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**President’s Column**  
*By Bruce Boyd*  
**CMCS President**



Thanksgiving is over. That means there may be snow in the forecast soon. Not really Corvette weather for driving; be sure your tires are in good condition before you go out in case you get caught in bad weather!

We had our combination Thanksgiving gathering, Membership meeting and Charity Silent Auction on November the 11th at Griot's in Tacoma. The food was great, I want to thank Mike and Dawn Gaz for selecting the caterer.

Everyone enjoyed a great traditional Thanksgiving meal. The Gudjonson's and Gaz's did a great job organizing and presenting the Charity Auction. The Charity team raised over \$1,000 for the Marty Cameron/Dee Esping Charity Fund.

Next up is our Holiday Membership Meeting at the Everett Golf and Country Club on December 9th. This is always a very nice affair with all the Christmas

trimmings. The sign-up deadline was in November so I hope you got your reservations in. We will be announcing the recipient of the Olsheski Award to an individual for outstanding service to the club. This is our more formal event of the year and is always a fun time. The white elephant gift exchange is good for a few laughs!

On December the 11th we are going to KIRO 7's studios to deliver gifts for Toys for Tots. Details are on the website. Last year we took Corvettes full of toys but this year I know of at least three pick-up trucks that will be loaded as well as plenty of Corvettes as the Charity team has done a great job raising funds for this event.

On February 3rd there is a caravan to the LeMay Museum to see the "70 Years of Corvette Creativity" Exhibit. Info is on the CMCS website and newsletter.

The January Membership meeting is at the Shoreline Community College on the 20th with a tour of the Automotive Technology facility followed by lunch at Spiro's Pizza restaurant. CMCS contributes to a scholarship program for the General Motors Automotive Service Educational Program (GM-ASEP) which is taught at this college. Watch the website for details.

If you venture out on cold, wet, or snowy roads with your Corvette BE CAREFUL!

I hope everyone has a safe and fun Holiday season; I'm looking forward to seeing you at an event soon.



## **Parades**

**by John Kamm**

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**Sunday December 17th:**

Add the **Woodinville Lighted Car Parade** to the excitement of your Holidays

This is a parade for your big metal car. Keep the Corvette tucked in for this one. You need a big car so you can hang more Christmas lights on it.

Last year, there were about 300 lighted cars in the parade, ending at a small street festival. Santa will be there so you can tell him what new stuff you need for your Corvette, and get your picture taken.

This is always an awesome event whether you are in it or just watching from the sidewalk. It does add a special feeling to the holiday season.

Staging is at the Woodinville Sports Field (**13103 NE 175th St 98072**) You need to be set to go at 6:00 pm, and I do advise you get there at least an hour early, as the staging lot fills up fast.

If you have any questions about this parade, or "how do you put lights on your car" please e-mail or call me. See Ya there, John.

## **The Timeless Elegance of the 1963 Corvette Split window**

**by Danette Sawin - CMCS NCRS Representative  
(National Corvette Restorers Society)**



This month, we shine the spotlight on a true legend: the 1963 Corvette Split Window.

Introduced in 1963, the Corvette Split Window is widely regarded as one of the most striking and sought-after models in Corvette history. Its distinctive design, combined with its powerful performance, makes it a true automotive masterpiece.

### **1. Iconic Design:**

The most defining feature of the 1963 Corvette Split Window is, of course, its unique split rear window design. This one-year-only feature was inspired by Bill Mitchell, General Motors' design chief at the time. The split window not only added a touch of elegance but also improved rearward visibility. Its sharp, crisp lines and muscular stance effortlessly captured attention, making it an instant classic.

### **2. Power and Performance:**

Under the hood, the 1963 Split Window was an engineering marvel. It offered a range of powerful engine options, including the base 327 cubic inch V8 engine, which produced 250 horsepower. For those seeking even more performance, the optional fuel-injected 327 engine delivered an impressive 360 horsepower. Paired with a four-speed manual transmission, this Corvette set new standards for speed and exhilaration.

### **3. Timeless Interior:**

Step inside the 1963 Corvette Split Window, and you'll find a driver-focused cockpit that exudes sophistication. The aircraft-inspired dashboard featured a cluster of gauges, providing the driver with vital information at a glance. Plush bucket seats, sleek chrome accents, and a three-spoke steering wheel added to the overall elegance of the interior. It was a space designed to enhance the driving experience and elevate it to new heights.

### **4. Rarity and Collectability:**

Due to its unique split window design, the 1963 Corvette quickly became a collector's dream. However, despite its popularity, Chevrolet decided to discontinue the split window design after just one year. This rarity and exclusivity have contributed to the Split Window's desirability and made it one of the most valuable and collectible Corvettes in existence.

### **5. Enduring Legacy:**

Even after almost six decades, the 1963 Corvette Split Window continues to captivate enthusiasts and collectors alike. Its timeless design, combined with its performance capabilities, has cemented its place in automotive history. From its appearances in movies and pop culture to its presence on prestigious car shows

and auctions, the Split Window remains an enduring symbol of elegance and power.

As Corvette enthusiasts, we can appreciate the impact and significance of the 1963 Corvette Split Window. Its breathtaking design and exceptional performance have left an indelible mark on the Corvette legacy.

