

## 2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

We have had a busy 2024 and that's a good thing! Over the year our Super Hero Social Director, Jim McLaughlin planned dinner cruises to Bo Mac, Daisy's Garage in Marion, ElPariso Mexican Bar and Grill, Bog Grove, in CR, Firebox in Belle Plaine where they shut down Main Street for all the Corvettes, Delhi Landing, Blind Pig in Monticello, 30 Hop in Coralville, Kula's in Walker. We had a BBQ in Midway with the meat cooked by Jim McLaughlin, John Dolphin, and Dan Colby as well as a Halloween wiener roast and potluck with a campfire. There was of course the ice Cream run to Dairy Queen and Mikey's in Fairfax. Good news is we all still fit in the Corvettes!!

Camp Courageous was a fun time and a successful trip for 22 of our Corvettes.

We had a Show and Shine where Kathy Adams over booked herself and Malinda Finley had to sell 50/50 tickets by herself. It was a great show and a fun time. The weather was nice by the end of the day.

There were several new members this year and some that rejoined!

Randy Sanders, our infamous Golf Guru, got the annual golf outing going.

Tracy Rudd, our Homecoming Director and His assistant Sue did another amazing year of handling the 17 homecomings this year. Of course it wouldn't be a homecoming without sandwiches and pop or beer afterwards. Chuck Long was the Grand Marshal at the U of I homecoming and several of us had our pictures taken with him. Steve Goss got the lucky number and got to drive Chuck in the parade. In total 41 club members helped with homecomings.

There was a really fun night at the Kernels Baseball game where we had a party box with all the burgers, brats, popcorn, peanuts beer and ice cream you could eat and drink. At last report the record for ice cream bars goes to Lori Brendes who at last count was on her 4<sup>th</sup> ice cream bar. Chris Thompson is still dipping his ice cream bar in his beer!!

Larry and Marjory Bushaw planned a great MYSTERY fall leaf run with no stop light. There were a couple of stop signs but most did not notice they were there!! It turned out we went to Lansing, IA where there were 4 restaurants to choose from because our group was too big for just one.

We did 4 Honor Flights this year with the last one being over 2 hours late. We hung in there. Paul Hildebrand, Bernie Willenborg and Bob Irelan helped with honor guard.

Your Historian, Malinda Finley

