

# Vette Ventures

The Newsletter of the Corvettes of the Bay Car Club

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# Who Wants to Ride

The rollercoaster? Well, October's meeting was a bit of a rollercoaster with a great outcome. If you are not aware, Tony Yaggie and Guy Ringle stepped up to become President and Vice-President respectively for 2024. Because the number of candidates matched the number of open positions, no election will be held, and these men will be able to start prepping a little early in leading us through our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year in 2024.

This is excellent news, and I hope you'll rally behind them in word and deed in the coming months!

Jason Dellise will be stepping down after three years of dedicated service as Vice-President. I will remain on the board for my third year as Immediate Past President, sliding into the spot currently occupied by Chuck Templer, who will be stepping down after two great years of service to the club.

My sincere thanks to Jason and Chuck, as well as those who will continue to serve: Terri Villiesse – Treasurer, Mary Ann Torrez – Secretary, Cathy Harrison and Luann Poll, members at large.

Also a big thanks to our unelected officials: Diane Lyman – Newsletter Editor, Deb Vanden Avond – Communications (website calendars & e-mail distribution), Luann Poll our Facebook Editor, and Gerard Rajek our Webmaster.

Every one of these people contributed much to your club.

Year 49 isn't over yet! Check out the events coming up in this newsletter and on our webpage because there are some new opportunities to ride during these ever shortening days...



Our next meeting is November 7<sup>th</sup>, so until then, represent Corvettes of the Bay well, check out Carol Jacobs' 2021 HTZ Z51 at the Automobile Gallery, and ride those Corvettes while you still have the chance!

#### Dan Terrien

\*Correction regarding September's newsletter: In writing about honorary members in last month's column, I wrongfully implied all of our honorary members were active for the full history of the club. That is incorrect. A person needs to be on the first COTB roster, be voted in and maintain active membership from the time that vote took place. If they do not participate in the club for more than one year, they would need to re-apply and be voted in to honorary status. I apologize for any confusion.

#### Corvettes of the Bay Monthly Meeting Minutes October 3, 2023

#### Call to Order/Silence Phones:

President Dan Terrien called the meeting to order at 6:59pm at The Village Grille in Bellevue, WI with 77 members in attendance. Dan read a thank you card from the Lyman family thanking COTB members who were in attendance at Ken's funeral.

#### Approval of September Meeting Minutes as posted:

President Dan called for a motion to approve the September minutes as posted in the newsletter. Motion was made by Dan Brunmeier; motion carried.

#### Treasurer's Report:

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 245 paid members; 43 singles, 101 duals, and 4 honorary members. President Dan called for a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion was made by Paula Pyle; motion carried.

#### Membership:

- New/Potential Members or Guests in attendance: No new members this evening.
- 50th anniversary logo: President Dan discussed ordering a name badge from Weber Bowling, which costs \$11. Weber Bowling can make one item if you wish, such as
  drinkware; however, he sends out apparel. If you wish to order one shirt, for example, Global Recognition would be your best option, and they will give a discount if there are
  13 or more shirts.
- We start taking membership renewals October 1st. Memberships that come in during the 4th quarter of the year are good through December 31st, 2024.

#### Elections:

Sue Rabideau and Dan Brunmeier are from the nominating committee. Sue reports Tony Yaggie accepted the President position and Guy Ringle accepted the Vice President. There was some confusion, as both Tony and Guy verbalized they accepted the Vice President role. Dan discussed after two years the President steps into the immediate past President role to help the incoming President. Jason will be off the Vice President role, as this is his third year. Dan explained that he took the Presidency at the end of 2021; there were many concerns about the club that he knew he could address. Dan's wish was to have finances in order, participation in runs, great attendance at meetings, and enthusiasm – and go into the 50<sup>th</sup> year strong. Dan states there will not be a 50<sup>th</sup> year if there is no President.

#### Member of the Year Nominations:

- Send all nominations to Jason Dellise jasondellise@yahoo.com or 920-619-7682.
- You can send the name of any member or members. A name is enough, but it does help if you include a line or two about why you are nominating that member.
- The board of directors will decide on the Member of the Year at their December Board meeting.
- The board will vote based on the following general qualifications:
  - Active and involved in the club
  - Willing to share ideas to improve the club
  - Demonstrated willingness to help grow the club in numbers and activities
  - Heavily involved in planning events
- Fun to be with

The Member of the Year will be awarded at our Christmas party January 5, 2024.

#### Past Runs and Events:

- September 7 West of the Lake Gardens & Cool City Brewery: Dale & Kathy Ott were not in attendance; however, Patty Vlieger reported 23 cars attended this event. It was a wonderful time great food, drinks, and time with friends.
- September 14 Daddy D's & Auto Gallery: Diane Lyman reports she attended this event and had a wonderful time. There were 35-40 COTB members in attendance. Our President Dan may have been targeted in fun throughout the night! A food truck was on site. The surprise that Diane and Luann promised was that Luann planned to use her ventriloquist skills with her puppet Eloise to entertain the crowd for a few minutes just before the second half of the show started. Luann surely has many talents!!!
- September 26 Rohde's Garage Session & Neighborhood Invasion: Greg Rohde reports approximately 60 people attended. Most of the delicious hors d'oeuvres that Kathy painstakingly prepared were gone before Greg knew it! This event also gave Greg an "incentive to clean the garage" and the event was appreciated by all!!
- September 30 Run through the Kettles with the Kellings: Liz reported 30 cars were in attendance, the trip beginning from the Swan Club, eventually there was a police escort on Hwy 10 to the restaurant. COTB members had a great time in spite of a few "hiccups" along the way; everyone enjoyed themselves!

