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This month, our big event was a 3-day trip where we headed north and visited three of the best car museums in North America.

The first one was the **Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum** in Auburn, IN. The museum is housed in the original 1929 Auburn/Cord showroom, offices and engineering center. Just a stunning array of all kinds of original classic vehicles.

Next up, we head further north into Michigan and visit the **Gilmore Car Museum** in Hickory Corners, MI. It is the largest collection of classic cars in North America. Over 450 cars are in rotation in 9 separate buildings. In 2027, they are adding a 10th building to the mix.

Finally, we head east and end up at the **Henry Ford Museum** in Dearborn, MI. While they do have many cars on display, this is really a museum dedicated to the history of the United States. So much history, so little time.

We also spent a Saturday afternoon over in Eaton at their annual **Downtown Saturday Night Car Show**. Our day was also hosted by Patty and Gary Wagner with a cookout and plenty of carry-in food. A couple of our members brought home the hardware from the show, too.

The long summer days are fleeting, but there are plenty of shows and events that remain on the calendar. So, dust off that Vette and join us at some of the upcoming shows. You'll have fun just driving to them!

'Till next month.

Rick

Hi, all:

Summer is certainly flying by fast. Make sure to try and make it to some of the shows and events that are left.

A good time was had by all in attendance at the Eaton picnic during the Saturday Night car show event. We had 16 cars at the show. A big thankyou to Gary and Patty Wagner for the brats, hotdogs and hospitality!

We also had a great time at the Shriner's Car Show in downtown Dayton. We had 8 cars and 1 truck at the show. Jody Tiernan won Top 25 and also the Potentate award (top award).

There are still many shows and events coming up in September. Mark your calendars and try to hit one or two.

Take care, see you soon and, most of all, **Save the Wave!**

Prez Gary

BCC CLUB MEETING

Our next meeting will be September 10th at Golden Gate Park at 7:00 p.m. Plan to be there to find out what's going on in the Club. You just never know what's going to happen.



NASCAR AT RANSEDELLS

Mark your calendar for September 6th to join us at Dave and Paula's annual NASCAR party. Festivities begin around 4:00 (you can come earlier). All you need to do is bring a dish of something to share. We'll be running our annual BCC competition with the little cars (bring a pull-back Corvette). Awards will be handed out!

Always a great time.



CORVETTE CLUB ALLIANCE ALL CORVETTE GATHERING - LANCASTER

On September 13th, join the group as we travel down to Lancaster to take part in the annual All Corvette Gathering put on by the Corvette Club Alliance. This is always a great event with hundreds of Corvettes on hand. Keep an eye out for emails on meet-up location and times.



CORVETTE CORNER

WITH

Mike Furman

National Corvette Specialist



*NOTE: All photographs and content in **Corvette Corner** is used with permission from Mike Furman*

Here we are in August already, and we have yet another collection of Corvette-related pics from Mike's exhaustive library. Mind you, Mike issues around 400 pictures from his vast collection each month. It's my job to pare it down to 20 or so that I hand pick for each issue. Not an easy task. Enjoy this month's choices.

First things, first though. Sell 7,000 Corvettes over the course of 49 years, and you get recognized by a bunch of people and receive invitations to neat places. In Mike's case, he was invited to **Jay Leno's Garage** out in L.A. Mike flew out to California and spent a good chunk of a day at Jay's Garage. In the photo below, that's Mike on the right (in shorts) with Neil Watanabe to his immediate right.



There were 12 people that were in Mike's group. As I mentioned above, Neil Watanabe was there. Neil is on the Board of Directors for the National Corvette Museum. During the Bash earlier this year, our Ohio contingent had the pleasure of meeting Neil. He and Mike were in the hotel lobby and Mike introduced Neil to us. Of course, Neil is one of Mike's customers and is working to obtain a ZR1X.

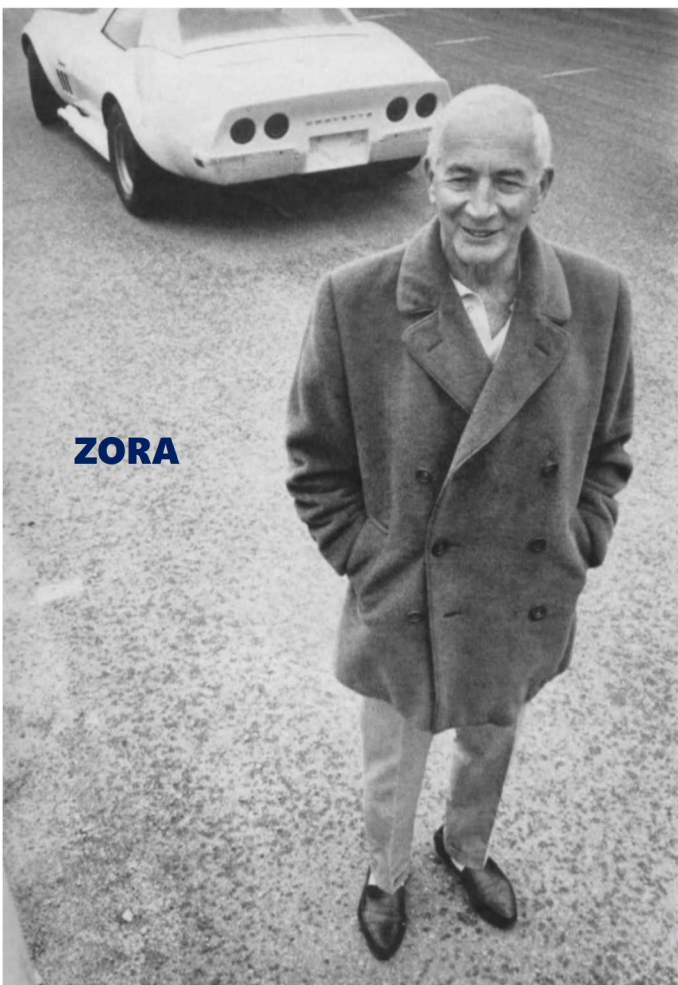
Mike had a great time (as you would expect) and noted that Jay spent over 2 hours with the group showing them around. As expected, pictures of Jay's Garage are as rare as hen's teeth. This one was the one that Mike wanted to share.

