



# THE 'VETTE GAZETTE

SEPTEMBER 2022

Color Country Corvette Club  
St. George, UT  
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# A Letter from the Prez

Hi, everyone! I hope you are all taking your Corvettes out and driving around this beautiful area. I believe a significant reason that the St. George area is the top growing region in America: we live in year-round Corvette country. Drive your Corvette. Don't save it for the next guy or girl.

I'd like to take the opportunity again to thank Gary & Pam for offering their "resort" complex the CCCC 16th anniversary celebration. Thanks!!!

All of you were sent (and hopefully reviewed) the recent email, from Grayson, featuring a video presentation of their property. Spa, landscaped pool (with slide), putting green, batting cage, dozens of TVs, pinball (and much more)...and lots of sitting areas to talk. What a place! Good food, drinks, lots of fun things to do and time for visiting. What's not to like?

Also, we do have a few tickets left for the raffle of a new black leather Corvette jacket which was generously donated by Terry & Denise. Thanks!!! There are only 25 tickets being sold for the raffle. Please contact me if you want to purchase one or some. All proceeds from the raffle will go to the CCCC treasury. The raffle will take place at the anniversary party. You do NOT have to be present to win..



Thanks to everyone for being CCCC members. I hope to see you at the celebration.

As most of you know, one of my hobbies is photography. Here's a recent St. George sunset that I really enjoyed.

**Peter Spevak**  
**President**

## MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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

### **BLACK BEAR DINER**

**965 N HOODOO WAY - WASHINGTON - (Just off I-15 @ Exit 13)**

**DINNER & SOCIAL - 5:30 - 7:00PM**

**BUSINESS MEETING - 7:00 - 8:00PM**

**Guests are Welcome**



## BOARD MEETING

Held on the **Monday before the Monthly Membership Meeting** at 2:00pm  
(Location TBD - All members are welcome to attend)

## 'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Held on the **Third Thursday** of each month at 9:00am, **unless otherwise notified**. The venue will change from month to month. An email reminder will be sent prior to each event.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

**Rob Lee** is scheduled to have a pacemaker implanted on September 1. God speed **Rob** and good luck on the procedure.

If you have information about club members who may have illness or any other reason for concern, I can be reached at **801.360.7586** or by email:

[shelbysue1946@gmail.com](mailto:shelbysue1946@gmail.com)

## SEPTEMBER CAR OF THE MONTH

### Steven & Bonnie Sewell

**Bonnie** and I have been married for 38 years. We have never argued, never uttered a cross word to each other.

When we got married we realized that we did not have any kind of a retirement plan, so we started a business called **Peppertree Kitchen & Bath** in West Jordan, Utah. We worked very hard for 30 years and it provided us a very good life.

We retired 10 years ago and moved from Draper to full time to Ivins. We built a beautiful





home that supports all our needs and all my good stuff. I have a Man Cave with approximately 20+ cars and lots of stuff.

We bought our first Corvette 1998 (C5) Convertible about 20 years ago and enjoyed it very much. 2015 we bought another 2016 (C7) Corvette and liked that one even better. Now we are the proud owners of a 2021 (C8). We are waiting for **Bonnie** to get her flight instructions for this one.

## SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

### September

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**Call, or email to wish one of your fellow members a very Happy Birthday!**

## NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to **Steven Carwell and fiancé Marie** our newest members. Many club members met them both at the recent 'Vettes & Caffeine tour of the Dixie Applied Technology College campus held on Thursday, August 18.

**Steve is the Director - Center for Operational Excellence at Dixie Applied Technology College.**

They drive a 2022 Red C8 Coupe.

**WELCOME TO THE CLUB!**

## RECENT EVENTS



## MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Black Bear Diner, Washington, UT  
Tuesday, August 9, 2022**



# 'VETTES & CAFFEINE

Dixie Applied Technology College.

