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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, Ohio at 7:00. Everyone is invited to attend.



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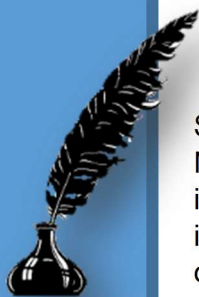
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So, because we attended the **Michelin Bash** at the National Corvette Museum at the end of April, this issue is a tad on the short side. I had intended to include a report on the Bash in this issue, but decided to either do a special issue of Flags or just wait and put it in the June issue.

Due to rain and a basically gloomy day, no one drove over to **National Trails** to attend the first car show of the season. We heard that attendance was way down from previous years, so we weren't the only ones keeping our cars clean.

There were a few good **April Fool's** jokes on the Internet back on April 1<sup>st</sup> concerning the upcoming C8 Z06. All three were pretty good, but one really stood out. See if you can pick out the best of the bunch.

A few of us also took time to drive up to Grand Lakes St. Mary and have lunch with Greg and Megan Eley. There were celebrating Greg's twelfth year of being cancer free. That's a pretty big milestone and one that we really enjoyed celebrating with Greg and Megan.

Our Prez was off to the **Brickyard** in Bristol to watch dirt racing. It looked like a nice crowd and the ending was worth the wait.

There are some great events coming up in May that you'll really want to be part of. Whatever you do, remember to just have fun doing it. Time waits for no one. Make every day count to the fullest.

*Rick*

Hi, all!

It's that time of year again. We are in the final stages of prepping for our annual Cruise Into Summer car show. We can really use your help during the show, so if you haven't signed up yet, please do so. It will be the main topic of our next Club meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>. So, if you can be at the meeting that would be great!

The weather is warming up, so dust off your Vette and get out there for a drive. Better yet, check out some of the events coming up in May and plan to join us at one or two.

Hope to see many of you at our meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>. In the meantime, don't forget to

**SAVE THE WAVE.**

*Prez Gary*

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## BCC CLUB MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 12. This is our final meeting before our annual Cruise-In car show in June, so please plan to attend, especially if you are working the show. We may also raffle off a couple things which should entice you to be at the meeting.



## BUD'S CRUISE-IN

Bud's annual Corvette Cruise-In will take place on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Once again, we'll caravan up to St. Marys to join in the festivities. Keep your eyes peeled for an e-mail from Joe with meet up times and locations. Always a good time and we usually have a pretty good crowd from the BCC attend the event.



## WHITEWATER CORVETTES

Not taking place in May, but worthy of a reminder. Whitewater Valley Corvette Club has announced their upcoming All Corvette Cruise in taking place on June 19<sup>th</sup>. The show takes place over in Connorsville, IN. Dash plaques to the first 50 Vettes that show up and trophies for each generation. I've added it to our calendar. So, keep your eyes peeled for more information and BCC attendance.



# BREAKING NEWS



**T**his just in from the world desk of the **BCC Newsroom**. Dan and Cindy Prendergast, who have been members of the Brookville Corvette Club the last four years, have hung up their Corvette cleats and are leaving the BCC.

Obviously, this is sad news on many levels. Both Dan and Cindy have been active members of the Club the last four years. In Dan's parting e-mail to the Club, he speaks of changing life circumstances and no longer being able to participate in Club activities. He went on to say that everyone has been wonderful and that he and Cindy have so many good memories and laughs to remember. Many good times! We'll just have to "yuck it up without them".

Now, looking at this purely from a legal perspective, I've discovered that you just can't "up and leave" the BCC. Looking through our by-laws, the extra-fine print stuff that only I can see, I'm afraid that only the Vice President of the Club has jurisdiction over who can leave and who can't. In this case, my decision is that they can't leave. No vote. Decision is final.

Dan and Cindy live in Brookville and to my knowledge have no plans to leave. So, we've told them that they are more than welcome to come over to our meetings when they want to. We'll also keep them on the list to get our Newsletter each and every month. Woops! Reminds me that I failed to tell Dan that there is a subscription price for the Newsletter. I think its \$25 per issue, but we can certainly negotiate that....a little.

