



COLUMBIA COUNTY CORVETTE CLUB

OCTOBER 2010

September 3rd Fish Run – We left K-mart parking lot at 6:30 with 8 Corvettes...Got to Green Lake by 7:15. We met our son Ryan and Heather at the Waterfront Grill on Green Lake. Also, Don and Judy Hornug, friends of Butch and Carla Shaker joined us. Tim even bought a round of desserts (key lime pie, carrot cake and delicious brownie with ice cream and toppings) for each table to share....enjoyed by all. The Waterfront Grill is owned by our friends from Portage, Jeff and Ann Hillebrandt. Other members that went on the run were Jan and Marci Higgins, Jan and Tom Monk, Joe and Tracy Finnegan, Butch and Carla Shaker, Rich and Denise Cada, Chuck and Barb Cady, and Ron and Kari Wagner.

-Lois & Tim Schmidt

September 18th Steak Run – After meeting at the usual spot, we departed and headed east traveling scenic Columbia County back roads until we reached Hwy 33. The scenery was interesting. There was a mama turkey with some “late hatch” babies. When she saw us coming she herded them off the road. Then we came upon a deer standing in our path with his/her friends off in the weeds. We passed a farm with some sheep and some very strange looking relatives. (related to the sheep, not us) The last of our unusual wildlife was a mule with a rider. Following Hwy 33, our little journey took us to The Shores on beautiful Fox Lake. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal.

Taking the run were Larry and Marie Falk, Gale and Marlin Wavra, Dick and Jean Woollacott., Chris and Greg Seltzner, Tim and Lois Schmidt, and Ron and Kari Wagner. We were met at the restaurant by Pat Frinak and Gordy Kohl. Randy Frey caught up with us just as we arrived. Joyce was vacationing in Florida (90 degrees) while we were here in chilly Wisconsin.

After our meal and plenty of conversation, some of us moved out to the bar for more conversation and an additional beverage. It was a fun night at a new place and I know I plan to go back again for another steak.

-Kari Wagner



EVENTS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

10 – *FIRST ANNUAL CHICKEN RUN* Hosts: Greg Seltzner 608-837-8084
Ron Wagner 608-742-4765

16 – FALL COLOR RUN Hosts: Rich and Denise Cada 608-745-4866
(see insert) Ron and Kari Wagner 608-742-4765
Tim and Lois Schmidt 608-742-3334

16 – GRAY FAMILY FUNDRAISER - Hookers Resort, Poynette

24 – *BRUNCH RUN* Hosts: Chuck and Barb Cady 608-493-2187
and YEAR END
WRAP- UP MEETING

JANUARY

16 – PIZZA PARTY @ HOOTY'S in Baraboo (details later)

APRIL

2 or 9 – ANNUAL MEETING (time and place to be determined)

30 – TEST AND TUNE w/ Pot Luck (details later) Hosts: Chuck and Barb Cady

For FISH RUNS, we gather at Kmart in Portage on Hwy 51 North. We leave at 6:30 PM. For STEAK RUNS we gather at Kmart parking lot and leave at 5:30 PM. If you are unable to make the departure time and want to meet the group on the way or at the restaurant feel free to contact the hosts. For other events, meeting times and gathering places can change so watch the newsletter.

NOTE: If there is no host listed, we will still meet and go on the run. See you there!

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Contact Kari Wagner if there is an event you want listed.

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CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to **Barb Cady** and **Harold Brereton** who took home awards for their Corvettes at the 2010 Lodi Rotary “Suzie the Duck Days” Auto Show. Barb won for “Outstanding 1970’s Auto” and Harold won for “Outstanding 1980’s & up Auto”. Everyone said they had a great time and plan to participate again next year.

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to our club, past members Loren and Sharon Cunningham. We missed you and look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT



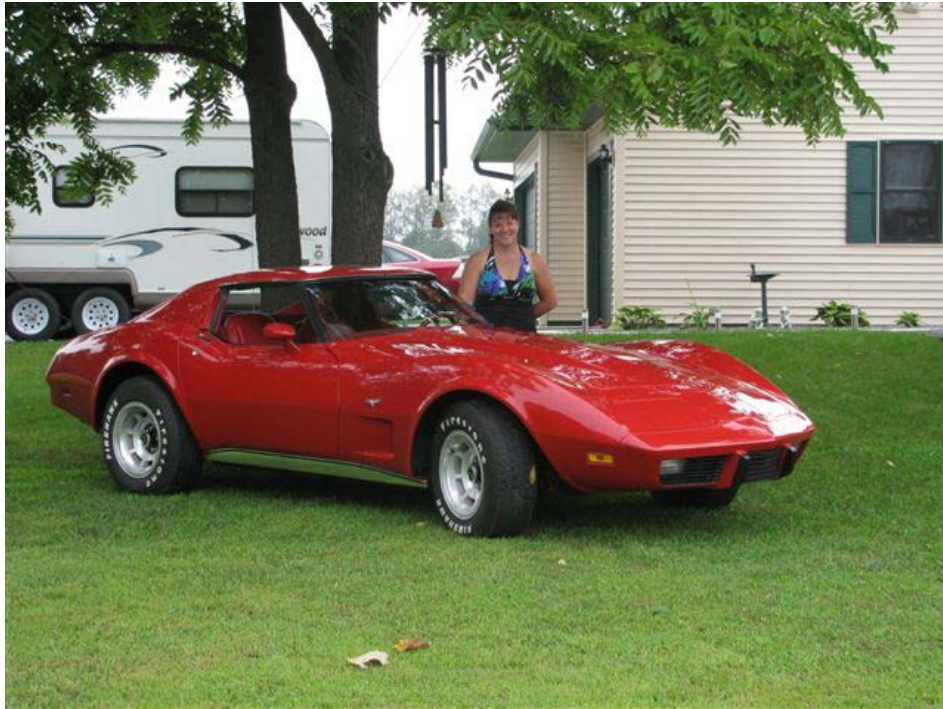
Joe and Tracy Finnegan

Joe and Tracy Finnegan have been members of the Columbia County Corvette Club since the summer of 2003. They own a yellow and cream 81 and a Daytona Sunset Orange 2005 Vette.

We drove the 81 Vette home from Sacramento, CA on the 4th of July 2003, and got the fun of a Museum Delivery in 2005 at Bowling Green, Kentucky during a club tour event.

We have lived in the Reedsburg area for the all of our lives. We have been married for 38 years, have 3 grown children, 3 grandchildren, and a sweet Boston Terrier named Molly. Joe has run his own small business called Done Rite Patterns since 1985. Tracy has worked at Foremost Farms, Formerly Wisconsin Dairies, for almost 34 years.

MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT



Vonda Raupp ~ 1977 Red Corvette

I was born May 11, 1966 in Reedsburg, WI and have lived here most of my life. I grew up with 5 other siblings; 4 brothers and 1 sister. I grew up on a dairy farm between Reedsburg & Baraboo. We still have the family farm; however my father sold the cattle and some machinery after the passing of my mother and 9 months later a brother in a snowmobile accident.

I moved out on my own after graduating from Webb High School in 1984. I have worked at several places in Reedsburg; Suemnicht's Cheese (now Saputo) in the Packaging Dept, Gerber Baby Products (now Nuk USA) in Blow Molding, Lands' End where I became a Lead over the Order Filling Dept, and am now currently employed at Columbia ParCar in Customer Service.

I have raised 3 children; a girl and 2 boys. My daughter has blessed me with 2 wonderful grandsons, Porter & Luke! We all enjoy camping and anything outside and of course going for a ride in the Vette! (One at a time of course!) Especially since I have been waiting almost 3 years for its return!

I reside in Adams with my boyfriend Paul and his son. We recently purchased a home in "The Greater Castle Rock Area" (people freak out when you say Adams☺). It is a beautiful home on 1.5 acres near Easton Motors.

I purchased my 1977 Red Corvette in 2006. It was a long search after losing the black 1979! With the help of Doug & Sue Hahn! I found this one and it was love at 1st sight! I was preparing to join the CCCC on the trip to the Tail of the Dragon in NC and noticed 2 cracks coming down the rear body by the back window. I thought this was something that should be fixed prior to this long ride to prevent it from getting worse. I thought this would be an easy fix and the painter assured me he would have it completed in 3 months! No problem. I went ahead and allowed him to fix it. After waiting 2 summers I pulled the car from him and took it to another. This

painter had to do many repairs that the first painter had done wrong. Needless to say I have missed almost 3 seasons of riding!

I was surprised to receive my shiny newly painted car on Friday, August 20, 2010. It was secretly put in my garage by Paul and was awaiting my arrival home. I was beginning to think it would be another complete season without her!

My plans are to join CCCC on the Fall Color Run to Prairie du Chien!!

I hope to see you all VERY soon! ☺

MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT



Larry and Marie Falk

On September 20, 2010 Larry and I celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary and that is where our Corvette story begins

When Larry and I met (on a blind date) he thought he would impress me on our first date with his 1977 Corvette. All went well.

After the proposal, Larry's side of the story is he had to sell the 1977 Corvette to be able to afford to marry me! Larry's passion for Corvettes has never dissipated. Our first Corvette together was a 1969, cost \$6,500.00 (wow).

Now, all of these years later we have actually lost count of how many Corvettes we have owned and sold however we had up to 8 at one time.

Now we are down to the final 4

Update (09/26/2010) Larry just purchased a 1958 . . . he said it was his winter project car.