Thursday, Aug 18, 2022

Hosted by Steve Carwell



We met at Kneaders on Bluff Street and took the easy drive to Dixie Tech for a full tour of the amazing state-of-the-art Dixie Tech campus. We were exposed to what Dixie Tech has to offer in computer technology, construction technology, healthcare sciences and culinary!



Following the tour, some enjoyed lunch in the café operated by the Culinary Arts program and served by those with a passion for food. Others ate lunch at the Cliffside Restaurant which was close by. Enjoy these photos of the event. It is an amazing campus to discover right here in our back yard.

**Martin** describing a 1960s Cray supercomputer module that he worked on. We were told that today's microchips hold 10,000 times more data than that board did at the time.



On the right is our very own **Larry**



Enjoy the many photos of the tour, above and below.









## UPCOMING EVENTS

# CCCC ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**Saturday, September 10, 2022**

**4:00pm – 8:00pm**

**1707 West Winchester Drive**

**St. George, Utah**

Hosted by Gary Grosjeans & Pamela Andersen

Founded in 2006 by **Doug & Anne Rosa** with a simple flyer invitation on the window of their Corvette at a car event, our club has grown from just an online casual meet club to a strong 146-member full-fledged club!

The anniversary celebration will be hosted at **Gary and Pam's** amazing property in Winchester Hills that sports a cabana bar, pool, waterfalls, firepits, seating everywhere, a Sport Court, putting green, batting cage and an amazing party pad above the detached garage furnished with pool table, foosball, pin ball machine, arcade....and TV's everywhere to watch whatever sports game is playing!

**Meet: 3:30pm @ at Guru's Sports Bar located at 1091 N Bluff St. - Departure: 3:45pm**

**Catered by Smoke N Tacos (food served at 5pm)**

**Cost: \$10/person - please bring cash! (includes chicken, pork or brisket, chips & drinks...& a Birthday Cake!)**

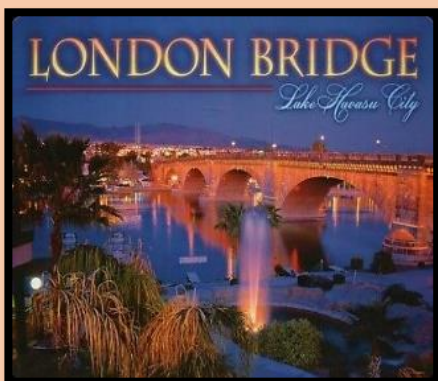


Plus...**Fran Crum** has volunteered to bake her famous brownies, cream puffs, and cookies of all kinds! NOTE: Any pecan or peanut allergies, she can accommodate!

**See you all there!**

**RSVP Graysen Fox @ [gfox@apmortgage.com](mailto:gfox@apmortgage.com)**

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**LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ**  
**Friday & Saturday, October 14-15, 2022**  
Hosted by Derek & Shelby Hall

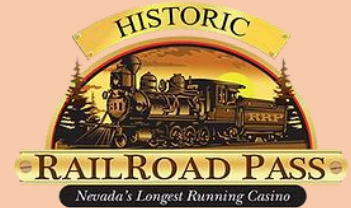
**Departing Terribles at Exit 2 on Friday, October 14 at 8:30am sharp and passing through Mesquite at around 9:00am.**



This is an overnighiter you will not want to miss. Total distance to Lake Havasu City is approximately 279 miles.



We'll take a break at the **Railroad Pass** in Henderson after which we will proceed to **Lake Havasu City** arriving between 12:30 and 1:00pm AZ time, where we have a group lunch planned at **Javelina Cantina**.



Check-in time for most hotels is usually about 4:00pm giving us time to look around town or take in some of the outboard racing on the lake before dinner.

A group dinner is planned at **Jersey's Bar & Grill** where we will enjoy an amazing all you can eat fish fry at 6:00pm.

That weekend, Lake Havasu City is featuring the **Classic Outboard Championships**.



