



# Legends Ledger

## March 2026

\*\*\*\*\* No Regular Lunch Meeting in March \*\*\*\*\*

**PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**  
by **SATURDAY, MARCH 1st**

# Spring Fling Party

**Saturday, March 14, 2026**

5:30 pm--Dinner 6:30 pm  
*Payment and RSVP due by*  
*Sunday, March 1, 2026*

Payment must reach Kevin Shedden or Post Office Box by March 1

**Tribute Golf Club**  
1000 Lebanon Rd., The Colony, TX

**\$50<sup>00</sup>**  
per person



- 5:30 PM--Social Hour & Cash Bar
- 6:30 PM--Served Dinner-
  - \* House Salad/Ranch or Balsamic Vinaigrette
  - \* Chicken Piccata or Beef Striploin Mignonette
  - \* Chive Whipped Potatoes & Vegetable Medley
  - \* Dinner Rolls and Butter
  - \* Strawberry Cheesecake or German Chocolate Cake
- 7:30-9:30 PM---Short Meeting

and

**Casino Night!!!**



**Directions:** Exit Hwy. 121 at Main St. (FM 423) in The Colony.  
Go North 4.8 mi. to Lebanon Rd. (traffic light)  
Go West on Lebanon Rd. 3.2 mi. to Tribute Golf Club.

The Knights of Columbus from St. Phillip the Apostle Catholic Church in Flower Mound will furnish dealers and tables for a loose evening of Craps, Black Jack and Roulette.

**Top three \$\$\$ winners will receive prizes.**

# 2026

**Make Party  
Reservation Now!!!**

Reservation deadline  
March 1st!



\*CLoT Club Participation Event

- Mar 6-7 Good-Guys Spring Show** TMS Ft. Worth, TX  
8am-5pm, General Admission, Car Registration, Autocross, Vendors. Swap Meet, Car Corral. Good-guys.com
- Mar 11 Classic Cars & Brown Bags** Heritage Park Flower Mound, TX  
11am-1pm Bring your own lunch and Classic Car to 600 Spinks Road, between Garden Ridge Pkwy & Gerault Rd. On the 2nd Wed. every month.. See pg 3
- \*Mar 14 Spring Fling Party** 5:30 pm The Tribute Golf Club The Colony, TX  
See page 1. *There is no regular lunch meeting in March. Reservations due 3/1/26.*
- Mar 16 Senior Center Car Show** 9-11 am Flower Mound, TX  
Set up 8-9 am. 2701 W. Windsor Dr., Flower Mound, TX, \$10 Registration. See page 3
- April 10-12 Corvette Kickoff Classic** Apache Casino Hotel Lawton, OK  
See page 3
- \*April 11 Legends Meeting** 11 am Spring Creek BBQ Richardson, TX
- \*Apr 23-25 Legends @ Pate Swap Meet** TMS Ft. Worth, TX  
Legends will have two spaces for you to sell your parts. We are in zone 2, block 41, spots 631 & 633 on Second Street. We will have total space of 18' x 18'. Setup will be Wednesday, April 22. Sale days are Thur-Sat. Gather your stuff to sell, price it with Wired Tags and make a list for Jeff to keep track of the items we sell for you. We will also be selling parts and tools that were donated by Sherry Snider to benefit Patriot PAWS Service Dogs. Sign up to man the booth and hang out with members at the Swap Meet. Contact Jeff Clevenger for information
- \*May 9 Legends Meeting** 11 am Dua Trattoria Frisco, TX
- May 9 Cruisin' for a Cause Car Show** Stonebridge UMC McKinney, TX  
8am-Noon, Stonebridge United Methodist Church, 1800 S Stonebridge Dr., McKinney.  
Free Admission, All years, Makes & Models, Show Awards, On-Site Concessions, Donations Appreciated.
- \*May 15 Dinner Cruise** Sweet Boy Diner 2 pm Bowie, TX  
Meet at Sam's Club, 2850 W University Dr, Denton, TX
- May 15-17 Lone Star Corvette Classic** Hilton DFW Lakes Grapevine, TX
- May 31 Golden Star Open Car Show** Lewisville, TX  
1800 Waters Ridge Dr #200, Lewisville, TX Open car show hosted by Dallas Area Classic Chevs and sponsored by Golden Star Classic Auto Parts on **Sunday, May 31st**. Golden Star has plans to assemble a complete pickup using their sheet metal during the show in the parking lot to demonstrate that YOU TOO can build a vehicle. \$200 gift certificates to Golden Star will be randomly drawn to be given away, charity raffle for Operation Kindness that will award a lucky winner a \$2,000 gift certificate to be used at Golden Star! awards will be presented to the TOP 30 at the show along with specialty awards and best of all NO ENTRY FEE!
- June 4-6 Big Cypress Corvette Weekend** Jefferson, TX
- \*June 13 Legends Meeting** 11 am Prairie House Lewisville, TX

