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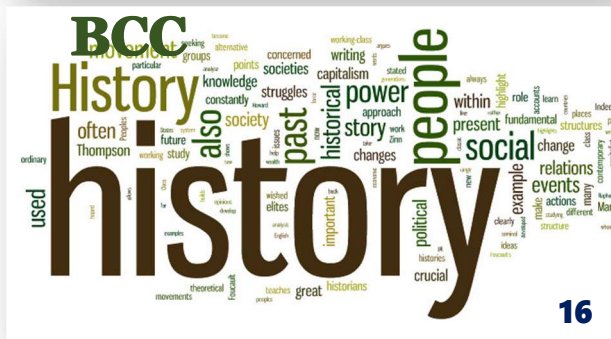
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MESSAGES FROM THE EDITOR AND THE PRESIDENT

You'll notice this month that the upcoming 2024 Corvette ERAY graces the front cover. If you haven't see some of the videos on the car, check them out. I mean, a hybrid Corvette that does 0 – 60 in about 2.5 seconds. Impressive!

In this issue, we pay our final respects to Ken Yost. His memorial service was packed with friends and family which was really great to see.

I also go on a rant about all of the C8's that have been and are being crashed, totaled and basically mistreated. Some people have no respect for the power let alone treating a \$100k+ car like a Mustang. Did I just type that out loud?

We also take a quick look back at some BCC history. We'll be doing that a little more often throughout the year.

Finally, Corvette Clubs around the globe will now have a spokesperson working with each Club's Ambassador to strengthen the connection to the National Corvette Museum. You can read all about that starting on page 24.

Spring begins on March 20th this year, so you only have about six more weeks of winter. I don't pay any attention to Punxsutawney Phil.

Have fun this month, even if it is walking behind your snow blower!

Hi, all!

So, we're smack-dab in the middle of winter. Hard to believe. Cold and snowy days are here for the time being. Hopefully, everyone is doing well and staying warm and safe.

The Board has been planning the upcoming year, looking at the schedule and updating events. One way you can help (and be part of the process) is to let us know of any special events or outings that you would like to do. You can turn to pages 21 and 22 to see the most recent calendar updates. There are many events that have not yet been updated.

Keep checking your emails and try to get more involved with the Club. You'll find many new friends and it will make your life more interesting.

Hope to see many of you at our upcoming February meeting on the 9th. In the meantime, don't forget to **SAVE THE WAVE!**

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BCC CLUB MEETING

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 9th. If you can see fit, plan on heading over to the Lieber Center in Brookville and joining us. You'll be surprised what you might learn about the Club. Then again, maybe not. But you'll have a good time.



ROMER'S SWEET-HEART DANCE

Romer's annual Mercer County Right-to-Life Sweetheart Dance takes place on Saturday, February 11th. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. with the optional dinner starting at 6:00. Plenty of \$5.00 raffle tickets will be available at the door. Music will be provided by the Walt Schmitmeyer Band. Contact Romer's for tickets (419) 678-8482.

