



April
2024



April and May 2024 Event Calendar

- April 2 NCV Monthly Meeting, El Camino Country Club
- April 10* Happy Hour, Enzo's BBQ and Ale House, 4 – 6pm
4121 Oceanside Blvd, Oceanside
hosted by **Marty Kuper**
- April 18 – 21* Gambler's Classic to Laughlin, NV
Refer **Mark Trapolino** and **Lisa Lerandeanu**
- May 7 NCV Monthly Meeting, El Camino Country Club
- May 11 New Village Arts, 2pm Matinee, **The 39 Steps**
NVA website: Code VETTES. No-Host dinner to follow
at Blue Water Grill. Info: **Scott White**
- June 30 National Corvette Day; All Corvette Car Show
Marconi Museum; refer Mo Wise
getmobaby@gmail.com of the Pacific Coast Corvettes

* rsvp to host

April and May Birthdays

Lesly Adams	April 26
Rob Hogue	April 1
Doug Johnson	April 30
Marty Kuper	April 24
Norman Pick	April 19
David Schilke	April 27
Frank Tecca	April 2
Scott White	April 14
Ruth Kurisu	May 26
Royann McClellan	May 23
Linda Pick	May 26
Rick Weber	May 12



... AN AFTERTHOUGHT ...

Do you own a C6? Here is a lengthy but instructive post regarding your car. <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/mvJCno4wYisFvLeM/?mibextid=K35XfP>

CONSUMER REPORTS – AUTOMOTIVE EDITION – 2024 **435 Models Rated/Reviewed**

The 2024 Corvette received a GREEN (which is “best”) overall score of 81, with the following comments: “The eighth-generation Corvette uses a mid-engine design, with its 495 hp, 6.2-liter V8 visible under the rear glass hatchback. It’s coupled to a rapid-shifting eight-speed, dual-clutch automatic that contributed to its 3.4-second sprint from 0 to 60 mph. Handling agility is superlative, with immediate turn-in response and almost zero body roll, which will make drivers constantly grin from ear to ear. Yet the ride isn’t punishing, thanks in part to the optional adaptive suspension. Rear and side visibility, as well as cabin access, are severely hampered. The front trunk is small, but the cargo area aft of the engine can hold the removable targa top and a soft-sided bag or two. The high-performance Z06 model returns with a new 670-hp, 5.5-liter V8. BSW and RCTW are optional.” “\$68,300-\$130,650 at 19 mph” CR recommended.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU—PATTY AND GLENN WILLIAMS



Welcome new members **Patty and Glenn Williams**. “They are east coast transplants originally from the New York City metro area. Glenn is a retired architect and Patty a retired medical assistant. They are long time motorsports enthusiasts who have enjoyed club racing much older cars—Porches and BMWs. They enjoyed east coast racing together at Watkins Glen, Lime Rock Park and Pocono Raceway. They are looking forward to new adventures with their newly acquired “America’s US Sports Car” the Corvette.

“Glenn soon fell deeply in love with Patty after she expertly changed his spark plugs during an emergency repair on his car and it was then immediate love at first wrench.

“Unfortunately, in 2012, Hurricane Sandy flooded Long Island and severely damaged their home which left them with no heat or electricity for several weeks, so they promptly decided to pursue their California dream. They relocated to Vista and then subsequently moved to Fallbrook three years ago. They now happily reside on an avocado grove with three rescued Shih Tzu puppies and a gigantic 120-pound land tortoise named Gamera after the 1960s Japanese science fiction film about an atomic turtle.

“Patty and Glenn have long wanted to get back into motorsports, so they reanalyzed the current sport car market and soon realized and appreciated Corvette’s renowned 70 years of continuous large-scale vehicle production with their extensive research and development which promoted their interest to purchase a Corvette as a most dependable, smart choice that certainly competed by comparison with the other foreign sports cars.

“So, in February, Patty received a very special Valentine’s Day present of a shiny “Torch Red’ 2001 C5 convertible with 23,000 miles and Patty was tremendously tickled pink with excitement as evidence in the video below: <https://youtu.be/0tvgWlfhJ2U?feature=shared> “

HAPPY HOUR AT KARL STRAUSS

ORGANIZED BY MARIE AND DON SCHILKE

Our members select interesting venues for each Happy Hour the club enjoys, and March was no exception. **Marie and David Schilke** worked with Karl Strauss Brewing where we were able to tell stories, enjoy some cheers and nibbles, and generally enjoy our friends. Thanks to **David and Marie** for the food follow-through.