**Lake Havasu Classic  
Outboard Championships  
9:00 AM - 6:00 PM both days**

**Admission: Free  
Venue: The Nautical Beachfront Resort  
Website: [nauticalbeachfrontresort.com](http://nauticalbeachfrontresort.com)**

**RSVP to Derek Hall if you plan to attend**  
[ukderekh@gmail.com](mailto:ukderekh@gmail.com)

**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:

**Graysen Fox at 435.287.9181 or email [graysen@equitipro.co](mailto:graysen@equitipro.co)**

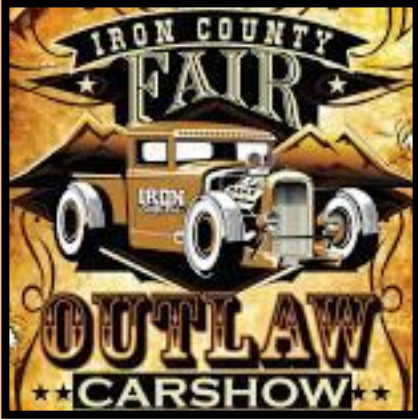


# UPCOMING CAR SHOWS

## IRON COUNTY FAIR CAR SHOW

**Saturday, September 4, 2022**

**Veterans Park, South Main St.  
Parowan, UT**



One of the fastest growing cars shows in the West. The Iron County Fair Outlaw Car Show has become home to many vintage antique, classic, hot rods and customized cars and motorcycles.

At the foot of the road that goes to Cedar Breaks, the Outlaw Car Show has one of the most beautiful backdrops.

## FIRST RESPONDERS' CAR SHOW

**Saturday, September 10, 2022**

**8:00am – 5:00pm**

**Harley Davidson Dealership  
2345 N Coral Canyon Blvd,  
Washington, UT**

A new concept in bringing all the motorized communities together at Harley Davidson in Washington, Utah.

Featuring a 4-way poker run with each group (Cars, Motorcycles, ATVs, and Jeeps) running its own poker run raising money for Local Search and Rescue groups.

Come and join us on some of the most scenic backroads of Utah.



# FIRST RESPONDERS' CAR SHOW

**Saturday, October 29, 2022**

**Brio Club House  
Washington, UT**



In its 7th year the management of BRIO and Cole West homes has given us a larger area for the car show so we can make it bigger and better than ever.

The First Responders' Appreciation Car Show has raised money for Project Lifesaver, a key component Local Law Enforcement Agencies use in tracking lost Alzheimer's, Autistic, and dementia patients that wonder off and cannot find their way.

The Car Show has been joined by over 17 law enforcement and fire departments, and EMS Units that serve throughout the Tri-State area.

## CORVETTE HUMOR

An older woman is at a Corvette dealership. She knows that she's running out of years and wants to have a little bit of fun before she goes. She buys the newest, fastest, red Corvette convertible on the lot.

She speeds off the lot, and zips down the street, and onto the highway, where she sees a sign that says speed limit 55. She has always followed the speed limit but on this day, she decided to have some fun.

She speeds up to 80 and thinks to herself, "I haven't felt this good in years." In her moment of nostalgia, she didn't see the New York State Trooper hiding on the side of the highway. The cop zips out after her, lights and siren flashing and blaring.

Let's have some fun she thinks and so Instead of pulling over, she hits the gas. Now she's travelling at over 100 mph. She could have easily evaded the officer, but after a few minutes, decided she had enough fun.

She slowed down and pulled to the side of the road. The Trooper eventually catches up with her and comes to a stop behind the woman. The trooper gets out of the car, and slowly walks up to the woman's vehicle.

"Maam, I'll be honest with you." the officer says, "I have every authority to arrest you, impound your vehicle, and take you down to the station... but it's currently 4:57 p.m., and my shift ends in 3 minutes. If I arrest you, I won't get home until at least 9:00 p.m., so if you can give a good reason as to why you were going so fast, and evading me, I let you go."

The woman sits there for a minute, and replies: "20 years ago, my husband ran off with a female New York State Trooper just like you, I thought you were her bringing him back to me."

"Have a nice day maam."