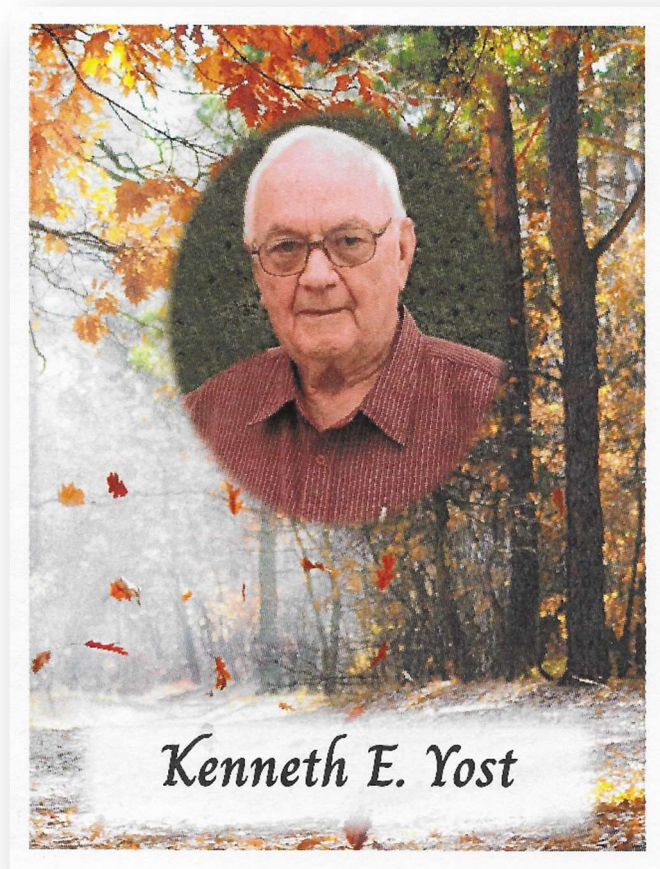


TRIBUTE TO KEN YOST



News flash. As you get older, you become more introspective. More like "...have I done enough or I should I have done anything different?" I'm not sure if that's the case with Ken, but I've come to regret that we did not have enough time with him so that he could share more of his life story with us.

Earlier in 2022, I realized that I really needed to sit down with Ken and just let him talk away. Don Thokey and I finally had the opportunity to do just that last August. I didn't put Ken on "the clock", but we ended up talking for the better part of three hours. Had it not been for his declining health, we probably could have spent the good part of a day together.



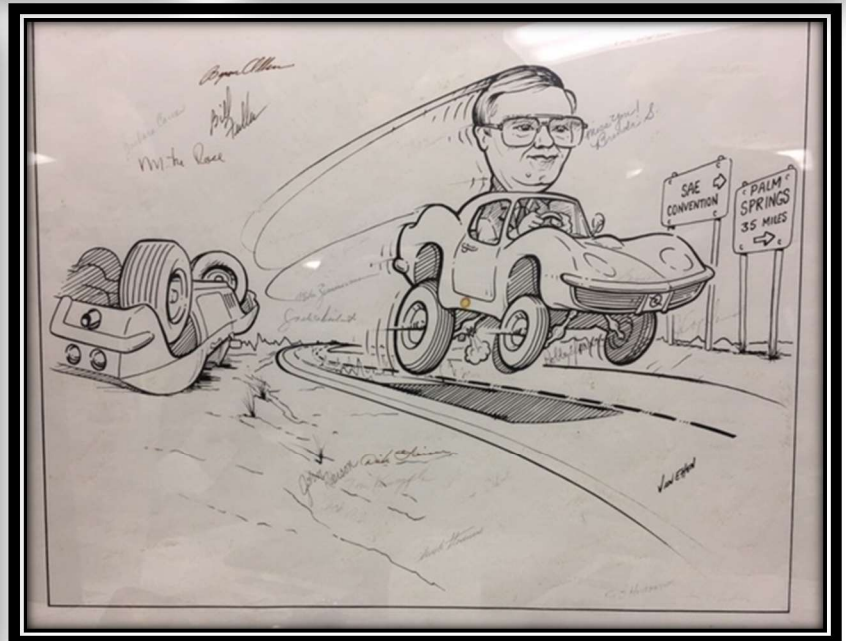
Back in mid-August, we all had a chance to celebrate Ken's 90th birthday at his home over on Diamond Mill Road. His entire family was there along with many of his close friends. Someone took a video of the moment we drove up his drive, honked our horns and waved. Watching that video, Ken was touched beyond words. It was a great surprise to Ken. As a Corvette guy, I'm sure it was one of the big highlights of that day for him.



On December 18th, Ken passed away at Cypress Point in Englewood where he had been for roughly 4 weeks. As I shared in the last issue of Flags, I was able to get that –**one more story**- from Ken before I left him for the last time. On one hand, Ken was truly ready to leave this earth. He made that crystal clear during our time together. On the other, he was sharp, coherent and very much alive as he talked about apple cider, the family orchard... and that dead fish. It was a 15 minute conversation that I'll never forget.

On January 6th, the family held a memorial service for Ken at the Phillipsburg United Methodist Church. At the service, you found out just how much Ken was loved. When the service began, there were only a few empty seats left. The turnout of family, friends, church members and Masonic Lodge members was impressive. It was a great send-off for a truly nice guy.

Here are a few pictures I snapped at the service.



Upper left: the family set up a table with important items from Ken's career along with some family pictures. There were also copies of the two articles I wrote up in Flags of my interviews with Ken along with his 90th birthday celebration. **Upper right:** not many people have an official GM Desert Proving Grounds hat from Arizona. **Lower left:** the flowers that the BCC sent to the church. **Lower right:** a cartoon drawing from an SAE Convention showing Ken flying down the road in a C3. What a great piece!

