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## Corvettes West

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## Our Beautiful Lady Turns 70



**Annual Awards Banquet**  
**January 29th, 2023**

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

Our Business meetings  
are held on Monday  
before the general  
meeting via ZOOM.

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

They may be hand  
delivered to George Swift  
or emailed to  
corvettenews@gmail.com  
Email is preferred

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

MARK DENICOLAI .....01  
EVELYN RIVERA .....05  
CATHY FLORES .....08  
SANDRA RICHMOND .....09  
DAVE MAC KEWEN .....11  
STEVE MCKEE .....14  
JOANNA WOO .....18  
NICKIE LANE .....23  
WADE HILLIARD .....25  
PAULA MONTANEZ .....26  
FRANK CLARKE .....30



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Monty Clark

Hello fellow  
Corvette lovers.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Another year in the books. 2022 was quite an improvement from the Covid years. We were finally able to get out of our homes and see each other and our beautiful cars. It was great seeing more and more C8s in the club. I've been paying Dan Flanigan a ton of compliments hoping he'll just hand his over to me when he gets his ZO6. I don't think I'll hold my breath.

I'm sorry that Jenni and I did not make it to the Christmas party this year. I woke up not feeling well, and I didn't want to risk getting anyone else sick. I heard it was quite a good time, as usual. Thank you so much, Ray and Carol for hosting it again. You really know how to put on a great event.

Everything is coming together, nicely, for the Annual Awards banquet. It will be Sunday, January 29th at the Victoria Club in Riverside. This year we are going to do

a buffet. A few of us attended an event with Randy and Joan, and the buffet was fantastic. If you have not already signed up for the banquet, please let Jenni know if you want to attend. Cost is \$30 per person. The club is going to cover the remaining cost of the dinner.

Well, I finally got my Corvette back from Tom Bell after being in the shop for over 3 months. I drove it for a week and the check engine light came on. Great! I am hoping it is just a sensor that was not properly connected, as the fan stays on for a long time and the coolant gauge doesn't work. So, if you see Jenni and me in a different Corvette at the Awards Banquet, you'll know I got fed up and traded it in.

Jenni and I look forward to a wonderful 2023 in Corvettes West.

Happy Cruising,  
**Monty**





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# Evently Speaking

*Jenni Clark*

Happy New Year!! Well what the heck happened? How could it be 2023 already. Time flies when we are having all this fun. I hope the new year finds you all healthy and happy. Let's hope 2023 is very good to us.

January 29th is the banquet at the Victoria Country Club. Pictures are from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Cocktail hour is from 1:00 to 2:00 pm and the meal is served at 2:00 pm. It will be buffet style this year so there will be a nice selection for everyone. We can all agree that the food at the Victoria Club is quite delicious.

February 12th is Super Bowl Sunday in 2023. We will be planning that swinging good time and letting everyone know the location. February we will also have our annual sweetheart dinner at Napoli Italian Restaurant in Loma Linda. I don't have that date yet but I will let you know as soon as the date is determined. I will send around a sign-up sheet at the next meeting.

If anyone has any good ideas for a fun place to go this year, just let me know. Most of the club doesn't like to drive real far on these trips, so keep that in mind.

I wish everyone in Corvettes West health, happiness, and a prosperous New Year. Drive safe Corvette family.

EventfullyYours,

**Jenni Clark**

Events Planner Extraordinaire

## SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

Today, again I tried calling our sponsor to get info on the cars they had. I had no luck at all as I was told everyone was busy. So I ended up driving over to see what our sponsor had in the way of Corvettes and Camaros.

Currently Tom Bell has cone (1) new torch red C8 on the showroom floor. There was no indication of additional Corvettes in transit or in the building. Tom Bell does have a previously owned C7 in the color black rose. It is a really nice color which looks good on the C7.

Tom Bell has one (1) new Camaro Convertible, white, on the showroom

floor. Again there was no indication that more cars were in transit. There were no previously owned Camaros on the lot.

