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Event Calendar

March 12	Mystery Run
March 18	Drive-in Movie
March 24	Brooking Winery
April 4	Easter
April 6	April Monthly Meeting

2021 NCV Board

President:	<i>Gary Pebley</i>	Member Services:	<i>Scott McClellan</i>
Vice President:	<i>Carm Finocchiaro</i>	Activities:	<i>Open</i>
Secretary:	<i>Scott White</i>	Newsletter:	<i>Glenn Peterson</i>
Treasurer:	<i>Dave Tracy</i>		

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Editor's Corner

I tried to find interesting news for the Newsletter this month but not much is happening. More club activities are scheduled during March so there should be more to cover in the next Newsletter.

The good news is that the rate of new COVID cases is going down, schools are opening, restaurants are soon to open for inside dining, more people are being vaccinated, etc.. But this is not over yet so please stay safe and stay healthy!

March Birthdays

Buddy Watson	March 3
Ed Frenenhall	March 4
Dave Felbab	March 22
Gary Pebley	March 24
Larry Harker	March 28
Jim Wetzel	March 28



Member News

By Frank & Gloria Tecca

A great big “Save the Wave” to all our NCV family in Carlsbad.

First, I want to thank all of you for the honor you have bestowed on us, that of Honorary Lifetime Membership. We have been members of the North Coast Vettes family since about 1992 and treasure all of the friendships we made through the years. Even during the dark years of inactivity before Warren Elsasser re-invigorated the club. Now we can stay in touch and reminisce through the monthly NCV Newsletters.

As we have aged, we have moved on; abandoning San Diego to join our extended family who reside in the Portland-Vancouver area. We were lucky to find a wonderful home on 3 acres, on a hilltop in Woodland WA with a panoramic view of the Columbia River, the Lewis River, downtown Woodland and St. Helens & Columbia across the river.

Go to: https://youtu.be/fG-2K8i0I_I to view the route to our home from downtown Woodland to the top of the hill.

We enjoyed a wonderful drive of about 1300 miles in our Grand Sport when we shuttled our vehicles to our new home. We paid to have the 1962 Corvette survivor trailered here and bought a new hydraulic lift to store it in our large, oversized garage. Unfortunately, we can't drive as much as we did in CA because of the Covid lockdowns and the wet weather. But, when the sun shines, we take out our Corvette and tour the pristine countryside around Mt. St. Helens and the Columbia River Gorge. There is an awful lot of unexplored highways and byways in the state of Washington and we look forward to many new driving experiences.

We plan to join the Northwest Corvette Club as they are a fun club and normally plan lots of excursions. Unfortunately, with the lockdowns they cancelled most of their plans. For a short while they held Zoom meetings, but eventually those lost attendance. We expect to participate when they resume their activities. Go to: <https://nwcorvette.com> or <https://www.facebook.com/nwcorvetteassn/>

Thanks again for the honor. We will see you again when we venture into So. Cal.; OR, when any of you venture north. We will keep an eye on the monthly NCV newsletter to keep track of your planned activities.

Breakfast Club

by Gary Pebley

Every Thursday a group gets together and meets for breakfast. Everyone is invited to join in on the fun, we meet every Thursday at 9:00 am. Our location is Swamis in Carlsbad. We have outdoor seating and practice safe distancing. It's a time to escape and enjoy a breakfast with friends and find out what topic comes up to talk about.

Every Thursday at 9:00 AM
Swamis in Carlsbad
2780 Carlsbad Blvd.
Carlsbad, Ca. 92008

THE
Breakfast
CLUB



JD's '62 Vette

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to my **62 Vette** !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Of course family is always first but my **62 Vette** has been with me for **45 years** as of March 19,1976. The Vette story is unique with its trials and tribulations and there have been many. In 8th grade I'll never forget my uncle owning a new 58 yellow Vette with the white side cove. I always admired the style and beauty of that car and will never forget the ride he gave me as a young teen that started my Corvette ambition and history.



TV was still black and white and my favorite show was Route 66 with Martin Milner and George Maharis. In the show they were known as Buzz and Tod. In some of those shows they drove a 62 before I even knew the difference in Corvettes. Over the years I learned the 62 was the last year of the C-1 with 14,531 produced.

In my early 30s and after a stint in the Navy I was married, 2 kids and doing well in Ohio so I decided it was time to look for an old Vette. Roaming here and there for many months, one day I see an ad in our local paper, 62 Vette for sale \$3,000. I met up with the owner in his late 30s looking to sell the car and I was looking to buy the car and so I did. The car needed a complete restoration inside and out but the fiberglass body was good and the 327 engine was a first year for the Vette and became known as theeee engine. I was not into racing so the 2 speed power glide automatic was just fine.

First winter with the car it was so cold and snowy I couldn't get it out of the garage. However in the spring and summer I cruised with the kids and had a ball. Pillows were the norm and it fit son Scott and daughter Stacey sitting next to me just fine.

