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

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Fall Breeze and Autumn Leaves!

Dear Corvettes of the Bay Club Members,

I can smell autumn dancing in the breeze, with the sweet aroma of pumpkins and the crisp scent of sunburnt leaves. I can also hear the sound of our Corvettes revving through the autumn splendor. Hopefully, you will take advantage of the last two months of our riding season!

I am thankful for all our members who have helped make this riding season so special by sponsoring an event! We are blessed as a club to have so many activities to participate in and enjoy our Corvettes. There is still room to sponsor more events in September, October, and November. A dinner run to your favorite restaurant is always welcomed!

Please be sure to take advantage of the great events already planned:

- ♦ Join Jerry Schaefer for his "X-Files" run on September 12. As usual, Jerry has prizes planned that you could win!
- ♦ On September 14-16, Jerry Parodo will be leading an Early Fall Cruise to the UP.
- ♦ How about taking a trip to the Northwoods with Luann and John Poll on September 21? There are planned stops at the NewCare senior facility and Camp Daniel for lunch.
- ♦ You can still sign up for the Copper Harbor Fall Color Ride led by Amy and Josh Dorner. This takes place September 26-27.
- ♦ And if you are in the mood for one more parade, join Mike Golla for the Peshtigo Historical Day Parade on September 26.

For more details on these events and exciting opportunities coming in fall, check out our club's event calendar.

We are still in need of a volunteer to fill the president role for our club in 2027! Our club can't survive without the time and talents contributed by our board members. Please consider giving something back to this club we all love so much! This is not a difficult role.

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Here are the main responsibilities of the president's role:

- Prepare the monthly meeting agenda.
- Preside over the monthly meetings.
- Prepare and preside over the quarterly board meetings.
- Draft a letter to the club that is published in the monthly newsletter.
- Review the minutes that are put together by the secretary for the monthly meetings and board meetings.
- Oversee the filing of our 501(c)7 nonprofit status. (Note, this is also coordinated by the treasurer and Godfrey and Kahn).
- Oversee that the club insurance policies are maintained. (Note, the treasurer takes a lead in this process.)
- Maintain custody of club property (banners and tent).
- Answer club member inquiries.

Please contact Guy Ringle before our October meeting if you are interested in this position. Please do some soul searching and ask yourself if it is time to serve...or is it time to serve again?

It's time to sign up for the COTB 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. Please pay your \$25 per person fee to Diane Lyman no later than December 1 to reserve your spot! Thanks to our Holiday Christmas Party Committee (Elizabeth and Guy Ringle, Diane Lyman, Tammy and Brian Jones).

A friendly reminder to renew your annual memberships starting in October. Remember that any new member that joins on October 1 or later gets the rest of the year FREE, and they are members through all of next year. Make sure you renew your memberships by the end of this year!

Best regards,

Guy Ringle

President

Corvettes of the Bay

Corvettes of the Bay – Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 1, 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 90 members in attendance.

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

Membership Announcements

No new members or guests were identified during the meeting.

President's Report

- Let's keep the momentum going and fill the event calendar. Looking for **more dinner runs!** Still room for more, especially in September and October.
- Time to start signing 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 before the December meeting so final numbers can be provided to the Swan Club.
- **We need members to fill board vacancies for 2027!** 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 volunteers for president.** Members were encouraged to consider volunteering, even for a one-year commitment. The current board is willing to assist with transition and training. Members interested in the role should contact Guy Ringle.
- Sally Steffen has also been handling club communications and email distribution. This position can be filled by one of the incoming board candidates but does not have to be. Members interested in helping with communication duties were asked to contact Sally Steffen or Guy Ringle. The role provides email messages to make members aware of upcoming events.
- 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.
- Pictures for the COTB website can be sent to Elizabeth Ringle at elizabeth.vieau.1@gmail.com.

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 Tony Steffen and seconded by George Yursis. Motion carried.

