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President's Message

Brad Ryan



Once Again, due to the cancellation of both the December Membership and Board Meetings, our efforts to maintain the continuity of our Club Member meetings continue to be hampered by the on-going Covid situation. As of right now, all upcoming meetings are on hold until the Board meets for further discussion, hopefully on January 7th.

It looks like we may be in line for approval by the First Credit Union for the use of their conference room facility for our monthly Membership Meetings. The good news is that it will be located in the same building as the old Chamber of Commerce where we have held our meetings in the past.

Hopefully, once the details are worked out with the Credit Union, and by following their social distancing guidelines, we may once again be back in Downtown Chandler for our larger meetings in 2021.

The 45th Anniversary Photo and descriptive insert has been sent in to Blue Bars for publication. This will be in the 2020 Winter issue that comes out in late Jan or early February. For those that could not attend due to work constraints, we apologize; however, we truly had zero options for any other venues if we wanted to make the 2020 submission deadline to Blue Bars Magazine.

The CCA Annual Christmas Party, although not nearly as large as usual, was still great in that we at least got to see some of our CCA Members for the Holidays. As we did at the membership meetings, temperature checks and hand sanitizer were available and "Restaurant Rules" were enforced, whereby everyone was required to wear masks until seated for dinner.

The annual January Membership and Awards Banquet is on hold until the Board of Directors meets in January to discuss health and safety concerns and alternative meeting venues.

The Corvettes in the Park Car Show will be entirely dependent upon prevailing local health rules. We are tentatively scheduled to meet with the City of Chandler in January to determine whether or not we can successfully comply with the Covid requirements that will be in place for the April show.

In Summary, although this has been an extremely disappointing year for not only the CCA, NCCC and all of the car clubs nationwide, I know that we will all be working toward a more active 2021 as restrictions are relaxed. Be assured that your CCA Board of Directors will continue to keep the health and safety of the Club in mind by communicating with each other to discuss, identify and determine the best course of action(s) moving forward for our Club. **Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from your CCA Board!**

Brad





From the Editor Bob Bassett



As we arrive at the end of my second year as **Crosstalk** Editor, I would like to thank all those who contributed articles, suggestions, and comments. It was a very strange year, and I hope **Crosstalk** helped to keep you connected in some way to our club during the months inactivity and separation. I also want to shout out a huge **Thank you** to **Dick Hedahl**, whose help acting as my proof reader over this year has been invaluable, and another big thank you to **Kevin Deihl**, for stepping up to take over as **Crosstalk** Editor for the coming year, and lastly, but certainly not least, to **Sheryl Katz**, whose continuous support and mentoring has been invaluable. I am deeply indebted to all of you!

Hopefully, I have managed to get this issue of **Crosstalk** to you a week early so I can wish a very **Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, and Happy New Year** to all of our wonderful friends in CCA! May all your wishes be fulfilled this Holiday Season!



Speaking of Dick Hedahl, Christmas, and wishes, how would you like to unwrap this on Christmas Morning?

Merry Christmas



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Outgoing and Incoming Board of Directors



Please join me in a huge **THANK YOU** to this year's Board of Directors for a job well done in a difficult year! Out outgoing Board Members are President: **Brad Ryan**; Vice President: **Tom Palmer**; Secretary: **Dave Golec**; Treasurer: **Bob O'Connor**; NCCC Governor: **Ray Jenkins**; Membership Chair: **Guy Lombardo**; Activity Director: **Susan Lovino**; Activity Coordinators: **Diana Campise & Nancy Hagan**; Officer at Large: **Norm Riffel**; and Volunteer Positions: Crosstalk Editor: **Bob Bassett**; Webmaster: **Dom Lovino**.

