



Legends Ledger September 2026

Black Gold & BBQ Lunch Cruise!!! Saturday, September 19

to Country Tavern for the GREATEST BBQ
& the East Texas Oil Museum!!

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Leave the Racetrac Station at
9930 S. Hwy. 78, Lavon, TX
(at the SW corner of Hwy 78 & Hwy 205).

Potty Stop: Valero Station, 1021 E Lennon Dr.
(left side of Hwy. 69), Emory, TX

Lunch Stop: Country Tavern BBQ, 1526 FM 2767,
Kilgore, TX (left side of road)

Museum: East Texas Oil Museum, \$8.50 admission
1301 S. Henderson Blvd., Kilgore, TX
on the Kilgore College campus

Butch & Geni McLeod have planned a great
cruise in our Corvettes out east of Dallas
through some back roads to Kilgore, TX.

For more info contact: Butch 713-303-7811

*The purpose of the East Texas Oil Museum is to pay
tribute to the independent oil producers and
wildcatters, to the men and women who dared to
dream as they pursued the fruits of free enterprise
beginning in the 1920s.*

Take the "Elevator Ride" to the Center of the Earth!
*with Professor Rockbottom, who will take you 3,800 feet
below the earth's surface to where oil deposits lie.*

It's fun and informative!

The East Texas Oil Museum opened a new exhibit July 3,
**"One Texan's Improbable and Unimaginable Journey:
Albert 'Pappy' DeHart's Best-Worst Seat in History!"**



It highlights the life and
military service of an
East Texas native whose
experiences placed him
at the center of one of
World War II's most
significant events.

The exhibit chronicles

the journey of DeHart, who was born in Jacksonville TX and
raised in Marshall, TX. During World War II, DeHart served
with the 509th Composite Group, the unit responsible for car-
rying out the atomic bomb missions over Japan in August 1945. **1**



New Location

Sept. Meeting

11 am, Saturday, Sept. 12

Guest Speaker: Grey Acuna,
Owner of Fortified Film Solutions will be
speaking about PPF (XPEL) and Ceramic coating.

Big Mike's Bar & Grill

2300 Alma Drive, Plano, TX

3/4 Mile West of US 75 at the corner of Parker Rd. & Alma Dr.
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*CLoT Club Participation Event

Sept 9

Classic Cars & Brown Bags

11 am

Flower Mound, TX

Bring your own lunch and drinks! **Heritage Park**, 600 Spinks Rd., Flower Mound, Texas

Sept 12

Denton Arts & Autos Car Show

Downtown Square Denton, TX

9am-3pm \$30. Pre-registered cars can enter at 7:30 am. Pre-register on line at:

<https://www.downtowndenton.org/product/arts-autos-vehicle-entry/P43G5MY3H7SHMLG7N7DZ7KCZ>

***Sept 12**

Legends Meeting

11 am

Big Mike's, 3200 Alma Dr.

Plano, TX

Sept 17

Southwest Airlines Car Show

Pre-registration required **Dallas, TX**

Pre-register by 9/14/26: \$20 on line at <https://www.swacarshow.com/register-my-car>.

***Sept 19**

Black Gold & BBQ Lunch Cruise!!!

From Lavon to Kilgore, TX

Meet at 9:00 am! See page 1 for details.

***Sept 26**

Car Display for Seniors

Lifecare Center

Plano, TX

3800 W Park Blvd, Plano, TX. Time: 10 am. Informal display for residents of this Senior

Residential Community. See page 3 for map and details.

Oct 2-3

Good-Guys Car Show

Texas Moor Speedway

Ft. Worth, TX

***Oct 10**

Legends Meeting

11 am

Don Camillo Tuscan Grill

Hickory Creek, TX

Oct 9-10

Brazos River Corvette Show

On the Historic Square **Granbury, TX**

Gates open 7:30 am Saturday. Judging 10:30 am. Entry \$30 add \$10 after Sept 10.

NEW "Friday Night Get together" close to the town square with door prizes, 50/50 raffle, live entertainment, a keepsake and hors d'oeuvres at no charge. Cash bar. RSVP required for Friday night.

Contact Theresa Halford 432-634-7214 or thalford@pathtechltd.com

Oct 24

Atchley's Halloween Party

822 Downing Dr.

Richardson, TX

8 pm, RSVP 972-256-66122. A great costume party for you to enjoy!!! See page 3

***Nov 7**

Legends Meeting

11 am

Prairie House Restaurant

Lewisville, TX

***Nov 14**

Vettes 4 Vets Corvette Show

Oak Point Park

Plano, TX

11 am - 2 pm, Red Tail Pavilion at Oak Point Park - 2801 E. Spring Creek Pkwy

\$10 donation. Register on line: <https://planoflagsofhonor.com/vettes-4-vets-car-show/>

Show at **Plano Flags of Honor!** Hosted by the American Legion Post 321 and VFW Post 4380,

Attention!!!
Nov. Meeting on
the 1st Saturday!



