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# **President's Message**

# Marge Rhode



Good news!! I was just notified at the end of June, that IRS has approved our application for 501(C)7 status as a tax-exempt non-profit organization. This completes our year-long process to terminate the previous corporation, create a new corporation as Corvette Club of AZ, Inc., obtain a DBA (Doing Business As) Corvette Club of Arizona, and finally to be approved as a tax-exempt social club. This process involved working with the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Arizona Secretary of State and the IRS with some guidance from Samantha Hagan, Nancy and Frank's daughter, who's a CPA.

Going forward, we'll need to stay within the IRS guidelines for this classification, the most important of which is to have income of less than \$50,000 per year. We'll also need to file a short Form 990 each year which can be done online.

So moving on to more fun things, *Chevys in the Park* is scheduled for October 27<sup>th</sup> and we've revamped the organizational structure of the team. In order to get more members involved and to spread the workload, there will be one Chair and four Co-chairs:

- Chairman, Brad Ryan
- Registration Co-chair, Esther Enriquez
- Parking, Permits & Barricades Co-chair, Dom Lovino
- Awards, Signage & Raffle Co-chair, Brian Miller
- Publicity & Vendors Co-chairs, Ken Rock and Marge Rhode

So far there is a NCCC sanction number, the application has been submitted to the City of Chandler and meetings have been held with the Downtown Chandler Community Partnership (DCCP) and Packages From Home. Many thanks to these members who've stepped up to take on our biggest project of the year!

Well, half the year is gone and the better half is ahead of us. (Any half that includes Thanksgiving and Christmas is the better half in my mind.) Many of you will be traveling the next couple of months, or have gone to your summer homes so, as Scott Feck would say,

Happy trails to you, Marge



# From the Editor Sheryl Katz



When I tossed my hat in the ring to be **Crosstalk**  $\pounds ditor$ , I committed to serving for one year. We're now half way through 2018 which means it's time to begin the recruitment process for 2019. If you are interested, now's the time... to be thinking about it seriously.

The position is on a Volunteer basis and the final decision is made in the fall at the time of CCA Elections, by our President. Skills include computer adeptness; good communication and editing abilities; and commitment to the membership.

To obtain a good reference and overview of what's in store, check out the SRPs (Standing Rules & Procedures) on the Website, via the "Members Only" Page. And, of course, if you have any questions, contact me, a previous **Crosstalk** Editor, or our Madame President.

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# **Upcoming Member Birthdays**

# JULY

- 1 Diane Feck
- 1 Susan Lovino
- 3 Neil Pivar
- 6 Cathy Dunton
- 6 John Dunton
- 8 Carol McDougall
- 14 Bob O'Connor
- 15 John DeCamp
- 19 Gail Baldacchino
- 22 Howard Katz
- 24 KC Miller
- 28 Bruce Mundy
- 30 Tina Pivar
- 30 Brad Ryan
- 30 Bud Stover
- 31 Mary Ellen Hayden







# AUGUST

- 6 Tina DeCamp
- 12 JoEllen Leitz
- 16 Kat Bitney
- 17 Sandy Duhaime
- 21 Mike Guintard
- 24 Bill Hayden
- 25 Eva Platten
- 28 Cecile O'Boyle
- 29 Bob Davenport

# **Monthly Chicks Luncheons**



#### Next lunches: July 13 & August 10

All CCA ladies are invited to join us for the monthly CCA Chicks lunch at the Stone & Barrel Taphouse, Oakwood Country Club, in Sun Lakes. We meet on the second Friday of each month at 11:00. Guests and prospective members are welcome.

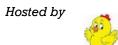
June Lunch

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#### May Lunch

Please RSVP to Norma Marsh (njoymarsh@aol.com). She will email a monthly reminder. The reminder includes directions to the restaurant.

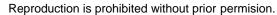






June Babies

Denise Lott & Norma Marsh





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#### **Cottonwood Driver**

# Hosts: Dom & Susan Lovino

Cottonwood was our first Driver experience as an event sponsor. We are grateful for the tremendous help and guidance from the Campises. After much pre-planning and an initial test drive together, a few days before the weekend we made another trek north to finalize the route and be on the lookout for any new road issues. Everything was going to plan until the way back, when the air conditioning on our Corvette stopped working. Boy, did we experience the real *Arizona heat* with our temporary "280"a/c (2 windows down, and 80 mph)! Anyway, by Friday morning, I fixed the a/c, the Driver packets were done and we were ready - anxious for the fun to start.



