



# THE 'VETTE GAZETTE

**MAY 2023**

**Color Country Corvette Club**

**St. George, Utah**

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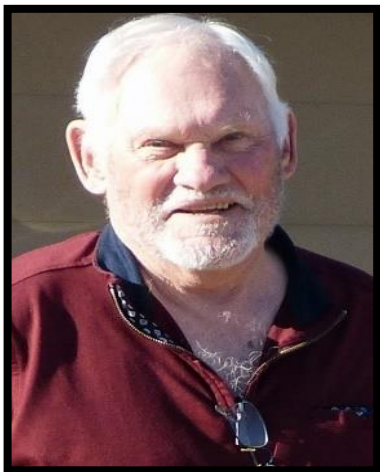
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# A LETTER FROM THE PREZ

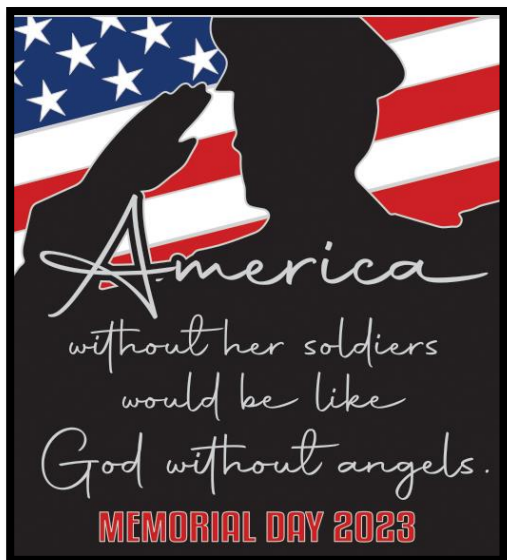


You just have to love the month of May. The spring season is at an end and summer is here. We can now break out the Corvettes and drive them without having to think about washing them every time we do.

May is also the month we celebrate Memorial Day on the 29<sup>th</sup> and honor the men and women who have died while serving in the military. It was

formerly known as Decoration Day.

Specifically, Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces, particularly those who died in battle, or as a result of wounds sustained in battle.



I especially honor those men and women who are members of the Color Country Corvette Club who served the United States in any branch of the military...I know we have some in the Club and I am proud to know them.

When I consider the history of the Corvette I'm pretty sure it has become an American symbol of freedom for over 70 years. I also think it is safe to say that the Corvette could easily be considered America's Sports Car.

Let the picnic, camping, vacation, and family reunion season begin! And, whatever you choose to drive this summer, make sure it's a Corvette.

**Derek Hall**  
**President**

P.S. Check out our new sponsor, **American Muscle**, in the sponsor section of this newsletter.



# GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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

## **“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**



**BE SURE TO RSVP IF YOU PLAN TO EAT  
OR...YOU MAY BE THE LAST TO GET FED!**

RSVP to [graysen@equitipro.com](mailto:graysen@equitipro.com)

**Guests are Always Welcome!**

# BOARD MEETINGS

Regularly held on the **even months** 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

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](mailto:shelbysue1946@gmail.com)

**Norm Rollingson** is looking pretty darn good after having serious heart surgery. Welcome back Norm!

**Bruce Hagerty** will be undergoing a procedure on May 10 to alleviate severe back pain that he's been living with for many years. Good luck Bruce!

I'm happy to report that **Brigitte Hunsaker** is on the mend after taking two nasty falls. We look forward to seeing you soon.

# CAR OF THE MONTH

## Shelby Hall



When Derek sold our Black C7R we were in a bit of a dilemma because we had no clue when his new C8 would arrive and it only seemed right that we had to have a Corvette to be a member. But how could we cope in the meantime? What else could we do?

We decided to buy a used C7 to drive

until the new car arrived. Derek loves Corvettes but he loves me much more. Sooo...we sold my C43 Benz and now I have a red 2019 Torch Red C7. The car is a one owner and had only 15,000 miles on it, so it's just like new.