Their e-mail and phone number remain the same. Please reach out to them when you can, send them your best and keep them in your thoughts.

## THE JOKE WAS ON US!

If you're like me, April 1<sup>st</sup> rolls around and you simply forget all about it. You read things that don't make sense all the while not realizing that the joke is on you.

So it went on April 1<sup>st</sup> this year when a few items of Corvette news appeared. I have to tell you, they all "had me" at the time.

The first one was the announcement that GM was spinning off the Corvette badge and making it a stand-alone brand. There have been rumors of that before, so it really didn't hit me that it was announced on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

The next one seemed to take everyone off guard and while I was somewhat skeptical of the announcement, something just didn't ring right. It's the one where Chevrolet made the announcement that they had decided to drop the Z06 due to future government regulations. The reason I found this one sketchy was that on the same day, they were showing pictures of Tadge Juechter driving around in a new Z06.

I finally realized that this, too, was an April Fool's joke by reading it a little more closely. They said the announcement was made by the GM Chief of Engine Development, a guy by the name of Ian Michael Joshing. When I searched that name in GM, there was another name that popped up as the guy in charge of engine development. The final "got 'cha" was that name: Ian Michael Joshing. You could read that as I. M. Joshing. Good one.

The third and final April Fool's joke came from Rick "Corvette" Conti over at Coughlin Chevrolet just outside of Columbus. On his Corvette YouTube channel, he read and Purchase Level Announcement he said was just in concerning the upcoming 2023 Z06 and "tier requirements" for placing an order for one. Those were:

- You had to have previously owned at least four Corvettes and show proof of ownership
- You had to previously have owned at least one Z06 from either the C5, C6 or C7 generations
- The minimum income level to order a new Z06 was from top 10 wage earners or \$173,136/yr.
- You must be a current NCM member for the last 6 months

These caused a lot of buzz around the Internet and even within our ranks. And I have to admit, they were pretty good.





## LUNCH WITH **NEW MEMBERS** GREG & MEGAN ELEY

**LATELY,** it seems that I've been having the same conversation with many friends about the same subject.

That conversation revolves around (more or less) the fact that many of us take our health for granted. It seems especially true as we grow older. Usually, the "damper" is that there always seems to be a pill for that - whatever "that" is. Could be high blood pressure. Maybe diabetes. Possibly high cholesterol. You name it, there's probably a pill that you can take to keep the dogs at bay.

Then, once in a while, you hear about a more severe illness. An illness that can't be treated or cured with just a pill.

Such is the case with one of our new members Greg Eley. At the age of 19, Greg was diagnosed with Stage 4 Hodgkins Lymphoma. That's a devastating diagnoses at any age, but especially when you're only 19 years old.

Cut to the chase. Greg is now 31 years old and proud to say that he is celebrating his twelfth year in remission! As you could well imagine, he, his wife Megan and the entire family take time every April 15<sup>th</sup> to stop and celebrate.

This year was no different. Greg actually invited the BCC to celebrate the big day and a few of us took him up on it. Joe, Sue, Cindy and I joined up with Greg and Megan at their home in Lewisburg and caravanned up to Celina to have lunch at Behm's Landing Restaurant right on Lake St. Mary. This was leg #1 of three legs for the day.





The other legs were dinner at Rob's Restaurant in Brookville and then capping the evening off at the Yellow Rose in Dayton (that's where Greg and Megan met).

While we only joined them on the first leg of their day, we really enjoyed the trip up to Behm's Restaurant, lunch at someplace that we had never been to and getting to know Greg and Megan better.



And, don't forget. Greg and Megan own GE Auto Detailing LLC in Lewisburg. Greg can handle just about anything you could possibly need done to your Corvette (or any vehicle for that matter). Detailing, ceramic coatings, glass coatings, etc. Give Greg a call at (937) 974-8404 and find out what he can do for you.

Oh, and you might want to congratulate him for being in remission for the last 12 years. Clearly, he does **not** take that for granted.

