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## The Front Page

In this month's edition of Flags, a few of us headed up to Les Stanford Chevrolet in Dearborn, MI to join Denny Cassel as he takes official delivery of his 2026 ZR1X – VIN 0005 – only the fifth production ZR1X to be produced for public sale!

In the photo, this was the view as Denny slowly winched the Corvette up into his custom trailer.

There will be more on Denny's delivery sometime soon. Stay tuned!

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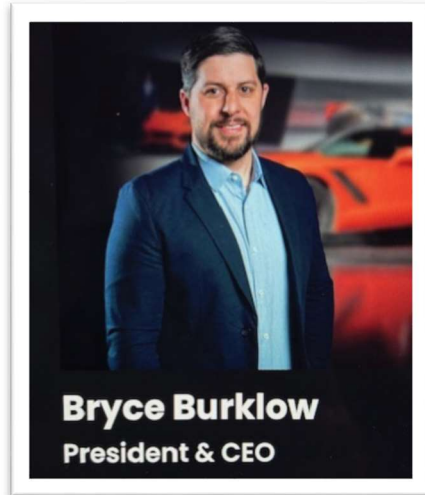
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WITH

*Mike Furman*



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**Bryce Burklow**  
President & CEO

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# THE BROOKVILLE CORVETTE CLUB

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The Brookville Corvette Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at the Leiber Center, Golden Gate Park in Brookville, OH at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend

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The Brookville Corvette Club was founded in 1982



The March issue of Flags is full of great information.

One of the big news items this month is the delivery of **Denny Cassel's 2026 ZR1X**. If you were at the February meeting, Denny told the story of how a phone call from his dealer and offer to be one of the very first people to build one of the first 10 ZR1X's put him the driver's seat of VIN number 0005. Quite the story and we have more details in this month's edition.

Also this month, we have a few pictures that were taken at our Club dinner at **Buckhorn Tavern** on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February. We had almost 40 members in attendance. It was a great evening in the middle of what has become a very long winter.

We have the first pictures of our **2026 Banner** that has been approved by the National Corvette Museum. Just like last year, this banner will be installed at the Museum just before the Bash in April. It will be on display for a year for all to see when they visit the Museum.

There have been a lot of questions around the "**Private**" section that is on our Website. We spend some time explaining how to get access to that section which contains "for your eyes only" information about the Club. Please take a look and follow the instructions. All Club members should have access to that section.

Last, but certainly not least, we are pleased to announce that **Mike Furman** – the World's top selling Corvette Specialist – is now an honorary member of the Brookville Corvette Club. It's great to have a guy like Mike in the Club, and we are thrilled to have him on board.

Hope everyone is handling this cold winter well. The warm weather is just around the corner. I'm sure everyone can't wait to get out and start having fun with our cars once again.



Hi, all:

Hopefully, everyone is doing well and surviving this long, cold winter. We are getting closer to warmer weather which means being able to get our cars out. We just need a string of nice 50 degree days.

We had a good meeting in February. We also had a well-attended dinner event at the **Buckhorn Tavern** with almost 40 members attending.

With nicer weather on the horizon, I hope everyone is thinking about getting the Vettes out and spending some time with other members of the Club. I have started doing my check-off list of things to do – tire pressure, battery check, all fluids, an oil change, cleaning and detailing and just a good once over of the car.

We do have some events coming up, so check the calendar and keep an eye out for emails to get them on your schedule. You can always refer to our calendar in each issue of Flags.

Our **Cruise Into Summer** car show is now a tad over 3 months away. The date is June 6<sup>th</sup>, so make sure that you mark that on your personal calendar as a must-attend event.

Hope to see everyone at the March meeting! Until then, stay well and don't forget to **Save the Wave!**



## BCC CLUB MEETING

Our next meeting will be March 12th at Golden Gate Park at 7:00 p.m. We'll be discussing details about our upcoming Cruise Into Summer Car Show slated for Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. We're looking for sponsors and will be passing around the Show work sheet. More details to follow.



## VISITING THE **PACKARD** MUSEUM

On March 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00, we'll be meeting at the **Packard Museum** at 420 South Ludlow Street to tour the Museum. If you've never been to the Packard Museum, it is a real treat. Housed in the original Packard dealership, it is home to one of the most extensive collections of Packard motor cars in the country.

After we visit the Museum, we'll head over to the **Spaghetti Warehouse** at 36 West 5<sup>th</sup> street in Downtown Dayton for dinner.

Keep your eyes peeled for more information about this outing in an upcoming email.



# HERE IS OUR 2026 NCM BANNER

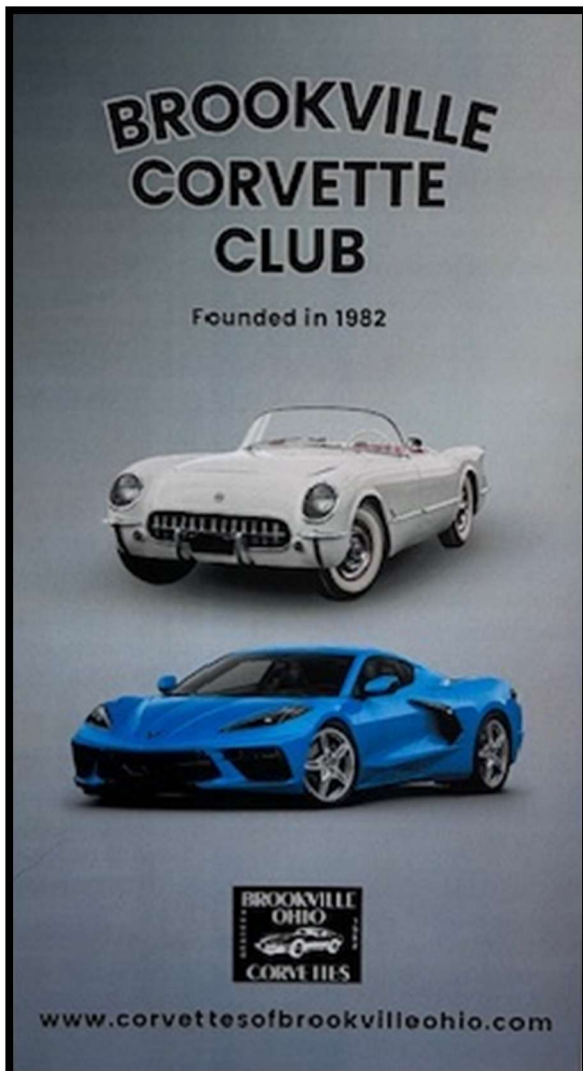


Last year, our Club participated in the National Corvette Museum's **Parking Lot Banner Program** for the first time. The banners, which are approximately 29.5" x 60.0", are hung on each of the light poles that surround the Museum. I don't have an exact number of light poles at the Museum, but I'm guessing there are probably 60 to 75 – perhaps a few more.