Good enough with me.

It is certainly a privilege to be invited to Jay's Garage – something that every car guy aspires to do, but most won't get that chance.

Lucky Mike!





ZORA

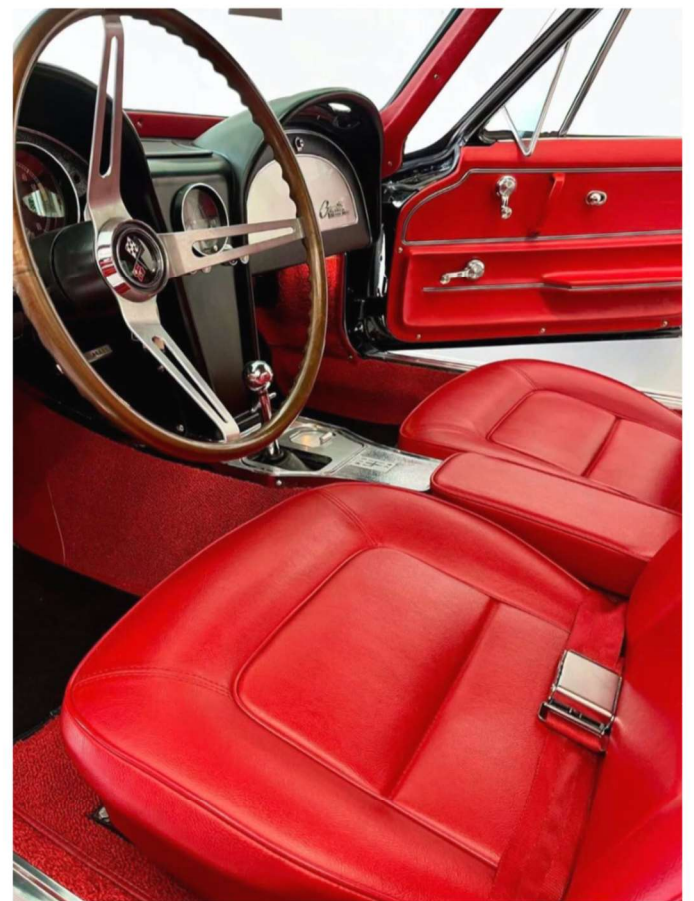


excitement is standard equipment! The small blue car lurking behind that '61 Corvette is a 1927 Bugatti. It was as exciting as any car can be, but it was a little short on creature comfort and only the best coordinated and most sinewy could hope to drive it. The Corvette, on the other hand, guarantees unstinting devotion to all the details of driver-passenger comfort and accommodation with *no* sacrifice in flashing performance or impeccable handling. Anyone who can drive well can drive a Corvette; the only thing that really sets it apart from today's automobiles is the absolutely ecstatic way it goes down the road. Built into every Corvette is a lifetime supply of pure sports car excitement such as you've never known before.

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THE MUSEUM TRIFECTA

There are museums to visit, and then there are museums that you **MUST** visit. In mid-August, we decided to take a three-day trip north to visit three of the best museums of their kind in North America. Two of them are historic car museums while the last one is a museum of American history.

What follows is a synopsis of our travels to the **Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum** in Auburn, IN, the **Gilmore Car Museum** in Hickory Corners, MI and the **Henry Ford Museum** in Dearborn, MI. Each of these museums showcase the history of the automobile, while the Henry Ford really covers all aspects of the history of the United States. It is an amazing museum of our history.

Fourteen BCC members in nine Corvettes headed north for our first stop at the ACD Museum in Auburn, IN. The museum, which opened to the public in 1974, presents the history of three different car companies: the Auburn, the Cord and the Duesenberg. The museum is full of pristine, running examples of all three marques. If you are interested in 20's and 30's classic automobiles, this is truly a must-see destination. Some of the finest examples of those three brands are on display in the museum, some of which are exhibited in the original ACD showroom and headquarters.



