



*Mar 1 After-Holiday Party-Casino Night The Colony, TX

See page 3 Reservations must be paid for by <u>February 15</u>! Due to the forecast for severe weather, the After-Holiday Party has been RESCHEDULED for Sat., March1 at the same venue, Tribute Golf Club, 1000 Lebanon Rd. Original reservations for the Party will be applied to the new date. If you have a paid reservation and cannot attend on March 1, please cancel by Feb. 15.

For questions contact: Sharon Conde, CockerMom57@gmail.com

Mar 12 FM Senior Center Car Show Flower Mound, TX

Free, 9-11 am, 2701 W Windsor Dr., Pre-register: june.buscemi@flowermound.gov

Mar 28-29 Southwest Swap Meet 1000 Lone Star Pkwy. Grand Prairie, TX

*Apr 12 Legends Meeting 11 am Prairie House Lewisville, TX

*Apr 19 Teresa's House Assisted Living Car Show McKinney, TX

9:30 am-noon 6521 Collin McKinney Pkwy

Apr 24-26 Pate Swap Meet TMS Ft. Worth, TX

Apr 25-26 Good-Guys Spring Show
All New 2-Day Format! Fri & Sat: 8am-5pm

TMS
Ft. Worth, TX

*May 10 Legends Meeting 11 am Dua Trattoria, 5225 Warren Pkwy, Frisco, TX

*May 15-18 Big Bend Corvette Trip See page 5 Alpine, TX

Dennis Conte 972-839-8473 is planning this trip for Corvette Legends and needs to know approximately how many hotel rooms to block for our group at the Hampton Inn. Sign up soon.

May 16-17 Lone Star Corvette Classic Hilton DFW Lakes Grapevine, TX

May 24 4th Annual Frisco Car Show 9am-2pm Frisco, TX

Frisco Flyers Sports and Events Center, 6300 Flyers Way, Frisco TX. Indoor/Outdoor Charity Event benefitting families of WWII and CK Family Services. A great indoor venue. The Careington Auto Collection, located next door, will also be open to the public for viewing.

June 6-7 Bloomington Gold Redbird Arena Normal, IL

*June 14 Legends Meeting 11 am BJ's Brewhouse Addison, TX

June 12-14 Central Arkansas Corvette Weekend Hot Springs, AR

Hotel Hot Springs (877) 623-6697, Thurs. Casino Night - Fri. Registration, Vendors,

Autocross, Scenic Tour, Seminar, Parade thru Hot Springs National Park - Sat. INDOOR judged show, Silent Auction, Vendors, 50/50 Drawing. CentralArkansasCorvetteClub.com

June 29 Vettes for Veterans Corvette Warehouse Dallas, TX Corvettes Only! 10am-1pm Fundraiser for Homeless Veterans, 2432 Walnut Ridge,

Dallas, Cash Prizes, Free Food, Free Drinks, Free Beer, Live DJ, Give-aways, 50/50 Raffle.

WHAT YEAR AM/



Answer on page4

1 I have two Recessed Headlights, covered by a screen, and Rocket taillights.

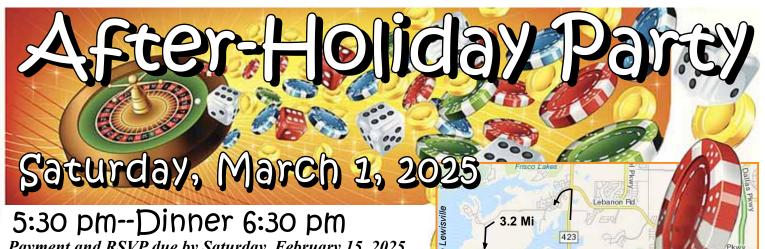
- 2 I am White with a Red Interior.
- 3 I have a 235 cu in Blue Flame Six engine.
- 4 I have three Side Draft Carbs with Individual Air Breathers.
- 5 The Engine Valve Cover is rounded and the Oil Filler Cap is located in the rear third. Engine Valve Cover mounts with two studs through the center of the valve cover..
- 6 I don't have any exterior Door Handles.



