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

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Groundhogs obviously don't own Corvettes!

Dear Corvettes of the Bay Club Members,

Even though the groundhog predicts another six weeks of winter, February brings new hope and a glimpse of the warm weather to come. It won't be long before our beloved Corvettes are out of hibernation, ready to hit the road again!

This month is the perfect time to start planning those fun rides for the summer ahead and to gather with our fellow Corvette enthusiasts for some enjoyable fellowship. We have several exciting social opportunities lined up that you won't want to miss.

- * February 15 - Join us for cocktails and dinner to celebrate Valentine's Day at Hotel Seymour sponsored by Elizabeth and Guy Ringle.
- * February 26 - Enjoy a lunch gathering at Luigi's Pizza sponsored by Luann Poll.
- * March 25 - Don't miss the dinner event at Rosati's Taproom sponsored by Tammy and Brian Jones.

Our summer event calendar is starting to take shape! As usual, June, July, and August will be our busiest months, and it's fantastic to see our members stepping up to sponsor events. Let's keep the momentum going! There are still plenty of opportunities to sponsor your favorite ride. We love seeing the variety of runs and social events that make our club so special. Look at our website and event calendar to see all the events that are coming in the months ahead.

I'm also excited to announce that we have a special guest lined up for our March member meeting. Chris Sherman, owner of TIN Restorations, will join us for a special presentation. Chris and his company specialize in restoring Corvettes from 1953 through 1962. Chris is also the lead judge for Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals.

A quick reminder, our meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at The Village Grill, located at 1390 Bellevue St. Green Bay, WI. Come early to enjoy a meal and social time starting at 5 PM, with our meeting kicking off at 7 PM.

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Don't forget to pay your annual membership dues! Our club depends on your contributions to fund our annual budget and keep all the fun going. You don't want to miss out on all the events we are planning in 2026!

Until we meet again, I wish you good health and warm regards. I hope you find time to get your cars ready and enjoy the many social events we have on our calendar.

Best Regards,

Guy Ringle
President
Corvettes of the Bay

COTB Corvettes for Display in The Automobile Gallery

Dan Terrien is looking for a member Corvette to represent Corvettes of the Bay in The Automobile Gallery for the months of April-May and August-September.

Members are responsible for getting their clean Vette to and from the Gallery. They will receive a copy of the poster the Gallery produces for the display as a keepsake.

Dan coordinates this on behalf of COTB and the Gallery. (Please do not contact Darrel or the Gallery directly about this.)

Any questions should be directed to Dan at terrdL28@yahoo.com or 920-562-2191 call/text.

Corvettes of the Bay – Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2026
The Village Grille, 1390 Bellevue Street, Green Bay, WI

Call to Order & Welcome – President Guy Ringle called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at The Village Grille in Bellevue, WI with 63 members in attendance.

Motion to Approve December Meeting Minutes – President Guy called for a motion to approve the December minutes as posted in the newsletter. There were no January minutes as the meeting was cancelled due to weather. Motion was made by Monica Fineberg, motion carried.

Membership Announcements

New/Potential Members or Guests in attendance – Jerry Parodo from Manawa – 2019 Grand Sport.

President's Report

- Thank you from Dan Terrien and Family on the passing of Dan's dad. Contribution was made to The Automobile Gallery.
- Thank you from Ed Wallander and Family on the passing of Ed's wife, Linda.
- Get well wishes for Ron Rozmarynoski. Cards and well wishes can be given to Greg Rohde, and he will deliver to Ron.
- Tammy Jones is now our club secretary on the Corvettes of the Bay board.
- Paul Fineberg volunteered for the open member at large role on the board. This appointment was voted on and approved by the Corvettes of the Bay board.
- Please consider volunteering to lead events in February, March and April to fill the calendar! Note, Paul Fineberg has offered his assistance to any volunteer.
- This is a reminder that it is time to renew your annual membership for 2026. If you have not paid your dues, please get those in to Diane Lyman. Anyone that has not paid will be removed from the club roster.
- We will continue to have our meetings at The Village Grille, 1390 Bellevue Street location. Thank you, Kathy Proctor!
- Guest speaker has been secured for next month's meeting. Chris Sherman, owner of TIN Restorations, to present. Chris specializes in the restoration of 1953–1962 Corvettes and is a lead judge for the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals. He is also involved in numerous other automotive restoration activities and is recognized nationally and internationally within the hobby. The club looks forward to welcoming him.