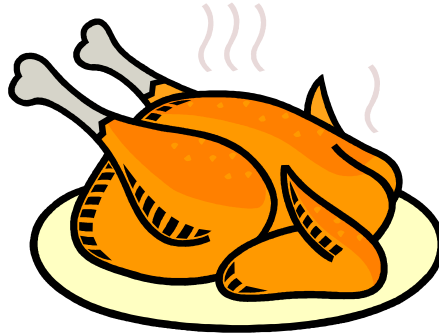
Larry works for the UW Extension as the superintendent of building and ground for the Lowell Center and the Pyle Center.

Marie has worked for the Poynette Police Department for the past 21 years as the executive administrative secretary.

CHICKEN RUN

Our 1st Annual Chicken Run is coming up fast. Greg and Ron have been busy taking reservations. I hope you all received your invitation. If you haven't signed up yet, do it now as the **deadline is this Friday, October 8th**. So far, we have 18 cars signed up. They are Hahns, Finnegans, Schmidts, Lewis, Templins (Tim and Joyce), Woollacotts, Fuhrmans, Freys, Lauths, Shakers, Cunninghams (just rejoined), Cadys, Brereton, Higgins, Cady's Kids, Pelletts (if no rain), Nadolskis, Falks, Hooversons, Seltzners and Wagners.

FIRST ANNUAL



CHICKEN RUN!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

Meet at the Reedsburg True Value parking lot (corner of Hwy 33 and County H) October 10th and be ready to leave @ 9:30 AM. From there, we will travel ½ mile down Hwy H to the Nishan Park parking lot and meet up with the Multi-Club Sponsored FALL COLOR CRUISE. We will be following along with them, then split off and head over to the Rockton Chicken BBQ.

There will be a \$1.00 Free Will donation for Charity accepted from cruise participants. The Columbia County Corvette Club will also be giving a \$100 donation.

Reservations are needed for the chicken dinners, so please RSVP before Friday, October 8th.

RSVP to Greg Seltzner 608-837-8084

Or

Ron Wagner 608-742-4765

WHITEY AWARD

The Columbia County Corvette Club's 2007 Whitey Award (yes, it's a little embarrassing) was finally delivered to its recipient, Pat Frinak, at our September 28th Steak Run. Many of our current members are unfamiliar with this award.

For those of you that do not know – The Whitey Krueger Award is an award given to a member who has been a true asset to the club.

Whitey Krueger was one of the founding fathers of the Columbia County Corvette Club and devoted a great deal of time getting the club started. On August 23, 1994 the Columbia County Corvette Club held their first meeting. Whitey was elected our first Vice President along with President Mike Miles, and Secretary/Treasurer Joel Hammermeister. Whitey passed away suddenly the next month. Club memberships were sent out, Whitey served as Vice President for less than a month and he never got to see his dream realized.

It is with great honor and pride that the club has named their special recognition award, the Whitey Award. Pat was announced as the recipient at the 2008 Annual Meeting but due to complications which included incorrect spelling on the award, she never received it. In the absence of President Chuck and Vice President Denise, I had the privilege of presenting Pat with her award. She didn't know I was planning to do this and was quite surprised.

Past recipients of the Whitey Krueger Award are – Joel Hammermeister, Tom Westcott, Ted Fotes, Earl Williams, Mike Miles, Clyde Pellett, Kathy Ballweg, Jayne & Steve Kilian, Chris Seltzner, and Kay Erickson. Pat joined the club in 2004 and was elected to the board as secretary/newsletter editor in 2005. Pat whole heartedly continued her talents and dedication through her two terms that ended in 2008.

President Chuck Cady talked with Pat via my cell phone after dinner congratulating her once again. He and Barb were at a birthday party of an old friend and were very sorry they were unable to attend the Steak Run and the award presentation.



I think she was in shock

Big smile

OCTOBER IS A BUSY MONTH

I hope you were able to attend the Fish Run. If not, you have many chances yet to get together with your fellow Corvette lovers this month. **October 10th** is our 1st Annual Chicken Run. Sign up if you haven't already. Bring your radios along. We don't want to get separated while traveling with the Fall Color Cruisers. Our own Fall Color Run is **October 16 & 17**. This year's trip to Prairie du Chien should be exciting. There are apple orchards nearby you can visit on Sunday. Of course, there is always Cabela's, Villa Louis, The Cannery, and downtown shops. Check it out.

Also, **October 16**, is the Gray Family Fundraiser. See article for more information.

The Brunch Run on **October 24** will also be a Year End Wrap-Up Meeting. We will be eating around noon at The Hillcrest in Merrimac. The restaurant closes at 1:00 and the owner is allowing us to stay and hold our meeting. The board thought it might be a good idea to have a meeting at the end of the season while any concerns or ideas you have are still fresh in your minds. This is our last run of the year, so plan to attend. Please bring ideas for next year and concerns from this year with you. Now is the time to discuss.

