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North Bay Corvette Association (NBCA)

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month

In person at
Sam's Place
1545 S. Novato Blvd.
Novato, CA / or ZOOM
at 6:30 pm

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# February

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Lunar New Year - Tiger	Wade M. Birthday Groundhog Day	3	4	5 Kevin M. Birthday
6 Robin A. Birthday Coffee and Cars Novato	7	8	9 NBCA General Membership Meeting	10	11	12
13 NBCA Social – Superbowl Party	St. Valentine's Day	15	16 Page D. Birthday	17	18	19 Les B. Birthday
20	21	22	23 NBCA Board Meeting Liz B. Birthday	24	25	26
27 Karyn K. Birthday	28					

# March

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Gloria A. Birthday	5 Jennifer M. Birthday
6	7	8	9 NBCA Membership Meeting	Judy S. Birthday	11	12
13	14	15	16 Bill D. Birthday	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19
20 Maryanne M. Birthday. First Day of Spring	21 Shirlie H. Birthday	22	23 NBCA Board Meeting	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

### North Bay Corvette Association General Meeting Minutes January 12, 2022

**Social Hour:** A social hour was held at Sams's Place in Novato at 5:30.

**President Jeff Farber** called the meeting to order at 6:40. President Farber then asked for committee reports.

**Membership Director: Barbara Boyer** reported that we have as of now 41 paid members.

**Secretary: Don Drummond** requested that the minutes for the month of November be approved. It was so moved, seconded and passed unanimously. He will have all formal legal documents located in one place.

**Director of Publications: Heather Torres** reported that articles for the newsletter are due this month on the 24th.

Webmaster: Stephen Buttrick was not able to be present.

**Public Relations Director: Bill Donnelly** asked where the sign in book was; Barbara has it. He also asked about the chalk stick, which Collins has. He then read a list of advertisers and sponsors for the new year.

Member at Large Dan Divita had no report.

**Treasurer: Steve Boyer/Mike McLucas** reported on deposits and expenses. Financials are in good shape. Mike will have a detailed report shortly.

**Director:** Betty McKinnie reported:

Jan 1, 2022 Good turnout for clam chowder

The White Elephant party has been postponed due to Covid concerns.

Feb .13 Superbowl TBD

Sunshine Report: Lynn Larson was unable to be present.

Vice President Dan Divita had no report.

**President Jeff Farber** reported that he is investigating Mary Todds vs. Sams as a meeting place. Autocrosses will be held May 21 and June 4, 5.

**Old Business:** A reminder to wear our pins was made.

**New Business:** Working on Family Tree for newsletter.

#### **Announcements:**

Our next eBoard meeting will be at Club Sonoma January 26.

Jane Rittler moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Donald Drummond, Secretary** 



### President's Message - Nostalgia

I'm quite a nostalgic person. That might be what drew me to the Corvette in the first place. Now, that couldn't possibly have been what drew buyers to the Corvette when it was introduced back in the 50s,as it was new. But I'm not one interested in a Prius or even a Tesla. Okay, I do like new things, but I tend to like new things that have a history. I have my Dad's Boy Scout uniform that he used until he became an Eagle Scout. My nephew is nearing the age of earning his eagle and if he succeeds, I plan to give him my dad's uniform encased in a frame with the Eagle Certificate on National Boy Scout letterhead that lists three US Presidents.

My paternal Grandpa worked on Disneyland and had a hand in the design of Main Street. He also designed the art backdrop for the Disney Railroad in the tunnel that has dinosaurs. In my house, we have art from Grandpa that has the same scenic backdrop as the tunnel. We also have some Disney art from some of the original cartoon artists.

My most cherished bit of nostalgia is my boyhood piggy bank that is filled with commemorative 1976 Quarters. It will be something to open it someday but that means shredding the 50+ year old rubber stopper.