Please also join me in wishing our new Board members a very successful year in office. Our 2021 Board of Directors consists of: President: **Brad Ryan**; Vice President: **Tom Palmer**; Secretary: **Russ VanAllsburg**; Treasurer: **Susan Lovino**; NCCC Governor: **Ray Jenkins**; Membership Chair: **Guy Lombardo**; Activity Director: **Lylla Allejandro**; Activity Coordinators: **Jim Glass & Dick Hedahl**; Officer at Large: **Roc Campise**; and Volunteer Positions: Crosstalk Editor: **Kevin Deihl**, Webmaster: **Jim Kerber**. If you were unable to attend the November Membership Meeting and Election, Howard Katz has produced another meeting [Video](#) for you..





Recognizing CCA Veterans

Ray Jenkins



Although the Marine Corps Ball had to be cancelled this year due to Covid 19, Veteran's Day was still observed and gave all an opportunity to thank our Veterans for their service, most of us thank them every day, quietly, and in our own way, for our freedoms and our way of life. Many in our club have served and we would like to take this opportunity to recognize them and to express our boundless thanks to these CCA Veterans:

- Ken Alejandro - U.S. Army - 82nd Airborne Division 1960 - 1963
- Rocco Campise - U.S. Air Force 1965 - 1969
- Roger Craig - U.S. Army Reserves 1966 - 1972
- John Dunton - U.S. Navy - Active 1965 - 1968, Reserves 1986 - 2001, Active Navy Security Force 2001- 2003, Naval Reserves 2003 - 2004
- David Friesz - U.S. Naval Air 1967 - 1987
- Mark Godina - U.S. Navy 1968 - 1971
- Frank Hagan - U.S. Army 1965 - 1967
- Bill Hayden - U.S. Army 1969 - 1974
- Ray Jenkins - U.S. Airforce TAC 1963 - 1967
- Larry Maiorano - U.S. Army Signal Corps Translator 1961 -1963
- Mike Mileskiewicz - U.S. Airforce 1963 - 1967
- Tom Palmer - U.S. Navy 1970 - 1977
- Bill Rhode - U.S. Army 1961 - 1964
- Bud Stover- U.S. Army MP -Viet Nam
- Mike Terry - U.S. Navy 1974 - 1999



In Memoriam - Bud Stover

In November, we lost our good friend and 15 year CCA Member, Bud Stover. Bud loved his Corvette, but most importantly Bud was a husband, father and grandfather that loved and cherished his family and friends. He will be remembered for his great smile, his generosity to others, and his devotion to his family. Our thoughts are with Alison and family. Here's to You Bud!





45th Anniversary Photo for Blue Bars Brad Ryan



My thanks to those who were able to come out for the 45th anniversary Photo Shoot despite the Covid 19 situation. We managed to get 28 cars for the photo which will appear in the next Blue Bars NCCC Magazine. The Photo and article are reproduced here for your advance viewing.



The 130 members of the Corvette Club of Arizona had high hopes of celebrating its 45th Anniversary with a grand blow-out photo of all the Corvettes arranged to a shape a pattern of “CCA” on a beautiful desert area with all of it’s Members present in the foreground.

We had already lined up several public park areas and a Drone photographer for the shoot. Unfortunately, the time of the year when the weather in Arizona is just right for a sunny outdoor photo was also the time of the year for Covid to strike! As a result, all of the places that we had earmarked for the shoot declined to allow our Club to use those facilities at that time.

Hoping for a reduction of the Covid restrictions, we kept moving the shooting date month-by-month and waiting and waiting. That never happened and to make things worse, we then got into our hottest summer months with record-breaking temperatures in the 110°+ range! As things started to cool down in November, we realized that it would be now or never to complete the shoot regardless of those CCA Members that may not be willing to attend. Then our Sponsor, Earnhardt Chevrolet came to the rescue by offering to utilize their main outdoor customer parking area for the photo as long as we were masked and socially distancing.

Due to all of these issues, we did not expect much of a turn-out and even considered cancelling the photo shoot if only a handful showed up. To our delight, about one half of our CCA Members attended which amounted to around thirty Corvettes ranging from C1 to C8!

It was great to know that the great and reliable Corvette spirit still lives, regardless of the Covid situation. I know we are ALL hoping for a Covid free 2021 to start enjoying our Corvettes again.

