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## **Member News....**

### **Sunshine Committee:** 😊

- List of cards sent during the past months.

### **NOVEMBER**

Ann Murray - Get well.

### **DECEMBER**

Pat Murray - Get well.

### **JANUARY**

Ray Medley - Get well.

### **FEBRUARY**

David Burkhardt - Get well.

If you know of someone who is down and out or just needs cheering up, please let Sally Post know so she can get something out to them. You can e-mail her at [post.sally@gmail.com](mailto:post.sally@gmail.com) or call her at 262-421-8930.

**With The Ozaukee Glass now being a random frequency rather than monthly publication, anniversaries and birthdays will appear both in arrears and in the months ahead of the newsletter publication date. Also, lacking a crystal ball, any new members will always be published in arrears.**

### **Happy Anniversary!!!**

1/27	Larry & Terry Cohodes	4/22	Bill & Dawn Black
2/12	David & Nancy Burkhardt	5/3	Jim & Julie Russell
2/15	Al & Nancy Neville	5/13	Allen & Bee Heckendorf
3/18	Pat & Ann Murray	5/18	Peter & Linda Kolbach
4/1	Jim Nowlen & Rich Witkowski	6/14	Gerry & Nancy Edwards
4/2	Gary Bush & Jana Prentnieks	6/24	Woodie & Doris Adkins
4/13	Gregg Goetz & Zhaleh Barari		

### **Happy Birthday!!!**

1/4	Pat Becker	4/14	Pat Murray
1/8	Sue Giese	4/26	Bee Heckendorf
1/11	Ann Murray	4/26	Ken Seidl
1/16	Jana Prentnieks	5/1	Larry Cohodes
1/30	David Burkhardt	5/1	Gary Locklair
2/4	Nancy Burkhardt	5/7	Nancy Neville
2/4	Sally Post	5/12	Jim Fitzgerald
2/10	Michael Kirschner	5/14	Karen Locklair
2/16	Sarah Biesik	5/22	Linda Kolbach
2/17	Dan Schmitz	5/27	Bill Ploetz
2/21	Fred Kellbach	5/27	Jim Russell
2/23	Janet Medley	6/2	Patrick Knudson
3/2	Doreen Lettau	6/8	Mary Kellbach
3/5	Jim Nowlen	6/12	Dawn Black
3/8	Craig Biesik	6/12	Jan Hobler
3/10	Janet Griesmeyer	6/16	Gregg Goetz
3/16	Bill Wright	6/19	Gerry Edwards
3/19	Gary Bush	6/21	Joan Ploetz
4/1	Rich Witkowski	6/22	Darline Hoffins
4/3	Allen Heckendorf	6/22	Debby Wright
4/3	Ray Medley	6/26	Zhaleh Barari
4/13	Peter Kolbach		

**Let's welcome our newest members since the last newsletter.**

2/2/2024 Bill & Debby Wright

## 2023 Ozaukee Corvette Club President's Letter

2023 was a very active year for the Ozaukee Corvette Club, perhaps most significantly in the area of membership. We finished the year with 90 members, up over 25% from 2022. I've often speculated about the reasons for the club's growth - could it be the popularity of the new C8's or the boomers retiring and finally buying that Corvette? Naw, it's probably more likely that folks are seeing us enjoying our Corvettes and want to join in.

In preparing this letter I took the opportunity to look back at our 2023 activities. Surprisingly, as a group we had 67 diverse activities during the year, broken down as follows:

- 26 Wednesday Evenings at Wayne's
- 13 Road Tours and dinner drive-outs
- 12 Membership meetings and other social get-togethers (includes chili potluck, summer picnic, pizza night and holiday party)
- 5 Adopt-a-Highway and other volunteer events
- 5 Parades (Cedarburg, Grafton, Saukville, Port Washington, and West Bend)
- 4 Car Shows & Displays

It's apparent that different people become members for different reasons. It could be the parades, Wednesday at Wayne's, or the road tours or whatever. Yes, we're diverse in that regard, but there appears to be two common threads – love of the Corvette hobby and, apparently, eating. It's all good.

