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## FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT

BY: MATT SUHAR, CCOH PRESIDENT

Corvette Ohana,



As I write this I am tired. Unusually, my tiredness is not a result of my travels. I am tired as the Banquet and MLK parade were this week with today being about 10 hours dealing with Corvette Club items. The Banquet, the parade, Cruise to Cars and Coffee, Cars and Coffee, Cruise to Lunch and Lunch were great fun. After lunch, I went and still did some additional Corvette Club business so today was a long day. Doing the errands for the club this afternoon I was afforded some time to think about a few items which have given me a subject to write about.

Driving from Hawaii Kai to Haleiwa, my mind focused on the subject of the number of club members who are in the club compared to the number of people who show up to events. Needless to say there are far more in the club than the number of people who show up regularly to events. I do understand this concept. Life impacts us all. With my job, I cannot attend all the club events, and I cannot attend all of the events I want to attend. On the Third of February, we will have the Night in Chinatown parade. I desperately want to attend but I cannot as I will be returning to Hawaii from Jakarta, Indonesia when the parade occurs. I attended last year and had a lot of fun during the event with the exception of one item. During the staging of the parade, a decision was made to have dinner at Zippy's on Vineyard following the parade. Due to the parade and the celebrations, it took me 45 minutes to get from the end of the parade route to Zippy's and only myself and the Shewells showed up. This year we have modified the dinner location to Eagle Café to help alleviate the issues of trying to get through Chinatown after the parade.

With almost 100 members on the island, we have many hands that can help with parades or show up to events. I ask all members to participate in what they can. The overused phrase of many hands make light work is appropriate, along with more participants makes more fun. I bring this up as I do not want to burn out people. I hope I am the only one who is tired, but many hands will help to ensure that no one burns out.

I will see you at upcoming club events.

latt Juhar

## FROM THE SHOTGUN SEAT

BY: MARK KUTSY, CCOH VICE PRESIDENT



Aloha CCOH Ohana,

Hoping everyone had a happy, safe, and healthy New Year. Victoria and I spent the holidays visiting our daughters and family in Ohio and Washington.

Surprisingly and unlike here at home in Hawaii, not one firework was heard in Washington almost a week prior to New Year's Eve until the night of, which was a pleasant surprise. Luckily we missed the cold front that hit the mainland a few weeks after we left to return home.

One concern I had was driving from Ohio to Kentucky which was a 3 1/2 hour drive to the National Corvette Museum and getting caught in snow, rain, and/or traffic. Surprise... we dodged all three. At 7:30am we started our journey to the NCM and we got back to our daughter's house at 11:30pm later that night. It was a long day but well worth every minute. If you haven't visited the National Corvette Museum, I highly recommend it.

Our 2024 Annual Banquet at the Waikele County Club was very enjoyable with being able to meet and talk story with 70 plus members and guests attending. The event was a success and I appreciate everyone who was able to take time out of their day to come celebrate our 50 year old Corvette Club of Hawaii and see old friends and make new ones.

Hope to See You at the Next Event,

Mark Kutsy





#### CORVETTE CLUB OF HAWAII GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA 14 January 2024

	2023 Board Members Present are	Present
<ul> <li>President</li> </ul>	Matt Suhar	yes
<ul> <li>Vice President</li> </ul>	Mark Kutsy	yes
Treasurer	Daniel Adams	yes
<ul> <li>Membership</li> </ul>	Colleen Cambra	yes
Editor	Contracted	
<ul> <li>Secretary</li> </ul>	Susie Tingey	yes
<ul> <li>Master-at-Arms</li> </ul>	Rich Witek Jr	yes
NCM Ambassador	Tom Cambra	yes
Club Historian	Dennis Shewell	yes
• JN Representative	NONE	

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting is called to order by Matt Suhar at 7:14 PM. It's January but it's our Year-End Banquet

PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS:

SECRETARY: December 2023 Minutes were reviewed and Rich motioned to accept them and Gary Kahn seconded.

MEMBERSHIP:We currently have one new application

\_\_\_\_160\_\_\_\_ total CCOH Members. \_\_123\_\_\_\_\_Oahu; \_\_\_6\_\_\_\_Outer island, \_\_7\_\_\_\_ Mainland, \_\_13\_\_\_\_Associate, \_\_\_\_7\_\_\_ Lifetime, and \_\_4\_\_\_Honorary, \_\_\_\_107\_\_\_Cars

VICE-PRESIDENT REMARKS: Mark reports on the upcoming club events, see CCoH newsletter or Web page for descriptions, details, and dates. Also refer to CCOH President emails.

- 15 January 2024, MLK day parade (3 cars). Meet Magic Island at 7:30 a.m. Parade starts 9 a.m.

- 20 January 2024, Cars and Coffee, 9-11:00 AM,

Ko'Olau Center hosted by Ohana Motorsports Foundation.

- 30 January 2024, Board Meeting, 6:30 PM Zippy's on Vineyard.

- 3 February 2024, Night in Chinatown,

staging at 3 PM on Richards St next to the Hawaii State Capitol followed by dinner at Eagle Café on Nimitz.

- 6 February 2024, General Membership Meeting,

Zippy's on Vineyard, 6 PM for dinner 7 PM For Meeting.

