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JOIN US... SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16



 **LifeStream
Blood Bank**
GIVE HOPE | GIVE LIFE | GIVE BLOOD

**2nd ANNUAL LIFESTREAM FALL
CLASSIC CAR SHOW**

Please Note

**Christmas Party
Time Changed
To 2pm
(See Flyer Page 9)**

Volunteers Needed!

Give Blood... Save Lives...

See Flyer on Page 10

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
 George Swift
 or emailed to
corvettenews@gmail.com
 Email is preferred

November BIRTHDAYS

MYRNA KOZA.....	02
JIM GILLAM	04
KATHY CLARK	13
KRISTEN HORTON	14
RALPH JOHNSON	15
EVELYN BREWSTER.....	21
TAWNEY RIDDLE	23
KATHY ARANT	24
NANCY MORRIS	28
CAROLYN RASSO	30

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By the time you receive this news letter our Car Show at March Field Air Museum will have been completed.

The Trophy building is now complete, it turned out to be a lot more work than we anticipated but the Trophies are outstanding. Thanks to all of you who help get parts, clean the parts and helped make the wooden Trophy bases. Then we had a Trophy assembly party and a few more days of finishing. Thank you all who helped make this happen, you can be very proud of the Trophies we will be giving at the show.

More good news is, Just a few days before the show everything is moving along very well. On Monday October 28th we already have over 60 pre-registrations in hand with probably a dozen more to come in this week. Most people wait to register the day of the show so we are hoping for 200 plus cars to make it that day, could be more, we will see.

Now our Day of Car Show teams are working hard to make sure we are ready for all the

people coming in that day. We can still use some more club members to help out the day of the show so if you are available please come early as you can to give us a hand.

At our next meeting we will have the 2nd opportunity to nominate candidates for the Board positions for 2020 so if you are considering to run for a position or nominate some for a position this is your last chance.

Looking forward to our Christmas Party at Ray & Carol Clarks home on December 7, 2019. Sign up sheet will be at the meeting on November 5 th. Please bring a unwrapped gift for the charity auction and extra money to bid on something you just cant live without. Every year we use this money for a great charitable donation.

Remember
 Save The Wave
John Blackledge
 President

HELPING HANDS

Ronald McDonald House sent a very nice letter of thanks to Corvettes West for our recent toiletries donation. So, kudos to all the gals who donate these items after their travels. There were also a good amount of can tabs along w the toiletries. RMDH is the place where these go, too.

Looking forward to the Nov. 2 car show. There are many preregistered cars now...more than anticipated!! We'll hear all about that at the next meeting.

Cooler weather ahead -yay!
 Sharon MacGillivray



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NCCC GOVERNOR

We are into November and it is time for Membership Renewals. Once we enter your renewal on the Data Base you will get an e-mail with your new membership card. You can print this from your computer and in January or February you will receive a plastic membership card from NCCC.

To those of you who have sent in your renewal, I thank you! For those of you who have not sent in your renewal, we need them by November 15th so that I can get them entered in to Data Base. Any renewals received after the cutoff there will be an additional charge of \$10.00 late fee.

We have an event coming up on November 2nd at the March Air Museum. This is the Corvettes West Car Show, WHEELS n' WINGS. This is benefiting the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #47 Inland Empire and the March Air Field Museum. We still need volunteers to help out.

We hope to see you at the Car Show and please send in your renewals.

Jim Gillam,
Governor,
CorvettesWest

HOMEcomings & PARADES

Friday, November 1

Bloomington High School Homecoming Parade - 12 Cars

Saturday, November 9

Riverside Veterans Parade - 10 Cars

Saturday, December 14

Yucaipa Christmas Parade - 10 Cars

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



Evently Speaking



Dan Flanigan

Events Coordinator's Corner

My Goodness here we are into the month of November and the Holiday Season is now upon us!

October was a very busy month for John and George working on the Clubs Car Show especially building those very nice trophies. I know they were very appreciative of the help several of our members gave then on the 12th.

