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Color Country Corvette Club

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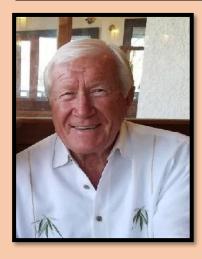
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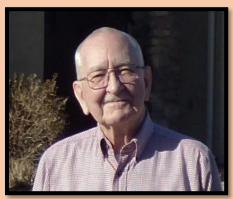
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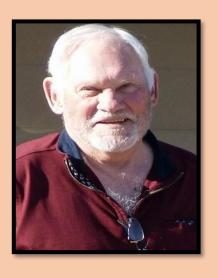




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A Letter from the Prez



Welcome to March and the beginning of spring here in St. George. It is also the month we celebrate the death of St. Patrick on March 17. I decided to look up the history of St. Patty's Day and it dates back 1500 years or so.

St. Patrick's Day is an Irish and Irish American holiday commemorating the death, as legend has it, of Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, on March 17, circa AD492. It is also the occasion, in

many American cities, for celebrating Irish heritage with a parade. I was in Chicago one year and saw the entire Chicago River dyed green.

My wife likes to brag about how she kissed the Blarney Stone while we were there a few years back. I don't know how many thousand people have kissed the stone, but I didn't go for it.

It's a block of Carboniferous limestone built into the battlements of Blarney Castle, which is about 5 miles from Cork, Ireland. According to legend, kissing the stone endows the kisser with the gift of the gab. It certainly worked for Shelby. Smile honey!

I am thinking we should commemorate the holiday on March 16, the day before, since it is a 'Vettes & Caffeine event that day. I am sure we have some club members whose ancestors came from Ireland.

March is a busy month for the Club with the Monthly Membership Meeting on the 14th at a new location. We are trying out the 1861 Restaurant at Ovations in Washington for a change. Please see more information, including directions, immediately below this letter.

'Vettes & Caffeine is scheduled for the 16th, and our very own CCCC Car Show at the BBQ Pit Stop is scheduled for the 25th. The following week features a tour of a nuclear submarine and the USS Midway aircraft carrier in San Diego on the 28th. You'll hear more about these events as we get closer to the dates.

If you think of an outing or event for the Club but you choose not to host it, just let us know what, where and when and we'll put something together. One caveat, it must be fun. HAPPY CRUISING!

Derek Hall President

MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Held on the **Second Tuesday** of each month unless otherwise notified.

Note: New Location For The March Dinner

"Restaurant 1861" at Ovations

1525 E Ovation Pl, Suite 2, Washington, UT

Take Exit 13 as usual and drive through the roundabout and continue down Washington Parkway. The restaurant is located on the left, in the north Ovations building, before you reach Telegraph Street.

DINNER & SOCIAL - 5:30 - 7:00PM BUSINESS MEETING - 7:00 - 8:00PM

Guests are Always Welcome!

BOARD MEETINGS

Regularly held on the <u>even months</u> of the year. A Board Meeting may also be called as needed. All members will be notified of the exact date, and the location of each Board Meeting. All members in good standing are welcome to attend.

'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Typically held on the **Third Thursday** of each month at 9:00am, **unless otherwise notified.** These events usually begin with breakfast or a lunch at a local restaurant followed by a short run which rarely exceeds an hour or so. The venue changes from month to month. A reminder will be sent to the entire membership prior to each event.

RUN NAMES & DEFINITIONS

'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Type: Meetups for breakfast/caffeine or lunch, tours, short to half-day runs and option for longer cruises (can become a 'VetteVenture)

Frequency: Monthly, Every 3rd Thursday

'VETTEVENTURE

Type: Day Runs, meetups for breakfast, lunch and/or dinner, longer full day runs with option to break from the group and keep it a short run

Frequency: Anytime, monthly if possible

NOTE: Vettes & Caffeine can be immediately upgraded to a 'VetteVenture if members want to go on an extended longer cruise.

'VETTECATION

Type: Overnight, 2-days or more, attend an event together, meet for lunch and/or dinner

Frequency: Anytime, two to three times a year if possible

NOTE: All runs will be listed as NO HOST RUNS if no members volunteer to host a run. Members are encouraged to be a host. Board will support members in planning hosted runs.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Reed Singleton is scheduled for some corrective surgery on March 1. Let's all remember he and **Janet** and keep them in our prayers. You can reach Reed at his email <u>fasteddie5458@gmail.com</u>, or by phone at (318) 471-8367

Norm Rollingson recently underwent open heart surgery. His wife **Heather** stated that all went well, and they had him up and walking 24 hours after surgery. You can reach Norm by email at norm@legacytrails.com, or by phone at (307)413-6498.