June 9<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful day; great sunshine and we knew clear roads were ahead of us. We were the "Lucky 13" Corvettes on the drive to Old Town Cottonwood. There were 19 members staying

overnight with five members and one guest (Diann

Conley) on a day drive only and staying for lunch. We planned a nice leisurely drive on the Beeline Highway (AZ-87) to our first stop, Mazatzal Casino in Payson. The Casino provided plenty of parking, a nice space for coffee, breakfast items and most important, nice clean rest rooms. Some quickly



tried their luck at the slots. Guess who won 50% more than his initial investment at playing the odds (played a \$1.00 and won \$1.50!). We had some people admiring our cars; especially the Plattens' Gray Grand Sport with Tension Blue and new Lamborghini doors which quickly drew a lot of attention.

As we started the second leg of our journey, we drove AZ-260W through the Tonto National Forest, through



the Coconino National Forest and down through the lower part of the

Prescott National Forest, to arrive at our planned second stop, Denny's in Camp Verde. This was a





short stop, to regroup and stretch. Some went to the Starbucks to use their free rest rooms; they came back with coffee and cookies. Others went to Denny's and received free ice tea.

During our planning drives, we knew we

wanted to avoid the road construction driving straight into Cottonwood so we found a great alternate route. It turns out that part of the road was a drive on the Historic Scenic Route, filled with many of Verde Valley wineries. We received a lot of positive



feedback on that! This historic route also provided us a great winding Corvette road through Page Springs. We headed south for a short drive on AZ-89A back to Cornville and finally into Cottonwood. We arrived at the Tavern Hotel, parked our cars, and walked a short distance to the Tavern Grille for lunch. The food was fantastic plus, those staying overnight received a complimentary cocktail from the hotel.



After lunch we said goodbye to those heading home. While we were waiting for our rooms, we had free time to enjoy Old Town

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# **Cottonwood Driver (continued)**

Cottonwood. Everything was within walking distance from the hotel. As part of the hotel package, each of us received free wine tastings from three different wineries. We had a great time meeting hosts at the tasting rooms and sampling different wines. We walked through lots of stores and antique shops. Thank goodness we drove our Corvettes, which helped to limit any big purchases (at least that's what I was thinking).

Dinner was across the street at Nic's Italian Steak and Crab House. Everyone enjoyed their meals and with the \$50 gift card per room from the hotel, we all walked away feeling full plus most members ended up spending about \$20-\$30 or less including gratuity for a dinner for two, *Wonderful and Delicious too*!

After dinner, some of us continued with wine tasting while others went back to the hotel to sit outside, enjoying the cooler weather. The hotel has yellow chairs and tables - a close match with the Katzes' Corvette! Those sitting outside had a great time socializing and we verified the wine tasters all made it back to the hotel. The hotel rooms were fantastic! The next morning, I noticed some people looking at our Corvettes and taking pictures of the creative license plates on our cars. They thought the plates were clever and cool.

Breakfast was across the street at the Crema Craft Kitchen & Bar. As expected, the food was terrific, and the portions were large. Once again, the hotel gave all patrons a \$5.00 gift card for breakfast. What a bargain! Afterwards, many of us browsed Larry's Antiques and Things and by about 11:00am, we all said our goodbyes and headed home.

I have to say as the lead car, it was great seeing all of us in line in my rear-view mirror for most of the drive up to Cottonwood. Our plan had worked; overall, we had clear roads, a great time, great compatriots, and of course great food. Everyone stated they would do this drive again and suggested we think about making this an annual event. If you want to go along for the ride, check



out the <u>Plattens video</u> on the CCA website!

Thank you to all those that participated in this drive in making it fun and enjoyable.

- The Lovinos













# Mystery Members (answers on last page)

#### **Mystery Member A**

- 1. In the 80's, I partnered with my Drag Racing buddy to open a Corvette Shop in Davenport, Iowa, where we serviced and restored C1, C2 & C3 Corvettes. We also attended the Oklahoma Corvette Expo where I met with Zora Arkus Duntov, the Father of the Corvette; when there, we took photos together and he even signed an Oklahoma Expo patch for my racing Jacket!
- 2. I was originally with the Chicago Corvette Club since the 70's and after being with the CCA as a Snowbird since 2014, I am now a full-time transplant from Illinois and a CCA member for the past few years.
- 3. Between Corvette fun and activities, my house repair and remodeling projects keep me busy.



