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From the Prez

Tom Palmer



Dear Members,

Wow...we've had over 20 events so far, with another 15 or so left in this year! That represents a lot of work by a lot of hosts...please be sure to thank them.

The club dues had remained the same for a long time. The board recommended a large increase due to large increases in fixed costs and events costs. The members agreed and voted unanimously for the increase at the August member meeting. Thank you to all, we will be very diligent with our funds.

The venues are narrowing down, so thank you for your patience. We're trying hard to get the most bang for our buck. We're at First Credit Union (FCU) for one more small meeting, then Chandler Downtown Library for large fall meeting (1 day & 1 hour early, because they close at 5 on Thursday). We have reserved Floridino's (the club's favorite) for most of next year. Check the Activity calendar for the latest updates.

There are a passel of really great events already on the schedule for this fall, so come on out and enjoy them with your fellow Corvette lovers. And thank you to all the hosts who are putting on these events!

Yours in vetting,

Tom







From the Editor Kevin Deihl

Howdy! Who else is getting excited that we are coming up on the best time of year in AZ? Fall season? Nope! Car show season! That's right, no more excuses why you can't give that beauty of yours a little extra love. Chevys in the Park is coming up on Oct. 30th and the volunteers that are working on this year's event are doing an outstanding job of putting together everything to make it the best one yet! Please consider volunteering to support your club and our Charity.

Love, Kevin!

Cruizin AZ website for car shows, cruises

Queen Creek Cars and Coffee

Prescott Vette Set Car Show

Reminder to use Costco Coupon for saving on car repairs



Well, as you all know, the CCA dues have been announced and should be paid by October 15th, 2022. The increase this year is to account for the rising expenses that the club is incurring and still be able to subsidize the wonderful activities that the club puts on for our members. We are all feeling the crunch everywhere around us and CCA is no different.

Before the end of this year, we have the MMT, Progressive Dinner, Christmas Party, and Thank You Party that are CCA subsidized Events. This year the Christmas Party and the Recognition and Awards Banquet will be combined. It just wasn't cost efficient to have 2 large parties a month apart. But rest assured, recognition and awards will be a small part of the party. There will food, music, dancing and, of course, our very fun gift exchange.

The Thank You party is something that Diana and I put together last year to recognize those who have hosted an event during the year. It is a very laid-back event with drinks and appetizers to thank those who have helped make CCA a fun and exciting club. It is only August so there is plenty of time to put together an event and get your invitation to the Thank You Party!

Make sure you have your dues paid by October 15th, so you can continue to enjoy the events that are put on by CCA members in 2023.



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Vice President's Report

Ron Gliot



Greetings CCA Friends!

As we begin to move into the crisp months of Fall....(oops, I forgot there really are no crisp months in AZ (even in winter)), I cherish the return of some of our Snowbird friends and a time of the year here in AZ where Car Shows, and trips abound as we can finally sit in parking lots without becoming a BBQ selection in some local restaurant! Get out there and enjoy one of the many events across this valley and state.



CCA has had a banner year with loads of outings, with something to suit everyone's taste in Corvette fun. If you haven't found an event to attend, you really aren't trying too hard....so much fun for every member! You can have some fun times, and make some great friends by joining in any and every event.

This is every member's club, so when you find that great spot or event to visit, let your Board know and we will assist you any way we can to make it a great event. See you at the next outing. Keep the Shiny Side Up....Ron

Activities Director

Dom Lovino

It's time to wash and wax your Corvettes. The end of the hot summer is just around the corner. The monsoon has been the most active since we moved here 6 years ago. I know I have had a terrible time trying to keep our Corvette clean with all the dust and rain. I have to say, our club has been just as active this year as well. Our club hosted some welcomed events during the summer months: a pool party at Hagans (which was a cool day as June goes), a picnic with the Niemans in Showlow (great weather and clean air), the Mt. Lemmon Driver by the Campises (almost 25 degrees cooler than Phoenix), and the Martin Auto Museum driver by the Gliots/Palmers (great cars and air conditioning too!). These were great events and a chance to get out of the heat.

