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## President's Report - Andre Montgomery

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As we all know the Corvette is a true American classic, and for our club, it is the ultimate sports car. As members of Classic Corvettes of Minnesota, we share a passion for these amazing vehicles and the camaraderie that comes with being part of a community of like-minded individuals.

One of the most exciting things about being part of our Corvette club is the opportunity to attend events and shows. These events provide a chance to showcase our Corvettes, meet other enthusiasts, and learn more about these incredible cars. Whether it's at one of our local car shows, there is always something happening that brings together Corvette owners and fans.

Another benefit of being part of our Corvette club is the opportunity to learn from others. Shawn Hanna our tech director will share tips and tricks, discuss maintenance and repairs, and learn about the latest trends and technologies. This knowledge sharing is an invaluable resource for anyone who loves Corvettes.

Of course, one of the best things about being part of our Corvette club is the opportunity to drive our cars. Whether it's a weekend cruise, a road trip, or just a quick spin around town, there is nothing quite like the thrill of driving a Corvette. The power and handling of these cars make them a joy to drive and being part of a club gives us the opportunity to share that experience with others. I bet Chris Osgood is filled with joy while driving his new C8 is shown above.

In being a Corvette owner, we encourage you to rejoin if you have not already and start enjoying all the benefits that come with being part of this amazing community.

The Corvette Museum in Bowling Green has made many improvements thanks to our member Tom Peters. Julie and I made a visit on our way to Florida and were amazed on how much has changed in the past year. We have 6 free passes; all you need to do when you visit, is let the museum know you're with Classic Corvettes of MN.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone again once we get back in March.

Cheers, Andre

Please Drive Safely,

Andre Montgomery  
612-910-8442  
abm8442@gmail.com

## Vice President's Report – Scott Maas

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I got the chance to attend the Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction in Scottsdale (Phoenix) AZ, on Sunday, January 22, 2023. The actual auction had not started, but all the cars and displays were set up and open for viewing. There were a lot of us taking in all the sights. Shortly after we walked into the displays, I said to my wife that I felt like a kid in a candy store!

The first building was set up for new car displays. All the new car companies had displays, even a couple that I had never heard of. Chevrolet was there showing many of their new cars, including two new Corvettes and a COPO Camaro (Central Office Production Order). It was hard getting pictures of the Corvettes because so many people were looking at them. They also had a display of crate engines, including their new 632 cubic inch Big Block Chev, putting out 1000 horsepower. Other buildings contained expensive cars that would go across the auction block later in the week. These cars were roped off, making it hard to get good pictures. Luckily, a security guard was willing to jump the ropes and take a couple of close-up pictures for me.

The outdoor displays were also very interesting. Imagine a football field, covered with a tent, with four long rows of cars. There were six of these tents filled with cars. It took a long time to see all the cars in these tents.

Another interesting display was the Kindig Design trailer. Dave and Charity Kindig were there talking with people and selling t-shirts. Dave wasn't too busy, so I stepped up to talk with him. Dave has a television show on the Motortrend Channel called "Bitchin' Rides." They customize cars for their customers. Recently, Dave designed a 1953 "style" Corvette. It has a new chassis, carbon fiber body, and a Lingenfelter 427 LS engine. They have built several of these "production" cars for their customers, including one for the Barrett-Jackson Auction. The Kindig CF1 1953 Corvette, SN 8, sold for \$572,000! Wow!

I don't see any events planned for February, but we still have time for an "Out to Eat" if somebody wants to put one together. I'm still trying to get more information on the Twin Cities Auto Show. It looks like it is being moved back to the Minneapolis Convention Center and is scheduled to start on March 31, 2023. I'm not sure if we will be able to participate in this show.

I'm still working on plans and ideas for CCOM clothing and merchandise. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please contact me. That's all I have for this month. I hope to see you at the upcoming events in 2023.