- 18 February 2024, Breakfast Cruise with Mustang Club,

7:30 AM Stage at NEX, 8:00 to Haleiwa,

breakfast at 604 Clubhouse by Leilehua Golf Course.

- 20 February 2024, Monthly Dinner, La Mariana, 6 PM.

Parking Limited. Not recommended to bring corvettes.

- 27 February 2024, Board Meeting, 6:30 PM Zippy's on Vineyard.

- 5 March 2024, General Membership Meeting, Zippy's on Vineyard,

6 PM for Dinner 7 PM For Meeting.

19 March 2024, Monthly Dinner TBA.

26 March 2024, Board Meeting, 6:30 PM Zippy's on Vineyard.

#### **Business Items**

- 1. Revision to 2023 Bylaws Addendum.
- 2. Board Members / Matt, Mark, Daniel, Colleen, Rich, Tom, Dennis, Susie
- 3. Banner / Tom: #3 Banner Winner, 35 votes

a. For information on Corvette Caravan go to the link on our website.

#### 4. Annual Awards:

- a. Member of the Year Gary Kahn
- b.Couple of the Year Bill Lyon and Mark DelaCruz,
- c.New Member of the Year Bill Youtsey
- d. New Couple of the Year Cassandra and Edwin Barayuga
- e.Lucky Member / President Awards Dennis Shewell (Concours d Elegance) and Colleen Lozano-Cambra (CIP)
- 5. Door Prizes: Various donations from members (20 + items)

#### ADJOURNMENT:

\_ Rich Witek motions to adjorn meeting at \_\_ 8:22 PM and \_ Gary Kahn / Tom Cambra seconded.



# **ANNUAL BANQUET**











## HONOREES

Clockwise from Top Left: Gary Kahn, Bill Lyon, Cassandra & Edwin Barayuga, Colleen Lozano-Cambra & Dennis Shewell, Bill Youtsey

At our "Year-End Banquet," President Matt Suhar recognized outstanding members for their contributions to the club in 2023.

\*\*We had many more prizes and winners! Please see our Facebook page for our collection of photos of the night from VP Mark and Victoria Kutsy.\*\*









To The 2024 Annual Banquet



Photos by Mark Dela Cruz



### Thank you for your banner design submissions!



Voting for our club banner was held at the annual banquet and our winning design was submitted by Treasurer Daniel Adams in collaboration with VP Mark Kutsy.



Corvette Club of Hawaii Honolulu, HI 96813

## **BLAST FROM THE PAST:** A VISIT FROM BOB & MARILYN ZIMMERMAN

By: Dennis Shewell, Club Historian

Pam and I spent a wonderful afternoon with a nice couple from New Hampshire: Bob and Marilyn Zimmerman.

Bob and Marilyn were former members of the Corvette Club of Hawaii. What you don't recognize the names? That's probably because most of the current Club members weren't even born when they were in the club! Both Bob and Marilyn should be considered original Members of the Corvette Club of Hawaii.

Bob was a Navy Lieutenant stationed aboard a Submarine at Pearl Harbor. He had his new - or fairly new - '69 Vette shipped out here for his three-year tour of duty. The first thing he did when the car got on island was join "The Club". That was in August 1973. So I guess he can be considered a "founding father".

Bob contacted me about a month ago to let me know he was coming out at the beginning of the new year. Bob and Marilyn are living about 10 miles from where Pam and I used to live in New Hampshire. We had plenty to talk about: kids, grandkids, the Navy, New Hampshire and lastly, Corvettes. He still has that same '69 Corvette that he had back in 1973. After spending all of the kids' inheritance, the '69 is completely restored.



Bob and Marilyn came out hoping to see the same Hawaii that they were living in during his tour from 1973 to 1975, but were gravely disappointed. Nothing looked the same.

Bob and Marilyn were wonderful people to talk to and I wish they could have had the chance to talk to everyone in the Club. It will be a sure bet that Pam and I will drop in and see them the next time we are in New Hampshire.

## NEW MEMBER

### WELCOME

Anthony Floate Corvette: 2005 Red Z51 T Top



"I JUST WANT TO WARN YOU IF YOU BUY THIS, YOU MAY NEVER AGAIN KNOW IF PEOPLE LIKE YOU FOR YOU OR YOUR CORVETTE."

## CLUB EVENTS

#### FEBRUARY

**3rd** Night in Chinatown staging at 3 PM on Richards St next to the Hawaii State Capitol followed by dinner at Eagle Café on Nimitz.

**6th** General Membership Meeting Zippy's Vineyard 6pm Dinner, 7pm Meeting

**18th** Breakfast Cruise with Mustang Club 7:30am Staging at NEX, 8am to Haleiwa Breakfast at 604 Clubhouse Leilehua Golf Club

**20th** Monthly Dinner, La Mariana 6pm Parking Limited. Corvettes not recommended.

**27th** Board Meeting Zippy's Vineyard 6pm Dinner, 7pm Meeting

MARCH5th General Membership MeetingZippy's Vineyard 6pm Dinner, 7pm Meeting

19th Monthly Dinner, TBA

**26th** Board Meeting Zippy's Vineyard 6:30 pm