#### OFFICERS

**President:** ..... Tom Hubbert.....  
**VP of Operations:** ..... Jeff Clevenger.....  
**VP of Special Events:** ..... Dan Jacobs.....  
**Secretary:**..... Sharon Conde.....  
**Treasurer:** ..... Kevin Shedden.....

#### DIRECTORS

**Director of Communications:**..... Denise Eckhart.....  
**Weekend Wrench Coordinator:** ..... Mike Kmita.....  
**Membership Coordinator:**..... Dennis Conte.....  
**Newsletter Coordinator:**..... Diane Preston.....

**Legends Ledger Newsletter: Published monthly. Send submissions to [cdiane1957@aol.com](mailto:cdiane1957@aol.com)  
 Submission deadline is the 15th of the month.**

#### Club Web Site:

Coordinated by Denise Eckhart <http://www.vettelegends.com>  
 Send submissions to: [Communications@VetteLegends.com](mailto:Communications@VetteLegends.com)

#### Meeting Speakers:

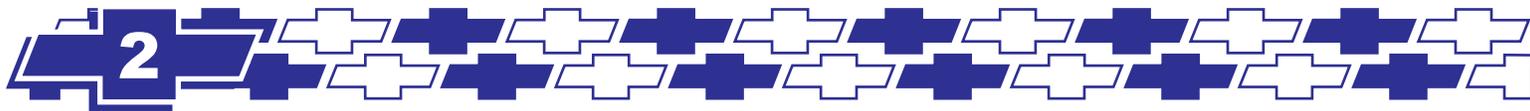
If you have a recommendation for a guest speaker to address the club at one of our meetings, please contact  
 Jeff Clevenger

#### Membership Information:

Coordinated by Dennis Conte (see above)  
 \$40 for annual membership  
 Dues are paid annually at a meeting or mailed to:

#### Club Mailing Address:

Corvette Legends of Texas  
 P.O. Box 260316, Plano, TX 75026-0316





# Corvette Engine Quiz

by John Spencer

Answers on page 6



## Classic Cars & Brown Bags

Heritage Park

600 Spinks Rd., Flower Mound, Texas

Between Gerault Rd, & Garden Ridge Blvd.

3 mi. North of Grapevine Mills Mall

**11am-1pm Wednesday, March 11**

and the 2nd Wednesday of each month March-November

**Bring your own lunch and drinks.**

*There's a Subway, and Pizza Hut 1 mi. North  
in the Kroger Shopping Center*

*at Flower Mound Rd. (FM3040) & Gerault Rd. (Morris Rd.)*

**Drive your Classic Car to a safe,  
shaded place to park, have lunch and socialize  
with other Car Guys!**

No glass containers or alcohol allowed in the park. Smoking is prohibited.

Pets must remain on a leash at all times. Excessive or amplified noise is prohibited. Keep the park clean. Park restrooms nearby.

1. What is the significance of 1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2. ?
2. What is the Gap for mechanical points in your distributor ?
3. What is the Gap of a spark plug.?
4. What is the relationship of Distributor rotation to that of the Engine ?
5. What are the strokes of a four stroke engine ?
- 6 What occurs at the end of this cycle ?

### Classic Cars & Coffee

Members will vote for their favorites

**3 winners will receive a \$25 gift card.**



**Registration \$10**

Payable at the FMSC front desk or via phone.