The BCC will miss Ken. Just a really nice guy and probably the closest connection the Club has ever had to someone that knew and worked with **The Man** - Zora Arkus-Duntov. That alone is a great story.

Here's some tidbits from the Club and around Corvette nation for February 2023.

- **Shawn Vancleve's photo shoot.** If you remember back in October, Shawn's wheel supplier (Strasse Wheels) did a photo shoot of Shawn's 2019 C7 Grand Sport. Strasse wanted to use his Vette for a pictorial on their website. Well, that pictorial is now live. Go to www.strassewheels.com, scroll down a bit and from Vehicle Gallery, choose Chevrolet and hit enter (Shawn's pictorial is 3 rows down). Or, under Vehicle Gallery, choose Wheel Model, pick R10 and hit enter. His pictorial is 2 rows down. Either way, you'll get to see his entire portfolio from the site.



- **Thokey's new front clip.** After Don purchased Ken Yost's '92 convertible, he discovered that the front clip was in bad shape. So, he found a used clip and had it professionally stripped, re-painted and re-installed. Now, Don's '92 looks almost as good as new. The fit is perfect and the color match is spot on.

Hey Don, Joan's Vette looks great. Hope she lets you drive it next summer!



- **Gary has some wheel work done.** Well, he actually had a set of Hawk ceramic brake pads installed on his '02 convertible along with a set of red caliper covers. Really makes those wheels "pop". Of course, those chromed rotors are a nice touch. He will find out that brake dust, for the most part, will be a thing of the past once those pads are broken in. To my knowledge, this is the 6th set of ceramic pads that various members have had installed on their Vettes. If you are looking to not having to clean your wheels every 50 miles, think about moving to ceramic pads. They do make a huge difference.



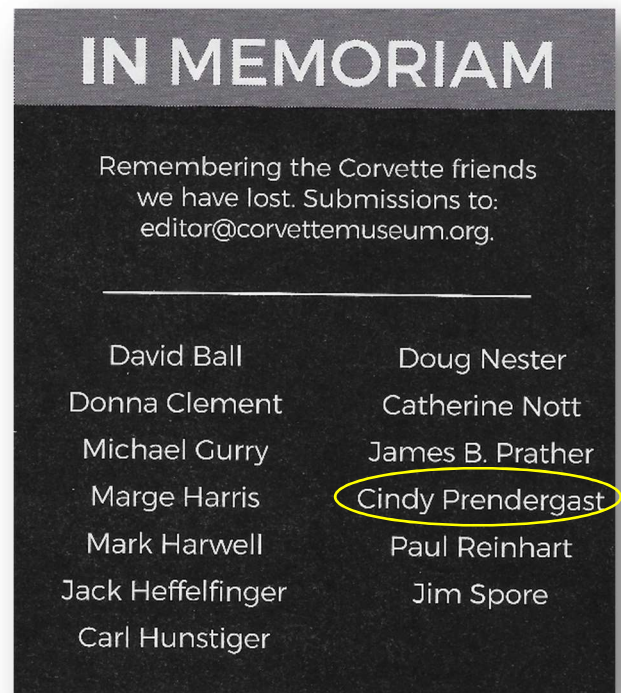
- **National Corvette Museum – In Memoriam.**

The NCM issues the America's Sports Car magazine each quarter. Towards the back of each issue, there is an In Memoriam section that honors those in the Corvette community that have passed.

When one of our members passes away, I make sure to contact the editor of the magazine to submit the BCC member that has passed.

In the latest issue, you'll see that we have honored Cindy Prendergast.

I made sure that Dan got a copy of this section of the magazine so he is aware that the entire Corvette community shares in his loss.



IN MEMORIAM

Remembering the Corvette friends we have lost. Submissions to: editor@corvettemuseum.org.

David Ball	Doug Nester
Donna Clement	Catherine Nott
Michael Gurry	James B. Prather
Marge Harris	Cindy Prendergast
Mark Harwell	Paul Reinhart
Jack Heffelfinger	Jim Spore
Carl Hunstiger	

- **Just don't call me Ken.** Here's a touching gesture from the Yost family. After Ken's memorial service ended, there was a luncheon at the church for everyone that had attended the service. In the room that was set up for lunch, there was a table set up with many items from Ken's past. They also had several of Ken's Corvette jackets on display.