Then on Sunday the 13th there was the Veterans Car Show at Sylvan Park in Redlands, which was attended by several members of CW and IEC and it was a great day for a car show. I was lucky enough to win a very nice trophy with my '37 Ford Hot Rod, as there were many nice cars there. Then George presented an awesome looking trophy, that he had made for the Viet Nam Veterans of American, to a pristine looking '31 Packard, and a great choice in my opinion.

Then on Friday the 18th I finally was able to help George with a Homecoming in Temecula for the Linfield Christian School. George had planned for us to have dinner at Pat & Oscars before the homecoming, which is where we have eaten several times before, but when we all arrived this time we saw that it was closed! Not missing a beat, I asked Danny if he would lead us to a restaurant close by, since he knew the area so well, and that he did! We drove down the street and into a shopping center where he found us a Rubio's. We parked all of our Corvettes out front, which did draw some attention with passersby, and we all had a very nice dinner. But as it turned out we were missing two members of our team, Skip & Nancy!

I was very concerned about not seeing them and I tried calling as they tried calling me but we never made

contact. So, our group drove to the field and got our cars in line and I looked up and there were the Morris's pulling into the parking lot, which was a great relieve for me, as we were all there now.

I hope everyone enjoyed Halloween and seeing all the Trick or Treaters that came to your door. And as usual I had to sample some of the candy to just make sure it was ok for the kids, as any good parent would have done!!

Now for our main event of the year, the Wheels n'Wings Car Show at the March Air Field Museum, on Saturday November 2nd. We are hoping as many members of our club can make this event as it should be a great time. There have been many meetings planning this major event and with good weather forecasted and with a nice turn out, would make this event a major success, and make all the hard work John and George have put in, all worthwhile!

Looking forward to see many of you at the Car Show on the 2nd and then at the meeting on the 5th. And lastly, I want to wish you and your family a Very Wonderful Thanksgiving, as we all have a lot to be Thankful for.

Thanks,
Dan Flanigan, Events Coordinator

**Corvettes West
Air Museum Car Show
Saturday
November 2nd**

Vice with a Voice

Diane Swift



Welcome to November. I think the cooler weather may be sticking around. Great news, John and Kristen Horton have joined Corvettes West, and John has already helped with a Homecoming. Welcome John and Kristen!

I always think it is interesting how Homecomings start out with hot weather and end up with the evenings being quite cool. We thought we had Homecomings completed but Bloomington H.S. called just last week and they need 12 cars for a late afternoon parade, so surprisingly enough, during the 2019 season we

will have more cars out than 2017 or 2018.

Thank you to those who helped with Homecomings this year. We were glad to see some new members get involved.

Moving onto more things to do in November... Don't forget the "Wheels n' Wings" car show that we are putting on Saturday, November 2nd. Those of us involved have put a good amount of work into this. Making the trophies has been a learning experience.

But they sure are cool! And then there is the Blood Bank Car Show on Saturday, November 16th in San Bernardino. And in between those 2 car shows is Veterans Day with multiple parades over that Saturday-Sunday-Monday period.

Wishing you all a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Until next time,

Diane Swift
CW VP for 2019

SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

For those who did not attend the trophy building day at the Swift's, you missed a lot of fun and a chance to assist the club in getting ready for the Wheels n' Wings Car Show. John and George had done a lot of work prior to the party so all we did was the easy part, assembling the trophies. In addition, George and Diane fed all who came out to work.

Tom Bell, our sponsor, has a nice selection of new 2019 Corvettes. They currently have 1 new 2019 Corvette Coupe, 1 new 2019 Corvette Z06 Coupe, and 2 new Corvette ZR1 Coupes. In addition, on the previously owned lot, they have a 2005 Corvette Convertible.

Tom Bell also has a nice selection of 7 new 2019 Camaro Coupes and one 2019 Camaro Convertible. They also have 2 new 2020 Camaro Coupes and 1 new Camaro Convertible. Also on the lot are 7 previously owned Camaro Coupes.