#### <u>Mystery Member B</u>

- 1. I've lived in Arizona since the age of six and have lived in 12 cities around the state. I married my High School Sweet Heart 52 years ago. I enjoy reading books on my Kindle, knitting, and putting together jigsaw puzzles, the harder the better.
- 2. CCA has been a part of my life for eight years. I've served on the Board three times, have co-hosted four Drivers, a Christmas Party and part of a Progressive Dinner. My favorite Driver was the MMT to Disneyland.
- 3. My favorite Vette of the six we've owned was a blue 2000 C5. It was my daily driver to work. Now my favorite is our 2014 Stingray. I'm never blue when driving it!

#### Mystery Member C

- 1. In 2013 I led a group of six Corvettes from my Club to Bowling Green a 12 day trip of almost 3,000 miles. Our Club received a plaque from the NCM declaring that our Club had traveled the furthest in 2013 to visit the museum.
- 2. On our delayed honeymoon my wife and I took a cross country motorcycle trip on my 750 Suzuki (6,000 miles in three weeks). When we left Portland, Maine it was 43 degrees and raining. When we arrived in Phoenix to visit my older brother, it was 90.
- 3. I'm a relatively new member and joined the club in 2017 after searching and visiting at least three clubs in the Phoenix area. CCA was a warm and welcoming group. I particularly like that CCA promotes camaraderie among its members with events like the Vette Set dining.

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#### Mystery Member D

- 1. I have been a member of CCA since 2010. I love CCA and all the great friends we have made. We have hosted several events including a Progressive Dinner, Vette Set dinner, Christmas Party and more. My Honey and I attend many of the CCA activities and I particularly enjoy participating in one of the regular monthly events.
- 2. We have a blue Corvette in Phoenix, but my favorite Corvette is our classic '61, original Jewel Blue with white coves and a white convertible top, that we leave in the Midwest. We are snowbirds so we leave Arizona for four months a year.
- 3. My favorite things to do are painting, reading, card club (playing Pitch), and spending time with my grandchildren.



# Webmaster's Corner

# **Howard Katz**



I'm delighted to report on some great CCA website news as well as details about a couple of changes that have recently been implemented.

As announced at the CCA Business Meeting in May, Dom Lovino volunteered to serve as the 2019 CCA Webmaster. Dom has already mastered the software to run the site, and I will be working closely with him in the last months of 2018 to ensure that the transition goes smoothly. I will also be available as his backup in 2019. A big Thank You goes out to Dom for his willingness to serve.



At the May CCA Board meeting we discussed making some organizational changes to our site to enhance the user browsing experience. It was decided by majority vote, to move the CCA Videos and Crosstalk web content from the password protected Members Only area to the public area of our site. Non members can now view and share page links to all of our club videos, and similarly, anyone can enjoy browsing or sharing current and past Crosstalk newsletters. No login is needed to browse content in the public area, accessible at our <u>website</u>. As Webmaster, I periodically monitor our site usage statistics, and I am pleased to report that several members have already discovered the new site organization.

After a decidedly dry spell in member's media submissions, a new CCA video is now available! Thank you to Heinz and Eva Platten, who used their C7's PDR (Personal Data Recorder) to make a video of the fabulous ride up to Cottonwood on the June Driver. They furnished me with their files which I time compressed, and the video is now up on our website. The footage is a hoot to watch; check it out in our <u>2018 Videos page</u>.

Please remember that you may contact the webmaster directly from our website by clicking the "Contact the Webmaster" image on the Members Only main page. All inquiries will be promptly dealt with or directed to the appropriate CCA member. There is also a "CCA Suggestions" clickable image on this page which directly opens an email window to the CCA President, Marge Rhode. We both welcome all feedback and value your comments!

# Highway Cleanup

# by Tom Hill



A big round of applause to everyone (Dave Lott, Dean Sample, Dom Lovino, Eva Platten, Jim Enriquez, Marc Teixeira, Mark Godina, and Tom Hill) who participated in the spring Highway Cleanup on May 5th. We combed a two mile stretch along Rt. 87, between Hunt Highway and Chandler Heights Road. Our next Highway Cleanup will be scheduled in September; once a date has been set, it will be posted on the CCA Calendar.