After lunch, the family presented Don Thokey with what was the coolest jacket in the collection. Not only is the jacket Corvette focused, but Ken had the jacket embroidered with his name **AND** Brookville Corvette Club. That showed just how much Ken thought of our Club. And, Ken's name is still embroidered on the front (and Don will keep it that way).

Don, I could not think of anyone more deserving of that jacket than you. I'm sure that you'll wear it in memory of your friendship with Ken. Pretty cool.



- **Happy 80th Birthday, Marty.** You people come up with clever ideas for birthday gifts. Case in point is Marty Skirha's recent 80th birthday party. His daughter came in from California to celebrate Marty's big event. She surprised him with a 1,014 piece puzzle of his C7 Corvette. Soon after, his son arrived from Michigan and they all began the task of sorting pieces and putting the puzzle together.

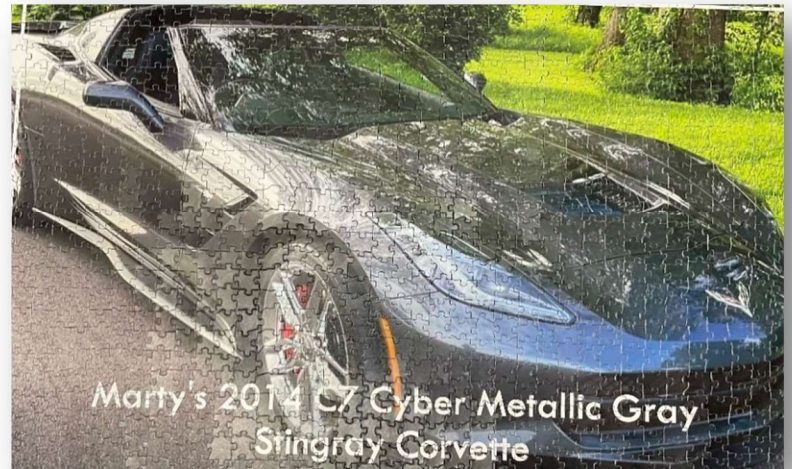
As Karen mentioned, it was not easy. It took them 4 days to put the puzzle together. As you can see, the final results are pretty cool!

It also appears that everyone pitched in and got Marty a new C7-themed Corvette jacket. Also a very cool jacket!

A belated Happy 80th Birthday, Marty. That is one cool gift. I'm sure it's already framed and hanging somewhere in the house.

- **Where were you on January 17, 1953?** If you're like me, you weren't even born yet. However, if you were lucky enough to find yourself at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City, you had the very first chance to see the brand new Chevrolet Corvette. This was the first time that the new Corvette had been shown in public. It created quite the hype back then. To honor that very important moment, Chevrolet recently introduced the new Corvette E-Ray on the same day – January 17, 2023. A lot has happened with Corvette over the last 70 years. I'm pretty sure that those in attendance then had absolutely no idea what was in store for Corvette 70 years hence.

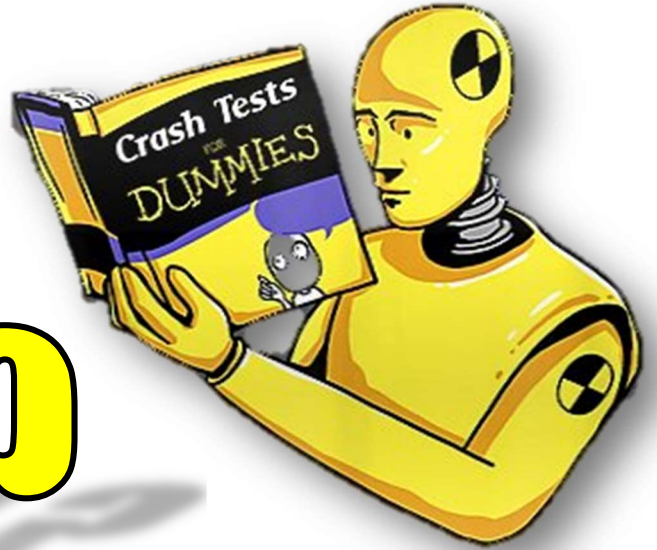
know, sometimes



- **A load of '23's spotted in WVA.** One thing about our Cub reporter down in West Virginia is that he's a very observant person. While traveling down around the Huntington Mall area in WVA, he spotted a truck load of '23 Corvettes headed to local dealers. He actually took a 15s video of the load while driving (a multi-tasking journalist for sure). Looking at the picture, you will note that there are both Stingrays **and** Z06's on the hauler. Our thanks go out to Rick Ray, our resident West Virginia remote cub reporter for Flags.