Have you received an e-mail from Corvette Legends lately?

If not, send your email address to: communications@VetteLegends.com





Payment and RSVP due by Saturday, February 15, 2025

payment must reach Kevin Shedden or Post Office Box by February 15

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

5:30 PM--Social Hour & Cash Bar 6:30 PM--Served Dinner-7:30-9:30 PM---Short Meeting, **Member of the Year Presentation**

Casino

•Upon arrival at the party, each player will receive one chip. Do not accept a chip, if you do not plan on gambling. Chips are solely funny money and not of cash value.

When gambling begins after dinner, take that chip to any casino table. There will be five blackjack tables. two craps tables, and one roulette table. The dealer will dispense \$2,500 in chips of color in the denominations you request. There are five colors, in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50, and \$100. There will be a sign at each table to remind players and dealers of the color values.



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

You cannot receive more chips. You cannot combine chips. with another person.

Playing will stop at approximately 9pm. Each player is to count their total remaining chip value at that point.

Prizes will be awarded to the members with the highest remaining chip value. There will be a first, second, and third place winner.

VP of Operations:VP of Special Events:	Jeff Clevenger Dan Jacobs	. THubbert@verizon.net	. (972) 948-7218 . (972) 824-9139
Treasurer: DIRECTORS	Kevin Shedden	. GKevinS@aol.com	(214) 502-4721
Director of Communications: Weekend Wrench Coordinator:	Mike Kmita	. Communications@VetteLegends.com . Mike@Kimka.com . Dennis.Conte@att.net	(972) 422-1105
Newsletter Coordinator:	Diane Preston	CDiane1957@aol.com	. (405) 615-3856

Legends Ledger Newsletter: Published monthly. Send submissions to 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

Meeting Speakers:

If you have a recommendation for a quest speaker to address the club at one of our meetings, please contact Jeff Clevenger: ClevengerJ@charter.net or (972) 948-7218

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

WHAT YEAR?--Continued from page 2

Answer: I am a 1953 Corvette.

What detail defined the 53? Detail #5.

- 1 The recessed headlights, rocket tail lights and no door handles are common to all 53-54-55 Corvettes.
- 2 The 53 Corvette ONLY came in white, but white was also available in 54 & 55.
- 3 The Blue Flame Six engine reduces the possibility that it's a 55. Although the 265 V-8 was introduced in 55, the Blue Flame Six was listed as an option. Reportedly there were only 6 of 700 55s built with the Blue Flame Six. So if it is a V-8 it IS a 55, but if it's not it doesn't mean it's not a 55.
- 4 All Blue Flame Six Engines had the Three Side Draft Carburetor configuration. The three Individual Bullet Air Cleaners narrow the possible production year. A Dual Pot Air Breather/Manifold system was introduced in mid 54, so my vintage could be a 53 or early 54.
- 5 The engine Valve Cover is the tell. The 53 engine exhibited a unique Valve Cover from the 54 or 55 Corvette. The 53 Valve Cover is more rounded, it mounts with two studs that penetrate the center of the Valve Cover, and locates the Oil Filler Cap in the rear third of the cover. A 54 Valve cover is more square shaped, it mounts with slot head screws through the gasket flange, and locates the Oil Filler Cap at the front of the cover.

Classic Corvette Restorations

TOP QUALITY WORK AT REASONABLE PRICES

Repair & Restoration Done Right

MECHANICAL ELECTRICAL SUSPENSION INTERIOR



NCRS & Bloomington Gold Multiple Awards

3710 Marquis Drive, Garland Texas 75042

469-785-1045

Have you received an e-mail from Corvette Legends lately?