Contact June — for any questions at 972.874.6108 or june.buscemi@flowermound.gov

**FLOWER MOUND SENIOR CENTER**

**2701 W. WINDSOR DR.**

**FLOWER MOUND, TX 75028**

**MON. , MARCH 16, 2026**

**9-11 A.M. SET UP AT 8-9 A.M.**



**APACHE CASINO HOTEL**

2315 E Gore Blvd.  
Lawton, OK 73501  
(855) 248-5905

**FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES**

201 SE 7th St.  
Lawton, OK 73501  
(580) 248-5500

**MYSUITES**

3 SE Interstate Dr.  
Lawton, OK 73501  
(580) 248-8500

## SOUTHWEST OKLAHOMA CORVETTE CLUB CORVETTE KICKOFF CLASSIC APRIL 10-12, 2026



1963 Grand Sport Continuation Edition #8  
Jeremy Welborn

Watch the  
2026 CORVETTE show  
season with us!  
80+ Trophy!!  
Friday - Top 25 & Friday Night Lights  
Saturday - Show-A-Shine & Judged  
Sunday - Refuge Cruise & Lunch

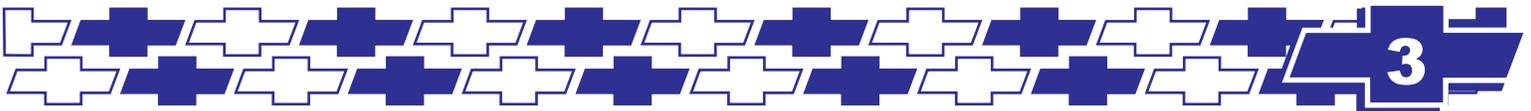
### HOTEL BOOKING

- APACHE CASINO HOTEL (Host Hotel & Event Venue) - \$199/night, <https://tinyurl.com/swocc2026>

- FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES - \$101/night, Includes breakfast, <https://tinyurl.com/swocc2026/fairfield>  
(580) 248-5500 Corvette Show Rate

- MYSUITES - \$89/night, Includes breakfast, (580) 248-8500 Group code: 0677ADA825

Charities receiving donations from this year's show are the Cancer Centers of Southwest Oklahoma, Hungry Hearts Feeding Ministry, and the Pregnancy Resource Center. Thanks for your support!!  
**YOU make the difference!**





Jean & Mike Volpe with their SECOND Corvette, a Crystal Red 2017 Coupe!

**CORVETTE LEGENDS OF TEXAS  
GENERAL MEETING**

**February 21, 2026**

**Don Camillo's Tuscan Grill Restaurant  
Hickory Creek, TX**

The members of Corvette Legends were called to order by Tom Hubbert at 12:10 pm. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Attendance was recorded as 52.

**Lady Legends Winner:** Judy Bailey

**50/50 Pot Winner:** Len Woodruff (\$81)

Diane will have the March newsletter (that you're reading) out early to remind everyone of the party in March.

Bill McNichols was welcomed to the meeting again. He is a founding member of Corvette Legends who has recently rejoined. Welcome back!

Membership dues can be given to Dennis Conte, our membership officer, at any meeting. He also mentioned that if you have purchased or sold your Corvette please let him or Diane Preston know so the member car list can be updated.

**Next Meetings:**

**March 14-Spring Fling/After Holiday Party at**

The Tribute Golf Club. The Colony. *Replaces our normal March lunch meeting.*

**April 11-Spring Creek BBQ, Richardson.**

**May 9-Dua Trattoria, Frisco.**

**June 13-The Prairie House, Lewisville.**

The Spring Fling/After Holiday party will be March 14, 2026 at the Golf Clubs of the Tribute in The Colony. Social hour starts at 5:30, dinner is at 6:30 followed by a short meeting. St Philip the Apostle's Knights of Columbus group will entertain us with a 'loose and fun' casino night starting around 7:30. It should be a fun evening.

Dan Jacobs recapped the AutoRama event. While our club did not receive the club display award (it went to Lone Star), we did have a great display and many visitors. We had a car from each of the eight generations: John Spencer's C1, Jeff Clevenger's C2, Bob Van Guilder's C3, Mack Rogers' C4, Bill Foote's C5, John



Rare member sighting... Founding member Walt Plumley (right) visits with Sam Deneault. Glad to see Walt back after an accident in his garage oil pit.



The Raffle Team... Dan Jacobs, Kevin Shedden and Vince Dumas.

Arakelian's C6, Gary Williams' C7 and Steve Parry's C8. Dan gave a huge thank you to all eight of them; it is a big effort to ready your car for display and then have it there all weekend. Dan also thanked Kurtis Allen, Jeff Clevenger and Kevin Shedden for the use of their trucks hauling items and help in setting up the display. Dan gave Mark Peterson a big thank you for creating the description and fact sheet about the generation that was displayed with each car. Many people liked and commented on these, because it provided the history and specs of each generation, rather than just a display of the car. Thank you goes to Dan for all his efforts in planning and organizing the event for our club.