WHAT'S THE DEAL?



If you're like me, you browse through a lot of Corvette information during the week. Stuff from YouTube. Articles from the various Corvette rags. Daily uploads from the National Corvette Museum which includes downloads from various YouTubers including www.corvetteblogger.com and many other news sites.

More and more, you see (I'll keep it polite) **IDIOTS** abusing the living daylights out of their recently purchased Corvette. From the so-called YouTube influencers to rappers to NFL players, they are crashing these relatively hard-to-get cars left and right. I mean, what's the deal?





And, in almost all incidences, it was the fault of the Corvette driver. Typically, it comes down to excessive speed, driving in not-Corvette-weather (see the last two pictures above) or just plain stupidity.

Age also comes into play. Recently, a mom out in Las Vegas let her 28 year old son take her Z06 out for spin. He was eventually stopped for doing 106 mph in a 45 mph zone. No license, no insurance and previous moving violations. And there have been several fatal accidents involving Corvettes being driven recklessly (one that comes to mind is the NFL player that killed a couple people as he was driving at a high rate of speed). He walked away. The passengers in the car he hit were killed.

OK. OK. I'll get down off my soapbox and move on. Nothing much we can do but complain. But, what worries me the most is that videos of people crashing their Corvettes are going to start outnumbering videos of people crashing their Mustangs. That's just plain wrong!

HISTORY

OF THE BROOKVILLE CORVETTE CLUB

So, it has been a while since we went back in time and perused the history of the Brookville Corvette Club. That's on me. We really should devote a little more time going back in the archives and sharing some of the history of the Club. After all, we are officially in our 40th year of existence. A lot has happened.

First up, here's one of the earliest pieces of memorabilia that dates back to the founding of the Club. This receipt was receipt #01 written out to Joe Ricketts for Club dues. Joe was recently going through some of his "stuff" and came across it. Note the date – April 8, 1982.

Also note the amount - \$30.00. In 40 years, the Club dues have gone up a total of \$20.00. I'm not an economist, but I'd guess that \$20 bucks over 40 years is well below the rate of inflation.

This piece will go into the Club archives.

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The next gem (on the following page) was supplied by Bob Freshour. This was a 25th Anniversary gift that was given out to the members to commemorate our 25th Anniversary. The black and silver plaque was mounted to a piece of white marble. The overall size of the mounted plaque was about 4" x 2.5" x 1".

In early January, several of us met with Carolyn Haney, a writer for the Brookville Historical Society. In late 2022, she had contacted Don Thokey inquiring about the history of the BCC. She was looking to put together a historical time line of the BCC for the Brookville Historical Society. That piece was eventually published in the January issue of the Brookville Star newspaper.



While discussing the BCC and looking back into early issues of Flags, there was an article that had been written by Bob Freshour concerning our very first Cruise-In at (then) Boose Chevrolet (now Reichard Chevrolet). It was interesting to read the article noting that everything Bob had put in writing is pretty much the way we handle the Cruise-In to this day. All the questions and trepidations of running a car show were the same then as they are today.

So, I thought that I'd share that piece that Bob wrote in this issue of Flags. Hope you enjoy reading it.



Cruise Into Summer '88

BROOKVILLE CORVETTE CLUB / BOOSE CHEVROLET CRUISE-IN A HUGE SUCCESS

There were some anxious moments.....There were some questions....like "Where's Bob?" and "Will there be enough people?.....Enough cars show?" and "Will the weather hold up?"....And then they came.....and came.....came....Rods....Customs.....Low-riders....Sports cars.....and Vettes....OVER 300 cars in all. The Brookville Corvette Club/Boose Chevrolet Cruise-Into-Summer '88 took off like a rocket on a warm June afternoon.

Through the efforts of many dedicated BCC members and the club's sponsor, Boose Chevrolet, the afternoon and evening's cruise-in activities became a very successful event. The entrants were overheard saying that the Brookville event was one of the most enjoyable programs they have attended this year. Many asked how many years had this program been going on and were surprised to learn that this was the club's first attempt for a show of this size.