Fasten up your seat belts and start your engines for the next two months of the year. The cooler months bring more events at a faster pace. Our friends from the north and those that left the valley heat will also be returning to the Valley of the Sun.

We start off the line by pushing the petal to the metal in September, as we celebrate the traditional end of summer with Labor Day - Taco and Tequila Pool Party at the Hughes. Then an overnight driver to Prescott hosted by the Deihls to see a Corvette Show with 300 Corvettes! The Spooktatcular Car Show being sponsored by the DCA club (decorate your Corvette into something Scary!). October also brings the MMT hosted by the Campises/Lovinos (don't ask, the 2nd M is for Mystery). The Hagans are hosting a spooky Halloween Party on the 29th.

We finally top off our tanks and the end of October with our Chevys in the Park Car Show, chaired by Ron Gliot. Please consider volunteering and registering your car for the show. Spend the day at A J Chandler Park. Consider helping for an hour or two, then enjoy a lunch at one of the 20 restaurants. Walk around and see all the shiny and tuned Chevy power. Or just bring a chair and find some shade to listen to the music. Enjoy the great fall weather the valley brings.

Stay up to date on CCA Activities for the rest of the year through the website, Google Calendar and Crosstalk. Dom

Member Tina Pivar notes that there are openings for November activities with the Barleens Dinner show and the Hay ride/BBQ. Please check the flyers out on the website and join us for these fun events. Kevin





CCA Activity Calendar	Dom Lovino	
January	February	March
I-Dinner at Dragon Wok (Bassett) 8-Recognition Dinner/Meeting	3-Membership Meeting @ Floridino's at 6 pm 9-Packages from Home (Bassett) 11-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 17-Board Meeting (Godina) 19-Monestary Driver (Lotts, McDougalls) — Canceled 20-Gaslight Theater (Lombardo, Campise)	6-ND Picnic/Classic Car Show (CCA Contact: Hedahl)** 6-Glenn Miller Orchestra (Hughes) 11-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 12- Oakwood Car Show (Lovino) 13-Pro Bull Riding (Rock) 17-Board Meeting (Hughes) 19-Breakfast (Hagan) 23-Happy Hour (Pivar) canceled 26-Sonoita/Elgin Wine Trip(Platten, Hughes)
April	May	June
3-Corvettes in the Park (Gliot) 7-Membership Meeting @ Floridinos, Dinner at 6pm 8-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 13-Vette Set Dinner (Friesz) 21-Board Meeting (Hagan) 23-Founder's Day (Rock, Campise) 30-Shine & Show Car Show (Lovino)	5-Membership Meeting @ Golden Corral – Gilbert, Dinner at 6pm 13-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 14-Titan Missile Museum (Platten, Hughes) 19-Board Meeting (Deihl) 21-Verde Valley Vette Event (NCCC- CCA Contact: Jenkins)*	2-Membership Meeting – LookTheater – Chandler at 6pm No Board Meeting 10-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 18-Pool Party (Hagan) 24-Show Low Driver(Nieman)
July	August	September
7-Membership Meeting - FCU 8-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 16-Mt. Lemmon Driver (Campise) 21-Board Meeting (Campise)	 4- Membership Meeting @ Floridino's at 6 pm 6- Martin Auto Museum (Palmer-Gliot) 12-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 18-Board Meeting (Lovino) 	I-Membership Meeting – FCU 5-Pool Party & Tacos (Hughes) 9-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel I5-Board Meeting (Gliot) 23&24-Driver to Prescott (Deihls)
October 5- Membership Meeting -Chandler Library @ 6pm 14-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel 14-Verde Valley Event (NCCC)* 20-Board Meeting (Jenkins) 22- Spooktacular Car Show** 24-26 MMT (Campise/Lovino) 29-Halloween Party (Hagan) 30- Chevys in the Park Car Show (Gliot)	November I-Vegas Night (Pivar) 3-Membership Meeting @ TBD 5-Progressive Dinner (Lott) 9-Hay Ride & BBQ (Pivar) II-Chick's Lunch @ Stone & Barrel I2- Marine Ball (Lott)** I7-Board Meeting (Platten) I7-Barleens Dinner & Show (Pivar) I9-Sierra Vista Event (NCCC)* 20- Gaslight Theater (Campise/Lombardo) 24-Thanksgiving Parade**	December I-Membership Meeting @ Floridino's @ 7pm I5-Board Meeting (Palmer) I2-Thank you Party (Campise/Lovino) I8-Christmas Party (Lovino, Campise) No Chick's Lunch
*NCCC event	** Non CCA event	***Vette Set Dinner – Must first be on mail list for invite!!!!