Note: the outlined photo above shows our best effort to create a “45” pattern in lieu of our original plan of being in a large park setting and spelling out “CCA”.





Membership Update

Guy Lombardo



The CCA Board of Directors will have applications from two new members to vote on at the next Board Meeting. We started 2020 with 128 members. It is projected that membership will be 120 by the end of the year.

We currently have 9 people waiting to attend their first Membership Meeting.

Activities Team Update

Susan Lovino



Happy Holidays to everyone! The Annual Christmas Party had 25 members attend and everyone had a great time! As my time as Activities Director comes to a close and Diana and Nancy retire from the board, we want to thank everyone who was able to get an activity together prior to the lockdown. It was a very busy first couple of months and then everything came to a screeching halt!! We are trying to look forward to next year, so if you would like to put something together, especially just a small group of 10 or 12, please reach out to the Activity Team for ideas. Lylla, Dick and Jim are eager to help you get something put together for the new year. Let's get planning so 2021 is as activity filled as can be.

Susan, Diana and Nancy



Ramblings and Such

Bob Bassett



Own a classic Corvette? Or any classic car for that matter? Make sure you check the brakes before taking it out. One sorry Corvette owner found out the hard way. [Click here for the Corvette Forum Video.](#)

Interested in a Restomod? New car performance and reliability with Classic Style. This stunning 1957 Corvette Is "Pure Restomod Perfection" according to [corvetteforum.com](#)



Want a "Feel Good" video to lighten your Covid weary spirits? There is no Corvette here, but [this Video should do the trick.](#)





Corvette Thunder Weekend

Ray Jenkins



Hosted by the Thunder Vette Set in Sierra Vista, Arizona on November 14, 2020

Pat and I were looking forward to this Regional Corvette Club event. The Thunder Vette Set Club in Sierra Vista always hosts a fun weekend for Corvette enthusiasts.

No one from our Club sent an RSVP to us, so Pat and I left Mesa Friday afternoon for a leisurely drive to Sierra Vista. We had booked a room at the Fairfield Inn & Suites for the weekend. This Hotel was next to the event site and within walking distance of local restaurants.



We were up early Saturday morning for the Corvette Show which included Corvettes plus other special classic local cars. There were over 40 cars in the show which made for an interesting review. We enjoyed walking around checking them out and talking to the car owners about their cars. This was a People’s Choice car show, so everyone was out looking and casting their votes for their favorite choices.

After a lunch break, all the drivers and navigators that signed up for the “Game of Life” Rally started lining up. First car out was at 1:15 P.M. with 18 more waiting their turn to start. Everyone started out with \$200K in game money, and the object was to earn as much as possible by following the Rally directions. The winner of the Rally accumulated \$1.4 million dollars of game money. Pat and I ended up with \$589,000 for an 8th place finish. It was a fun low stress Rally that all enjoyed.



Saturday evening about 40 people from the Show and Rally met for dinner at a local Bar & Grill on their outdoor patio. Since the evening was a little cool, the Bar & Grill set out heaters to keep the chill off. After dinner, Awards were given for the winners.



Sunday morning Pat and I drove over to Lowell, Az. to check out the Bisbee Breakfast Club restaurant. Unfortunately, the place was full with people waiting to get in, so we went back to Huachuca City to eat at Sunny D’s Delight local restaurant. The food there was very good and the service was great! Then it was time to head back home. We had a great time and recommend this Corvette event to all Corvette enthusiasts!





My New C8

Dick Hedahl



When I saw the confirmed C8 rumors in 2019, I decided I really wanted one. Not available to order yet. So I waited. They announced they would be available starting in the fall of 2019. But we need to have a strike first.

I talked to Earnhardt Chevrolet in November of 2019. Too early to order a convertible. So in February, I went in again. No orders for convertibles until April. Then May. Then Covid-19! By May, Earnhardt's allocation was filled by their Dealership orders, just to get in line. That left no room for my customer order. They said

"We have eight convertibles coming. Pick one!" So I picked this Sebring Orange one. It has lots of good options; 3LT, GT2 Seats, upgraded sound system, Z51 suspension and all of its goodies – including Magnetic Selective Ride, Front End GPS Memory Lift, All of the cameras, and more.