We hope you enjoyed this journey back in time to explore the beauty and allure of the 1963 Corvette Split Window. Stay tuned for more exciting articles and updates as we continue to celebrate the heritage of the Corvette.

Until next time, keep the Corvette spirit alive!

## Laps from the Past

by Gary Main



**60 LAPS AGO: December 1963.** CMCS was officially incorporated in November 1963. Dick Stanley, as Temporary Chairman during formation of the club, conducted the December meeting on Friday the 13th at Roses Highway Inn on Old Hwy 99, south of Midway. Dinner was chicken or crisp delicious prawns, all-you-can-eat, for \$3.00 and \$2.50, respectively, tax & tip included. Ken Jones (*still a member in 2023*) was Temporary Activities Chairman. Election of new officers would occur in February with those elected assuming command at the beginning of the fiscal year, April 1st, 1964. The CMCS car badges were shown and described by Dick Stanley. Mo Morse took over as editor of the newsletter that was still seeking an identity. In November, it was called “Corvette C Notes”. This month it tried “Corvette Gazette”. Next month?...you’ll have to wait. Honorary membership was approved for Alan Green, George Green Jr., and Bill Gorsline. Empty decanters were auctioned off by Bill Trippett.

**Activities:** The FULL OUT RALLY II, sponsored by the Boeing Employees Sports Car Club

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**50 LAPS AGO: December 1973.** President Ernie Kahler conducted a brief meeting before the Christmas Party at Horatio's Restaurant overlooking Lake Union. Remember those hanging-canoe chandeliers? After a top sirloin dinner there was dancing to ‘Stonehedge’ (*wonder what ever happened to that group?*) Festivities included the traditional Santa’s Bag by Frank Olsheski. There were over 70 in attendance, including several from the Bremerton Corvette Club, who then invited CMCS to attend their Christmas party in Bremerton the following weekend. Frank Diss was a Board Member, Belinda McLees was Program Chair AND Newsletter Editor. JR Thomas was Equipment Manager. All three are still CMCS members in 2023.

**Membership:** Frank Olsheski was chair. Dues remained the same for the coming year with initial dues set at \$14 for a single and \$23 for a couple.



Renewals were \$12 for a single and \$13 for a couple if paid before the end of March, then increased by a dollar.

**Activities:** In addition to the Christmas Party:

- New Year's Eve Party at the home of Don & Mimi Schwab. Buffet was \$3 per person.

**Dealer Sponsor:** Bill Hazelett Chevrolet

**40 LAPS AGO: December 1983.** President Bob Johansen conducted a brief meeting at the old Hansen's Baking Company in Seattle on 1st Ave. on the Sunday prior to the Christmas Party. Jay Cockrum (*still a member in 2023*) was Vice President. John Paul Nelson III (*still a member in 2023*) was the CMCS rep for both NWACC & NCRS.

**Membership: 142.** Dee McDuffie was chair. There were no new members. Initial dues were \$30 for singles and \$35 for couples. Renewal dues were \$17 for singles and \$20 for couples. Associates were \$7 for singles and \$10 for couples. Affiliates were \$2.

**Activities:** In addition to the Christmas Party

- A Winter Wonderland Family Hayride at the Farrell-McWhirter Farm Park, paid by CMCS for members and their families
- New Year's Eve Party hosted by Mike & Suzanne Shelly at their home.

**Dealer Sponsor:** Lee Johnson Chevrolet

**30 LAPS AGO: December 1993.** The meeting was conducted by President Dee Esping prior to the Christmas Party at the Select Grill in Lake Forest Park.

**Charity:** Those in attendance raised a significant amount of money in support of funding the Charity Committee's Adopt-A-Family program. CMCS matched their contributions.

**Membership:111.** New members were Dave & Teddy Olufson and Joe & Marie Cowan. Jan Cockrum (*still a member in 2023*) was chair. Annual dues remained the same for the coming year.

**Newsletter:** Cloyd Jackson and Bob Lazaroff became newsletter co-editors.

**Frank Olsheski Award:** Presented to Sandra Green for her support of CMCS as the outstanding "butt kicker" contributor in CMCS.

**Dealer Sponsor:** Roy Robinson Chevrolet

**20 LAPS AGO: December 2003.** Rick Stark's 1969 racing Corvette was on the cover. Also on the cover was Santa in an airborne 1953 white Corvette pulled by reindeer. President Dennis Montgomery conducted the meeting prior to the Christmas Party at the Golden Steer Restaurant in Kent.

**Charity:** Cassie Black, chair of the Charity Committee noted a Christmas Party was held at the Union Gospel Mission in Seattle where CMCS provided pizzas & gift cards to the Seattle Urban Academy High School students. This was the only activity in December other than the Christmas Party.

**Membership: 297.** Lorrie Montgomery was chair. New members were Dan and Janet Roupe. Dues were raised by \$5 across the board.

