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**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

and Happy New Year



*Ray and Carol Clark
with their 2013 C6*



HELPING HANDS

Well, the Christmas season is here - impossible, right? Rick & I won't be at the CW Christmas party this year because we'll be in WA that week. I don't think we've ever missed one! So, if any of you new members are undecided as to whether you want to go or not...GO! You won't be sorry. We really hate to miss it!

I was not present at the last meeting, but Rick was given an envelope with money for 2 Welcome Home baskets for IHS. The man who gave it to him is a fairly new member (Rick doesn't really know him) & he's not sure of his name. There was no name on the envelope. So, if the person who gave this donation reads this, please either call me (909-374- 0306) or make sure you see me at the meeting. I have the 2 baskets ready to go, but I need the name for the donation receipt. THANK YOU, whoever you are!

SHARON MAC GILLIVRAY

NCCC GOVERNOR

I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving-and didn't overindulge too much! This will be my last newsletter article as NCCC Regional Governor. Jim Gillam will be our Governor for 2019. He has held this position before and will do a great job as always.

We just renewed our membership with NCCC and some of you will receive an e-mail confirmation to make sure you will get your NCCC e-mails.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

George Swift
Save the Wave

I am going to be our FastTrack Editor for 2019. It is going to be tuff to beat my wife who has had the editor position for the past couple of years. Of course she always says that the printer, Chris from Print Pros, is a great help.

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Products

I have ordered new window stickers from Stickerd.com. They are a really good price and look really nice. I have 10 in white letters, 10 in blue, and 10 in black. All with a clear background. Also, I was able to get a few different styles of jackets from the embroidery shop for us to look at. I'll bring them to the December meeting. If you want a jacket, I can get you prices for the jacket plus all of the embroidery. Additionally, you can always bring me a shirt or jacket that you've purchased yourself and I'll get it embroidered.

Lastly, I need to give credit where credit is due. My beautiful Italian Princess, Jenni, has really done a lot of "behind the scenes" work for me. She does almost all of the runs to the embroidery shop picking up and dropping off orders. She also makes sure I have all of the products ready to go for our meetings. Without her, I would forget half of the stuff three quarters of the time. Thank you baby.

Monty Clark

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I Just read this:

CORVETTE RACING AT SHANGHAI: New Challenge Awaits in China, First race in Far East for reigning IMSA powerhouse program

- Six-hour enduro race to test Corvette Racing team drivers
- Gavin Milner from our team is aiming to head into offseason on a high note
- China is second-largest global market for Chevrolet

Hard to imagine we are racing Corvettes in China, not to mention Chevrolet is so highly regarded there that it is Chevrolet's second-largest global market.

I wonder if our cars have "Made in America" stickers on them???

We had a very cool run to Tom Malloy's private car collection in Corona on Nov. 17th thanks to George Swift. Tom walked us through his collection of cars in two of his buildings. He is a 2nd generation racer and has some great stories to share along with the great cars.

Looking forward to the Mission Inn's Las Campanas dinner & show of lights arranged by Jacqueline OCallaghan. And also our Corvettes West Christmas Party hosted by Ray & Carol Clark. (See the details on the flyers in this Newsletter).

If you are not already signed up and want to join in just let Jacqueline, Ray or Carol, or myself know.

Hope you are planning on attending our annual Awards Banquet at the Victoria Club on Sunday January 27th. In addition to fun, food, and good times we want to get as many photos of Club Members and their Corvettes as possible out in front of the Club House. This will be our January event so I hope you can make it.

CORVETTES WEST
"The Social Club with a CORVETTE problem."

Remember to: Save the Wave

John Blackledge



**Corvettes
West**

Editor's Notes

CORNERS & Curves

Corvettes West
General meetings
are held the first
TUESDAY of the month
at Riverside Elks
Lodge #643
6166 Brockton Ave.
Riverside, 92506
Dinner 6:00 PM
Meeting 7:00 PM

Our Business meetings
are held the first
TUESDAY of the month
at 5:00 PM just prior to
the general meeting
at the same location.

Fast Track articles
are due by the 18th
of each month.