Convertible production was to begin by July. But Earnhardt's orders were down the list. When can I get mine? Can I give you a deposit? They said, "We don't know, and Not yet."

September rolled around. No information yet. I demanded that they take my money! Then October, and nothin'! I have never worked so hard to buy a car in my life.

I was at a car show in mid-October with a guy who just got a new red C8 Coupe, with 20 miles on it. We swapped stories and he told me his cousin works for GM and could find out when I can get mine.

Hot Damn! So I gave him my order info. He came back and said it would be produced "Next Week, Shipped the following week and arrive in early November."

I Hot-Footed to Earnhardt and they confirmed it had been produced as predicted and was, in fact, On the Truck!

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My New C8

Dick Hedahl



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It showed up on November 3. I was there to unwrap it, and it was Oh. So. Sweet!

How do I like it?

OH YEAH!!! It is much more and way better than I expected. And I have never had anything that collects more comments and gatherers than this crazy car.

The convertible mechanism is a wonder – 18 seconds from closed top to topless. And 18 seconds to get back when you are ready. Wow. It sure beats the manual top on my '68.

I did keep my '68. That one is a long time favorite and will remain in my fleet. The C8 is my daily driver. Pretty fun way to get groceries.

A lady came to me in the grocery store and asked if that was my new C8. I confirmed it was and she pointed to her teen-age son, who was speechless. "He can't stop talking about it."

Construction workers give me the Thumbs Up. Other Corvette owners wave as we pass each other. Every gas station is an event. Car shows are huge fun. And some guy in a Diesel pickup asked if it could take his 550 – whatever that is.

I love talking about it to people because they all want to know more about it.





Vette Set Dining

Neil & Tina Pivar



We were thrilled to be able to host the first Vette Set dining event since March. Unfortunately we were so excited at getting together that no one took pictures. We ate, we drank, and we laughed. It was extra special to get together in a small group and catch up with people we had not seen for a long time. PF Chang's has a good happy hour menu and they do it in the entire restaurant not just the bar. We will repeat this one.



Vette Set Dining

Diana Campise



Got ideas? Have a favorite Restaurant?
Pick a date, make a reservation for tables of 6.



Call Diana, and she'll do the rest.



Want to join the Vette Set Dining Group?

Contact Diana Campise (480) 209-0117





CCA Annual Christmas Party

Susan Lovino



The Annual CCA Christmas Party was held on December 13th, 2020 at the Oakwood Country Club Ballroom. It was hosted by the Activities Team of Susan Lovino, Diana Campise, and Nancy Hagan.



Due to the Coronavirus, only 25 people attended.

There was a dinner of pot roast, chicken picatta, salad, sides and cheesecake for dessert.



We had Holiday music provided by Cheryl Thurston, who played all evening. The gift exchange had some great gifts and a few steals.



It was really nice to share friendship and dinner with people we have not seen for a while.

Merry Christmas to all from your activities team!





Drivers with My Dad (“GG”)

Elly Palmer



Tom has a mild case of COVID, quarantining us for two weeks. So Sheryl Katz decided I should fill my now endless hours with jotting down a blurb about the COVID driving adventures with my father, GG John. So what follows is Sheryl’s fault...



My father’s residence closed to non-essential personnel in March, (There has always some debate about how essential I am) with dining alone in their rooms and no social contact with other residents. On the plus side of things, he can ride his trike by himself, masked of coarse, and he can leave with me for appointments and such. He has to sign in and get his temperature taken in order to get back in. As he stopped driving last year, getting out has been a considerable concern

for his mental health, and quite frankly for mine. And so... I pick him up, take care of whatever business is at hand, then I ask which direction he wants to head. Pretty soon we’re off on our very own Driver, exploring from the front seat of the car.

