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Upcoming Calendar of Events 2018 ([See web site calendar for latest information](#))

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March 2nd 2019 - TBD CHILI Cookoff?

March 13th 2019 - 6pm March OCC meeting, Flip Side, Grafton

April 10th 2019 - 6pm April OCC meeting, Flip Side, Grafton

May 8th 2019 - 6pm May OCC meeting, Flip Side, Grafton

June 6th - 8th - [Corvette Adventures 2019](#), Chula Vista Resort, Dells



The 6th National Corvette Caravan is scheduled for August 28 – 31, 2019 (eg: Next year). Read all about it [here](#). As the next year unfolds, let's see how many in our club plan to participate and if so, we might want to coordinate with each other.

Late Breaking News! Registration for 2019 Corvette Adventures is open! June 6 – 8, 2019

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Ozaukee Corvette Club Meeting Minutes

Sept. 12, 2018

The Sept.12, 2018 meeting of OCC was called to order by President Jeff Myers at 6:05pm at Wayne's, 25 members were present.

Secretary's Report: Sue Montana Myers read the minutes from the Sept. Meeting. Kathy Huck made a motion to accept the minutes read seconded by Jay Brown.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report was given by Jeff Myers on the balances in the checking account. A motion was made by Pat Murray, seconded by Gary Bush to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Newsletter: In Jim Nowlen's absence, Pat Murray stated that everything is looking good.

Membership: Ron Giese stated we now have 84 Members.

Web Master: Pat Murray stated that the web site looks good, no issues.

Advertising: Mark Hobler reported nothing is new.

V-President: Ron Giese reported that 20 people and 12 cars from OCC showed up for the Gables of Germantown Car Show and they were able to donate \$300. to charity.

Old Business:

By-Law Changes: The proposed By-law change concerning club insurance has been tabled.

General Liability Insurance: Jeff Myers responded to objections by some members for the need to purchase a Liability Insurance Policy for the purpose of having a legal **defense fund. Should the Club be named in a civil suit, this type of policy protects the Club's finances and its members by having an insurance policy that also provides** insurance company attorneys on retainer. This is consistent with the information Jim Nowlen and Bruce Post presented to the Club from their investigating various options for protecting the club. Jeff Myers added that he talked with a corporate attorney, Jack Buri of Foley and Lardner. Jack had read the Club's by laws, and gave the opinion that a liability policy would protect the club by providing legal representation for a modest annual fee. Jack Buri said the same thing about legal representation that Jim Nowlen brought up. Attorney Buri also felt that the Director's and Officer's Insurance policy was not necessary because the club does not have shareholders and does not produce a profit.

Family Sharing: President Jeff Myers brought up what as a Club we want to donate to Family Sharing for Thanksgiving and Christmas. A motion was moved and seconded to donate \$500 for Thanksgiving and another \$500 for Christmas food drives. The vote was unanimous.

Nominations for Officers and Directors: Nominations will be taken at the October meeting, voting at the November meeting.

Door County: Bruce and Sally Post will be hosting a ride to Door Co on Oct. 6 or 7th depending on the weather. Please sign the sign-up sheet if you would like to go.

Cruising Lake Geneva: The Myers will be hosting a cruise to Lake Geneva, on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018, meeting at the Target Store in Grafton leaving from there at 11:00am. We will be cruising on Lake Geneva from 1-3:00. Early dinner or late lunch at Popeye's Restaurant across the street. Please join us, the fall colors should be great!

A motion to adjourn was made by Bruce Post seconded by Dan D. at 6:50pm.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct.10 at Flipside Restaurant. Meeting will start at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Montana Myers

Tech Tip- Corvette Personality

This tech tip deals with the “behind the scenes” internal computer programming on 1992 to 2015 Corvettes as well as all other GM cars. This is the ‘Black Ops’ programming in the Corvette’s computer or ECM.