They may be
hand delivered to
Diane Swift
or emailed to
2swift@att.net
Email is preferred

December BIRTHDAYS

- JANET CURRAN12
- HERMAN ZEITLOW13
- GORDON SHULDA16
- THOMAS BRYANT16
- DOUG LYON17
- MALCOLM ELGAR.....18
- RICH RIDDLE20
- DANNY ARANT20
- DEB PHILLIPS23
- VANDELINA CASTALDO.....23
- DEE DEE GUIZLO27
- JANET CREGG30
- MICHAEL MOORE30



Here we are starting the final month of 2018. Even though some of us may get anxiety about all that goes on during

December, it will be 2019 in a flash. Corvettes West has dinner and the Festival of Lights at the Mission Inn scheduled for this month, along with our annual Christmas party. Some of our members are also helping at the Yucaipa Christmas parade on December 8th. So that makes 3 things to do during December that centers around CW, let alone other events to fill everyone's calendar.

I imagine that checking out the holiday lights at the Mission Inn is something many of us have worked in over the years, but it will be fun to do as a group. Thank you to Ray and Carol Clark for hosting the Christmas party once again. I am not sure what we would do without

that venue! Always lots of food and fun. I am bowing out of the Newsletter Editor position this year, but am taking on the "title" of Vice President for the club. This will be new for me since I have been Secretary, Treasurer (twice), and when it was alive, Big Bear Bash Registration Chair (nine times I think). Aw, while I am on the subject of VP, this is a reminder that the newest by-laws have additional requirements for membership besides filling out a form and writing a check, so we need to start adhering to them ☺.

May everyone's Holiday Season and New Year be just the way you would want them to be!

As always, Bios are always welcome!
Until next time.....

Diane Swift
Fast Track Editor 2018
2swift@att.net

HOMECOMINGS & PARADES

Yucaipa Christmas Parade
10 cars needed for Dec. 8

If you hear of any other groups/parades inquiring about cars and drivers, give me a call.

951-776-0936 OR 2swift@att.net
George Swift - Save the wave

CLUB HISTORIAN

WOW!!! It just keeps getting better and better!

For November, we cruised on over to Tom Malloy's private museum of racing cars in Corona. You can tell by the pictures, our members eyes being glazed over, we were in the most fantastic playground you could wish for. Our host, Mr. Tom Malloy, is a super nice gentleman and tour guide, with an awesome racing history. He mesmerized us with the history of the cars in his museum. When a winning Indy title was disputed, he showed us and discussed both cars. All of the cars are in running condition. To prove it, he started several cars. Holy Cow! They sounded so sweet and ferocious. I'm convinced Mr. Malloy had as much fun demonstrating his cars as Corvettes West members had in seeing them. Mr. Malloy explained, his father started trench shoring business, and after many successful years his two sons now run the business.

Mr. Malloy's museum is separated into two buildings. The first building was full of Indy race cars that raced over the span of the Indy brickyard. The second building housed more generic cars, like his 1913 Locomobile. To say these cars were restored might be misleading. They have always been in extremely



nice condition. Check out the picture of George Swift looking at the 1913 Locomobile's six cylinder engine. It doesn't get any better than this. Mr. Malloy

explained he had to cut our visit short at noon, as he had to get to Bakersfield to manage his racing team Saturday afternoon.

You even felt good paying the requested \$10 donation (for the men-the women are free) to get in. Mr. Malloy matches your donation and gives it to the injured race car driver fund.

You can find much more information about Tom Malloy at:

<https://www.hagerty.com/articles-videos/articles/2016/11/22/tom-malloy>

Many more pictures can be found at:

<https://www.bing.com/images/search?q=tom+malloy+car+collection&qpv=tom+malloy+car+collection&FORM=IGRE>

After a fantastic visit to the Malloy racing museum, we had lunch at Marie Calendar's in Corona.

As a Corvettes West historical note, all nominated members for 2019 board positions (white ballot) will take their positions in January.

