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**Annual Awards Banquet
January 29th, 2023**

MERRY
CHRISTMAS!



Corvettes West
General meetings
are held the
first TUESDAY
of the month at 6pm
at Riverside Elks
Lodge #643
6166 Brockton Ave.
Riverside, 92506
Dinner 6:00 PM
Meeting 7:00 PM

Our Business meetings
are held on Monday
before the general
meeting via ZOOM.

Fast Track articles
are due by the 18th
of each month.

They may be hand
delivered to George Swift
or emailed to
corvettenews@gmail.com
Email is preferred

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HERMAN ZEITLOW	13
PHIL EMERSON	16
DOUG LYON	17
DANNY ARANT	20
VANDELINA CASTALDO.....	23
JANET CREGG.....	30
CRAIG MEIER	30
MIKE MOORE	30



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Monty Clark

Merry Christmas fellow Corvette lovers

I don't know about you, but my November started out with Wheels and Wings hangover. LOL. I'm pretty sure that John Blackledge is glad it is finally over. We are already talking with the folks at the museum to set a date for next year. We're hoping not to have a two-year gap between our second and third show, like it was between the first two. I received the YouTube video of our show, so if anyone wants a copy, please let me know and I'll text it to you. It was a great production.

I hope everyone had a fantastic Thanksgiving. It is always nice to get together with family and break bread. It is also fun to learn all the new gossip from the last time we saw them. Jenni's family is all Italian, so our day was very loud with tons of food and many bottles of wine.

For those of you that did not see my email, sadly, we lost Harriet Foucher in November. Let's all keep Herman and Harriet's family in our prayers throughout this holiday season.

Well, it sounds like I may actually have my Corvette back in time for our December meeting. It has been almost 3 months in the Tom Bell service department and many "aggressive discussions" between me, Tom Bell, and my warranty company. Fingers crossed that I can get it all the way home.

It is hard to believe another year is coming to and end. 2022 has been very refreshing coming out of the Covid years. We had a lot of activities, outings, and in person meetings. The last event of the year is our annual Christmas Party at Ray and Carol Clark's home. Please remember to bring a gift for our auction. The money raised at the auction will go to a charity chosen by the Clarks. Jenni and I hope to see everyone there.

Happy Cruising,
Monty



Eventfully Speaking

Jenni Clark

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I hope this month's article finds everyone healthy and warm. It's definitely been chilly lately. I guess it's time to get Christmas shopping underway. I, myself, have not done any shopping yet. I need to get with it. 'Tis the season and ready or not here it comes!

November was a quiet month. No events made the month quiet and relaxing for the event planner lady. We had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with family and way too much food. We hope you had a great holiday as well.

We had to postpone the drive-by for Janet Curran due to illness and possible rain on the date planned. We will do it for sure within the coming months.

Stay tuned.

December has the always amazing Christmas party at Ray and Carol Clark's house. It's on Saturday, December 17 at 12:00 noon. We are having it earlier in the day this year to make driving home easier. Don't forget to bring your favorite side dish or dessert. If you haven't signed up yet, you can do so at the next club meeting on Tuesday, December 6. Also, don't forget to bring an unwrapped present to be bid on. We always donate a hefty donation to Ray and Carol's charity of choice. It will be the Christmas party of the year.

Much love to you all. Stay warm and healthy. Drive safe as always.

**Eventfully Yours,
Jenni Clark**

Events Planner Extraordinaire

Merry Christmas



Vice President CORNER

Dan Flanigan



It's hard to believe that its December already and we are now into the Holiday Season. I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving as we did, as it's always nice to be with Family and Friends.

We felt bad missing our November meeting but we were both down with very bad colds and we didn't want to give it to anyone, knowing that the change in the weather was the cause of these colds. So I am sure the November meeting was over much sooner than normal, but we will make up for that with our December meeting coming up!

There is a lot going on in December with our Zoom Board Meeting on the 5th, our Club Meeting on the 6th, the Yucaipa Parade on the 10th, our

Christmas Party on the 17th and then Christmas on the 25th. Lots of fun coming up that's for sure.

Regarding Corvette News, I understand Curtis Richmond and Ray Clark got their new C8 Stingray's and are enjoying driving them everywhere! I also heard that GM is putting a rush on building the C8 Z06 Anniversary models so hopefully George will be getting his before the end of the year. Us other guys with Z06 orders will be waiting several more months it looks like!

And let's hope Monty finally gets his C7 back on the road as he has sure gone thru a lot getting those warranty items finally repaired. I told him to start playing the Lotto so when he wins he could buy my C8

when my Z06 finally arrives sometime next year!

Regarding the Christmas Party, a reminder that one of the Richardson's time shares in Cabo will be auctioned off as the Grand Prize because it wasn't won at the Car Show. They have also increased the days from 4 to 7 so it will be a great gift to bid on so bring some extra money or your check book!

In closing, may you all have a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year's Celebration. Looking Forward seeing everyone on the 6th and hopefully everyone is well.

See everyone on the 1st.

Thanks,

SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

Instead of going to Tom Bell's Dealership, I tried calling one of the many numbers I have for staff at the dealership. It did work out well and I got information without fighting with traffic.