Earlier in the afternoon, club members began getting ready for the day's event. Cars were moved and the lot cleared. Final details on entry parking were made. Signs were hung and door prizes were arranged and displayed. Refreshments were unloaded and prepared. Tables were set up and tickets for the drawings made ready. Then, in the early afternoon, cars began arriving. They were received by a big fellow named Pete and with sincere authority, directed them to their parking location. Scott handed out the registration forms and further directed them to the "large guy" in the red pants. Linda and Leslie kept the registration table going. Debbie, Gary and others made sure everyone got the refreshments they desired.

Joe sold transmission drawing tickets. Jane sold 50/50 tickets using a unique "after-market" advertising approach. By 7:15, all the soft pretzels were sold. The 350 Turbo transmission drawing had sold enough tickets that the drawing was made that night instead of weeks later. The 50/50 drawing alone netted the club over \$140.00. Everyone did their job and when the money was all counted, the club added over \$700.00 to its treasury. The BCC "Team" did what it took to make the cruise-in very successful. Late evening found the event over and several tired, but happy BCC members were ready to call it a night and head home. It is the opinion of this reporter that the job done by the Brookville Corvette Club was a job well done and a special thanks goes out to Boose Chevrolet (especially Buster) and all the members that participated and worked so hard to make the day an enjoyable one.

A final note. None of this could have happened without the hours of dedicated work beginning way back in November, the endless details to be considered, and physical discomfort of one member in particular. Thanks Bob Freshour.

Below are a few pics taken during the '88 Cruise-In.



THE PAPARAZZI STRIKES!



When I'm out and about, I do my best to remain inconspicuous. I tend to be on the shy side and try to not travel in crowds. Well, something like that.

Back in November when I attended the Ambassador's Convention at the Museum, I hopped on the trolley that was parked in front of the Museum that was to take the Ambassadors across the highway to Bowling Green Assembly so we could attend some of the first tours of the plant. This was the first time in 5 years that the assembly plant was reopened to outside visitors.

Alas, my cover was blown. In my zeal to remain anonymous, I failed to recognize the Museum photographer standing at the front of the trolley. He snapped a few pictures of the group and then quickly hopped off the trolley. He'd gotten the money shot.

When I opened the *America's Sports Car* quarterly magazine this month, there I was. About half way towards the back of the trolley wearing a dark shirt and dark glasses. I guess when the paparazzi strikes, there's not much you can do about it.

Well, unless you're Alec Baldwin. But, hey, that's another story.



Hey Floyd! Good catch!



It's that time of year again when they announce who the **Top 10 Corvette Dealerships** were during the 2022 model year. When the annual announcement is made, it always seems to be the same dealerships on the list. It's like nothing much changes.

Well, there is one big change for 2022. **MacMulkin Chevrolet** in Nashua, NH has de-throned **Ciocca Chevrolet** as the Corvette sales leader in the U.S.

When it comes to Corvette, being the leader brings with it some bragging rights – and rightfully so. With Ciocca, they have been the sales leader for Corvette for the past 27 years. That's a long time at the top and something they really need to be proud of. However, those bragging rights have now moved to MacMulkin and they should be patting themselves on the back.

MacMulkin really went after the sales crown last year by trading for excess inventory from other dealerships. That, coupled with their normal 2nd place sales took them over the top. MacMulkin out-sold Ciocca by 45 Corvettes. That's an increase of a little over 3% year-over-year.

So, here's the official Top Ten Dealership list for 2022. You'll recognize everybody on the list.

1	MacMulkin Chevrolet	1,486 Corvettes
2	Ciocca Chevrolet	1,441 Corvettes
3	Mike Furman (Criswell)	603 Corvettes
4	Bonmin Chevrolet (Dadeland)	582 Corvettes
5	Les Stanford Chevrolet	481 Corvettes
6	Stingray Chevrolet	291 Corvettes
7	Bonmin Chevrolet (W. Kendall)	225 Corvettes
8	Rick Hendrick (Deluth)	222 Corvettes
9	Coughlin Chevrolet (Rick Conti)	207 Corvettes
10	George Matick Chevrolet	179 Corvettes

The list of the Top 100 Dealerships for 2022 will be coming out shortly according to corvetteblogger.com.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2023

Please note that the calendar has recently been updated. More updates to come.

