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Newsletter of the Discovery Bay Corvette Club



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Marilyn Allen





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Meeting Schedule: First Thursday of each month, except when otherwise noted.

Location: Discovery Bay Yacht Club

Board Meeting: 6:30 PM

General Meeting: Meeting 7:30 PM

All members are urged to attend the meetings and guests are always welcome!

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Next Meeting: September 5th, 2024

President's Message



Hello DBCC Members,

A lot of our members are on the Caravan, heading back home as I write this article. A few have sent me pictures, per my asking, as Dave and I wish we were with you. Next one, we are going to go for sure! Everyone looked like they were having a blast.

Our last club event was a run lead by Kirk & Lisa Walker to the Clayton Bowl. What a fun and funky place, who knows when it was last remodeled. I loved it! I definitely sucked at bowling, but at least I had the best form 😊 Lisa & Kirk had nice prizes for the best and the worst bowlers. I didn't fall into any of those categories. I think I may be repeating some information that Diana reported, but Lance Austin had the best overall score and Laurie Nadelman had the worst overall score (sorry Laurie, at least you won a gift card!)

I just finished the flyer for run that Dave and I are planning for lunch and bocce on October 27th, so be sure to save the date. I picked a Sunday for those who requested this (hi Rhonda 😊).

Don't forget our next General Meeting is Thursday September 5th @ 7:30pm in the Bilge Room.

Cheers! Shari



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Secretary - Bill Montgomery

DBCC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES/ORDER OF BUSINESS DATE: 8-13-2024

Call to Order: – Time: 7:40pm by Shari Peck at the Discovery Bay Yacht Club, Bilge Room, 33 Members present. 0 Guests present.

President's Report (Shari Peck): *Shari started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, *Shari had a moment of silence for Marilyn Allen and Roeland deSterke. *Rich Allen spoke and said that Marilyn's Celebration of Life will be 2:30pm on September 22nd at the Yacht Club. DBCC Club members are invited. *Rick Williams spoke and said that Roeland deSterke's memorial will be August 24th in Ripon. *Guest speaker tonight was Keith Euranius of Hagerty Insurance. He spoke at the end of this meeting about what he can offer DBCC members in the way of insurance for their Corvettes and collector cars. He is competitive and can offer unmatched insurance products. His phone number is 925-450-9350

Vice President's Report (Tim Denham) *New member package was distributed to the Spotts. They have a 2013 Grand Sport, 60th Anniversary Edition Convertible in White. Welcome Spotts! *New member package is ready for Steve Blaz, but he was not present tonight. *25th Anniversary of memberships certifications were handed out to the Pimentel's and the Hardt's, Congratulations!! *Ed O'Brien received his Past -President badge and the Harris's received their Gold Stars.



Treasurer's Report (Lisa Williams) : *Lisa reported the amount of money in the account – (See BOD minutes for amount). *Lisa reported income at \$1,979 for last month. *Lisa reported expenses at \$4,002.88 for the last month. (for rent, insurance and party). *Abel Chevrolet sponsored the Club in June for this year in the amount of \$1,500.

Secretary's Report (Bill Montgomery): *There was a call for approval of the meeting minutes from the June 6th meeting (see June/July Newsletter). Motion to approve made by Rick Williams and seconded by Joann Onstad. Everyone was in favor. No one opposed. Motion approved and carried. Minutes passed as published. *Bill mentioned that the Standing Rules were once again being revised to add clarification regarding refunds on events and runs. Standing Rules will be approved at the next BOD meeting and posted to the Members Only section of the Club website. * Be sure to sign the sign-in sheet.

Events Report (Karen Murphy): Run plans for 2024: ***August:** August 29th to 31st, 2024 – NCM 30th Anniversary Celebration and Caravan, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Caravan from Northern California (Pacific Central Caravan) is Aug. 21st to Aug. 28th. *Clayton Bowling Run: Aug 17th, lead by Kirk Walker. Flyer has been sent out. *Mecum Auto Auction: August 15-17 in Monterey. ***September:** TBD but considering run to

Rio Vista. ***October:** Corvette Fest with Corvettes of Lodi (flyer coming). *Trunk or Treat; Oct. 25th. Karen Murphy leading. *Bocce and Lunch; Oct 27th, Peck's leading. ***November:** TBD. ***December:** Holiday Lunch at Sugar Barge on Bethal Island (editor note; Sugar Barge is Closing); Dec. 8th. A Committee is being formed.

