



ST. CROIX VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

We are starting to see the signs of fall everywhere, with gorgeous sunrises and sunsets, the hint of color changes in our landscape. Finally some cooler weather to enjoy! 🍁 This means our cars will soon be in storage for the season, so part of our meeting was used to share our car care products for every day and for storage.

Please read and enjoy this newsletter to keep up on club activities, both past and present. There are many benefits to being a member, and our social events and car runs are fantastic! We are adding some educational experiences to round out our many activities.

Next Meeting:
October 20, 2026 at
6:45pm at Cornerstone
Chevrolet

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SCVCA Meeting Minutes - September 15, 2026

In attendance at the meeting were President Alan Lacer, Vice-President Jim Stegbauer, Treasurer Tim Johnson, Secretary Deby Meyers, and Editor, Linda Longlet. Mary Lacer filled in for Steve Willard in his absence. Alan called the meeting to order at 6:46pm and led the 42 members present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Of those in attendance, three were guests (potential new members). First introduced were Doug and Cheryl from Forest Lake owning a red 2023 Z06. The club also welcomed Greg Pedro from Scandia owning a 1987 C4. The August minutes were approved unanimously and adopted.

Alan reminded our members of club benefits such as discounts at O'Reilly's and NAPA auto stores. Heritage Embroidery is a Stillwater company where you can find our logo and have it embroidered on apparel.

Treasurer's Report by Tim Johnson:

Tim reported that the club's healthy budget is on track as approved. Receipts included income from the Appreciation Dinner as well as membership dues of \$320.

A mid-week run was organized by Greg Juetten for August 12. Fifteen cars drove out for lunch at the unique Bucknuckles Bar & Grill in Alma, WI. Always a great time for everyone! Thank-you, Greg!



We also had proceeds of \$1600 from the raffle at our car show as well as gate revenue of \$1700. Our expenses included the club picnic at \$230, name tags, and eventually our donations to charity.

Recognition was given to Donna and Kelly for opening their home for the past 7 years. Also receiving recognition was Cornerstone Chevrolet for giving a \$500 donation to the club and also printing all the t-shirts.

Tim suggested that members try to patronize those businesses offering raffle prizes every year. A list of businesses is provided in this newsletter.

Membership Report:

Members were encouraged to check the group Facebook page for announcements and photos, managed by Jim Stegbauer. Dave Mikel manages the club's website, having the lower case password: scvcamember

Other benefits of being a member are discounts at O'Reilly's and NAPA auto supplies, selling car related items through the newsletter, and having apparel embroidered with our logo at Heritage Embroidery in Stillwater.

Old Business:

🏁 On Saturday, September 12, the club traveled to Vino in the Valley in Maidenrock, WI for an annual dinner. A run was organized ahead of the event, led by Sue and Gaylen Langer. Following the socializing and meal, Sue and Gaylen again hosted the club at their home in Beldenville for dessert and fellowship.

🏁 Members brought to the meeting their favorite car care products and explained how they were used. This will be continued at the next meeting in October along with pictures of products in the next newsletter.

RENEWAL NOTICE: Time to renewal for '27. If you can't make the next meeting or two simply mail a check for your \$20 made out to SCVCA to our treasurer Tim Johnson, 4017 Osgood Court North Stillwater, MN 55082

Another fun Meet & Greet was held at Sal's Angus Grill in Stillwater on August 26, sponsored by Jim and Patrice Stegbauer. Thirty-four individuals attended the dinner at this popular place!

Many thanks to Jim and Patrice!!



Upcoming Events:

- ➡ Meet & Greet at Gasthaus Bavarian Hunter September 23 5:00 Linda Rivard and Gary Sorenson
- ➡ Samaritan Tire in Minnetonka is hosting an educational event on September 26th from 12-2pm. We need to have at least 10 people attending.
- ➡ A fall run will be led by Steve and Kris Hallis on Sunday, October 4. Meet at 10:15 at the Bungalow.
- ➡ Meet & Greet Mancini's Charhouse October 21

2026 Events Outside of SCVCA were reviewed:.

- ❑ Classic & Custom Car Show September 27, River City Corvettes, LaCrosse/Onalaska
- ❑ Jeff Belzer Cars Under the Stars October 3

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Board Meeting Minutes

The club meeting was followed by a short SCVCA Board Meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the need for a Tax ID number. We have a bank account and the bank is supposed to give us our Tax ID, but it is not on file with the IRS. This could be because our Tax ID is potentially "dormant." We are listed by the Secretary of State as a 501C7 non-profit organization. If income is under \$5000 we have to self-declare. If we didn't file for 3 years or more, we may have been revoked.