**Articles:**

- “Laps From The Past or Marque in Time” by Ben Benninghoff
- “A 40 Year Dream (Corvette Marque Club of Seattle” by Ben Benninghoff. *(Continuation from the November OYM)* This article focused on the Seventies.
- “Seattle in September 2004 What to Expect” by Dennis Montgomery.
- “Mimi Willden & Ben Benninghoff hit the Lotto”. Ben Benninghoff and Mimi Willden pictured atop a 'steaming heap' of “zoo-doo” that Ben won as part of the annual Seattle Woodland Zoo's “Zoo Doo Lottery” program that gives away its rich compost by the trailer loads. Well, at least they can never say “I never won anything, ever!”. This “adjusted” photo also presented Mimi’s Corvette ‘HOT RED’ buried in the doo with only the rear and license plate visible. This doubled as a ‘Funny Foto’ for this OYM issue.
- “National Corvette Museum News” by Vince Perriello.
- “GM Vehicle Purchase Coupon Opportunity” by Gary Main. Explained how to get great discounts on GM cars.

**Frank Olsheski Award:** Presented to Lorrie Montgomery

**Dealer Sponsor:** Seaview Chevrolet

**10 LAPS AGO: December 2013.** Kevin Wilson’s 1962 Sateen Silver Roadster was the cover car. President Stan Trask conducted the meeting at the annual Christmas Party, held at the Everett Golf & Country Club after a buffet lunch, attended by 78 members, family and guests.

**Membership: 250.** Dennis Montgomery was chair. There were no new members. Dues remained the same. Single was \$45, couple was \$50. Initiation fees were single \$25 and couple \$35.

**Frank Olsheski Award:** Presented to Billie Trask. *This was the only year that this award was determined by a vote of the members as this method was very unpopular. All others were determined by the Board.*

**4th Quarter Special Recognition Award:** Presented to Carol Feveryear.

**Charity:** Donations went to the Eastside Baby Corner, Toys for Tots and gift cards to the Northshore School District.

**Activities:** In addition to the Christmas event:

- Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup
- Saturday Socials at the Plum

**Articles:**

- “Laps From the Past or Marque in Time” by Ben Benninghoff
- “Weather Favors November Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup” by John R. Thomas
- “The 2014 National Corvette Caravan is Coming” (Anon)
- “Tour Tips” by Dennis Montgomery
- “CMCS Radio Tips” by Dennis Montgomery.

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**5 LAPS AGO: December 2018.** Mark & Mary Ryker’s 1965 & 2014 Stingray Convertibles were on the cover. President Ken Jones conducted the meeting at the Everett Golf & Country Club after a buffet lunch including sirloin and



halibut for \$41 all inclusive. A white elephant gift exchange, coordinated by Jo Anne Knollman, followed the meeting.

**Frank Olsheski Award:** Presented to Candy Turi.

Dues were increased to \$70 Couples & \$50 Singles with printed newsletters; and \$50 Couples & \$30 Singles without printed newsletters.

**Membership: 248.** Steve Yabroff was chair. There were no new members.

**Activities:** In addition to the meeting and party:

- **Toys for Tots** delivery to the Marines in Redmond.
- Four Saturday Socials at the Plum
- Articles:
- “2019 Board/Officer Elections” by Robert Stone. Explained the need and procedures for CMCS elections.
- “2019 National Corvette Caravan” by Dennis Milliken (CMCS Caravan Coordinator)
- “Under the Hood” by Kevin Jewell. Topics included odometer & gas gauge calibrations and readings; Pontiac engines; GM diesels and superchargers.
- “All-Season Tires for C7 Z06s and C7 Grand Sports - Finally!” by Jason Hernandez. Having options other than the factory “summer tires” made many of these owners very happy.
- “Adopt-a-Highway - Driver Needed” by Kevin Wilson. 2018 was the 20th year of CMCS participation in the Adopt-a-Highway program.
- “Laps from the Past” by Ben Benninghoff.
- “National Corvette Museum Report” by Kevin Wilson

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## ***Under the Hood*** ***by Kevin Jewell***



Is Porsche re-creating its infamous “widow maker” with the latest specialty 911? When Porsche introduced the 911 in 1964, the vehicle was modestly powered with 130 hp from the small flat 6 engine. As was typical in that era, the 911 had rather small wheels at 4.5" wide with 165-15 tires at all four corners. Since the 911 had the engine located behind the rear axle there could be handling issues if driven a bit ham fisted. If the car started to rotate (spin) it tended to continue to rotate. The 911 versions still have the engine located behind the rear axle, but there are several changes that help reduce that tendency to rotate. One of the easiest was to increase the size of the rear tires, especially if the rear tires are larger than the front tires. In 1975 Porsche introduced the 930 Turbo (still a 911) with 270 hp. Porsche adds larger rear wheels and tires to help cure the handling issue. One summary shows the rear tires at 225/50-15 vs the front at 185/70-15, while a second summary shows the rear tires slightly smaller at 215/60-15. I couldn't find the wheel width but given the size of the tires I would assume the wheels were about 6" wide. While those wider wheels and tires in the rear obviously would help with the handling issue, these early Turbos