January	
12	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
February	
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
11	Sweetheart Dance at Romer's Catering – St. Henry. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.
March	
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting –Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
?	Club dinner at a yet-to-be-announced location
TBA	50's/60's Night at Romer's catering, St. Henry. Opens at 5:30
April	
13	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
?	National Trails Car Show (1 st of the season). Time/date TBD
27 - 29	Michelin NCM Bash, Bowling Green, KY (Museum). All day.
May	
6	Bud's All Corvette Cruise-In, St. Mary, OH. Details to follow
11	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
13	Chosen Few All Corvette Show – Columbus, OH. Details coming
?	New Paris Community Park Car Show. Noon to 4:00. \$10 registration fee
?	Arcanum Car Show
20	Dinner at Rick & Brenda Sniders. Dayton. Details to follow
TBA	Dayton Honor Flight – Dayton International, return approximately 10:30 p.m.
June	
03	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.
13 - 15	Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village, Pickette Ave. Model T plant. Details TBA
TBA	Greater Dayton All-Corvette Show
?	Kunkel's All Corvette Cruise-In; Connersville, IN 3:00 – 7:00 pm
July	
2	St. Henry's annual Firecracker Cruise-In Car Show – St. Henry
13	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Location to be announced. 7:00 p.m.
12 - 14	Tentative – Bourbon Trail
30	BCC/NASCAR day at Ransdells. More to come.



August	
05	Midwest British Car Show, Eastwood Metro Park. 9 AM to 4 PM. FREE
TBA	Voss Car Show - Centerville
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
13	Englewood Festival Car Show, Centennial Park. 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. \$10 per
?	21 st Annual Old Fashion Downtown Saturday Night – Eaton. 2:00 – 8:00 PM
?	Antioch Shrine Custom Car, Bike & Truck Show. Dayton. Time TBD
31 - 2	28 th Anniversary Event @ the National Corvette Museum – Bowling Green, KY
September	
9	Apple Festival
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
?	17 th Annual Lancaster Car Show
15	Cypress Pointe Health Campus Car Show – Englewood. 5:30 to 7:00 pm.
TBD	Rolling 50's Classics, Inc. Fall Cruise-In. Greenville downtown. 2:00 to 8:00
23	Tipp City Mum Festival Cruise-In. 4:00 pm. Watch for e-mail
?	Annual Heritage of Flight Cruise-In. New Carlisle. 4:00 – 10:00 p.m.
October	
12	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
21 - 22	Camden's Black Walnut Festival. 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.
November	
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
11	BCC Pizza Party @ Marion's in Englewood. Watch for details in an e-mail
December	
09	Brookville Corvette Club Christmas Party. Party Barn at Tiernan's
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.

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

- **Under consideration:**

- Mershon's Car Dealership – Springfield
- Packard Museum – Dayton
- Oldenburg (IN) day trip
- Lunch/dinner – Celina Grand Lake St. Mary
- Gilmore Car Museum
- Corvettes of Carlisle

AMBASSADOR'S REPORT



NCM AMBASSADOR

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

CORVETTE RAFFLES

There are a couple raffles going on at the Museum.

On March 9th, try your luck on a **2023 Arctic White Convertible**. Tickets are \$200 each with a maximum of 1,500 to be sold. Drawing is 2:00 p.m. CST.

Next up is a **2023 Torch Red convertible** on April 28, 2023. Tickets are \$20 and there are an unlimited amount of tickets available.

To purchase tickets, just go to the National Corvette Museum's website (www.corvettemuseum.org), click on Win a Corvette, and then click on Enter to Win. And, good luck!



DRIVE A Z06 AT THE MOTORSPORTS PARK

Hey, if you're not planning on getting a new Z06 anytime soon, you can actually take one for a spin down at the National Corvette Museum. They have 2 Z06's on hand. The first package will get you a 4-lap run around the track in a lead-follow format above highway speeds. Add the Fast Pack package, and they add on a zero to 60 launch control and a Hot Lap driven by one of the tracks professional drivers with you in the passenger seat.

Save your pennies, though. The first package will set you back about \$1,050.00. Yep, you read that correct. **AND**, if you want to add on the Fast Pack, that will set you back a total of \$1,450.00.

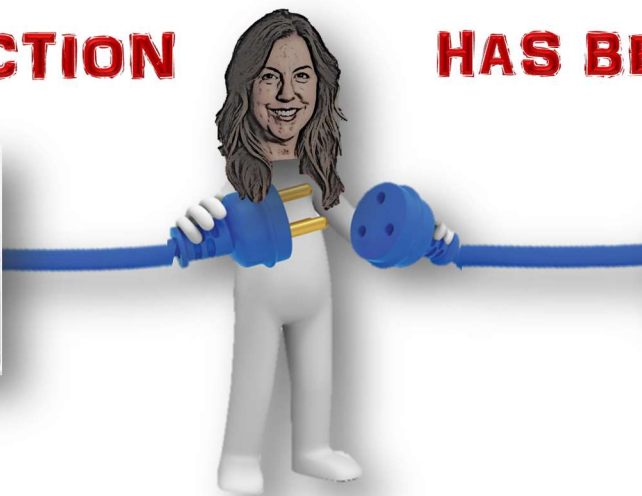
You must sign up on-line, choose your date and time and then show up.