Saturday, September 26

Time: 10 am

Lifecare Center of Plano

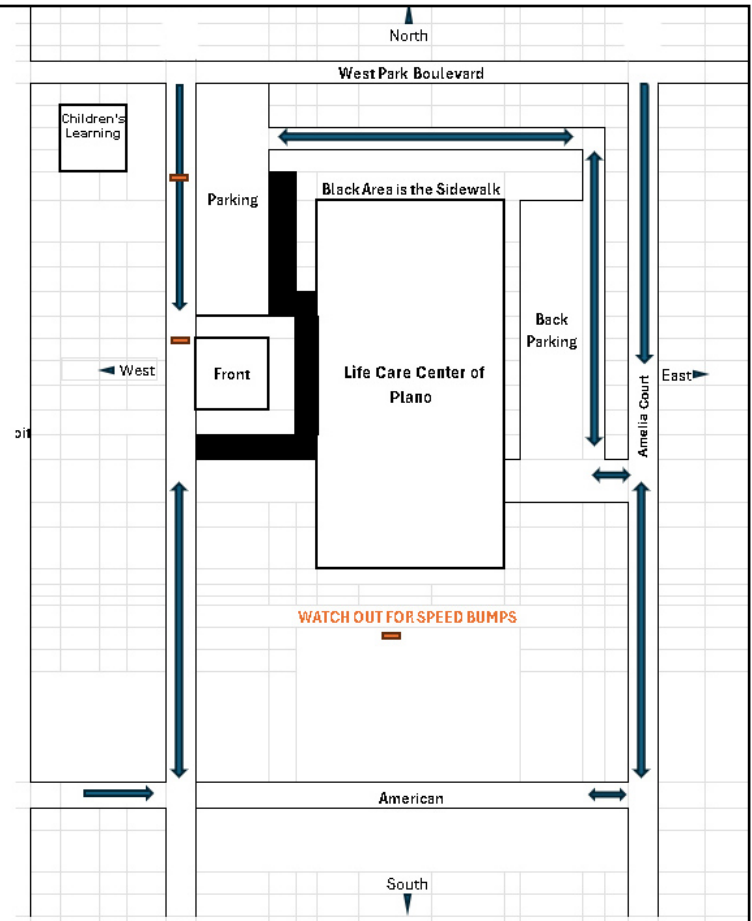
3800 W Park Blvd, Plano, TX

*Bring your Corvette... new or old,
or Any interesting old car or truck!*

Corvette Legends of Texas will do an informal display for residents of this Senior Residential Community. If you have an OLD car it would be a "Blast from the Past" for them.

For more info:

Steve Parry, Steve@GoldenTickets.com



Save THE DATE !!!

Halloween Party
October 24th
8pm at the
Atchley Haunted House

822 Downing Dr.
Richardson, TX

RSVP 972-256-6122

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

National Corvette Museum prepares to open major new collections and preservation facility

Words: Nathan Chadwick



The National Corvette Museum will mark the completion of its new 66,000 sq ft Collections Facility with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on September 3, 2026.

Built on the museum's campus in Bowling Green, Kentucky, the facility will provide additional space for storing and conserving historically significant Corvettes, documents and smaller artifacts. It will also allow the museum to accept further material as its collection continues to grow. Although the ceremony will mark the building's completion, it will not open to ordinary visitors immediately. Preparations will continue through the remainder of 2026, with public access and guided behind-the-scenes tours scheduled to begin in early 2027.



The facility represents a substantial expansion for a museum that began as an enthusiast-led project. Corvette was introduced in 1953, but it was not until the late 1980s that members of the National Corvette Restorers Society began discussing the creation of a permanent home for the model's history.

The National Corvette Museum opened on September 2, 1994, close to General Motors' Bowling Green Assembly Plant. Every Corvette produced since 1981 has been built at the plant, placing the museum beside the continuing manufacturing story it was created to document.

The Museum's most recognizable architectural feature is the yellow conical Skydome, originally used for the 'Corvette Salon' exhibition. The building became known far beyond Corvette circles on February 12, 2014, when a sinkhole opened beneath the Skydome and swallowed eight cars. The damaged Corvettes included the one-millionth example, a white 1992 convertible, and the 1.5-millionth Corvette, built in 2009. Recovery work and the subsequent conservation of the cars became

part of the museum's interpretation, providing a public demonstration of the decisions involved in preserving damaged historic vehicles.