NCCC Governor's Report Ray Jenkins



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Our Roadrunner Region is doing well with several NCCC Sanctioned events accomplished. The next NCCC Sanctioned event is the CCA All Chevy Show on October 30th. This should be a great event with many Club members helping to make it a success.

Fourth Quarter Region Governors meeting will be on Nov. 19th at the TVS NCCC Sanctioned Corvette Thunder event in Sierra Vista.

Next NCCC National meetings will be on Sept. 9th & 10th and Nov. 11th & 12th in

St. Louis, Mo.. Region RE, RCD & RMD attend these meetings and report information at the scheduled Region Governor's meetings.

Our Roadrunner Region is looking for a Regional Executive for next year. Barb and Bob Johnson have moved to Johnson City, Tennessee, but will carry out their Roadrunner Region R.E. & RCD positions until the end of the year.

Ray Jenkins CCA Governor

Membership Report

Mark Godina





David Woods became a member of CCA on Aug.4th at the general meeting at Floridino's Restaurant. David retired as a banker from Iowa and currently lives in East Mesa. David drives a 2019 Blue Grand Sport. His hobbies are performance cars and photography. David has always wanted a corvette and at 85 years young, he finally got one and joined CCA. He also served in the U.S. Air Force. We also have 2 prospective guests who are nearing their completion requirements. Howard and Sheryl Katz are looking to rejoin CCA. The Board members voted to unanimously approve. Right now, membership level stands at 113.

At the September member meeting, we had one new guest who joined us along with his very first Corvette!

In Memorium

Norma Marsh

CCA is saddened to share the news of the passing of long-time member Norma Marsh. Norma was very involved with the Chick's lunches and will be missed by the CCA family.







Mt. Lemmon Driver

Roc and Diana Campise

CCA took off on a Mt. Lemmon driver on July 16th. Mt. Lemmon is best known for its' summer climate. It was 25 degrees cooler than Tucson. Not many people know or have been up the mountain to Summerhaven or Ski Valley at just over 9000 feet. It's not easy to get to since you have to drive halfway into Central Tucson to find that majestic 25-mile highway known as the General Hitchcock Highway. It is worth the drive.





What a Corvette Road as we caravanned up the serpentine roadway through four seasons of fauna, camping sites, RV sites, picnic areas and photo stops. Oh, by the way, the year around population is a mighty 35? What does Mt. Lemmon have to offer desert dwellers besides that great summer temp? Restaurants, only two with one general store famous for their fudge made daily. Lunch time called so we arrived at the Sawmill Restaurant with our patio tables reserved and ordered our food and drink. Did I say out on the patio in the middle of a summer's day, sitting under an umbrella with a light breeze?











Mt. Lemmon

That day a small farmers market was presenting their wares and of course curiosity got the best of CCA. After lunch and our curio adventure, we drove a couple of miles to Ski Valley with several of us taking to the ski lift chairs up to the peak of the mountain.

You can see some of the photos of those who were brave enough to chair up. The views at the top were spectacular. You could almost see Mexico and New Mexico, yep, a small yarn but very small. What we discovered was, there are 7 different observatories peppered in and around the peaks, all accessible with SkyCenter Observatory, available for tours in the late afternoon. When the return chair lift ended at the bottom of the mountain, low and behold, there it was the second restaurant. Can you guess where we went next?