Past Runs & Events

- August 15 – Algoma Shanty Days – **Marty & Sherry LaFond**. Eighteen cars participated.
- August 19 – Veterans Home Visit – **Mike Golla and Dan Brunmeier**. Dan thanked members for attending and supporting the event. The residents appreciated the club's participation. Sixteen members, eight cars, attended, and the event received coverage on Channel 5 on two separate days.
- August 25-26 – Overnight Trip to Southeast Wisconsin – **Mark and Kelly Nemetz**. Eight cars participated, and everyone had a fabulous time driving through the roads, hills and curves of Wisconsin.
- August 28-30 – Mackinaw City Run – **Cynthia & Damian Schumacher**. Members reported a successful trip with good weather, scenic roads, lunch, a parade, and safe travels home. Twelve cars from our club went on the run. Approximately 260 Corvettes participated in the car show. Cynthia received second place in the car show.

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Upcoming Runs & Events

- September 12 – X-Files Run – **Jerry Schaefer** – Reminder that there is still room to sign up. Participants will receive a poster and a kit before the run. There will also be prizes.
- September 14-16 – UP Cruise – **Jerry Parodo**
- September 21 – Fun Run to the Northwoods – **Luann and John Poll** - Members will meet for the ride near the Park and Ride in Howard, and then cruise to NewCare, a senior facility, so residents can view the cars. Next stop will be Camp Daniel with a lunch. Reach out to Luann if interested in participating.
- September 26-27 – Copper Harbor Fall Color Ride – **Amy and Josh Dorner** – Leaving Saturday and will stop for lunch. Sunday will include the ski lift ride. Please contact Amy or Josh if you are interested.
- September 26 – Peshtigo Historical Day Parade - **Mike Golla** – Please attend the Peshtigo Fire commemoration and car show. Members will meet at the Shell station at Hwy. 41 and Lineville at 8:15 am, departing at 8:45 am. Arrival is expected around 10:30 am. The car show begins at 1:00 pm. No RSVP is required.
- October 3 – Autoberfest – **Darrel Burnett** – German car show at The Automobile Gallery. It will feature some of the best German cars in the world. Come enjoy the cars, music, beer and brats.
- 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.

Corvette News:

- **New Corvettes/Modifications/Tech Tips**
 - Bob Zahn indicated he is working on a ZO6X and a C9 in 2029.
- Aluminum Can Tab Update – **Gene Blohowiak**
 - Gene reported that 6.7 pounds of tabs were collected, bringing the total to 46.6 pounds after only two months. Members were encouraged to continue collecting tabs. Gene has large plastic jugs that you can pick up from him to place around the community to collect even more tabs.
- Contact **Dan Terrien** if you are interested in displaying your Corvette at The Automobile Gallery.
- Any additional topics?

Adjournment Motion and Approval

President Guy asked for motion, motion made by Dan Brunmeier, second by Tony Steffen. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

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

Submitted by Tammy Jones

Secretary

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.

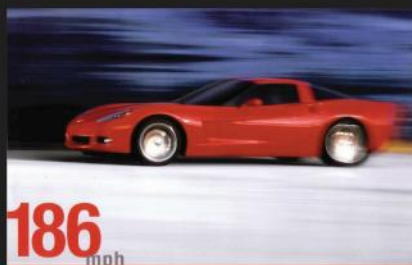
If you are looking for ideas for future runs or events, click on the link "Road Trip Ideas, Destinations, Directions and Guidelines" for a listing of things that have been done in the past.

2005 Chevrolet C6 Corvette



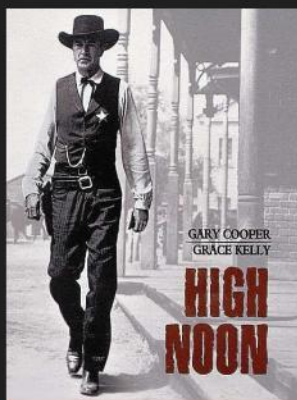
Owners: Gary & Bonnie Paul

Like Gary Cooper's stoic Sheriff Will Kane in the Academy Award-winning western *High Noon*, the first year C6 Corvette let its track record do all the talking. In what may be a first, Corvette's normally effusive marketing department didn't write a single word to celebrate its newly designed 2005 C6 Corvette. Everything anyone needed to know about the new generation Corvette was summed up in this simple 6-letter phrase- 186 mph!