Treasurer's Report – Diane Lyman

- Member count – 213 members. The 2025 members who have not renewed for 2026 have been deleted from the count.
- Diane reviewed the status of the club's assets and sales of the Shell gas cards and Kwik Trip car wash cards.
- President Guy called for a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion was made by Joe Rabideau, motion carried.

Website – Access our corvettesofthebay.org on your computer or phone. The "Login" tab will bring up our private "members only" page where you can scroll through the member roster for member contact information and photos, and access important documents.

- Please contact **Elizabeth Ringle** if you have not had your photo taken for the club roster.
- If you are looking for ideas for future runs or events, click on the link "Road Trip Ideas, Destinations, Directions and Guidelines."

Past Runs & Events

- January 3 – Holiday Christmas Party at the Swan Club – The Christmas holiday party was discussed. It was noted that attendance was very good and may have been a record for this event. Participation from members was strong, and the entertainment was well received. The band was described as excellent, and members expressed appreciation for both the music and overall atmosphere. The floor was opened for feedback. Members shared positive comments regarding the entertainment and the food. Appreciation was expressed for the gift certificates from our sponsors. A question was raised about whether hosting a similar type of event in the future would become too repetitive. It was suggested that the club could consider a similar format with possibly different music selections. If the club is interested in pursuing a similar event, planning would need to begin fairly soon. General consensus was that the band did a great job and that a similar event could be successful again.
- January 27 – Dinner Mackinaws Grill and Spirits - Attendance was strong, with 44 members attending. Mackinaws was complimented as a lovely venue that is accommodating and easy to work with. Appreciation was expressed to those who helped organize the event, and positive feedback was given regarding the overall success of the dinner.