A word about Road Tours: We try to offer a mix of short runs (i.e. Gus' in East Troy or Wholly Cow in Delafield) or longer trips (i.e. the Volo Auto Museum in Volo, IL, or Door County wineries). Which is your favorite? Is there a destination you'd like to suggest? We'd like to hear from you. BTW, we're already working on the 2024 calendar – one destination you can count on is the Sunset Cruise at Road America. Of course we'll have dinner.

As you probably know, the OCC is a 501(c)3 corporation whose operations are funded by the annual dues paid by members and advertising fees and gifts in kind paid by our sponsors. Meaning we pretty much spend all our revenue on an annual basis. While we do have some minimal annual operating expenses (like parade insurance, postage, website fees. etc.), the bulk of our annual revenue is donated to charity). In 2023 we made contributions to Ozaukee Family Sharing, Ozaukee County Food Alliance, and the Cedarburg Cultural Center.

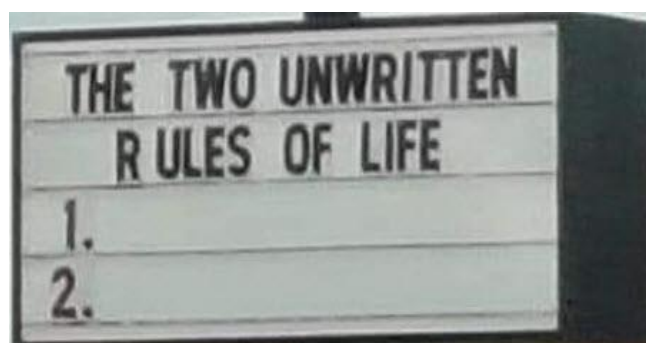
In closing, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the 2023 Board of Directors and those special members that show up at every meeting (you know who you are) on a very successful year. You made it happen! Fortunately, they've all agreed to stick around for another year. Whew!

Bruce

## 2024 Upcoming Calendar of Events

(Always check the web site calendar for latest information and specific details)

