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# Vette Gazette

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As most of you know, this has been a pretty rough year for Becky and I. Yesterday marked the end of my latest, 4<sup>th</sup> and hopefully last, hospital stay just in this year!! (don't remind me there are still 3 months left in this one).

I've missed so many of the events I usually attend, and it isn't fun. To illustrate how my CCC year has gone I'm going to ask you a question. Of all the CCC president's elected to this office, and who didn't or wasn't able to, didn't chair even one regular meeting during the year??? Not a trick question and I'm sure you know it was me. I'm still thinking I might get a chance this year and I really hope I do. And if I do, it will also give newer members a chance to see who is the club President.

You might also ask yourself "if this guy IS the president, how come he signs this president message every month. Well, just because I've missed out of the majority of activities this year doesn't mean I don't know what's going on. My ring of secret agents reaches far and wide, and is very effective!!!

One of the events I really really missed was the National Corvette Caravan. I wish every one of you one day finds the time to do this. This would have been my 3<sup>rd</sup> and was something I looked forward to since September 2014. I swear if I had access to a corvette ambulance I would have made damn sure I was right along with the rest of you. About caravan 2024????.....I'M READY!!

As dark continues to come earlier each day this time of year there is another event that I don't plan on missing, and that is the annual Albany Veteran's Day Parade. I am a Viet Nam Veteran, and even if I wasn't a veteran I would hope I'd still feel about Veterans Day the way I do. And if you aren't a veteran, what a great opportunity to show your appreciation to these bravest of men and women who have served this wonderful place in which we have the great fortune to live.

If I sound like I might be a little prejudiced about our military, it's because I am. I know how proud it makes me feel when I see a car with a bumper sticker telling us how proud they are to be a parent of a service man or woman. I also know the effect the loss of a loved one has when notified about the loss.

Veteran's Day this year is Monday, November 11. You don't need to have a convertible to be in this parade, and I'm asking every member of our club to attend if at all possible. Further details will follow.

Stan



Dear South Dakota,

I am still cleaning your bugs out of my grille....with a toothbrush.

What did we learn in 6400 miles of traveling America's freeways, highways and historic byways? We learned that the first Rest Area in Montana is NOT a rest area. Hold it for another mile! We learned that hundreds of miles (OK, slight exaggeration) of interstate lanes are closed with absolutely no sign of work taking place. We learned that grasshopper guts become wedged & baked into every nook & cranny in your grille and splitter. We learned why the North Central Caravan leader suggested driving in the left lane. We learned that SPAM is (mostly) pork. And there are more than 30 different SPAM flavors. Unfortunately, we learned there are some Corvette people who will fill boxes with continental breakfast items, thus depriving those behind them in line of breakfast. We learned that some Corvette people will stand in line for hours for a free buffet. Others just go find a Steak & Shake. We learned to NEVER pass up a sure-thing rest stop! We learned to find a fork in the road and take it. We learned there are approximately 500,000 NASCAR drivers in Tennessee & Kentucky. And yes, they do eat Moon Pies and drink RC Cola. We learned that some of us need bibs..

And finally, chipmunks on crack designed some of America's interstate rest areas!





## Misc. Notes

### REMINDER There will not be an October General Meeting on Oct. 11.

Our next General Meeting will be held on Nov. 8, 6:15 pm at the EPUD Community Room. We will hold our regular business meeting, continue nominations and have our Annual Chili & Cornbread Feed that night.

Because of this meeting cancellation, Gerry Swartz is taking Officer & Board nominations via email during the month of October. Please email [conswartz@msn.com](mailto:conswartz@msn.com) with a list of your nominations. If you would like to **volunteer** your name for a certain position, please express that in your email.

Please join CCC for an Open House at Christine & David Kopachik's new home on **Oct. 1** from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. 1515 W. Main, Cottage Grove. Corvette parking on the lawn.

A Memorial Service for Kim Bailey will be held Sunday, **Oct. 6**, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 5344 Main St., Springfield. We hope to see many Corvettes there to honor Kim and support Bob.

