

Acadía Region Corvette Club

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President's Letter for March 2025

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The change to Daylight Savings Time, the amazing number of truly monumental frost heaves on every rural road, and tomato seeds germinating on the window sill are sure signs that Spring is on the way. Writing this on the Monday morning after the time change, I thought, "Oh good. Another milestone on the way to taking our cars out of winter hibernation for another cruising season." Then I turned around and looked out the windows to see it snowing. And even though it only amounted to about a half inch before the sun came out, it brought me back to the reality of living in northern New England where we could see quite a bit of snow right through April. But we could also see days of bright sun and warm temperatures before we can be sure we've seen the last snow. So I'll continue with my preparations for cruising season with the hope that it isn't far away.

Celebrations, etc.

March Birthdays	April Birthdays
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Sharon Bates Ruth Brunetti Charlene Clemons Bruce Cates
Ross Grant Chris Houmiller Rick Savage Ray Daries

Jackie Kelly Scott Lawson Phyllis Houp

Doug Lee

March AnniversariesApril Anniversaries(none)Don & Cindy Blanchette

Events on the Calendar

Woodlands Senior Living Car Show. This show, at the Woodlands Senior Living of Farmington, is still on for Saturday, June7th, 1:00 (or maybe 2:00) to 5:00 pm. We'll do a static display, then a cruise around the facility so that their housebound residents can see the cars. VOCM might participate as well, so let's have a good turnout from ARCC. If you want to see where we will be going, here's their website: https://www.woodlandsmaine.com/location/farmington/. Diane will be coordinating our participation and I hope many of you will plan to join us driving over to Farmington. So please reserve the date. You'll hear more from Diane as we get closer to June.

VOCM's Veterans' Event. This one is a bit early to be in the newsletter, but it's here because the event affects plans for our *Corvette Autumn* car show. VOCM is planning on a region-wide gathering of Corvette clubs to entertain veterans at the Togus Veterans' Home. The date is September 13th. (I know... "Isn't this the date of our car show?" Not anymore, read the next section about *Corvette*

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Autumn.) Details are still developing, but the current plan is for participants to gather at the Augusta Elks Lodge and then caravan through the Veterans Cemetery to the Veterans' Home. In addition to showing off our cars at the Home, the Augusta Elks will be doing a pig roast. So, note this on your calendar—let's have a great ARCC turn-out!

How about you? Is there a cruise you would like to organize and lead? If so, let me know so I can include it on the Club calendar.

Our "Come on, Spring" Luncheon

On March 1st, ten club members and one guest decided to take advantage of a not-so-gloomy day between snowstorms and gather for a late lunch at the High Tide restaurant in Brewer. The food and service were great but, sadly, the food was so good that no one thought to take photos. We had a room off the main dining room so we didn't have any trouble hearing everyone's "I can't wait until Spring!" stories. Good food, good friends, and a libation (or two) all added up to a great time. Thanks to Diane Bossert for setting this up!

Corvette Autumn Car Show

Planning for the car show is well in hand, with one exception: I would really appreciate it if at least two club members would step up to help me with obtaining donations for door prizes and the silent auction. We usually only solicit 10 or 12 Ellsworth area merchants, many of whom remember us from previous years and will be expecting our request. This small number of merchants only means you would have to contact no more than four during the summer. So how about it?

Interesting or Offbeat Corvette News

As much as some of the other articles I've included here were just "interesting," this one qualifies as offbeat. Waaayyyy offbeat. I found a story on CorvSport.com about some guy named Weston Champlin who decided to do something really strange with a C5 Corvette: He replaced the wheels with saw blades to see if he could drive the car on a frozen lake. These weren't just run-of-the-mill saw blades; they were custom-made, half-inch-thick saw blades designed to cut through just about anything. The video is about a half-



hour long and shows his process of testing out the concept in a field before taking it to the lake in Minnesota. Even if you don't have time to watch the whole thing, it's worth jumping through it just to see him driving this contraption through soft ground. Here's where you can find the video:

https://www.corvsport.com/driving-a-corvette-on-saw-blades-across-a-frozen-lake/

Roger Dean

ARCC President

Our next meeting will be on March 26th at Pat's Pizza at the usual time of 5:00 PM.