



On The Road

Meet the Members *Jack Hart & Beth Hartzheim*

Beth and I met when she was a student in a course I taught on Hospitality Management at Lakeland College. Evidently I must have impressed her because the next semester she was back taking my Facilities Management course. When the semester was finished I asked her out. She said NO! But I was persistent, and it paid off. I'm the Director of the Hotel and Restaurant Management program at Madison Area Technical College, and Beth is the Assistant to the Dean for the College of Letters & Science at the UW-Madison. Between the two of us we have four children. My son Andy, his wife and three kids live in Gainesville, VA. My daughter Alison and her two boys live in Eau Claire. Beth's daughter Angie, her husband and daughter live here in Madison, and her son Ben lives in Columbus, OH (he's an OSU Buckeye, but likes the Badgers more).



For many years I was a Cadillac owner, but always thought it would be fun to own a Corvette. When I started thinking about getting one I told Beth she had to tell me "NO", you don't need a Corvette. That didn't work very well as you can see from the photo. One sunny fall day three years ago we stopped at Ballweg's to try out a Corvette because Beth had never experienced the excitement of riding or driving one. Well, we went for a little spin and she was hooked. We came back to Ballweg's and she said to me, "I think you need to buy one of these, you can afford it". So much for HER "self restraint". A few months later I found exactly what I was looking for, but it was located in Cincinnati, OH. Lucky for me...Beth's son has an office in Cincinnati and said he would be happy to go try the car out for me. The next day he was at the dealership checking it out. While at the dealership he gave me a call and said "Jack, you need to buy this car" (he has to be related to his mother...no doubt about it). That weekend Beth and I drove down to Cincinnati and purchased the car...my first Corvette, a 2003 "50th" Anniversary Edition. Both Beth and I love going for cruises in our car and really enjoy being members of the Mad City Corvette Club. We especially enjoy the social activities and spending time with everyone.