Last year's Banner (the gray one below left) ended up hanging on a pole right across from the main entrance to the Museum. That was cool (placement of each banner is random).

On the right is the new banner that will be installed right before the Bash in the middle of April. Several of us will be heading down to the Bash, so we'll see it first-hand. I will be picking up last year's banner and bringing it back to the Club where we can decide what we want to do with it.

Many thanks to those members that donated towards the cost of the banner. It certainly gives us great visibility at the Museum. If you are so inclined, we are still accepting donations to cover the cost. It is very much appreciated.



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# CORVETTE CORNER

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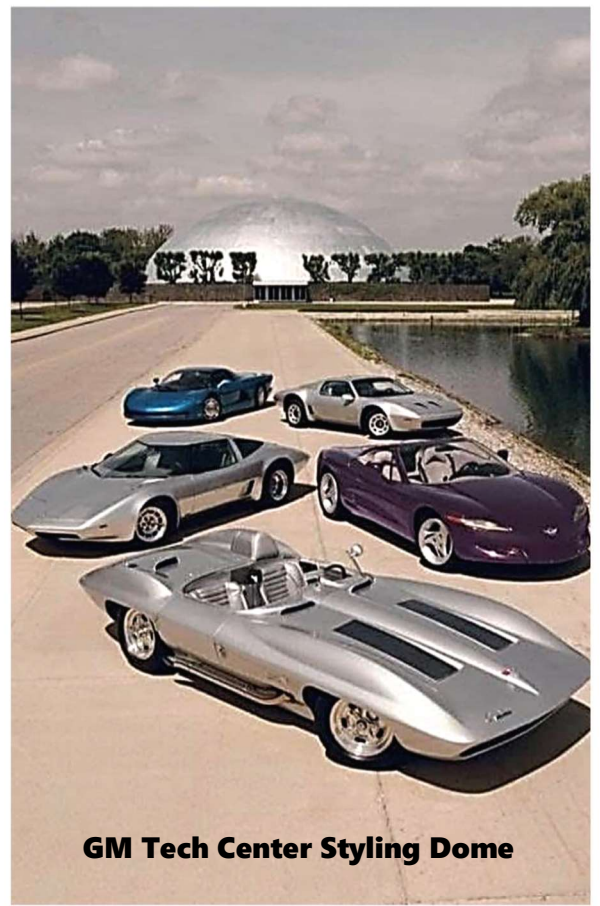
*Mike Furman*

National Corvette Specialist



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**Rolling into March,** we showcase another fine selection of Corvette-related pictures from Mike's extensive collection from his archive of 47,000+ images. From classic Corvettes to celebrities to people that have strongly influenced the path of this great car. Enjoy!





Dave McLellan



**MORE PAGES! COMPLETE REPORTS ON 15 NEW CARS!**

# MOTOR TREND

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The New PONTIAC is '58's stormer!  
**CHRYSLER'S CHANGES**  
8000 Miles in Two EDELS tells all!

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A man and his best friend





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PROGRESS

## Dreams—on wheels

Our General Motors engineers are practical men. But they have dreams, too—dreams of exciting new cars that some day might be built with new processes, new materials and new techniques now being developed. And, because you can't tell about our ideas until you try them, we gave our staff the go-ahead.

Here are the results—five glamorous hand-built, "run-in" models, fabricated of steel and Fiberglas and plastic. All combine many never-seen-before advances, all are different. More than a million people have already acclaimed them as our finest. Motorama shows them coast to coast.

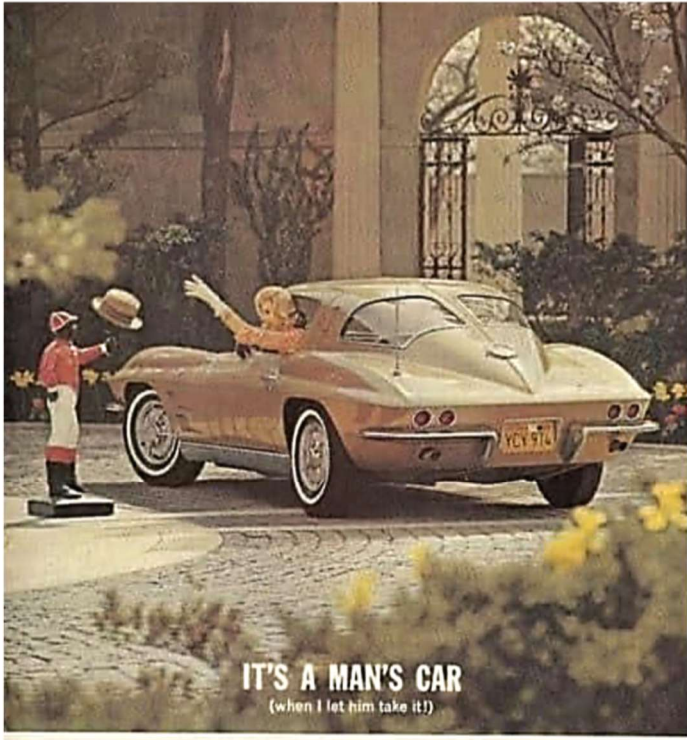
We feel these dream cars serve a useful purpose. By finding one which features you, the public, like best in these fast-advance models, we can set our sights on the long task of including them in production cars.

We show them here as another example of the forward-looking engineering that has long made the key to a General Motors car, your key to greater value.

*More and better things for more people!*

# GENERAL MOTORS

## Dream line-up for 1953



**IT'S A MAN'S CAR**  
(when I let him take it!)

Since when were a car's elegant looks and confident performance off limits for the female sex? Mind you, this new Corvette Sting Ray is only for a certain kind of woman. One who instinctively adds savoir-faire to every facet of her life. Who shares the commonplace. Who seeks out people, places, things that complement this flair.

Are you this kind of woman? If the Corvette sparks your imagination, yes! But its appeal is more than emotional. For instance, did you know that the Corvette is one of the world's most comfortable personal cars? Its finish and attention to detail rival much larger, more expensive but far less exotic cars. It has color-keyed deep-

twist carpeting. Foam-cushioned bucket seats. Clock, ash-tray and a lighter. Illuminated glove box. Courtesy lights. And a generous list of extra-cost options such as automatic transmission, radio, power steering and power brakes. Let's not overlook what many women find most intriguing of all about the Corvette: it's a two-passenger car (with ample luggage space). Perfect for impulsive, get-away-from-it-all jaunts. Just the two of you.

Want to drive a Corvette? Use a little psychology. Have him call your Chevrolet dealer for a demonstration. Then he'll think he thought of it. . . . Chevrolet Division of General Motors, Detroit 2, Michigan.