Cord Limousine



Duesenberg Convertible



Above is the 1932 Cord L-29 Speedster. Actually, it is a replica of the original that was built back in 1929 and displayed at European car shows. For whatever reason, the original car was lost while on tour there. It was such an outstanding example of the speedster style that Cord decided to replicate it. That is what is on display at the Auburn museum. Now you know the rest of the story.

To the right is a picture of one of the huge front windows of the original ACD showroom. We were told by one of the docents that the museum is currently in the process of replacing every glass window in the building. It is a \$3.2 million dollar project that, when finished, will change every window from thin, non-insulated single-pane glass to thicker, double-pane glass that is roughly 1/2" thick. It will drastically lower the cost of heating and cooling the building, providing a huge cost savings. Much of the glass is original to the building that dates back to the 1930's.

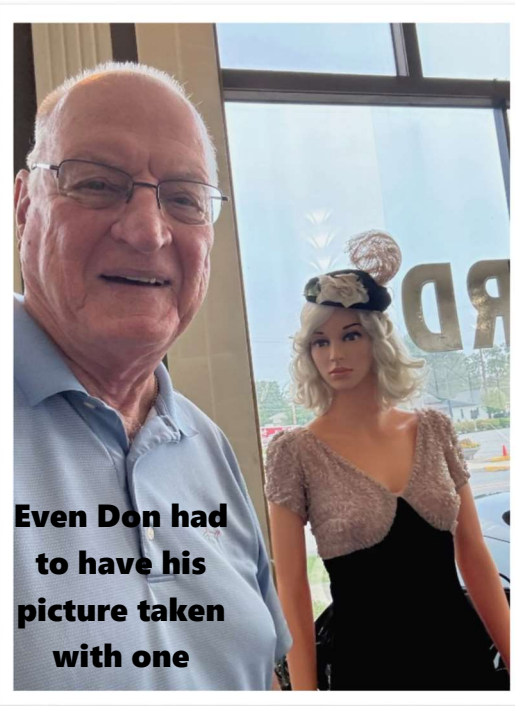




While most of us are roaming around the museum, Rick and Dave are checking out the chicks that are just standing around the museum like dummies.

To their surprise, they really were dummies.

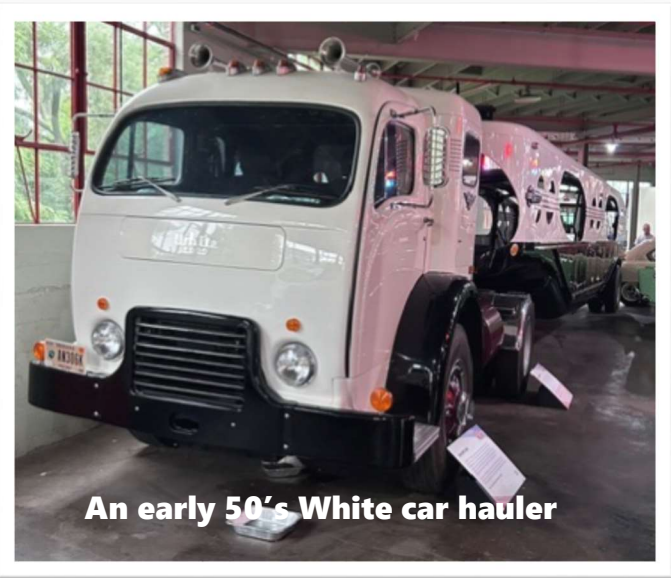
Go figure.



Even Don had to have his picture taken with one



Hidden on the 3rd floor was a 1954 Corvette



An early 50's White car hauler

Next up on our list was the Gilmore Car Museum up in Hickory Corners, MI. I know that we talk about this museum all the time, but it truly is a must-see car destination. It was started back in the early 1960's by Donald Gilmore, the then-Chairman of the Upjohn pharmaceutical company, when he began collecting classic cars. His wife, Genevieve, had the idea of turning the collection into a museum. The museum opened to the public on July 31, 1966.

Today, the Gilmore occupies 90-landscaped acres in SW Michigan. It has nine separate museums with a tenth building now under construction and slated to open in early 2027. There are nearly 3 miles of paved roadways on which antique cars can often be seen being taking guests on scenic tours. The museums cover more than 200,000 square feet of exhibition space. They have over 400 vehicles in their inventory rotation.

The evening before we visited Gilmore, we had dinner at a neat restaurant in downtown Kalamazoo. One of the wait staff volunteered to take our group picture out in the parking lot.



When we arrived at the Gilmore on Wednesday morning, we were able to park our cars on the property and leave them there the entire day and on display through the evening during the Wednesday night car show. That's the second time that we've been able to do that. Certainly draws a crowd.





Above left, a restored circa 1930's Shell gas station. Above right, the recently built enclosed pavilion where large groups of people can hold private events. Looks to be able to seat 75 – 100 people.