Larry & Simone Thomas will be hosting a **Halloween Party** on **Friday, Oct. 25**. Details regarding menu, costumes, pumpkins, etc. will be e-mailed in the next few weeks.

Only two chances remain to buy tickets for the fantastic Corvette quilt made for the club by Sandie Massett - Nov. & Dec. meetings.

The Chili & Cornbread Feed scheduled for October has been moved to the November 8 meeting. Please contact Nancy or Connie if you would like to bring chili, cornbread, salad or dessert. We ask that you bring your own drinks (no alcoholic beverages please). Plates, bowls, plasticware, napkins will be supplied.

We will once again be participating in the Albany Veteran's Day Parade on Monday, November 11. Details will be forthcoming.

Gerry & Connie Swartz have secured dates for the Valley River Center Corvette Show. April 17 - 19, 2020. We will move our Corvettes into the Mall and set-up after closing on Friday, Apr. 17. Bonus: We already have a commitment from a future C8 Mid-Engine Corvette owner to include their C8 (maybe the first one in Oregon?) in our show!



"Dignity" statue near Chamberlain, SD



## Happy Birthday!

October 4 - Steve Miller  
October 8 - Dennis Cannon  
October 10 - Gerry Swartz  
October 15 - Sandra Bristow  
October 16 - Larry Simelius  
October 16 - Cecile Simelius  
October 20 - Lonnie Hinde  
October 23 - Susan Homolka  
October 24 - CJ Braswell  
October 30 - Steve Beaty



Those who participated in the 2014 National Corvette Caravan remember our stop in Montana to view the Ressler collection, including the oldest Corvette in existence, the #003 1953 Corvette. Now in 2019, we saw the cut-away 1953 claiming to be #003. But don't worry, someone *did not* cut up the oldest Corvette. There is a not-so-simple explanation.

Of the first 3 Corvettes build, #001 was intentionally set on fire to test how fast fiberglass would burn. #002 was *supposedly* crushed and #003 was retained by General Motors for testing. It was tested to the point that the chassis was worn out. At this point GM pulled the body off the chassis and re-installed it on a 1955 chassis and the car was sold as a used car. Along the line, the Ressler family bought the 1953 at auction and still retain it to this day. The 1953 chassis was supposed to have been destroyed.

Several years later, the original 1953 chassis was discovered on eBay. Corvette restorer Kevin Mackey bought the chassis and built the cut-away Corvette you see above. Both carry the #003 VIN stamps, therefore, both have a legitimate claim to the "oldest" Corvette claim.

## Club Clothing

We have two options for embroidered club clothing & hats.

Fiddler's Green Golf Center  
Embroidery Dept.  
can order anything you like  
and will embroider our club logo  
for a small fee.

Or you may take in any garment, regardless where it was purchased and they will embroider the club logo for you.



## **Up Coming Events**

**October 1  
Open House  
David & Christine Kopachik  
1515 W. Main  
Cottage Grove**

**October 6  
Kim Bailey Memorial Service  
VFW  
5344 Main St,  
Springfield**

**October 25  
Halloween Party**

**November 8  
Chili & Cornbread Feed  
&  
General Meeting**

**November 11  
Veteran's Day Parade  
Albany**

**December 13  
Annual Meeting/  
Christmas Party  
Willie's Lebanese & NW Cuisine**

**April 17 - 19  
Cascade Corvette Club  
Valley River Center  
Corvette Show**

### **Possible 2020 Events**

**May? June?  
Big Sky Corvette Meet  
Bozeman, MT**

**June 5 - 6  
Corvettes on the Columbia  
Tri-Cities, WA**

**July 15 - 18  
Black Hills Corvette Classic  
Spearfish, SD**

**August 2020  
Sea to Sky  
Hosted by  
British Columbia Corvette Club  
Squamish, British Columbia**

**August 2020  
Vettes on the Rockies  
Steamboat Springs, CO**

**Local 2-day (weekend) cruises?  
So. Oregon, Tillamook,  
Walla Walla Wine Tour,  
Central Oregon, Oregon Coast,  
Columbia Gorge,  
?????**



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OCTOBER 25, 2019  
6:00 PM TO 11:00 PM**

**LARRY AND SIMONE'S HOME  
2820 CHUCKANUT ST (NORTH SIDE OFF CRESCENT)**

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**2019**  
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**\$59,411**



**2019**  
**Ceramic Matrix Gray / Jet Black**  
**Z06**  
**1LZ, auto**  
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Age & health forces the sale of my 1978 25<sup>th</sup> Silver Anniversary C3.

