



Vette Ventures

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

October 2026



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Last Chance to Cruise!

Dear Corvettes of the Bay Club Members,

The end of another Corvette riding season is upon us, and it has been a fun year filled with adventures. Thank you to all our members who led and organized these amazing opportunities for our club.

Although the riding season is coming to an end, that doesn't mean we can't continue getting together for great dining outings. I encourage our members to step forward and schedule more social events for the remainder of the year. We would like to see at least a couple of events scheduled each month! If you're interested in having fun and sharing one of your favorite places to eat, please consider scheduling a social event for our club.

Enjoy these upcoming fall runs:

- Elizabeth and Gary Kelling are leading a run to Wolf and Fox Winery on October 18.
- Chuck and Chris Templer are planning a fall run through Brown, Shawano, and Outagamie counties on October 20 with a rain date of October 22. Their run includes a lunch stop at D-2 Sports Bar.
- Thank you to George and Cheryl Yursis for planning a dinner run on October 28. They are leading our club members to the Hotel Seymour for dinner.

These events may be your last chance to drive your Corvette before it is put into hibernation for the winter. Please check out our club's website for more details in the event calendar.

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Don't forget to sign up for our Holiday Christmas Party on January 2, 2027. For only \$25 per person, you will enjoy a family-style meal at the Swan Club in De Pere along with live entertainment by Daddy D Productions. It is sure to be a great time! Thanks to our Christmas party committee: Elizabeth and Guy Ringle, Diane Lyman, Tammy and Brian Jones. Registration closes on Tuesday December 1, so make sure to submit your payment to Diane Lyman before then.

A reminder that Brian Jones is collecting nominations for "Member(s) of the Year." Please be sure to include a brief paragraph with your nomination as to why you want to nominate this individual or couple. Per our club's bylaws member(s) who are nominated should demonstrate the following qualities:

1. Active involvement in club activities.
2. Willingness to share ideas to improve the club.
3. Efforts to grow our membership and expand activities.
4. Significant involvement in planning events.
5. A positive personality and fun attitude.

Nominations are due to Brian by November 13. The board will vote for the 2026 recipient(s) and we will announce the winner(s) at our Holiday Christmas Party on January 2.

Thank you to Luann Poll for volunteering to take on the communications role beginning in January. Luann will send emails to club members and enter new events on our club calendar.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to fill our board vacancies beginning in January. I am happy to report that **Greg Rohde has volunteered to serve as President** next year.

The following new board members will also join the board in January:

Vice President: Jerry Schaefer

Secretary: Amy Dorner

Member at Large: Josh Dorner

Member at Large: Carol Jacobs

Member at Large: Bill Sarver

Diane Lyman will remain our club Treasurer.

The next time you see these volunteers, please thank them for stepping up to serve our club. Ultimately, this club runs on volunteers who are willing to share their time and talents. Thank you to all these amazing volunteers!

We have six current board members that will be completing their terms in December. I will highlight these amazing volunteers and their contributions next month.

Don't forget our annual meeting is taking place on the first Tuesday of December, which is December 1. This is one of your most important meetings each year. We will be reviewing our 2027 proposed budget and officially welcoming our new 2027 board members!

It's also time to pay your 2027 membership dues. Please pay your dues (\$30 for single, \$40 for dual) to Diane Lyman or send your check to Corvettes of the Bay, P.O. Box 13122, Green Bay, WI 54307-3122

Enjoy the last days of riding!

Regards,

Guy Ringle
President
Corvettes of the Bay

Corvettes of the Bay – Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 6, 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 76 members in attendance.

Motion to Approve September Meeting Minutes – President Guy called for a motion to approve the September minutes as posted in the newsletter. Motion was made by Dan Brunmeier, second by Jim Appleton. Motion carried.

Membership Announcements

New/Potential Members or Guests in attendance:

- Cathy Strom – Returning member with her same car. Welcome back!
- Dylan Klapatch and Rachael Williamson – 2015 red Corvette