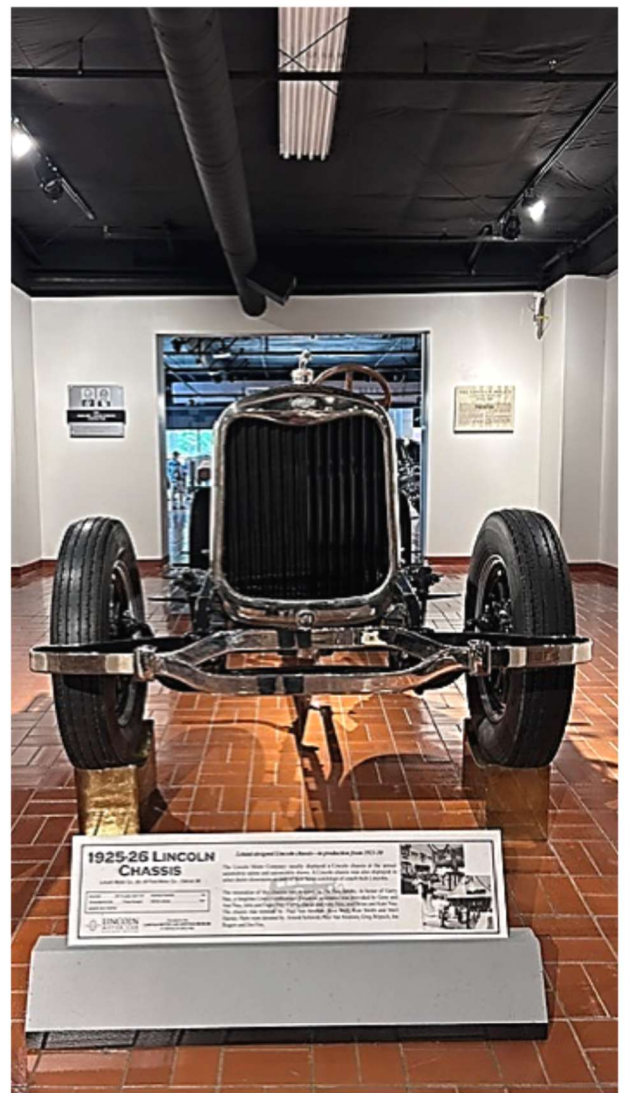
Muscle Cars



L – R. Actual American cars in Europe that were hidden from the Nazis during WWII



Lincoln Tourer



1925-26 LINCOLN CHASSIS



Bad Joe & Good Joe



On Thursday, we left Kalamazoo and headed over to Dearborn to tour the famous Henry Ford Museum. For most of us, it had been 20 years+ since any of us had been there. Needless to say, much of it had changed, with updated or expanded displays.

This is one of the first exhibits that you see at Henry Ford – the Lincoln that President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in. At the time, the Lincoln was a convertible. After Kennedy was assassinated, the car was converted into a hardtop. Still, just standing there will give you a moment of pause.



So, I'm standing next to the car minding my own business when Marty just happens to snap a picture of the inside of the car. When he looked at the picture later, he discovered that he had captured my reflection in the window. Kinda spooky.

While we are on the subject of Presidents and assassination, the museum also has the chair that President Lincoln was sitting in the night he was assassinated at Ford Theater. You do get chills when looking at stuff like this. The chair has been preserved for 161 years.

Once again, the Henry Ford Museum is really a warehouse of American history, whether you visit the Museum itself or tour Greenfield Village next door that contains original buildings that belonged to the Wright Brothers, or Thomas Edison or more recently the childhood home of Dr. Martin Luther King.

It is one of those places that should be on every American's short list of places to see.



This Allegheny steam locomotive was built to haul iron ore at low speeds up steep grades. It is the heaviest locomotive ever built, weighing it at an impressive 1,233,970 lbs, beating out the Big Boy which weighs 1,208,750 lbs.

Size-wise, the Big Boy, which just recently toured the United States, is technically the biggest steam locomotive in existence.



Dayton's very own Ohio George Montgomery's 1933 Willys Gasser



Ford GT



In clay



When we were at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg museum on Tuesday, I couldn't help but notice that one of the most famous Duesenbergs was missing. It was there the last time we visited, but was nowhere to be found.

Well, we found it! It is currently on loan to the Henry Ford museum.

You may ask why this Duesenberg is so famous. It is actually chassis number one – the very first Duesenberg ever manufactured and sold to the public. It was commissioned by Mr. Samuel Northrup Castle who was from a family of Hawaiian missionaries and was founder of Castle & Cooke Co., a Hawaiian sugar cooperative. After some delays in production, he took delivery of the 1921 Model A coupe and ended up being the very first person to take delivery of a Duesenberg.

When he passed in 1959, ownership remained in the family where the car was shipped back to the United States and placed into storage in San Francisco. The car remained in the Castle family until January of 2021 when the family decided to entrust the car to the Auburn Cord Duesenberg museum where it will remain and the Castle family's generosity will allow for future generations to appreciate the history of Duesenberg, automotive design and engineering and the evolution of the automobile including the legacy of the Castle family in perpetuity.

Touring the three museums, I took hundreds of photographs. Unfortunately, I can't upload them all or this publication would be arduously long. I'm just trying to give you a feel for what each museum was like.