Should you have an interest in any of these fine vehicles, please contact Derek Hanson, General Manager, at 909-793-2681 for additional information and pricing.

Please remember that Tom Bell is our sponsor, and they have been good to Corvettes West. So when your vehicle needs service, please take your vehicle to Tom Bell's Service Department. And when you do this, let the Service Writer, at the time of write up, know that you are a Corvettes West member so you will receive the club discount.

Save the Wave

Bill Dodge

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Giving Back!

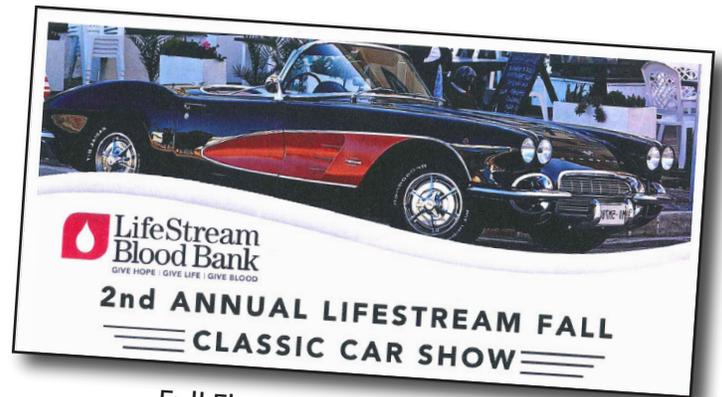
Along with the Wheels n' Wings Car Show on November 2nd, there will also be the Blood Bank car show on November 16th at the San Bernardino Blood Bank facility. If you are planning on going to these shows, please get your registration forms turned in so those running the shows will have a good idea of how many cars to expect. For the Blood Bank show, you can register by mail or on-line or at-the-gate. For Wheels n' Wings, you can register by mail or at-the-gate.

When you go to the Blood Bank Car Show, ask for a tour of the Blood Bank Lab. If you donate and wonder what happens to the blood you just donated you will get to see how it is processed before being used in life saving procedures. It is an interesting tour.

Save the Wave by Saving the Waver

Bill Dodge

The next Club donation date will be November 9th at 8:30am. The process does not take long and you will be out in time to shop or watch the football games on T.V. The Blood Bank will always need donors, especially those who make appointments to donate. And when you donate, as you leave the Blood Bank, please make your next appointment. Even with schools returning and students volunteering, the Blood Bank still needs donors. So bring your arm and donate. It is important for those who are having surgery, or who have been in an accident or those who require blood or blood products to survive.



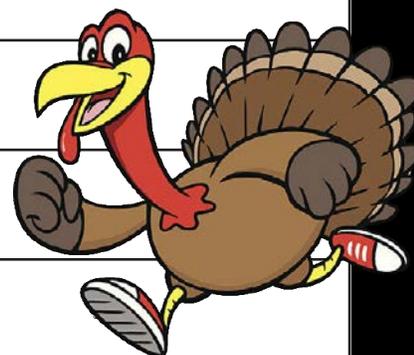
Full Flyer and Event Information Available Page

BLOOD BANK CENTERS ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

- San Bernardino.....Phone: 909-885-6503.....384 West Orangeshow Road
- OntarioPhone: 909-987-31581959 East Fourth Street
- La QuintaPhone: 760-777-884479-215 Corporate Centre Drive
- Riverside.....Phone: 951-687-25304006 Van Buren Blvd.
- VictorvillePhone: 760-843-970012520 Business Center Drive
- MurrietaPhone: 951-973-777740365 Murrieta Hot Springs Road, Suite 1