Upcoming Runs & Events

- February 15 – Hotel Seymour Valentine’s Dinner – **Elizabeth and Guy Ringle** – Excited about bringing COTB back to Hotel Seymour, a venue that has been popular with the club in the past. The gathering will begin at 4:30 pm, with dinner at 5:30 pm. There are still plenty of openings, and members were encouraged to sign up. Hotel Seymour is known for good food, including a very nice soup and salad bar. It was also shared that the owner of the Hotel Seymour will be providing gift certificates to be given away to some attendees as a bonus for the evening. Please text or email Elizabeth if you wish to attend.
- February 26 – Lunch at Luigi’s – **Luann Poll** – Lunch will be at 12:30 pm (weather permitting) at Luigi’s Pizza in Little Suamico. Please RSVP to Luann.
- March 7 – Shamrock Craft Beer Invitational – **Darrel Burnett** – Event is from 2-6 pm at The Automobile Gallery. Sample craft beers from more than 20 top breweries in the region. Enjoy a tasty brat and listen to some live Irish music by the talented Gerry Sloan, all while viewing nearly 80 stunning classic cars.
- March 25 – Rosati’s Taproom – **Tammy and Brian Jones** – Another return event for COTB. Drinks at 5:00 pm and dinner at 6:00 pm. Full menu will be available, and we have a limit of 50 people. This will be located in the Taproom and Bourbon Bar. Email will be sent out soon!
- May 25 – De Pere Kiwanis Memorial Day Parade – **Gene and Linda Blohowiak** – Parade is open to anyone, with no specific limit on the number of participants. The organizer only needs a vehicle count two to three weeks in advance. Members who wish to participate are asked to text Gene with your name, car color, and car year. The goal is to have a strong club turnout for the parade, as last year’s participation was described as fantastic. Members who do not wish to drive may still participate by handing out candy along the route (throwing candy is not permitted).
- May – **Luann Poll** – Possible trip to the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY. More to come!
- June 3–6 – Corvette Adventures – **Paul Fineberg** – Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells – Brochures are available or go to CorvetteAdventures.com for more information. Paul has volunteered to lead folks from Green Bay to the Dells area leaving on June 3rd. Please see email for more details and reach out to Paul if interested.
- June – Scavenger Hunt – Jerry Schaefer – Proposed date of Saturday, June 13. Volunteers are being sought to help design and execute the event. The tentative theme is “007 vs SPECTRE” with a spy-style concept. The event will feature two teams competing against each other, with prizes and trophies awarded. Ideas discussed included a participation trophy, possible silk-screened items, posters, and clue-based challenges. Members interested in helping with planning or execution were asked to reach out to Jerry.
- June 20 – Red Lewis Community Car Show – **Darrel Burnett** – More to come.
- June 24 – Curative Connections – **Pete Bilski** – This is all set up for west side Yesteryear Village. Kevin Van Ess is providing entertainment at the east side location as well.
- June 26 – Cool City Cruise – **Joe Flegel** – Participate in parade and go out for buffet style dinner after the cruise. More to come!
- July – Pulaski Polka Days Parade – **Rick Northrop** – It was shared that earlier discussions included the possibility of having approximately 30 Corvettes participate, with representation from different generations of Corvettes. However, it was noted that the final number of cars remains open and will depend on the event organizer’s preferences. The primary issue is that the organizing committee has not yet selected a date for the event. Once a date is confirmed, further planning and coordination can move forward.
- August 1 – Gandrud Auto Show – **Gene and Linda Blohowiak** – A planning meeting with Kay and Andrew is expected around the beginning of May. It was noted that last year’s show was very successful, with fantastic volunteers. Gandrud made the event easy to work with and has asked the club to return and assist again this year. Members were encouraged to consider volunteering. More information will be shared as planning progresses. Reminder that Gandrud donated \$500 toward the Christmas party, which was used for gift certificates. This donation reflects their appreciation for the club’s help with their events.
- August 2 – IMSA event – **Pete Bilski** – Talking with the racing team. More to come!
- August 27–29 – **Paul Fineberg** – Going to Corvettes of Carlisle in Pennsylvania with a two-day drive there. Plan to depart on Sunday morning (August 30) for the two-day return home. <https://carlisleeevents.com> Please see email for details. If anyone is interested in driving there, please reach out to Paul.
- September – **Carol Jacobs** – Carol announced plans to organize an Island Cruise later this year. The tentative plan is to schedule the event during one of the first weeks of September on a weekday. The proposed route would include driving to Bailey’s Harbor and visiting Cana Island, including an opportunity to tour the lighthouse. An early dinner stop is planned on the return trip. More details will be provided once the date is confirmed.
- September 26–27 – Fall Run – **Paul Fineberg** – We will do another run to Copper Harbor from Green Bay to Houghton (overnight) and then to Copper Harbor. Meet at the Shell Station off of Highway 41. Will plan on the Mount Bohemia Ski Lift again. Please see email for details and contact Paul if interested.

- Halloween ??– **Jerry Schaefer** – Host a Halloween costume party drive. The concept would involve members dressing up in costume and driving to a destination for a party, either at a selected venue or an existing bar hosting a Halloween event. Something to ponder.
- Mulva Center Tour – **Sally Northrop** – Sally discussed a potential group visit to the Mulva Center in De Pere. She has been in contact with Chet, the event coordinator, who is interested in hosting the club for a day. The proposal would include parking the cars at the center and participating in a guided walk-through tour highlighting the history, architecture, and technology of the Mulva Center. Sally and Cheryl recently completed a full behind-the-scenes tour and described it as very impressive. The tour fee was noted to be approximately \$3 per person. It was also mentioned that other activities at the Mulva Center are currently free, including shows and events. Sally asked for a show of interest from members before proceeding further with planning. She will follow up with Chet and then communicate details to the membership.
- Any additional COTB events? Looking for volunteers to organize more monthly dinner runs. Contact **Sally Steffen** (ssteffen276@gmail.com) to have details of your event sent to club members.