developed a rather well-deserved reputation as “widow makers”. There was a lot of turbo lag, but when the turbo came on boil, the Turbo was explosive with that increased horsepower, and probably more important that much increased low rpm torque. I know a fellow Tiger owner who was an early buyer of the 930 Turbo. It didn't take long before his Turbo was being pulled out of the ditch heavily damaged. Over the next decades we could all see that although the basic 911 shape is still close to the 1964 model, the rear fenders have been incrementally increased in width to fit the ever-larger rear tires to help the handling. Fast forward to the 2023 911 Turbo S. It now sports 640 hp and has 11.5" wide rear wheels with 315/30-21 tires. However, the biggest change is that these later Turbo models are all wheel drive and the front driven wheels help keep the car moving in the direction directed by the driver. These new Turbos are unbelievably fast. Porsche claims 2.6 seconds 0-60 seconds, but I have seen magazine tests at 2.2 seconds. I have been a passenger in a late model Turbo S and it is frankly scary how fast and how well it “sticks”. One could well argue that it should be a great car with a MSRP of \$216K and a typical purchase cost of \$240K. Now to the current offering. Porsche didn't become the most profitable auto manufacturer by sitting on its laurels. Porsche has introduced a limited (1250 total worldwide) 911 Sport Classic. This is basically a slightly detuned 911 Turbo except that it is only available with rear wheel drive and a 7 speed manual transmission. The Sports Classic still has 543 hp so I expect that when driven in anger, this model will still be rather twitchy with a desire to rotate. After all Porsche has done to tame the Turbo, it seems likely that with the Sport Classic that Porsche has resurrected the bad tendencies of the original 930 Turbo. It has the same rear tires as the newer Turbo S, but without the front driven wheels I expect it will still be a handful when the turbo boost comes online. The review I read revealed an optioned MSRP of \$283K and one could easily assume that the ADM (Additional Dealer Markup) will be thousands more for this limited-edition model. Another debatable over-kill is the 10 piston front calipers to tame the beast.

The 1963 Split Window Corvette remains a collector's favorite, but the 1967 big block C2 Vette is another perennial favorite especially with the 435 hp engine. However, the collector car market does not always track in unison. The 2023 Hagerty Price Guide shows that a top condition 1970 LS6 (450 hp) Chevelle had a year over year price increase of 12%. The 67 big block Vette had a 12% price decrease. Is this the time to finally buy that big block that you have lusted over? By the time you read this column we might well find that the pricing has reversed again.

Having mentioned two 1960 era Corvettes, I believe one of the best looking cars of that era was the early 1960s Ferrari 250 GT California Spyder. The 250 GT was powered by a 3.0 liter V12 producing 280 hp. Only 106 were produced from 1960-63. As a side note, Ferraris were often labeled by their engine displacement

per cylinder, in this case 250 cc X 12 cylinders = 3.0 liters. Earlier this year a very rare 250 GT SWB (short wheelbase edition) in metallic blue (more like turquoise) was sold at Gooding auction for \$18,045,000. You have all seen a similar car in red in the 1986 movie Ferris Bueller's Day Off. However, the movie car (actually three were used) was a replica. The replicas were 1985 Modena Spyder California. Custom tube frame, with a fiberglass body and some very Ferrari looking details. Originally the two running replicas were powered by Ford 302 engines with four Weber carbs, which perhaps explains the sweet sound. The three Bueller replicas have floated around with various owners and auctions since. Car 001 was subjected to a 100 point restoration, the engine changed to a 7 liter Chevy and traded hands at the Barret-Jackson 2020 auction for \$396K. A princely sum for sure, but a long way from \$18 million.

### **Cover - Reese Bostic's 2016 Z06**

Reese joined CMCS in March 2023. He has been seen at several CMCS events since, including our recent visit to Griot's Garage in Tacoma where some of the included photos were taken. He also made the August newsletter with his win in the cornhole tournament at the July picnic.

He is from Charleston, South Carolina. In addition to driving his Vette, he enjoys riding his motorcycle (Suzuki gsxr 1000). In his free time he likes to go to the gym or fire up the grill. He likes to experience new cultures and meet new people. Give him a welcome when you see him at an event.



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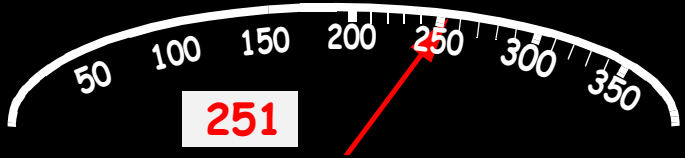
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Present your current CMCS Membership Card when you check in

## The Membership Tachometer

by Lynn Boyd



**Darren Brust** has a **1962 Red Corvette**. He’s “fairly new” to this area, having lived in the Pacific Northwest for only 6 years! Darren is married with 3 children. He works at Microsoft and enjoys wood-working and restoring classic cars.

### December Birthdays

Janice Kunz	1	Dennis Hill	11	Shane Rueber	16
Rich Reed	2	Norman Wong	12	Bob Hopper	24
Lauri Milsow	4	Reese Bostic	13	Harold Rubin	24
John Carmody	7	Johnnie Bragg	14	Jim Freedman	26
Sandy Kamm	8	Russell Siverling	15	Bill Roberts	28
Sharlene Cooper	9	Ada Hawks	16	A J LaBenz Jr	29
Joseph Herr	11	Von Kelly	16	Steve Sunich	29

*CMCS 3rd Quarter Recognition Goes to Steve & Pamela Kyle*

## Corvette Marque Club of Seattle



### Special Recognition

3rd Quarter 2023



## Steve & Pamela Kyle

In recognition of your contributions  
for the betterment of the club and its membership  
*CMCS Membership Picnic*

Steve and Pamela Kyle have been selected by the CMCS Board to receive a 3rd Quarter Recognition Award for their efforts associated with chairing and organizing the 2023 July 4th CMCS Membership Appreciation picnic. They tackled the job efficiently and it ran smoothly. They recruited folks to assist with



setup and cooking and did the required food and supply shopping and organization, including a special request for Johnsonville Brats. They monitored the traditional dessert contest and organized prizes. They introduced a new activity to the picnic with the addition of a cornhole contest complete with playoffs and prizes during the afternoon. They arranged for equipment, teams and prizes.