Scott Maas,  
VP, CCOM



2023 Corvette 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition



2023 Corvette Z06



2023 Chevrolet Camaro "632 COPO"



Chevrolet Crate 632 CI Big Block Engine



Dave Kindig (Bitchin' Rides) and Scott Maas (VP, CCOM)



2023 Kindig Design CF1, 1953 "Style" Corvette



2023 Kindig Design CF1, 1953 "Style" Corvette. Sold at auction for \$572,000!

## Tech Director's Report – Shawn Hanna

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Sorry no report or article for this month

## Membership Director's Report – Julie Montgomery

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### Birthdays

02/02 Shirley Britten	02/09 John Rieke	02/19 Janet Renfrow
02/02 Carol Mikesell	02/09 Mary Wellman	Unger
02/05 Craig Duntley	Manthey	02/24 Bill Newberg
02/07 Marvin Hamann	02/12 Wayne Dullinger	02/27 James Stegbauer
02/07 Bill Young	02/16 AJ Kupka	02/28 Jim Barklind

### Membership Director's Report – Julie Montgomery

#### Meeting Attendance:

43 members attended our January's general membership meeting. One guest joined us named Scott Bradshaw.

#### New Memberships:

Five new members joined this month, and they will be officially welcomed during the March meeting when Julie returns from Florida.

#### Anniversaries:

No one is celebrating an anniversary this month.

#### Cards/Flowers:

I sent a card and a blooming plant to Mark Haug from all of us at CCOM. Kathy and Mark would appreciate our positive thoughts and healing prayers from our members. He is at home recovering from a liver transplant.

If you know of a member currently in the hospital or home recovering or someone that is or has been sick, please contact me and I will send either a card and/or flowers on behalf of the club.

#### Membership Renewal:

As of today, 90% of membership has paid for their renewal. Thank you for payments. A final "Last Call" email reminder has been sent to those unresponsive to date. Please



contact me at [julievmontgomery@gmail.com](mailto:julievmontgomery@gmail.com) or call (651) 274-6957 if you have any questions.

All you need to do is submit your renewal payment to:

AJ Kupka  
1821 Cloud Drive NE  
Blaine, MN 55449

Membership dues remain unchanged this year:

Members: \$60.00 (primary member & spouse and/or significant other)

Associate Members: \$60.00 (if you no longer own a Corvette)

Lifetime Members: \$30.00 (primary member & spouse and/or significant other)

**Website/Club Calendar and Membership Information:**

As the newly elected board makes decisions on club events, the website calendar will be updated as soon as possible. There may be a delay in updating the website until a new web editor is found.

**Year End - Club & Corvette Statistics:**

<b>Memberships</b>	<b>Family</b>	<b>Single</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Corvettes</b>
164	122	42	286	202

**Corvettes:**

<b>C1</b>	<b>C2</b>	<b>C3</b>	<b>C4</b>	<b>C5</b>	<b>C6</b>	<b>C7</b>	<b>C8</b>	<b>Total</b>
53 - 62	63 - 67	68 - 82	84 - 96	97 - 04	05 - 13	14 - 19	20 - 21	
8	17	22	20	45	46	30	14	202

**Member Profile Changes:**

If you have any changes in your profile i.e., spouse/significant other, address, email address, phone, or car related - Send an email to [julievmontgomery@gmail.com](mailto:julievmontgomery@gmail.com)

**NCM Ambassadors Report – Chris Osgood**

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There is an event coming up at the NCM in April. The Michelin Bash is a three day event with several activities. Some of the events are classroom sessions, plant tours, demo drives, and guided road tours. I would like to know if anyone from the club is planning on heading to this event. Maybe we can put together a group. Please let me know if you have any interest [osgoodc@outlook.com](mailto:osgoodc@outlook.com).

If you have not heard Corvette has announced the E-Ray an AWD hybrid. This is expected to be the fastest factory Corvette when launch in 2024. This is a next level super car.

### **Factory**

Factory tours are back in full swing and there is much availability. We had planned on visiting over Christmas but cancelled because of weather. There continue to be some days the factory tour is closed while they build cars not yet seen in public. There are more variations of Corvette coming soon.

### **Motorsports Park**

The track owned by the National Corvette Museum will become the first with a commercialized Z06 fleet. Visitors can drive laps in the all new Z06 Corvette. The course is 3.2 miles with 23 turns.

### **Raffles**

There are several raffles in process right now. There is even a chance to win a C8 Z06. Visit this website for details:

**[Corvette Raffle - Raffle Home \(corvettemuseum.org\)](http://corvettemuseum.org)**

### **Events**

#### **2023 Michelin NCM Bash – April 27-29, 2023**

Registration will be available in early 2023. Look for plans for our club to attend.

#### **2023 Museum in Motion (MiM) Dragon Run Presented by Michelin – April 30-May 3**

Registration is open.