Public Relations Report (Lisa Walker): (Not present. No report)

Quarter Master Report (Nancy O'Brien): *If there is anyone that would like to order shirts, hats and window stickers, please contact Nancy

Webmaster Report (Ralph Cerna): *No new website information. *Newsletter posted *Ralph has 2013 plate and plaques for free left over from old car show. *New member packages contain the password for the Members Only section of our webpage.

Publication's Report (Laura Hardt): *Be sure to send Laura your photos of Club events. Consider posting photos to a share site like Google. *Laura would like photos of Marilyn Allen to include in the upcoming DiscoVette. *Laura's email is: corvettenewsletter@hotmail.com.

WSCC Report (OPEN): *No Report.

Sunshine Report (Diana Cerna): *Snacks for the August meeting were by: Trudy. Snacks for the next meeting (in September) will be Karen. *Diana announced the August birthdays. *(see further Sunshine details in the June/July DiscoVette newsletter). *Sue Anderson was thanked for coming to the meeting this evening.

NCM Ambassador Report (Dave Gatt): *Tadge Juechter, Chief Corvette Engineer for GM is retiring, and Dave is planning on attending that ceremony in Bowling Green during the NCM Anniversary events this month. * The new 2025 ZR1 has an LT-9 engine making 1,064 horsepower, 2.1 seconds 0-60, 9 second ¼ mile, and a waterfall front end, so no frunk.

Board Member at Large Report (Dave Peck): *No Report.

Old Business: *Regarding the 2024 NCM Caravan: Our club will be represented by 7 Corvettes, and 16 members (the Gatt's are flying to and from Bowling Green). Here are the club members going:

Bill and Jenifer Montgomery

Ralph and Diana Cerna

Wes Cerna (and Sara)

Rich and Patti Brunetto

Rick and Lisa Williams

Ed and Nancy O'Brien

Tim and Karen Denham

Dave and Debbie Gatt

New Business: *Dues increase is coming for 2025

Close: *50/50 Raffle: Won by Roger Hodel. (\$60 pot) split 50/50, so Roger got \$30. The other half goes to the Club account to help fund social events.

* Motion to close by Ralph Cerna, 2nd by Laurie Nadelman. The motion was approved and carried.

Meeting adjourned by Shari Peck at 8:50 pm.



In Loving Memory of Marilyn Allen









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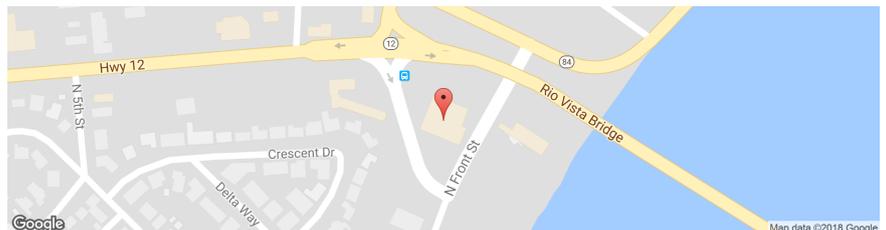


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2000 – Dick Realph

With the start of the new Millennium “DISCOVERY BAY CORVETTES” has 62 member families, over 120 members, and about that many Corvettes in its’ garages. WOW!! I guess its about time for another club picture, but that’s not what this article is about.

I was asked a few meetings ago to write an article on the history and beginning of the club (something like asking an old Hippie to recall the 60’s) so here goes.

First a little dull background. Back about 1979, when Bernie and I were dating, GENERAL MOTORS transferred her to Sparks Nevada and we were forced to carry on a long distance romance (awwww). On one of the trips back to the Bay Area her and JaNel couldn’t help but notice all the Corvettes headed into Reno for the Memorial Weekend. Returning to Reno she found out about the RENO CORVETTES V&T tour. A weekend get together of around 500 Corvettes for showing, dining, dancing, touring, and a parade. We began attending.