Steve & Pam have also volunteered to coordinate the 2024 July 4 Membership Appreciation Picnic!

They are always happy to lend a hand when needed and have volunteered for Adopt a Highway, the All Corvette Show and other events when they are available.



## **November General Meeting Minutes**

**by Robert Stone**

**Griot's Garage**

**November 11, 2023 2 pm**

**Meeting Called to Order:** By President Bruce Boyd at 1:28 PM following social time, a car care demo by Griot's, and a catered Thanksgiving meal. He thanked everyone for coming. He honored the veterans and those CMCS members currently serving in the military.

### **Committee Chairs / Representative - REPORTS:**

**Membership: Lynn Boyd:** We currently have 252 members, 155 separate addresses, with 80 (52%) of households getting the printed newsletter. One new member was introduced, Ben Schmidgall, Nicks father. He will be going back to Bowling Green with the Caravan next year.

**Newsletter: Oran Petersen:** He needs cars for the newsletter cover, get in touch with him if you would like your car on the cover.

**Website: Shaun Hayes:** He and Steve Weigel are working on a member survey about tours and meetings. It should be out to the members in the next week or so.

**Facebook: Linda Scott:** We have 750 followers with 350 recent views.

**Parades: John Kamm:** Not present, Bruce reported. The only parade remaining is the Woodinville lighted car parade on December 17th.

**Adopt-a-Highway: Dave Cayton:** Not present. Bruce reported the next pickup will be on April 21, 2024.

**NCM: Kevin Wilson:** Between now and August of next year his main focus will be on the NCM caravan and the 30th anniversary of the NCM. The museum is offering a reduced price of \$1953 for a lifetime membership. He passed out ticket order forms for the raffle of four Corvettes.

**NWACC: Ken Jones:** The next meeting is November 12th. He is now the secretary for NWACC.

**Sponsor: Steve Yabroff:** Not present, Bruce reported that there is now a special on synthetic oil/filter changes for all domestic makes/models for \$59.99, at our sponsor Evergreen Chevrolet.

**Charity: Diane & Chad Gudjonson and Mike & Dawn Gaz:** (The Charity Committee organized and officiated a silent auction at this event, with proceeds going to the charity fund.) Chad thanked Dawn and Mike for all the work they did to arrange the catered Thanksgiving meal.

Diane has heard from KIRO and they are excited about our participation. The date for the drop-off is December 11. The committee would like to have more cars than last year. We will probably meet at the same place as last year, go to KIRO, and then have lunch at the same restaurant as last year. The charity fund honors Dee Esping and Marty Cameron who managed the charity fund for years until their passing. Volunteers are needed to do the shopping for Toys for Tots. Further information will be available soon. Contact Diane if you have any questions or wish to volunteer for the shopping day.

**NCRS: Danette Sawin:** Not present. Bruce reported that she has volunteered to return as the club representative, as the NCRS turmoil has settled down.

**2024 NCM Caravan: Shaun Hayes & Steve Yabroff:** Steve not present, Shaun reported. The Northwest region has around 210 cars with 400 people. There are 85 cars and 154 people departing from Evergreen Chevrolet including 20 cars and 35 people from CMCS. Evergreen is very happy with the number of participants. There will be a couple of meetings after the first of the year for CMCS members to provide information and answer questions. He and Steve are working on getting a hat for the caravan participants.

**All Corvette Show: Marvin Scott:** The date for next year's event is July 28th, 2024.

**Autocross: Kevin Jewell:** Race dates should be out by the end of the year; he will then send them out to those who race. Contact him if you are interested in or want to know about autocross.

### ***Board/Officer - REPORTS:***

**Vice President: Dave Cayton:** Not present, nothing to report.

**Treasurer: Kevin Wilson:** The books are balanced and up to date. We are in good financial shape. He has copies of the October financial reports available for review. At the December meeting he will recommend that the dues remain the same. He offered for sale: club tour radios for \$35, CMCS license plate shields for \$15, (\$20 with a license plate screw mount), and CMCS window clings for free.

**Secretary: Robert Stone:** Asked for any corrections to the October meeting minutes as published in the November OYM newsletter.

Motion received, seconded, and approved to accept September membership meeting minutes as published in the OYM.

**2 Year Activities/1 Year Activities: Steve Weigel/Lars Posthumus:** Steve reported.

Holiday meeting at Everett Country Club on December 9th.

On January 20, 2024, at 11 AM we meet at the Shoreline Community College facility where the **General Motors Automotive Service Educational Program**

**(GM-ASEP)** training occurs. This is where the 50/50 proceeds are donated. There is a presentation by Scott Main followed by a tour of the facility followed by the club meeting at the facility. We then go to lunch at Spiro's Pizza Restaurant.