From Casa Grande to Cave Creek, Glendale to Superior, we drove through some of the most beautiful areas and neighborhoods you can imagine: all sporting lagoons and birds, golf courses, more mature trees a lovely views.



One of our first meanderings took us to Superior where we saw Apache Leap. It was shortly after everything shut down and the rules changed day to day. He loved the scenery and just being out. For my part, I hadn’t realized that public restrooms would be closed. Now GG is a good sport, but when Mother Nature calls at 98 she



isn’t asking for an opinion. The only restroom open was in, of all places , a Walmart. We just short of hosed ourselves in hand sanitizer. Lesson learned? Take shorter drives.

One day, we drove to the top of South Mountain and enjoyed the absolutely beautiful panorama.

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Drivers with Dad (“GG”) (Cont’d)

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Back in the fall we headed north to Cave Creek to a little known spot...Elephant Mountain. It’s a darn good thing we were in our Traverse, as the road wound all around, narrowed down to nothing, then to gravel. It opened up into an area with several horse ranches and a lovely Victorian home right in the middle of the valley. It was a total surprise!

As our daughter and son-in-law live on South Mountain, we drove along the construction for the 202 extension many times, watching



the terrain change right before our eyes. GG is still very impressed with the way the road system here is managed. He came here from Illinois...need I say more. We drove it’s length and looped the 202 all the way around back to his apartment one day.

We drove up to Katz’s old property in Paradise Valley and found it all walled off with fencing and green mesh...sadly, the view not visible

and the house ...vanished. But the drive up there was wonderful.

We found the New York West Bakery in Glendale off I10. The baked goods selection and tastes are straight out of Brooklyn. I discovered GG hates eating in the car. As much as he tries to be flexible, it about killed him to do that.

After the Magical Mystery Tour vaporized, I had shirts to deliver to participants. It turned



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Drivers with Dad (“GG”) (Cont’d)

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out to be a great opportunity for junket to Heinz and Eva Platten’s home in Casa Grande. Their home is stunning with views to match, again tucked away down a gravel path that left GG wondering “where the ___ are we going!” He was so tickled to meet them both despite the masks. When COVID is behind us, he wants to sit down and have a proper visit with them. He has travelled to Germany and lived in Hong Kong, and would love to talk to them about both.

One morning we were cruising down Arizona Avenue and he spotted a Bosa Donut shop. (In Illinois we frequented Spunky Dunkers and he hadn’t an interest in a donut here until this particular day.) He had a face on for two raised chocolate donuts and coffee...even if it was in the car. Well, ever since then, we go on no adventure without a stop for Bosa Donuts. I have a reputation to protect, you know.



Although the museum was closed, we ventured to Buddy Stubbs Harley Dealership, 13850 Cave Creek Road, Phoenix. Buddy Stubbs is still working and has his offices in the museum area, which is why it was closed. However, their showroom was really cool. GG saw a bike like he had ridden as a youth. BIG GRIN! Their sales people latched on to GG a and shared several stories with him. We will be going back...soon. He wants to meet Buddy Stubbs.



Next on the hit list are the Fudge Shop and Ace Hardware in Florence. Sheryl tells me there is even a gift shop in the prison there, supplied by the inmates.

If there is a point to be made with these ramblings, it’s a fascinating place we live in...and there are all kinds of opportunities to appreciate it from the safety of your car, and it’s nearly always sunny. I am so fortunate to be able to go on these Drivers with my Dad.