Bernie and I moved to Discovery Bay in 1985 and met the owner of “DOCKS & DECKS” who also owned a Corvette, (which wasn’t white), Bob Anderson. Bob kept saying there were a lot of Corvettes in Discovery Bay and that we should form a club. I kept saying “Yup, we should. ”

In 1988 Tony and Betty Silva joined Bernie and myself at V&T and a RENO CORVETTE officer asked at the awards banquette ‘ Where the hell is Discovery Bay?’. I guess the prior 7 years we hadn’t made much of an impact. In 1989 eight couples went to V&T as DISCOVERY BAY CORVETTES and took CLUB PAR, an award Discovery Bay has taken every year since. A week after returning these eight couples met at the home of Ron and Bev Lemos to become legitimate. RON and BEV LEMOS, BOB & SUE ANDERSON, RON & BONNY ALLEN, MIKE EVANS & SHAWN SILVA, BOB & ALICE KEPLER, TIM & JEANETTE SHEAHAN, TONY & BETTY SILVA and DICK and BERNIE REALPH became DISCOVERY BAY CORVETTES.

In the beginning we mostly went to “party” events and hung out, it’s amazing to see how the club has evolved. The first meetings were held mostly in homes and then various commercial buildings that we kept outgrowing. We met at the Pizza Parlor (too noisy), the Deli (outgrew in a couple months), the old church at the entrance, (now an empty lot), upstairs at SPURS restaurant, (now a pile of ash).

In about 1990 a member, MIKE BLATZ, began seriously going to Car Shows and thought we should put one on. What started with about a 10 car “Show and Shine” at the original ART & WINE FESTIVAL and has evolved into the “DISCOVERY BAY CORVETTE CLUB CAR SHOW” drawing 112 Corvettes and producing over \$20,000.00 in donations to various charities in the last 4 years.

The “Gimmick Rallye” evolved from the “IDES of MARCH” weekend put on by SANTA CRUZ CORVETTES, a fun weekend with a Show, Toga party, raffles, and the Sunday Rallye through the Santa Cruz mountains. Discovery Bay made an almost immediate impact with either GARY MORELAND or EDDY EGLASIAS “awarded” a 50# bag of dog food for their rallye ability. The first Rallye Discovery Bay put on we managed to even get some of our local members lost. We netted about \$ 30.00 but the club had a good time, and that is what this club is about.

It’s near impossible to remember all the people that have made a difference over the years but a few come to mind, MIKE BLATZ for the Car Shows, BOB & DARLENE PORTER for their time and effort on the first “real” Car Show, HOWARD & DIANE MATHEWS for consecutive FIRST PLACE in the “Lighted Boat Parade”, DICK TOMLINSON & GEORGE GRISSWALD for the “ Tahoe Tour”, JIM & LINDA PIERCE for “Discovette” and most recently JIM & JAN GLESSNER for “discovering” the Laughlin run.

Well, I guess it’s time to quit rambling and get this to print. If you have a humorous or fond remembrance of a past function or activity please submit it to OPAL ROSENDAHL for inclusion in the DISCOVETTE. THANK YOU for making this club what it is.

Discovery Bay Corvette's 35th Anniversary Party!