Steve Yabroff is checking with Evergreen Chevrolet about having our February meeting at their showroom.

We may have a caravan to the LeMay Car Museum to see the Corvette display in January or February.

Oran volunteered to set up a Wet Weekend event for next March.

**Past President: Shaun Hayes:** Nothing to report.

**President: Bruce Boyd:** Bill Roberts is stepping away from organizing the Society of Vintage Racing Enthusiasts (SOVREN) car corral. We need someone to take over as CMCS Coordinator.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**50/50 Drawing:** The drawing raised \$200, the winner of half the collection was Steve Weigel, the other half of the proceeds go to a GM-ASEP scholarship fund at Shoreline Community College.

**Next General Meeting:** December 9, 2023 from 12 PM to 4 PM - Everett Golf & Country Club, Everett, WA.

**Next Board Meeting:** December 14, 2023 @ 5 PM Family Pancake House 17621 Redmond Way, Redmond.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 2:12 PM.



## **Saturday Socials - Plum Delicious Restaurant**

**3212 Sunset Blvd NE, Renton, WA 98056**  
**Every Saturday at 8:30 am**

**Oran Petersen - Social Coordinator**  
**[orandeep@comcast.net](mailto:orandeep@comcast.net)**

**(425) 435-8836 (Cell phone talk or text)**

Please join us for a fun relaxing informal morning visit with other Corvette folks while having a nice breakfast.

The dates are listed in this newsletter's Activity List, but are not listed on the CMCS website calendar. We meet every Saturday except when other CMCS events conflict with the date/time.

Contact me if you plan to attend for the first time so I can add you to the "Social Email List". This allows me to contact you if circumstances change at the last minute, such as when weather or other issues arise.

Hope to see you there.

**January General Membership Meeting**  
**January 20, 2024**  
**Shoreline Community College**  
**16101 Greenwood Ave. North, Shoreline, WA**

**11 am: Guided tour of the auto shop facilities.**

This is where the proceeds of our monthly 50/50 drawing go to fund a scholarship. The scholarship is given to a student in the GM-ASEP Program (General Motors Automotive Service Educational Program), awarded by Shoreline.

**After the tour: General Membership Meeting at the school**

**After the meeting: Caravan to Spiro's Pizza,**  
**18411 Aurora Ave N, Shoreline, WA 98133. (2.1 miles)**

Please register so that we can give the restaurant a count of number of people.

<https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5499870>

**Charity - Toys for Tots Caravan to KIRO**

**Monday December 11, 2023**  
**10:00 am to 12:30 pm (Event)**  
**12:30 pm Lunch at the Hatback**

CMCS supports Toys for Tots as part of its charity program. As we did last year, this year we are hosting a Corvette caravan to deliver the toys to KIRO 7. They have cameras and reporters to record the event. This is your opportunity to show your support for our charity and possibly get your Corvette and yourself on TV.

Bring your CMCS radio

10 am: a tour of The Shop, 2233 6th Ave S, Seattle (Includes coffee & pastries)

10:50 am: load our Corvettes with the toys.

11:20 am: The caravan departs The Shop for KIRO 7.

11:50 am: Arrive at the KIRO assigned parking area.

12:20 pm: We expect to deliver the toys. This coincides with their noon-hour newscast.

We then caravan to the Hatback Bar and Grille 1201 1st Ave S, Seattle.

Please register on the CMCS website by December 8th so that we know how many cars and people to expect. <https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501162>

[event-5501162](https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501162)

**Coordinator: Diane Gudjonson: Cell (206) 931-3912**

**Caravan to LeMay to see the "70 Years of Corvette Creativity" Exhibit**  
**February 3rd, 2024 • \$11 entry fee (Normally \$22)**

**9:30 am Depart XXX Root Beer, 98 NE Gilman Blvd, Issaquah**

**10:30 am Depart the Renton Target, 1215 N Landing Way, Renton**

**11:30 am Arrive LeMay, America's Car Museum in Tacoma**

**Coordinator: Kevin Wilson (206) 478-2346 or [kevinwilson@g.com](mailto:kevinwilson@g.com)**

<https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501171>

# National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report

*by Kevin Wilson (Local NCM Ambassador)*  
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Here we are in December already and in the throes of the “big, wet dark” here in our corner of the USA. Winter officially arrives this month, so it's a good time to catch up on reading some of those Corvette Magazines, to peruse the Internet and catalogs for Corvette goodies, and to think about better Corvette weather to come. And oh yes, the Holidays are coming up. If you are stymied over presents for those people in your life who already have everything they need, well get them some excitement this year and give them a chance to win a Corvette through the purchase of a Raffle Ticket for as little as \$20. Not only do they get an exciting gift, but you get to support the NCM in fulfilling their mission. See the raffles at the end of this article and spread some holiday cheer. And don't forget the newly unveiled Corvette Store at the NCM, where you can shop for hundreds of Corvette related items here: [www.corvettestore.com](http://www.corvettestore.com).

Meanwhile, here is some more information from our friends at the National Corvette Museum to share with you.