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Dennis Conte is planning a dinner cruise for Friday, May 15 to Sweet Boy's Diner in Bowie. We'll meet in Denton near the northeast corner of Hwy 380 & I-35 in the Sam's Club parking lot, 2850 W University Dr, Denton, East of Cracker Barrel at 2 pm. We'll head out about 2:30. We'll go west on 380, then Hwy 165 for a bit followed by country roads for about an hour and a half drive. There'll be home cooking and great food, when we get there. We'll come back via Hwy 287 to Hwy 380. A sign up sheet was sent around and will be at the April meeting as well.

Dennis also told us this is the Route 66 100th anniversary year. While there are no plans for any club road trip, he mentioned two events in Oklahoma. In Tulsa, Capital Cruise will attempt a Guinness World record for the largest classic car parade ever on May 30, rolling out at 8 am. Dennis said 1,000 cars are already signed up. Another event will be in Oklahoma City in September. Dennis is planning to attend the Tulsa event. [www.route66centennial.org](http://www.route66centennial.org) is the official website for all Route 66 events.

The Weekend Wrench group, led by Mike Kmita, has completed work on David Marko's car. The next project is possibly Bill Messick's car.

Jeff Clevenger continues plans for the Pate Swap meet April 23-25 at Texas Motor Speedway. The club will have two spaces. A group will meet up at the club storage shed on Wednesday, April 22 to load up items donated by Sherry Synder (Proceeds from these items will be donated to Patriot Paws). Sale dates are Thursday thru Saturday. Jeff had spreadsheets for listing your items and for helping out that weekend. He was available after the meeting to answer any questions about the swap meet. Please contact Jeff for any other info.

Bill Preston reminded us of the Brown Bag lunches held at Heritage Park in Flower Mound. Lunches are 'bring your own' on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from March til November at 11 am to 1pm. There are no dues, no rules, just come and hang out. Contact Bill for more info. The meeting was adjourned about 12:40 pm.

*Submitted by Sharon Conde, Secretary*



Greg & Judy Bailey



Vic Pacheco, Jeff Kuznier, Dennis Conte & Steve Parry



Rick Maybury, Denise Eckhart and Len Woodruff.

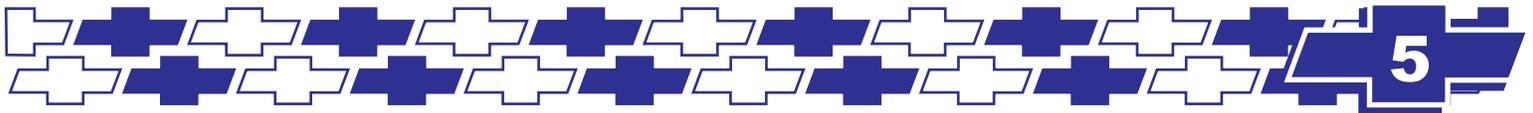


Pat Cople Lynn Schilt, Herb Duplant and Janice Smith

## Correction!!

### 2020 Member of the Year-Len Woodruff

In the February newsletter listing of the previous Members of the Year, I failed to acknowledge that Len Woodruff received the Award. He was recognized for his work doing photography for the fund-raising 2021 Patriot Paws Calendar during the Covid shut down.

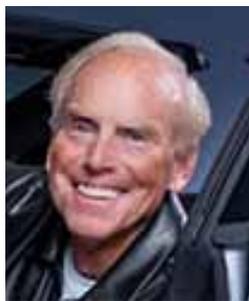


## Critical parts for certain Corvettes are disappearing from GM's catalog, which is a problem that has a very reasonable explanation.

While the Corvette has long been known for being pretty reliable, in general, parts do tend to wear, break, or reach the end of their usable life over time and need to be replaced, just like any car. Luckily, there are plenty of Corvette parts out there in the world to choose from, or at least, one might assume that's the case, given its enduring popularity and the sheer number of examples that have been produced over the past 70 years. However, that isn't necessarily the case with certain older Corvettes.

In fact, CorvetteForum members have expressed some frustration over just how hard it is to locate certain parts for older Corvettes, "By now, everyone knows there are some critical components that are now unavailable for the 1997-2000 model cars, specifically the EBCTM (Brake Control Module) and the Steering Wheel Position Sensor. Is there anything GM can do to make a run of these rare parts? Or convince someone in the aftermarket to? One other option to explore here is to provide a way to update the obsolete components to the newer system?"