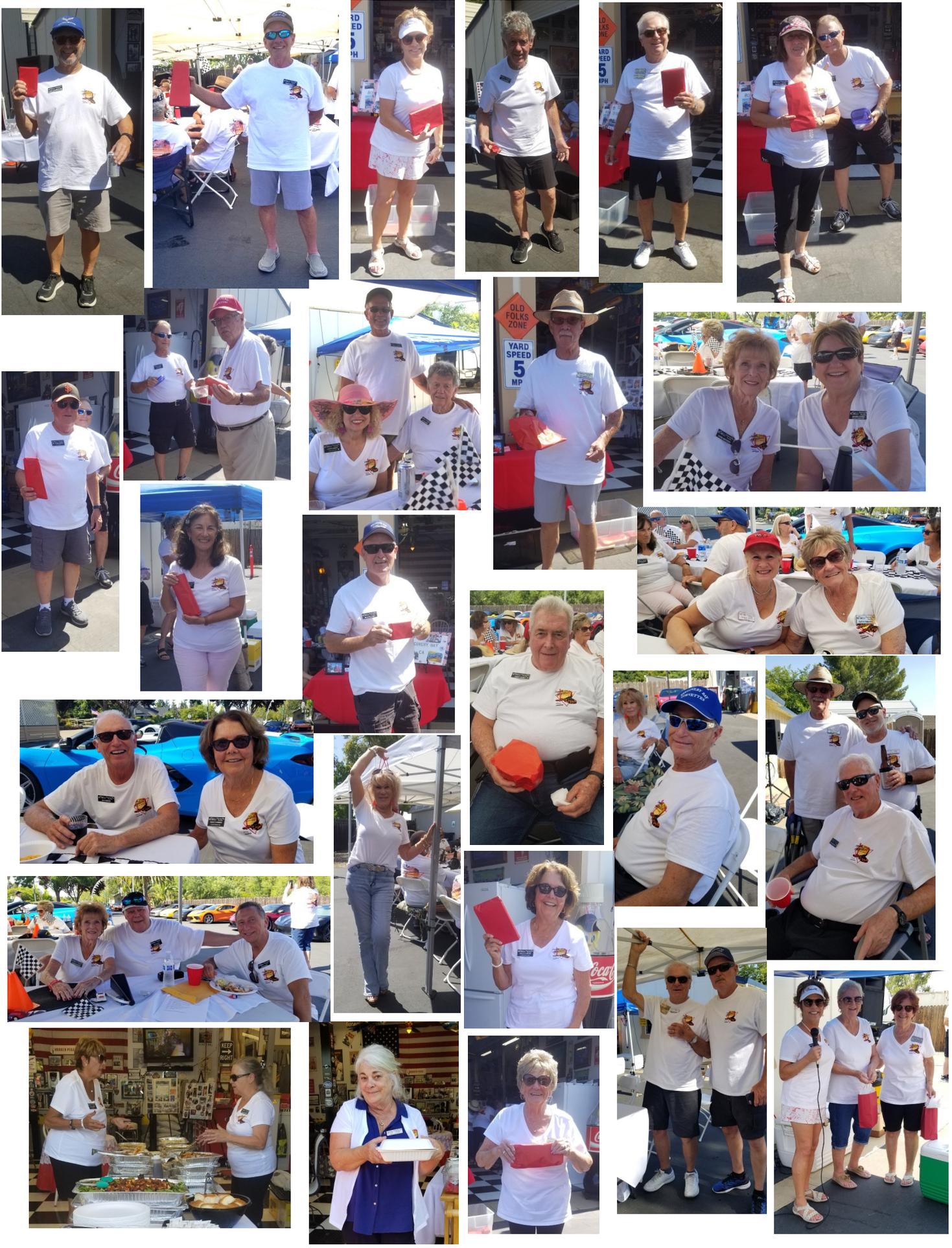
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Table set for Founding Members









The After Party Clean Up Crew!



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Discovery Bay Corvette Club Run to Stockton Bocce



Sunday October 27th

Meet at the Chase Parking Lot at 10:15am

Depart for Stockton at 10:30am

Buffet Lunch: noon

Pesto Pasta and Chicken, Salad, Focaccia bread and Apricot Cobbler

\$35 per person. Make checks out to DBCC and mail to Shari Peck

2284 Winchester Loop, Discovery Bay, 94505

RSVP to Dave Peck @ deltaflyer62@gmail.com

We need a final headcount by October 18th



From The Sunshine Gal – August 2024

I am writing this report on 8/20, only one week after our August meeting. There is still a half of the month left, but we are off tomorrow morning on our Caravan adventure to Bowling Green, Kentucky. Those of us that are driving our Corvette's cross country are: Ralph & Diana Cernera, Wes Cernera & Sara Whately, Rich & Patti Brunetto, Ed & Nancy O'Brien, Bill & Jenifer Montgomery, Tim & Karen Denham, Rick & Lisa Williams. Meeting up with us along the way are past members, Mark & Denise Zupan. Meeting up with us in Bowling Green are Dave & Debbie Gatt and Lee Brant & June Beite. So, needless to say, none of us will be at the September meeting.

I hope everyone is enjoying the last month of summer and have something fun planned for Labor Day weekend!

