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Hello March!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Irish Pub

Time To Spring into Some Fun!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dan Flanigan

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“MARCH 2026”

Well here we are in March, one of my favorite months of the year. Being Irish so of course St. Patty's Day is very special to me. But we have many family Birthdays this month also. Both are oldest and youngest sons were born in March, my younger Sister, Son in law and one Grandson were also born in March, so it's an expensive month having to buy gifts for all of these family members!

Now for February we had a nice turn out for the Super Bowl Party on the 8th. There was a lot of great food brought by everyone and no one left hungry. Speaking about the game, in my opinion it was not a great game and I think many of us felt the same way! And Not many of us like the half time show either as a lot of us went outside to the patio and had fun talking!

Our son later told us that there was another half time show which we watched later which was much nicer than the one during the game I understand. Well enough about the game, but there were two guys who did really enjoy the game and they were George and Randy who were the big winners!

And I was very proud of Monty and Jenni for coming even though their Chiefs weren't in the Super Bowl this year. And a big Thanks to Diana for making the Super Bowl Pool Boards once again and Thanks to Diane for helping Diana with the signs ups.

We were very sorry we had to miss the Valentines Dinner as I understand everyone had a good time. My heal was hurting so bad it was hard to walk. It has been getting a little better with the soaking and stretching I have been doing. And as they say "Getting Old isn't for Sissy's"!

In closing, remember to set your clocks forward on the 8th, Thank Goodness! Then we have my special day, St. Patrick's Day on the 17th, and I will have some green beer! And on the 19th Wade has a fun outing planned to Oceanside.

That's all for now and looking forward to seeing everyone on the 3rd.

Thanks,

Dan Flanigan, President



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Wade Hilliard

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Hello Corvettes West members.

Hello Corvettes West members. Last month's Valentines event at Momma Mia's went well with 22 members attending.

For March we are going to "Rockin Baja Lobster" 258 Harbor Dr. Oceanside Ca. 92054. The event is scheduled for Thursday March 19th.

We will meet at the (Riverside Elks Lodge #643) 6166 Brockton Ave., Riverside Ca. 92506, parking lot at 9:00am. We will caravan, leaving the Elks Lodge at 9:30am with plans to arrive in Oceanside around 11:00am for lunch.*

Be prepared to pay for parking. If you wish to attend, just show up, or contact me, Wade, via text or email (951) 312-9946 whill59210@gmail.com ... Hope to see you there, Cheers....

Wade Hilliard

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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

MARCH

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CAROL CLARK.....25
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DAVID NORTHROP31

RANDY REDDEN VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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This past month was full of activities for CW members, Super Bowl at the Flanigan's, Valentines meal at Mama Mia's, and lastly the Riverside Black History Month Parade, which several of our members participated in, driving city dignitaries down the main Boulevard. All those who participated in the above activities had an enjoyable time. Corvettes West membership does have its benefits, including fellowship, which brings me to the next few paragraphs.

An article I came across this past month discussed a phrase I hadn't seen before, "Third Space". This phrase and or idea was coined by an urban sociologist by the name of Ray Oldenburg: "...it is a social environment separate from home (the first space) and work (the second space)". As he puts it, "these are places where people gather, build community, share ideas and find a sense of belonging".

An academic paper focused on our brain and our neurological health in relationship to "Third Space" and the loss thereof, as it affects our sense of connection, safety and belonging.

Ok now, this is how it works. The 1st Space is home, our domestic identity (family, rest, intimacy, and routine). Second Space is where we work, our work environment (we contribute, produce and create value). The "Third Space" is the space in between the

1st and 2nd spaces, a neutral space where people gather, informally, without obligation or performance and have shared values, and of course interest. Those places are churches, libraries, pubs, local diners, among others. This is a place you could show up, be recognized, and belong without needing to achieve or prove anything. Remember the sitcom "Cheers"? That program is a great example.

Here's the jest of the above diatribe. As we move along in life's continuum our circumstances change, we retire, Space 2 has evaporated, we lose a spouse poking a hole in Space 1. With those losses we can withdraw unless however you have that "Third Space". That's where Corvettes West membership comes in... (A place you could show up, be recognized, and belong without needing to achieve or prove anything). Membership can also fill the missing gap that evaporated when you retired. It can give you the feeling of contribution, producing and creating value. Becoming a Board member, engage in more activities, "Home Comings" etc....

Of course you don't have to be retired or even close to being so, the "Third Space" as described above, is an in between filler in our lives. "Cheers" Until next month!