Talk about timing. The day after my C7 arrived at the house, Derek received a call from the dealer to tell him his C8 was in production. Timing is everything.

## MAY & JUNE BIRTHDAYS

### May

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**Have a Very Happy Birthday Celebration!**

## RECENT EVENTS

### MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Tuesday, April 11, 2023**  
**1861 Restaurant @ Ovations**  
**Washington, UT**







# MARV'S DINER 'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Thursday, April 20, 2023

Enterprise, UT

A No Host Event Led by Mike Roe



Fifteen Club Corvettes met midmorning on a beautiful Thursday and took the short drive to Enterprise. We were pleased to see new members enjoying the drive, and it was especially great to see Norm Rollingson back with us after some very serious heart surgery.

Marv's is a 50s diner complete with many memories of those precious decades in music and in posters positioned around the diner. Following lunch, those that were so inclined took the route back to St. George by way of Cedar City.

Enjoy the pics from the outing.









# LIVE EDGE & MOB MUSEUM TOURS

## 'VETTE VENTURE

**Wednesday, April 26, 2023**  
**Las Vegas, NV**

Hosted By Paul & Karen Styka



Nine Corvettes and their crews met at Big Shots for the usual 'meet and greet' plus instructions from Paul. The group left for Las Vegas, picked up Morey & Mary in Mesquite, and arrived at the Live Edge Slabs factory at around 11:15 local time.



You will see from the many photos that the art of finishing these extraordinary slabs of wood is just gorgeous. The wood slabs come from Costa Rica unfinished and consist mainly of wood from the monkey pod tree.



The slabs are kiln dried before they are shipped so there is no chance for warping once they are complete. See below, pictures of the beautiful designs and workmanship.



Following the factory tour we enjoyed a great lunch at a Chicago style Italian restaurant.











Following lunch a few cars continued to the Mob Museum.

## **ABOUT THE MOB MUSEUM**

A visit to The Mob Museum, the National Museum of Organized Crime and Law Enforcement, offers an experience unlike any other. Taking guests on a world-class journey through true stories that chronicle the history of the Mob while exploring the age-old dichotomy of good guys vs. bad guys, the Museum curates a provocative exploration of these two intertwined paths through hundreds of captivating artifacts and immersive storytelling. In true Las Vegas fashion, The Museum seamlessly melds intrigue with explanation, leading guests on a fascinating historical journey through facts, fiction and everything in between.

## **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 [mikesloroe@gmail.com](mailto:mikesloroe@gmail.com)**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## SIMI VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB BRYCE CANYON MEETUP



### VETTE'S & MORE

**joiner**  
noun  
The American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language, 5th Edition

1. A carpenter, especially a cabinetmaker.
2. A person given to joining groups, organizations, or causes.
3. One who joins. Specifically

**Simi Valley  
Corvette Club  
Meetup  
Bryce Canyon, UT**

**HOSTED by *Simi Valley  
Corvette Club***

**Sunday, May 7, 2023**  
 Meet Time: 9:00am  
 Distance to Las Vegas: 40 miles  
 Total Run Distance: 125 miles

**Don't be a downer and be a JOINER!** JOIN the Simi Valley Corvette Club on May 7<sup>th</sup> to combine Corvette processions for a scenic cruise to famous Bryce Canyon National Park. This will be a real treat as we can motor tour two national parks in one day! At Bryce Village we will JOIN Simi Valley Corvette Club for a private lunch in Ruby's Inn's exclusive "Cowboy Room". After lunch you'll be free to explore quaint Bryce Village where Ruby's is located or go on your own tour of Bryce Canyon loop and marvel at the wondrous red rock spires and hoodoos. OR.....if you've had enough, cruise on home on your own or caravan with some your clubbies. SO.....Come on out, have fun, and go home with that heady "Our club is bitchiner than other clubs" feeling! 😊  
 ~Mike Roe

**CCCC Meet: 8:15am @ Maverik gas station La Verkin, Utah.**  
 460 N. State Street (State Route 9). Walkie Talkies if you have them – Channel 4.

