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HAPPY
2025
NEW
YEAR



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dan Flanigan

2024 Z06



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Happy New Year to everyone and it's hard to believe it has been a year already as being the Club's President. I have to give a big Thanks to George & Diane for all their help getting through this year, as I had many questions and they were always there to help. I also want to Thank John and Diana, for all their help, as they were also there if I needed any help. Not sure how I could have done it without all their help! I have been so busy not only with work but with several other Boards and Committees I am currently involved with and their help was much appreciated.

December has been one of my favorite months with all the activities that happens during this month, not only with family but with our Club. Our Club had its Annual Christmas Party and Auction at the Clark's, which turned out to be another success with a lot of very nice gifts auctioned off and a lot of money was raised. We want to give a big Thanks to the Clarks for again having this Great Party and I also want to Thank George for helping me with this auction.

Speaking of gifts, we were lucky enough to be the high bidder for the beautiful green Throw which was a great gift to win. Well I liked this throw so much that I wanted to buy another one for Elaine as she thought this one was hers! Hey this one was green and belonged to the Irishman! So, now we would both have one while watching TV.

Well trying to buy another one during the Holiday I found wasn't easy as they were out at every store I went to. So, I had to buy one on line as that wasn't easy either as there weren't that many for sale. I finally bought one on line and all is well at our house now as Elaine wanted the one from the Party but is now ok with this white one!

Now there were a lot of Veterans who attended the Yucaipa Parade, which is a very large Parade, and several of us were able to ride in the Huey Helicopter which was a Special Treat for sure. George helped hold the banner and walked the entire route.

2024 was a special year for our club for a lot of reasons but one of the major reasons was the celebration of our Club's 50th Year Anniversary! Because of this special event I had contacted Blue Bars, the National Council of Corvette Clubs Publication, and I was able to get approved to have a photo of our Club's cars printed for the back cover. And in addition to this back-cover photo I also got approval have a page and a half for a written article about our club.

I want to Thank George who wrote the article about our club which was very well written, I might add. Then I had Randy help me to organize the photo shoot at the local park, which actually had to be re-scheduled due to some paper work issues with the city. Well we finally got the photo shoot done and it turned out very nice and many of us had copies made and mine is sitting in our cabinet in the family room.

Now to the New Year and our upcoming Awards Banquet on January 26th. Please bring your money to the meeting Tuesday the 6th or Mail your funds to Diane, but do let Diane know you are coming as we need a head count as soon as possible.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our January Meeting on the on the 6th, and to also seeing you at the Banquet on the 26th.

Thanks,
Dan Flanigan, President



EVENTLY SPEAKING

Alan Cobb

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Hello, I am Alan Cobb, your newly elected Events Coordinator. I joined Corvettes West in the first quarter of 2024 after witnessing how much fun you guys have with your Corvettes. VP George helped me decide which one I should start looking for. After looking for and buying my Red C-7 I have not missed much that we have been doing in Corvettes West. I worked with John & Diana B. setting up and doing the Route 66 Museum Run and enjoyed many more activities with this great club and the members this past year.

I watched Kristi and Ron put together events for 2024 and I learned a lot from them. They did a great job. I hope to do as good of a job this year as they did last year.

We have a 2025 calendar set up for the first six months so far, with the exception of club runs for April, May & June.

We have the Awards Banquet at the end of January and the Superbowl Party and Valentines Dinner in February. We will be talking about this at our January meeting on the 7th. We have some ideas we will be sharing with you at the meeting, but we will also be looking for any ideas you may have that we could do in the future. This is your club and many of you said on your club application/renewal forms that you were interested in club events so please share with me any ideas you may have. And if you do have ideas, please let myself or another officer know if you would be willing to spearhead the event for the club. We will gladly help you with these as they are fun to do.

Looking forward to another year with our Club, Corvettes West

Alan



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

MARK DENICOLAI	01
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VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

GEORGE SWIFT

2023 Z06



***Happy Happy New Year and may this new year bring happiness
to you and your family and of course your Corvette.***

First things first. The Awards Banquet is coming up on the 26th of this month-starting at 1pm. We'd like to see a good turnout. If you are going to attend make sure you get your money in before the event. Check out the flyer in this Newsletter. As a matter of fact, a week before the event would be great because you cannot pay at the door and if you pay and you don't show up, you don't get your money back because they're still going to charge us for your dinner since we have to give them a head count prior to the day.

We had a great Christmas party and I wanted to thank Ray & Carol Clark for opening up their home for us again. They've done this for many years and we really really thank them.

Our next big event after the Awards Banquet will be the Super Bowl party, which will be at the Flanigan's on Super Bowl Sunday which this year is February 9th.