Back to the subject of cars now. The only car we own that is nearing collectible status is Nora's 1989 BMW 325ic. It is original and only about 75,000 miles. I showed you a picture a few articles ago of my 1989 Camaro IROC. I loved that car as I custom ordered it from Chevrolet, personalized to my liking. I wish I had it for nostalgic sake, but had no problem getting rid of it in 1992 because we needed a family car and the BMW was a much better built car.

Nora asked me if I wanted a new C8 Corvette. I told her "not now." I still like my C7 Z06 and since it has a clutch, I will likely want to keep it the rest of my life. I successfully taught my kids how to drive it, but they have less than a few hours in it each. I hope it is eventually kept by one of them for the nostalgia of their father.

Here's a picture (I just found) taken as part of a Los Angeles Corvette photoshoot. You can tell from the age of the photo (or the age of the model) how long ago it was taken.



~Jeff

### **North Bay Corvette Association**

### Treasurer's Report January 12, 2022

QuickBooks Balance: We have some Money

#### **Checks Cleared This Month:**

- 1 Paid Club Restaurant for Christmas Dinner Party.
- 2 Paid Jane R. for the Member of the Year award.
- 3 Paid WSCC for membership Dues.

### **Deposits Made This Month:**

- 1. Dues were paid to NBCA
- 2. Christmas Dinner Party payments.

**Uncleared Transactions:** There is one uncleared check made payable to Matt and Jeff's Car Wash for 10 tickets, and one deposit for 2 Car-Wash Tickets, after the close of the accounting period.

**Christmas Dinner Party Report:** We spent including all food, drinks, and decorations for the Christmas Dinner Party.

**Car-Wash Ticket Report:** One ticket was given to Gloria A. for winning last month's Wheel-Of-Car-Wash at the end of the meeting. Steve B. bought the last two Car-Wash Tickets so he bought 10 more. We currently have 10 car wash tickets.

Please consider buying some car-wash tickets from me the next time you see me. I usually have them with me at club events.

**Advertisers and Sponsors Report:** All advertisers and sponsors invoices have been emailed to Bill for him to start handing out for next fiscal year.

### **Respectfully Submitted**

Mike McLucas

**Treasurer** 

## **Vice Presidents Report**

**January 26, 2022** 

Santa Clara Corvettes put on an autocross November 13<sup>th</sup> at the Cow Palace. Everyone had 5 runs in the morning and 5 runs in the afternoon. Bill Donnelly came in 4<sup>th</sup> place in his R1class, Beverly Giordano came in first in her Stock 4 class, Mike Giordano came in second in his Stock 4 class, Barbara Boyer came in first in her PE (Performance Evaluation) class in her new C8, and Steve Boyer came in first in his PE class too. Good job to all participants.

We will be holding two weekend autocrosses this year. The first will be May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The second will be June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Both will be up at Thunderhill Raceway. Registration will be via motorsportreg.com. Ken is working on getting a block of rooms at the Motel 6 in Williams. Please plan on attending even if you don't plan to run. We need the volunteers to help put the event on.

As the Club's WSCC representative, I want you all to know that WSCC is helping in the planning of the 2022 Caravan up to northern Oregon, August 24<sup>th</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup>. There is more information on the WSCC website and the flyer in this newsletter. Please call and make reservations as soon as possible for the hotel rooms. They will go fast. The registration for attending the Caravan will be opening up soon. More details to come.

WSCC has sent out their proposed 2022 budget for the member clubs input and approval. They decided to not make any adjustments given that they do not know what this year will truly look like with Covid restrictions. Things are getting better, but we are a long way from being back to normal. One thing was added, a line item for the 2022 WSCC Caravan. This is planned to be a break-even event. Budget numbers were kept in line with the last two years given the national inflation rate is

reported to be around 7% for the upcoming year. After appropriate discussion at our next general meeting, I will request a motion to make changes or approve the proposed budget by the Club's membership.

### Respectfully Submitted by,

### Steve Boyer Vice President

Here is a screen shot from the configurator on Chevrolet's website showing what we ordered.



Most of you have seen it in person. Yea, it looks that good. We love it.