The Iron Door restaurant was calling to us. It is known for their desserts, especially individual pies and ice cream. Mt. Lemmon's version of Rock Springs Café. But, alas, it was time to go as we dreaded heading down to the afternoon high temps. One last stop to make at Windy Point for group pictures with plenty of parking, fantastic views of the highway and the white porcelain monument for those in need. Perfect for a group picture.





CCA Driver to Mount Lemon - Dennis V. Hughes (smugmug.com)





Martin Auto Museum

Palmers/Gliots



On Sat August 6th at 8:00am the Palmers and Gliots hosted approximately 17 shiny Corvettes. We met at McDonald's in Chandler to head out to Martin Auto Museum in Glendale. After a short driver's meeting the crowd took a 40-minute drive and arrived right at opening time at 9:00 am. Another couple of cars and a few more members met there and, in the end, there were 30 members ready to enter!

The museum is in a new location, very bright and fresh with over 140 cars on full display, with most all having access to sit inside and savor. Additionally, there was some car décor, pinball machines, and a merry-go-round which a few members enjoyed!!!









Martin Museum Tour

















After two hours of perusing the great collection, the crowd left and caravanned over to Oregano's on Bell Road in Glendale to satisfy the club members appetites for lunch. After enjoying some socialization, and great food filling their bellies, all departed for their ride home. Don't miss out on this the next time!







For more pictures, please <u>click here</u>. Thank you to Dennis Hughes for compiling these.





Luck and Larceny

Larry Maiorano

The following is an excerpt from Larry's published memoirs, Lobsters in the Snow. It is available on Amazon, Wal Mart and Target, and from the publisher. Click here to order your copy today!

In 1990 I purchased another car, besides the 1953 C Type Jaguar recreation, with the profit I made from the sale of my exceedingly rare 1949 alloy XK120 Jaguar..... a 1957 Corvette. The owner of the Corvette, from Lansing, Michigan, had placed an ad in Hemmings Motor News, which back in 1990 was the preferred choice in buying or selling a classic car. I called the owner, who said he was a schoolteacher and therefore wouldn't lie to me about the car. He said the Corvette had done well at numerous car shows and he would mail me photographs (before we could rely on the internet). I received photos, a copy of the Michigan Title and information indicating that the Corvette had



a build date of December 4, 1956, and was originally delivered to Manhattan Beach, California. I purchased the car in May 1990 and had my NCRS friends scrutinize it when it arrived. It wasn't as perfect as the "schoolteacher" claimed, but the price was right, and we would correct the flaws. However, there was one great big flaw...it had no VIN plate! When I called the "schoolteacher" back, he said it never had one and that it wasn't necessary in Michigan to title a car. Not to panic, my NCRS buddies said, "no worries", you can buy a correct steel plate with the stamped serial number for \$50, which I did. As soon as I got the VIN plate, I drilled it into the correct spot on the driver's side door post, below the upper hinge. Anxious to get the Corvette registered, I immediately hopped in and drove to the Motor Vehicle Department office. When the inspector came out to check the VIN plate, she kept commenting on what a beautiful car this was. When I opened the driver's door, I was horrified to see that the fiberglass fillings from my drilling were still on the door sill. The inspector was so busy admiring the car that she didn't notice the obvious installation of a brand-new VIN plate. That's the advantage of a good-looking car, along with some luck and a little larceny. Larry Maiorano

Our very own Larry Maiorano was featured in an article published by The Daily Independent recently. They were interested in learning more about Larry's Cars and Coffee in Queen Creek, which happens every Saturday morning. View the article by clicking here.

Vette Set Dinner Neil and TinaPivar

On Thursday August 25th, 9 CCA'ers decided it was a good night to enjoy each other's company for dinner at the restaurant called First and Last. It is located in downtown Phoenix and everyone enjoyed themselves. If you would like to join in on the Vette Set Dinners, please contact Activities Coordinators Diana Campise and Nancy Hagan.