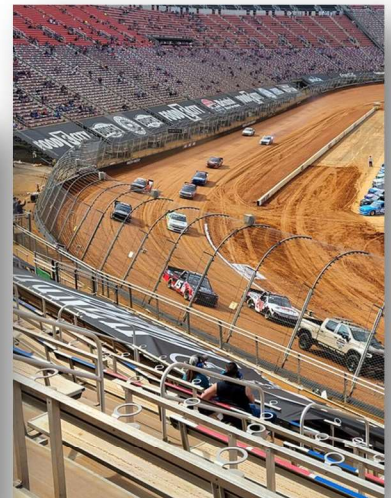
## OUR **PREZ** HEADS OFF TO **BRISTOL....AGAIN**

Once again, Gary heads off to Bristol Motor Speedway with his friends to take in NASCAR's Food City Dirt Race on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Normally, NASCAR racing is done on concrete/asphalt. However, because these are dirt track racing pick-ups, Bristol trucks in some 23,000 cubic yards of local red clay to turn the track into a high speed dirt course.

This particular race (on Sunday) sees over 20 popular drivers hit the 0.533-mile circuit for a total of 125 miles or 250 laps.

On Saturday, a short race was held to determine who would have the pole position on Sunday. The honor went to Cole Custer. He beat out several other big-name drivers including Denny Hamlin, Chase Elliott, Kyle Larson, Austin Dillion, Joey Logano and many more

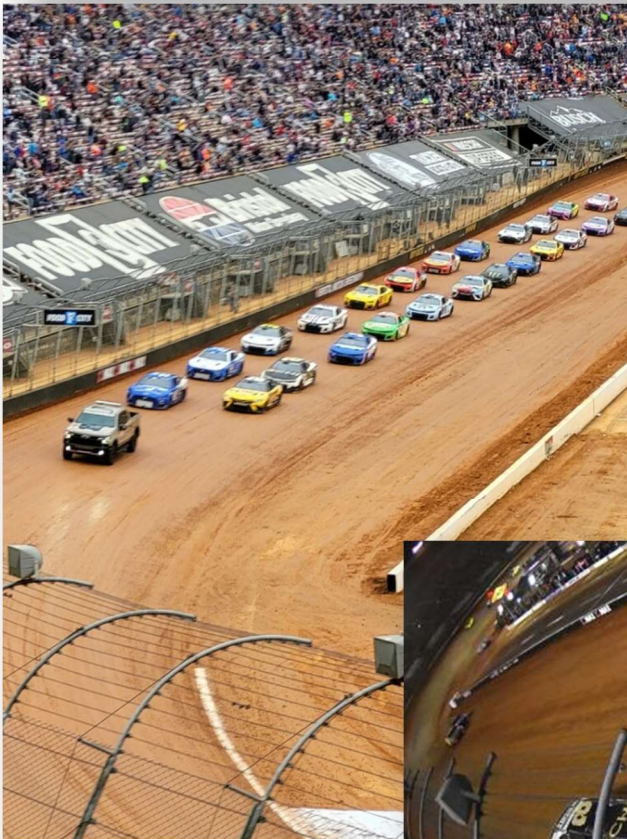
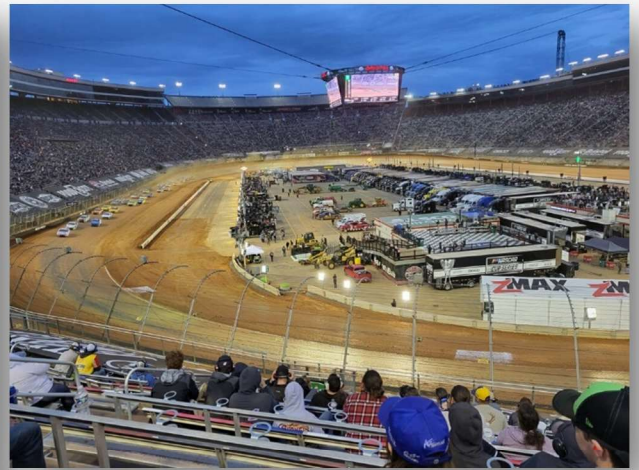


Prior to the racing, many of the drivers were interviewed and asked about racing on a dirt track. While many of them spoke about the challenges that driving on dirt presents, I really liked the comment that was made by Ross Chastain. And I quote: "I'm used to dirt, but it has been on a tractor".