Submitted by Steve Boyer

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**: A check was sent to WSCC for NBCA's members. There are 41 members and 27 associate members for the year 2022. Three members did not renew this year.

I have received a few corrections to the 2022 Roster but if you see anything that needs changing or adding (some email addresses are not included), please contact me at: <a href="mailto:bjsbes@att.net">bjsbes@att.net</a> so that I can keep the roster current. I would appreciate the help.

Here is a quick, one pan cake to make when you need a simple desert.

Wacky Chocolate Cake Serves 8						
Ingredients: 3 cups flour						
2 cups sugar	¾ cups oil					
6 tbsp. cocoa powder	2 tsp. vanilla extract					
2 tsp. baking soda	2 tbsp. vinegar or lemon juice					
1 tsp salt	2 cups warm water					
	1 cup powdered sugar for topping					

#### Preparation:

- Mix dry ingredients in a 9 x 13 inch baking pan.
- 2. Level mixture, then make three holes and pour the vanilla in one, oil in another and the vinegar in the last hole.
- Pour the 2 cups warm water over all and mix until blended.
- 4. Bake in oven at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes, or when a toothpick poked in the center comes out clean.
- 5. Immediately after taking the cake out of the oven, sift powdered sugar over the top.
- Serve warm.



Submitted by Barbara Boyer

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR NBCA MEMBERS - WELCOME 2022!!!!

#### **SOCIAL REPORT - JANUARY 2022**

Happy New Year to all! I hope your holidays were happy and healthy! We began our New Year with our 4th annual drive to Bodega Bay on **New Year's Day!** We only had 5 cars and 9 members. It was a beautiful clear day as we met at Lowe's Parking Lot in Cotati and enjoyed the scenic route to Bodega Bay. We left at 9:15AM. We enjoyed clam chowder and crab sandwiches at Spud Point. We took pictures after we enjoyed lunch! Even though we were small we were mighty in friendship and sharing our holidays activities with all. Kevin lead our ride again this year!

**January 22<sup>nd</sup>** was scheduled for the annual White Elephant Gift Exchange at Dan & Corky's house but was **postponed due to COVID**. We hope to reschedule it soon!

Sunday February 13<sup>th</sup> we will meet at Bill Donnelly house where we will enjoy watching the Super Bowl at "Club Sonoma". Address is 19325 Orange Ave., Sonoma. RSVP to me by February 10<sup>th</sup> (call 707-315-5474 or email me at <a href="mailto:bjmckinnie@yahoo.com">bjmckinnie@yahoo.com</a>) Bill is preparing salmon and tri-tip for our main course. We need to know how many will attend so we have enough of the main course. Please arrive around 2:00-2:30 PM and bring a side dish to share plus what ever drinks you prefer! It should be a wonderful evening!!

I am hopeful that our drives will be populated with more of you but I understand if you have reservations. COVID is still a problem and I will do everything I know to keep us safe and healthy!

See you soon!!

Betty McKinnie Social Director

# NEW YEARS DAY BODEGA RUN





### Public Relations Report:

Hi gang, hope all is well with everyone, all invoices handed out, only one change Silveira Chevrolet change to be an advertiser for a 100.00 instead of sponsor of 300.00! Other than that LIFE IS GOOD! Will be having super bowl party at my house, Tri-Tip and Salmon, everyone bring side dish and what u want to drink! More info to follow, check out these pictures of Hot air balloon fest when I was in Lake Havasu, it was fun!

Feb Brain Teaser: A raw carrot is what when you eat it????



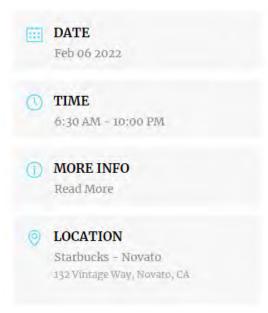






# CARS and COFFEE

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# February 13th 2022 Super Bowl PARTY

Kick-off at 3:30pm - arrive between 2-2:30

William will be BBQ-ing
Tri-tip and Salmon.
Please bring a side dish to share,
and your own beverages..