The picture below was taken Tuesday evening after we returned back from dinner. In the back (right behind me in the red shirt) is Bob Freshour's son who joined us on the trip. In the front left of the picture is Dave Ransdell's friend Mike Bare who lives in Kalamazoo. This is the third time he has joined us on our pilgrimage to the Gilmore.



Despite the rain – especially at the beginning of our journey – and all the road construction, the trip was fun. At each museum, you always see something new and interesting. If you are a car-guy or car-girl, it just doesn't get old. Especially the Gilmore.

I can't express it any stronger that any of these museums are must-see for their own attributes. If you are going to see just one, it must be the Gilmore. It is a full day of eye candy.

Now that Gilmore is moving their steam powered vehicles to a brand new building and the muscle car museum is being expanded, we will probably take another drive north at some point next summer.

Join us. Please. You will not be disappointed. Trust me.

H.R. 6850 – 119th Congress (2025 – 2026)

DRIVE TO HALT DRUNK DRIVING ACT

Marty Skirha contacted me and asked if he could submit an article on House Bill 6850, outline exactly what it is and provide his comments concerning it. Of course, I said yes immediately. It is always good to see what's going on in the automotive community, whether it is Corvette related or government related. So, here's the synopsis that Marty sent in. Your comments concerning this article are certainly welcome – matter of fact, they are encouraged.

WHAT IS THE HALT DRUNK DRIVING ACT?

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (section 24220 that was passed in 2021) includes a mandate for passenger vehicles to be equipped with “advanced impaired driving prevention technology”. Better known on social media as the government-mandated “kill switch”. The intent is to prevent drunk driving, which causes over 10,000 deaths each year, and phased in by 2024 and then mandatory for all vehicles by 2027. As usual, this sounds like an admirable goal.

*However, NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) has warned that “**passive**” detection technology is not ready for commercial use. Yes, I said this is a passive system, which means that “Big Brother” is not watching you – but your new car is watching you every second you are behind the wheel.*

*It this additional mandated technology is implemented, it would be a **TRAIN WRECK** in my opinion. It is estimated that there are over 1 billion (that's billion with a B) car trips each and every day in the U.S. Even with a 99.9% detection accuracy level, there would be over 1 million drivers incorrectly prevented from operating their vehicle. NHTSA is not even aware of any technology that comes anywhere close to this level of accuracy. Therefore, if you plan on purchased a new 2027 vehicle, you are safe. For now.*

*Just be aware that your car is watching you for now. **Marty***

EDITORIAL COMMENT

After Marty submitted this article to me, I not only read through it (had not heard of the Act prior to this) but it got me thinking. So I hopped on my computer and did a little bit of research using AI. I think what I found fills in some of the details and gives you a slightly better look at this Bill.

OVERVIEW

The Halt Drunk Driving Act (which honors the Abbas family legacy to Terminate Drunk Driving Act) is a 2021 federal law that mandates built-in anti-drunk driving technology in all new new passenger vehicles. Named in honor of the Abbas family, who were killed by a drunk driver in 2019, it aims to passively detect impairment without driver engagement and prevent the vehicle from operating if the driver is intoxicated

KEY DETAILS AND CURRENT STATUS

The Law. The Bill was enacted in November of 2021 as part of the **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act** (IIJA)

The Mandate. It directs the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration to create a Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard for this technology. Technologies under consideration include passive breath and touch-based sensors, as well as camera-based driver monitoring.

Timeline and Delays. While the mandate was initially expected to be finalized around 2024, implementation has been bogged down by regulatory delays. Experts and NHTSA project that the final rollout will be pushed back into 2027 or beyond, after which automakers will still be given several years to phase in the technology.

Recent Legislation. Because of regulatory delays, new legislation has been introduced – such as the ***Drive to Halt Drunk Driving Act*** (H.R. 6850) – to accelerate the deployment of the technology and hold manufacturers accountable.

Current Pushback. The law has survived congressional attempts to defund or repeal it, though automakers continue to call for more research to address the ongoing advocacy efforts via **Mothers Against Drunk Driving**.

CONCLUSION

So, after reading through Marty's article and then perusing my editorial comments, you can probably come to the conclusion that this Bill (or versions thereof) appears to be a long way off. Regulatory delays, technology gaps and just our government juggernaut will probably keep pushing any approval of this Bill just that much farther into the future.

As an aside, I know that many vehicles built in the last 5 years or so have been equipped with some technology that could be deployed now. Just as an example, our 2021 F-150 has several cameras in the interior that are currently not functioning. I could have paid for and downloaded a total autonomous self-driving app in the truck that would have activated those cameras. The one in the driver's side door is aimed at the driver's face to monitor eye movement, etc. While I was game to activate the system, the decision was made not to.

What are your thoughts on this? It would be interesting to get some feedback from our membership with your thoughts on any technology that would lock-out your vehicle if impairment was detected by any means.

Let us know.

And a big thanks to Marty for sending this in. I learned something.