**Departure: 8:30am** We will head to Springdale to meet up with the Simi Valley Corvette Club at the Holiday Inn Express parking lot.

**SVCC Meet: 9:00am at Springdale, Utah Holiday Inn Express @ 1215 Zion Park Blvd.** From here we'll cruise with SVCC to Ruby's Inn for lunch!

**Lunch: 11:30am at Ruby's Inn @ 300 S Main St, Bryce Canyon City, UT 84764**

RSVP to Mike Roe @ [mikesloroe@gmail.com](mailto:mikesloroe@gmail.com), (435) 669-2063 (voicemail)  
 or Graysen Fox @ [graysen@equifipro.com](mailto:graysen@equifipro.com), (435) 287-9181 (text)



## 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.**

# Conestoga Golf Club



## 'VETTE'S & CAFFEINE

### 1880 Grille Mesquite, UT

Hosted by Morey & Mary Sanford

### Thursday, May 18, 2023

Meet Time: 9:00am

**Here's your chance** to enjoy a great **breakfast** at one of the premier eateries in sunny Mesquite, Nevada! Cruise in your hot rod through three states via one of the world's most expensive to construct roadways!

After breakfast we will return home on the scenic highway that was relieved of transcontinental service by the Virgin River Gorge Interstate, Old Highway 91.

An optional final rest stop at the **Shivwits Paiute** gas station on the rez offers "go juice" for much **lower prices** and fountain soft drinks for, get this, a penny an ounce on Thursdays!!!! Don't miss this run! good food, **cheap gas**, and an almost FREE drink!!! What more could our gear heads ask for? – Mike Roe



**Meet: 9:00am @ BIG SHOTS GOLF** located @ **1108 W Black Mountain Dr, St. George, UT 84790** (East side of Exit 2 @I-15). Walkie Talkies if you have them – Channel 4.

**Departure: 9:15am**

We will leave via **I-15** to Mesquite.

**Destination: 1880 Grille** at the Conestoga Golf Course.

Address: 1499 Falcon Ridge Pkwy, Mesquite, NV.

Those who can withstand the heat may also stay and golf. 😊

RSVP to Mike Roe @ [mikesloroe@gmail.com](mailto:mikesloroe@gmail.com), (435) 669-2063 (voicemail)  
or Graysen Fox @ [graysen@equitipro.com](mailto:graysen@equitipro.com), (435) 287-9181 (text)



# 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 for themselves.

Two years ago, Gary Grosjean 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!



## Tuesday, July 4, 2023

The Club is participating once again in the Independence Day Parade which will be held this year on Tuesday, July 4th.

We will gather at 7:15am at the parking area on West Tabernacle Street next to the Washington County School District Offices.

The Parade will proceed along Tabernacle starting at 200 West and head toward, and around Vernon Worthen Park ending on 200 South.





# CORVETTES IN THE NEWS

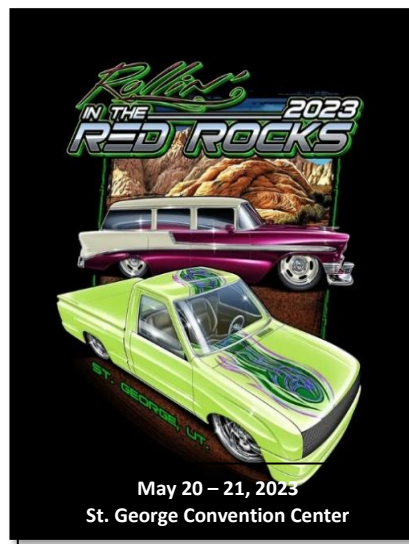
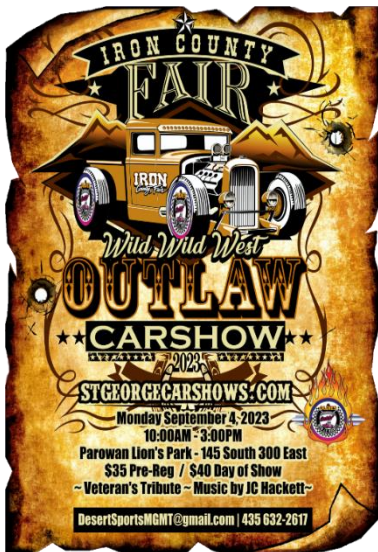
Click on the link below to look at a video of two dueling overpowered Corvettes