# SAVE the DATE... CCA's Annual Recognition Dinner and Monthly Meeting Thursday, January 10, 2019

# Governor's Update

# **Ray Jenkins**



#### **Roadrunner Region Events**

- The Verde Valley All Chevy Show sanctioned by the Verde Valley Vettes was held in Cottonwood. This was a great Corvette weekend event that all who attended enjoyed (see article for <u>CCA</u> <u>participation</u>).
- The Tucson Corvette Club's sanctioned Corvette Show was held at O'Reilly Chevrolet and then a Rally, starting in Vail, was another great day having Corvette fun (see article for <u>CCA</u> <u>participation</u>).
- Plan on attending one or more other Club's sanctioned events! You will have fun and you'll accrue participation points for yourself and CCA. which will be tallied for the 2018 Roadrunner Region Awards. Who

knows, you may even come home with a Trophy or a Raffle prize for your active effort in the event.



#### **Upcoming Club Sanctioned Events**

July 28 Phantom Corvette Club's "Great Summer Escape" in Ruidoso, NM October 27 CCA's "Chevys in the Park" Car Show October 28 Desert Corvette Association's "Spooktacular" Peoples Choice Car Show Think about participating in these Regional club events and expect to have a fun Corvette weekend. I plan on going to most of them. Flyers and Registrations for these events are on the CCA and RR websites. Join the Fun! Make it your goal to participate in another Club's events this year.

#### Roadrunner Region Competition Director, Paul Hamersly, Report

"I was recently questioned why, after clubs asked for sanctioned event dates at the 4th Quarter RR Governor's Meeting last year, all events are not appearing on the "2018 Roadrunner Event Calendar" on the Region web site. This calendar is comprised strictly of events for which clubs have created sanctions in the Competition Database. It does not reflect your future plans. There is also a Google Calendar on the web site. I enter region and national meeting dates, national conventions, as well as your proposed future event dates, if I know them. I strongly encourage clubs planning to hold sanctioned events during the remainder of 2018 to create their sanctions early so those events are

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# Governor's Update (continued)

in the Competition Database for all to see and make advance plans to attend.

Roadrunner has had only 10 sanctioned events so far in 2018. There are only 6 additional sanctions on two days approved for the rest of the year. I encourage each of you to consider holding one or more events this year. There will always be a few People's Choice car shows. However, as race sites become costlier and more difficult to obtain, consider entertaining Rallyes, Funkhanas, or similar events that may provide great opportunities to make new friends and socialize with other region members."

"Save the Wave!" Paul Hamersly RCD

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# Update from Denise Lott...

#### Upcoming Billboard Concert Series Schedule

Two more concerts have been added to the schedule for Sun Lakes Oakwood's billboard legacy bands. Below are the upcoming events where tickets are available for \$20 per show. You can buy your tickets at <u>www.OakwoodTickets.com</u>. Based on last year's experience, it is best to go on your own or in small groups of six or less.

July 9 – Garth Brooks Aug. 16 – Cher & Bill Medley (Righteous Brothers) Sept. 13 – Bob Seger Sept. 18 – Neil Sedaka October 10 - Eric Clapton: Slow Hand *(Tickets available starting 7/10)* October 24 - Neon Circus: Brooks & Dunn *(Tickets available starting 8/17)* 





At the May Monthly Business Meeting, CCA presents our proceeds from the 2018 Corvettes in the Park Car Show, a \$2,000 donation to Packages from Home.









# CCA CORRAL

#### Corvette Owners Since 1998 — Gil and Judy Schmidt —

We started life together with the Air Force at Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota where we purchased our first Corvette, a 1965 Stingray, a 327/365 HP 4 speed. Soon after, we were separated by the Vietnam war, he off to Da Nang, me off to my home town of Portland, Oregon with our Corvette.

My most memorable experience during that time was driving that Corvette home from my job at the Oregon State Health Department in a snow storm. Even though I got stuck in some really deep snow, that car got me home safely.



On his return home from Vietnam, we moved to Minneapolis for employment with Northwest Airlines and the University of Minnesota. Again, this Corvette was dependable in below zero temperatures. It remains my favorite Corvette to this day.



Our desire for another Corvette came about when we first saw the new body style in 2015. So, in 2016, we ordered a red Corvette which was delivered to our home in Bend, Oregon.