America in 1957

Submitted by Judy Hoffman



The year was 1957. Most of us weren't old enough to drive yet, but we couldn't wait to get behind the wheel of our own car. It was the beginning of the greatest period in US automotive history – a time when the debut of new cars in the showrooms was one of the biggest events of the year. Life was good and America was prosperous. World War II was twelve years in the past and the Korean War had been over for four years. President Eisenhower had signed the Interstate Highway System into law and freeways were under construction all over the country. America was on the move.

The pages that follow are an abbreviated trip back to 1957 and some images of what life was like at a time when people were discovering this great country, getting out on the highways to explore not only the beautiful geography, but to engage in new forms of recreation. Crossing the United States from Maine to Southern California and from the Pacific Northwest to Florida, this brief peek in the rear view mirror brings back some fond memories of days when a few bucks went a long way; when people were proud of their country; and when summertime was a time for discovery and adventure.

American cars were stylish, comfortable, powerful, and colorful. And, for most people, they were affordable. A new car carried an average price tag of under \$2400. A good used car could be purchased for under \$500. Gas was \$.24 per gallon, and rent was an average \$90 per month. Though most families thrived at just \$5000 per year, women were entering the work force, so average family incomes were climbing to \$10,000 per year or more. and families were beginning to take advantage of a booming new segment of the post war economy – recreation.

We're going to take a little ride across America now, and hopefully the journey will bring back some pleasant memories of the days when we were young teenagers, seeing the world, not on the tiny screen of a cellular phone, but firsthand as we lived it to the fullest. Regardless of where we grew up, there was so much to see and do.







The 1957 Chevrolet was among the most desired cars of all time. There was a huge variety of models, color combinations, and power options. Though no one knew it at the time, this would become the most iconic of all vintage cars and they would be as desirable decades later as they were when new on the showroom floors. Ironically, Ford outsold Chevy in 1957 – for the first time since 1935. Ford pedaled just under 1.7 million Ford units compared to slightly over 1.5 million Chevrolet units sold. Total US auto production soared to 6.2 million cars and trucks. That meant that one family in six purchased a new car in that year. Low interest automobile financing became available to most people, meaning a new car could be bought with little down payment and monthly installments of less than \$75. At the top of the scale, Lincoln introduced the Continental Mark II personal coupe at \$10,000 but was eclipsed by Cadillac when the ultra luxurious Eldorado Brougham premiered at a little over \$13,000.

Suburban areas were growing fast. The cost of an average new home was under \$15,000 and most families had a car that was less than 5 years old. Split level homes were the trend and most had color televisions.

For the full story with pictures, click *HERE*





The Hughes Tacos and Tequila Party

On a warm and semi-moonlit night, several varieties of tequila, swimmers and non-swimmers, were at the Hughes House on Labor Day to celebrate together. Celebrate what? Who knows or cares... But all 35 partiers gave their best efforts to have a good time.

On this memorable night, Tom showed us that only he can stand in the deep end of the pool; everyone agreed that pool volleyball was too much work; Bob O'C and Dennis were great Pool Boys, delivering drinks to those in the water; and just floating feels good!

The non-swimmers also had a good time. Once seated at the patio chair circle, they talked the evening away and (we're sure) solved many of the world's problems.

At one point, someone noticed the sprinkler system next door was broken and was spewing like a fountain out front. Lylla's really red car had a really good wash. Some of the other 16 Corvettes received a lighter shower from the neighbors.

After her car was 'washed', Lylla returned inside to have an intimate moment with Coal Hughes. Coal is a 2-year-old rescue dog who had never seen so many people in his house before. This interaction was so intimate, in fact, that Coal's mouth and Lylla's nose came nose to face and Lylla ended up with a cut on her nose, courtesy of Coal. Lylla now has another story to tell and we are all very sorry this happened. Heal quickly, Lylla!

