#### **2023 MIM Lemans Tour – June 3-13**

Great trip to France. Registration is open

#### **National Corvette Caravan – 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – August 29-31, 2024**

Much more information later.

### **Membership**

Starts at \$65 per year. Includes discounts on Corvette merchandise.

# Secretary's Minutes – Dave Pounds

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## Membership Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2023

Board Members present: Andre Montgomery-President, Scott Mass- Vice President, Dave Pounds- Secretary AJ Kupka- Treasurer, Julie-Membership Director, Jan Hanna-Past President Editor- Joel Meyer, Tech Director- Shawn Hanna, Member at Large- Dave Dubay

Andre called meeting to order at 7:00 PM

President- Andre called for "The Pledge of Allegiance" and introduced the new board members Dave Pounds, Shawn Hanna Dave DuBay. JoeI Meyer will remain as Editor. Andre called for approval of the December 2022 minutes. Dave Pounds approved, and Jan Hanna seconded it.

Vice President- Scott Mass thanked Chris Osgood for organizing the Out to Eat event at Davanni's Pizza on December 29th. The guest speaker was the President of the Corvette Club from Guatemala. Scott also asked if there were any members that were willing to organize any Out to Eat events for 2023. He has also been talking to clothing manufactures for our club members. Scott also informed the membership that the Auto Show will be held at the Convention Center from May 14th to May 22nd this year.

Treasurer- AJ Kupka presented a recap of the 2022 budget. AJ found a new CPA to do the club's taxes and stated that he is much happier with the new accountant. From December 31 of 2021 to December 31 of 2022, the club's fiscal balance dropped by \$1600 due to higher-than-expected event costs and less membership renewal. The Federal taxes were \$0, and the state taxes were \$26.

Membership Director-Julie Montgomery thanked Nancy and Nick Osgood for being greeters and Jon Zoller and Margo Dinneen for being the 50/50 ticket sellers. More volunteers are needed for future meetings so please sign up to help. Forty members enjoyed hot apple cider and cookies at our December meeting. A thinking of you card was sent out to Mark Fitzsimmons this month and he is feeling better. Reminder emails and phone calls to renew 2023 memberships have been sent. At this time 80% have renewed their membership. 6% are not rejoining due to health issues, selling their car or they have moved out of the state. More checks are being sent in for renewal. During our March monthly meeting (when she returns from Florida) Julie will officially welcome 5 new members to our club: PhiI and Carol Schirmer (2019 Grand Sport convertible), John and Lori Kulander (2021 Elkhart Lake Blue Coupe) and Scott Bradshaw, who joined after being a guest at our January meeting.

Secretary- Dave Pounds: As the new secretary I am asking for any help from the membership and board. Unlike a corduroy pillow, my reports will not make headlines, but I will do my best. I would also like to ask if there were any downhill skiers in the club that would like to go skiing at Welch Village.

Kathy Kupka made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM and Bill Gibson seconded the motion.

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Board Meeting Minutes  
January 24, 2023  
Virtual

Members present: List People Present: Andre Montgomery- President, Dave Pounds- Secretary, AJ Kupka-Treasurer, Julie Montgomery-Membership, Jan Hanna-Past President, Shawn Hanna-Tech Director, Dave DuBay-Member at Large, and Joel Meyer-Editor

Members absent: Scott Maas-Vice President.

Andre called meeting to order at 5:05 pm

#### Board Member Reports

President- Andre Montgomery welcomed the new board members Dave Pounds as Secretary, Shawn Hanna as Tech Director, and Dave Dubay as Member at Large. Andre will reach out to Scott to have the most updated 2023 CCOM schedule sent to Dave Dubay so 911Geeks can update the CCOM website.

Vice President- Scott Maas was absent.

Treasurer- AJ Kupka gave an update on financials to the board and indicated our 2022 taxes have been filed. As of to-date, we have only one check that is outstanding - \$26 dollars to the State of MN.

Secretary- Dave Pounds ask for additions or corrections to minutes from the last Board meeting. Hearing none, motion to approve made by AJ Kupka, seconded by Andre Motion carried.

#### Membership- Julie Montgomery

##### Meeting Attendance:

40 members attended our December's general membership meeting. It was a cold and snowy evening, but the warmth of the hot apple cider and delicious cookies were enjoyed by all that attended.