I am the second owner; I've had it about 30 years, garaged the entire time. It has 78,245 miles on it. Original GM factory paint with Red Leather interior. Call or email for more details. \$11,500

Tom 425-255-4780

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### For Sale

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## Mid Engine Monthly Update (By John Elegant)

The C8 world keeps exploding in a positive way, with GM announcing the HT convertible will be revealed October 2nd, at the Kennedy Space Center. I am again very fortunate to have received a GM media invite. <https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/69611-10-02-19-c8-ht-convertible-reveal>

Before its actual reveal, we have seen this GM teaser screen print of HT convertible. Exciting look IMO!



What is the word “nacelle” that GM is using to describes those behind-the-seat tapered, rearward diminishing “cones”? The origin goes way back, but in post WW II times, it means, “the enclosed part of an airplane, dirigible, etc., in which the engine is housed or in which cargo or passengers are carried.” Lockheed Martin uses the term to describe their aircraft engine housings. *Oh, if the word “nacelles” sounds familiar, those are the structures that house the engines on the Star Trek’s Enterprise. Warp Speed; thank you Mr. Sulu!*

Excitingly is that very first C8 actual, matched-with-an-allocation orders *were formally accepted to GM order status 3000, “Order Accepted for Production Control.”* That is a massive milestone, that after 66 years of mid engine Corvette discussion, then years waiting for its formal reveal, actual customer orders now working their way to currently-scheduled, December 2nd start of production — with first customer deliveries estimated to be around February 1st. Meanwhile, GM is starting to share timing for when currently-constrained accessories will become available. <https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/purchasing-your-new-corvette/68848-updated-constraint-timing-for-specific-options-and-accessories>

A new video, a 20 minute interview of Harlan is here for your pleasure; it contains some new and more info. <https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/69663-inside-the-2020-c8-corvette-with-product-manager-harlan-charles-video>

Will the C8 coupe have sufficient cargo space for your needs? At the link we have both pictures and videos, including of a great set of luggage options by ClubGlove. Yes, the C8 coupe will fit EVERY piece of this luggage in this picture at one time (as it will the entire C7 five-piece luggage set).



<https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/mid-engine-corvettes/mid-engine-exterior-interior-pictures-and-renderings/66647-will-the-c8-have-sufficient-cargo-capacity-for-your-needs>

Contemplating a C8 high wing, but still not sure? Pictures are still very limited, in fact none from GM other than the “visualizer,” but two pictures of it taken off the car were taken 7.18.19 reveal are found/posted here, and this one from the C8 accessory catalog. <https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/mid-engine-corvettes/mid-engine-exterior-interior-pictures-and-renderings/69750-found-great-high-wing-picture>

If you have not seen this earlier infotainment presentation video, not only is it a hoot, but super informative also.

<https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/mid-engine-corvettes/mid-engine-exterior-interior-pictures-and-renderings/54965-c8-infotainment-walk-through>

For those who wish to “Build & Price” their C8, thanks to the talented “MKenM” for developing this excellent spreadsheet (he created the best C7 one too). <https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/purchasing-your-new-corvette/70426-c8-build-and-pricing-including-options-spreadsheet-thanks-to-mkenm>

Thanks for reading, and if I can ever be of help in any way, having already helped many decide their 25 C8’s exact ordering specs, of course N/C, please contact me via “John” at the forum.



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		<b>1</b> <i>Kopachik Open House 4 - 7:00 pm</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> <i>Kim Bailey Memorial Service 2 - 5:00 pm</i>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <i>Board Mtg 7:00 pm @ Mart's</i>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>NO MEETING TODAY</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <i>Halloween Party @ Thomas' 6 - 11 pm</i>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 		

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