



# Acadia Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008

*President's Letter for December 2023*



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Now that our cars have been put away for almost two months, I find myself sighing almost audibly when I go to the barn for something and there they are, under cover with battery tenders glowing green in the dim light. With the winter solstice upon us this week, I can see the promise of cruises and other get-togethers in the new year. I hope to see more of you join our outings in 2024.

## Celebrations, etc.

### December Birthdays

Dan Bossert            Heather Linnehan  
 Kevin Crane

### January Birthdays

Richard Anderson	Larry Billings
Dave Blanchard	Don Blanchette
Betsy Cabit	John Favour
Roger Dean	Carol Dean
Chris Houmiller	Barry Shepard

### December Anniversaries

Ross & Anne Grant

### January Anniversaries

Beth & Kevin Crane	Roger & Carol Dean
John & Shelley Sala	Reg & Tarnya Sanborn
Bill Fernald & Ruth Brunetti	

And let's all wish Shawn and Jackie Kelly speedy recoveries, Shawn from surgery and Jackie from a fall that broke both ankles. Get well in time to hit the road with the rest of us when the snow (if we ever see any) melts!

## Interesting and Offbeat Corvette News

A December 14<sup>th</sup> article from *CarBuzz*, found on MSN.com, describes a supercharged C8 that reputedly puts out 1,150 horsepower to the fly wheel. Wow! Go to <https://www.msn.com/en-us/autos/research/supercharged-c8-chevrolet-corvette-soars-past-1000-hp/ar-AA1lvCRQ> to read the article. And be sure to check out the video that is part of the article, especially the acceleration portion at about the 15-minute mark.

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*In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!*

A December 15<sup>th</sup> article in *CorvetteBlogger.com* noted that the Corvette assembly plant completed the first three 2024 E-Rays this week. Find the whole article at <https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2023/12/15/the-corvette-assembly-plant-completed-the-first-three-2024-e-rays-this-week/>.

I found another Corvette-related article on *CarBuzz.com*. This one is about someone putting a C5 engine—a 6.0-liter GM Performance LS V8, making 400 horsepower from the factory—in a go-kart! The subtitle to the article includes the comment, “looks like a death trap on wheels.” I’d have to agree. Find this article at <https://carbuzz.com/news/chevy-corvette-go-kart-has-v8-power-and-a-nitrous-system>.

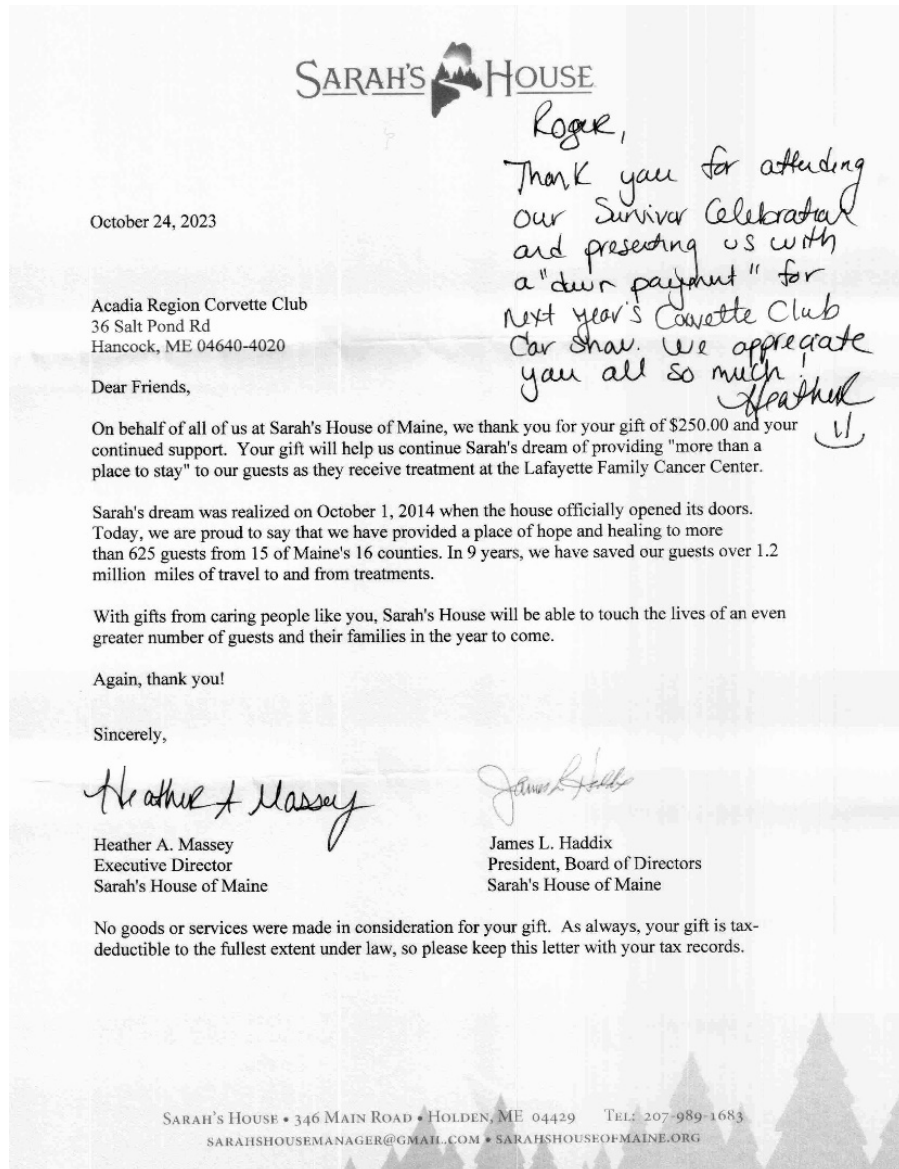
### 2023 Holiday Party

Sixteen club members—about 30% of total membership—braved the rain and fog on December 11<sup>th</sup> and attended our annual Holiday party. The new venue, Sea Dog brew pub in Bangor, was certainly cozier than the Elks, which made socialization much easier. And since the brew pub is also a restaurant, no one had to worry about potluck anything... which I know made some of the attendees immensely happy. The food was good and reasonably priced. Highlights of the party included the presentation of the annual Scavenger Hunt award, a C7-themed key rack, to the Stackpoles and the gift exchange. The most popular gift exchange items were the two Dunkin’ gift cards and the box of five kinds of gourmet popcorn. They changed hands several times before the day was out.



### Sarah's House Donation

If you've followed the saga of our cancelled car show last September, you know that we made a small donation to Sarah's House in October even though we had to cancel *Corvette Autumn*. As always, they appreciate our contributions that help them achieve their mission. The note we got from Heather Massey, Executive Director, and James Haddix, Board of Directors President, following Carol's and my attendance at their Survivor Celebration on October 14<sup>th</sup> is on the next page.



### ARCC Annual Meeting and Election of Club Officers

As noted several times over the past six weeks, our 2023 Annual Meeting will be in January concurrent with our regular monthly meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup>, the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month just like normal. As usual, it will be an in-person meeting at Pat's Pizza in Ellsworth, starting at 5:00 pm. The meeting will also be Zoomed. The main topic will be the election of club officers for 2024-2025. Please plan to attend and help set the course for ARCC over the next two years.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year,

Roger Dean  
ARCC President