##### New Memberships:

No new members this month

##### Anniversaries:

No one is celebrating an anniversary this month

**Membership Renewal:**

As of today, 84% of membership has paid for their renewal. A final "Last Call" email reminder has been sent to those unresponsive to date.

Tech. Director-Shawn Hanna, Shawn is planning to work with Scott on the clothing.

Editor- Joel Meyer- Remarks for January 26<sup>th</sup> deadline and requests for Corvette Cave and other pictures as well as articles of general interest.

Past President- Jan Hanna

Members at Large- Dave DuBay

Old Business- We discussed getting a clothing vendor as well as offering custom license plate frames.

New Business-

None.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Julie Montgomery, seconded by AJ Kupka. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm

Minutes submitted by: Board Members

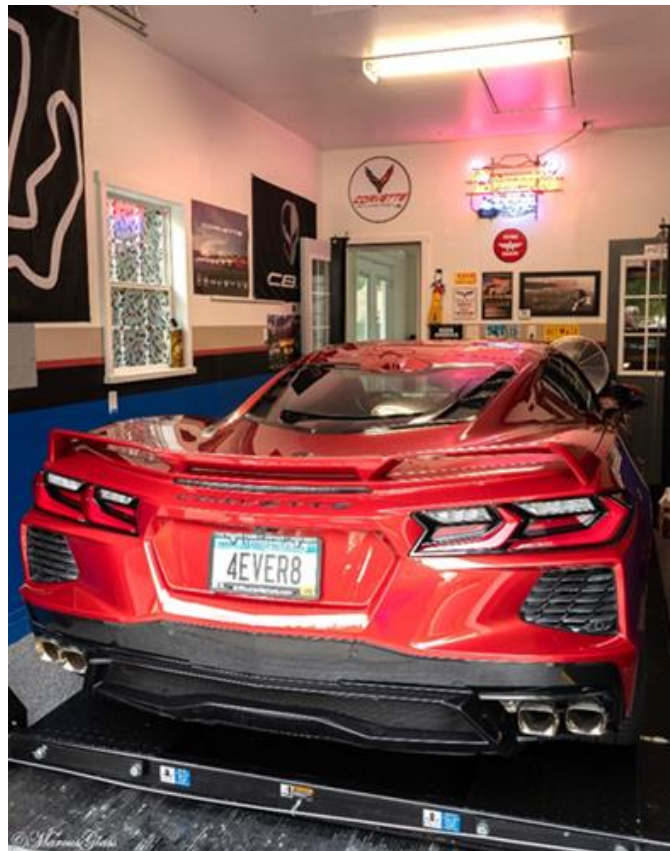
## Editor's Remarks – Joel Meyer

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Kudos to new secretary, Dave Pounds for putting a little humor in his membership meeting minutes. See the second sentence of his Secretary remarks.

Also, Kudos to VP, Scott Maas, who shared with us some great pictures of his experience at the recent Barrett- Jackson auto auction's display of new Chevy products coming out.

For this month's **"Corvette Cave"** pictures, we're featuring AJ and Kathy Kupka's C-8. The pictures were taken by Marcus Glass at the first stop for last summer's Gourmet Dinner, hosted in part by the Kupkas along with Jolynn and John Wedekind.





## Board Members

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Position	Name	email	Phone
President	Andre Montgomery	<a href="mailto:abm8442@gmail.com">abm8442@gmail.com</a>	612-910-8442
Vice President	Scott Maas	<a href="mailto:scottemaas@gmail.com">scottemaas@gmail.com</a>	612-940-3446
Secretary	Dave Pounds	<a href="mailto:dapounds@yahoo.com">dapounds@yahoo.com</a>	952-200-8031
Treasurer	A. J. Kupka	<a href="mailto:aj_Kupka@msn.com">aj_Kupka@msn.com</a>	952-210-6087
Membership	Julie Montgomery	<a href="mailto:julievmontgomery@gmail.com">julievmontgomery@gmail.com</a>	612-910-8442
Tech Director	Shawn Hanna	<a href="mailto:ZO6fastSSH@comcast.net">ZO6fastSSH@comcast.net</a>	763-425-6550
Editor	Joel Meyer	<a href="mailto:joel.meyer.minnkota@gmail.com">joel.meyer.minnkota@gmail.com</a>	612-910-9924
Past President	Jan Hanna	<a href="mailto:dogomindy@gmail.com">dogomindy@gmail.com</a>	612-237-4174
Member-At-Large	Dave DuBay	<a href="mailto:davedubay@charter.com">davedubay@charter.com</a>	952-423-3388
Member-At-Large	Vacant		

## Recent Events

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### Out to Eat – International Style

Chris, Nancy, and Rick Osgood want to thank everyone for coming out to the Davanni's Out to Eat in December. Juan Carlos, the President of the Guatemala Corvette Club, had a great time meeting everyone. Everyone who attended was so welcoming. Corvette is an international language. Their Corvette club is just starting their 10th year. It was also nice to celebrate his birthday.