Club Sonoma: 19325 Orange Ave, Sonoma, CA 95476

R.S.V.P. to Betty M. by Feb 10th



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### WSCC 2022 Caravan

This is an update of the upcoming August 2022 WSCC trip. The planning committee decided to rename this trip from Gathering to Caravan to better reflect our traveling itinerary. When the trip was originally announced, we were going to spend night one in Redding. The wonderful Sheraton Hotel in Redding was unfortunately uncooperative as they wanted us to pay almost \$300 for a room and more than \$10,000 for a cocktail reception. We decided instead to complete day one in Corning, CA which will reduce our driving on our initial day. That change is the only significant one since the planning started many, many months ago. Corvette's Chief Engineer Josh Holder will provide a remote presentation via a Zoom meeting during our final night banquet. He will likely give us an update of the C8 Z06 as well as news related to the other C8 models.

We have lots of very good things planned. For example, we plan to have a Relaxing afternoon at Salem's Riverfront Park where we will park on the grass and enjoy each other's cars. This park is used for many car shows and events each year. Right across the street is downtown Salem with dozens of shops and lots of places to eat lunch. Imagine the image below with more than 100 Corvettes.



Spectators got to see more than 300 cars at the 27th Annual Carousel Cruise at Riverfront Park in Salem on Saturday, Sept.

### WSCC 2022 Caravan

Here's a brief summary of the trip. We hope you will join us on this journey, and please remember, there is a limit of only 200 registrants - so sign up early if you plan on attending.

### **Daily Driving Overview**

Day 1 - Thu. Aug 25, 2022

Traveling from Fairfield, CA to Corning, CA

ARRIVE AT 9:00am

Costco parking lot, Fairfield, CA. (180 miles)

Registration & Caravan Launch

Day 2 - Fri. Aug 26, 2022

Traveling from Corning, CA to Canyonville, OR (269 miles)

Day 3 -Sat. Aug 27, 2022

Traveling from Canyonville, OR to Salem, OR (159 miles)

Day 4 - Sun. Aug 28, 2022

Traveling from Salem, OR to McMinnville, OR (35 miles)

Day 5 - Mon. Aug 29, 2022 (Start Heading Home)

Traveling from McMinnville, OR to Eureka, CA (390 miles)

Day 6 - Tue. Aug 30, 2022

Traveling from Eureka, CA. to your home (If you live in San Francisco) (271 miles)

Our WSCC 2020 Caravan Planning committee:

Mike and Maryanne McLucas
Dan Divita
Kevin McKinnie
Steve Boyer
Jeff Farber

Hi everyone it's Jane.

John and I joined the club in 1972 with a 1965 Red on Red convertible. We have concoured, Rallied, Auto Crossed, drove in parades, and went to several conventions. Since we joined have had 7 Corvettes altogether, 3 of them were Auto X, 4 street, and we sold the 1965 in 2011. Now I'm down to 1 Vette, a 2007 Atomic Orange Pace Car Convertible. We have hosted the Christmas Tree Cutting/Save a Tree/ Cookie Exchange Party for the last 43 years. NBCA has been my second family for 50 years now. Thank You to the next generation for keeping NBCA alive and going.

Jane





NBCA Family Tree Submission: William Donnelly.

I joined after I bought my 1978 yellow corvette, our meeting place was Campbell Bishop Chevrolet dealership in Corte Madra,

I auto crossed my 78 with the dealership plates still on it, and it was at then called SEARS POINT! We rented it for only \$1200. In California then you could only buy automatic transmissions.

Then in 1980, I bought an 1980 maroon corvette, still u could only get automatics! +

Then in 1981 they allowed manual transmissions, so I traded in my 1980 had to order a 1981 cherry red with a 4 speed! Then I got married, invited the corvette club to the wedding at gristle park in San Rafael, then a year later was going to have a baby and needed a bigger car so I sold the corvette for a 1984 firebird needed more room for three!