There is a lot going on in your Corvette’s computer that you don’t even notice, and cannot alter. This is because, there is artificial intelligence working to make your driving and ownership experience as enjoyable as possible. If you typically drive your car ‘gently’, the program will change the operating limits to reflect your driving style. The shift points will change, the shift firmness will soften, and the car will become an extension of your driving style. In essence you are driving your Corvette like a Cadillac, and the computer program will do everything to optimize the fuel mileage and exhaust emissions to your particular driving style. On the other hand, if you want to rip down the highway at full throttle, and redline the engine in every gear for the thrill of being slammed back into your seat; the Corvette will gladly do that also, without so much as a whimper. The Corvette can be a real Dr. Jeckyl and Mr. Hyde because of the type of programming available in the ECM. This programming is based on a number between 0 and 256. All the engine and transmission function follows a program matrix for every one of these 256 numbers. The higher the number, the more aggressive the program. Every Corvette starts out in the middle of this scale or at 128. This is also the default number. When the Corvette is new it will accelerate hard, shift briskly, maybe chirp the tires. If you drive harder/ more aggressively the Corvette will respond with a more aggressive program. This program number may go up to 132 to 137. If you do a lot of leisurely cruises and parades at 3 mph the program number may go down to 125 or 118. I have never witnessed any GM car above 138, and the guy was racing his Corvette at a drag strip. You would think that the constant wide open throttle and hard acceleration would have the program number up a lot higher, but that was not the case. The real scary thing is, that there is a program for the 256th number. One can only speculate what you have to do to get the program that high. I think the real high numbers, like anything over 150 to 175 must be for the Pratt and Miller Corvette Racing team. The capacity of the ECM is known, but not attainable on the street.

These program numbers are identified in the computer as “Block Learn” and “Integrator”. Block Learn is the long term personality number; and Integrator is the short term personality number. Actually, Block learn is an overall average of all the integrator numbers and is very difficult to change quickly. The integrator numbers are all over the place from 70 up to 220, and are constantly changing and affecting long term Block Learn. Recently, we had our Corvette in for service. The tech noticed our Block Learn number was quite low- actually 120. He told me he reset it to the default program number 128. When we took the car home, it accelerated with a lot more authority, shifted and accelerated with more authority.

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New Members! Welcome!

None this month, invite your friends!

Member Anniversaries:

10/03 MIKE & PAT LANDECK
10/27 MARK & JAN HOBLER
10/27 JIM & KATHY HUCK
11/05 KEN & SUZI HACKENDAHL
11/26 JIM & LLOREL BAKER
11/26 FRANK & JEANIE GILLITZER

NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE:

Articles for each month's newsletter
need to be sent to
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the cutoff date below.

**Next Newsletter cutoff is
Nov 14, 2018**

Member Birthdays:

10/13 SCOTT FISHER
10/13 BOB GRIESMEYER
10/13 GEORGE JURSS
10/13 STEVE LETTAU
11/04 KATHY OLSON
11/08 AL NEVILLE
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Tech Tip; Continued from page 5:

Now, here is the tech tip... no doubt many of you have seen a commercial for an auto insurance company that offers a little plug-in device that you plug into the ADLC (Assembly Data Link Connector) under the dashboard. They will tell you to merely drive around like you normally do with the promise of lower insurance rates. That little device is recording everything you do. Hard acceleration, braking and cornering are all recorded. Of course, so is all the gentle driving. The miles you drive, your average speed, average mileage, and throttle movement...everything! Based on the way you drive, according to the data recorded in the device, they will be able to quote insurance coverage premiums or use this to deny you insurance coverage. Be very wary of using these devices because you are revealing a tremendous amount of information about your driving habits. If you have OnStar, whether you subscribe or not, the built in GPS records everywhere you have been in the last 30 days. This data is linked to the ECM, so that insurance company under dash recording device also knows where you have been. Also remember that GM/ OnStar also knows where you have taken your car on a rolling 30 day basis. The GM computer systems run, analyze, and record information on the drivetrain, the body/ chassis, and the location of your car. In the right hands, this is tremendous technology; that makes owning and driving a Corvette, a truly wonderful experience.

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[Windjammer for a C-5](#). This attaches to the top of the windshield with a temporary clamp that can be easily be attached or removed. This was donated by one of our members since he now owns a C-7. As it did not sell at the Chili Cookoff, the club is selling it here. The money we receive for this will go to a charity. Windjammer retails for \$215.00, the club is asking \$100.00 or best offer. Please contact Ron Giese 262-628-3721.

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We are trying to put together a list of people interested in the 2019 Corvette Caravan. Please [sign up](#) if you're interested in participating. This promises to be a fantastic drive – and an opportunity to enjoy your Corvette's best features!