President's Report

- Let's keep the momentum going and fill the event calendar. October and November have no scheduled activities. Club members are encouraged to organize dinner outings, lunch gatherings, breakfast events, or other social activities to keep the club active especially during the colder months. If you want to host an event, please notify Sally Steffen so it can be shared by email and added to the club website.
- Time to sign up for the Holiday Christmas Party scheduled for January 2, 2027. Enjoy family-style chicken and tenderloin tips at the Swan Club in De Pere along with a live performance by Daddy D Productions. \$25 per person. See Diane Lyman to reserve your spot! Deadline to sign up will be December 1st.
- Proposal to redesign The Automobile Gallery Member of the Year Display.
 - The existing plaque at The Automobile Gallery is full, with names recorded through 2020; subsequent recipients' nameplates have been attached on the stanchion below the plaque.
The proposed replacement is a professionally designed poster that will:
 - Explain the Corvette club and its purpose.
 - Describe the Member of the Year award.
 - Include the names of past recipients.
 - Be updated annually with new recipients.
 - Estimated costs:
 - Initial design: \$79.
 - Protective covering: approximately \$100.
 - Initial investment: approximately \$200.
 - Annual reprinting: \$20–\$30.
 - The disposition of the old plaque was discussed, with possible options including giving it to a founding member or holding a raffle.
 - Dan Brunmeier made a motion to move forward with the redesign of the display, second by Luann Poll. Motion carried and approved.
- Member of the Year nominations to Brian Jones (Vice President). Please send your nominations by email to brianj51@gmail.com or text 920-471-7602. Please include a brief paragraph as to why you want to nominate this individual or couple.
 - Members should nominate individuals who demonstrate the following qualities:
 - Active involvement in club activities.
 - Willingness to share ideas and improve the club.
 - Efforts to grow membership and expand activities.
 - Significant involvement in planning events.
 - A positive personality and being fun to be around.
 - Important dates:
 - November 13: Nomination deadline. Submit nominations to Brian.
 - November 16: Planned board meeting to discuss candidates and vote on the recipient.
 - January 2: Recipients will be recognized at the Holiday Christmas Party, and their names will be added to the new display.

- Luann Poll has volunteered to take on the email distribution and calendar update position starting in January. Thank you, Luann!
- Jerry Schaefer is collecting photos for all 2026 COTB events to put in our end-of-year slide show which will be shown at the COTB Holiday Christmas Party. Please send your photos to him at geraldjschaefer@gmail.com by December 15, 2026. Please include in the subject line the name of the event along with your name and number.
- There will be openings for president, vice president, secretary, and three member at large positions. Volunteers should contact Guy Ringle. Election, if needed, will take place in October. Guy has received five volunteers so far. Carol Jacobs – member at large, Amy Dorner – secretary, Josh Dorner – member at large, Bill Sarver – member at large, Jerry Schaefer – vice president. Still need a volunteer for president! NOTE! If no one steps up to take the president's role by November 3, 2026, we will need to start the process of shutting down this club!!
 - Greg Rohde has volunteered to become president. Thank you, Greg!!

Treasurer's Report – Diane Lyman

- Member count – 246 members.
- 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 Mary Ann Torrez, second by Joe Rabideau, motion carried.

Past Runs & Events

- September 12 – X-Files Run – **Jerry Schaefer** – Had five cars participate and complete an investigation into UFO's. Participants had to create a piece of artwork, which were all so good that it was difficult to choose a winner. Dinner was then held at 1951 West. Everyone had a great time!
- September 14-16 – UP Cruise – **Jerry Parodo**
- September 21 – Fun Run to the Northwoods – **Luann and John Poll** – The group visited NEWCare, a senior living facility, where residents enjoyed seeing the Corvettes and being taken for rides by club members. The group then visited Camp Daniel, a camp serving individuals with special needs, including people with Down syndrome and mobility challenges. Members learned about the camp's accessible facilities and programs, including fishing, campfires, and community movie screenings. The visit was especially meaningful to the organizer, who volunteers at the camp. Camp Daniel also donated eight complimentary tickets to their October 17th Gala, valued at \$100 each. This is a semi-formal to formal event. Please see Luann if you would like a ticket.
- September 26-27 – Copper Harbor Fall Color Ride – **Amy and Josh Dorner** – Ten cars participated. Started out a little foggy, but the weather improved and they were able to see some beautiful fall colors. They had lunch at Mr. T's and were able to explore Houghton and Copper Harbor.
- September 26 – Peshtigo Historical Day Parade – **Mike Golla**
- October 3 – Autoberfest at The Automobile Gallery – **Darrel Burnett** – Thank you for all that attended. They broke the attendance record. They had exceptional cars brought in as far away as Houston, TX. Great food by Nueske's

Upcoming Runs & Events

- On your computer or phone, go to our website corvettesofthebay.org. No need to log in. Click on the "Events" tab near the top of the page for details on upcoming events.
- October 18 – Wolf & Fox Winery Run – **Gary and Elizabeth Kelling** – This is a winery located in the New Holstein area. Plan to meet at Heritage Elementary School on Swan Road around 11:30 am. Departure will be 11:45 with an expected arrival time of 1:00. It is Vinyl and Vino Day. The winery does not serve food, but members can bring their own picnic lunches or sandwiches. They have wine, beer and mocktails available for purchase. Members can do their own wine tasting if they want. They do have a separate Sweet and Savory Afternoon with local businesses that begins at 2:00 that is \$30. If you are interested, you can visit their website wolfandfoxwinery.com and sign up for that. Deadline to sign up is October 16. Please text at 920-627-1322 with your name and phone number and how many people will be coming.
- January 2, 2027 – COTB Holiday Christmas Party – **Elizabeth and Guy Ringle**
- 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.
- Luann Poll said she is working on an event for early December and also a Spring Run for next year. Details to come.