### NEW CORVETTE STING RAY BY CHEVROLET



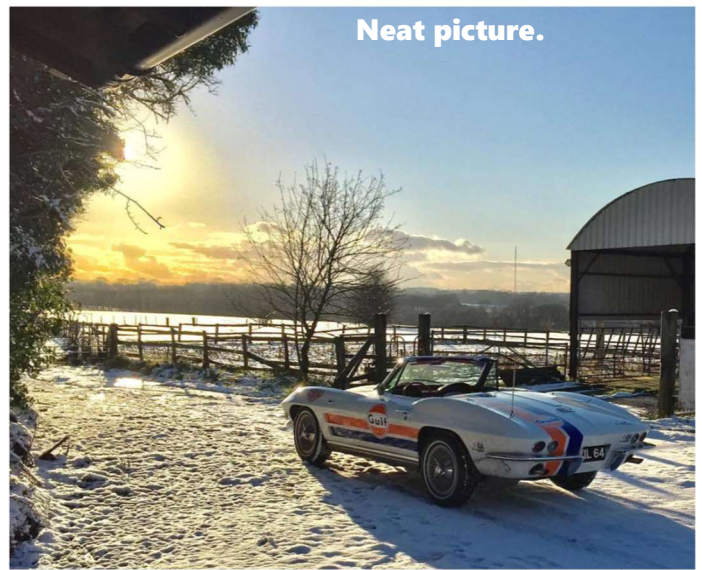


Larry Shinoda playing with his wind tunnel.

Does anything strike you funny about how everyone is parked?



Neat picture.



Car show, Anytown, USA



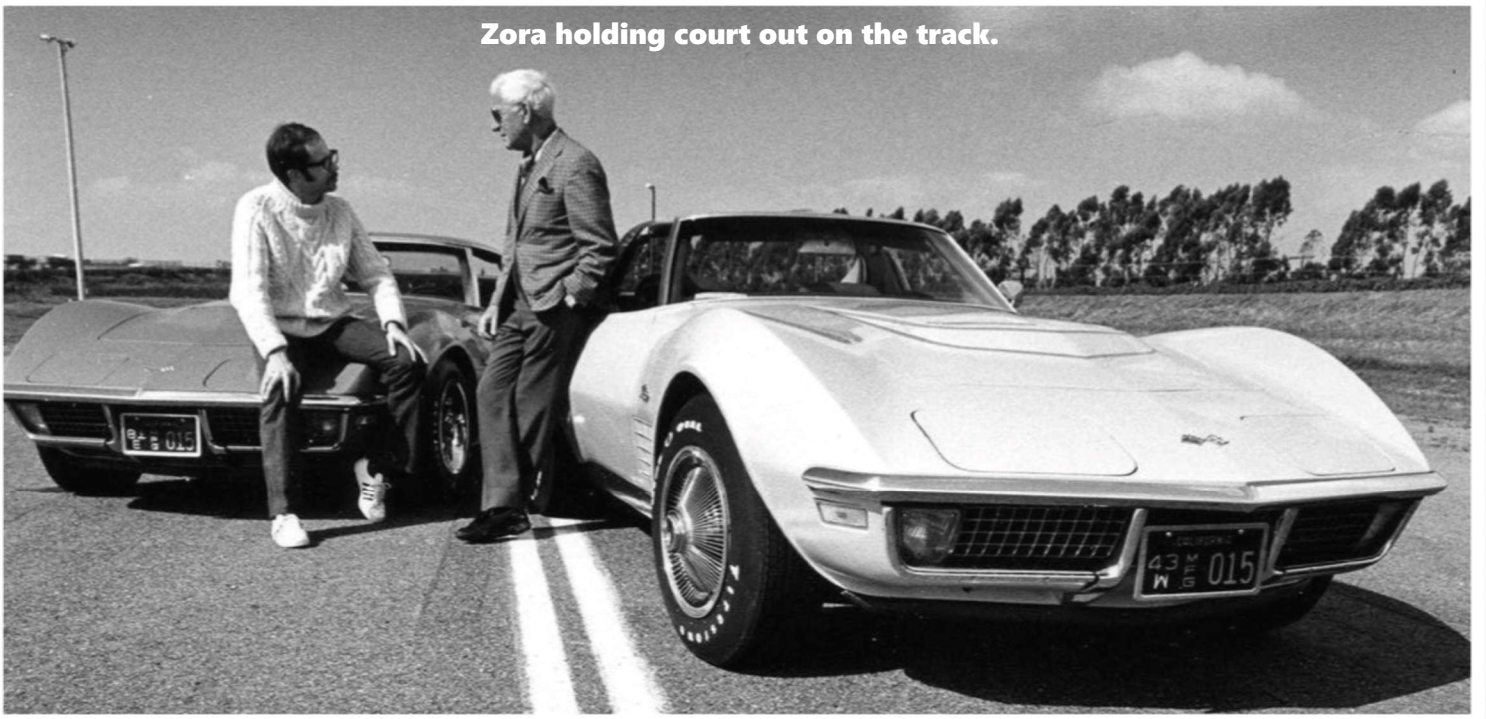


A cool picture for sure.

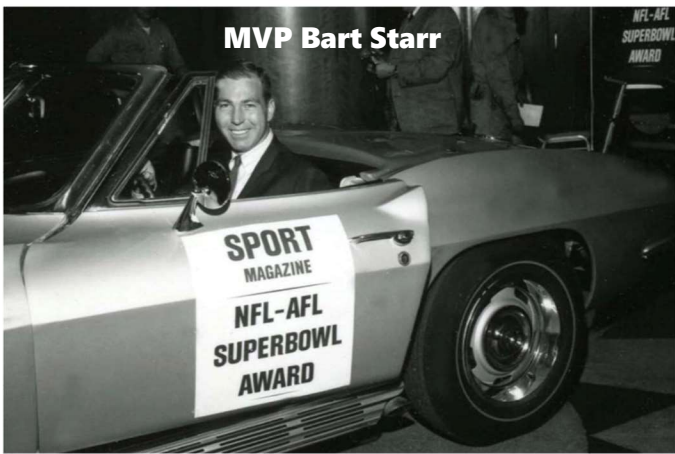


Great pic, but you couldn't move the trash cans?

Zora holding court out on the track.