If you have problems with any of your vehicles, please take your vehicle(s) to Tom Bell's Service Department. And when you do this, please let the service writer, at the time of write-up, know you are a Corvettes West member so you will receive the club discount.

Save the Wave

**Bill Dodge**

Sponsor's Representative



# Vice President CORNER

*Dan Flanigan*



Happy New Year's to all of our Great Members and here is to another fun year. It's going to be a little different with the New Year's Parade being on Monday this year. I hope everyone has a great Christmas with family and friends as we sure did.

Well I think everyone who attended the Christmas Party this year would agree that a great time was had by all. A big Thanks to the Clarks for again having the Party this year and a compliment on how well their remodel turned out. Ray did a great job of relocating all of his signs and Corvette memorabilia into the big room as it was like going into a Corvette museum.

The only problem with Ray doing all this relocation work himself was during the installation of his last sign, the ladder slipped and he fell some 10-12 feet and really hurt himself. He isn't getting around has

well as he had before the fall but he is at least getting around as this fall could have seriously hurt him! But being a tuff Ole guy he weathered the fall!

I want thank George for his help this year auctioning of the gifts as Monty was a little under the weather and couldn't attend as was several other members, which is why the attendance was down some. Speaking of George, I found out that he somehow got on Santa's "Naughty List" and I think that's why he didn't get his C8 Anniversary Corvette before the end of the year.

I recently had a talk with Santa telling him all the good things George has been doing including all his work as President of Chapter 47 of the Vietnam Veterans of America, and he said he would see about having him removed from the "Naughty List" and see what he

could do to speed up the delivery of his C8! See what me being on Santa's "Good List" can do to help friends! LOL

Speaking of Monty, a big congratulation to the purchase of his new White C7 Convertible, as he is selling his Black C7 Coupe. I am sure will be seeing his new baby at our January meeting.

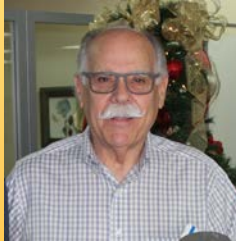
Looking forward to the Awards Banquet on the 29th and hope we have a good attendance.

So, here is to a great 2023 and all of us staying healthy and we will see everyone at the January 3rd meeting.

Dan Flanigan, Vice President

Thanks,

**Dan Flanigan**  
Vice President



## *Sponsor Recognition*

Thank you to our wonderful Wings & Wheels Sponsors (Pictured L-R) Tom Bell & Derek Hanson, John Mitchell, and Tony Hunter, (Bottom L-R) Ray Clark, Dan Flanigan and Denny Fosdick.

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**The Answers to trivia  
Questions will be  
in next month's  
newsletter**



## *U.S. Road Facts*

**True or False. Can you pass a school Bus When with its flashing red lights on?**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

**How many miles does the United States have?**

- ☐ 153 million miles of roads
- ☐ 203 million miles of roads
- ☐ 253 million miles of roads
- ☐ 303 million miles of roads

**What lane is the passing lane?**

- ☐ Right Lane
- ☐ Left Lane
- ☐ Center Lane
- ☐ Stay in your lane John!

**What city has a upside down traffic light (Reversed - Green on top and red on the bottom)**

- ☐ Philadelphia, PA
- ☐ Springfield, MA
- ☐ Trenton, NJ
- ☐ Syracuse, NY

**What is the Highest Posted Speed Limit in America?**

- ☐ 70 MPH
- ☐ 75 MPH
- ☐ 80 MPH
- ☐ 85 MPH

**What U.S. state is Santa Claus lane located in?**

- ☐ Alaska
- ☐ New York
- ☐ Washington State
- ☐ Maine

**True or False? Stop Signs were originally called Boulevard Stops**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False
- ☐ What Stop Sign