#### Upcoming Runs and Events:

- October 6 Assist Valley Vettes with Appleton East and Xavier Homecoming Parades: President Dan reports they initially asked for 26 cars but there wasn't enough participation early enough for our club to respond, so Valley Vettes canceled the Xavier event and had enough cars to do the Appleton East parade without us. The event has been removed from the COTB events page.
- October 12 Motorsports Enterprises, Plymouth, WI Greg Rohde. Greg reports Carl Liebich, who was a classmate of Greg's from high school, and owner of Motorsports Enterprises, is opening his business to COTB to visit his auto prep shop. The plan is to leave the Brown County Sheriff's Department parking lot on Hoffman Road in Allouez at 12:30. You have the option to meet for dinner after at Siebken's Resort in Elkhart Lake.
- October 14 Chicken Run Rick & Sally Northrop: Sally reports the plan is to leave the Citgo station on County B and Hwy 41 at 10:00am and travel to the Manor on Main in downtown Wausaukee. Family style chicken will be served starting at noon. Cost is \$17.50/person includes tax and gratuity. Please sign up with the Northrops by October 9, as the restaurant needs a head count. You can text Sally at 920-660-4793.

#### Corvette News:

- Rick Northrop states he and his wife Sally have been members for 10 years, and noticed the same club members volunteer to organize runs. Rick states it is a worthwhile experience and appreciates all who step forward to volunteer to coordinate a run. Rick states volunteering for a run is a great way to see your community, it is fun, and he encourages members to come forward to initiate a run.
- President Dan reports he finished his 1996 Corvette improvements with the assistance of his son, Hunter. They did whatever changes they could make as a team and turned the rest to Gandrud. The Corvette should be in good running condition for many years to come great team work!!
- Aluminum can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Gene or Linda Blohowiak: Gene reports the tab collection was outstanding today!

#### Good of the Group (Non-Corvette related news, events, announcements)

- Tony Yaggie verbalized the need for the role of COTB President to be filled, and he will be honored to help the club and accept the nomination of President. President Dan states under the circumstances, ballots will not be mailed out, and Tony will be appointed as President, and Guy Ringle will be appointed Vice President.
- Mark Nemetz reports his wife, Kelly, started her first day of retirement today, and was pleased to begin her journey with the COTB!
- President Dan reports 20 years ago in October, he purchased his first Corvette congratulations, Dan!!
- Greg Rohde had a video of the 1953 Corvette to share with the group, but due to technical difficulties, it was canceled.

Please buy some scrip (gas and car wash cards from Terri) after the meeting!

Adjournment: President Dan asked for motion; motion made by Scott Blahnik; meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

#### Mary Ann Torrez, Corvettes of the Bay Secretary

#### 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Dan Terrien Vice President - Jason Dellise Secretary - Mary Ann Torrez Treasurer - Terri Villiesse Board Member - Cathy Harrison Board Member - Luann Poll Board Member - Chuck Templer

#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

STEVE BLOEDEL (OCT 1) KELLY NEMETZ (OCT 1) GENE WAGNER (OCT 2) PETER BEANE (OCT 3) MIKE GOLLA (OCT 3) LYNN GRAICHEN (OCT 8) DIANE LYMAN (OCT 9) **RHONDA SEIDL (OCT 9)** MIKE SMET (OCT 9) CINDY SCHOTT (OCT 10) MARC CHITKO (OCT 11) PAM SARVER (OCT 11) ANDREW SCHWALBE (OCT 13) GAY MASHL (OCT 15) BILL KOLTZ (OCT 16) JULIE JACOBS (OCT 17) CLINT BARTH (OCT 20) DALE OTT (OCT 20) BILL SARVER (OCT 21) DEBBIE SCHWEINER (OCT 23) ADAM FUNK (OCT 25) DAN MILLER (OCT 25) GARY PAUL (OCT 25) WEBB JENKEL (OCT 26) GARY PIESCHEK (OCT 26) BONNIE MEISTER (OCT 27) DAMIAN SCHUMACHER (OCT 29) KEITH STANGE (OCT 29) VICKIE LINSSEN (OCT 30) **DIONNE VAN ITEN (OCT 31)** 

#### **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

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) TOM AND SHELBY SCHAPPA (OCT 20) PAUL AND MICHAELINE (MYKE) SCHMIT (OCT 20) KEN AND DIANE LYMAN (OCT 21) LISA AND SEAN FERNSTRUM (OCT 27) DAN AND BECKY MILLER (OCT 29) ROGER AND TWYLA JOHNSON (OCT 30)

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

#### DINNER/LUNCH RUN LEADERS 2

<u>RS</u> <u>2023</u>

#### SEASONAL ICE CREAM RUN LEADERS

Oct open

October 19 Sue & Joe Rabideau November open December open

#### ADDITIONAL RUNS/EVENTS

Oct 12 - Motorsports Enterprises, Plymouth, WI - Greg Rohde Oct 14 - Chicken Run - Rick & Sally Northrop Jan 5, 2024 - HOLIDAY PARTY - Luann Poll Aug 28-31, 2024 - National Corvette Caravan - Luann Poll & Jason Dellise

When you have selected a specific date for an event, e-mail the details to **debvan64@sbcglobal.net**. 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!

#### 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 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.



#### Winter Storage

Joe Rabideau has heated warehouse storage available for the winter season. If you are interested, please contact Joe @ 920-360-9814.

> Luann and Eloise entertaining the crowd at The Daddy D Show, Cruisin' to the Classics, at The Automobile Gallery on September 14.



#### **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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## **Meeting Location**



The Village Grille 1390 Bellevue St. Green Bay, WI

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