Corvette News:

- **New Corvettes/Modifications/Tech Tips**
 - Chuck Maus picked up a new C7 with 12,000 miles on it. It is Daytona Sunrise Orange.
 - Jim Pyle is looking for some parts for his C5 – rubber gasket that goes from the flow sensor to the throttle body. It has been discontinued, and he's having a hard time finding one.

- Greg Rohde shared some statistics for the 2026 ZR1X.
- Aluminum Can Tab update – **Gene Blohowiak**
 - Gene reported that 5.6 pounds were collected in September, bringing the total collected to 51.66 pounds. Members were thanked for their continued participation and support.
- Contact **Dan Terrien** if you are interested in displaying your Corvette at The Automobile Gallery.
 - Ron Bringe's car is going in for October.
- Any additional topics?

Adjournment Motion and Approval

President Guy asked for motion, motion made by Cheryl Yursis, second by Chuck Maus, meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

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

Submitted by Tammy Jones

Corvettes of the Bay Secretary

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2026

Luann Poll is working on a “Non-Corvette Corvettes of the Bay Mystery Ride.” Join in a rare Saturday adventure that will be a day of fun, unusual locations, and mystery! Let's see those winter rides while our favorite Corvettes are hunkered down for the winter. More information to follow soon!

Lance Zuleger of Valley Vettes is inviting our members to join them on a Fall Color Cruise on Saturday, October 24, if the weather is nice. The cruise is starting in Darboy, going to Elkhart Lake, then going down to Whitewater.

If anyone is interested, contact Lance at [920-850-3806](tel:920-850-3806) for more details.

General Website Information

You can access 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.

We encourage having your photo on our roster as a way for members to “put a face with a name” and get to know each other. 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” for a listing of things that have been done in the past.

Fun Run to the Northwoods – September 21

NEWCare Rehab/Nursing Facility and Camp Daniel



Copper Harbor Fall Color Ride – September 26-27



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Please submit payment no later than Tuesday, December 1, 2026.

Once your payment has been received, you will be put on the attendees list.

"You will definitely want to be there! It's going to be a blast!"

STEVE BLOEDEL (OCT 1)
KELLY NEMETZ (OCT 1)
PETER BEANE (OCT 3)
AMY DORNER (OCT 3)
MIKE GOLLA (OCT 3)
MIKE SCHEELK (OCT 4)
DIANE LYMAN (OCT 9)
RHONDA SEIDL (OCT 9)
MIKE SMET (OCT 9)
MARC CHITKO (OCT 11)
PAM SARVER (OCT 11)
TANYA CONNORS (OCT 17)
MICHAEL DAUGHERTY (OCT 17)
SALLY TONN (OCT 19)
ANTONE (TONY) WALCH (OCT 19)
LAURIE WISHART (OCT 19)
CLINT BARTH (OCT 20)
DALE OTT (OCT 20)
BILL SARVER (OCT 21)
VIKI BUSCH (OCT 22)
DEBBIE SCHWEINER (OCT 23)
DAN MILLER (OCT 25)
GARY PAUL (OCT 25)
GARY PIESCHEK (OCT 26)
WEBB JENKEL (OCT 26)
BONNIE PAUL (OCT 27)
DAMIAN SCHUMACHER (OCT 29)
KEITH STANGE (OCT 29)
MIKE CLINEBELL (OCT 30)
SCOTT COLEMAN (OCT 31)
DIONNE VAN ITEN (OCT 31)

GREG AND KATHY ROHDE (OCT 1)
DENNIS AND BARBARA COLLINS (OCT 11)
STEVE AND CONNIE BLOEDEL (OCT 16)
TOM AND CATHY HARRISON (OCT 16)
RICK AND SALLY NORTHROP (OCT 16)
PERRY AND SALLY TONN (OCT 19)
MIKE AND SHIRLEY CLINEBELL (OCT 20)
PAUL AND MYKE SCHMIT (OCT 20)
CHRIS AND HEATHER GILLEY (OCT 21)
SEAN AND LISA FERNSTRUM (OCT 27)
DAN AND BECKY MILLER (OCT 29)
ROGER AND TWYLA JOHNSON (OCT 30)
DALE WISHART AND LAURIE WISHART (OCT 30)
TOM AND ANGELA DANIELSKI (OCT 2025)

October 20 – Chuck/Chris Templar
October 28 – Cheryl/George Yursis
November open
December open

October 18 – Wolf & Fox Winery

Please think about planning a lunch or dinner to fill up the calendar. 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!

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.

- 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.

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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Meeting Location



The Village Grille
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