**What is the longest U.S. Interstate Highway?**

- ☐ I-95
- ☐ I-81
- ☐ I-90
- ☐ I-5

**Where is the longest street in America located?**

- ☐ Arizona
- ☐ Colorado
- ☐ Utah
- ☐ Montana

**How long is the shortest street in America?**

- ☐ 20 feet
- ☐ 520 feet
- ☐ 1,000 feet
- ☐ 1 mile

**What is the most common name for street in America?**

- ☐ Fast Lane
- ☐ Main Street
- ☐ First Street
- ☐ Second Street

## **Fun Facts**

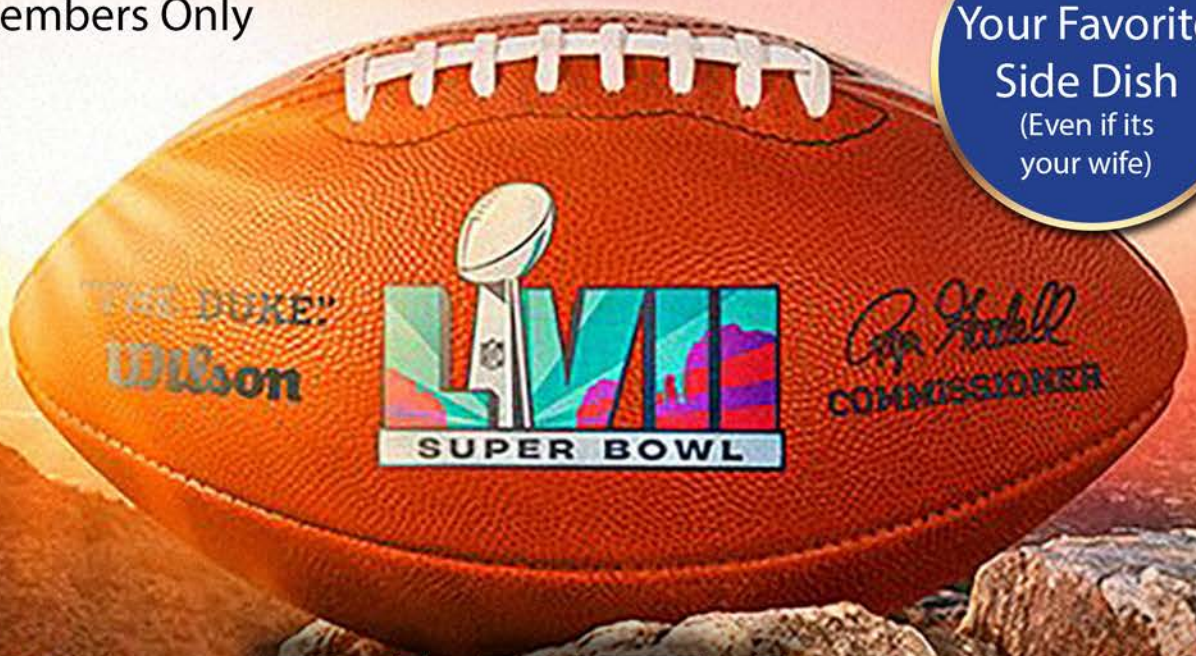
1 mile of every 5 miles of Interstate Highway must be straight in order to land US Military planes.



# SUPER BOWL PARTY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12 2PM

Invitation Is limited  
To Club Members Only

Bring  
Your Favorite  
Side Dish  
(Even if its  
your wife)



## PARTY AT THE FLANIGANS

30838 La Solana Court, Redlands, CA 92373

Dan & Elaine Flanigan

Please RSVP 951-712-6953

*(Also Let Us Know What Dish You Will Be Bringing)*



I hope everyone has had a safe and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. As usual, the Blood Bank is having 8 Blood Drives throughout the Inland Empire. 8 Blood Drives folks. They, the Blood Bank, is in dire straits in its need for donors/blood. According to the paper, as of last Friday they had just a half day's supply left of O, A-, and B-. And remember they service 80 local hospitals.