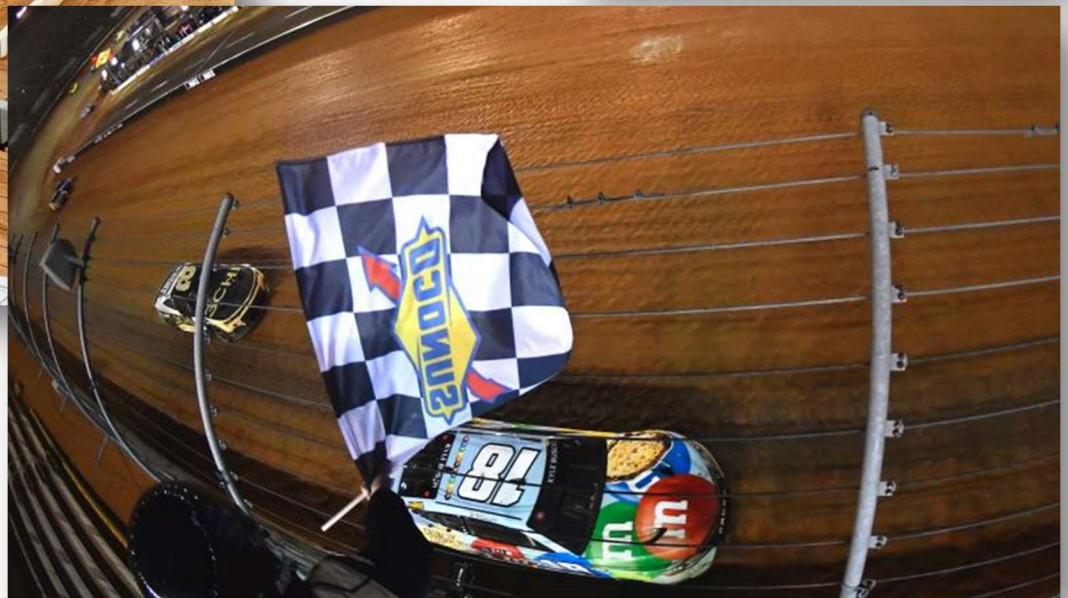
**SUNDAY UPDATE:** On the very last lap of a twice-delayed race on Sunday, Tyler Reddick was in the lead and Chase Briscoe attempted to pass him. In the process, they both made contact and **BINGO**, take themselves out allowing Kyle Busch to sneak by and win.

Gary sent some action shots from the race. Have a look on the following page.





**As Kyle was quoted right after the race: "A win is a win". It may not have been pretty, but he won.**





# CORVETTE TidBITS

Here is what's happening in Corvette world for the month of May 2022:

- **Corvette 2022 production extended by one week.** According to a GM spokesperson, due to recent unscheduled shut-downs at the Bowling Green assembly plant due to parts related shortages, the 2022 model year production has been extended by one week.



The end of the 2022 model year will be Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. This will make about 900 prospective 2022 C8 owners happy that they don't have to cancel their current order and go through the gyrations of getting scheduled into the 2023 model year production.

According to [corvetteblogger.com](http://corvetteblogger.com), this means that the total number of C8's for the 2022 model year should end up between 25,000 and 25,500 units.

The 2023 model year production will begin the following Monday (May 16<sup>th</sup>). The only production at the beginning of the model year will be Stingrays. As of this writing, GM has not announced the start of production for the upcoming Z06.

- **Rick Hendrick buys the first Z06 Convertible at Barrett-Jackson.** Back in early April, the very first retail 2023 Z06 was auctioned off at Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale. And, who else but Rick Hendrick from Hendrick Motorsports placed the winning bid. That bid was \$1 million. 100% of the proceeds from the auction will go to the Thurgood Marshall Foundation.