One of our newest couples - Monique and Kevin Fowler who own a C7 Grand Sport, have decided that it needs to go a little faster so he's supercharged it and what a beautiful installation job that was done. With all that Horsepower they can now leave late for the meeting and get there early. Ask Kevin to show you the setup.

Since I am Vice President and membership is one of my duties, I will start informing the club if I hear of anyone with health issues. Our long time member Barbara Renna spent some time in the hospital recently and is going through rehabilitation. Our prayers are with Barbara and Gene.

Also, member Alan Cobb lost his brother on Christmas Eve. He had been ill for some time. Our condolences go out to him and his family.

George
SAVE THE WAVE

SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

Tom Bell has the following new Corvettes on the lot:

- One - 2025 Corvette Convertible Z06 2LZ in Torch Red
- One - C8 Stingray Convertible 2LT in Arctic White
- One - C8 Stingray Convertible 2LT in Hysteria Purple
- One - 2025 Corvette Coupe 2LT w/ \$5k off in White
- One - 2025 Coupe 1LT White

**Save
the Wave
Buy A Wave**

There are no used Corvettes on the lot at this time.

One Black 3LZ Z06 is being built this month.

Should be here by early February.

Also, one more 2025 2LT Coupe on its way.

Go to tombellchevrolet.com for details



You might ask yourself...What ever happened to the first Corvette ever, well the Corvette Team crashed it in order to see how the first ever Fiberglass body would hold up... That's the official story, but unofficially its because they let George Swift drive it as a 13 year old.



ZR1- 3rd Generation

1. What was the first year of the C7 ZR1

- 2016
- 2017
- 2018
- 2019

2. What was the Engine Code for the C7 ZR1

- LT 2
- LT 4
- LT 5
- LT 7

3. What transmission came standard on ZR1

- 7 Speed
- 8 Speed
- Dual Clutch
- Automatic

4. What is the Horsepower of the C7 ZR1

- 660 HP
- 710 HP
- 755 HP
- 790 HP

5. How many C7 ZR1's were built

- 2,953
- 3,018
- 3,189
- 3,209

6. When was the last time Dan Flanigan spoke for less than 10 minutes during a meeting?

- 2 meetings ago
- 3 meetings ago
- 4 meetings ago
- Never - Has Happen Yet!

7. What years did they have a Special Engine Package called ZR1

- 1969
- 1970
- 1971
- 1972

8. What was its script on the Corvette ZR1

- ZR1
- Z06
- LT1
- LT2

9. What was the Horsepower of the ZR1 Package

- 300
- 350
- 370
- 390

10. What transmission came with the ZR1 Package

- Borg-Warner T10
- Munice - Close Ratio
- M22 "Rock Crusher"
- 4-Speed

C W 2025 C A L E N D A R

JANUARY	
Tues. 7th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Harvest Church parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 10th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
Sun. 19th	Pomona Swap Meet Cars and car parts pomonaswapmeet.com
Sun. 26th	Annual Awards Banquet @ Victoria Club in Riverside @ 1pm - See flyer - Dressy Casual (Must wear a collared shirt and no jeans)
FEBRUARY	
Tues. 4th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Sun. 9th	Superbowl Party - wear your favorite team's attire - Sign up at the meeting
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Harvest Church parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Thur. 13th	Valentine's Dinner at Napoli Italian Restaurant - Redlands Blvd. in Loma Linda - Sign up at the January meeting.
Fri. 14th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
MARCH	
Sun. 2nd	Pomona Swap Meet Cars and car parts pomonaswapmeet.com
Tues. 4th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Harvest Church parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 14th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
Sat. 15th	Joeys BBQ Lunch run in Chino. Meet 10:30am @ Target on Orange Show Rd. San Bernardino. Caravan leaving @ 10:45 am
APRIL	
Tues. 1st	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Sun. 13th	Pomona Swap Meet Cars and car parts pomonaswapmeet.com
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Harvest Church parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
TBA	Club Run open
Fri. 11th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
MAY	
Tues. 6th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Harvest Church parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
TBA	Club Run open
Fri. 9th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
JUNE	
Tues. 3rd	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Harvest Church parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
TBA	Club Run open
Fri. 13th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm



First of all, I hope you all had a great Christmas and a very Happy New Year. And welcome to 2025. Let's make this a year that the entire club donates blood or platelets. As usual, the Blood Bank is in need of donors. Why do they need donors? The need for donors is an ongoing need for the Blood Bank as they service 80 hospitals and clinics in So. California. You give a gift of yourself, blood.

There is a need for donors to give the gift of life and giving that gift does not take much time. But you will be saving another's life. Allowing them

to enjoy a sunrise, the moon over head, birds chirping, etc. What a great gift that cost you only your time. These Blood Bank Centers are listed below. Choose the one closest to you, call them, and make an appointment.