If you have information about club members who may have illness or any other reason for concern, I can be reached by telephone at (801) 360-7586 or by email: shelbysue1946@gmail.com

CAR OF THE MONTH

Graysen & Anna Fox

I have been a Corvette guy ever since probably sixth grade when my friends and I started getting into cars, building models, putting up car posters and seeing the plethora of sports cars you'd expect to see growing up in Las Vegas. We started competing to see who could name the make and model of cars from the furthest distance just by looking at the silhouette or shape of the headlights or the taillights. I always won when it came to the Corvette.

I've always loved their history, their style, their curves, and their performance, especially for the money. And I loved that I could say to my foreign car loving friends they were ALL AMERICAN!

Naturally when I got married I rented a Corvette, a red 1996. My wife, Anna,



insisted on driving it and that's when I got another sign I married the right woman because she drove it like she was a natural born sports car driver.

Shortly after we were married, with the help of the owner of a local Corvette shop



downtown by the strip in Las Vegas, I bought my first Corvette, a red 1980 L82. I took a job at that same Corvette shop to help me get through college. I think the owner appreciated my passion. I learned a lot about Corvette's there, their quirks and got my hands dirty on my own car working her into a proper daily driver. I believe in daily driving a car you love.

But I think Anna got a little jealous of that car because she caught fire (the Corvette) that is, on I-15 while we were out for a drive. I think she cursed it. Funny story really. I immediately pulled over and popped the hood and looked

around for anything to douse the fire. A tow truck stopped offering his shovel to scoop up dirt and rocks along the edge of the concrete barrier, which did nothing.

Why he didn't have a fire extinguisher I'll never know! The ironic part is when a guy driving a Kia of all cars stopped to help, pulls out a fire extinguisher and put the fire out like that! The fuel line had been installed too long and had rubbed against the accessory belt...oops! Anna didn't like that Corvette much after that.

Fast forward to my 2nd Corvette, a white 2006 3LT convertible which I purchased sight unseen from a little old lady in San Diego. I assume it was a little old lady because the car was in amazing shape being used, and the fact that the seat memory button had the seat really close to the steering wheel along with three more clues dangling from the rear-view mirror. Necklaces. One with an angel pendant, one a Buddha jade, and the other the mother Mary. Necklaces that I never removed because they had good mojo. Anna liked that Corvette a lot more as it was



more modern, comfortable, had a lot fewer quirks and never caught fire.

Ever since we moved to St. George (and met Doug Rosa, I think he accosted me at a gas station) we have enjoyed being part of the Corvette club. I have enjoyed taking turns bringing my girls on Corvette runs (yes I have all girls, I'm outnumbered) and have especially enjoyed this last year taking my aging dad (86 years young) on a few runs.

It's amazing how cars can spark stories about family history. When I took my dad to the Barrett Jackson Auction I learned that Uncle Jim had a '58 Impala and always like flashy things. Uncle Lloyd had an old Buick with fins and a '29 hardtop Ford with a rumble seat. And my grandparents had a 1935 Buick. Oh, and my dad's first car was a 1926 Hupmobile! I also learned that if I went to college with my dad, I would have been like his friend Joe Cunnings who bought a white and red '58 Corvette after graduating.

Anna and I have enjoyed our Corvette club friendships and look forward to a new chapter with our new 2023 Rapid Blue Z51 Corvette.

Thanks for letting such a youngster like me in the club, let alone be the Vice President.

MARCH & APRIL BIRTHDAYS

March

04	Calvin Livingston	801-231-8960	drlivingston308@gmail.com
06	Brigitte Hunsaker	801.589.5126	<u>bbhunsaker@gmail.com</u>
10	Korry Lake	435.632.2922	<u>kllake60@gmail.com</u>
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18	Marie Dorish	408.391.2705	mmgolfer10@gmail.com
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25	Patricia Wild	435.635.4738	patriciawild1080@gmail.com
26	Mary Jung	435.773.5226	<u>craigmaryjung@hotmail.com</u>

April

12	John Liston	702.622.7777	<u>63split@gmail.com</u>
12	Marvin Brady	307.780.5656	marvinbrady22@gmail.com
13	Larry Martin	405.514.6556	larrym5353@gmail.com
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25	Patty Dollar	503.601.9248	stanpattydollar@comcast.net
25	Ron Wittusen	801.360.9636	wittusenrd@hotmail.com

Have a Very Happy Birthday Celebration!

