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SOMETHING GRAND IS COMING THIS JULY



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dan Flanigan

2024 Z06



“APRIL 2026”

First, I want to Thank Randy for handling our March Club Meeting as we had a film crew here at our house filming a Documentary about Elaine’s adopted family. It was a very special two days watching the film crew set up and how they handled the filming was something to watch. And there was a couple of times I got too close to the filming and was hand signaled to step back as I was in the line of filming! It was an all-day filming and we are all very anxious to see how it turned out as it will be aired around July 4th, as part of the Ancestry.com program.

I understand there were three other families that were interviewed but Elaine’s family was selected after several of the film crew read the several books about her family and there was also a movie about her family. So, I think the filming company wanted to give an update on the family and about those that are still living.

With that said, March is a very busy family month with many Birthdays and Anniversaries to celebrate but this year the last several weeks of March has been very difficult as one of Elaine’s sisters is gravely ill and not expected to make it! So many of her family has been at

the hospital being with her sister for many days as we have and it has been so difficult to see her sister in this condition. She has been in our prayers every day and we all just want the best for her here at the end of her life! Wow, was this hard to write and my stomach is really hurting so I am getting some Pepto Bismol and hopefully that will help!

Just now catching my breath, and trying to move on to complete my article! Well, we did have a fun St. Patty’s Day with family and friends, and I think there was some green beer that was consumed!

Unfortunately, we weren’t able to make the Rockin Baja Lobster outing with all the Birthday activities that day, but I understand a good time was had by everyone and the food was great. Thanks to Wade for putting this together.

In closing, Thanks George for allowing me a little extra time to get this article to you which was tough to write. So that’s all for now and looking forward to seeing everyone on April 7th at our General meeting.

Thanks,

Dan Flanigan, President



EVENTLY SPEAKING

Wade Hilliard

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March Event Recap:

Hello Corvettes West members. Our March event went well with a cruise to Oceanside and lunch at Rockin-Baja Lobster. It was a good time for all with great company over a meal, always a good combination.

April event: Monty's Choice - Spirit of Texas Barbecue

For April, I must admit I'm a sucker for good BBQ. That said we are doing Monty's Choice, Spirit of Texas Craft Barbecue, 1588 W. Highland Ave. San Bernardino, Ca 92411, Saturday April 18th 11:00am.


May event: Sherman's Deli & Bakery

For May we are going to Sherman's Deli & Bakery 401 E. Tahquitz Way, Palm Springs, Ca 92262. We will meet at Starbucks Yucaipa, 31515 Yucaipa Bl. 92399. at 9:00am Thursday May 21st. We will leave Starbucks approximately 9:30, caravan to Sherman's with plans to arrive approximately 10:30am.

Event RSVP information

If you wish to attend any of these events please contact me, Wade Hilliard via text (951) 312-9946 or email whill59210@gmail.com.

Life's a dream, Drive it...



IN MEMORY OF
JANET CURRAN

For those who have been in the club for a while who remember Janet Curran (widow of Mike Curran), we wanted to let you know we have been informed that she passed away on December 27, 2025. Her son, Brent let member Carolyn Miller know and he apologized for being slow. He said it was actually a blessing considering her condition. Janet was a long time member who was involved with the club. She chaired the Autocross at our Big Bear Bash several times, and served as our Secretary for a few years. She and her husband owned a couple Z06s and they would race at Spring Mountain and Chuckwalla. She loved fast powerful cars. May she rest in peace.



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

APRIL

SANDY EMERSON	02
KRYSTLE PRUITT	06
BETTY RANDOLPH	08
LES RANDOLPH	11
DEAN CAIN	17
TRACIE HANSON	20
ILENE TEDESCO	26
ELAINE FLANIGAN	29
RICHARD KAPLAN	29
GLEN MACGREGOR	30

RANDY REDDEN VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

2020



April has arrived, a month deemed by some as a month of renewal/growth, innocence, freshness and strength. Not surprisingly as we are now in full display of spring weather, (actually almost summer weather! Ugh.) even though the first day was on March 20th. Which reminds me, March, how many of you took advantage of the 3rd Space activity, drive to Rockin Baja Lobster, at the Marina in Oceanside?

Now, if you are asking yourself what the "3rd Space" is, I refer you to last month's article on that very subject. It is definitely not an interdimensional part of our world that Aliens pop in and out of. (Hmm...come to think of it, George might have. You know big eyes, bald, knows everything, just saying).

Now, back to the subject at hand, April and spring. I trust everyone will be having a wonderful Easter celebration with family and the like, which is a part of the renewal - rebirth - growth - clarity - awakening and of course the Resurrection of Jesus, is attributed to the Month of April, as well as innocence.

Look around in your garden/neighborhood, lots of new growth popping up, spring is in full bloom. Oh yes there is a birthstone, a Diamond, representing strength/fearlessness and faithfulness. So those of you that have diamonds, you're demonstrating your strength, fearlessness and faithfulness.