We have been involved with a group of car enthusiasts in Central Oregon, mostly hot rods and classic cars, for several years. Every summer, on Labor Day, members meet at the airport in Sisters, Oregon for car games and drag racing. The runway is, of course, closed to air traffic during the festivities.

On the 4th of July the year we purchased our 2016 Corvette, the Sisters Airport owners sponsored a car show and fly-in. One of the events was drag racing on the runway, similar to what our car group had done. We had driven our new Corvette to the event. A new Tesla was being demonstrated, and the driver wanted to test his car against ours. So the race was on, Tesla vs. Corvette.

The two cars were at the starting line, and unknown to the Tesla driver, the timing lights were tested. He takes off thinking the race was on. Once he realizes our car was still at the starting line, he backs up to begin the race. The race starts, however, the Tesla driver had forgotten to change gears, so the car was still in reverse. WINNER: Corvette.

#### How Did We Get Here? — Bill and Marge Rhode —

We were not 'car people' throughout our married life. We did not yearn for a Corvette while our kids were growing up, or even when we became empty nesters. No one in our families owned a Corvette, so we weren't jealously waiting for the day to purchase our own. So how did we ever become members of a Corvette club? The story we told at the time was that Bill gave Marge a Corvette for their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, but that was only partially true, meaning it's true that 2007 was our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! And now "here's the rest of the story"...

In 2006 we were ready to trade in my Buick Park Avenue for something a little sportier. It had been a

great car to drive Bill's mother around in her later years and by then our grandkids were old enough that we didn't need one or two child car seats in the



back. We were finally able to get a car without being confined to a 'family' car. But Bill and I really didn't know what car we wanted and 2006 was turning into 2007.

Enter Bob Caccamo, a longtime friend who lives down the street who happened to be a member of CCA at the time. He and Maryanne kept telling us about all the fun times they were having in the club going to parties and taking trips with a fun group of people. Well dang, we wanted to be part of that, and all we had to do was own a Corvette. Perfect timing! Bill and I made a trip to Thorobred Chevrolet and we



purchased our first Vette in April 2007. Our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was in June and by September we were voted in as members of CCA.

I didn't realize how much I would love driving the Vette every day, and that

only increased when we got our C7 in 2014. But in addition, we feel like we are the poster couple of the NCCC byline: "We joined for the car; we stay for the people.

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# **CCA CORRAL** (continued)

#### An Exhausting Tale — Jim and Patti Kerber —

We bought our first Corvette, a 1971 White Coupe 454 4-speed, in 1972. At the time we lived in our first home in Trenton Michigan, just south of Detroit. This Corvette was Jim's daily driver but was not left outside overnight. It was a fun car (especially in the snow), but you know Jim, he likes a nice exhaust sound from his cars.

Corvette

After a year, Jim asked Santa for a set of side exhausts that were original to the 1968



because he read they only require "slight modification" to install. Santa delivered and used a full roll of wrapping paper to make them a gift.

Jim had to get them installed ASAP, even though it was winter, the garage was not heated, and water that hit the floor would freeze. The garage had no lift so all installation work was done from the floor. Jim discovered his definition of slight modification was different from Corvette Central's definition.

Considerable tube splicing was required to make it fit and maintain ground clearance. Since this was a daily driver the last hour of some evenings work was devoted to hooking up the old exhaust system so the Corvette could be driven to work the next day. After five nights both sides were installed (without the chrome plastic covers) so the weekend



could be devoted to putting the Corvette on a lift to check all the connections, install the chrome plastic covers, and remove the old exhaust system. The lift was much warmer than laying on the floor! The final result sounded great, nice popping sound when you lift at 4,000 rpm, although a bit loud. Jim was happy!

Then, about six months later when summer was with us, we decided to take a 500 mile trip to the east coast in the Corvette. This was our first long trip in the '71. Our cruising speed was generally around 70 mph, right where the side exhaust liked to drone, and of course the exhaust sound came from a location about three feet from ear level! We soon discovered the radio volume was insufficient to overcome the exhaust sound. Conversation was virtually impossible. By the time we arrived out east we couldn't hear conversations at normal levels. We got better just in time to start the 500 mile back, then suffered several hard of hearing days after our return.

Jim didn't change another exhaust system for almost 35 years!

# What do you hear,

# Yanny or Laurel?



Click on speaker above to hear the choice and <u>here</u>, for the story.