Pool Party

But drinks and food were the main event. Margaritas flowed from the kitchen to the eager mouths of partygoers. Dennis was the main bar tender. With help from others, the tequila flowed all evening long. The tacos came, too. Beef or chicken, black beans, rice and cakes were the main dinner items. Tina, Nancy, and Diana took charge of prepping the appetizer plates and we were ready to serve when the official party time arrived. While there was a tiny bit of tequila left over, the food was all gone. Everyone said they'd had enough until the cakes were cut. Dessert hunger won out as the cakes, too, were all gone.

Perhaps we'll take a vote about having this become an annual event. The Hughes' enjoyed sharing their home. We had fun. We hope you did, too. Please enjoy more pictures **HERE!** Charlotte and Dennis









Buy/Sell

For Sale is a nice 2002 ZO6. Original one owner ZO6. All service records and upgrades available. Only 50330 original miles. Original 1 to 4 factory gear change bypassed to allow use of all 6 gears LoJack installed when new and may be transferred. 18" wheels and 5 original 17" rims. Like new 18" Michelin Pilot Sport Tires. Recent inspection by Spencer Auto Repair only found the front brake

pad needed replaced. These have been installed by Spencer. Wiring and Blend Mount radar detector mounting. Wiring for Sirius XM included with optional receiver. Noah car cover included. For more info please call: Jack Schwarzenbach @ 720-404-7854 Thank you \$26,000











GM News

Simply click any of the descriptions to view the article.

Corvette continues domination of market share Cadillac Racing GTP at the track

Editor

C8 ZR1 in development? Elkhart Blue ZO6

ZO6 pricing and build dates revealed C7 ZR1 vs Tesla Model S Plaid

Guess which '22 C8 is the most popular color? Latest spy video for E-Ray

How popular is the Z51 package for C8? How rooted is the ZO6 from the C8R?

Are there any true comparisons for the Z06? C8 Racing Results at Road America

Sigala Design's C8 Rear wing GM determines how to allocate ZO6's to dealers

Watch Brand New Truck Stolen from AZ Iso Rivolta stuffed with an LS7

Latest poll results for Charging EV's What do you think?

What percentage of C 8 owners order the Z51 Suspension? <u>Lingenfelter C8 Airbox</u>

C8 that burned down was not an E-Ray GM considering a Corvette Sedan?

Costco special offer for Silverado HD 2023 ZO6 Production will be heavily constrained

Callaway taking deposits for Supercharged C8's **ZO6 ZO7 Pricing**

GM to fix Battery state of charge on '22 C8's Listen to the 1st ZO6 Press Car

Koenigsegg's owner critiques the C8 Chevy MyWay now Live

ZO6 at Road America NCM expansion at Motorsports Park

C7 Cracked wheel class suit U of Michigan to research EV Ceramic Batteries

1500 HP C8 at the strip C8.R updates

GM Benchmarking Ferrari's mid -engine Sweepstakes drawing for a ZO6

2022 Stingrays running at 5 days supply Corvette Sedan rendering

A day at Laguna Seca Raceway Want Carbon Fiber wheels for your ZO6?

Considering ordering a '23 ZO6?







Upcoming CCA Birthdays

September

- 7 Nancy Hagan
- 14 Bill Rhode
- 17 Sandy Sample
- 18 Frank Hagan
- 19 Kenneth Alejandro
- 19 Heinz Platten
- 25 Nancy VanAllsburg
- 27 Jim Bartels
- 28 Bob Bassett



October

- 4 Norm Riffel
- 10 Larry Maiorano
- 12 Al Mattivi
- 12 Diana Campise
- 14 Pat Jenkins
- 16 Janet Ray Judy Schmidt **David Woods**
- 20 Don Smith
- 20 Hal Wurst
- 22 Jan Mundy
- 23 Joyce Mileskiewicz
- 29 Marc Teixeira

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Official Club Store Products



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If you would like to purchase shirts, hats and jackets please visit our website (<u>www.proudownerdesign.com</u>) and click on the "Sanmar" tab located on the home page.

Once you do that you can browse from thousands of items that we can put the club logo on. Simply call us or e-mail us with the product number, color and sizes that you need and we will get back to you with a price for those items. You may also purchase your own items and have us put the club logos on for you.