I forgot to mention the flower of the Month, Daisy, ever hear the phrase "Fresh as a Daisy". Then there's the bird of the month, a duck which symbolizes endurance, (water off a duck's back) and cheer!

I hope to see you all at our Membership meeting on Tuesday the 7th of April, remember to use that time to meet and greet other members you know and those you don't know, as this is our "3rd Space" time!

**Randy Redden
Vice President**

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



10 Trivia Questions

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The “Legend’ of Corvette Grand Sport

**1 When was the first
Corvette Grand Sport?**

- 1962
- 1963
- 1964
- 1965

**2 How many were sold to
the public?**

- 10
- 5
- 3
- 0

3 How many were built?

- 10
- 5
- 4
- 3

**4 What was the 2nd year of
the Grand Sport**

- 1992
- 1994
- 1995
- 1996

**5 What was the engine in
2nd Grand Sport**

- LT4
- LT5
- LT6
- LT7

**6 What was the 3rd year of
the Grand Sport**

- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018

**7 What was the 4th year of
the Grand Sport**

- 2017
- 2018
- 2019
- 2020

**8 What is the engine in the
new Grand Sport**

- 5.7 Litre
- 6.7 Litre
- 6.2 Litre
- 6.6 litre

**9 what models will the new
Grand Sport have**

- Grand Sport -Z
- Grand Sport
- Grand Sport -X
- Grand Sport _Y

**10 What year will the new
Grand Sport be available**

- 2026
- 2027
- 2028
- 2029

Born to Beat Ferrari 🇺🇸

The original 1963 Grand Sport was secretly developed by Zora Arkus-Duntov to compete against Ferrari on the track—despite GM’s racing ban at the time.

Lightweight Beast ↗

The original Grand Sport used fiberglass and aluminum to drastically cut weight—giving it a huge advantage on the racetrack.

C W 2026 C A L E N D A R

APRIL	
Tues. 7th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Target on Arlington-parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 10th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
Sat. 18th	Lunch at Spirit of Texas Bar-B-Q. Meet at the restaurant @ 11:00am. RSVP to our Events Chair Wade. 951-312-9946 OR whill59210@gmail.com 1588 W. Highland Ave. San Bernardino. See EVENTS article.
MAY	
Tues. 5th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Target on Arlington-parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 8th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
Thurs. 21st	Run to Shermans's Deli and Bakery, 401 E. Tahquitz Way, Palm Springs. Those who want to caravan, we will meet at Starbucks in Yucaipa. 31515 Yucaipa Blvd. @ 9:00am. See EVENTS article. RSVP to Wade.
JUNE	
Tues. 2nd	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Target on Arlington-parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 8th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
JULY	
Tues. 7th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Target on Arlington-parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 8th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
AUGUST	
Tues. 4th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Target on Arlington-parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 8th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm
SEPTEMBER	
Tues. 1st	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat
Every Sat	Cars N Coffee @ Target on Arlington-parking lot Riverside 6:30am to 10:00am
Fri. 8th	Tuxies Cruise night 6030 Magnolia Riverside 5:00pm to 8:00pm



BLOOD BANK CENTERS ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

<p>San BernardinoPhone: 909-885-6503 420 E. Hospitality Lane Suite A7 & A8 New HoursOpen Sunday-Saturday 7am-2pm Except Tuesday 6am-1pm and Thursday 10:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>VictorvillePhone: 760-843-9700 12520 Business Center Drive New Hours.....Open Sunday - Saturday 7am-2pm; Except Thursday 10:30-6:30pm</p>
<p>OntarioPhone: 909-987-3158 1959 East Fourth Street New Hours.....Open Sunday, Tuesday-Friday 7am-2pm Except Mondays 10:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>MurrietaPhone: 951-973-7777 40365 Murrieta Hot Springs Road, Suite 1</p>
<p>La QuintaPhone: 760-777-8844 79-215 Corporate Centre Drive New HoursOpen Sunday-Saturday 7am-2pm Except Wednesday 10:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>Rancho MiragePhone: 760-797-8496 42390 Bob Hope Dr., Suite 1B New Hours.....Open Sunday & Monday 10:30-5:30pm; Closed Tuesday & Thursday; Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 7am-2pm</p>
<p>RiversidePhone: 951-687-2530 4006 Van Buren Blvd. New Hours.....Open Sunday - Saturday 7am-2pm; Except Thursdays 10:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>Hemet909-386-6803 EXT. 181 3377 W. Florida Ave. New HoursOpen Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday 7am-2pm; Except Monday Thursday 10:30-5:30pm; Closed Friday & Saturday</p>

As usual, the need for blood and blood products continues. In fact, it will continue for as long as there are people who get sick or involved in car accidents or who have a physical need for blood and blood products to help keep them alive. Yes, this is an ongoing need to help save people's lives.