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# **Payson Driver**

# Hosts: Jim & Esther Enriquez





During the Corvettes in the Park show this year, an attendee left flyers for an upcoming car show in Payson. One thing led to another and we ended up setting up a driver to the cool pines of Payson to check out the show.

It was a gorgeous morning in the valley as we gathered in Fountain Hills for our short driver. Everyone was ready to

go early with a total of twelve cars making the trip. Some will say we went to see the annual Beeline Cruise-in Car Show at the Mazatzal Casino. Others will say no, we were looking for a great driver taking us along the mountain path of highway 87 and of course a great lunch with club members. Whatever story you tell, it all added up to a super day and time well spent.



Once we arrived in Payson, we found a group spot to park and

wandered the classic car show. It was interesting to see several vehicles that have attended both our (CCA) Corvettes in the Park show as well as an old timer who attended at least six of our previous All Chevy Shows. It was a little breezy in Payson during the morning so after walking the lines of cars, some members found their way into the casino – the reason the Mazatzal holds the show in their parking lot. No big



winners from our group, but Esther was rather lucky during our pre-trip set up run in late April.

By now, everyone was getting a little hungry so the timing was great for heading off to our lunch reservation at Fargo's Steakhouse in Payson. We were supposed to be seated on the patio but because of the wind, the restaurant had set our tables in the main dining room. They were waiting for us and ready to

go. The meal was excellent along with the service and accommodations. I think we would all recommend the restaurant to anyone visiting the Payson area.

Following our leisurely three course meal, we were ready to head home. Overall, it was a very relaxing day and a pleasant driver – not too early and not too far.

Looking forward to the next driver,

Jim & Esther



# **CCA Word Find Puzzle**

BACCORVETTEDEFG HUDLKJEIEGUAGHW ETMNOSTNEVEPOOR LOWVUTTCOUPEHS С BCXCYREWOPESROH IRGRZFEDCBRAEZ Ι TOHOIOJROADSNKC RS SRQRPCONMGLK Т ΙP E SU S V TWANOTS S VET E SETDININGL Т NEDACABARUZYEXU LGFHDIKNLMNN Т F 0 CMUKTSPRVQPTAOC WMSTHGINEMAGOCH STINGRAYRYZANVC Words may appear in multiple directions: across or backwards; upward or downward; or diagonally - each way, forward or backwards.

Autocross	GameNights
CarShow	Gauge
CCA	HorsePower
ChicksLunch	HUD
Convertible	MMT
Corvette	PDR
Coupe	Piston
Crosstalk	Roads
Driver	Stingray
Engine	Vette
Events	VetteSetDining
Fast	ZoraDuntov

(answers on last page)

# Monthly Game Nights





The May CCA Game Night was held at the Ray's house. We ate lasagna, salads, and yummy garlic bread. We drank (a little), socialized, and had a great time. Our game of choice was Pub Trivia, supplied by Denise Lott. The game was fun except some of the questions were a little (very!) challenging. The evening ended with delicious cookies and brownies supplied by Dave and Denise. It

was a fun social time!

May 26 at the Rays

by Janet Ray

June 23 at the Lovinos by Dom Lovino

The Lovinos hosted this month's Game Night with five CCA couples and guests Don and

Carol Smith in



To join the Game Nights group, contact Rhonda Deacon, Chair

attendance. Cocktails, favorite wines, and a variety of awesome appetizers were enjoyed before dinner. We ate delicious Italian Beef sandwiches from Guido's Deli in Scottsdale, accompanied with fabulous side dishes for dinner. Afterwards, we

tried our luck at Reverse Charades and Pictionary. Door prizes were awarded to the winners, Dave

Golec and Mary O'Connor, from two lightning rounds of "Left-Right-Center". We're looking forward to July's game night, 7/28 at the Lotts.



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Four Years Later... an amazing restoration. The 1962 Corvette that fell into the sinkhole in 2014 at the National Corvette Museum was fully restored and is now on display again. To see the work in



action, click on the photo for a captivating 4:03 time lapse video that details the many pain staking steps to recreate this beauty. For the full story, click on <u>restoration</u>.

# Verde Valley Vettes Driver

by Ray Jenkins





On May 19, there were five Corvettes, two participating in the Car Show (Jenkins and Mike

Guintard) and three just to look and see (David Edgington, the Teixeiras, and

guest David Roberts), that met at the First Watch restaurant for the Driver to Larry Green Chevrolet in Cottonwood. The drive up I-17 was pretty good except for a few slow downs for traffic. We arrived in Cottonwood for the Verde Valley

Vettes All Chevy Car Show on time and upon arrival, we saw that two more CCA cars were already there and registered in the Show: Kevin Conley & Jeanne Schroeder and the Duntons.

