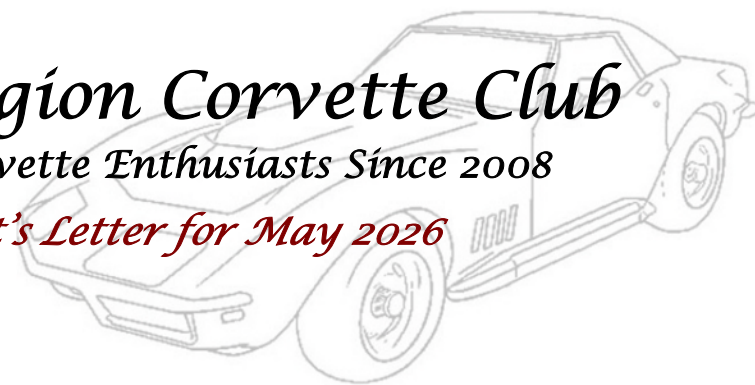




Acadia Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008

President's Letter for May 2026



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After several spring-like days bookended by cold and damp weather in mid-April, we finally decided we couldn't wait any longer and took Firefly, our C8, out of winter storage. Those few spring-like days weren't quite warm enough to put the top down but, convertible weather or not, we picked April 25th—a bright but cool Saturday—to make our first cruise of the year to Monica's Chocolates in Lubec. It was good to get back on the road again. (Monica's chocolates are as good as ever!) But when April ended with more cold and rain, Firefly went back into the barn for a few days. Now that May is here, we are hoping for consistently good weather so the C3 can come out of storage and join our C8 for the 2026 cruising season. We are already planning lots of trips, some short, some long, some to structured events, and some just cruising the countryside. **How about you?** Is your car on the road for this season? We know Ed Dailide has his C8 out. He brought it to our April meeting, despite the threat of showers.

Celebrations

May Birthdays

Gary Cabit
Marshall Dodge
Claus Ertel



May Anniversaries

Claus & Annie Ertel

Early 2026 Events

I continue to collect information on regional car shows and other major events for our 2026 calendar. Here's what I have so far for events and gatherings in the next couple of months. If you know of any that should be on our calendar (<https://www.acdiavettes.org/2026-calendar>), please send me the details.

- May 16th — Cars & Coffee at the Seal Cove Auto Museum, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.
- May 17th — Corvette Club of Western Mass All Corvette Show. 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Chicopee, MA Moose Lodge. Charity event, door prize, music, raffle, 50/50, complimentary car photos.
- May 18th — Lakes Region Vettes & Views, Laconia, NH. A Corvette-only show with stunning views of Lake Winnepesaukee.
- May 23rd — Corvettes of Southern New Brunswick's *Vettes & Views Spring Run* from St. John to either Sussex or Fredericton.

In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!

- May 27th — ARCC Monthly Meeting. At Pat's Pizza in Ellsworth, starting at 5:00 pm.
- May 28–31 — Vettes of Coastal Maine (VOCM) Bar Harbor gathering. Car show on the ballfield on May 30th.
- May 30th — Cars & Coffee at the Seal Cove Auto Museum, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.

ARCC's May 2026 Dinner Outing



Activities Director Diane organized another grand get-together for May, this time at Casa Jalisco in Ellsworth. Fourteen members (and one young guest) met to celebrate the coming of “real” spring and good Mexican food on May 6th. Gathering at 4:30, we had the place almost to ourselves. And even though none of us brought our car, I learned that at least a few of our members have their cars on the road, anxious for good weather. 😊



Last call for dues if you want to continue with ARCC.

Dues are \$17.50/person. Mail checks to Carol Dean, ARCC Treasurer,
PO Box 35, Prospect Harbor, ME 04669

Interesting or Offbeat Corvette News

This month I came across a story about an almost-competitor to the Corvette, dating back to 1963: Pontiac's Banshee XP-33 created by the legendary John DeLorean. If the project hadn't been killed by GM corporate, it would have been a sleek, affordable alternative to the Chevrolet Corvette.



You can watch the video that piqued my interest on YouTube at https://youtu.be/tGkwylXE7_U.

Other sites where you can find articles about this intriguing vehicle include

<https://www.hotrod.com/features/pontiac-banshee-xp-833> and

<https://www.supercars.net/blog/1964-pontiac-banshee-xp-833/>.

Imagine what this car might look like today if it hadn't been cancelled. And what that might have done to the Corvette.

https://www.hemmings.com/stories/2027-corvette-grand-sport-confirmed-as-the-c8s-last-hurrah/?uemlid=f1d7b74e4cba343957fb6e911918fdb65f350d4bdf6fd157905a6183b4f7cbb5&utm_content=other&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=EDaily%20Recurring%202026-04-07&utm_term=eDaily%20Newsletter

Your "My 'Vette" Story

Every time I encounter a 'Vette owner I've never met before, one of the first things I ask is, "How long have you had it?" And that's usually followed with "How long have you been part of the Corvette family?" Questions like these are my way of learning more about the car itself and its owner. It's a good guess that a lot of "first conversations" among 'Vette owners start like this or something similar. We all want to know what your "My Vette" story is. So if you have a story you'd like to share, pass it along for a future President's Letter. Don't fret about writing style or perfect English; that's what editors are for. Just tell your story and include a photo or two; I'll send you the edited version for your OK before putting it in the newsletter. (The idea for this request came from two sources: Corvette Mike's weekly email and Mile Giliberto, the editor of the For Corvettes Only (FCO) club from Connecticut.)

See you on the road!

Roger Dean



ARCC President

***Our next monthly meeting will be on
May 27th at Pat's Pizza starting at the
usual time of 5:00 pm***