Randy Redden
Vice President



10 Trivia Questions

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Transmissions & Differentials Part 2

1) Who built 1984 Corvette 4+3 manual transmission

- Nash Rambler
- AMC Nash
- Doug Nash
- Nash Corp

2) What year was 6 speed transmission introduce

- 1988
- 1989
- 1990
- 1991

3) Where was the new 6 speed built

- England
- Italy
- USA
- Germany

4) What was the price for "Six Speed Transmission" Option

- 525.00
- 675.00
- 725.00
- 000.00

5) 1997 Corvette moved the transmissions (Auto or Manual) to where

- Front wheel drive
- Rear axle
- Middle

6) Who built the new 6 speed

- Saginaw
- Borg-Warner
- Muncie
- ZF

7) What year did the 6 speed auto "paddle Shift introduce

- 2012
- 2013
- 2014
- 2015

8) What year did the 7 speed manual transmission introduce

- 2011
- 2012
- 2013
- 2014

9) What year did the 8 speed auto "paddle shift" transmission introduce

- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018

10) Is the "Dual Clutch Transmission" manual or auto

- Manual
- Automatic
- Both
- What's a Clutch!

Chevrolet is saying that the New 2027 "Grand Sport" could Have 500+ - 600 HP with a New 6.7 liter engine

CW 2026 CALENDAR

MARCH

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

Fri. 13th Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Thurs. 19th **Elks Lodge @ 9:00am to caravan to our destination. See flyer in this newsletter.**

APRIL

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

MAY

Tues. 5th **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. 8th Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm

JUNE

Tues. 2nd **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. 8th Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm

JULY

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I hope you all had a Romantic Valentine's Day. Now we turn to helping others who are in need of something we all have. Yes, the correct guess is Blood & Blood Products. There are an increasing number of organizations wanting you to come to their donation sites.

Life Stream is the organization Corvettes West uses. See the top of this page for Life Stream facilities. Also, when you donate there, you can donate for Corvettes West.

Life Stream, in the past has given away beach towels, T-shirts, Jackets, etc. They are now setting up a "Store" for donors to choose items after they donate.

Donating blood is not difficult. Yes, there is that needle stick to get to your blood. But what's a needle stick when someone in the community benefits from your donation and gets to have family life you made possible.

What's really nice is when the person you donated for sees you and thanks you for your life saving donation. Be some one's hero, DONATE.

When you have picked a place to donate, please call the facility to check on hours and days it is open.

Please consider donating blood. If you have 15 year old (or older) introduce them to donating. So they can start saving other's lives.

Thank you all for considering lying on a recliner and becoming someone's hero.

Please make donating a priority in your life.
Bill Dodge
Save a Life - The life you save may be a loved one.



**Corvettes
West**

MARCH WE ARE GOING TO

**Rockin'
BAJA
LOBSTER**

258 Harbor Dr. Oceanside, Ca. 92054

**THURSDAY
MARCH 19TH!**

Meet at the **Riverside Elks Lodge #643***
6166 Brockton Ave., Riverside Ca. 92506

Parking Lot at 9:00am!

We'll Caravan,
Leaving the Elks Lodge
at **9:30am!**



**Arriving in Oceanside
Around 11:00am for Lunch!**



Riverside Elks Lodge #643
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VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER



AT
MAMA MIA'S
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2LZ

VIN: 1G1YE3D33S5605817Stock: N250550

Two-seater Passenger Car 8 Cylinder Engine 8-Speed Dual Clutch

MSRP **\$143,645**

Internet Price **\$124,645**

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2026 Chevrolet Corvette

2LZ

VIN: 1G1YL3D45T5500146Stock: N260130

Two-seater Passenger Car 8 Cylinder Engine 8-Speed Dual Clutch

MSRP **\$135,790**

Internet Price **\$128,790**

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2026 Chevrolet Corvette

1LT

VIN: 1G1YA2D4XT5108358Stock: N260338

Two-seater Passenger Car 8 Cylinder Engine 8-Speed Dual Clutch

MSRP **\$81,025**

Internet Price **\$76,025**

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2002 Porsche 911 Carrera

2dr Carrera 4 Cabriolet 6-Spd Man

VIN: WP0CA29992S652520Stock: U7554

2-door Mini-Compact Passenger Car Flat 6 Cylinder Engine 6-Speed Manual with Overdrive

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2018 Chevrolet Camaro

ZL1

VIN: 1G1FJ1R60J0133274Stock: U7529

2-door Sub-Compact Passenger Car 8 Cylinder Engine 6-Speed Manual

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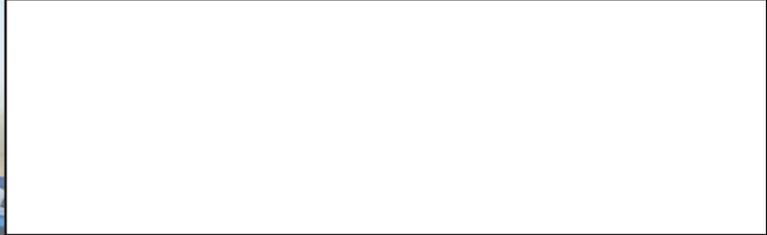
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