Today I learned that Tom Bell does not have any new Corvettes on the lot. They do have one (1) previously owned 2013 Corvette, red with a removeable top. This vehicle has 50K miles on the clock, a tan interior and a 6.2 liter V8 engine. The staff person I spoke with indicated they may have one (1) Corvette coming in but no date was supplied for that to happen.

It was indicated that the dealership did have one new Camaro in the showroom. They do not have any Camaros on the previously owned lot.

If you have difficulty with any of your vehicles, please take you vehicle to Tom Bell's Service Department. When you do this, please let the Service Writer, at time of write-up, know you are a Corvettes West member so that you will receive the club discount.

Save the Wave

Bill Dodge

Sponsor's Representative



**Corvettes
West**



Christmas
PARTY

Saturday, December 17, 2022

12:00pm



Please RSVP by December 10th (909) 795-5253

Hosted By Ray & Carol Clark

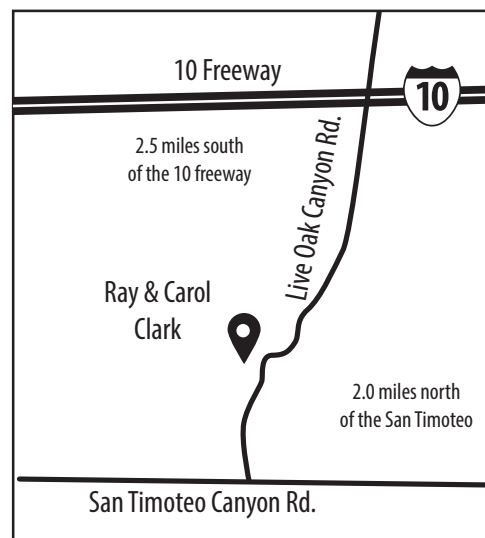
30130 Live Oak Canyon, Redlands

(Look for the “Corvettes West” banner on the fence)

*Let us know what side dish
you will be bringing to share.*

*Main dish, soda, water
and coffee will be provided.*

**Remember to bring
an unwrapped gift
for the auction.**





I hope you all had a very thankful Thanksgiving. I did but of course, the food was great and I over ate. Isn't that what Thanksgiving is for?

In talking to people, staff, at the Blood Bank I learned that entering for the raffle for the Electric Car is over. There was no indication of when the drawing will take place. When that drawing takes place, I will let you all know who the lucky person is. In the meantime, the Blood Bank is seeking as many donors as they can get. Their blood supply is low and the Holiday Season will probably bring traffic accidents and illnesses that will require blood. Remember, the Blood Bank services 80 hospitals in the So. Cal. Area.

So what do I usually say? Oh, I know. It is something about going to the Blood Bank and donating! Your donation could be a lifesaving donation and the person you save might be a Corvette driver. Blood is needed. Please make your donation a gift to the community.

Save a life. Please donate. If you are going to be using the Riverside Donation Center, that facility is closed as work is being done on the center at this time.

Save a Life, Donate
Bill Dodge

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2023 Membership/ Renewal

November 1st, 2022 Through October 31, 2023

Membership dues are \$100.00 for a period of one year, due November 1st. This includes a spouse, significant other, or designee and NCCC memberships. Renewal dues postmarked after November 1st will be considered delinquent and member will be assessed an additional \$10.00. New members are prorated. Complete application in its entirety. Do not indicate "same as before." **(If your NCCC is through another club, your dues are \$70.00)**

Please print. Mail this form and a check for \$100.00 or \$110.00 made out to "Corvettes West"
Mail to: Corvettes West, P.O. Box 56837 Riverside, CA 92517

MEMBERS' INFORMATION

Name _____ Birthday (Month & Day) _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone (_____) _____ Work (_____) _____
Cell Phone (_____) _____ E-Mail _____
Spouse/Designee _____ Birthday (Month & Day) _____
Current NCCC# (Yours) _____ (Spouse/Designee) _____
How did you hear about us? Website Event Member Other _____

Have you owned a Corvette before? Yes No. If so, how many? _____

Current Corvette(s): Year _____ Color _____ Coupe Convertible
Year _____ Color _____ Coupe Convertible Do you still own: Yes No
Year _____ Color _____ Coupe Convertible Do you still own: Yes No
Year _____ Color _____ Coupe Convertible Do you still own: Yes No

OTHER CLUBS? Name(s) of other Corvette clubs to which you belong:

1. _____ NCCC# _____
2. _____ NCCC# _____

INTERESTS? List events or activities that would be of interest to you:

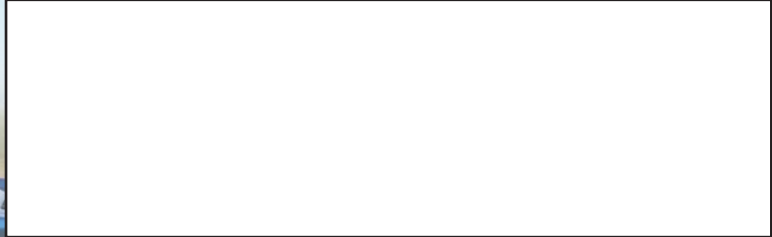


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