While we are sitting here in cold weather, in Guatemala they had their first meeting over the weekend. Here is a picture of their meetup.





# Upcoming Events

## Spring HAS SPRUNG – JOIN THE FUN!

### Spring Brunch & Cruise Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>



**Machine Shed**  
8515 Hudson Blvd  
Lake Elmo, MN 55042



Arrive early and socialize, Brunch served at 10:00 am

Delicious Buffet Brunch  
served with Coffee and Orange Juice.

Brunch is \$20 per person, paid in advance (see below)

Last day to sign up with payment is Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### Door Prizes

If you cannot attend the Brunch, join the cruise departing @ 12:00 PM

Event Chairs: Julie & Rick Stulz	Email: <a href="mailto:jmstulz@gmail.com">jmstulz@gmail.com</a>
Keri Kuechle	Email: <a href="mailto:kerikuechle@gmail.com">kerikuechle@gmail.com</a>
AJ & Kathy Kupka	Email: <a href="mailto:aj_kupka@msn.com">aj_kupka@msn.com</a>

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#### Circle Your Choice!

Brunch & Cruise \$20      Brunch Only \$20      Cruise Only \$0

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ No Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Email and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$: \_\_\_\_\_ Payable to Classic Corvette of MN

Mail your check to: AJ Kupka  
1821 Cloud Drive NE  
Blaine, MN 55449

Or... Send Money with Zelle®  
Scan in your banking app to pay.  
Classic Corvettes Of Minnesota  
[aj\\_kupka@msn.com](mailto:aj_kupka@msn.com)



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Advertising Rates- Electronic Newsletter Ads Only

Ads are to be submitted ready for publishing, without creating or modifying

Page Size	1/8	1/4	1/2	Full Page
Inches	2x3	3x5	5x7	8x10
6 Month (minimum)	\$30	\$40	\$70	\$110
12 Month	\$60	\$80	\$140	\$220

Business Card (3" x 2") Electronic Newsletter Ads

For Member's Business's Vendors and Suppliers

\$15 for 6 months (minimum)

\$30 for 12 months

Contact Newsletter Editor, Joel Meyer at [joel.meyer.minnkota@gmail.com](mailto:joel.meyer.minnkota@gmail.com)

Classified ads for member's personal cars and accessories are free for a nominal 2" x 4" ad with one similar sized picture.

**For Sale – 2009 Corvette Coupe – LS3 – Automatic – 73000 miles**

2009 Corvette Coupe - Immaculate condition - One Owner Car - Cyber Gray Metallic with Rare Top Level 4LT Ebony/Sienna Interior - Glass Roof - Upgraded Sound System - Kenwood DDX9902 with Apple Car Play and App Access - Rear Camera - 6 Speed Automatic Trans with Manual Mode and Steering Wheel Mounted Paddle Shifters - 18/19" Chrome Alloy Wheels - All maintenance records. Owned by retired Corvette engineer. Photos in December and January CCOM newsletters.  
Contact Pete Liccardello – 248-764-0407



# Advertisers

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## Jeff Belzer's

Official Sponsor of Classic Corvettes of Minnesota  
**Alex Burns - Fleet Manager (952) 451-9808 (call/text)**

The advertisement consists of two main parts. The top part is a rectangular box with an orange background and a black border. Inside the box, the text reads: "Jeff Belzer's" in a small font, followed by "Lakeville - New Prague - Roseville" in a slightly larger font. Below that is the "JEFF BELZER'S" logo, where "JEFF" is in a smaller, spaced-out font above "BELZER'S" in a large, bold, black font. At the bottom of the box is the website "JeffBelzer.com". The bottom part of the advertisement is a photograph of a bright orange Corvette sports car, shown from a front-three-quarter view, parked on a dark, reflective surface.

# JEFF BELZER'S