A bunch of us from the Club attended the annual Eaton Downtown Saturday Night car show on August 22nd. The weather was great for the most part (a little shower late in the afternoon). Other than that, great food and a great get-together. A big thanks, as usual, to Gary and Patty Wagner for opening up their home to the Club and providing hot dogs, sausages and all the drinks.



To the left is Remi, Wagner's super dog. They have had her for a little over 2 years. She's not bashful and kept roaming the crowd looking for handouts.



Below, we had a couple winners from the show. Neil Romer (left two pictures) won Best Corvette for his '68. On the right, Gary accepts a Top 50 award for Dave Hineman's 2000 convertible. It appears that Gary was **very happy** to accept the award on Dave's behalf.



AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS FROM



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Here are this month's highlights from Corvetteblogger.

- **Throwback Thursday: Corvette Chiefs Assemble!**



Usually, we feature either some vintage photos or a video, but this post is about these “vintage” people that were instrumental in designing and building America's Favorite Sports Car during their time at General Motors

The NCRS National Convention was held in Charleston, SC at the end of July and, while it attracted a fair number of classic Corvettes, it also brought back the people who worked on these cars for General Motors.

Corvette historian and photographer Richard Prince captured this photo of all the previous Corvette Chief Engineers plus retired Corvette Product Marketing Manager Harlan Charles and current Executive Chief Engineer Tony Roma. The only previous “Chief” not pictured is Zora Arkus-Duntov who passed away in 1996.

Richard wrote this to go along with the photo:

Much of the history of Corvette as a relatively low-volume specialty car within the vastness of General Motors is a story of continuous struggle. For almost 75 years a small group of brilliant, courageous, forceful and passionate people have overcome all obstacles to bring us the best production sports car in the world.

The impact that these six men (L-R Tony Roma, Harlan Charles, Tadge Juechter, Tom Wallace, Dave Hill and Dave McLellan) have had on GM's flagship icon going back nearly six decades cannot be overstated. Their unbreakable dedication and hard work, along with the same from their colleagues in GM Design, have produced the cars we love so much. Looking ahead, America's Sports Car is in the excellent hands of Executive Chief Engineer for Global Corvette and Performance Cars Team Tony Roma, totally committed to keeping Corvette at the front of the pack worldwide.

On a personal note, it has truly been my privilege to work directly with all six of these remarkable men over the past 30 years as part of both my work for GM and in the creation of my books and other writing endeavors. It was also my privilege to photograph them together at the National Corvette Restorers Society National Convention in Charleston, SC a few days ago.

The Corvette nation is extremely fortunate that these men are still with us today and are able to share their knowledge and experiences with the rest of us. Thanks again to Richard Prince for being able to document this rare gathering.

• **Corvette Assembly is planning a three week shutdown due to constraints**

We received word from our friends at the MidEngineCorvetteForum.com that the Corvette assembly plant is scheduling three weeks of closures this fall due to supplier-related parts constraints.

The shut-down of the assembly plant will start on Monday, September 28th and runs through Friday, October 16th. Affected weeks of production include:

- September 28th
- October 5th
- October 12th



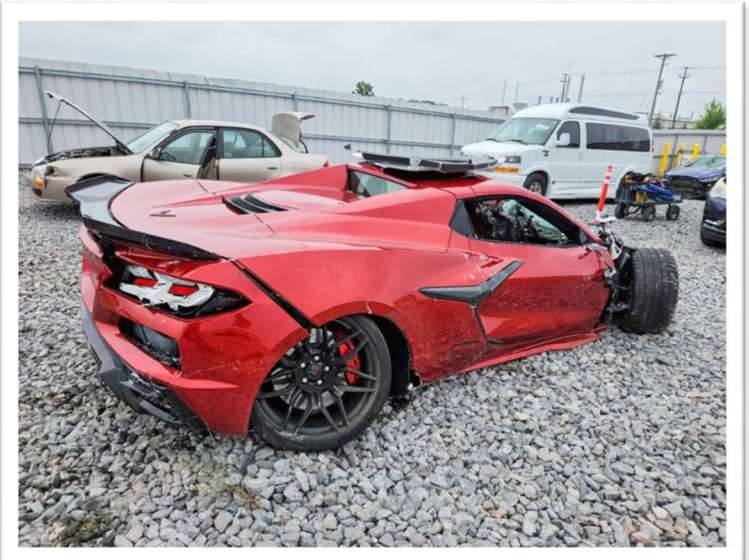
As was the case when the assembly plant shut down for three weeks over April, May and June, the planned stoppage is being blamed on supplier-related parts constraints. We've been seeing plenty of constraints ongoing since the 2027's started down the line. While the issues are related to carbon fiber and the Corvette's aero pieces, we have heard about some other issues impacting production.

Hopefully, this three-week shutdown will allow Chevrolet's parts suppliers and vendors a chance to catch up with whatever is causing the bottleneck in production.

- **Corvette lands on IIHS Study of vehicles with highest rates of driver deaths**

The Chevrolet Corvette sits at the center of a new Insurance Institute for Highway Safety report that raises fresh concerns about how sports cars and muscle cars are driven – and the risks they pose to their own drivers and to others on the road.