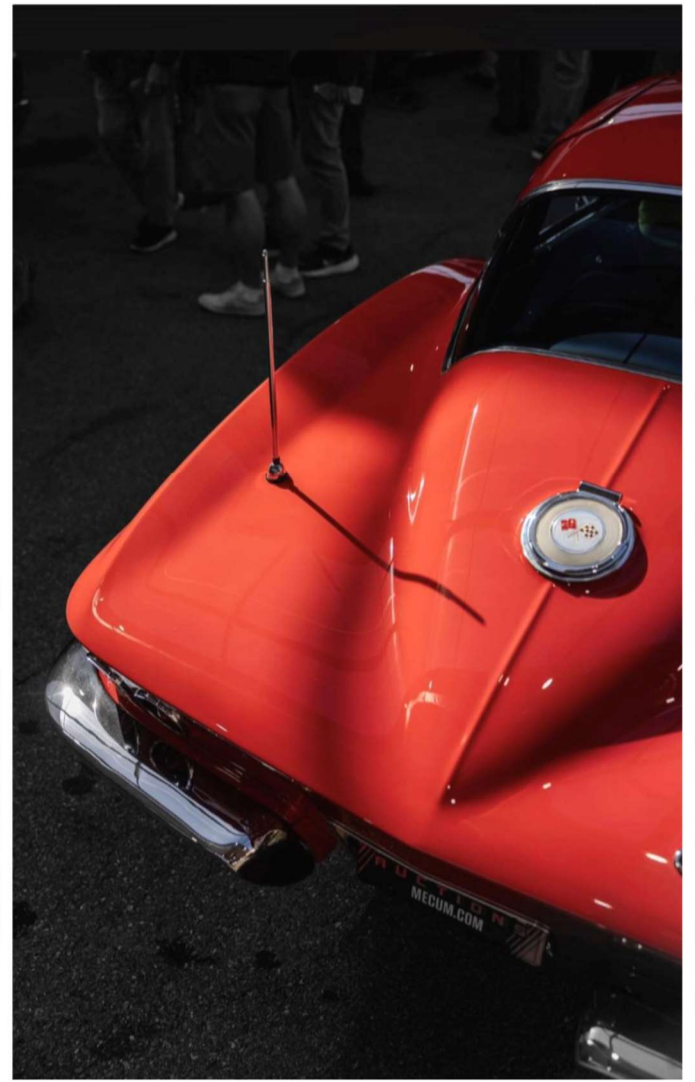
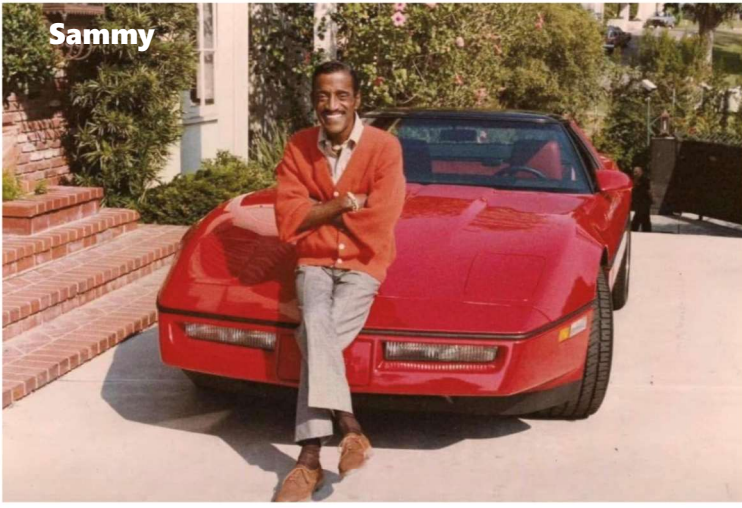
MVP Bart Starr



Black w/green stripe or vice versa. Your choice



Sammy



Front to back, Camaro SS with Rally Sport equipment, Chevelle SS 396, and Corvette Sting Ray Convertible.



Some cars fake it. These make it.

All it takes for some cars to call themselves sporty is nerve. To actually make them that way is something else again. We learned what there was to know from making America's only true production

sports car the Corvette. From that foundation we went ahead and built our Sports Department. And stocked it with the kind of cars that make it big on the road or in the rally. The roll call is impressive.

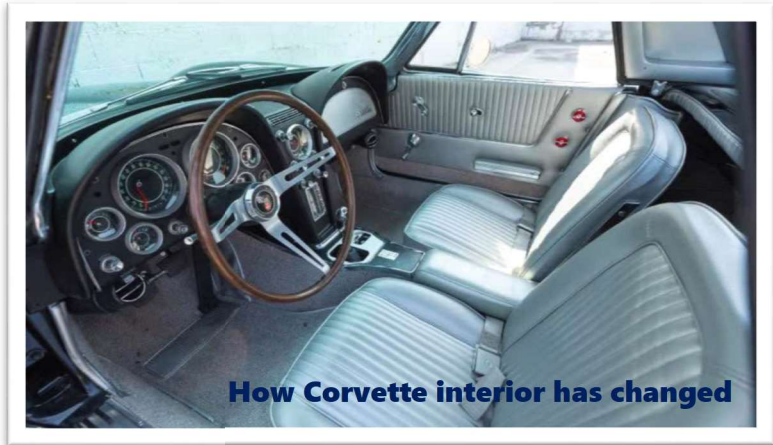
Chevelle SS 396, Camaro SS, Nova SS, Impala SS. And, of course, the 'vette. If you like a car that delivers what it promises, we direct you to the Sports Department. Main floor at your Chevrolet dealer's.

Chevrolet Sports Dept. CHEVROLET





I had to laugh at the similarities between these two photos. On the left is a photo of my C8 in my garage in October of 2025. Finished floors. Pics and stuff on the wall. Elkhart Lake Blue. On the right is a photo of Mike's C8 in his garage that was taken around February 15, 2026. Finished floors, pics and stuff on the wall. Riptide Blue. Granted, two very different C8's for sure, but what a coincidence.



**Pre-flight check-in**



*Gaithersburg MD 1991  
Paul Hutchins Photos*

# JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS FROM



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## Here are this month's highlights from Corvetteblogger.

- Top 20 Corvette dealers – a shake-up with the top sellers**

It's the beginning of the New Year, and we finally got our hands on another official sales report which details the Top 20 Corvette dealerships for the month of January 2026.

As we take a look at this new Top 20, we have some serious moves being made at the top of the list. Of course, adverse weather can beat down a dealer's sales and there was certainly plenty of that happening in January across much of the country. And speaking of climate change (??), we've been in somewhat of a weird climate for allocations with dealers telling us that they are not receiving the same kind of allocation numbers that they were getting previously despite those dealers having customer orders ready for them.



Here's a list of the Top 10 dealers showing their Corvette sales for the month of January. (Ed. I cut off the bottom 10 to keep the table smaller. Those bottom 10 had sales of 9 Corvettes or less in January).