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As a club, we have a new election coming up with a new slate proposing to renew leadership of our club. Our meeting attendance has been spotty, not achieving a quorum to do club business several times this year. Many of our established directors have chosen to not run again. I think we have a real opportunity to enliven our club, which has benefitted by Jeff's leadership.

It seems we might be at a pivotal moment in our nearly 40 years. Volunteers to run for openings are in short supply, and the majority of those who are running have a vision that our club can be more than "parades and Waynes". My suggested slate of candidates has a vision of a livelier, more involved club by doing all we do, plus making meetings have a purpose beyond just business meetings; and involving our advertisers in adding to the content of our monthly meetings.

*As a result, I solicit your vote for the Ozaukee Glass "editor's choice" slate:
Pres: RonG; VP: JimN; Sec'y: BruceP; Treas: RichW; Directors: JimB, SueG, GreggG.*

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Note to membership: One of the benefits of this newsletter is to help us get to know each other. As we typically experience each other with our Corvette, it will help us to know each other better when we feature a member's Corvette each month. I have no other contributions in my queue. This feature will be eliminated in June with no contributions. **Please send in pictures, your story (see Spotlight below). I'll save and feature you in an upcoming issue.** Thanks!



Member's Spotlight

A Full Circle Story-

Back in 1969, I was a sophomore gear head in a very small High School in Central Wis., and it was also the pinnacle of the muscle car era.

The big names of the day were the Shelby Mustangs, Hemi Cudas, Challengers, Road Runners, Chevy SS and on a smaller scale, Yenko Camaros.

Yenko was a Chevrolet Dealer in Pennsylvania and Don Yenko was also a race car driver. It was only natural for him to make cars have more performance, so the dealership began modifying new Camaros with 427 engines, stripe / emblem packages and made them Super Cars, hence the name Yenko/SC

In 1969, someone from my small town bought a new '69 Yenko Camaro and I saw it almost every day in front of the local cafe as I rode the school bus home. I always thought, someday I would like to own a Yenko.....

Fast forward almost 50 years and an opportunity knocked on my door.

As a hobby I buy and sell a few specialty cars each year. In 2017 Corvette reintroduced the Grand Sport. General Marketing Capital Incorporated owned the Yenko name and licensed it to SVE (Specialty Vehicle Engineering) and it was the perfect time to add the iconic Yenko name to a Corvette. The production is limited to only 50 cars per year.

In April of 2017, the Chevy dealership in Stevens Point sold one of its customers an 800 HP 2017 Yenko Corvette for his car collection. For 2019, Yenko offered a 1000HP version and the owner wanted to "upgrade" so they were working a deal to take the 2017 in on trade with only 450 miles on it. This is where opportunity knocked because the dealership was looking for a home for this car to make a deal.

When I saw the pictures of the car with the same Yenko/SC stripe and badging that I remembered on that '69 Yenko Camaro, I just had to have it!! After a very brief phone negotiation with the dealership, we arrived at a price that was able to make a deal that worked for both of us.

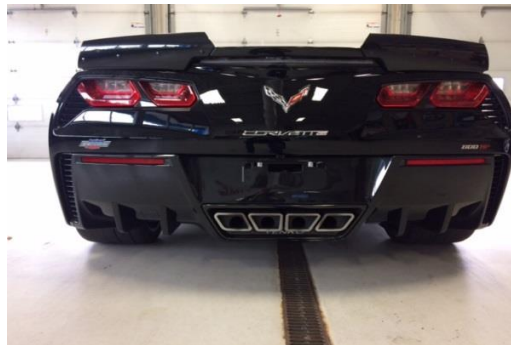
This car is #3 of 21 that were made in 2017. It was ordered the same color as #1 and the former owner's new 2019 will also be #3 and with the same colors!



The Yenko Mod is mostly in the LT1 engine but also includes graphics, badging and trim. At the SVE facility in NJ, the motor is pulled and torn down. The crank, pistons, rods, and fuel injection are all tossed. The engine is bored/stroked, fitted w/reworked heads, H-Beam connecting rods, beefed up pistons, Z06 fuel injection system, a supercharger that is larger than the new ZR1 blower, and voila, you have 800HP.

I have driven the car less than 15 miles, but the performance is absolutely remarkable to say the least. It has the factory Z07 performance package, carbon fiber kit, and is optioned out with the 3LT interior.

I am blessed to have this. It may be a keeper, at least long enough to help me relive those early teen memories.....



Ken Seidl

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