We got checked in and picked up our "goody bags" and settled in for the Car Show. There were about 45 cars in the show - a variety of Chevy generations from 1933 to 2018. There was plenty of shade for sitting in chairs and a cool breeze kept the temperature just right. We all walked around visiting with car owners and marking our ballot for our favorite choices.

Lunch was announced, so we went over to the patio where the burgers and hot dogs were being grilled. Soft drinks and water were provided as well as chips and condiments; all included with the registration for the Show. There was also a Coffee Shop on site that served coffee drinks from 9 - 11 A.M. free of charge.

About 1:30 P.M. we all gathered around inside the building to



participate in the Raffle drawings and 50/50 drawing. Two of us from our group, Ray Jenkins and Mike Guintard, each won a Raffle prize. The People's Choice Show Class Awards

were then given out. CCA winners were: John and Cathy Dunton won 1st Place in the C5 Class and Pat and I received 2nd Place in the C7 Class. The Duntons, Pat and I drove back to Chandler via Payson and had dinner at the San Tan Brewery while the rest of the group went their separate ways home.



event.

We had a great time at the Car Show and really appreciated the Verde Valley Vettes Club members for

putting on this event. It was also good to see more of our CCA members participating in another Club's



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# **Upcoming Events**

The following calendar of events is for planning and scheduling purposes and is subject to change Last Update: 6/24/2018



Several NCCC activities are coming up for this period. Check out the Road Runner Regional Events



#### New Colors for 2019!

This past spring at the National Corvette Museum, two new colors were announced for the 2019 Corvettes:



- GJ1 Shadow Gray replacing G7Q Watkins Glen Gray) and
- GS7 Elkhart Lake Blue (replacing GTR Admiral Blue).

For more information, click on colors.



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# Fluer-De-Lis

# by Roc Campise







#### **FLUER-DE-LIS**



Ever wonder what the Fluer-de-lis is doing on most Corvette emblems? The first Corvette, introduced in January 1953 at the New York's Waldorf-Astoria, bore the crossed flags, checkered and USA. Four days before the Corvette was to go on

> display, it was discovered that the US flag could not be used on a commercial product. The emblem was redesigned prior to the show. The designers researched the Louis Chevrolet history who was French and Fluer-delis (flower of the lily) is a French symbol meaning peace and purity. It has been used on Corvettes ever since.











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# Micro Bash in Tucson

# by Ray Jenkins









On May 26th, Pat and I went early to the meeting place, Starbucks on Ray Road, for the drive to Tucson. Starbucks had an Ultra Caramel Frappe, so I ordered one. "Really Good!" No other CCA members showed up, so Pat and I left and drove at our own pace to O'Reilly's Chevrolet for the Corvette Show.

There were about 40 Corvettes there. We met up with Kevin Conley and Jeanne Schroeder, who were already there and in the Show line up.

After the Corvette Show, some of us headed to Vail to a Nostalgic Cafe called Hot Rods for lunch and the



starting point of the Rally. Hot Rods dining area overlooks the garage where custom cars and motorcycles are being built. Pat got permission to go into the shop with Steve (Shop Manager) and got pictures of her on a three wheel motorcycle with a replica of a '61 Corvette on the rear section.

After a good lunch we all met for the Rally instructions. It was about 50 miles around the southern part of Tucson. Pat and I only missed one question, and that resulted in us getting second place.

This was a great Corvette weekend! The Tucson Corvette Club did a great job of coordinating all the activities. Pat and I, Kevin & Jeanne had a great time.

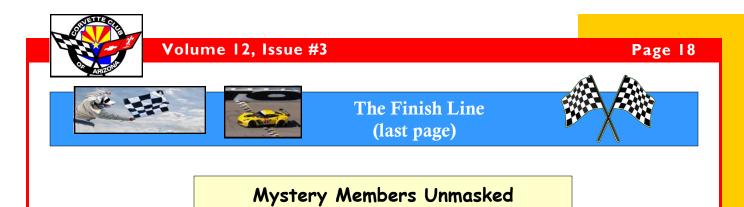
# Magic Time



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# WORD FIND PUZZLE ANSWERS