RANK	DEALER	LOCATION	TOTAL SALES
1	MacMulkin Chevrolet	Nashua, NH	100
2	Les Stanford Chevrolet	Dearborn, MI	24
3	Ciocca Corvette	Atlantic City, NJ	23
4	Criswell Chevrolet	Gaithersburg, MD	17
5	Rick Hendrick Chevrolet	Naples, FL	16
6	Classic Chevrolet	Grapevine, TX	13
7	Ross Downing Chevrolet	Hammond, LA	12
8	Stingray Corvette	Plant City, FL	11
9	Connell Chevrolet	Costa Mesa, CA	10
10	Starling Chevrolet	St. Cloud, FL	10

MacMulkin remains at the top of the list by far with 100 deliveries in January. Our friends at Les Stanford have jumped multiple positions to be number 2 in the country with 24 deliveries in January. That beat out the guys over at Ciocca in Atlantic City which fell to third place with 23 deliveries. Rounding out the Top 5 is Criswell Chevrolet (home of Mike Furman) with 17 deliveries and then Rick Hendrick Chevrolet in the number five spot at 16.

- **Chevy ends building Tremec transmissions in Canada – production shifts back to Tremec USA**

As the Corvette C8 continues to evolve into faster, more powerful and technologically complex variants, Tremec is taking an increasingly hands-on role in ensuring the reliability of the car's most critical component: its eight-speed dual clutch transmission.

The DCT has been central to the C8's identity since launch – lightning quick shifts, computer controlled precision and the ability to handle everything from the Stingray's balanced power to the Z06's screaming flat-plane crank V8. But, as GM pushes the Corvette lineup into even more extreme territory, the demands placed on the transmission have grown dramatically.



That's why 2025 marked a strategic shift. While Tremec has always engineered the Corvette's gearbox, some units were assembled under license at GM's St. Catharine's plant in Ontario beginning in 2022. That arrangement has now ended. All Corvette dual clutch transmissions are once again fully assembled at Tremec's Michigan facility, bringing production back under the direct supervision of the company that designed it.

With the Corvette family expanding to include the hybrid E-Ray and the high-output ZR1 and ZR1X, Tremec is dealing with unprecedented levels of complexity. Though the transmission case remains basically the same across all models, the internals vary dramatically. Higher powered versions receive reinforced input shafts; hardened, stronger gears, upgraded lubrication systems, redesigned final drives and more robust hydraulic valves.

These enhancements are essential for managing the extreme torque loads and heat generated by the top tier models. As the engineering challenges grow, so does the need for tighter oversight. Centralizing assembly allows Tremec to monitor tolerances, materials and testing procedures with greater precision – something increasingly important as the Corvette pushes into supercar territory.

In the end, the transmission itself hasn't changed, but the way it is built has. And, for a car whose performance depends so heavily on its gearbox, Tremec's renewed control over production signals one thing – as the Corvette grows more powerful, quality matters more than ever.

- **Jeff Gordon is the first to build his own Corvette ZR1X engine**

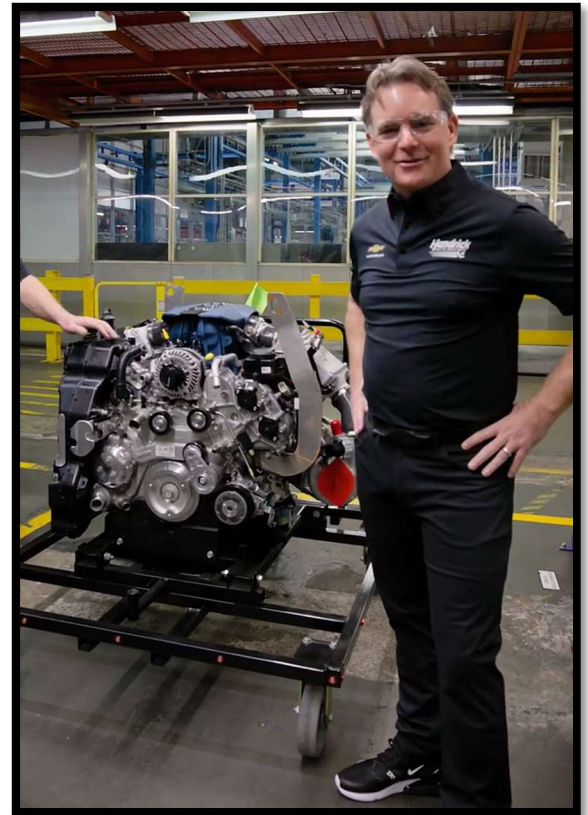
Here's a cool pic coming out of the Performance Build Center inside GM's Corvette Assembly plant in Bowling Green. NASCAR Hall of Fame driver Jeff Gordon and his father became the first to participate in the new Engine Build Experience and he spent the day assembling the twin-turbo 5.5L LT7 V8 engine that will go in his 2026 Corvette ZR1X.

We like to think of the Engine Build Experience as a Corvette lover's fantasy camp, where a Z06, ZR1 or ZR1X buyer can go behind the scenes and work alongside a master GM engine builder as they assemble their own V8 engine. The cost of the program now is \$9,995 and it can be ordered with RPO PBC.

Chevrolet put out a video on their social media channels on Thursday morning, February 19<sup>th</sup>. After a quick intro by Jeff, we see a time stamp of 9:39 a.m. of an Orange ZR1X HTC pulling up to the main entrance of the Corvette Assembly plant, and by 2:55 p.m. he finished the process by putting his personalized Engine Builder plaque on the LT7's blue manifold cover.

From Chevrolet via Instagram: *"A full day at the heart of Corvette. Follow along as Jeff Gordon joins us at Corvette's Performance Build Center, where he participated in the Build Your Own Engine program."*

The Engine Build Experience became available to order during the first of February, 2026 order cycle where we saw limited constraints for the PBC option. It is our understanding that eight slots were granted during that order cycle with six of them for the Z06 and two spots available for the ZR1.



## **ONE DAY,**

**you'll do something for the very last time – and you won't even know it. It's that last time that you hugged your mom without realizing it was the final one. It's that last late-night drive with your best friend before life pulls you in different directions. It's the last meal at your favorite place before it quietly closes its doors. It's the last time you laughed until you couldn't breathe with people who will slowly become memories.**

**It won't feel important in the moment. It'll feel like any ordinary day....until one day, it isn't.**

**That's why presence matters. Be where your feet are. Look people directly in the eyes. Say what you truly mean. Feel every second while you can. Because, those “*ordinary*” moments are the ones we'll miss the most when they are gone.**

*Life's Blueprint*



# BROOKVILLE CORVETTE CLUB

**PRIVATE**

**OK, no, the Brookville Corvette Club** isn't private. Our meetings are open to the public and anyone can join (as long as you own a Corvette).

However, when you click on our website and start clicking around, you will come across a private section. It is under the **More** drop-down menu. If you click on the down arrow next to **More**, you'll see **Links, Cruise In, For Sale, In Memory** and **Private**.