The vote was taken and passed to allow Tim Johnson to apply for a new Tax ID if we need one.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.



This much enjoyed event took place on Saturday, September 12. The club headed to Vino in the Valley led by Sue and Gaylen Langer for a wonderful Italian buffet and pizza! It was a beautiful day and a no-miss event! Sue and Gaylen once again invited everyone to their home for dessert. Thanks so much for all you do! ☀️



I have a matched set of five original GM/Kelsey-Hayes 15x6 JK DC-code Rally wheels. All five are stamped GM, KH,67,and 8, so it's a matching set including the spare. I also have four genuine GM Mexican hat style centre caps marked 3925805/GW552504

The wheels are unrestored and I've left all markings and finishes untouched. I'm asking \$1,000 for the lot, but reasonable offers are very welcome. I'd love for these to go to someone who can use them on the right car. Photos available on request. David Howard
mrh4history@gmail.com



NEWS FLASH: We have secured another educational field trip with Twin Cities Performance. They will open up on a Saturday in mid April of '27 to showcase what is possible to increase performance or solve such problems with Corvettes. As a bonus they will put a car on their dyno to explain that entire process. They only work on GM products--but clearly Corvettes dominate the show. On an inside tour I saw vehicles with unreal power--even a "Corvette pickup" with over a thousand hp (okay, not really a Corvette but a Corvette engine with supercharger in a nondescript black Chevy pickup!). Check out their web site and Facebook page for a glimpse of what they are all about:

www.tcpmn.com and on Facebook under Twin Cities Performance

As we get closer the specific date and time will be posted.

-Alan Lacer, Pres



This month's spotlight is highlighting one of our favorite members, Gary Edwards! Gary has been a member of SCVCA for 5 years and has been active in many club events. He is perhaps famous for holding some sort of record for the most number of corvettes bought and sold, and he currently owns five. As he was thinking about member spotlight, he decided to list all the years of the corvettes he has owned, and came up with 29!

Gary became interested in cars, like many club members, at a young age of 12. He noticed a mid-year style in a '63 and '67, commenting that '63 was the only year with the split window. His first actual car was a '68 chevelle super sport. His first corvette was purchased when he was 19 years old in the spring of 1972 finding a '69 in lemans blue.

Gary was born in Eau Claire, WI and eventually attended Hamline University, starting in pre-law and political science (Gary's father was a lawyer.). He decided to forego that career and majored in business, instead working in a high end men's clothing store before applying to the Postal Service. He was able to retire early at 60 with 20 years as a letter carrier supervisor and office manager in Oakdale.

Gary has a large property off of Bailey Road in Woodbury where he can store his five corvettes and his pickup truck. He is currently unattached, but has two sisters nearby.



For his entire life, playing baseball (real baseball) has been Gary's passion. Baseball is where he met Kelly Hendricks who also played ball at the time. They became good friends and Gary eventually became introduced to SCVCA through Kelly. Gary works out regularly at Planet Fitness to keep fit for baseball and currently plays in the Left and Center Field positions. He is busy with many games and tournaments.



Being in SCVCA, he especially enjoys the fall runs and Meet & Greet. He hasn't been an officer in the club, yet!

His advice to new corvette owners or those interested in purchasing a car, "Do your homework and take your time, don't rush!" Great advice from a seasoned corvette owner. We are lucky he is part of SCVCA!