Started my own Dental Supply business moved to Sonoma Then in 1988 I ordered my ruby red convertible 1988, did a lot of auto crossing and car shows with all my corvettes, then my son let his best friend drive my 88, he rolled it, neither one hurt but car was totaled, restored it as a total race car!

Then in 2020 ordered my Ceramic Grey corvette, but didn't get it until 2021,out of all the corvettes I've own it is most awesome car I've ever owned! Love this club, and everyone in it, and yes we our all family!

WD



Picture Taken by Kevin M of NBCA on New Years Day Run to Bodega Bay

# CORVETTE RACING AT DAYTONA: Tough Debut in GTD PRO

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**CORVETTE RACING AT DAYTONA: Tough Debut in GTD PRO** 

Corvette C8.Rs, team soldier through to complete full 24 hours

**DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.** (Jan. 30, 2022) – Corvette Racing made it through a tumultuous Rolex 24 At Daytona on Sunday and gained valuable information on its Chevrolet Corvette C8.Rs in their new GT Daytona (GTD) PRO configuration.

The No. 3 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette of Antonio Garcia, Jordan Taylor and Nicky Catsburg – 2021 winners in the GT Le Mans class – led Corvette Racing's charge with a sixth-place finish. It was a solid drive back from ninth place in the middle of the night when an electrical issue cost the team 13 laps in the garage.

The No. 3 C8.R is the team's full-season entry in the new-for-2022 GTD PRO class. Other than the visit in the garage late Saturday night, things ran almost like clockwork for the Garcia/Taylor/Catsburg trio.

The same couldn't be said of the No. 4 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette of Tommy Milner, Nick Tandy and Marco Sorensen. Their C8.R appeared to be the strongest of the Corvette Racing entries in the opening hours until rear contact after a restart with Sorensen at the wheel caused significant damage near the 8.5-hour mark.

Sorensen had to brake hard to keep from hitting the wayward LMP3 car, which also just missed collecting Catsburg in the No. 3 Corvette. The No. 4 team lost nearly 2.5 hours replacing the diffuser, exhaust pipes and starter, among other components. It eventually salvaged a top-10 class finish.

Daytona marked the only scheduled IMSA appearance for the No. 4 Corvette, which moves to the FIA World Endurance Championship's GTE Pro class starting with the 1,000 Miles of Sebring (Fla.) on March 18. It is part of a combined weekend with IMSA, which will see Garcia, Taylor and Catsburg race in the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring on March 19.

**ANTONIO GARCIA, NO. 3 MOBIL 1/SiriusXM CHEVROLET CORVETTE C8.R – SIXTH IN GTD PRO:** "This was one of those races where you wanted it to be shorter. We learned a lot and there is still more for us to learn. We had 25 or 26 stints to learn this tire. So it was a proper first real test in race conditions. We were lacking pace both days. There still was a lot to be gained. If you add some extra testing and something else, then maybe we can be in the hunt. In the last stint, I could tell we were missing a tiny bit. If we were on the lead lap, it would have taken a tiny bit for us to be competitive. We'll carry on to Sebring."

JORDAN TAYLOR, NO. 3 MOBIL 1/SiriusXM CHEVROLET CORVETTE C8.R – SIXTH IN GTD PRO: "Other than the alternator issues, we've had a faultless and flawless race. The strategy and pit stops have been great. It's good to see the team executing so well. It's unfortunate we had that issue otherwise we'd be fighting in the top-five somewhere. It's good to get the extra miles and it's good the guys got us back out there because we have a championship to fight for at the end of the day. We've made up some points by attrition."

NICKY CATSBURG, NO. 3 MOBIL 1/SiriusXM CHEVROLET CORVETTE C8.R – SIXTH IN GTD PRO: "This was nice to continue and get more experience on this tire. I think it was the right decision to keep on going and never giving up. It was a learning experience. I enjoyed it. Hopefully we will get more pace at Sebring and we can be competitive."