Corvette News:

- **New Corvettes/Modifications/Tech Tips**
 - Joe Rabideau picked up his new ZR1 3LZ Convertible in Sebring Orange.
 - Greg Rohde shared 2025 Corvette production statistics (see page 6 for the breakdown).
- Aluminum Can Tab Update – **Gene Blohowiak**
 - It was reported that 5.5 pounds were collected at the end of December, bringing the total collected to 153.93 pounds. Members were thanked for their continued participation and support. It was noted that additional collections from this meeting will be recorded under January and February. Sally and Rick Northrop have agreed to handle the collection for March.
- Hot Wheels/Matchbox cars for National Corvette Museum – **Carol Jacobs**
 - Collected over 200 cars to send to the museum.
 - Thinking about possibly doing it twice a year.
- Contact **Dan Terrien** if you are interested in displaying your Corvette at The Automobile Gallery.
 - Cynthia Schumacher’s car just came out of The Automobile Gallery.
 - Dan Terrien’s car just went in.
 - Need cars for April–May and August–September.
- Any additional topics?
- Corvettes of the Bay Website Demo (if time permits) – **Tammy and Brian Jones**
 - Stop over by Tammy if you have questions after the meeting.

Adjournment Motion and Approval

President Guy asked for motion, motion made by Elizabeth Kelling, meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Please buy Scrip (Gas Cards and Car Wash Cards) from Diane after the meeting. Thank you!

Tammy Jones

Corvettes of the Bay Secretary

During our February Corvettes of the Bay meeting, Greg Rohde reviewed the build statistics for the 2025 model year Corvette. A total of 25,835 Corvettes were built in the 2025 model year. Here is the model breakdown:

Model / Configuration	Units Produced	Percent Total	Percent Model
Stingray Coupe	8,403	32.53%	62%
Stingray Convertible	5,237	20.27%	38%
Z06 Coupe	4,786	18.53%	54%
Z06 Convertible	4,076	15.78%	46%
E-Ray Coupe	1,374	5.32%	44%
E-Ray Convertible	1,779	6.89%	56%
ZR1 Coupe	115	0.45%	64%
ZR1 Convertible	65	0.25%	36%

Total 25,835

Some interesting breakdowns:

- Stingrays remain the most popular at 13,640 (52.8%) of all 2025 Corvettes
- Z06 is second most popular with 8,862 (34.3%)
- E-Ray is 3,153 (12.2%)
- ZR1 is 180 (0.7%)
- Convertibles are almost half of the cars built at 43.2%
- Track packages – Z06 with Z07 accounted for 1,805 (20.4%) of all Z06 builds
- ZR1's are rare – 180 total with almost half (46.1%) with the ZTK Performance Package

Colors Exterior: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Black – 4,601 (17.8%) 2. Arctic White – 4,548 (17.6%) 3. Torch Red – 3,387 (13.1%) 4. Red Mist – 2,913 (11.3%) 5. Seawolf – 2,755 (10.7%) 6. Riptide Blue – 1,824 (7.1%) 	Colors Interior: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Black (57.2%) 2. Black/Adrenaline Red (18.1%) 3. Black/Sky Cool Gray (8.1%) 4. Black/Natural (7.8%)
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For complete details, see this website: <https://tinyurl.com/cvtte2025>

1996 Chevrolet Corvette Collector's Edition

Owner: Dan Terrien

"Drive the Collector's Edition like its designers intended. Take it out on the road. Put the pedal down and celebrate!"