The holiday season is one of the toughest times for the Blood Bank as schools are out for holiday breaks and potential donors go away for the holidays. And there are sicknesses, to deal with that will hamper the number of eligible donors.

So what I am saying, which is what I always say, please, get out to a donor center and help to save lives by giving the gift of life, BLOOD. If you needed blood and no one donated blood, you would be in a difficult situation.

Corvettes West is a community oriented club. We need to assist the community by donating blood to save lives. Donating does not take long and you will feel good about yourself after you donate. And some one in the community will see another sunrise because of your donation.

After you donate, the Blood Bank will have a gift for you. I am not sure what that gift may be but donating is a gift in its self.

Please pick a donor facility from the list below and make someone's day by saving their life. Be someone's hero.

Save a Life, Donate

**Bill Dodge**

### **BLOOD BANK CENTERS ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:**

San Bernardino .....	Phone: 909-885-6503.....	420 E. Hospitality Lane Suite A7 & A8
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La Quinta .....	Phone: 760-777-8844.....	79-215 Corporate Centre Drive
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# Corvettes West

## AWARDS BANQUET 2023



SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023

12 NOON

Victoria Club ~ 2521 Arroyo Drive, Riverside

\$30 PER PERSON

BUFFET  
STYLE DINNER

IF YOU BRING YOUR OWN WINE  
THERE WILL BE A \$6.00 CORKING FEE

Please RSVP by  
January 25th  
Jenni Clark  
(951) 205-1927

12-1 PM.....Pictures of Corvette & Couple  
1 PM - 2 PM.....Attitude Adjustment  
2:00 PM.....Dinner





# Christmas Party Wrap-Up









# Corvettes West

444 Everest Peak  
Beaumont, CA 92223

## 2023 Membership/ Renewal

November 1st, 2022 Through October 31, 2023

Membership dues are \$100.00 for a period of one year, due November 1st. This includes a spouse, significant other, or designee and NCCC memberships. Renewal dues postmarked after November 1st will be considered delinquent and member will be assessed an additional \$10.00. New members are prorated. Complete application in its entirety. Do not indicate "same as before." **(If your NCCC is through another club, your dues are \$70.00)**

**Please print. Mail this form and a check for \$100.00 or \$110.00 made out to "Corvettes West"**  
**Mail to: Corvettes West C/O Gene Renna, 444 Everest Peak, Beaumont, CA 92223**

### MEMBERS' INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month & Day) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Designee \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month & Day) \_\_\_\_\_  
Current NCCC# (Yours) \_\_\_\_\_ (Spouse/Designee) \_\_\_\_\_  
How did you hear about us? ☐ Website ☐ Event ☐ Member ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you owned a Corvette before?** ☐ Yes ☐ No. If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Corvette(s):** Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Coupe ☐ Convertible  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Coupe ☐ Convertible Do you still own: ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Coupe ☐ Convertible Do you still own: ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Coupe ☐ Convertible Do you still own: ☐ Yes ☐ No

**OTHER CLUBS?** Name(s) of other Corvette clubs to which you belong:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ NCCC# \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ NCCC# \_\_\_\_\_

**INTERESTS?** List events or activities that would be of interest to you:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

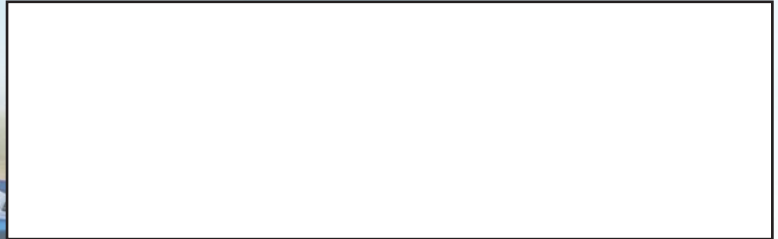


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