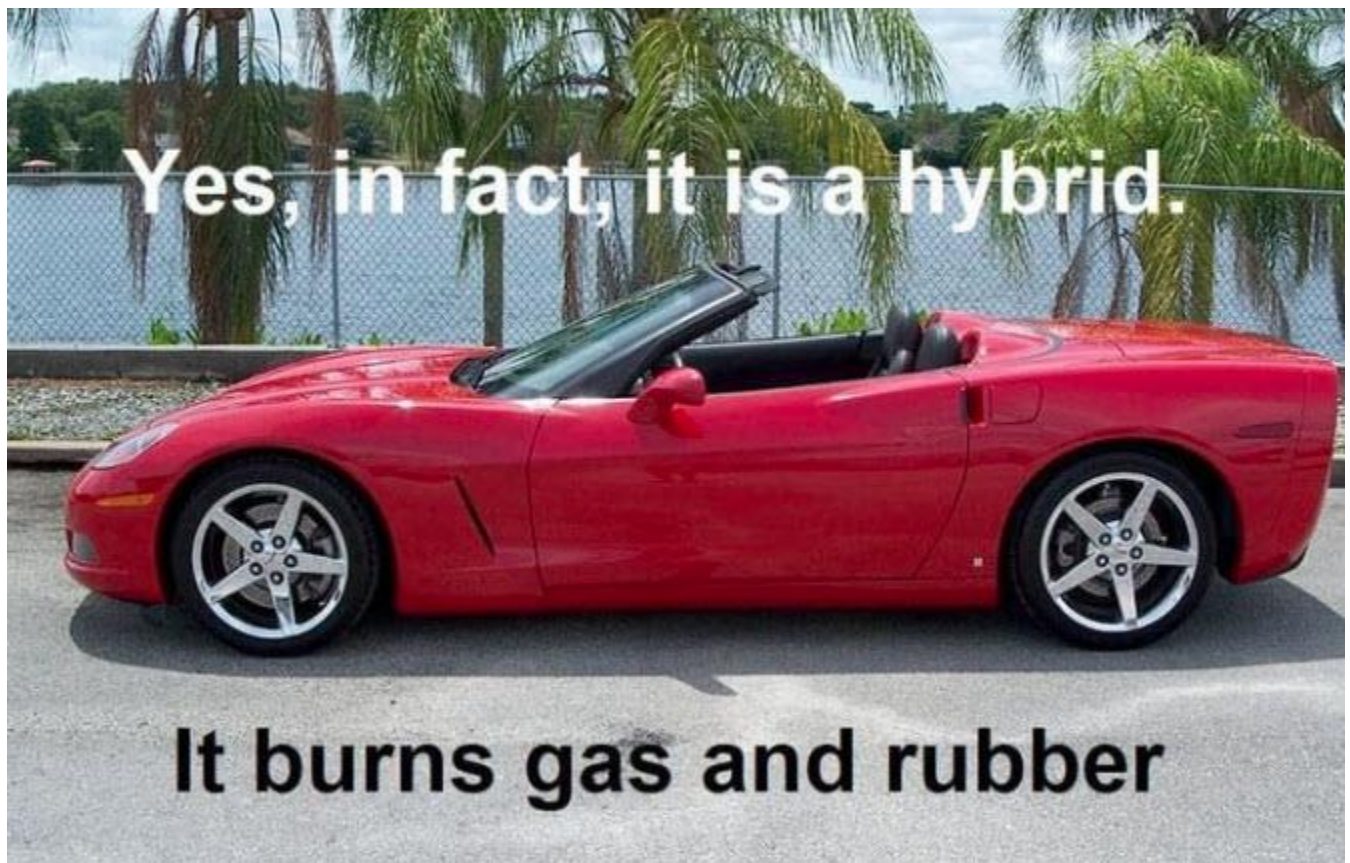
- February 22nd – Membership Meeting @ Flipside
- March 23rd – Social Night @ Ninja Steakhouse
- April 6th – Adopt-A-Highway
- April 18th – Membership Meeting @ Flipside
- May 4th – Road Trip – Shakedown Cruise to Kiltie Drive-In
- May 27th – West Bend Memorial Day Parade
- June 15th – Road Trip - Details TBD
- June 20th – Membership Meeting @ Flipside
- June 29th – Grafton 4th/Holidaze Parade
- July 4th – Cedarburg 4th Parade
- July 4th – Saukville 4th Parade
- July 6th – Adopt-A-Highway
- July 13th – Road Trip - Details TBD
- July 20th – Port Washington Fish Day Parade
- August 15th – Membership Meeting @ Flipside
- August 17th – Road Trip - Details TBD
- September 7th – Road Trip - Details TBD
- October 12th – Road Trip - Details TBD
- October 19th – Adopt-A-Highway
- November 14th – Membership Meeting @ Flipside Election Night
- January 18th, 2025 – Holiday Party
- Watch for updates, more details, and possible additions to 2024 events.





**Did You Know:**

VINs (vehicle identification numbers) were not mandatory until 1981.



## Editorial:

Here we are already in 2024, and we are working on revving up the Ozaukee Corvette Club. Are you anxious for the driving season? Are you excited at the thought of getting back on the road? If you close your eyes, you can almost hear the purr of our Corvette engines. You can almost feel the wind as we cruise the streets and highways with our convertible tops down, and T-tops and targa tops off. You can almost hear the crowds lining the streets at the parades. And “you can almost taste the hot dogs and french fries they sell” (at Wayne’s). Ahhhh! Summer!!!

The event calendar is well on the way to being fleshed out. Check it out elsewhere in this newsletter. It looks like it will be another great OCC season this year.