GRAY FAMILY FUNDRAISER

On September 23rd, Mike and Cindy Miles' daughter Angie, lost her home in Dekorra Township to fire. Hooker's Resort in Poynette has offered to host a fundraiser on October 16th from 1:00 to 4:00. Food is being donated by Sysco Foods. There will be Silent Auctions, and Raffles are in the works. Entertainment will be provided by "Three Miles Band" (Mike's brother, Dale, and his son and daughter). They are also welcoming anyone that would like to "jam" along that afternoon.

Angie has three young children and is also raising her niece, a freshman in high school. Plenty of clothing has already been generously donated. Right now the family needs money donations or gift cards. The home was a total loss and they are starting from scratch.

If you are unable to attend this fundraiser, but would still like to help, you can send donations to – Gray Family Fire Fund, c/o Bank of Poynette, P.O. Box 67, Poynette, WI 53955.

Please spread the word and support Angie and her family.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Hey everyone. We are looking for three members to serve as a nominating committee. Board positions open for election in April are **Vice President** and **Secretary/Newsletter Editor**. Please consider being a part of this committee or a part of the board. It would be great to have a nominating committee in place by our October Brunch Run/Meeting so they can start looking for candidates.



PIZZA PARTY



January 16th, 2011 is the date set for our annual pizza party. There will be more details later but mark it on your calendar and plan to attend. This is a good time to get together after the holidays, get away from the family, and start anticipating summer Corvette rides.

ANNUAL MEETING SUGGESTIONS

If you have any suggestions where we should hold our annual meeting in April, please contact Vice President Denise. There must be a perfect place you have in mind. Let her know.

TEST AND TUNE

Chuck and Barb Cady have offered to host the Test and Tune on April 30, 2011. There will be a Pot Luck for that day.

If you have any questions about these events, contact a board member. They will be happy to help.

FALL COLOR RUN REMINDER

I hope you have all made your reservations for this year's Fall Color Run to Prairie du Chien. It's not too late if you haven't put in your reservations. We plan to leave Portage at 7:30 AM, be in Reedsburg by 8:30 and pick up members wishing to meet us there. We will stop for lunch and continue a colorful cruise to Prairie du Chien for a two hour boat ride along the Mississippi for more beautiful scenery. After some snacking and beverages on the boat, we will head on to supper. We hope it to be a fun, relaxing, fall weekend for all of you. Be sure to bring your two way radios with you!!

Those members that have signed up to go on the boat to date are – Nadolskis, Woollacotts, Breretons, Cadys, Finnigans, Shakers, Apels, Falks, Bruenigs, Freys, Raupp, Gajewskis, Krauses, and of course your hosts Cada and Wagners. The Schmidts are part of the planning committee, but are unable to attend the run. We will sure miss you guys.

If you don't see your name on the list and plan on going, please the committee.

GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN NOW

MICROTEL INN
1833 S Marquette Road
Prairie du Chien, WI

Room with two Queen beds - \$119 + tax
(24 rooms at this rate available)

2010 FALL COLOR RUN

OCTOBER 16 & 17

Prairie du Chien

Call in your reservation to 608-326-8476

Mention the **Columbia County Corvette Club**

They held these rooms until October 1st, but it's still not too late.

River Boat Cruise Saturday Afternoon

We must have your reservation and money to get a boat all to ourselves.

The cost is \$20 per person. Please mail before October 1st.

Checks made payable to : Columbia County Corvette Club, P.O. Box 803, Portage WI 53901

The boat has an enclosed passenger area and may be heated or air conditioned as needed.

We will provide snacks for the boat cruise. Bring your own beverages.

Your Hosts: Rick & Denise Cada, Tim & Lois Schmidt, and Ron & Kari Wagner

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October

- 2 – Linda Brereton
- 3 – Lois Jensen
- 8 – John Wenzel
- 14 – Jan Monk
- 18 – Doug Lewis
- 21 – Barb Cady
- 23 – Judith Schulze
- 26 – Gail Krause
- 30 – Veronica Hollman



November

- 2 – Jane Jahn
- 4 – Carla Shaker
- 4 – Marilyn Williams
- 9 – Patricia Wenzel



December

- 7 – Denise Cada
- 9 – Ben Nadolski
- 13 – Robert Templin
- 15 – Larry Jensen
- 16 – Harold Brereton
- 16 – Marie Falk
- 16 – Sandy Wartzok
- 24 – Cindy Miles
- 30 – Tim Schmidt



October

- 1 – Gene & Veronica Hollman
- 7 – Tim & Joyce Templin
- 17 – Richard & Denise Cada
- 23 – Randy & Joyce Frey
- 30 – Kris & Gail Krause

November

- 7 – Tim & Lois Schmidt

December

- 28 – John & Patricia Wenzel

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