TOMMY MILNER, NO. 4 MOBIL 1/SiriusXM CHEVROLET CORVETTE C8.R – 10TH IN GTD PRO: "It's obviously frustrating to have the problems we did. Even so and looking at the ultimate pace, I don't think we had the car today to race for the win potentially. You never know in these kind of races. If you're there at the end and you're close, anything can happen. That was kind of our goal today and obviously we didn't achieve that. It's frustrating from that point of view. Even though we (the No. 4 Corvette) won't be racing in IMSA for the full season, it's exciting for the 3 car guys and the fans to see the racing we should have this year in GTD PRO. We haven't really had that kind of door-to-door racing in some time."

NICK TANDY, NO. 4 MOBIL 1/SiriusXM CHEVROLET CORVETTE C8.R – 10TH IN GTD PRO: "This sort of thing does happen in motor racing. We spent way too much time in the garage today than we expected. We bring two cars to this race for a reason, and that's to have two shots. To have the luck that strikes both in the middle of the night is tough to take, to be sure. It's so surprising because it doesn't often happen with this team. This is motorsport and there are a lot of things that go into putting a car out on track, especially in going around for 24 hours. Sometimes we have good days like last year and sometimes it's not so great like today."

MARCO SORENSEN, NO. 4 MOBIL 1/SiriusXM CHEVROLET CORVETTE C8.R – 10TH IN GTD PRO: "It's been a great few weeks with Corvette Racing. Of course you come to these races wanting to compete and win. So it hurts a little bit that we didn't get that. But in the end, it has bene a fantastic experience with this team. It's a great bunch of guys and I like their way of going racing and how they do it. I'm just really happy to have had this chance."

# NCM CORVETTE RAFFLE

https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/



### 2022 Build Your Own Corvette or \$70,000 2/3/2022

Price: **\$250.00** Tickets: 1500 Available: 670 Drawing: February 3, 2022 2:00 PM Central Time 2022 Build Your Own Corvette or \$70,000 2/3/2022

### 2022 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe 2/24/2022

Price: **\$150.00** Tickets: 1500 Available: 1017 Drawing: February 24, 2022 2:00 PM Central Time 2022 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe 2/24/2022



#### 2022 Red Mist Convertible 3/24/2022

Price: **\$200.00** Tickets: 1500 Available: 1445 Drawing: March 24, 2022 2:00 PM Central Time 2022 Red Mist Convertible 3/24/2022

### 2022 Arctic White Corvette Convertible 4/30/2022

Price: \$20.00 Unlimited Raffle

Drawing: April 30, 2022 3:00 PM Central Time 2022 Arctic White Corvette Convertible 4/30/2022



# 2023 Chevy Corvette Z06 gets \$3.6 million at Barrett-Jackson auction

# Rick Hendrick breaks the auction record he set two years ago



When we learned that <a href="Chevrolet">Chevrolet</a> would <a href="auction">auction</a> the first retail 2023 <a href="Corvette">Corvette</a> Z06 for charity at this month's <a href="Barrett-Jackson">Barrett-Jackson</a> Scottsdale auction, we figured there'd be another Corvette record in the making. The last charity Corvette the auction house sold was the first 2020 C8 Corvette, which <a href="NASCAR">NASCAR</a> team owner Rick Hendrick bought for \$3 million. With his winning bid, Hendrick set the benchmark hammer price for a Barrett-Jackson charity car, eclipsing the \$2.9 million paid for the last front-engined Corvette in 2019. On January 29 at around 8:30 p.m., bidding began for this new tilt, and sure enough, the Z06 set a new charity auction benchmark for a vehicle donated by an OEM at \$3.6 million. The winning bidder was, again, Rick Hendrick, the selfsame chap who bought the first retail 2020 C8 <a href="Corvette Stingray">Corvette Stingray</a> two years ago for \$3 million.