If not, send your email address to: communications@VetteLegends.com



701 Shepherd Drive, Suite 108, Garland, Texas 75042 (972) 494-6900

ASE Master Certified 30+ Years Experience

Specializing in Repair & Restoration

Open Monday-Friday 6:00 to 4:00

DMSCorvetteShop.com





May 15-18, 2025

Hampton Inn, Alpine, TX

Dennis Conte 972-839-8473 is planning this trip for Corvette Legends and needs to know approximately how many hotel rooms to block for our group. Sign up soon.

HOTEL - Hampton Inn - Alpine, TX (432) 837-7344
King Rooms have been blocked for "Corvette Legends"
or under Dennis Conte's name and reservations need to
be made by May 1 at the latest.

Schedule:

Thursday, May 15 - Day 1 -

Meet at Buc-ee's in Ft. Worth near Texas Motor Speedway at Hwy 114 & I-35W at 7:30am. Leave by 8am. We will stop in San Angelo for lunch. After lunch will proceed to Hotel in Alpine. We will use this location for our base during the trip.

We will have dinner in Alpine that evening. I also got info on a Car shop in Alpine that is a suggested place to visit. Stable Performance Cars.

Friday, May 16 - Day 2 -

Leave at 9am to go to the McDonald Observatory near Ft. Davis. From there we will go to Ft. Davis and tour some sites. We will most likely have lunch in Ft. Davis. From there will go to Balmorhea State Park. (San Solomon Hot Springs). We will head back to Alpine from there to Hampton Hotel in Alpine for some down time and head to Marathon, TX for dinner.

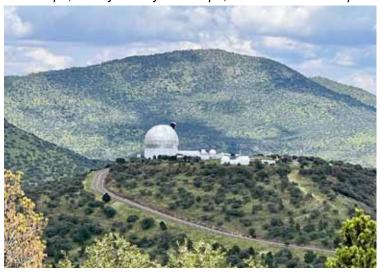
Saturday, May 17 - Day 3 -

Leave at 9am to go to Big Bend. First Stop Terlingua.

BELOW-McDonald Observatory is an astronomical observatory located near unincorporated community of Fort Davis in Jeff Davis County, Texas, United States. The facility is located on Mount Locke in the Davis Mountains of West Texas, with additional facilities on Mount Fowlkes, approximately 1.3 kilometers to the northeast.

Address: 3640 Dark Sky Dr, Fort Davis, TX 79734

Telescopes: Frank N. Bash Visitors Center; Harlan J. Smith Telescope; Hobby–Eberly Telescope; Otto Struve Telescope



From there we will head up to Lajitas, where we will most likely have lunch. We will head up to Persidio and loop over to Marfa on the way back to Alpine. We can stop for dinner in Marfa.

Sunday, May 18 - Day 4 - Leave at 8am to head home. For those interested there is the Petroleum Museum in Midland that has a car collection and is a place to visit. However on Sunday it does not open until 2pm and would mean spending the night there unless you don't mind driving at night.

CORVETTE LEGENDS OF TEXAS GENERAL MEETING February 8, 2025

Spring Creek BBQ Restaurant, Richardson

The members of Corvette Legends were called to order by President, Tom Hubbert at 11:59 am. No minutes of the previous meeting were approved due to no meeting in January. Attendance was recorded as 69.

Guests: Sharon & Jeff Rosen, guests of Debbie & Mike Garrison. They have a C3, C4, C6 and C7.

New Members: Ramon Rey & Anna Ortega with a C8, recruited by neighbor Steve Parry who told them they couldn't park in the neighborhood unless they joined.

Lady Legends Winner: Debbie Garrison 50/50 Pot Winner: Dan Jacobs (\$96)

Next Meetings:

March 1-The rescheduled After Holiday party on March 1 will replace the normal March meeting.

April 12-Prairie House, Lewisville.

May 10-Dua Trattoria, 5225 Warren Pkwy, Frisco.

June 14-BJs Brewhouse, Addison.

Dennis Conte stated as of January, we have 121 members with 184 cars. He also reminded us that dues are now \$40 per year and your newsletter address label has the date your membership is paid to. For new members, Dennis will get the name tags created and mailed or have them at the next meeting.