After the C5's highly successful 8-year run from 1997 – 2004, the new C6 carved out a hip new image for itself in 2005 with a shorter overall footprint and a huge boost in power courtesy of the brand new 6.0-Liter LS2 V8. Performance was a priority with the LS2 boasting 400 horsepower and 400 lb. ft.

of torque at 4,400 rpm matching the previous generation's high-performance Z06. The new tighter, snug fitting seats are a welcome necessity under acceleration. Launching from a dead stop, the pilot is pinned to the back of the seat while 4.3 seconds fly by on the trip from 0-60 with a ¼-mile time of 12.6 seconds at 112 mph. For those willing to test its limits and their sanity, the 186-mph top speed resides in the same neighborhood with the 2005 Ferrari 430 without having to sell all your possessions to pay for it. Chevrolet hit the sweet spot by selling 37,372 C6s in 2005, the most Corvettes sold in a single year since 1985!



Count Corvettes of the Bay member Gary Paul among those who fell in love with the C6. Gary was already a long-time owner of a '69 Corvette Roadster project car when he purchased this low mileage C6 at Jorns Chevrolet in Kewaunee, WI on July 23rd, 2010. They have been inseparable ever since with Gary carefully enjoying his prize while limiting the wear and tear with just 44,000 original miles. Gary loved his C6 so much he has since added a C7 Corvette to his collection to span three generations of Corvettes.

A new color accompanied the new style in 2005. Chevrolet added Victory Red to the Corvette color palette for the first

time replacing Precision Red as 1 of 4 shades of red available in 2005. Gary Paul's Victory Red Corvette is beautifully complemented with a Cashmere interior and is 1 of just 5,617 Victory Red 2005 Corvettes produced that model year. Victory Red remained a Corvette color for 4 years through 2009 before being replaced by Torch Red. The Automobile Gallery & Event Center congratulates Gary Paul and his 2005 Corvette for being the Corvettes of the Bay feature display and for painting our town red!

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


The Automobile Gallery
— & Event Center —

COMING SOON!!

BE SURE TO ADD THIS FUN EVENT
TO YOUR CALENDAR!!



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CORVETTES
OF THE
BAY
Holiday Party

CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH FRIENDS, CARS & CHEER

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 JANUARY 2ND, 2027 5:00 Cocktails (Cash Bar) 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Entertainment	 SWAN CLUB 875 HERITAGE ROAD DE PERE, WI 54115	 ENTERTAINMENT BY DADDY D PRODUCTIONS
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**FAMILY STYLE
BROASTED CHICKEN &
TENDERLOIN TIPS**

**BRING THE SPIRIT.
DRIVE THE LEGEND.**

**RSVP BY
DECEMBER 1ST**

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

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

DINNER/LUNCH RUN LEADERS

2026

September	open
October	open
November	open
December	open

ADDITIONAL RUNS/EVENTS

September 12 - X-Files Run
September 14-16 - Run to the UP
September 21 - Northwoods Run
September 26-27 - Fall Color Run to Copper Harbor
October 3 - Autoberfest at Automobile Gallery
January 2, 2027 - COTB Holiday Christmas Party

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.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

SHERI DAVIDOVICH (SEP 2)
ROGER JOHNSON (SEP 5)
PAUL SCHMIT (SEP 5)
RICHARD BUNKER (SEP 10)
ERIN OLSON (SEP 10)
DAVID DEWICK (SEP 12)
JASON DELLISE (SEP 15)
CHARLES MAUS (SEP 16)
JIM PYLE (SEP 16)
MARTY HOCKERS (SEP 18)
MIKE HANNON (SEP 19)
PATRICIA EDINGER (SEP 22)
HARRY LIEBERGEN (SEP 22)
KAREN SCHMIDT (SEP 24)
CHRIS TEMPLER (SEP 24)
IRIS JENKEL (SEP 27)

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

BRANDON AND ANGELA ROHDE (SEP 2)
CHRIS AND TERRI BOETTCHER (SEP 6)
CHARLES AND BARBARA MAUS (SEP 7)
TONY AND SALLY STEFFEN (SEP 7)
JAMES AND LYNN STEINBRECHER (SEP 16)
DON AND DEB VANDENAVOND (SEP 22)
DAVID AND DEB BOETTCHER (SEP 23)
WILLIAM AND HIYESMIN deVRIES (SEP 23)
DAN AND MICKEY KOSIR (SEP 25)
RANDY AND AMY PETERS (SEP 27)
MIKE AND BETH SCHEELK (SEP 27)

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.

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Meeting Location



The Village Grille

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