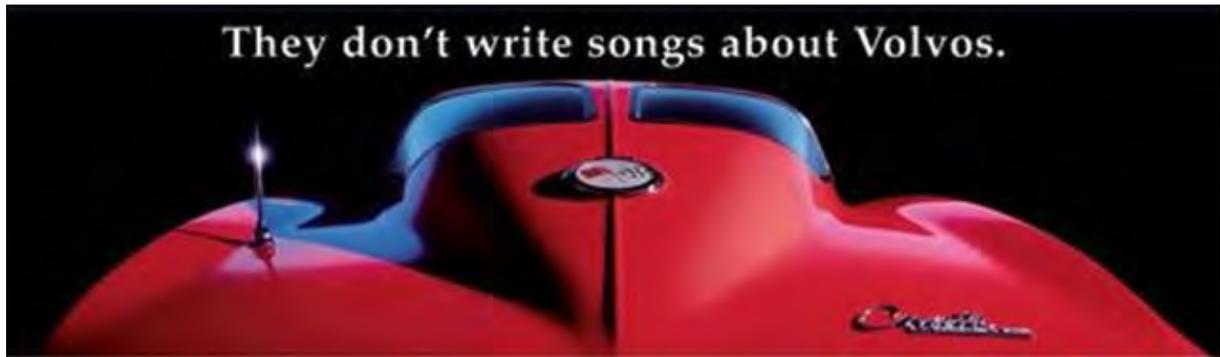
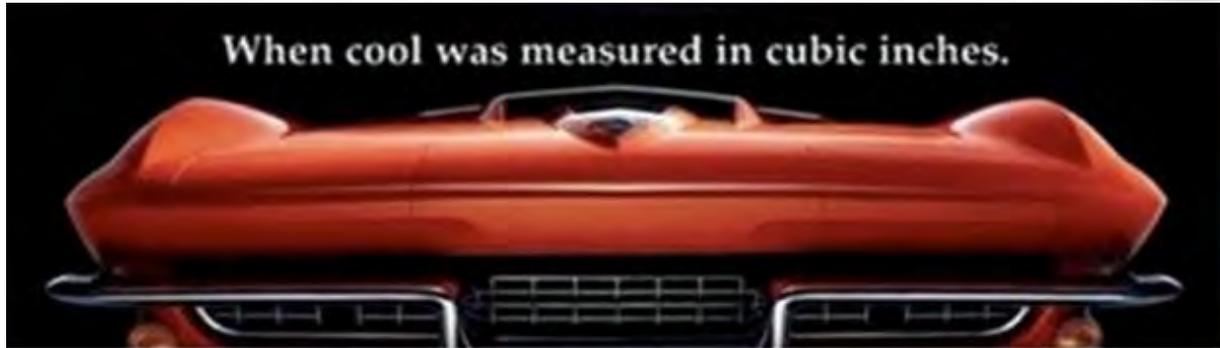
So don’t let COVID keep you in! Get out there! Take someone you love and just enjoy our incredible surroundings with them! And of course, keep Bosa Donuts in your Garmin.





Classic Corvette Billboards

Bob Bassett





C8 News & Views

Bob Bassett



The 2021 Corvette Builder is now live at [Corvette Stingray for Sale: 2021 Corvette Stingray Pricing | Chevrolet](#). It is a very handy tool to help you consider what options you want and which ones you can afford. Dream on with me!



Here is a very good review of the new C8 Convertible from Corvette Forum writer Michael Palmer:

[Zora's Dream Made Manifest as an American Ferrari \(Official CorvetteForum Review\)](#)

In a real life crash test, the new C8 performed very well. Here is a story from Corvette Forum:

[C8 Corvette Holds up Exceptionally Well in Serious Crash \(corvetteforum.com\)](#)



The E-Ray rumors are still buzzing: [Here is an article from Corvette Forum](#) suggesting that GM will use its Ultium Drive Battery Technology in the E-Ray





My Corvette Story

Larry Maiorano



In 1990 I purchased two cars with the profit I made from the sale of my very rare 1949 alloy XK120 Jaguar..... a 1957 Corvette and a 1953 C Type Jaguar recreation.

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 school teacher 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 "school teacher" 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 "school teacher" 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 lady 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.