C'mon. I know, deep down, you want to.



THE CONNECTION

HAS BEEN MADE!



There are several hundred Corvette Clubs around the country including many international locations. Up until now, the only connection between the Clubs and the National Corvette Museum has been the Ambassador (more or less). The job of the Ambassador is to be the voice of the Museum to their Corvette Club and to be the voice of the Club to the Museum. That connection has worked relatively well.

Back in the fall of 2021 when Sharon Brawner took over the helm of the NCM, she indicated that having a strong connection between the Museum and the Corvette Clubs was paramount to the continued success of the Museum. To that end, during the Ambassador's Convention back this past November, she made the announcement that they would be hiring a **Corvette Club Relations Manager** to strengthen that connection and take advantage of the many synergies that those Clubs bring to the table.

She did not have to look very far. On January 13th, the NCM announced that **Deborah Howard** has been named the Corvette Club Relations Coordinator for the National Corvette Museum. Deborah is currently the Museum's Education Coordinator and will be transitioning from that position to her Club Relations position. She assumes her new role on Wednesday, February 1st.

If any of you have logged on to the Museum's website and browsed around, you can't help but run across Deb's **Vettecademy** video series (check them out – they are great). Deb has been instrumental in championing the Museum's education department, developing programming and is responsible for facilitating the NCM's scholarship program. She also served as project manager for the upcoming new McMichael Family Education Gallery that opens at the Museum next month.

Deb's new role as Club Coordinator will, in part, be organizing events and content for and coordinating communication with the Museum's Corvette Club Ambassadors and the hundreds of Corvette clubs around the world.

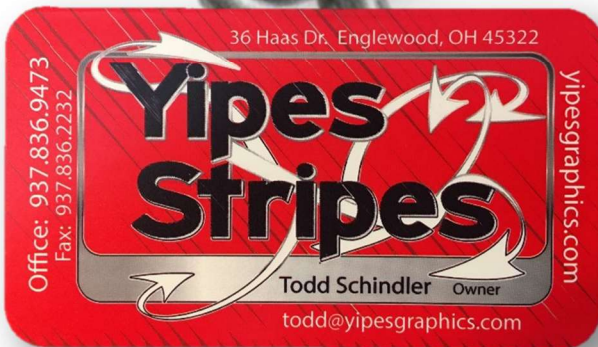
As the Ambassador for the Brookville Corvette Club, I'm very much looking forward to working with Deb as she takes on this important role. I know that her position will only strengthen the connection with and for the many Corvette Clubs and the NCM.

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

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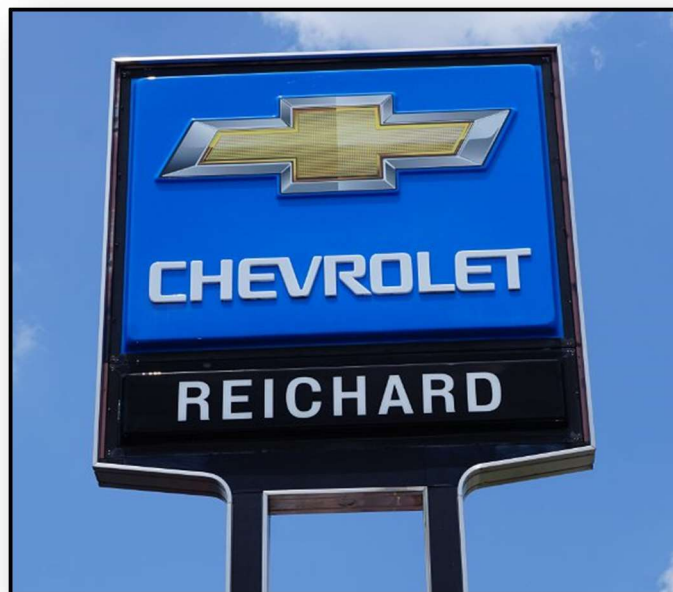
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