RECENT EVENTS

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, February 14, 2023



The snow came, and it was like Christmas in February, but the meeting went on with a surprising turnout of 45 members who weathered the snow and enjoyed a meal and good company in a warm environment.

The agenda was jam packed including a review of the latest draft of the Club bylaws, and the presentation of the February Car of the Month to Mike and Tricia Roe.

Future events were presented by Graysen Fox and Mike Roe, as well as a presentation from Jeff Zornow who produces the monthly Corvette Garage article.

Gary Grosjeans brought us up to date on new members, including two new members who just happened to be in the restaurant that night and came into the meeting to join.



A huge thank you goes out to Fran Crum and Terry Hammond for



Here are some more pictures of the evening.











'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Thursday, February 16, 2023
Hosted by Morey & Mary Sanford
Virgin River Casino

Mesquite, NV

Seven Club Corvettes met at exit 2 at I-15 and took the quick trip down the Virgin River Gorge to the Virgin River Casino in Mesquite where they met up with hosts, Mary, and Morey Sanford.

They had a buffet breakfast at the Sierra Restaurant and



swapped stories for about two hours. Following breakfast, a couple of members stayed to bowl at the alleys inside the resort, and the rest made their way back to St. George by way of Old 91 over Utah Mountain.

The weather was cold, 23 degrees at the start, but the skies were blue, and the roads were dry making the event a lot of fun.







WANT TO HOST A CLUB OUTING OR EVENT?

Members who would like to host a run, or an event, or would like help organizing one, please contact:

Mike Roe, Events Manager, at (435) 669-2063 or email <u>mikesloroe@gmail.com</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

BEE'S MARKETPLACE

Colorado City, AZ Friday, March 3, 2023 A NO HOST RUN by Mike Roe

Meet at Koral Kafe Time: 10:30am Distance to Bee's: 34 miles Total Run Distance: 150 miles

BEANS & BREW | ARCTIC CIRCLE | SALAD & SOUP BAR DELI SANDWICHES | TEN 45 BEER GARDEN



This No Host Run is brought to you by Mike Roe. Mike is digging deep and providing us another chance to do what we love most; DRIVE CORVETTES & EAT!

Bee's Marketplace in famous Colorado City,

AZ is a state-of-theart supermarket. With upstairs and

downstairs seating with great views of red rock mesas, and multiple eating venues inside, this joint is special. So don't turn up your nose and sniff at eating at a grocery store. Lots of food choices here! Then follow us on a run looping through Kanab, Fredonia and back through Colorado City.



Meet: 10:30am @ Koral Kafe located at 2400 N

Town Center Dr, Washington, (next to the Harley Davidson dealership).

Departure: 10:45am

We will head out via UT-9 to Hurricane then via Hwy 59 to Bee's! Destination: Bee's Marketplace @ 1045 S Central St, Colorado City, AZ 86021

Run Directions: Cane Beds Rd to US 89 >> South to Kanab >> Kanab to Fredonia via US 89A >> Then West on AZ/389 >> Rest/Gas stop @ Pipe Spring Chevron in the Kaibab Indian Reservation >> Continue AZ/389 back through Colorado City to Hurricane (AZ/389 becomes UT 59) >> Head home!



MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 1861 Restaurant @ Ovations Washington, UT

We have done much research and have selected a restaurant that we think you will really enjoy and one that could easily become our monthly Membership Meeting

venue. Please make an effort to come to this meeting as we are trying something new for our event and would like your input. Graysen will be sending out further information as we get closer to the event.

On that night we will also have a McLaren race car on site and a presentation about the company. The McLaren rep, Roger Ormisher,



will be bringing the new McLaren plug-in hybrid. He has a presentation that includes a short movie and about eight slides.

Roger knows a lot about the history of McLaren and is familiar with their involvement in IndyCar and F1 racing. He will also talk about the efforts McLaren has put into competing with the Z06.

'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Thursday, March 16, 2023

We are looking for someone to host this event. If you would like to host this event please call Mike Roe @ (435)669-2063.