*This particular question was sent as part of our "Ask Tadge" section in the forums, where now-retired Corvette chief engineer Tadge Juechter previously answered fan questions directly in a rather personal way – something that isn't terribly common these days. Juechter also happened to answer this one, shedding a lot of light on why, exactly, parts like these are winding up on GM's chopping block.*



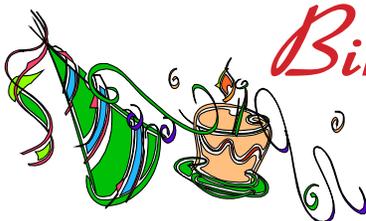
"I have been personally involved with a number of customers (and GM employee owners – no, there is no special stash of parts we keep for ourselves!) and the challenges they have had finding replacement parts, particularly electronic components.

"The auto industry is unusual compared to most consumer products in that we have longer warranties and maintain replacement part inventories far, far longer than other products. My home is filled with products I have loved, but are rendered useless because I can't get a replacement part. I have an expensive Canon SLR camera that doesn't work because the power switch broke and is unavailable. My beloved stereo receiver sits useless in the basement because the transformer blew and I can't get another. Ditto a 5-year-old computer, a 2-year-old microwave oven and lots of other stuff! I know this doesn't compare to a Corvette, but I have great empathy for folks trying to keep their cars in perfect working order and understand how frustrating it can be when one small part can't be replaced.

As a company we attempt to maintain parts availability for 10 years after the last production use of a particular part. So as a car goes out of production, our service department looks to see which parts will continue in production vs which will no longer be used by other cars.

For those that are going out of production, based on our replacement history, an estimate is made on what the ongoing demand will be for that part. We try to be conservative and err on the side of a bigger inventory. We then make a "lifetime buy" of those components to stockpile in inventory. GM pays for all of the parts up front, then pays for individual packaging and the warehousing costs until all the parts are sold. For many parts the inventory is never sold out and it is a big loss for us. That is why we can't afford to buy 20, 30 or more years of inventory.

Also, parts deteriorate with time even when properly stored so they have a finite "shelf life" and eventually have to be scrapped. Sometimes the demand for the parts exceeds our estimate and the inventory is depleted in less than our 10 year goal. Some people, realizing a part is becoming scarce, will buy up our inventory of parts hoping to resell them at exorbitant prices.



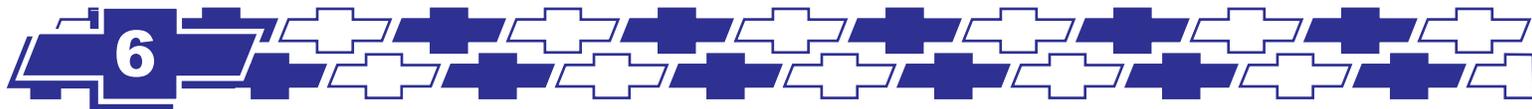
### Birthdays for March

3-15 Walter Adams	
3-2 Sharon Castillo	3-17 Mike McCall
3-2 Kathy Hanks	3-20 Diana Kingston
3-3 Michael Ludtka	3-23 Cathy Hubbert
3-10 David Willenborg	3-25 Fay Jarrett
3-11 Jean Volpe	3-25 Tom Schipper
3-15 Terry Sealock	3-29 Cathy Willenborg

### Answers to OLD CORVETTE ENGINE QUIZ!

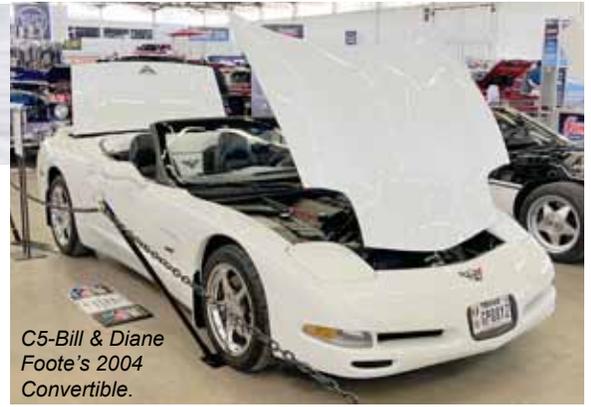
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1. It is the firing order of a Chevrolet Engine.
2. The Gap for Chevrolet points is 0.18.
3. The Gap for Chevrolet plugs is 0.35.
4. The Distributor rotates ONCE for every TWO rotations of the Engine.
5. 1-Intake  
2-Compression  
3-Power  
4-Exhaust
6. COMBUSTION !!!