That work is reflected in the museum's current Driven to Preserve exhibition. Running until January 2027, it uses more than a dozen rarely displayed Corvettes and supporting objects to explain how vehicles are moved, catalogued, assessed and conserved. The exhibition also introduces the thinking behind the new facility; dedicated areas in the building will accommodate long-term vehicle storage, small-object conservation and preservation work.

The museum says the additional capacity will enable it to document Corvette design, engineering, competition history and culture more comprehensively, rather than concentrating only on complete display cars.



The ribbon-cutting will form part of the museum's 32nd Anniversary Celebration, which takes place from September 3–5. The weekend will also include discussions about the LS6 engine and Corvette Grand Sport, regional driving tours and the induction of John Middlebrook, Kirk Bennion, Harlan Charles and James Scheffer into the Corvette Hall of Fame. Trolleys will carry registered visitors from the existing museum to the new building for the ceremony at 2:30pm. Full guided access will follow once the collection has been transferred and the facility prepared for visitors in early 2027.

SOLD! 1963 Corvette Grand Sport Chassis 003 Sells for \$18.7 Million at RM Sotheby's Monterey Auction



It's very rare to see one of the historic 1963 Grand Sports offered for sale, but that happened on Saturday night as chassis #003 crossed the auction block at RM Sotheby's Monterey sale and was hammered sold for \$17,000,000.

With commissions, the price out the door was \$18,705,000 which is a new record for a Corvette sold at auction.

Corvette's Chief Engineer Zora Arkus-Duntov built five lightweight race cars to take on Shelby Cobras, but his clandestine plan was discovered by GM's brass who had maintained a corporate racing ban. Zora being Zora, he quietly moved the cars out the back door and into hands of racers where they ran in SCCA as well as the Nassau Speed Weeks. Chassis 003 was offered in its Blue #2 livery which it wore at the 1964 Sebring 12-hour race. That race was notable as driver A.J. Foyt started in 62nd position and famously passed nearly 50 cars on his opening lap. The Corvette would finish second in class in 1964 and third in class in the 1965 Sebring 12-hour.

Since its days of competition, Chassis 003 has been in a number of long-term collections. Most recently, the car was owned by collector Larry Bowman of California who owned it for 23 years. This Grand Sport can occasionally be seen participating in historic racing events.

Presale estimates had it selling for \$11,000,000 to \$13,000,000.

The previous high sale for a Corvette at a public auction was the 1957 Corvette SS (Project XP-64) which sold at RM Sotheby's Miami sale in 2025 for \$7.7 million. It was the first purpose-built racer built by Zora and raced by John Fitch at the 1957 Sebring race.

A 1967 Corvette L88 Coupe had the record before that after it sold for \$3,850,000 at Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale 2014 sale. That same car was also offered across town on Saturday at Mecum where the high bid was \$2,500,000 but did not sell.

The last time a 1963 Corvette Grand Sport was on the market was in 2009 when chassis 002-one of the two roadsters and made famous by gentleman-driver George Wintersteen-was offered by RM Auctions in Scottsdale.



Expectations were \$7 million to \$10 million, but bidding stalled at \$5 million. The car was then sold privately and now resides at the Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum in Philadelphia.

The sale of the 1963 Corvette Grand Sport Chassis 003 was at RM Sotheby's Monterey classic car auction held at the Portola Hotel and Monterey Conference Center in California. Cars started rolling across the block at 5:30 PM PT and the Grand Sport made its appearance at approximately 8:07 PM PT. The car as driven up to the auction block where the rumble from the 377-ci V8 was showcased before the bidding started, although internet viewers weren't treated with the same audio experience.

Bidding opened at \$5 million and grew by increments of half-million bids which didn't slow down until around \$15,000,000. Even at that bid, there was still several active bidders who kept the total moving upwards and it was finally hammered sold at \$17,000,000. With the sales commissions, the total sale was \$18,705,000.