In the private section, you'll have access to our Meeting Minutes, the Membership List, the Ambassador's report and the Treasurer's report and any other information that is deemed private and for BCC members only.

But, in order to access the Private section, you have to contact our Webmaster Dave Ransdell and request a password. Dave will send you a temporary password. When you receive that temporary password, you can go to our website and click on the down arrow next to More and go down to Private. Click on Private and it will prompt you to enter your email address and password. Enter that temporary password that Dave sent you, and it will then prompt you to change your password. You can then enter whatever permanent password that you want.

Bingo! You're in!

The next time that you log in and go to Private, just click on that, enter your own password and off you go. I believe that each successive time you log in, it will automatically download your password so all you have to do is click enter.

It's as easy as that.

Dave's email address is [dpransdell@hotmail.com](mailto:dpransdell@hotmail.com). You can also use [mrclean-1954@gmail.com](mailto:mrclean-1954@gmail.com). Or, if you prefer, you can call Dave at (937) 684-6476 and put your request in.

If, for whatever reason you run into an issue, reach out to Dave, Gary or even me. We'll get you hooked up.

# A BCC Night Out at the



On Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 40 members of the Brookville Corvette Club headed over to the Buckhorn Tavern for a group dinner. This is one of the largest group dinners that we've had in quite some time.

Good Joe & Bad Joe in the same picture!

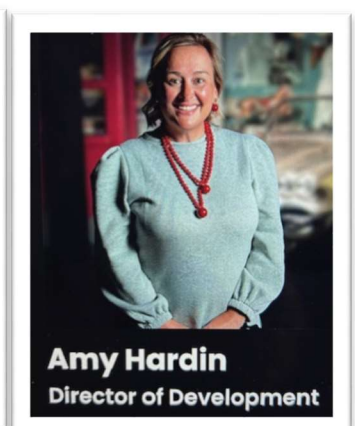
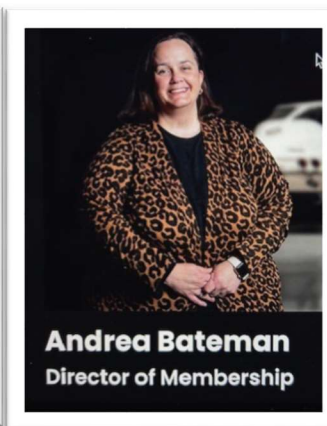
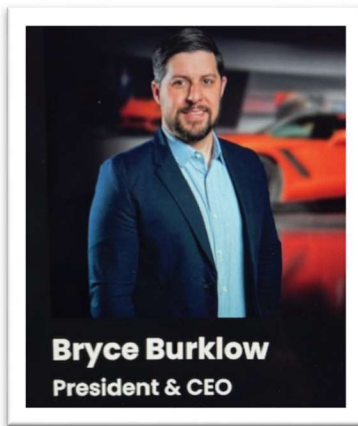


# MEET THE LEADERSHIP TEAM OF THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

**Many of our BCC members** are not members of the National Corvette Museum (you should be). With that in mind, I thought that there may be some interest by all of our members in knowing who the people are that are running the National Corvette Museum. It takes a diversely talented group of people to run an operation like the NCM.

The leadership is broken down into two groups. First, you'll see the group of people that are charged with the day-to-day operation of the Museum. Second, you'll see the At-Large Members and the Board of Directors Officers. Those are the folks that govern the NCM by setting its strategic direction, overseeing management, ensuring the financial health and maintaining legal and ethical compliance without getting involved in the day-to-day operations.

First up, the **Museum Management** team.



Next up, the NCM **At-Large Board Members** for 2026-2028.



**Kai Spande**  
Retired From General  
Motors



**Amy Masica**  
Chevrolet Marketing  
Director



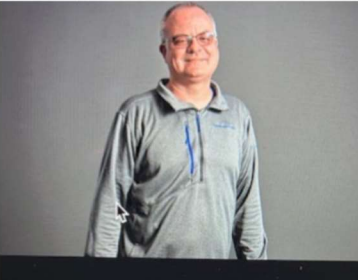
**Mike Buchanon**  
Warren County Judge  
Executive Emeritus



**Norm Rose**  
President Of The Western  
States Corvette Council



**Ken Lingenfelter**  
Owner, Lingenfelter  
Performance Engineering



**Ray Theriault**  
Director Of General Motors  
Bowling Green Assembly  
Plant



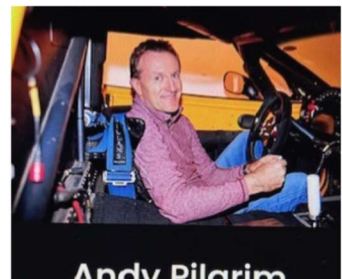
**Mark Stielow**  
Director Of Motorsports  
Competition Engineering At  
General Motors



**Deb Murphy**  
President Of The National  
Council Of Corvette Clubs



**Dan Costellow**  
Superintendent, Logan  
County Board Of Education



**Andy Pilgrim**  
Founder Of The Traffic  
Safety Education  
Foundation & Pro Racing  
Driver

Finally, these are the **Board Officers** for 2026-2028.



You may be familiar with many of the Management Team above. There are some members that have made names for themselves for being so involved with Corvette over the years. Other names are fairly new to the NCM, but all have had a huge impact on the Museum.

No matter the name or their position, you can rest assured that the National Corvette Museum is in very good hands with the 23 people that are listed above.

*What's going on in the World of Corvette in our neck of the woods.*

- **New member.** We need to welcome our newest member to the BCC – Randall Meyers. Also, a big welcome to his Corvette – a 2017 Z06 that only has about 8,000 miles on it.

Just something about the C7, especially the Z06.

To anyone that currently has a C7, Randy is selling a pair of GM OEM side skirts (3/4 and probably 5VM) in Carbon Flash. He's asking \$450.00 for the pair in excellent condition. If anyone is interested, you can reach out to Randy at his email: [randalJ1953@outlook.com](mailto:randalJ1953@outlook.com). Again, for C7 only.



- **Original Hayner distillery in Troy, OH.** Here's a picture of the original Hayner distillery located right on the Miami river in downtown Troy. The distillery was active from 1866 until it shut down in 1920 due to prohibition. Right up until 1920, Hayner was the largest mail order distributor of whiskey in the United States and one of the largest distilleries in Ohio. Hayner was resurrected in 2018 and can be visited at their facility in Troy Hey! Been there, done that.





- **And most of us were still relatively sober.** So, while rumaging through my files looking for stuff, I came across this picture that was taken right after our tour of the Jim Beam distillery several years ago while visiting the Bourbon Trail. Honestly, we had absolutely no idea that our tour guide (she was a blast) posed in front of the group. Without a doubt, this is one of the best Club pictures we have ever taken. It captured the spirit of the day perfectly. Great memory.