Motor Trend Magazine, 1996



Dan Terrien was putting the pedal down before he was old enough for a pedal car! By the time he was 4 years old, Dan was riding shotgun in his Uncle Dale's '64 Sting Ray making routine trips to local car shows. Further influenced by his Aunt Cora's '67 Vette, it was inevitable that Dan's destiny was spelled C-O-R-V-E-T-T-E. His first was a 1977 C3 in 2003 followed by an upgrade to a '92 and then Christmas came early in December 2015 in the form of this special 1996 Collector's Edition Corvette. Of the 5,412 Collector's Editions produced, this is 1 of just 1,540 Collector's Edition coupes equipped with the slick-shifting 6-speed ZF manual and powered by the one-year-only 330-horsepower LT4 monster version of the 5.7-liter V-8.

Dan's C4 wears Sebring Silver, which was exclusively reserved for the Collector's Edition, but the rest of this Corvette is pure platinum. Benefiting from the expertise of his close friend and fellow Corvettes of the Bay member Doug Cohen, and Dan's son Hunter, this trio created the Swiss Army knife of sports cars. From the suspension to the stereo, every inch of this Corvette has been tweaked and tuned to make it a candidate for the most dependable, highly maintained original Corvette in existence. That durability was on display in 2025 when Dan completed all 1800 miles of the grueling Hot Rod Power Tour. Dan still hasn't decided if this will be his "forever Corvette" but he's gone to great lengths to make sure it is built to last forever!



As a devoted member of Corvettes of the Bay for nearly a quarter of a century, Dan also served as the club's past President and was honored as the COTB Member of the Year in 2023. Man and machine have been featured in *Car Craft* magazine, traveled to 11 states and Canada from the tip of Mt. Rushmore to the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina....and now we can

say with certainty that they have finally arrived! Congratulations to Dan Terrien and his 1996 Collector's Edition Corvette for being selected as the Corvettes of the Bay Feature Display at The Automobile Gallery & Event Center!



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

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

2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Guy Ringle
Vice President - Brian Jones
Secretary - Tammy Jones
Treasurer - Diane Lyman
Board Member - Elizabeth Ringle
Board Member - Sally Steffen
Board Member - Paul Fineberg

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

CURT FLEENER (FEB 1)
LUANN POLL (FEB 2)
MARY ANN TORREZ (FEB 2)
MONICA FINEBERG (FEB 10)
BEVERLY HENDRICKS (FEB 14)
TWYLA JOHNSON (FEB 20)
PAULA PYLE (FEB 20)
WESTON FLEGEL (FEB 22)
TERRI BOETTCHER (FEB 23)
MARIE ROBINSON (FEB 27)
DANIEL TERRIEN (FEB 28)

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

ERIC PELNAR AND BOBBIE HENDRICKS-PELNAR (FEB 2)
SUE AND JOE RABIDEAU (FEB 14)
DANIEL AND ANGELINA TERRIEN (FEB 16)

DINNER/LUNCH RUN LEADERS

2026

February 15	Elizabeth/Guy Ringle
February 26	Luann Poll
March 25	Tammy/Brian Jones
April	open
May	open
June	open

ADDITIONAL RUNS/EVENTS

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June 4-6 - Corvette Adventures
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June 24 - Curative Connections Visits
June 26 - Cool City Cruise
August 1 - Gandrud Auto Show
August 2 - IMSA Road America
August 27-29 - Corvettes of Carlisle, PA
September 26-27 - Fall Run to Copper Harbor

Please think about planning a lunch or dinner to fill up the Winter months. We would love to have several events each month.

When you have selected a specific date for an event, email the details to ssteffen276@gmail.com. The information will be emailed to club members and added to the events calendar on the website.

Visit the Events/Community tabs at 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.

Pop Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

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

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.

Happy Valentine's Day !

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