20)  
JERRY AND KAYE JACOBS (MAY 27)  
DEAN AND TERESA KANE (MAY 30)

## 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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