- **Something in the Bourbon.** So, last year, we headed back down to the Bourbon Trail to check out a few more distilleries. And, of course, we couldn't leave without getting our picture taken just prior to our tour.

We just may head back down to the Bourbon Trail this year. There are still plenty of unexplored distilleries to be checked out.

And more group pictures to be taken.



- **Well, someone had to go.**

Rick Snider sent in a picture of the beach scene down in Sarasota, FL. He and his wife flew down for a couple week stay with the focus of spending lots of time on the beach.

Hope Rick didn't step on a broken clam shell or get tangled up with a jelly fish. Boy that would rain on your parade.

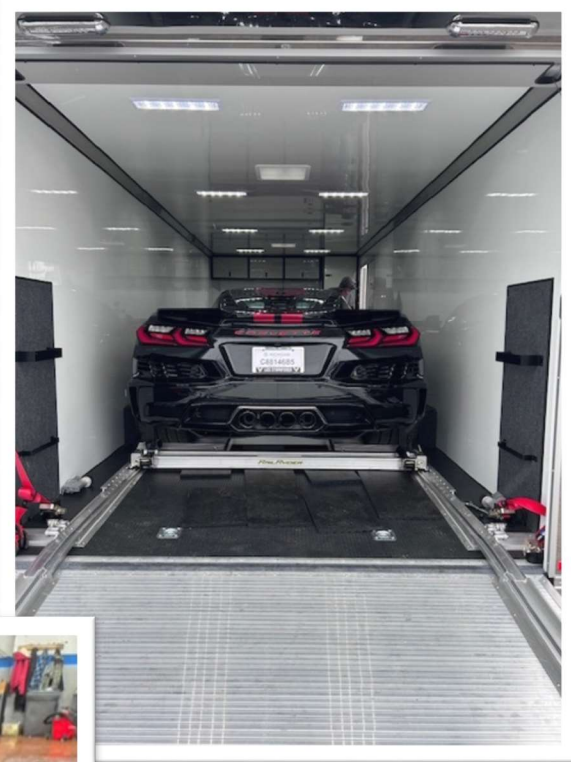
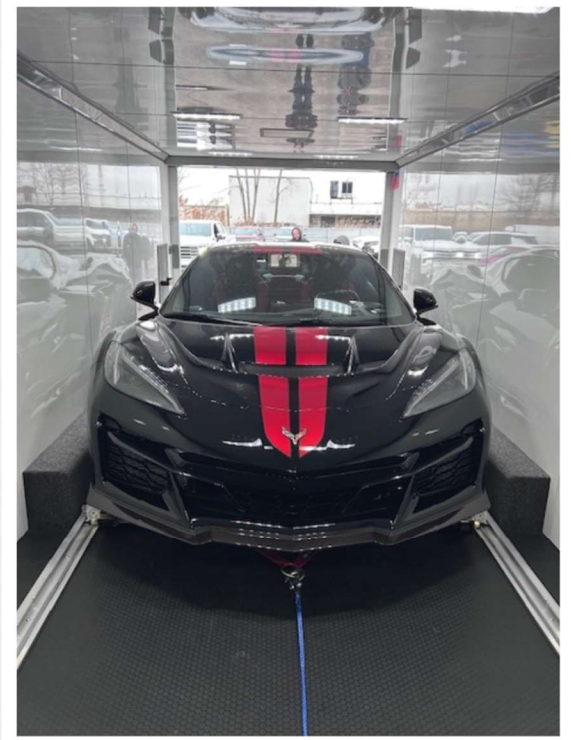


- **Big John's C6.** John Barnett sent this picture in to me showing some headlight work that he is doing. You can see, on the right is the original headlight that came on the car. On the left, he has installed a new C7-inspired headlight. This will certainly be a great update to his C6. There are several other updates that John is scheduled to do to his C6. Stay tuned as he keeps us posted on his progress.



- **Denny Cassel picks up his ZR1X.** On February 20<sup>th</sup>, Denny, his brother Dave, long-time friend Bob Freshour, Gary Chesnut and I traveled up to Les Stanford Chevrolet in Dearborn, MI to watch Denny pick up his brand new Corvette ZR1X, VIN 0005.

What a gas! The Z is gorgeous – black with a red and black interior, carbon fiber wheels, full red stripes. Cold start is awesome.



# WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER

## MIKE FURMAN

We are excited to announce that Mike Furman is now an honorary member of the Brookville Corvette Club.

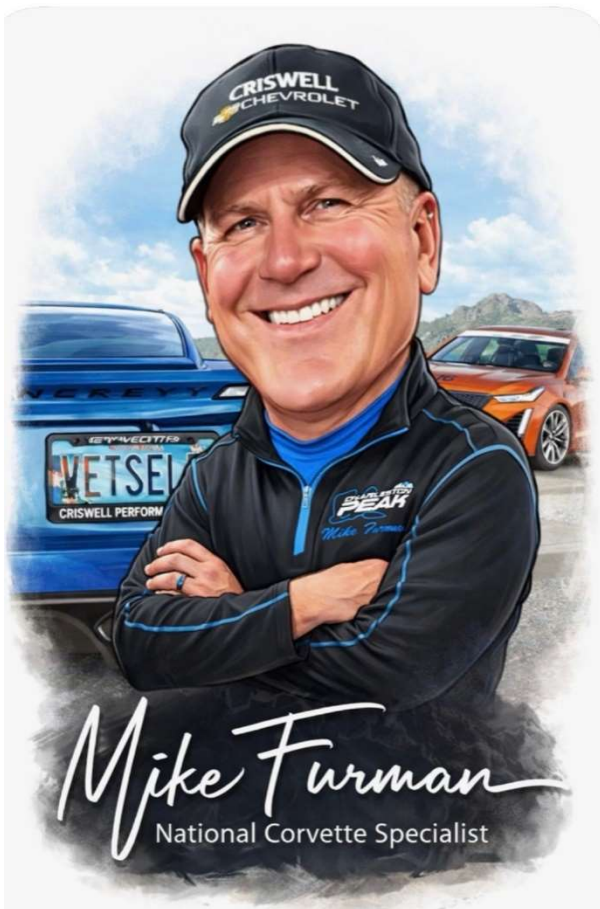
As many of you know, Mike is one of (if not) the key name that you hear when talking about Corvette. He is the all-time top selling sales specialist of Corvettes. As of this writing, Mike has sold more than 6,830 Corvettes during his 47 years of selling GM vehicles. If all goes as planned, Mike should sell his 7,000<sup>th</sup> Corvette sometime in July of this year!

The amazing statistic to go along with his Corvette sales is that he has also sold over 8,000 other GM vehicles during that same time period!