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Reaching the end of a job interview, the Human Resources Person asked a young Engineer fresh out of MIT, "And what starting salary were you looking for?"

The Engineer said, "In the neighborhood of \$125,000 a year, depending on the benefits package of course."

The interviewer said, "Well, what would you say to a package of 5-weeks' vacation, 14 paid holidays, full medical and dental, company matching retirement fund to 50% of salary, and a company car leased every 2 years say, a red Corvette?"

The Engineer sat up straight and said, "Wow! Are you kidding?" And the interviewer replied, "Yeah, but you started it."

## CORVETTE INTERESTING FACTS

### 1979 Was a Very Good Year...

When it comes to the best and worst Corvettes of all time, this third-generation model was heavy (3,300 pounds), relatively slow (165 horsepower), and pricey (the first to retail for more than \$10,000). But that didn't dampen buyer enthusiasm. About 53,800 of these third generation 'Vettes were sold in 1979, the most of any model year. By comparison, Chevy built 20,368 Corvettes in 2020.



## But 1983 Was a Very Bad Year

In fact, there is no official 1983 model year Corvette, and there's only a single prototype known to still exist. What happened? Some of the delay can be attributed to the challenge GM had meeting California's new, more stringent vehicle emission rules. Design demands made by company President Lloyd Reuss also may have played a part (it is said he didn't like the planned T-tops). Whatever the case, by the time the Bowling Green plant was ready to go, it was too late in the year to introduce a 1983 model. A handful of prototypes were built for testing purposes — all but one later destroyed — and the fourth-generation Corvette made its debut at a 1984 model.

## CLUB GEAR & CLOTHING



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

### AD RATES/Year

Quarter Page \$25, Half Page \$50, Full Page \$75



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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 is holding the current rates for club members through 2022. That is huge given that about everything else seems to be increasing. For the record, nonmember labor rate at Stephen Wade is \$140/hour!**

## 2022 Rates

**Labor** - \$95/hr.

**Parts** – 15% off the MSRP

**Maintenance** – 10% discount

**Brakes & Alignment** – 10% discount

**Tires** – Can be price matched with either **Discount Tire or Costco.**

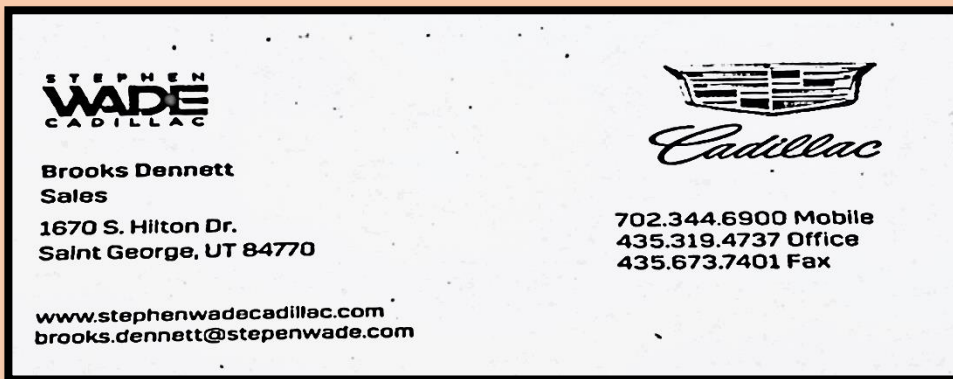


**Important Note:** At each monthly Club meeting the Stephen Wade dealership graciously gives us three valuable gift certificates to be used as door prizes, for which we are incredibly grateful.

The dealership has clarified that these certificates never expire and are redeemable for all services and parts. Exceptions are...tires and GM promotions.



## Your Stephen Wade Service Team



## CORVETTE NEWS

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.

<https://gmauthority.com/blog/category/chevrolet/corvette/c8/>

<https://www.corvsport.com/corvette-news/>

<http://www.corvettenews.com/>

Check out this article by Hagerty Insurance opining about which they think are the best generation Corvettes.

<https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/our-two-cents-the-best-corvette-generations/>