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Take a look at this very interesting history of Corvettes

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## UPCOMING CAR SHOWS



## CORVETTE HUMOR



The only transportation needed when  
you're late for Bingo



## THE CORVETTE GARAGE

By Jeffery Zornow



Corvettes for the most part are not what most people would call practical transportation. Essentially, for the most part, it's a want not a need. However, most of the Corvette owners that I have run into over the years are very passionate about their cars and look at them as an extension of their personality.

Some enjoy keeping their car stock, while others customize them through aftermarket products to reflect their uniqueness. According to **SEMA** (Specialty Equipment Market Association) Americans spend 7 billion dollars each year to customize their

cars. Modifying your vehicle says something about you and creates a multitude of conversations at rallies, cruises and car shows.

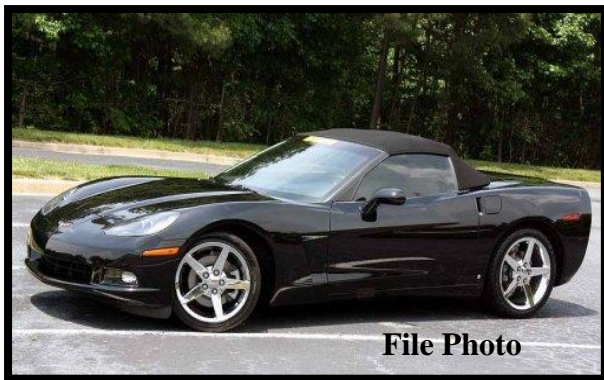
I have listed below several Corvette aftermarket companies that sell replacement and customized products. This is not an endorsement for any of these companies; rather, a starting point for customizing your car. I have used most of these companies in the past with the exception of **ACS Composite** who specialize in C7 and C8 parts.

If you're looking to get your stock aluminum wheels chromed, the guys at **L.A. Wheel** will do a great job. I had my ZR1 wheels chromed 10 years ago and they still look great. They have an exchange program with excellent stock. If you choose to send them your wheels, the approximate cost per wheel is between \$230.00 to \$260.00. Contact Steve at 1-800-584-2832. You will not be disappointed with their work.

Until next time.

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## CORVETTE INTERESTING FACTS & HISTORY

- ❖ The 1953 Corvette came in only one-color option: Polo White with a red interior. The last year the Polo White color was used was 1957.



- ❖ V8 engines weren't available as an option until 1955. And in that year, 90% of all customers selected the option. Since then, all Corvettes have offered nothing but V8 engines.
- ❖ Only one 1983 model Corvette is still known to exist, and it's on display at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. This is due to quality issues that caused GM to stop production until the problems could be solved. By the time the issues were straightened out, it was so late that the fixed Corvette was introduced as the 1984 model.
- ❖ The Corvette boasts a family that's 2 million strong and continues to grow year after year. In fact, in 2012, Corvettes accounted for nearly 1/3 of all sports car sales in America!
- ❖ The 2009 ZR1 was the first Corvette to be pushed over the 200-mph mark.
- ❖ The 1963 Corvette Sting Ray Split-Window Coupe is widely regarded as the most beautiful and influential Corvette ever made.

## 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>



# VENDOR ADVERTISING

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- ✓ 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