Dennis also discussed plans for the club road trip to Big Bend National Park. The group will leave Thursday, May 15 from Buc-ee's in Ft. Worth at !-35W & Hwy 114 and return Sunday, May 18. The base location will be at the Hampton Inn in Alpine, TX. There are currently 26 cars signed up. More information is in the newsletters. Dennis should have detailed route plans at the April meeting. Please contact him, if you would like to sign up.

Sharon Conde reviewed plans for the After-Holiday Party, now on March 1 at The Tribute Golf Club in The Colony. Social hour will begin at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 with a short meeting, Member of the Year presentation and Casino Night from 7:30-9:30.

Sharon also announced a car show at Teresa's House, an assisted living and memory care center in McKinney (6521 Collin McKinney Pkwy). The club did a Father's Day car show for them last year and they have invited us back! The tentative date will be Saturday, April 19. Cars will arrive about 9:30 am with the resident viewing from 10 til noon. A sign up sheet was passed and Sharon will have more details at the After Holiday party and the April meeting.

Diane Preston asked for members to submit their car stories to her for the newsletter. She also talked about the Solid Axle Corvette Club (SACC) Zoom meetings held once a month on a Wednesday evening. All of our members are welcome to participate.

Autorama will be held Friday through Sunday, Feb.

14-16. Setup day is Thursday, Feb. 13. Shane Morris, Mark Peterson, Len Woodruff, Larry Dyer, Vince Dumas and Dan Jacobs will be showing their cars.

Mike Kmita will begin coordinating the Weekend Wrench meet ups. Weekend (or weekday) wrench is an informal group who can get together as needed to work on mostly C1-C3 car problems together. Mack Rogers also volunteered to help, if anyone has C4 issues. Since he's had a C4 for 20 years, he has some experience with the C4.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Submitted by Sharon Conde, Secretary



Jeff & Sharon Rosen first time guests of Mike & Debbie Garrison.



Ana Ortega, Steve Parry, Kurtis Allen, Mack Rogers, Sandy Allen and Ramon Rey. Anna & Ramon are brand new members.



John Spencer with Len & Beth Woodruff

MEETING--Continued on page 7



John & Carol Heimsath



Scott & Robin Ray



Bill Tichy and Jan Dyer



Mack Rogers and David Vaughan



Rare member sighting...Herb Duplant->





Some of our newest members: Jim Veirs, Geni McLeod, Barbara Veirs, Ken & Allison Yanniello and Butch McLeod all squeezed into one booth.



Duffy Oyster, Bob Kirk and Guy Coyne.



At the big table: Janice Smith, Tom Lainson, Kurtis Allen, Jerry Fernandes, Virginia Fortney, Kathleen & Jim Pagana, and Judy & Greg Bailey. In the back: Mark Peterson and Rob Franklin.



Linda & Ken Dobbs arrive in their 1963 Silver Split-Window Coupe and are visiting with Kevin Shedden.



EPA Adopts New Stringent Smog Regs in Biden Admin's Final Days

The Feds agree with California: no more gas cars after 2035 for states with CA emission standards.

Johnny Hunkins, WriterHot Rod MagazinePhotographer Dec 18, 2024

We got word today from SEMA that the EPA has granted California's Clean Air Act waiver to bar the sale of gasoline-powered vehicles past 2035 and to make even stricter the existing emission regulations of gas-powered light vehicles as spelled out in California's new Advanced Clean Cars II Act. The Biden administration's EPA administrator, Michael S. Regan, made the announcement today, which cement's California governor Gavin Newsom's war on emergent internal combustion technology as the law of the land. Lest you think this has California-only impact, know that 17 other states have legally chosen to follow California's lead by accepting the EPA's long-standing rule that any state is allowed to adopt California's stricter standard. Those states which shall adopt this ruling include Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Nevada, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Vermont, and Washington. SEMA has called on President-elect Donald Trump to work quickly and efficiently to reverse this stunning misstep at the federal level, and HOT ROD urges the President-elect to act on this quickly. The official SEMA news release is stated below:

"The Specialty Equipment Market Association today decried a decision by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to approve California's request for the Clean Air Act waiver the state needs to implement its Advanced Clean Cars II regulation, a significant blow for our nation's ability to develop groundbreaking solutions for reducing carbon emissions. SEMA contends that by allowing California to overstep its constitutional and state statutory authority, the federal government is a coconspirator in the state's regulatory land grab to advance deeply unpopular policies that the American people have summarily rejected.

SEMA, which champions a technology-neutral approach that fosters innovation and ingenuity, will continue efforts to preserve Americans' rights to vehicle choice and the automotive aftermarket industry's ability to design,

manufacture, and bring to market products that help solve the emissions challenge.

SEMA now calls upon President-elect Donald Trump to work quickly and efficiently to reverse this stunning misstep at the federal level."

"Siding with California on these waiver requests is the ultimate bad-faith gesture by President Joe Biden, particularly after our nation's voters last month backed the Presidential candidate who promised a 'day one' halt to federal EV mandates," said SEMA President and CEO Mike Spagnola. "It's high time that the government stops capitulating to the whims of a single activist state; this is the United States of America, not the United States of California."

"And shame on the EPA. Instead of putting its faith in our nation's innovators to develop multiple, groundbreaking solutions to halt carbon emissions, the EPA instead continues to tilt the playing field in favor of a single technology, the products of which are unsuitable for many Americans. SEMA will continue to fight back against any effort—whether by California or by radical activist policymakers at the federal level-to force vehicle mandates on the American people and deny the automotive aftermarket of its unparalleled ability to deliver cleaner, safer vehicles through innovation and American ingenuity—particularly through alternative-fuel innovations, replacing older engine technologies with newer, cleaner versions, and converting older internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles to new electric or hydrogen-powered vehicles. SEMA will exhaust every option to ensure a technology-neutral approach that rewards innovation, ingenuity, and practicality."

"SEMA is not an anti-EV organization; rather, the organization is steadfast in its belief that a technologyneutral approach is the best way to achieve lower vehicle emissions. By declaring one technology as the preferred solution of government, California will kneecap other potential solutions, regardless of their promise for delivering the results the state seeks. Those at the forefront of American innovation, in tandem with the free market, are owed the opportunity to provide meaningful contributions to efforts to eliminate carbon emissions. SEMA will continue to pursue its lawsuit against California and its Air Resource Board, filed jointly with NTEA—The Work Truck Association in the U.S. District Court's Eastern District of California—seeking immediate declaratory and injunctive relief to stop electric vehicle mandates CARB intends to implement through its Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) regulations. The organizations contend that CARB's actions far exceed California's constitutional and state statutory authority, and will have a dire effect on an industry that historically has led the way toward cleaner, safer vehicles thru innovation and American ingenuity."

Closely inspect your insurance bill before you pay it.

Because 260 million US drivers need insurance, insurance is a big business,

After much research and feedback, here is a list of the potential discounts. Following these steps may save the average driver hundreds per year.

First, there's a little known rule to getting a low annual mileage discount. Those who use their car less 25 miles a day often qualify for these savings, but you must be with the correct insurer.

Next, to max out your savings, you'll want to claim specific driving record discounts. There are a few insurers that will give a discount for no traffic tickets within 3 years. Secondly, having no car accidents in the last 3 years shows an insurer that you're skilled at avoiding accidents and your care while driving.

If you are at least 25 years old, you could get a large discount. Furthermore, if you're over 39 or 55, you'll likely get another discount. Those over 55 often get extra savings because they may get a retirement or "pleasure use" discount.

Also, if you live in a qualified postal code or neighborhood with minimal thefts, you may save even more.