# 66TH ANNUAL **AutoRama**

Thanks to VP Dan Jacobs for the great idea to show all eight generations of Corvettes in our AutoRama display this year. It took a lot of planning and help from our whole Legends set up crew. Mark Peterson designed the special information sheets that highlighted each generation's unique features. Jeff Clevenger supplied the new club banners that were new touches to our display. We used tire stantions and a plastic chain barrier, which are easier to transport and are less obtrusive than those used recently. In addition to the displaying car owners, Sam Deneault, Tom Hubbert, Kurtis Allen, Vic Pacheco, Sam Ghazaleh, Dennis Conte, Tom Schipper, Kevin Shedden, Len Woodruff, Joel Joseph and Mike Kmita transported the equipment, set up, tore down or manned the display to recruit new members and talk about these awesome Corvettes.



C5-Bill & Diane Foote's 2004 Convertible.



C4-Mack Rogers with his 1990 Convertible



C3-Mark Petersen and Jeff Clevenger with Bob & Millie Van Guilder's 1978 Indy Pace Car.



C2-Jeff & Debbie Clevenger's 1965 Convertible



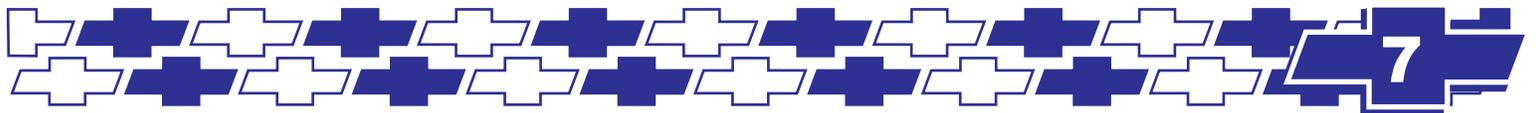
Steve Parry's C8R displayed beside John Spencer's 1954 C1 to illustrate the latest and earliest Corvettes.



C6-John & Carole Arakelian's 2008 Indy Pace Car



C7-Gary & Cheryl Williams' 2018 Convertible





**Spring Fling Party**  
Tribute Golf Club  
5:30 pm March 14  
**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**  
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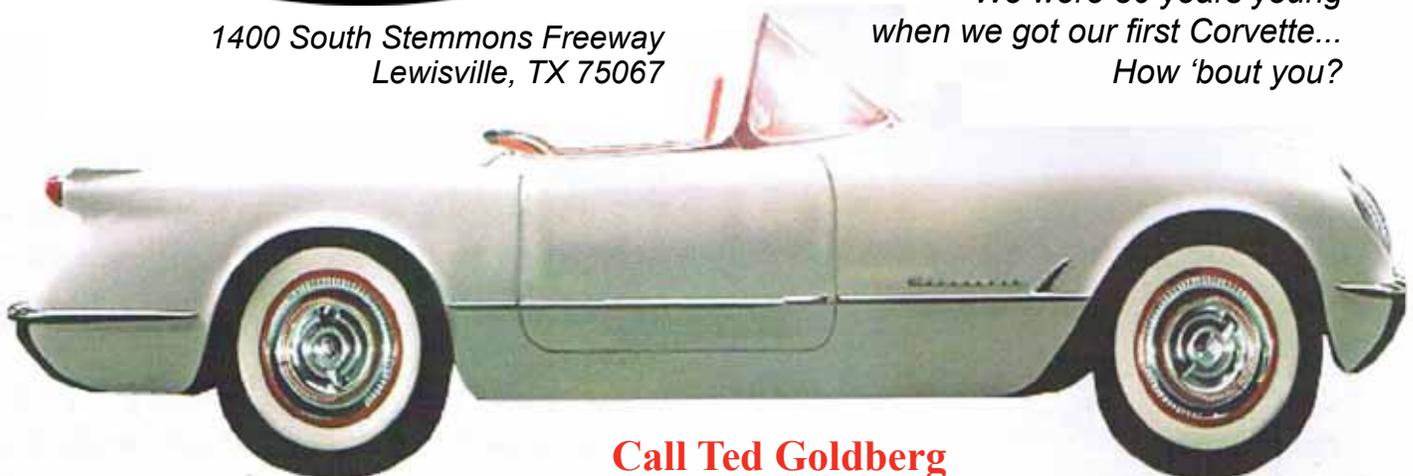


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