COLOR COUNTRY CORVETTE & DESERT RODDERS CAR CLUBS' CAR SHOW

Saturday, March 25, 2023 10:00am – 2:00pm

The BBQ PIT Stop

180 N 300 E St. George, UT
Hosted by Color Country Corvette Club
Sponsored by The BBQ Pit Stop

This event is for members of both car clubs and other Corvette owners to show off their cars. If you know of someone who owns a Corvette, but is not yet a member, be sure to invite them to the show.

We will have a large area in the parking lot so that we will not have to be aware of



traffic. The public is welcome, and admission is free to everyone.

THE BBQ PIT OWNER, RONNIE, WILL BE OFFERING FREE BBQ TO ALL THOSE WHO BRING THEIR CORVETTE TO THE SHOW.

Put this one on your calendar and plan to attend as we need no less than 20 cars to make this event a success.

TOUR OF THE USS MIDWAY AIRCRAFT CARRIER & A NUCLEAR SUBMARINE

San Diego, CA
Tuesday, March 28, 2023
Hosted by Larry Martin



USS Midway (CVB/CVA/CV-41) is an aircraft carrier, formerly of the United States Navy, the lead ship of her class. Commissioned 8 days after the end of World War II, Midway was the largest ship in the world until 1955, as well as the first U.S. aircraft carrier too big to transit the Panama Canal.

She operated for 47 years, during which time she saw action in the Vietnam War and served as the Persian Gulf flagship in 1991's Operation Desert Storm. Decommissioned in 1992, she is now a museum ship at the USS Midway Museum, in San Diego, California, and is the only remaining inactive U.S. aircraft carrier that is not an Essex-class aircraft carrier.

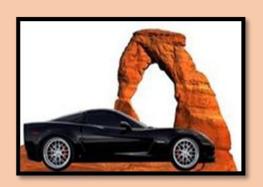
Club members will depart Southern Utah on Monday, March 27 for the cruise down to San Diego. There will be brief meeting that night in preparation for the tour.

Following the tours on Tuesday, members can either leave for home that afternoon, or later as they choose.

Note: This event is limited to twenty-five persons. If you would like to be part of this historic tour, please contact Larry Martin at (405)514-6556 to make your reservation. Larry has already booked a block of hotel rooms in San Diego.

CCCC & SIMI VALLEY CLUBS JOINT TOUR BRYCE & ZION CANYON

Sunday, May 7, 2023





Breakfast or Lunch at Ruby's Inn at Bryce Canyon

More Details to Follow



CCCC LADIES LUNCH

Thursday, May 11, 2023 @ 11:30am Kneader's Restaurant @ Dinosaur Crossing Hosted by Shelby Hall

Shelby thinks it is time for the ladies of the Club to get together and enjoy some time without the men folk.

She's hosting lunch for the ladies of the Club, at 11:30am on Thursday, May 11 at the Kneaders Restaurant at Dinosaur Crossing.

You don't need to drive a Corvette to the event unless you want to.

STEPHEN WADE CHEVROLET BBQ

Saturday, June 3, 2023

Hosted by Color Country Corvette Club



This is a bi-annual event sponsored by the Club to say thanks to Stephen Wade for his generous sponsorship, and to all the employees at the dealership who take great care of our Corvettes.

It is an occasion when club members roll up their sleeves, put on an apron and flip burgers and hot dogs

for a couple of hours.

The BBQ takes place in the front car lot of the dealership. Participating members park their Corvettes next to the eating area to allow people to browse and get the bug to own a Corvette.

Two years ago, Gary Grosjeans stumbled across the BBQ and ended up buying, not just a Corvette, but a Cadillac as well. His and Pamela's life changed forever on that day!





NCCC ANNUAL CONVENTION

Saturday, June 24, 2023, Through Friday, June 30, 2023 Bowling Green, Kentucky

https://corvettesnccc.org/2023Convention/Convention2023.php

CORVETTES IN THE NEWS

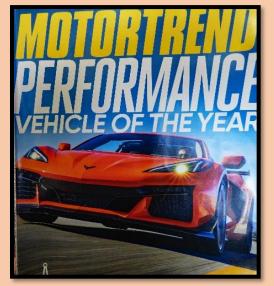
Click on this link to review the 2024 eCorvette Hybrid which goes 0 to 60 in 2.6 seconds!

https://www.caranddriver.com/news/a43097568/2024-chevy-corvette-e-ray-dissected/

Check out this video which shows how the C8 is built at the Bowling Green Plant.