Howard Hoyt,

Corvettes West Historian

CORVETTE FOR SALE

2015 Z06

Under 30,000 miles

Arctic White with black trim & interior

This Vette is being shown at Tom Bell Chevrolet
\$61,000

*(Owner is a Corvettes West member
who loves it dearly)*

OUR VICE'S VOICE



Dan Flanigan

Vice-President's Corner

Where has 2018 gone? I do remember my mother telling me when I was much younger, "Wait until you get older", and oh am I older now, "and you will see how fast time flies!" My goodness was she correct.

Well again not much to report on for this month but I do want to thank George for getting me involved in the Veterans Parade in Redlands this year and then the dinner afterwards. It was great talking to other Veterans and sharing some stories, and we were very lucky to win several raffle prizes at the dinner, so it was a great day. It was also nice to see others running a raffle!

Now there were several Corvettes in the parade which were from our club, so I can at least share that as some Corvette news! Wow, I am sure reaching for filler material!

The club has two great events coming up this month, the 11th and 13th, the Buffet Dinner and the "Festival of Lights" at the Mission Inn that Jacqueline is handling. And then on the 15th is our annual Christmas Party hosted by the Clarks. I am looking forward to both of these special events as I am sure most of you are also.

In closing, I did what to share a couple of things. This will be my last article in the Fast Track and I want to thank everyone who had nice things to share, if only to just be polite, LOL. I am moving on to be the Events Coordinator, or maybe better said, I was nominated to take this job and wasn't given a chance to decline!

So I will need a lot of help with people stepping up to offer ideas and handling the different events throughout the year. I would ask that those who have any ideas to please see me as soon as possible so we can discuss. John has shared a lot of great ideas with the club already so hopefully we can use some of these which will make my job much easier!

I did think that being Events Coordinator would relieve me from article writing, but I just realized that I am incorrect and I still have to write articles. So I should have fought to keep my VP job if that's the case!!

Look forward to seeing everyone at the December meeting.

Thanks,
Dan Flanigan,
Vice President,
For the Last Time!



BLOOD BANK



Giving Back!

As usual, the Blood Bank needs to see more of the community at their centers. They are still having difficulty getting enough donors in the doors to fill all their contracts from hospitals for blood and blood products. This is really an emergency for them. When last I was at the Blood Bank, the parking lot was very empty of cars.

The staff is standing around with very little to do as donors are not showing up to donate. If you have not donated recently, please go to the Blood Bank and do so ASAP.

The Club's next donation date is the 29th of December. If nothing else, let's close out the year with a big showing of club members on that date so we can start off the new year with a commitment to donating on a regular basis. Without blood, there are many things that cannot occur. Surgeries may have to be postponed, there will not be blood for accident victims and community members who have an ongoing need for blood and blood products will be in trouble. One donation can save up to 3 lives. So let's get out and bring your arm to the blood bank and save some people.

We are entering the holiday season, a season of giving. The best gift you can give would be the Gift of Life that comes with your donation. The donation process does not take long but the feeling that you have done something to save a life lasts for a long time. When you donate whole blood, you can do so every 56 days. If some of you want to try Apheresis, you can donate every week if you choose to. I have been doing this for the last month and a half to help the blood bank with their supply problem. Come and join me.

I donate every Wednesday. Yes, Apheresis does take longer but it is worth the time. Plus, the Blood Bank gives you a gas card to show their appreciation when you

donate. They have also given away movie tickets. Find the Hero in You and come out and donate. There is someone in the community who needs what you have. Give them the Gift of Life.

Save the Wave by Saving the Waver
Give Hope, Give Life, Give Blood.

Bill Dodge

BLOOD BANK CENTERS ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

San BernardinoPhone: 909-885-6503
384 West Orangeshow Road

OntarioPhone: 909-987-3158
1959 East Fourth Street

La QuintaPhone: 760-777-8844
79-215 Corporate Centre Drive

RiversidePhone: 951-687-2530
4006 Van Buren Blvd.

VictorvillePhone: 760-843-9700
12520 Business Center Drive

MurrietaPhone: 951-973-7777
40365 Murrieta Hot Springs Road, Suite 1

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SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

We are getting close to the season of gift giving. And what is it that we all want for Christmas? That might be health and happiness and with happiness comes what would really make us happy and that would be a new Corvette. Well, if a new Corvette is what you want, then I suggest you take yourself to see our sponsor, Tom Bell, who has the answer to what we want.