The IIHS analysis, which examines driver death rates and other driver death rates for the 2023 model year vehicles, shows a clear pattern: small cars, sports cars and muscle cars dominate the list of vehicles with the highest fatality rates. And, while Corvette is not among the worst performers, the report's findings place America's sports car icon squarely inside a broader conversation about power, speed and driver behavior.



(Skip to the details)

The worst performers were:

- **Kia Rio** – highest driver death rate (170 per million)
- **Ram 3500** crew cab long bed 4WD – highest other driver death rate (204 per million)

Sports cars and muscle cars – including the **Camaro** (88 deaths per million), **Malibu** (116 deaths per million) and **Dodge Charger** variants (127 and 90 deaths per million) appeared on both high-risk lists. While the **Corvette** (82 deaths per million) was not specifically named among the highest risk models, it shares the same category characteristics: high horsepower, performance-oriented marketing and a driver base that often seeks speed.

Of the Top 20 cars listed in the report, the best performer was the **Nissan Sentra** (small car listed at 81 deaths per million). The second best was the **Corvette** (midsize sports car at 82 deaths per million).

Luxury SUV's including the BMW X5, Porsche Cayenne and Volvo XC90 dominated the list of vehicles with the lowest death rates, thanks to advanced safety tech, size and more conservative driving patterns.

The IIHS findings don't necessarily condemn the Corvette, which recorded 82 deaths per million registered vehicle years. The car's performance potential demands responsible driving, and its safety ultimately depends on the person holding the wheel.

As IIHS President David Harkey put it: "Size and power matter....but a big part of how safe you are behind the wheel depends on how safely you drive."

Here's what's going on in the World of Corvette in our neck of the woods.

Newest member. Rick Snider sent in this picture of a new member that he caught sitting in his Vette. We were unanimously of the opinion that Rick probably should have gotten with the guy just a few months earlier.

Then again, Rick always has his eyes open for new customers. Of course, he probably should have gotten with this guy just a few months earlier for that, too....

Timings everything.



Corvette friends. The picture on the left was taken at the Red Lobster in Chillicothe in early August. This group gets together at that restaurant once or twice a year just to catch up. Sam and DeEtta Balser drive down from northern Indiana (about 4 hours). Jim and Jan Blystone drive down from Stow, OH (about 3 hours). Rick and Prema Ray (you know, my great Cub Reporter) come up from Hurricane, WVA (about 2 hours). A diverse group, which is really part of a larger group that gets together at the Bash and other Corvette functions. Lots of fun. Great friends!



Could this be the new C9? NO! It is not the C9. This is a rendering of what Motor Trend magazine *thinks* the next generation of Corvette will look like. The operative word here is *thinks*.

Unless you see a camouflaged Corvette-looking, GM-produced car sliding around the highways, then all of the pictures that you are seeing on the Web are just “guesses”. May I also remind you that back around 2017 or so, GM was driving around a C8 concept disguised as a Holden pick-up truck. They can be very sneaky those GM engineers.



Books, book and more books. This is certainly not Corvette related, but I had to toss it in the mix this month. This is the Oakes Beitman library up in Pleasant Hill just north of Englewood. Cindy and I were driving up north to Piqua to have lunch when we saw the library as we were driving by. The south side of the building has been painted with book shelves with a selection of about 67 different book titles on the spines. From the Bible to titles like The Grapes of Wrath, Frankenstein and Moby Dick. Each book is about 8 feet tall. If you find yourself headed up Rt. 48 and going through Pleasant Hill, the library is just off to the left as you pass the Soldiers & Sailors monument at the center of town. Worth a stop.



Hungry? Gary, David R. and I had lunch at Fricker's several weeks ago. Dave was hungry. So, he ordered a hamburger. The waitress misunderstood what he said, and brought out a burger that (I think) was called The Big Frickin' Burger. The size? One pound! As impressive as it was size-wise, Dave did remove one of the pattys, which still left him with a ½ lb burger.

I mean, really. One pound!



Ohio representing. That's our own Joe Eldridge shaking hands with Mike Furman during Corvette week at Carlisle. I told Joe that if he had a chance to stop by the Ron Fellows booth and say hi to Mike. Well, he did and the picture made one of Mike's daily posts from Carlisle. I noticed in the pic that there was a Bourbon lid at the front of Mike's ZR1X. It was actually a gift from one of his long-time Corvette customers that commemorated Mike's recent 7,000th Corvette sale.

Glad that Joe and Michele had the opportunity to meet Mike.



CALENDAR OF **EVENTS** FOR 2026

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April	
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
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.
May	
09	Bud's All Corvette Cruise-In, St. Marys, OH. From 9:00 to 1:00. Details to follow
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
16	Visit American Sign Museum – Liberty Center. 2:30 p.m. Ford's Garage – dinner
16	Greater Dayton Corvette's All Corvette Cruise-In. Air Force Museum from 9 – 12.
29	Greater Dayton Corvette Club. Churchill Downs Event. 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
June	
06	BCC Cruise Into Summer Car Show – Reichard Chevrolet. 3:00 – 8:00 p.m.
11	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
20	Greater Dayton All Corvette Show. Hollywood Raceway Casino. 11:00 – 3:00
20	Pool party at Sniders. 4:00 p.m.
27	National Trails Car Show
July	
05	St. Henry's annual Firecracker Cruise-In Car Show – St. Henry. 1 – 4. Brunch @ Romer's.
09	Camp Independence, car rides – special needs kids (and families) Time TBD
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Location to be announced. 7:00 p.m.
18	Greater Dayton Corvette's All Corvette Cruise-In. Air Force Museum from 9 – 12.