The video is lengthy but quite fascinating!

https://www.motor1.com/news/650334/watch-chevrolet-corvette-built-detailedassembly-line-video/



Motor Trend Names Corvette Z06 2023 Performance Vehicle of the Year. Check out the article below.

https://motorsportsnewswire.com/2023/01/20/motortrend-names-the-corvette-z06-the-2023-performance-vehicle-of-the-year/

Are you ready for a Corvette SUV? There is one on the way.

Click below to take a look.

https://www.hotcars.com/chevrolet-corvette-suv-render/

UPCOMING CAR SHOWS

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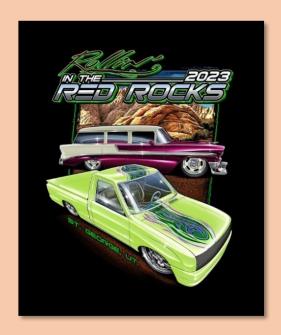
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See details in the upcoming events section above.

THE ANNUAL EASTER CAR SHOW

Saturday, April 8, 2023
Hurricane Community Center
Hurricane, Utah
9:00am – 5:00pm





RED ROCKS CAR SHOW

May 20-May 21, 2023 Convention Center St. George, Ut



CORVETTE HUMOR





THE CORVETTE GARAGE

By Jeffery Zornow



If you are as picky as I am, cleaning your windows can be a real challenge. It looks good from this angle—not so good from that angle. Perfect when it's cloudy and overcast—terrible when the sun is shining; trying to remove all the streaking is next to impossible. I have tried many methods over the years and only recently, I discovered what works best for me.

Your windshield, side, and rear windows along with the instrument cluster and touchscreens all accumulate skin oils and dirt. Usually, a quick clean can reveal just how dirty they

are. Keep in mind most, if not all, household glass cleaners have ammonia as one of the primary chemicals to remove contaminants. They may work well in your house but be aware that ammonia can attack automotive tints and some polymers. That is why most automotive cleaners are ammonia free. It has been my experience that cleaners with ammonia will leave streaks that are next to impossible to remove.

So, what is the solution? After experimenting with Invisible Glass, Rain X glass cleaner, Sprayway, ArmorAll glass wipes and Eveo screen cleaner, I have found that a warm half gallon of water with a spoonful of Dawn dishwashing liquid works miracles. It removes all greases and dirt that have collected on the inside of your windows.

My choices for cleaning towels are Griot's PFM dual-weave glass towels (part

number 55582). The terry weave microfiber is used to clean and absorb water, and the tight microfiber side is for a streak-free final wipe. You will want to leave a light film of water on the glass when using the tight weave side for removing streaks.

In addition, I find the Griot's window cleaner set (part number 90248) works perfect for front and rear windshields. The extension arm eliminates having to stretch into the hard-to-reach corners of your windshield.



Remember to mix the Dawn with warm water and wring the cleaning towels out so that excessive water is not all over your dash.

Give my suggestion a try and let me know how it works for you. I know for sure you will save money by eliminating those costly glass cleaners found at your local auto parts store. Also, if you have discovered a combination that works, please share it and I will post it in next month's column.

...Until next time.

CORVETTES & PARTS FOR SALE BY CLUB MEMBERS

1996 C4 LT4 Limited Production Car Just 1 of only 157 made

Russ Campbell says the C4 is, by far, the best driver's car of all the Corvettes he has owned. With the good suspension, snappy small block power, convertible top, and a six-speed manual transmission with only 34,000 original miles. It is the ultimate sports car.







Interested? Call Russ Campbell at (909) 744-2661

1997 to 2004 C5 & C5 Z06 Parts for Sale



Front Chrome Wheels Size 17x 9.5; 54mm. 5x120.65; 70.3



Air Intake Carbon Fiber Bridge (Z06) with Red Coupler, and assorted couplers with hardware.
Please see the attached photos.





Interested? Make offer to Doug Utash at dougutash@gmail.com

CORVETTE INTERESTING FACTS & HISTORY

Corvette With A Split Rear Window 1963 Corvette Stingray, Blue Via Mecum Auctions. The second-generation Corvette is legendary for its aggressive Mako shark-inspired design, punchy V8 engines, and fastback split rear window.



1963 Corvette Stingray, Blue Corvettes with the split rear window go for as much as \$500,000 today, but the "Father of the Corvette" Zora-Arkus Duntov never really liked it. Also, the rare Corvette raised safety concerns due to the limited rearward visibility, so Chevrolet discontinued the split window design in 1964.