**2024 National Corvette Caravan is August 29-31, 2024:** I would be remiss if I didn't point out one of the biggest events that occurs at the museum and across the United States that is coming up very soon. It's called The National Corvette Caravan. Often referred to as the world's largest moving automotive event, the National Corvette Caravan is a celebration of America's Sports Car, culminating in Bowling Green, Kentucky for the anniversary celebration of the NCM. Hosted only once every five years, the next event is slated for Labor Day Weekend 2024 and will mark the Museum's 30th Anniversary. Fortunately, we have two members, Shaun Hayes and Steve Yabroff who are coordinating all things related to the Caravan and they've been at it for a while, so keep an eye out for their updates.



**NCM Insurance takes Winter into consideration and offers some great coverage**

**and prices!** More car owners are temporarily garaging their vehicles with the intent of preserving their prized possessions from the elements, and at NCM Insurance, they understand that garaging for 6 months out of the year is common practice in some states and that's why seasonality and limited driving factor into their low rates. With mileage tiers of 1k, 3k, and 6k per year, they have a plan to fit everyone. Why pay more for a vehicle that you drive less? Protection in the garage when it's cold, protection on the road when it's warm; all at a competitive rate with agents you can count on. I insure both my Corvettes (2013 GS and 1962) with the NCM and get a great deal on my premiums. This insurance is for any automobile, not just the classics. And on a recent claim I got paid the same day as my repair. The follow-up from the NCM to make sure all

went well was also much appreciated. You can get a free quote here: <https://www.ncminsurance.com/>



If you decide to insure your Corvette with the NCM, let me know so our club gets credit for supporting the NCM. It's great coverage at a great price.

**CUSTOM CARISMA: The Legendary Creations of Carl Casper closing soon:** All good things come to an end at some point, and so it is for this popular exhibit, but that just means there will be room for more! The Batman Returns Batmobile is just one of the out-of-this-world creations of Carl Casper, world-renowned car designer, engineer, movie car builder, racer and car show producer. For decades, Casper-produced custom car shows have entertained and delighted car enthusiasts all over the country. Here's your chance to experience some amazing cars that take "exotic" to another level. See The Batman Returns Batmobile, Turbo Shark Corvette/ Cosmic Invader, Young American Dragster/ 51 Merc "Knight Cruiser" (the nation's most-awarded custom car) and more! The exhibit ends December 31, 2023.



**Artifact of the Month: Jack Gerbic Career Recognition Badge:** Francis "Jack" Gerbic began his career with General Motors in 1948, building wooden station wagon bodies in Euclid, Ohio with Fisher Body. By the time Gerbic retired in 1991, he had risen to become Production Manager for GM's Corvette plant in Bowling Green, Kentucky. In recognition of his long career at GM, Gerbic's colleagues presented him with this gold-colored badge. Donated by Jack's family, the badge is a token of thanks for a "43.2-year" professional journey in the auto industry.

Gerbic's career is deeply intertwined with the movement of Corvette production to Bowling Green. In 1971, he became Quality Control Director of GM's St. Louis plant, where Corvettes had been built since 1954. As Corvette production steadily increased throughout the decade, Gerbic became aware that the line could move to a new facility, but GM was unsure about where it would go. While the company explored its options, Gerbic joined the team tasked with evaluating new locations for a standalone Corvette plant. One of their options was a former Chrysler Airtemp plant, located just off Interstate 65 in South Central Kentucky.





Gerbic thought the Bowling Green plant would be a suitable new home for Corvette. It was easily accessible from both the highway and a nearby railroad spur. Plus, the building already existed. Although GM would have to build a new production line inside the factory, that was better than creating a whole new plant from scratch. Gerbic also recalled that he received a warm welcome from the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce, which became another point in the town's favor.

GM's upper management agreed with Gerbic's assessment. On March 11, 1980, the company made an official announcement for the Bowling Green community about Corvette's impending move. Gerbic and his team shifted to planning the logistics of the move, structuring the plant's staff, and hiring and training new personnel. Gerbic also helped to develop a new painting process at the Bowling Green plant. Although 1981 model year Corvettes were built in Bowling Green and St. Louis, only the Bowling Green Corvettes used the new system.

When Gerbic received his retirement badge, the plant he helped to choose had already been building Corvettes for 10 years. The National Corvette Museum would open three years later, firmly entrenching the past, present, and future of the Corvette in Bowling Green.

**Special pricing on NCM Lifetime Membership:** To celebrate America's love affair with Corvette and the icon's 70th Anniversary, the NCM is rolling back lifetime membership prices to \$1,953 through the end of the year! Join over 38,000 Corvette enthusiasts from across the globe by becoming a member of the National Corvette Museum! You can purchase your lifetime membership, or other membership levels, and discover other unique ways to support the museum here:

<https://corvettestore.com/catalogsearch/result/?q=memberships>



If you decide to join the NCM at any membership level, please let me know so our club gets credit for your joining.