August	
6	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
9	Englewood Art Festival & Car Show, Centennial Park. 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. \$10 per car
10	Dayton Dragons ballgame. Corvettes on display at the Park. Meet at Culvers @ 10:30
11	ACD Museum, Gilmore Museum, Ford Museum. Watch emails for times. Multiple days
15	Greater Dayton Corvette's All Corvette Cruise-In. Air Force Museum from 9 – 12.
22	Eaton Car Show – Downtown Saturday Night. Dinner at Wagner's home
28	Antioch Shrine Car Show 4:00 – 8:00. Opens @ 2:00. \$15 Registration
28 - 30	32nd Anniversary Event @ the National Corvette Museum – Bowling Green, KY
September	
06	NASCAR Party @ Ransdell's. 4:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish.
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
13	All Corvette Car Show – Lancaster, OH. Leave time TBD
20	Dayton Concours d'Elegance @ Carillon Park. 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
25	Friday is the Tipp City Mum Festival Cruise In. 4:00 p.m.
October	
02	Heritage of Flight Festival & Car Show. From 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. .
08	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
11	Halloween Gathering – GDCC & Nat. Road Corvette. 10 – 1. Springfield Admin. Building
17	Progressive Dinner. Time and locations TBA
?	Camden's Black Walnut Festival. Registration: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Trophies @ 3:00
November	
12	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
14	BCC Pizza Party @ Marion's in Englewood. Watch for details in an e-mail
December	
11	There is no monthly meeting in December.
12	Brookville Corvette Club Christmas Party. Party Barn at Tiernans

(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.)

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"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 September 5th, take your chances on a **2026 Black Stingray Coupe**. Tickets are \$20 and tickets are unlimited. Drawing will take place at 2:00 p.m. CST.

On September 24th, win a **2027 Arctic White Coupe**. Tickets are \$150 with 1,500 available. Drawing is at 2:00 p.m. CST.

On October 22nd, you could win a **2027 Blade Silver Coupe**. Tickets are \$100 with 200 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), click on *Win a Corvette*, and then click on *Enter to Win*. It's as easy as that!



DEDICATION OF THE NEW COLLECTIONS BUILDING

On September 3rd, the brand new Collections Building will be dedicated. Donors to the building received an invitation to be present.

The 66,000 square-foot facility will open to the public for tours in the spring of 2027.



CORVETTE SWEEPSTAKES III

You could win this **2012 Corvette ZR1 coupe**. Finished in Blade Silver with an Ebony interior and suede microfiber inserts. It is powered by a hand-built supercharged 6.2L LS9 V8 that produces 638 horsepower. This two-owner ZR1 has just 13,642 miles on the odometer and includes service records, manuals and original accessories. Performance highlights include carbon-ceramic brakes, a polycarbonate hood window and the 3ZR package. The winner will take delivery on Corvette Boulevard through the Museum Delivery Experience.

To purchase tickets, just go to the Museum website, click on Sweepstakes and choose your amount. The Sweepstakes is open now. The deadline to purchase tickets is September 6th and the drawing will be held on September 17th at 2:00 PM CST.

And don't forget. When purchasing tickets, make sure you use the word **BROOKVILLE** in the promo code box to get 50% more tickets.



To make it even easier to purchase tickets, just scan the QR code below with your phone and it will take you to right to this sweepstakes. Wow, how easy is that?

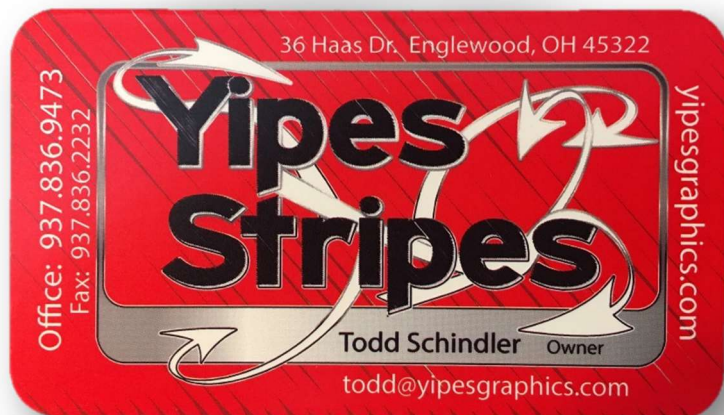


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From March 1st through December 31st, the National Corvette Museum will be open between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm CST, Sunday thru Saturday. Last tickets are sold at 4:30 CST each day. Tickets can be purchased on-site or on-line. The Museum is located just 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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