As 2024 activities start to roll in, we hope to see many of our members at the events. We have lots of members and we would like to see more of you show up for the parades, for Wayne’s nights, for Adopt-A-Highway, for the road trips, and all the rest.

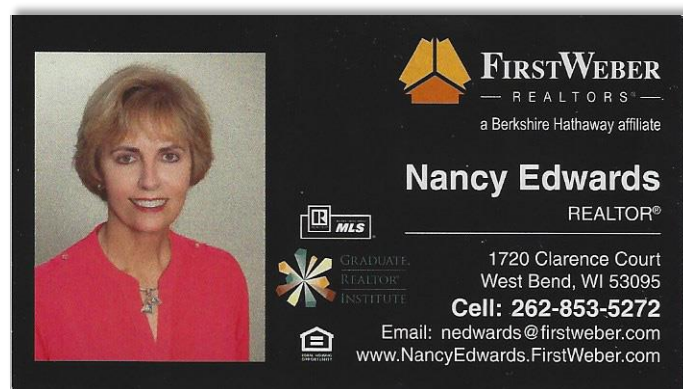
Remember, this is YOUR club. The Ozaukee Corvette Club is what we all make of it. Get involved. Join in.

As always, I hope you enjoy this edition of the newsletter. If you have any suggestions regarding the newsletter content, please let me know.

Let’s make some great memories in 2024!

Ron D...

*Trivia: What 1964 song contains the lyrics underlined above?*



Dad Joke:

"I have a pen that can write underwater."

"It can write other words too."



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## Member Spotlight:

### **“A New Home for Ruby”, by Gregg Goetz**

Well, I’ve been boring most of you for close to a decade now with how I’m going to build my garage. Well, it finally happened. I remember some years back listening to a comedian talking about Americans who build houses for their cars. It made sense to me. It’s a three car, twenty-four feet deep building and will make for a great workshop as well as storage for toys. I have a way to go yet, but my plan is to have it completed this summer. Not having garage space is the one thing that could have gotten me to move. Now, I’ll likely be leaving my house, feet first.

P.S. I’d like to give Ron D. a shout out, he was there when I needed an extra hand, and I greatly appreciate it.



### Corvette Trivia #1

In 1967, how much did optional air conditioning cost in a Corvette?

- a. \$412.90
- b. \$512.90
- c. \$612.90
- d. \$712.90



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### Corvette Trivia #2

This ultra-rare red coupe is one of only 20 cars to have the L88 package in 1967. How much did this Corvette sell for at auction in 2014?

- a) \$1.85 Million
- b) \$2.85 Million
- c) \$3.85 Million
- d) \$4.85 Million

## OCC Club Doings

### **ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY REVIEW**

The Ozaukee Corvette Club held its Holiday Party at the Cedarburg Cultural Center on Saturday, January 6, 2024. Thirty-three members participated in the annual event, enjoying a prime rib, shrimp and chicken dinner catered by The Prime Minister restaurant. And as our tradition, white elephant gift exchange followed. President Bruce Post delivered a summary on 2023's club activities (I still can't believe we got together 67 times) and Ron Delveaux presented another exceptional video program.

Numerous door prizes were awarded. We'd like to give a special shout-out to the businesses that donated the prizes: Sendik's in Grafton, Cedarburg Coffee Roastery, Latitude Café in Germantown, NAPA Auto Parts in Grafton, Penzey's Spices in Cedarburg, and the Olive Sprig in Cedarburg. Thank you! These businesses support OCC so please support them!

We also have some special thanks for helping make the party a great success:

First, thanks to Gregg and Zhaleh who donated a Corvette car cover and battery maintainer that was raffled off to some lucky club members.

I'd also like to thank Jean at the Cedarburg Cultural for her help in organizing the event. The CCC has turned out to be a great partner for this annual event. We'll be back there next January.

And most of all, thanks to Sally Post, Mark and Jan Hobler, and Pat Murray for doing all the heavy lifting. We couldn't have done it without you.





ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY REVIEW.... continued







## ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY REVIEW.... Continued

For those who were unable to attend the holiday party you can find the video show is available online for your viewing pleasure.

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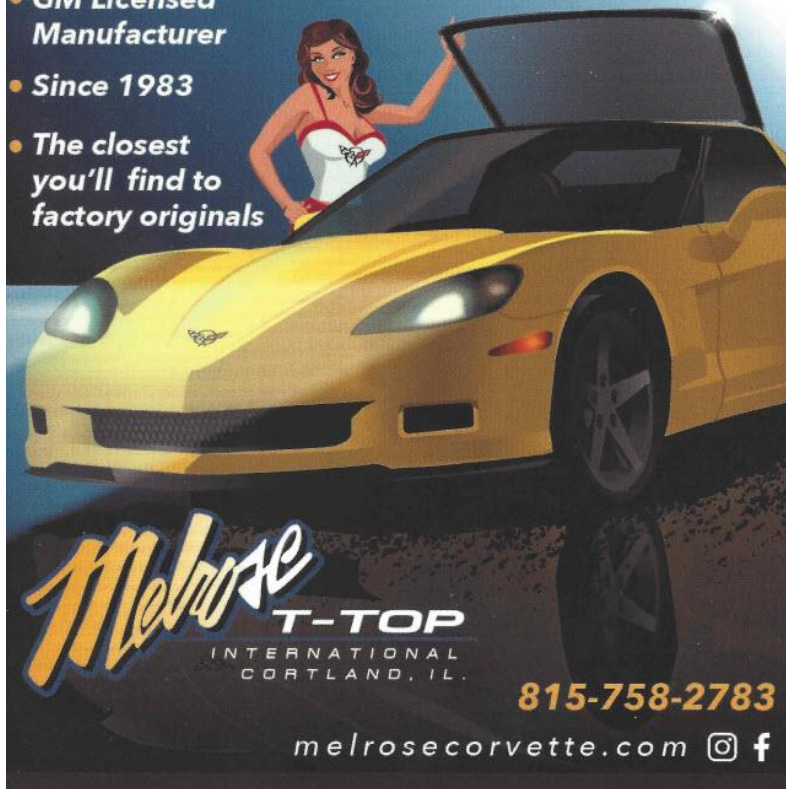
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*"Under The Boardwalk", by the Drifters*

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### Corvette Trivia #3

This year would have the highest number of stolen Corvettes.

- a. 1979
- b. 1982
- c. 1984
- d. 1988





## OCC Board and Membership Meeting Minutes .... November 16, 2023 Meeting

### OZAUKEE CORVETTE CLUB

#### BOARD (GENERAL MEMBERSHIP) MEETING MINUTES November 16, 2023

##### MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Officers and Board Members: Bruce Post, Rich Witkowski, Jim Nowlen, Mark Hobler, Ron Giese, Gerry Edwards, Dave Burkhardt
- General Members: Pat Murray, Sally Post, Ron Delveaux, Jan Hobler, Gregg Goetz, Gary Bush, Roger Miller, Bill Ploetz, Joan Ploetz, Nancy Burkhardt, Gena Felder, Al Felder, Kim Kirk.

CALL TO ORDER: Bruce P @ 5:37pm. We met at the EAA Club House in West Bend for a member appreciation pizza night with Sally Post making treats for dessert.

SECRETARY REPORT/REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES: October 2023 minutes were reviewed and approved. 1 Dave 2 Mark

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rich reported through July 20, 2023. Rich shared the status of the 2023 Balance Sheet showing income and expenses to date for 2023. Approved. 1. Gerry 2. Sally.

MEMBERSHIP: Renewals were emailed this year, with follow-up methods of phone calls, email and if necessary, Land Mail.

ADVERTISER REPORT: Gerry is about to start the 2024 Advertiser Renewal Process

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: No cards (although Sally needs one as well).

NEWSLETTER Report: As always Ron would appreciate articles, pictures, stories.