In that 47 year time period, Mike has personally owned 28 Corvettes. The list includes a Corvette from each generation – from a '59 Convertible to eight models of the C8 (and counting).

Some other tidbits from his 28 Corvettes:

- Of the 28, 16 have been manuals and 12 have been automatics



- Of the 28, 14 were purchased brand new and 14 were purchased used
- At one point, he owned 11 Corvettes at the same time (battery tender upkeep was a challenge for sure).
- **Colors.** In order of number of each color, he has had 13 Blue, 8 Red, 2 Black, 2 White, 1 Orange, 1 Yellow and 1 Silver

Mike has earned many accolades and awards from General Motors and Chevrolet over the years. In his early years of sales, Mike also had the opportunity to spend a lot of time with Zora Arkus-Duntov early in his career. He has some great stories about Zora and the friendship that they had.

There will be more to share about Mike in the month's to come. Stay tuned.

Welcome aboard, Mike! Great to have you in the Club.

# CALENDAR OF **EVENTS** FOR 2026

<b>January</b> 09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>February</b> 12	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
19	Club dinner at Buckhorn Tavern. 6:00 p.m.
<b>March</b> 12	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting –Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
13	Club visit to Packard Museum – Dayton from 3:00 to 5:00. Dinner @ Spaghetti Warehouse
<b>April</b> 09	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
18	Greater Dayton Corvette's All Corvette Cruise-In. Air Force Museum from 9 – 3.
23 - 25	Michelin NCM Bash, Bowling Green, KY (Museum). All day.
<b>May</b> 09	Bud's All Corvette Cruise-In, St. Marys, OH. From 9:00 to 1:00. Details to follow
14	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
16	Visit American Sign Museum – Liberty Center. 2:30 p.m. Ford's Garage – dinner
<b>June</b> 06	<b>BCC Cruise Into Summer Car Show – Reichard Chevrolet. 3:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>
11	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
20	<b>Greater Dayton All Corvette Show. Hollywood Raceway Casino. 9:00 – 3:00</b>
20	Pool party at Sniders. 4:00 p.m.
27	National Trails Car Show
<b>July</b> 05	St. Henry's annual Firecracker Cruise-In Car Show – St. Henry. 1 – 4. Dinner @ Romer's.
09	Camp Independence, car rides – special needs kids (and families) Time TBD
09	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Location to be announced. 7:00 p.m.</b>

<b>August</b>	
<b>13</b>	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
?	Englewood Art Festival & Car Show, Centennial Park. 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. \$10 per car
10	Dayton Dragons ballgame. Corvettes on display at the Park. Meet at Culvers @ 10:30
22	Eaton Car Show – Downtown Saturday Night. Dinner at Wagner’s home
23	Antioch Shrine Car Show. Details to be announced
28 - 30	32nd Anniversary Event @ the National Corvette Museum – Bowling Green, KY
<b>September</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
13	All Corvette Car Show – Lancaster, OH. Time to be determined
20	Dayton Concours d’Elegance @ Carillon Park. 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
26	Tipp City Mum Festival Cruise In. 4:00 p.m.
<b>October</b>	
02	Heritage of Flight Festival & Car Show. From 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. .
<b>08</b>	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
17	Progressive Dinner. Time and locations TBA
?	Camden’s Black Walnut Festival. Registration: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Trophies @ 3:00
<b>November</b>	
<b>12</b>	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.</b>
14	BCC Pizza Party @ Marion’s in Englewood. Watch for details in an e-mail
<b>December</b>	
11	<b>There is no monthly meeting in December.</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Brookville Corvette Club Christmas Party. Party Barn at Tiernans</b>

**(Note: Events/dates that have been grayed out means that either the date for the event has not yet been announced or the event has taken place. All events in black/red are confirmed as of this writing.)**

- Trips under consideration for 2026
  - Gilmore Car Museum
  - Henry Ford Museum
  - Woodward Dream Cruise
  - The NCM Bash
  - The NCM Anniversary Event

# AM BASSADOR'S REPORT

*"The mission of the National Corvette Museum is to educate worldwide audiences on the evolution of the Corvette - America's Sports Car – through collection, preservation and celebration of its legacy"*

## CORVETTE RAFFLES

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, you could win a **2026 Blade Silver HTC**. Tickets are \$200/each with 1,000 available. Drawing will be at 2:00 p.m. CST.

On March 26<sup>th</sup>, drive away in a **2026 Riptide Blue Coupe**. Tickets are \$150/each with 1,500 available. Drawing is 2:00 p.m. CST.

Finally, on April 25, 2026, drive home in a **2026 Torch Red Stingray Coupe**. Tickets are only \$20/each and there are unlimited tickets available. Drawing is at 2:00 p.m. CST.

To purchase tickets, just go to the National Corvette Museum's website link right here: ([www.corvettemuseum.org](http://www.corvettemuseum.org)), click on *Win a Corvette*, and then click on *Enter to Win*. It's as easy as that!



## CORVETTE SWEEPSTAKES #2

Here's your next chance to win a classic Corvette Stingray! This is a 1965 convertible painted in Rally Red with a black interior and white top. It is frame-off restored sporting a 327 cu.in. V8 with 300 HP. The odometer reads 56,680 miles. The winner takes delivery at the Museum under the Museum Delivery Experience. The Sweepstakes is open now and the winner will be chosen on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Two important points. Just like last time, when you buy your tickets, use promo code **BROOKVILLE**. If you are a Museum member, you get 50% bonus tickets. You must be a Museum member to qualify for the bonus.



## PROGRESS IS BEING MADE

To the left is a very recent picture of the progress that has been made on the construction of the new Collections Facility. The 66,000 square foot building is now under roof and the walls should be going up shortly.

The projected date for the Grand Opening is mid-2027. In the meantime we can watch the progress on the NCM website. And, of course, you can drive by the site when you visit the Museum and drive over to the Motorsports Park. Check it out if you have a chance.



## SHE'S BACK!

After a complete restoration by General Motors, the 1992 white and red one millionth Corvette is back and on permanent display in a designated spot in the Museum.

The white and red color combo was purposely done to honor the 1953 Corvette when all 300 units were painted the same color – white with a red interior.

So, when you next visit the Museum, make sure you walk over and see the one millionth Corvette on display.



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Here are some suppliers of various products and services that may be of interest to you.



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## HOURS AND DIRECTIONS

From January 1<sup>st</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup>, the National Corvette Museum will be open between 9am and 5pm, CST, Sunday thru Saturday but closed to the public on Tuesdays. Last tickets are sold at 4:30 each day. Tickets can be purchased on-site or on-line. The Museum is located just off of I-65 at exit 28 (about 90 minutes south of Louisville).

The Museum, located on I-65 at exit 28, is closed New Year's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

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