'Twas the Night Before Christmas Corvette Style

Corvette



'Twas the Night Before Christmas – Corvette Style

Reprinted from corvetteblogger.com

*'Twas the night before Christmas and out in the garage,
There wasn't a trace of a Honda, Toyota, or Dodge.
The presents were wrapped and the lights were all lit,
So I figured I'd mess with my classic Corvette for a bit.*

*I popped the release and lifted the hood,
When a deep voice behind me said "looks pretty good."
Well, as you can imagine, I turned mighty quick,
And there, by the workbench, stood good ol' Saint Nick!*

*We stood there a bit, not too sure what to say,
Then he said "don't suppose that you'd trade for my sleigh?"*

*"No way, Santa" I said with a grin,
"But if you've got the time we can go for a spin!"*

*His round little mouth, all tied up like a bow,
Turned into a smile and he said "Sure! Let's go!!!"*

*So as not to disturb all the neighbors' retreat,
We quietly pushed the Vette out to the street,*

*Then, taking our places to coast down the hill,
I turned on the key and I let the clutch spill.
The sound that erupted took him quite by surprise,
But he liked it a lot, by the look in his eyes.*

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'Twas the Night Before Christmas

*With tires a' screaming and side pipes aglow,
We headed on out to where the hot rodders go.
And Santa's grin widened, approaching his ears,
With every shift up as I banged through the gears.*

*Then he yelled "can't recall when I've felt so alive!"
So I backed off the gas and asked Santa if he wanted to drive.
Oh Santa was stunned when I gave him the keys,
When he walked past the headlights he shook at the knees!*

*The Corvette exploded with side exhaust sound!
And when Santa let out the clutch and the tires shook the
ground!*

*Power shift into second, again into third!
I sat there just watching, at loss for a word,*

*Then I heard him exclaim as we blasted from sight,
"Merry Christmas to all, it's one hell of a night!!!"*





Ken's Corvette Quiz

Ken Rock



To all CCA members! This will be the last Ken's Corvette Quiz! I hope you enjoyed my quiz questions as much as I did doing them! After two years, I have run out of questions and hope someone else may want to follow with their own quiz. Ken

1. How many of the original Grand Sport racing Corvettes were roadsters? A. Two. B. Five
C. Three D. None
2. Which feature listed below was not part of the LT 4 package in 1996? A. 330-hp. B. 10.8
compression C. New aluminum head design D. Crane roller rockers E. Automatic transmission
F. Revised cam profile
3. What option normally found on luxury cars didn't become a Corvette option until 1963 ?
A. Leather interior. B. Fitted luggage rack C. Air conditioning. D. Power windows
4. The C-6 Corvette had exposed headlights. What was the last Corvette to have exposed headlights
before the C-6? A. 1961. B. 1962 C. 1963. D. 1972
5. The 1998 Indianapolis 500 Pace Car came fairly loaded with many options. What were some of
the remaining options that you still had to pay extra for ? A. Front license plate holder B. 12 disc
CD changer C. Body side moldings D. Magnesium wheels E. All of the above
6. What year was the hatchback first offered in the Corvette? A. 1963 B. 1974 C. 1982. D. 1984
7. In 2009 Chevrolet introduced a Corvette Super Car at 200+ miles per hour and 638 hp. It was the
most powerful automobile ever sold by GM at that time. What was that Corvette?
A. Grand Sport B. ZR1 C. Z06 D Callaway twin turbo
8. The 1956 and 1957 Corvette had what characteristics about their interior upholstery?
A. Alternating stripes of color B. Simulated animal skin upholstery C. Pattern that looked like a
waffle iron D. Diamond-tufted
9. The T-shaped reverse lockout handle on the standard transmission shifter just below the knob on
the gearshift first appeared in what year Corvette? A. 1956. B. 1957. C. 1958. D. 1959
10. Which popular features available on the 1967 Corvette disappeared when they brought out the
1968 Corvette? A. The side vent window B. Side pipes C. Humped hood on big block D. Wheel
trim rings
11. On the 1967 Corvette, where did GM relocate the parking brake ?
A. Under the dash B. On the dash C. Between the bucket seats D. Alongside the gear shift lever
12. What was the first year the AM/FM radio was offered in the Corvette? A. 1960 B. 1963 C.
1964 D. 1968

Bonus Question. Who was the true father of the Corvette? A. Zora Arkus-Duntov B. Maurice Olley
C. Harley Earl D. Bob McLean

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CCA Governor's Update

Ray Jenkins



As you are all aware, most of the Club, Regional and National events were cancelled this year due to the Pandemic. We are all hoping for a better year in 2021.