Not much has happened since the meeting last week. I did hear that bowling was great fun. Thanks to Kirk Walker for leading that run. Congrats to Lance for being the champ! Since I couldn't be there, I am glad my Scorpio buddy followed in my footsteps from 2022! Congrats! (And, this time no Covid outbreak.)

Our thoughts and prayers are with Karen de Sterke and her family. All of us traveling in the Caravan are very sad to have missed the Celebration of Life for Roeland. Much love to you, Karen.

Also, our condolences to a past member, Nelson Frieson and family. His wife Joyce passed away Monday, 8/19. We will keep the club posted on any further details.

Our September treats are provided by Karen Murphy.
October treats are Lisa Williams and Laura Hardt.

Diana Cernera

"Don't let the shadows of yesterday spoil the sunshine of tomorrow. Live for today."
- Nandina Morris

Caravan Departure from Abel Chevrolet!



Discovery Bay Corvette Members Having Fun!



Shari Peck at
Idol Beer Works in Lodi



Blessing of the Grapes,
Van Ruiten Winery, Lodi



Member having fun at the Discovery Bay Yacht Club's Small Boat Dinner cruise to Garlic Brothers



Jerry Hardt, Charlie Wheeler & Roger Hodel

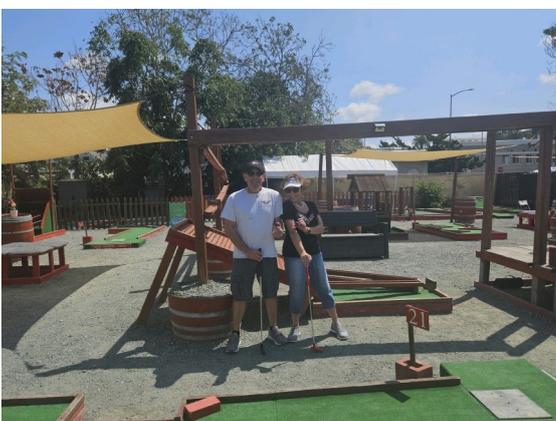


Roger Hodel, Mary Hodel & Jerry Hardt



Jerry & Laura Hardt

Dave & Shari Peck having a fun day in Martinez!



Dave & Shari's granddaughter Arabella's 6th birthday party!



★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY!

August

Don Ramos 8/5 Danica Harris 8/11 Wesley Cerna 8/12
 Ralph Cerna 8/18 Arnold Plonczak 8/25 Susan Anderson 8/26
 Mat Mathews 8/29 Kathleen Craig 8/31



Jack Parker 9/2 Andreea Constantin-Pau 9/5 Denham Karen Krowl 9/25
 Roeland de Sterke 9/27 †
 Justine Sampson 9/29 Jerry Cellilo 9/29

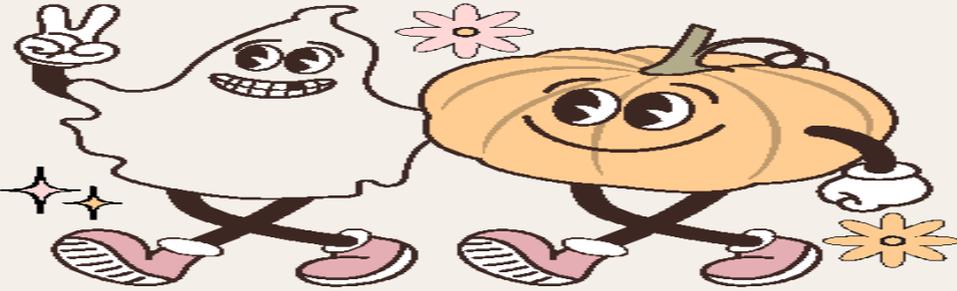
October

Joe Pimentel 10/19 Paula Sauvadon 10/21
 Lance Austin 10/28 Lee Brant 10/28 Diana Cerna 10/29

TRUNK OR TREAT

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Publications- Laura Hardt

Hi Everyone!

This Newsletter is dedicated to Marilyn Allen. She was such an amazing and beautiful woman filled with lots of love and compassion and was always willing to help those in need.

As some of you know, years ago our home burned down and we had nothing. I am one of those people that do not like to ask for help but Marilyn saw I was in need and showered me with clothes and other items. I will forever be grateful to her and her husband Rich Allen.

Love you forever!





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