The NASCAR team owner, Chevrolet <u>dealer</u> franchisee and <u>GM</u> Defense contractor didn't just buy a Z06 VIN 0001, he bought one of the recently announced 70th Anniversary cars. The special edition starts with two new exterior <u>colors</u> unique to the 70th AE, White Pearl Tri-coat and Carbon Flash Metallic, available with optional accent stripes in Satin Gray for the White Pearl, Satin Black for the Carbon Flash. The 70th AE

cars also get unique wheels and center caps, finished in Carbon Flash with an <a href="Edge">Edge</a> Red stripe. Edge Red graces the <a href="brake">brake</a> calipers and the Stingray's engine cover, while Anniversary Edition badging graces body panels outside and cabin surfaces inside. The package also comes with a rear bumper protector, trunk cover and a set of custom luggage. And while the cosmetic fripperies are locked in, a <a href="Chevy">Chevy</a> spokesperson told <a href="Autoblog">Autoblog</a>, "Customers maintain the ability to add <a href="Z51/Z07">Z51/Z07</a> performance packages, performance aero accessories, <a href="carbon fiber">carbon fiber</a> interior accessories and features like that" for more performance if they're willing to pay.

Every cent of Hendrick's largesse is being donated to <u>Operation Homefront</u>, Barrett-Jackson forgoing its usual fees, and <u>an unnamed benefactor donating another</u> \$100,000 to make \$3.7 million in total. The 20-year-old nonprofit Operation Homefront exists to help the post-9/11 wounded, <u>military</u> families and veterans with financial assistance and housing support. Chevrolet has been involved with the charity for more than five years, donating funds and Silverado pickups. Operation Homefront's president & CEO, retired U.S. Army Brigadier General John I. Pray, Jr., said the organization has spent around \$35 million to answer more than 50,000 requests for assistance.

About the only auction-based Corvette record left to beat is the most expensive sale in the model's history, a 1967 L88 Coupe with a hammer price of \$3.85 million at Barrett-Jackson's 2014 Scottsdale auction. Until that sale happens, congratulations to everyone involved in this one.

### Chevrolet Trivia

What is the first year for the Chevrolet Big Block V-8 engine and what was the displacement?

### Chevrolet Trivia Answer

The first production Big Block V-8 Chevrolet engine was the "Single U" series, released in 1958 in passenger car & trucks with 348 cubic inch displacement. This engine was an overhead valve design with offset valves and unique scalloped rocker covers, giving it a distinctive appearance. The "W" series was produced from 1958-1965, with three displacements offered: 348 cubic inches (5.7 L), available from 1958-1961 in cars and 1958-1964 in trucks; 409 cubic inches (6.702 L), available from 1961-1965; and 427 cubic inches (6.9973 L), available in 1962 & 1963. Many are unaware that Chevrolet's first ever V-8 engine was produced from 1917-1919. At 288 cubic inches, it too was substantial for it's time

### Other Corvette Facts: (Found at https://www.gmpartscenter.net/blog/corvette-fun-facts)

- You might be surprised to learn that the 1968 LT-2 Corvette prototype is the fastest in history, completing the quarter mile in 10.86 seconds and going 0-60 in 2.8 seconds. Though the 2009 ZR1 came close with a quarter mile at 11.4 seconds, the old prototype still reigns supreme.
- V8 engines weren't available as an option until 1955. And in that year, 90% of all customers selected the option. Since then, all Corvettes have offered nothing but V8 engines.
- The 1963 Corvette Sting Ray Split-Window Coupe is widely regarded as the most beautiful and influential Corvette ever made.
- The 2014 Corvette Stingray was clocked going reverse at 53 mph—just 2 mph behind the all time record!
- The Corvette is the only vehicle to ever offer a legitimate "wraparound" windshield.
- The Corvette has been used as the pace car of the Indianapolis 500 thirteen times, more than any other vehicle!

# Ten Commandments

# CORVETTE

- 1. Thou shalt not loan a Corvette to anyone.
- II. Thou shalt not bring a Corcette to an automatic Car Wash
- III. Thou shalt not fail to wave to a fellow owner.
- Thou shalt not swear at Corvette for it is very temperamental.
- V. Thou shalt not cruise on an unpaved road.
- VI. Thou shalt not pass a fellow Corvette owner in distress.
- VII. Thou shalt not feed with budget grade fuel.
- VIII. Thou shalt not expose Corvette to severe weather conditions.
- IX. Thou shalt not forget to activate alarm.
- X. Thou shalt not acknowledge a Porche or 280 Z as being true sports cars.