MARK YOUR 2026 SCVCA CALENDAR
(always watch for confirmed dates in newsletters
and email notices)

2026 SCVCA PLANNED ACTIVITIES

September

September 23 Meet and Greet, Gasthaus Bavarian Hunter (Linda Rivard and Gary Sorenson)

September 26 **Samaritan Tire**, Minnetonka, noon to 2pm: Arrive 11:45,
3200 Oakridge Road, Minnetonka

October

October 4 Fall Run, Steve and Kris Hallis

October 20 Meeting at Cornerstone Chevrolet Stillwater

October 21 Meet & Greet Mancini's (Jim and Patrice Stegbauer)

November

November 17 Meeting at Cornerstone Chevrolet Stillwater
(last meeting of the year, elect officers for next year)

We are always looking for volunteers to head mid-week, summer and fall runs (even for 2027: contact Marie Mikel).

SUGGESTED SOLO OR SMALL GROUP ROAD TRIPS

Door County, rendezvous with the La Crosse Corvette club, Bowling Green (National Corvette Museum and Corvette factory tours, Museum expansion opens in early '27), Route 66 (2026 is the 100th anniversary of the Mother Road), Black Hills, Flint Hills (tall grass prairie, north to south in KS), Naniboujou Lodge in Grand Marais, Leinie Lodge Chippewau Falls, WI, Bayfield, WI (car ferry to Madeline Island).

EVENTS OUTSIDE SCVCA

Classic & Custom Car Show, Sept. 27 hosted by River City Corvettes,
LaCrosse/Onalaska

Jeff Belzer Chevrolet Car Show at Buck Hill in Burnsville, Oct. 3, 5pm to 8pm

One more page! 

RAFFLE PRIZE LIST

TOP PRIZES				
Prize #				
1	\$264	Gift Card	Eagle Valley Golf	Golf
2	\$200	Gift Card	Oak Glen Golf	Golf
3	\$180	Gift Basket/Bucket	Cornerstone Auto	Automotive
4	\$150	Gift Basket/Bucket	BG Products	Automotive
5	\$100	Gift Card	Rio	Bar/Restaurant
6	\$100	Gift Card	Cernohous	Automotive
7	\$75	Gift Card	Matchstick	Bar/Restaurant
8	\$65	Membership	Corvette Museum Membership	Automotive

\$50

9	\$50	Gift Card	The Mad Capper	Bar/Restaurant
10	\$50	Gift Card	The Dugout	Bar/Restaurant
11	\$50	Gift Card	Gasthaus	Bar/Restaurant
12	\$45	Gift Card	Allie Putnum Massage	Health
13	\$50	Gift Card	PD Pappy's	Bar/Restaurant
14	\$50	Gift Basket/Bucket	PD Pappy's	Bar/Restaurant
15	\$50	Gift Card	Lake Elmo Inn	Bar/Restaurant
16	\$50	Gift Card	Mill Street Tavern	Bar/Restaurant

\$25 – \$30

17	\$30	Gift Card	Bungalow	Bar/Restaurant
18				
19	\$25	Gift Basket/Bucket	NAPA Auto	Automotive
20	\$25	Gift Basket/Bucket	NAPA Auto	Automotive
21	\$25	Gift Card	Joseph's	Bar/Restaurant
22	\$25	Gift Card	Joseph's	Bar/Restaurant
23	\$25	Gift Basket/Bucket	Auto Zone	Bar/Restaurant
24	\$25	Gift Basket/Bucket	Auto Zone	Bar/Restaurant
25	\$25	Gift Card	Nacho Mama's	Bar/Restaurant
26	\$25	Gift Card	Freighthouse	Bar/Restaurant
27	\$25	Gift Card	Melt Pizza	Bar/Restaurant
28	\$25	Gift Card	Melt Pizza	Bar/Restaurant
29	\$25	Gift Card	Lolo	Bar/Restaurant
30	\$25	Gift Card	Stillwater Proper	Bar/Restaurant
31	\$25	Gift Card	Ziggy's on Main	Bar/Restaurant
32	\$25	Gift Card	Ziggy's on Main	Bar/Restaurant
33	\$25	Gift Card	River Siren	Bar/Restaurant
34	\$25	Gift Basket/Bucket	O'Reilly's	Automotive
35	\$25	Gift Card	Brueske's Bread	Bakery
36	\$25	Gift Card	Brueske's Bread	Bakery

Other Prizes

37	\$20	Gift Card	Phil's Tara Hideaway	Bar/Restaurant
38	\$10	Gift Card	Mon Petit Cheri	Bakery

\$2,089 Total Value of Gifts