**Current Corvette Raffles:** The Corvette raffles at the NCM are a major fundraiser that helps to keep the museum operating. All you need to do to enter a raffle for a chance to win one of these fabulous Corvettes is go to the NCM Raffle web page: <https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/> click on "download an Order Form" (near the bottom of the page) which will enable you to open or download and print the latest form. Just fill it out & send it in to the NCM with a Credit Card number, and they will purchase the tickets for you and enter it into the raffle drawing right there in Kentucky! Also please note, there is also an "Enter Interactive Mode" button (midway down the page) you can use on the same page to print out a form that has your credit card number scrambled, if you are queasy about mailing your full credit card information. To use the Interactive mode, you must have a user ID and log in to the NCM site. Either way, please jot down on the bottom of the form "Ticket sold by Kevin Wilson NCM Ambassador" so our club gets credit for the order. Also, please let me know if you send in an

order ([kevinwilson@q.com](mailto:kevinwilson@q.com)). Or make it easy & just purchase your entry from me at a meeting. Here is the current raffle line-up:

**2024 Silver Flare Coupe**

**Price: \$100**

**Limited to 2000 Tickets**

**Drawing: December 7, 2023 2:00 PM**



**2024 Riptide Blue Convertible**

**Price: \$175**

**Limited to 2000 Tickets**

**Drawing: December 14, 2023 2:00 PM**



**2024 Build Your Own Corvette or \$85,000**

**Price: \$250**

**Limited to 1500 Tickets**

**Drawing: January 18, 2024 2:00 PM**



**2024 Red Mist Convertible**

**Price: \$20 Unlimited Raffle**

**Drawing: April 27, 2024 3:00 PM**

**These are the inexpensive tickets that make great gifts & why not give it a shot for yourself too?**



Here are the latest lucky **Corvette Raffle winner: 11/16/2023, 2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe** was won by Mark Yearian of Arlington Heights, IL with Ticket #629. Tickets were \$150 each and limited to 1500 tickets.

**Current National Corvette Museum Events:** The events scheduled by the NCM are ramping up for 2024. Of course, the biggest adventure planned for 2024 is the 30th Anniversary Celebration and National Corvette Caravan. Our club has local representatives (Steve Yabroff & Shaun Hayes) to help keep us apprised of the happenings surrounding this event. Keep an eye on this column to view the latest events and adventures, both on the road (Museum in Motion events - MiM) and at the museum (NCM) You can check the NCM website for more details about them and sign up for them here:

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/>

- MiM 2024 Daytona Rolex 24; January 24 - January 29, 2024 (**Full, Waitlisted**)
- NCM 2024 Michelin NCM Bash April 25-27, 2024 (**Registration open early 2024**)
- MiM Dragon Run Presented By Michelin April 28th - May 1st, 2024 (**Reg. opens soon**)
- MiM 2024 Le Mans Tour June 8th - 18th, 2024 (**Registration open**)
- NCM 2024 30th Anniversary Celebration & Corvette Caravan (**Registration Open**)

**Did you know:** The NCM is more than just a museum; it's a place where enthusiasts gather to celebrate the passion, innovation, and craftsmanship that makes Corvette America's Sports Car. With your support, the NCM can continue to uphold this legacy and ensure that future generations can share in the thrill and wonder of the Corvette experience. In this season of giving there are many ways you can support the museum; you can check them out here:

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/support/>

**That's all for now! Save the Wave!**

## Activities Current as of 11/29/23

Red text: CMCS Events • Blue text: Social

### December 2023

12/2	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am <a href="#">Page 17</a>	Social
12/9	NO SOCIAL due to the holiday meeting	Social
12/9	CMCS Holiday Membership Meeting. Everett Golf and Country Club <a href="#">Page 23</a> <a href="https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5432313">https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5432313</a>	Meeting
12/11	Monday. Toys for Tots drop-off at KIRO. <a href="#">Page 18</a> <a href="https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501162">https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501162</a>	Meeting
12/14	CMCS Board Meeting. Redmond Family Pancake House. <a href="https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5254994">https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5254994</a>	Board
12/16	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am <a href="#">Page 17</a>	Social
12/17	Lighted Car Parade <a href="#">Page 4</a>	(Parade)
12/30	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am <a href="#">Page 17</a>	Social

### January 2024

1/20	CMCS General Meeting. 11 am. Shoreline Community College, 16101 Greenwood Ave. N, Shoreline, WA 98133. Lunch at Spiro's Pizza. <a href="#">Page 18</a> . Register on the CMCS website: <a href="https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5499870">https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5499870</a>	Meeting
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### February 2024

2/3	Caravan to the LeMay Museum to see the "70 Years of Corvette Creativity" exhibit. <a href="#">Page 18</a> <a href="https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501171">https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5501171</a>	Activity
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### August 2024

8/22-28	2024 National Corvette Caravan. NCM 30th Anniversary. <a href="https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-4700366">https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-4700366</a>
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## Holiday Party & Membership Meeting

Everett Golf and Country Club

1500 52nd St SE, Everett, WA 98203

December 9th, Noon to 4 pm (\$74 each)



Noon: no host cash bar (ATM on site)

1 pm: Buffet Lunch: beef & chicken, garlic roasted potatoes, salad, vegetable dish, dessert.

2 pm: CMCS General Meeting: approval of 2024 dues & Frank Olsheski Award

3 pm: White elephant gift exchange (One per person. \$10 max)

**Website registration is closed. Contact Robert Stone**

Coordinator: Robert Stone

Holiday Attire Welcome



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