Walt and Jean Perkins, Rich LaFarge



Sharon LaFarge and Donna White



Scott White and Marty Kuper



Susan and Doug Johnson



Marie and David Shilke



Carm Finocchiaro



Nancy and Cary Thomas



Royann and Scott McClellan



One big happy . . .

DID YOU KNOW?

- 1. Doug and Susan Johnson** have traveled to all 50 states in the U.S.A. “We were in our Corvette for more than half of the states. We used our RV for the other states. Some fond memories were snorkeling at Key West, Florida, and seeing all five National Parks in Utah. There were so many more wonderful adventures like seeing our last 50th state, Alaska, in our RV for five weeks. That included going to the Arctic Circle!”
- 2. “Greetings fellow Corvetters. My name is Randy Mills. My wife Kristen Mills and I have spent our entire lives in San Diego and will celebrate our 41st anniversary this August. We have a son and a daughter and four grandchildren all residing in Los Angeles. When we are not traveling or enjoying our friends we spend as much time as possible with the kiddos! We’re driving our second C7 and loving the 2019 Z06!!”**
- 3. Although this is NOT an NCV activity, Don Wolfe offers the HRE Open House on June 1, 9am to 2pm at their property: 2611 Commerce Way, Vista. Don wrote: This is an outstanding event, especially if you want to see exotic cars. They have a big parking lot**

but they say space is limited. There are tours and you see how they make wheels. The president has given the tours in the past. The cost is \$50 and you have to apply to gain registration. Admission is free for spectators and there are a lot of people there. Our club went once in the past when it was free. I'm sure Corvettes would be admitted. I think I will just go and look at the cars. You could ask if anyone in the club is interested in participating.

4. Cary Thomas and Don Kingery have arranged for a tour of a private auto collection in Sorrento Valley on Friday, June 14.

Unfortunately, it is limited to 20 people only and will be from 10am to noon, followed by lunch in the local area. There is no charge for the tour of the collection called "Only Yesterday." The Thomases and Kingerys are on the list so there are only 16 spots remaining. We will work on a first come, first serve basis, so send an email to Scott White slwhite@yahoo.com and spots will be allocated by the time of the email post . . . if we have more than 20 sign up, then those members remaining members will be on standby should any spots open up. The final 20 people will meet at the Thomas home and caravan down in our Corvettes for this event . . . more information to follow. **Scott White**



**Win a Corvette Z06 Convertible
with Z07 and \$25K Cash!**

The National Sprint Car Hall of Fame and Museum in Knoxville, Iowa is the home for all things related to Sprint Car racing. To help support their mission, they are giving away a 2023 Corvette Z06 Convertible with Z07 and \$25,000 to pay the winner's taxes! This is a loaded Z06. When you make a donation of \$25 or more to the National Sprint Car Hall of Fame and Museum, you are automatically entered to win this Torch Red Corvette Z06 Convertible with Z07 Performance Package plus \$25K cash.

Did you see JD Duncan on television regarding his Elvis impersonations?

NORTH COAST VETTES AT MOTORS FOR MUSIC CAR SHOW SMHS

Written by **Don Wolfe**: Sunday, March 17, 2024, as the San Marcos High School Motors for Music car show fundraiser that benefits the school band and color guard programs. This was their ninth annual car show and it has developed into a very good show with about 200 cars participating. Some years we're wet, but this time it was bright and sunny. Three of their school bands entertained us during the day.

NCV has supported this event and we had a large turnout this year, with nine cards from our club. Participating were: **Larry Harker, Scott White, Scott McClellan, JD Duncan, Herod Howard, Doug Johnson, Rob Hogue, Marty Kuper and Don Wolfe.**

There are many classes of cars such as domestics, SMHS student vehicles, imports, trucks, 4X4's electrics, lowriders, rat rods and hot rods. The trophies are uniquely created of car parts. Corvette was one of the largest classes, with tough competition and the **winner of Best Vette was Scott White** with his C8. Congratulations, Scott!



A trophy to remember:





Even a Tesla Cybertruck

**FOR A LAUGH . . .
CORVETTE CARTOONS**



BREAKFAST BUDDIES

EVERY **Thursday morning at 9am**, North Coast Vettes members gather at the Coyote Café, 1510 North Santa Fe, Vista (corner of Bobier and Santa Fe) . . . just for the heck of it . . . join the chatter next Thursday . . . no reservations required.

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