Upcoming Events

Date	NOVEMBER	
2	CW WHEELS n' WINGS Car Show - March Field Air Museum	
3	Daylight Savings Time Ends	
5	Corvettes West Meeting @ Riverside Elks Lodge 6pm Dinner/7pm Mtg.	
9	Veterans Parade in Riverside Ca	
11	Veterans Day	
16	Life Stream Blood Bank Car Show at Life Stream 9am -2pm	
	across from Target on Orange Show Rd. in San Bernardino	
28	Thanksgiving	
Date	DECEMBER	
2	Corvettes West Meeting @ Riverside Elks Lodge 6pm Dinner/7pm Mtg.	
7	Corvettes West Christmas Party at Ray & Carol Clark's home	
8	Pomona Swap Meet	
14	Yucaipa Christmas Parade	



25 Corvette facts that every enthusiast should know

by Scott Oldham // July 24, 2018

Chevrolet has been pumping out Corvettes for 66 years, building about 1.5 million of them since 1953. That makes the 'Vette one of the most popular sports cars of all time.

First- and second-generation Corvettes were one of the first true collectible cars of the modern era, and collecting Corvettes remains a global phenomenon. More than just another two-seat sports car, the Vette is an American icon. There's a good reason it's often referred to as America's sports car, and every enthusiast should have at least a basic knowledge of its seven generations. So in case you need to brush up, here are 25 Corvette facts every enthusiast should know:

First Corvette with V-8 power: Although the very first production Corvette hit the streets in 1953, Chevy wouldn't replace its inline six-cylinder engine until 1955. That year, Chevy debuted its new optional 265-cubic-inch small-block V-8.

First Corvette coupe: All Corvettes produced from 1953–62 were convertibles. Then the C2 Corvette debuted in 1963 with two body styles, a convertible and a coupe with the famous split rear window. It was popular. Of the 21,513 Corvettes built that year, 10,594 were split-window coupes.

First Corvette with independent rear suspension: Also in 1963, the sports car's 10th year of production, the C2 became the first Corvette with an independent rear suspension. The design incorporated a transverse leaf spring, and it has remained a part of the Corvette's suspension design for the last 55 years.

1957 Chevrolet Corvette with fuel-injected 283 small block Mecum

1957 Chevrolet Corvette with fuel-injected 283 small block
First Corvette with fuel injection: In 1957 Chevy enlarged the Corvette's small-block from 265 cubic inches to 283. Three versions were available, including the top-of-the-range "Fuelie" with the Ramjet mechanical fuel injection system. It was rated at one horsepower per cubic inch, a big deal at the time, and was the first fuel-injected production Corvette.

First Corvette with disc brakes: Although the Jaguar C-Type and D-Type won the 24 Hours of Le Mans in the 1950s with disc brakes, Chevy wouldn't add the technology to the production Corvette until 1965. Four-wheel discs became standard that year, but some buyers still insisted on the drums and received a \$64.50 credit.

First big-block Corvette: Chevy also gave us the first big-block Corvette in 1965. The L78 396-cubic-inch V-8 had an iron block

and heads, an aluminum intake manifold, solid lifters, and big Holley carburetor. It cost \$292.70 and was installed in 2157 Corvettes. With 425 hp it was the most powerful Corvette up to that time.

First Corvette with triple carburetion: The first production Corvette with triple carburetion was the very first Corvette in 1953. The sports car's 150-hp 235-cu-in Blue Flame Six, which remained through 1955 (it made 155 hp its final year), drank through three one-barrel carbs. Triple carbs with three two-barrel units then returned in 1967 with the optional Tripower 427 big-blocks, the L68 rated at 400 hp and the L71 rated at 435 hp.

1963 Chevrolet Corvette split window coupe Gabe Augustine

1963 Chevrolet Corvette First Corvette with dual quads: By 1956, Belgian-born engineer Zora Arkus-Duntov was putting his fingerprints on the Corvette and increasing its performance. Although the Corvette had used multiple carburetion since 1953, in '56 came its first dual quad V-8 rated at 225 hp. It was a \$172.20 extra over the base engine with a single four-barrel carb, and most Corvettes built that year—3080 of the 3467—were equipped with the option.

First Corvette with T-tops: Every Corvette coupe built from 1968–82 had T-tops. The removable panels were fiberglass and body color until 1978, when tinted glass panels were offered as an option.