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Pic from: CorvSport.com



# Angela's Massage

at Salon Coiffe Maman 132 Kentucky St. Petaluma (707) 870-9527 for appointment

Chair Massage

15 mins....\$20

20 mins.....\$30



Walk-Ins Welcome!

Full Body Massage

30 mins....\$40

45 mins.....\$50

60 mins.....\$60...with Cupping or Hot Stone..... \$70

75 mins.....\$80...with Cupping or Hot Stone..... \$90

90 mins.....\$100...with Cupping or Hot Stone...\$110

# Something to make for the Super Bowl

# The Pioneer Woman.com Easy Buffalo Chicken Dip

Directions					
Preheat the	1 Preheat the oven to 375°F.				
	im bowl, mix the cream h a rubber spatula until very				
	d smooth. Mix in				
Stir in the	the buffalo sauce and ranch dressing. Stir in the chicken, blue cheese, 1 cup				
of cheddar scallions.	cheese, and one-half of the				
Transfer to	a 1.5 quart casserole dish,				
	11-inch-by-7-inch casserole with the remaining cheddar				
	ke for 18-20 minutes, until				
melted on	are bubbly and the cheese is top. Remove from the oven it for 5 minutes. Sprinkle				
with the re	emaining sliced scallions. veggies and chips.				
	cheese with creamy and the buffale Stir in the of cheddar scallions.  3 Transfer to such as an dish. Top with the edges a melted on and let resident with the resident creamy and the edges and the ed				

### VALENTINE'S DAY BROWNIES THAT WILL MELT HEARTS

(HTTPS://WWW.GOODHOUSEKEEPING.COM/FOOD-RECIPES/DESSERT/A36540/EASY-VALENTINES-DAY-BROWNIES/)

YIELDS:16 servings

TOTAL TIME: 0 hours 40 mins

### **Ingredients**

3/4 c. unsalted butter
4 oz. unsweetened chocolate
4 oz. semisweet chocolate
1/2 c. all-purpose flour
1/2 c. unsweetened cocoa powder
3/4 tsp. salt
6 large eggs
1 c. granulated sugar
1 c. packed brown sugar
2 tsp. vanilla extract

Vanilla frosting, for decorating



### **Directions**

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F. Line 13-inch by 9-inch pan with foil; grease foil.
- 2. In 3-quart saucepan, melt butter and chocolates on low, stirring. Remove from heat.
- 3. In bowl, whisk flour, cocoa and salt. In large bowl, with electric mixer on high speed, beat eggs until blended. Gradually add sugars; beat until tripled in volume, about 10 minutes.
- 4. Fold in chocolate mixture and vanilla, then flour mixture. Pour into pan. Bake until toothpick inserted near center comes out almost clean, 28 to 32 minutes.
- 5. Once cool, cut brownies into hearts freehand or using a <u>heart-shaped cookie</u> <u>cutter</u>. (Tip: Don't let the trimmings go to waste you can even crumble them onto a sundae!)
- 6. Pipe on store-bought frosting to create cute chocolate "conversation hearts."

# Meeting Location 2nd Wednesday of each month

5:30pm Dinner & Social / 6:30pm Meeting starts





### **Southbound – From Sonoma County:**

South on Hwy 101

Exit 462B - take the De long Ave exit

Slight right onto De Long Ave

De Long becomes Diablo Ave

Turn LEFT on Novato Blvd.

Your destination is on your RIGHT

### **Northbound – Marin County:**

North on Hwy 101

Exit 462B - Take De Long Ave exit

Keep left to take ramp toward Downtown/Novato

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De Long becomes Diablo Ave

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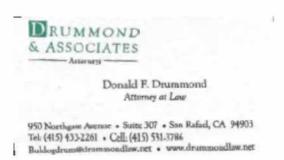




















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