Not everyone claims these discounts – here's why. Being loyal to your insurer makes you feel like you probably have the best deal. But sadly, your loyalty is one-sided. It's well known in the industry that new customers often get better rates to get them to change insurers.

As a Corvette owner, you may qualify for special "declared value" insurance with companies like Grundy, Haggerty or National Corvette Museum Insurance. They each have different guidelines related to underage drivers, garaging and mileage. Check them out.

What's the next step for safe drivers? Unknown to many drivers, agents make commission from your premiums. The higher your current rate, the more the agent receives. The rule to beat this system and get fair quotes is simple. To get the biggest savings, compare discounted rates from a vast network of insurers (licensed in your area).

Even if you compared quotes recently, most services leave insurers unchecked. You may feel you have a low rate, but if you could shave off another hundred or two, what could you do with those savings?







Brenda & Dan Jacobs' 2007 Copper Convertible



Our members brought out six outstanding Corvettes to represent our club. We thank them for all the work it took to get their cars ready for the show and down to Market Hall for the whole weekend.

Shown were: Shane Morris' Black Fuel-Injected 1960, Mark Peterson's 1972 War Bonnet Yellow Coupe, Len Woodruff's 2017 Torch Red GS Coupe, Larry Dyer's 2003 Red Coupe, Dan Jacobs' 2007 Copper Convertible, and Vince Dumas' 2022 Red Coupe.

We also had lots of help from other members who helped with the set up, manning the booth during the show, tearing down the display and getting everything back to the storage area.

Of course, the biggest thank you goes to President Tom Hubbert, our outgoing VP for Special Events, and to Dan Jacobs who is replacing him starting this year. They make ALL of the arrangements weeks in advance to recruit the show cars, get our club space secured with AutoRama, and make sure all the "stuff" gets set up on Thursday, taken down and returned to storage on Sunday night.



Mark Peterson's 1972 Warbonnet Yellow Coupe



Shane Morris' Black Fuel-Injected 1960 Roadster



Larry Dyer's 2003 Red Coupe



Cindy & Vince Dumas' 2022 Red Coupe



Len Woodruff's 2017 Torch Red GS Coupe

FOR SALE:2021 PACE Box Trailer

Twin axle, black with polished trim.

20 feet long and slightly over 8 feet wide INSIDE.

LED lights for taillights, brake lights and backup.

Has been lightly used for car trailer.

Kept in covered storage. Spare wheel & tire.

Primed and painted interior, off white.

A new one sells for well over \$8,000. Asking \$5,000.

Selling due to health and no longer need trailer.

Please call or text message to Craig Conde

214-726-5011 or 972-658-2526.

See Back Issues and Legends Newsletter in Color at VetteLegends.com



3-02 Sharon Castillo 3-17 Mike McCall

3-02 Kathy Hanks 3-20 Diana Kingston

3-03 Michael Ludtka 3-23 Cathy Hubbert

3-15 Terry Sealock 3-25 Fay Jarrett

3-15 Walter Adams 3-25 Tom Schipper





High Quality Restoration, Performance &

Maintenance For All Year Models

TUNE-UPS, ENGINE REPAIR, ELECTRICAL, PERFORMANCE MODS, & MORE SERVICES
OUR TEAM IS ASE MASTER CERTIFIED

WE DON'T JUST WORK ON YOUR CORVETTE...WE FIX IT!

3206 Main Street Rowlett, Texas 75088

972.412.2325

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

WWW.CORVETTECORNER.NET

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SHOP







March 1 After-Holiday Party

See page 3



Proud Sponsor of Corvette Legends



1400 South Stemmons Freeway Lewisville, TX 75067 We were 30 years young when we got our first Corvette...
How 'bout you?



There is NO reason for Corvette Legends Club Members to go ANYWHERE but Huffines! Call Ted Goldberg or Bruce Johnston at 972-538-7000

for Special Club Member Prices on New and Pre-Owned Vehicles. Our inventory changes daily, and we will work to get the vehicle you desire!