Make it a habit to donate often. And if you have a fifteen year old child get them involved in donating. Take them with you when you donate so they get to see the process. As I have mentioned before, schools are one of the Blood Bank's biggest sources of donors.

If you happen to be reading this and you are a Corvette fan or a Corvette driver who does not belong to a club, please consider Corvettes West. This club has been around for 50 years!

The members are friendly and care about their cars! Check this newsletter for monthly meeting dates.

Save the Wave by Saving the Waver
BILL DODGE

**Get out and donate
And save a life**

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1959 East Fourth Street

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Except Mondays 10:30-5:30pm

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79-215 Corporate Centre Drive

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Except Wednesday 10:30-5:30pm

RiversidePhone: 951-687-2530

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Except Thursdays 10:30-5:30pm

Victorville.....Phone: 760-843-9700

12520 Business Center Drive

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Except Thursday 10:30-6:30pm

Murrieta.....Phone: 951-973-7777

40365 Murrieta Hot Springs Road, Suite 1

Rancho Mirage.....Phone: 760-797-8496

42390 Bob Hope Dr., Suite 1B

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Closed Tuesday & Thursday; Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 7am-2pm

Hemet.....909-386-6803 EXT. 181

3377 W. Florida Ave.

New HoursOpen Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday 7am-2pm;
Except Monday Thursday 10:30-5:30pm; Closed Friday & Saturday

Corvettes West

AWARDS BANQUET 2025



SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025

1 PM

Victoria Club ~ 2521 Arroyo Drive, Riverside

\$50 PER PERSON

BUFFET STYLE DINNER
(DRESS ATTIRE: DRESSY CASUAL)

Collared Shirts & No Jeans

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

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.....Pictures of Corvette & Couple and Socializing

1:30 PM.....Dinner

Please RSVP by January 20th ~ Diane Swift (951) 333-5363

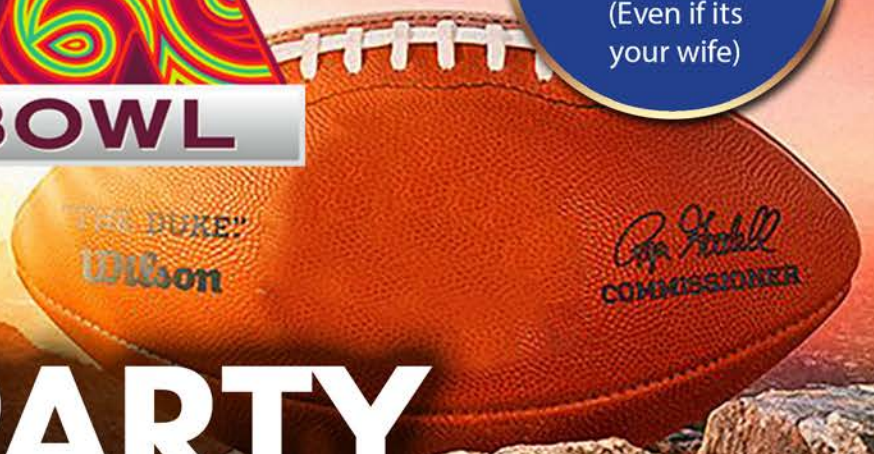
SUPER BOWL PARTY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 2PM

Invitation Is limited
To Club Members Only



SUPER BOWL

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)

Corvettes West

P.O. Box 56837
Riverside, CA 92517

2025 Membership/ Renewal

November 1st, 2024 Through October 31, 2025

Membership dues are \$125.00 for a period of one year, due November 1st. This includes a spouse, significant other, or designee, and NCCC membership. Renewal dues postmarked after November 1st will be deemed late by NCCC and the member will be assessed an additional \$10.00.

* *If your NCCC membership is through another club, your dues with Corvettes West are \$95.00/yr.*

** *If you become a new member, your first year dues may be prorated. Please ask by emailing: 2swiift@att.net*

*** *You will receive Corvettes West's monthly Newsletter by E-mail. Please provide email address below.*

**Please print. Mail this form and a check for \$125.00 or \$135.00 made out to "Corvettes West"
Mail to: Corvettes West C/O Diane Swift, 15910 Rancho Viejo Drive, Riverside, CA 92506**

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:



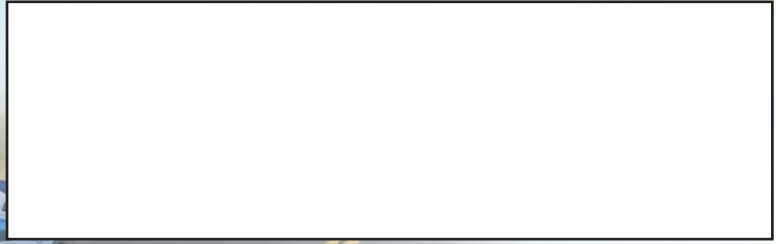
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