First Corvette Stingray: Sting Ray (two words) was first used on the 1963 Corvette and remained throughout the C2 generation. The C3 debuted in 1968 without the Sting Ray name, but it reappeared on the fenders of the 1969 model as one word, Stingray. It would remain there until 1976.

First Corvette with an aluminum engine block: Today every new Corvette is powered by an all-aluminum engine, but the first production Corvette to use this weight-saving technology was the 1969 ZL1 model. Chevy built two—one yellow, one white—with the all-aluminum ZL1 427 big-block. The engine was rated 430 hp, but with big port heads and 12.5:1 compression ratio everyone knew that was bull. Chevy also put this engine in 69 Camaros that year.

Cont'd Next Month



Corvettes West Christmas Party December 7th, 2019

Party Starts at 2:00pm

Please RSVP by Dec. 4th
@ (909) 795-5253
If you did not sign-up at a meeting.

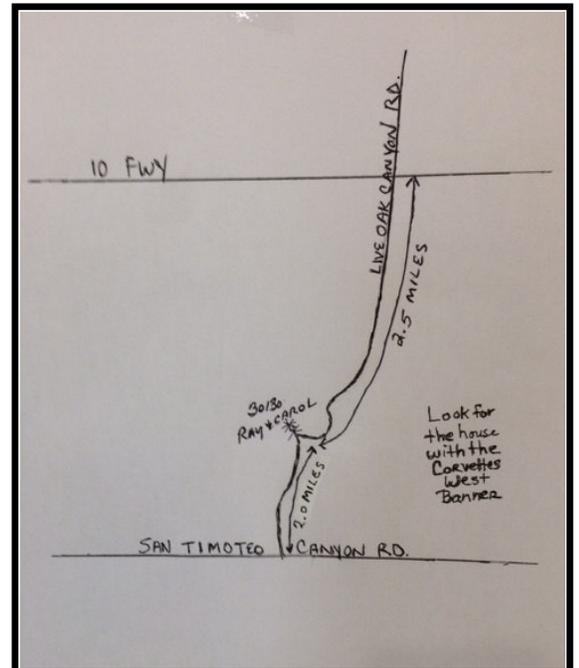
But, Ray would like us there about
1:30pm for pictures
Ray & Carol Clark hosting

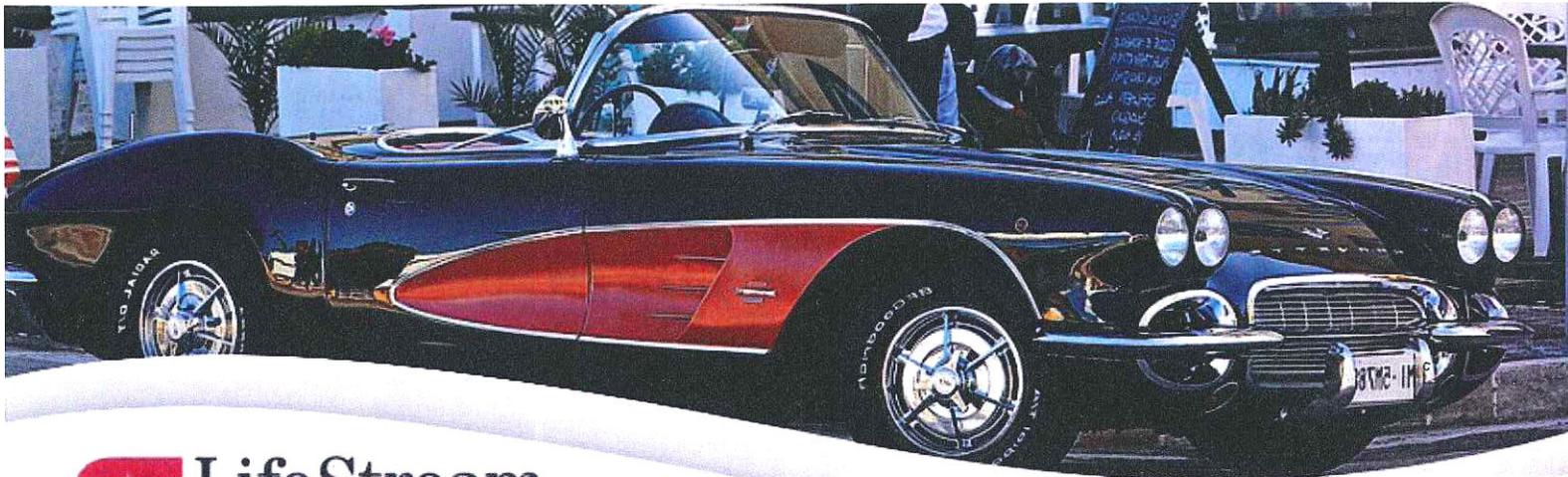
30130 Live Oak Canyon, Redlands
(Look for the "Corvettes West" Banner on the fence)