**NEW! Club
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Available at the Sept. Meeting

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Terry Sealock, 214-718-0924. Pics on Craig's List:
<https://www.craigslist.org/view/d/allen-1963-corvette-split-window/mLrBuKstTEf3FLYZ2wXGPn>



Birthdays for September

9-05 Pam Neubauer	9-21 Debbie Garrison
9-08 Mike Garrison	9-23 Cindy Dumas
9-12 Larry Dyer	9-23 Janice Dyer
9-14 Lonn Hutcheson	9-24 Lynne Schilt
9-15 Diane Preston	9-25 Patricia Ragan
9-18 Allen Eggleston	9-28 Gary Krayner
9-18 Rob Stewart	9-29 Laura Jimenez

New Members

**Bert & Gail
Hayslip**
 Denton, TX
 Red & White 1961



Mike & Laura Riley
 Sanger, TX
 White 1953, Maroon 1967.
 Silver/Yellow 2006
 + more

**John & Kathy
Pierce**
 Dallas, TX
 2026 Silver Coupe



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Legends Ledger Newsletter: Published monthly.

Submission deadline is the 15th of the previous month.

Send submissions to cdiane1957@aol.com

Club Web Site: <http://www.vettelegends.com>

Send submissions to: Communications@VetteLegends.com

Meetings-2nd Saturday of every month

If you have a recommendation for a guest speaker to address the club or a new meeting location in the North Dallas Metro Area, please contact Jeff Clevenger.

Membership Info: \$40 for annual membership

Application available on our web site: VetteLegends.com

Send all changes in your address and Corvette ownership to:

Dennis Conte: Dennis.Conte@att.net

Dues are paid annually at a meeting or mailed to:

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



Rare member sighting... Al & Mary Anne Lisbona with Tom and Mary Jean Entekin... not in that order



Guest John Pierce, with Rob Franklin and Tom Schipper. (Jane Cantleberry and Greg Singleton photo bombing!)



Dennis Kikolla and a rare member sighting of David Vaughan.



New member Bert Hayslip talking C1 with John Totter.



New member John Pierce's brand new 2026 Silver Coupe with only 400 miles.

CORVETTE LEGENDS OF TEXAS

GENERAL MEETING--August 8, 2026

Spring Creek BBQ Restaurant, Richardson

The members of Corvette Legends were called to order by Tom Hubbert at 11:55. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Attendance was recorded as 52.

Guests: John Pierce, guest of John Arkelien.

Pre-meeting guest was Tony Armstrong who was walking his dog and admiring all our cars.

New Members: Burt Hayslip, 1961 red and white C1,

Tim McDonald, 1996 Grand Sport

Lady Legends Winner: Millie Van Guilder

50/50 Pot Winner: Steve Parry (\$79)

Tom began the meeting with a thank you to Linda Denault for acting as secretary for last month's meeting in my absence. I also thank Linda for filling in for me.

Diane reminded everyone of the car show at Huffines Kia in Lewisville on August 30. She also had the new Legends window stickers for sale, \$3 each.

Next Meetings:

Sept. 12-New location: Big Mike's Bar & Grill, 3200 Alma Dr, Plano (SE corner Parker Rd & Alma Dr in Town Square)

Oct. 10-Don Camillo's Tuscan Grill, Hickory Creek

****Nov 7-**Prairie House, Lewisville (**NOTE! Date change due to Vettes 4 Vets event on Nov 14)

Steve Parry reviewed upcoming events:

Sat., Sept. 26-Life Care Center of Plano, 3800 W. Park Blvd, Plano. Small Car show for residents.

Sat., Nov. 14. Vettes 4 Vets with Plano Flags of Honor event. Oak Point Park, Plano (2801 E. Spring Creek Pkwy). We'll have a friendly challenge with Lone Star Corvette Club – Who will have most Corvettes?

1st Sunday of month at 8am. Cars & Coffee, Plano Tortilla Factory, 18th st & Ave. K.

Steve also told us there will be no Autorama in 2027 since Dallas Market Hall has been sold and will be demolished to build a new data center. Autorama may return in the future, possibly Fair Park will host it. The Good Guys show in the spring and fall may be another option for the club to get exposure. Steve is researching all the options and will keep us posted.

Butch McLeod planned an 'east side' Lunch Cruise for Sat., Sept. 19. We'll start at 9 am from the Racetrac at Hwy 78 and Hwy 205, Lavon. Lunch at the Country Tavern BBQ, Kilgore. Then we'll tour the East Texas Oil Museum in Kilgore. He had flyers with all the details at the meeting and sent around a sign up sheet. More info at the September meeting the week before the cruise.

David Schall did some 'shameless advertising'. Mike Dyer (214-717-8379) has been a mechanic, working on C1 and C2 Corvettes for 50 years and is located near Canton. David says he's a great guy, knows what he's doing and highly recommends him. Check with David for more info about him.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:19 pm.

Submitted by Sharon Conde
Secretary



Sept 12 Meeting
Big Mike's
3200 Alma Rd, Plano, TX
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Place
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**New Meeting
Location!!**



1400 South Stemmons Freeway
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