You all should be receiving confirmation on your NCCC membership and temporary cards. The permanent cards will be sent sometime in late January.

The 4th Quarter Report from the Roadrunner Region Executive reported :

- Once again we've had to have our Governors' Meeting via TEAMS. These days this seems to be the norm – all of our club meetings and Governors' meetings (as well as meetings with other organizations) have been via ZOOM or TEAMS. Even our 4th Quarter National Meeting had to be cancelled so each committee had to meet virtually.
- At the Regional Executive teleconference in November, we continued our discussion of By-Laws changes/updates. Along with the election of new National officers, all of the By-Law changes which appeared on your ballot were approved. At this point we do not know if our 1st National Meeting, scheduled for February in St. Louis, will be able to take place, since we will need the approval of the hosting facility to handle a group of our size.
- Our 2021 Kickoff Event scheduled for Jan. 29-31 in Laughlin, NV has been cancelled. As disappointing as this is, we all certainly understand in light of the circumstances. I'm sure many people who really wanted to come were hesitant to commit. The excellent news is that CRCC is willing to take it on in 2022! This is indeed welcome news – they have already put so much work and planning into this. We all sincerely look forward to taking part when things are back to normal. Thank you so much to them! I would like to wish all the CCA members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year greeting! Save the Wave as we wave good-bye to 2020!



Answers to Ken's Corvette Quiz

1. D; 2. E; 3. C; 4. B; 5. E; 6. C; 7. B; 8. C; 9. D; 10. A&B; 11. C; 12. B;

Bonus: B. Although Zora Arkus Duntov has been hailed as the "Father of the Corvette", in truth the Corvette was one of half a dozen two-seater sporty cars that Harley Earl ordered built for his traveling road shows called "The Motoramas". Maurice Olley was the engineer who designed the frame and Bob McLean oversaw the styling. Duntov came along after it had already been selected for production and turned their designs into a rip-roaring sports car. So technically Earl is the "Father" and Duntov is the "Godfather" of the Corvette!





Proud Owner Design can be accessed via the CCA Website. Click the "Merchandise" tab on the "Members Only" page.





Upcoming Birthdays



JANUARY

- George Baldacchino**
- Jim Wendland**
- Kathy Teixeira**
- Esther Enriquez**
- Nancy Hill**
- Denise Lott**
- Brian Miller**
- Lylla Alejandro**
- Barb Bassett**
- Sharon White**
- Brian Lund**
- Garry Mion**
- Patti Kerber**



FEBRUARY

- Linda Steinkraus**
- Tom Palmer**
- Judy Hoffman**
- Oscar McSpadden**
- Kevin Conley**
- Loren McCarty**
- Roger Craig**
- John Marsh**
- Mike Mileskiewicz**
- Joan Nieman**
- Rhonda Deacon**
- Joe Dziezynski**
- Jim Enriquez**
- Norma Lombardo**
- Dean Sample**

The Last Word

Bob Bassett



It is with mixed emotions that I hand over the **Crosstalk** Editor's position to Kevin Diehl. I am extremely grateful to him for volunteering for the position, yet, I think I will probably miss the excitement and challenge of getting an issue out. I am confident that Kevin will be a great Editor and I look forward to his first issue.

Many of you have asked when we expect to arrive in Arizona, and we certainly thought that by Christmas, things would be better and we could make some solid plans. Unfortunately, things have gotten much worse since we had that thought. The number of cases has spiked on both sides of the Border, which still remains closed, and lockdowns continue to increase instead of decreasing. So the answer is we just don't know when, or if, we will be able to get there this winter or spring. Rest assured that we miss you all so very much and will be there as soon as we can.

*Thank you for following **Crosstalk** these past two years.*

It has been a pleasure to produce for you!

*Here's wishing you and yours a very **Merry Christmas** and a **Healthy, Happy, Safe and Covid-Free***

New Year!