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

For more information: 909-795-5253

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





2nd ANNUAL LIFESTREAM FALL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Join LifeStream Blood Bank and Corvettes West car club at the
2nd Annual LifeStream Fall Classic Car Show on Saturday, Nov.16

Car Show

Classic car, Hot Rod, and Corvette owners are encouraged to turn out in support of this event. There will be space for up to 100 cars. Registration fees will be \$20 in advance and \$30 at the gate. 100 % of event proceeds will benefit LifeStream Blood Bank.

Classic Car

1920 – 1949 (Group A) 1950 – 1969 (Group B) 1970 – 1989 (Group C)

Hot Rods (Group D) **Corvettes** (Group E)

For each category listed above, 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners will receive a trophy or plaque. Prizes will also be given out for **People's Choice** and **Best of Show**.

When: Saturday, Nov. 16 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
In the event of rain, please contact LifeStream for the new date.

Where: LifeStream Blood Bank, 384 West Orange Show Road in San Bernardino

For event information or to register online, please visit <http://www.LStream.org/fallclassic>

You may also register by mailing in the form on the other side with your payment.



LifeStream Blood Bank is a nonprofit, comprehensive blood center that serves more than 80 Southern California hospitals and medical facilities in six counties. We help save lives by connecting donors and patients through the gift of blood. To help maintain a safe, ample blood supply for patients in need, LifeStream operates donor centers in La Quinta, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ontario, Victorville, Murrieta, and, opening in fall 2019, Rancho Mirage. LifeStream also conducts more than 1,700 mobile blood drives each year at schools, churches, businesses, government offices, hospitals and service clubs. Monetary donations help offset the costs of blood center operations, including the collection, testing, labeling, storing and distribution of blood products.

For LifeStream Fall Classic event information or to register online, please visit <http://www.LStream.org/fallclassic> or contact:

LifeStream
Catherine Grinnan
909-693-2647

Corvettes West
Bill Dodge
951-204-4824

Register for LifeStream's Fall Classic Car Show online (see front) or by mailing in this form.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Vehicle Information

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Category: _____ (If you would like your car judged. Categories are on front of flyer)

Please make \$20 check payable to **LifeStream Blood Bank** and mail to:

LifeStream Fall Classic, 384 W. Orange Show Road, San Bernardino, CA 92408

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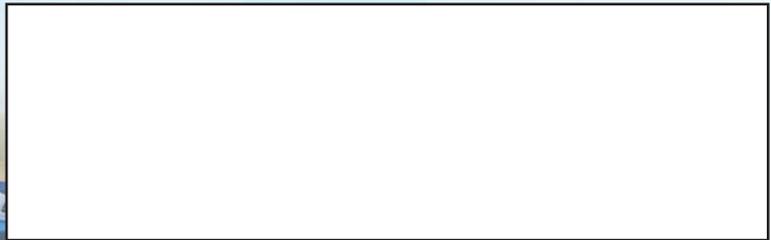
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