WEBSITE REPORT: Brief outage a few days ago, fixed now. Issues with how our sign-up sheets work. It is too easy to accidentally delete the whole sheet. Jim mentioned potential replacement with either Evite or Punchbowl. Jim will gather Punchbowl pricing and do a demo invitation with board members.

PARADE Committee: Gerry has the 2024 five known parade dates. They are: May 27<sup>th</sup> 9:30am West Bend Memorial Day Parade, June 29<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm Grafton Holiday Parade, July 4<sup>th</sup> 10am Cedarburg Parade, July 4<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm Saukville Parade and July 20<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am Port Fish Day Parade.

VP REPORT: No report.

PRESIDENT/TOURING: 11 tours in 2023!

Next board meeting might be TBD.

##### OLD BUSINESS:

2023 Charitable Donations. We contributed \$500 to Ozaukee Food Alliance in Saukville this week as our "Thanksgiving" donation and will send \$500 to Ozaukee Family Sharing as our "Christmas" donation. Voted on in the October Meeting.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Previously mentioned Punchbowl service trial coming.

The membership attending officially elected the 2024 Board of Directors

President      Bruce Post

Vice President Mark Hobler

Treasurer      Rich Witkowski

Secretary      Jim Nowlen

Board Members at-Large

Dave Burkhardt

Gerry Edwards

Ron Giese

## ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was postponed at 6:00pm for pizza, resumed at 6:28pm for election (existing board ratified by unanimous vote). Adjourned 6:32pm    1. Gerry 2. Sally

Submitted By:

Jim Nowlen, Secretary; November 16, 2023





## A CALL TO ALL OCC MEMBERS.... YES, that DOES mean YOU!!!

This message is and will always remain timely... OG Editor needs **REPORTERS**. This newsletter is **YOUR** newsletter. It needs **YOUR** help. Please consider helping and contact me via the OCC Glass email at [ozaukeecorvetteclub@gmail.com](mailto:ozaukeecorvetteclub@gmail.com). Volunteer to contribute with perhaps your own personal Corvette-related story or club relevant reports for the newsletter. How about volunteering to be a photographer on one or more of the OCC road trips? Or you could participate by writing a story about our club trips.

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**Dad Joke:**

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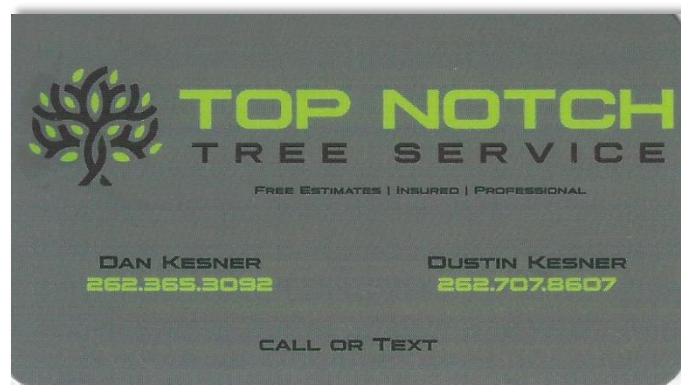
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**Corvette Trivia #4**

How many of the 1983 model Corvettes were destroyed?

- a. 0
- b. 9
- c. 39
- d. 59





**And finally, some random thoughts.**

- When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.
- Is there a destiny or is it all just a coincidence?
- Children with an imaginary friend are creative, while adults with an imaginary friend are schizophrenics.
- When you wait for a waiter, you become a waiter.
- People who wear glasses look smart, but they had to fail a test to get glasses.
- Is butter a food lotion?
- Does a straw have one hole, or two?
- If James Bond is the most famous spy, wouldn't that also make him the worst spy?

Trivia Answers  
#1 – a. \$412.90  
#2 – b. \$3.85 Million  
#3 – c. 1984  
#4 – d. 59





*Proof that  
summer is soon  
upon us!!*

*Wahoo !*