The Z06 at the auction was not the car that Hendrick will get. He will get to order the car (VIN 001) with any/all options that he wants. He will also be able to build the LT6 powerplant himself. When completed, he will take delivery at the National Corvette Museum. Finally, he will get a private 1-day driving experience at the Spring Mountain Resort.

Of course, this is not Hendrick's first C8 experience. You may remember that he also purchased the very first 2023 C8 coupe. His winning bid on that one was \$3.6 million. That also was VIN 001, a Carbon Flash 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition. Ahhh, to have excess cash sitting around....

## NEW PARIS COMMUNITY PARK **CAR SHOW**

This show is listed on the BCC calendar, but I thought I'd also put the flyer in our Newsletter. We'll probably head over to New Paris for the show, so keep your eyes peeled for an e-mail from Joe letting every know the meet up time and place.



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Proceeds benefit the New Paris Park Fund, a component fund of The Dayton Foundation.

\*Rain date: Sunday, May 15, 2022



# CALENDAR OF **EVENTS** FOR 2022

<b>January</b>	
13	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>February</b>	
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
12	Sweetheart Dance at Romer's Catering – St. Henry
<b>March</b>	
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting –Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
19	Bowling Party at Thunderbowl Lanes, Englewood. 2:30 to 4:30. Dinner immediately following bowling at TJ Chumps in Englewood (5:00)
26	50's/60's Night at Romer's catering, St. Henry. Opens at 5:30
<b>April</b>	
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
16	National Trails Car Show (1 <sup>st</sup> of the season). Time TBD
28 -30	Michelin NCM Bash, Bowling Green, KY (Museum). All day.
<b>May</b>	
7	Bud's All Corvette Cruise-In, St. Mary, OH. Details to follow
12	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
14	Chosen Few All Corvette Show – Columbus, OH. Details coming
14	New Paris Community Park Car Show. Noon to 4:00. \$10 registration fee
15	Arcanum Car Show
21	Progressive BCC Anniversary Dinner.
<b>Postponed</b>	Dayton Honor Flight – Dayton International, return approximately 10:30 p.m.
<b>June</b>	
4	BCC Cruise Into Summer Car Show – Reichard Chevrolet. 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
08 - 11	Kentucky Horse Farm & Bourbon Trail tour. Details to follow
12	Greater Dayton All-Corvette Show
19	Kunkel's All Corvette Cruise-In, Connorsville, IN 3:00 – 7:00 pm
<b>July</b>	
4	St. Henry's annual Firecracker Cruise-In Car Show – St. Henry
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Location to be announced. 7:00 p.m.
16	Victory Church Truck, Car & Bike Show – Troy, OH. 9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.
17	Stillwater Car Show
19 - 21	Gilmore Car Museum tour. 3 days



<b>August</b>	
<b>6</b>	Midwest British Car Show, Eastwood Metro Park. 9 AM to 4 PM. FREE
<b>6</b>	Voss Car Show - Centerville
<b>7</b>	NASCAR Party @ Ransdells
<b>11</b>	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>13</b>	Englewood Festival Cruise-In, Centennial Park. 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. \$10 per
<b>27</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> Annual Old Fashion Downtown Saturday Night – Eaton. 2:00 – 8:00 PM
<b>28</b>	Antioch Shrine Custom Car, Bike & Truck Show. Dayton. Time TBD
<b>September</b>	
<b>1 - 3</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event @ the National Corvette Museum – Bowling Green, KY
<b>08</b>	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>11</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Lancaster Car Show
<b>Postponed</b>	Dayton Honor Flight – Dayton International, return approximately 10:30 p.m.
<b>TBD</b>	Rolling 50's Classics, Inc. Fall Cruise-In. Greenville downtown. 2:00 to 8:00
<b>TBD</b>	Mid-America Funfest, Effingham, IL
<b>23</b>	Tipp City Mum Festival Cruise-In. Time TBD
<b>24</b>	Apple Festival
<b>October</b>	
<b>TBD</b>	Annual Heritage of Flight Cruise-In. New Carlisle. 4:00 – 10:00 p.m.
<b>13</b>	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>November</b>	
<b>10</b>	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>12</b>	BCC Pizza Party @ Marion's in Englewood. Watch for details in an e-mail
<b>December</b>	
<b>08</b>	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
<b>10</b>	Brookville Corvette Club Christmas Party. Party Barn at Tiernan's

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

# AMBASSADOR'S REPORT



Here's what's going on down at the **National Corvette Museum** during the month of May.