Over the years, Corvette's logo has been redesigned several times, with some subtle and not-so-subtle changes. Robert Bartholomew, who was an interior designer, designed the original Corvette logo in 1953. The logo was meant to be on the 1953 Corvette prototype, which was supposed to be unveiled at the New York's Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

The original emblem had crossing staffs with the US flag on the left and the checkered flag on the right. But just four days before the



official unveiling, Chevrolet management decided to redesign the logo because including the American flag on a commercial product was illegal. The new logo had a white racing flag in place of the American flag.

CLUB GEAR & CLOTHING



Apparel with the Club Logo for Men & Women

The Color Country Corvette Club on-line web store is available for purchases. All shirts, jackets and hats have special club pricing. Do not hesitate to get yours. They will look great on you. You will be able to see the logo on the shirt and the stitching on the sleeve as well.

The site allows you to pick the size, colors, and your car color.

If you have any questions or need additional information call **Power Image (435)673-0263.** See the link below to access the store's landing page.

https://store.powerupyourimage.com/colorcountrycorvetteclub/shop/home

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Corvette Rings for Men & Women







https://www.etsy.com/listing/1220832783/chevy-corvette-c7-inspired-titanium-ring?ga_order=most_relevant&ga_search_type=all&ga_view_type=gallery&ga_search_query=c7+corvette+ring&ref=sr_gallery-1-1&frs=1&sca=1&organic_search_click=1

C7 Corvette Logo

Since there are so many C7 Corvettes in the Club these days, Power Image has developed an approximately 12 x 12-inch C7 logo only, that can be embroidered, and will float, on the back of any shirt or jacket.



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- ✓ Factory-trained mechanics and access to genuine Chevrolet parts.
- ✓ When your car needs routine maintenance or repair, you want the technicians working on it to know and understand your vehicle.
- ✓ Factory-trained mechanics, and access to genuine parts, go a long way to ensuring that your is vehicle well-cared for and kept in prime operating condition.



- ✓ Stephen Wade technicians are up to date on the latest service bulletins, recalls, parts changes and service procedures.
- ✓ The benefits of timely routine maintenance should not be underestimated. A well-maintained vehicle is more efficient, safer, more valuable, and more enjoyable to own. Ignoring important maintenance items might save a little money in the short term, but there's enormous potential for more expensive repairs in the long term by doing so.

Stephen Wade Auto Center continue to offer Club Members drastically reduced rates.

2023 Rates

Labor - \$105/hr. (Non-member rate is \$150/hr.)

Maintenance – 10% discount (Includes oil & filter changes)

Parts – 15% off the MSRP

Other – 10% discount on other menu type items, e.g., Brakes & Alignment

Tires – Stephen Wade Auto Center will price match either **Discount Tire or**Costco. The labor charge for Corvettes is \$50.00 per

tire to mount and balance. Non-corvettes are \$25.00 each

Note: Stephen Wade Auto Center is unable to combine this pricing with other coupons from GM or anyone else.

Your Stephen Wade Service Team













OTHER CORVETTE NEWS WORTH A READ

GM Continues To Commit Investment To The Small Block V8

GM might be pushing hard into electrification, but it's not done with internal combustion yet. Last week, the company announced an \$854 million investment into a variety of its plants to build the sixth-generation small-block V-8. It's the first confirmation that GM is working on a new small block, though the company isn't yet releasing any technical details on the engine.

The Chevrolet small-block V-8 dates to 1954, with the current, fifth generation debuting in 2013. Along with Stellantis' Hemi and Ford's Godzilla truck engine, the small-block is the only surviving overhead-valve V-8 sold in new cars today. (All three manufacturers offer pushrod V-8 crate engines as well.) Currently, you can find small blocks in GM's lineup of full-size trucks and SUVs, plus the Camaro, Corvette, and Cadillac CT5-V Blackwing.

In its press release announcing the investment, GM made only specific reference to full-size trucks and SUVs. We already know that the CT5-V Blackwing is a one-and-done, with the Cadillac brand headed for full-EV sales, and the current Camaro is likely the last of the breed.

The small block will soldier on in some capacity for the Corvette for as long as Chevy is allowed to sell it. The new hybrid E-Ray gives a good look at the Corvette's future—old-school naturally aspirated V-8 assisted by electric power.

We probably won't see the Gen-VI small block for at least a couple of years. We also can't help but wonder if this will be the last of its type.

If you want to keep up with what is happening in the world of Corvettes, just paste one of these links into your browser and lust away.