Donating is not a long process but the lifesaving ability of the product is great. Where else can you do something that can save another human's life by sharing what keeps you and I alive and functioning-the Blood Bank where you can donate these things. How rewarding is it to have a family member for the person you donated for approach you to thank you for your donation?

Blood and blood products are constantly in need. At the top of this page is a listing of facility locations where you can donate. Please choose the

facility you wish to use and call them to check on their hours and days when they are open. Doing this helps the Center to make sure they have enough equipment to handle your donation.

Please, choose to donate to help save lives. It is a good feeling to do this and Lifestream Blood Banks usually have items for you to take home to remind people of your donation.

PLEASE DONATE!!!! It's important!

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

Corvettes West

P.O. Box 56837
Riverside, CA 92517

2026 Membership/ Renewal

November 1st, 2025 Through October 31, 2026

Membership dues are **\$145.00** 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: 2swift@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 \$145.00 made out to "Corvettes West"

Mail to: Corvettes West C/O Gene Renna, 19189 Hitching Post Ln, Riverside, CA 92508

Reminder: After November 1 Dues Will Be \$155.00 (Late Renewal)

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:



CW Corvettes West

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West**

April's

DRIVE & DINE

Monty's Choice

SPIRIT
★ OF ★
TEXAS
CRAFT BARBECUE



SPIRIT TEXAS
CRAFT BARBECUE
Monty's Choice (Sat-Sun)
11:00AM - 4:00PM



For April,

I must admit I'm a

SUCKER FOR GOOD BBQ.

That said we are doing
Monty's Choice,
Spirit of Texas
Craft Barbecue!

SATURDAY
APRIL
18TH



1588 W. Highland Ave.
San Bernardino, CA 92411



11:00 AM



Sherman's DELI & BAKERY

SHERMANS

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For May we are going to
Sherman's Deli & Bakery
401 E. Tahquitz Way,
Palm Springs, Ca 92262.

We will meet at Starbucks Yucaipa,
31515 Yucaipa Bl. 92399
at 9:00 am Thursday May 21st.



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<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 1LT</p> <p>VIN: 1G1YA2D44T511756 Stock: N260468 Model: 1YC07</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$75,110 NET COST</p> <p>Track Price</p>	<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 1LT</p> <p>VIN: 1G1YA2D42T511870 Stock: N260472 Model: 1YC07</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$80,730 NET COST</p> <p>Track Price</p>	<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 1LT</p> <p>VIN: 1G1YA2D42T512372 Model: 1YC07</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In Transit - Arrives May 31 <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$81,225 NET COST</p> <p>Track Price</p>	<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 2LT</p> <p>Price Drop VIN: 1G1YB3D43T511010 Stock: N260438 Model: 1YC67</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$7,362 SAVINGS \$89,988 NET COST</p>
<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 2LT</p> <p>VIN: 1G1YB2D49T5112737 Model: 1YC07</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$93,305 NET COST</p> <p>Track Price</p>	<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray 2LT</p> <p>VIN: 1G1YB3D44T511159 Stock: N260443 Model: 1YC67</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$98,345 NET COST</p> <p>Track Price</p>	<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette E-Ray 2LZ</p> <p>Price Drop VIN: 1G1YL3D46T5500146 Stock: N260130 Model: 1Y067</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$13,802 SAVINGS \$121,988 NET COST</p>	<p>New 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 2LZ</p> <p>VIN: 1G1YE2D37T5605489 Model: 1YH07</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In Transit - Arrives May 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Ext. <input type="checkbox"/> Int.</p> <p>\$142,305 NET COST</p> <p>Track Price</p>

Corvette West Family - We have 1 new 2025 Z06 still remaining! We need your help to get rid of this car! We have as of today, a \$18,000 dealer discount on it plus if you are a current Corvette or Camaro owner of a 2012 or newer there is a \$4k rebate in addition to our dealer discount for a grand savings of \$22,000 off MSRP.

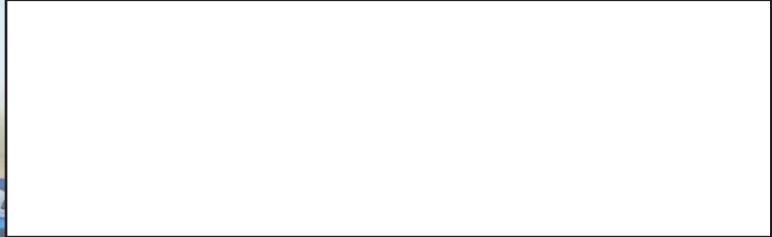
We also have one new E-ray, 5 Coupe stingrays (four are 1LT's and one is a 2LT.) 2 stingray convertible 2LT's that are available. We have 1 Riptide blue Z06 getting ready to be shipped along with 2 other Z06's that getting built next month.

Stevan Wilkinson | Internet/Fleet Manager | 909-557-2011 Call/Text

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