Tom Bell has 2 new 2019 Corvettes, a Corvette Coupe and a Corvette Z06 Coupe. In addition, they also have a new 2018 Corvette Coupe. Who wouldn't want to find any of these fine vehicles under the tree on Christmas morning. They also have, on the previously owned lot, a 2015 Corvette Coupe with 29K miles on the clock. Tom Bell also has a fine selection of 5 new 2019 Camaro Coupes and 4 new 2018 Camaro Coupes. They do not currently have any previously owned Camaros available.

If you have an interest in any of these fine vehicles, please contact Derek Hanson at 909-793-2681 for additional information and pricing. And when you have a need for service on your vehicles, please choose Tom Bell's service department. Using their service department is our way to let Tom Bell know we appreciate all they have done for Corvettes West. When you do use the service department, be sure, at the time of write up, that you let the Service Writer know you are a Corvettes West member so you will receive your club discount.

I would like to wish Tom Bell and all their employees a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Save the Wave

Bill Dodge

SPONSORS REPRESENTATIVE

Sunshine and Shadows

I have not heard of any new health issues of our Club Members since last month.

I have heard that Elaine Flanigan is still dealing with ongoing issues. And Richard Pecoraro is now dealing with

blood pressure issues along with new swelling in the knee that he had surgery on.

Everyone, please try to stay healthy! Especially at this time of the year. We need to stay well to enjoy the festivities and food during December!

If anyone has anything they would like to share with "Sunshine and Shadows", please call Gail Flores @ 626-221-1229.

Take care everyone! Diane



GW Corvettes West

EVENTS CALENDAR

DECEMBER	EVENT	CONTACT
Sun. 2	Pomona Swap Meet and Car display	Pomona Fairgrounds
Tues. 4	CW General Meeting ~ Riverside Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave. Meeting @ 7pm ~ Come early to eat. Business Mtg. @ 5:15pm prior to General Meeting	John Blackledge 951-317-9346
Sat. 8	Yucaipa Christmas Parade They have asked for 10 cars	Geroge Swift 951-776-0936
Tues. 11 & Thurs. 13	"Dine of the Month" Mission Inn Buffet Dinner and the "Festival of Lights"	See flyer in this newsletter
Sat. 15	Corvettes West Christmas Party Hosted by Ray and Carol Clark	See flyer in this newsletter
Sat. 29	"Corvettes West" donates at the Blood Bank in San Bernardino Join us at 8:30am	Bill Dodge our blood donation coordinator
2019		
JANUARY	EVENT	CONTACT
Tues. 8	CW General Meeting ~ Riverside Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave. Meeting @ 7pm ~ Come early to eat. Business Mtg. @ 5:15pm prior to General Meeting	John Blackledge 951-317-9346
Sun. 27	Corvettes West Annual Awards Banquet Victoria Club, Riverside, CA	See flyer in this newsletter
Sun.-Sun. 20-27	Corvette Pirate Cruise to the Western Carribean	ncccwregion.org
FEBRUARY	EVENT	CONTACT
Sun. 3	Corvettes West Super Bowl Party Hosted by Dan and Elaine Flanigan	More information to come
Tues. 5	CW General Meeting ~ Riverside Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave. Meeting @ 7pm ~ Come early to eat. Business Mtg. @ 5:15pm prior to General Meeting	John Blackledge 951-317-9346
JULY	EVENT	CONTACT
Sun.-Fri. 7-12	60th NCCC National Corvette Convention in Denver Colorado	ncccwregion.org
AUGUST	EVENT	CONTACT
Wed.-Sat. 28-31	6th Annual Caravan to Corvette Museum in Bowling Green KY for the 25th Anniversary of the Museum	corvettecaravan.com
SEPTEMBER	EVENT	CONTACT
Tues. 3	CW General Meeting ~ Riverside Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave. Meeting @ 7pm ~ Come early to eat. Business Mtg. @ 5:15pm prior to General Meeting	John Blackledge 951-317-9346
Fri.-Sat. 7-8	NCCC National Meetings - St. Louis, MO	Allen Morris 949-367-9000 amorrismv@aol.com



Corvettes West Christmas Party



December 15th, 2018
Party Starts at 4:00pm

**RSVP by Dec. 12th @
909-795-5253
if you did not
signup at a meeting**

But, Ray would like us there about 3:30pm
for pictures during daylight.