## WIN A NEW CORVETTE

Next raffle for a 2023 Torch Red coupe takes place on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$150 with 1,500 available. Drawing will take place at 2:00 PM CST. Torch Red - it's the right color!

To buy raffle tickets, head on over to [CorvetteMuseum.org](https://CorvetteMuseum.org), click on **>Join & Give** and then click on **>Corvette Raffles**.



## EDUCATION GALLERY TO OPEN

It was announced on April 15<sup>th</sup> that the NCM will be opening a new 2,000 square foot Education Gallery at the Museum. The new space is tentatively scheduled to open late 2022 or early 2023.

Plans are being created by Sewell & Sewell Architects with construction being handled by Scott, Murphy & Daniel. They will be assisted by Tom Peters, former Director of Exterior Design for the GM Performance Car Studio and 2019 Corvette Hall of Fame inductee.



The main inspiration for the design of the Gallery will follow the original General Motors Technical Center (above). The project is made possible by the generosity of donors Time and Melanie McMichael of Gypsum, CO. The gallery will lean heavily towards youth to provide a different lens for children to view how a car works and possibly change the way they think and instill in them a passion that will push them to do something amazing in their lives.

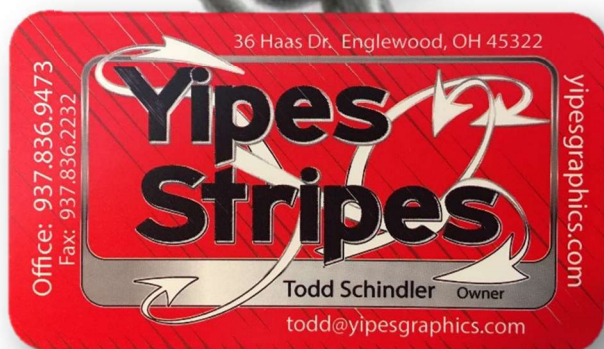
Construction is slated to being in late May. If anyone is interested in donating to this fund, please contact the Museum or contact Bobbie Jo Lee, Donor Relations Coordinator.

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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***

The National Corvette Museum is open between 8am and 5pm, CST, 7 days a week. Last tickets are sold at 4:30 each day. The Museum is located just off of I-65 at exit 28 (about 90 minutes south of Louisville).

The Museum is closed New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

### **National Corvette Museum**

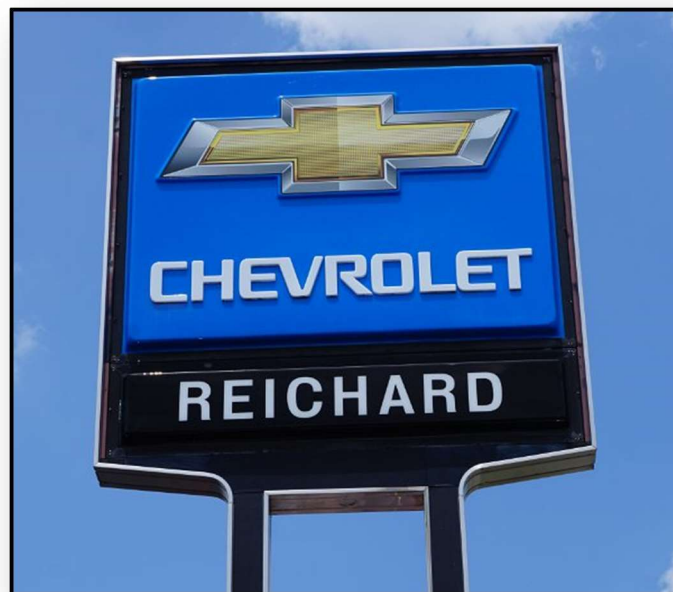
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