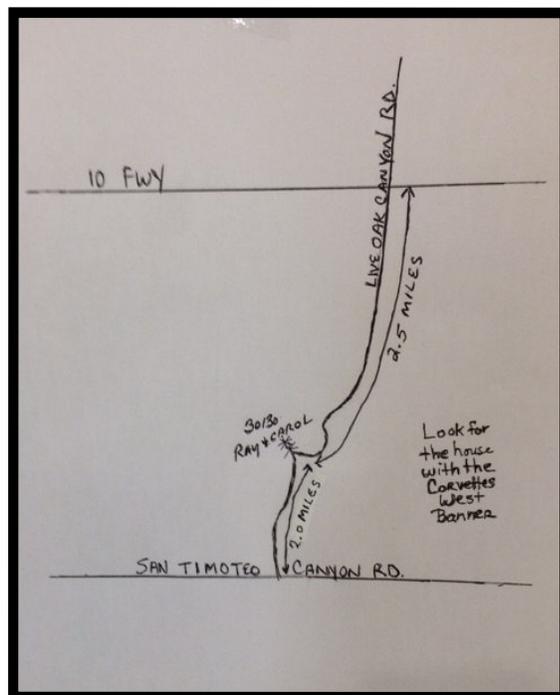
Ray & Carol Clark hosting

30130 Live Oak Canyon, Redlands
(Look for the "Corvettes West" Banner on the fence)

Let us know what side dish you will be bringing to share
Meat, soda, water and coffee will be provided.

For more information: 909-795-5253

Don't forget to bring
an unwrapped gift
for the auction





**Please Note:
December 11th
Date is Full**

MISSION INN FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

DINE OF THE MONTH: December 11th or 13th @4:30pm – only 25 guests per night

LAS CAMPANAS RESTAURANT (888) 326-4448

3649 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501

Festival of Lights Show starts at 5pm while we are dinning outside! (Bring a jacket)

Dinner Buffet \$34.95 (includes coffee or soda)

Gratuity 18% \$ 6.30

Tax 8.75% \$ 3.06

Total Due \$ 44.31 per person

Jacquiline OCallaghan will collect the amount of \$44.05 at December's General Meeting. The Restaurant needs a head count for both nights. No refunds after December 7th!!!!

Bar/Bar tip is extra and paid by the individual.

There will be plenty of parking either in the underground parking across the street from the backside of the Mission Inn on 6th Street (Mission Inn Garage). **The parking rate is between \$8.00-\$11.00 and after 3 hours it is a flat rate of \$17.00 or for the outside parking meters it is \$1.50 per hour some meters have no charge after 5pm. No charge with "Handicap Plates". "Parking rates are subject to change".**

Wear walking shoes! After dinner there will be plenty of time to walk around the Mission Inn and the downtown area where you can enjoy the outside festivities and visit many of the vendors along the streets.



CORVETTES WEST AWARDS BANQUET

Sunday, January 27th, 2019

**Victoria Club
2521 Arroyo Dr.
Riverside, CA 92506
4pm – 8pm**



Note: Be there early around 3:30/4:00pm so Howard can take your picture with your CORVETTE. We would like to use these pictures for our Website, with your permission.

Please RSVP by clipping, filling out, and mailing the slip below, along with \$25 per person to:
Corvettes West
P.O.Box 56837
Riverside, CA 92517
(Corvettes West is paying for the balance of the meal. If you RSVP and are a be billed an additional \$15 per person.)



Postmarked by January 17th.
Business Casual Dress. Suits optional.
(The venue requests no jeans/t-shirts please.)

Social hour at 4pm. Dinner at 5pm.

Corvettes West Awards Banquet, Jan. 27th, 2019 RSVP



Name/s attending: _____

(No meal choice this year)

Corvettes West

November 2018 General Meeting



2018 Board (and Herman who always attends the Business Meeting)



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