Bad winters found us catching up with some family here and moving to San Diego in 1977. I had the Vette shipped to me and with no money left for restoration it was still fun to drive in the sunshine. The early 80s brought on some financial and marital problems and found me on my own and looking to sell the car. I ran an ad in the auto trader, 62 Vette for sale, had offers but I just couldn't pull the trigger. Fortunately I kept the car and eventually found a painter in San Marcos that became a problem and I ended up in small claims court looking at car parts. Eventually I found another body shop in Vista. Realizing I had little money, he agreed to take payments on the car for a year or so and that saved my owning the car. We painted the car in the original Roman Red at a cost of \$2,250.00, it's still on the car. I drove out of his shop on July 10th 1987, that's 10 years after I bought the car.

I was proud of the car and ready to show it and indeed I did. Competing in car show after car show and winning my share of different awards over the years. Most recent was June 2019 in San Clemente with "Best of 1960s Stock" and in September 2019 Dana Point "Best American Sports Car". Over the many years winning some 30 + trophy's and awards.

Through all the ups and downs with my life and the car....It's so true time flies when you're having fun and it's hard to believe the 62 is 59 years old, been with me for 45 years, the paint 34 years old and as for me, well I'll settle for being in my late 70s.

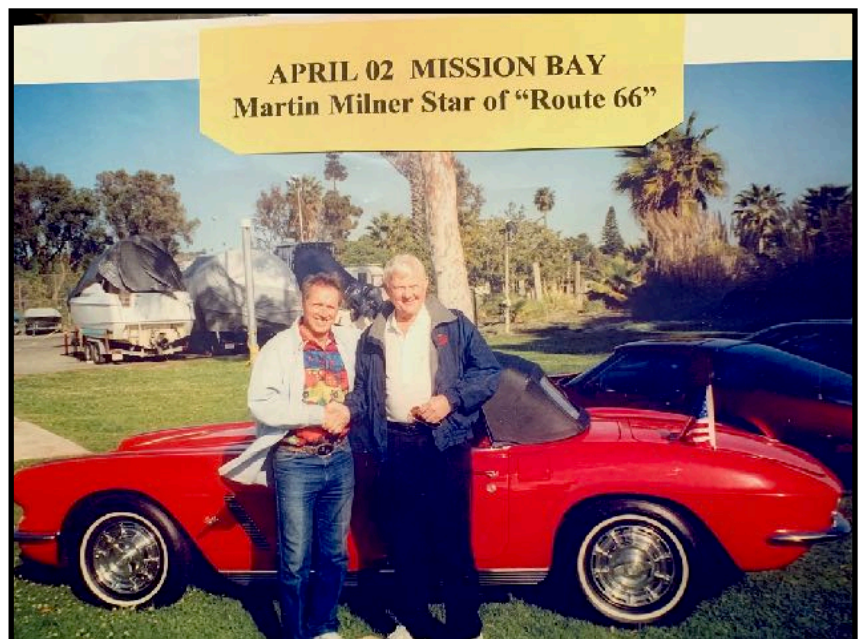
SOME HISTORY and HI LITES...

* After all the fun years, awards and great friends, I have found that creating the **Vettes for Veterans** car show and adding the 2 charities has been a fitting and most rewarding way to give back.

Other hi-lites include.....

*2002 Meeting the star of Route 66 Martin Milner with a photo op at a fundraiser in Mission Bay, he lived many years in Del Mar.

*In 2002 The 62 was featured with me as Elvis at the San Diego Co Fair for the Fair theme " It's Now or Never" a tribute to Elvis.



* 2015 driving Helio Castroneves in a parade lap around the Auto Club Speedway before their Indy Car race. Helio was a 3-time winner at the Indy 500 and winner of dancing with the stars.



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* Annual Parades in Oceanside, Vista and Rancho Bernardo.

* Car Shows in SD , RB, Vista , Escondido, Encinitas, South Bay, Coronado, OC, L.A. ,Riverside, Palm Springs , Big Bear, Old Town Temecula, San Clemente and Dana Point.

* And numerous local fundraisers

Yes it been a partnership for 45 years and the 62 and me are looking forward to several more years together and many more car shows that will take the Vette into it's 60s and me into my 80s.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the 62 !! And thanks for the fun, the many friends and the awesome memories.



County STARK Number _____

FORM T-610 CONSUMER'S SALES OR USE TAX RETURN PRESCRIBED BY THE TAX COMMISSIONER

ON MARCH 19 1976 Certificate of Title No. 762388076
 covering the motor vehicle described below, was filed with the Clerk of Courts.

PURCHASER	DATE OF PURCHASE
JOHN DUNCAN	MARCH 19 1976
ADDRESS IN FULL	
8308 TETON CIRCLE NW MASSILLON OHIO 44646	
YEAR	Mfr's Serial No.
1962	208675106239
MAKE	MODEL
CHEVROLET	20867 COEVETTE
BODY TYPE	
2 DOOR CONVERTIBLE	
SELLER	
DOMINICK SACCO	
ADDRESS IN FULL	
213 23RD ST NE CANTON OHIO	

NOTE: The tax is to be computed on the full purchase price of the motor vehicle. No deduction is allowable for the trade-in value of any other item of property. If the tax is not applicable, purchaser must state basis for exemption:

PRICE IN FULL	SALES TAX DUE	USE TAX DUE \$
\$1000.00	\$ 40.00	
* CREDIT REPRESENTS TAX PAID TO:	* CREDIT ALLOWED \$	USE TAX PAID \$

CITY _____ COUNTY _____ STATE _____

Condition of Vehicle: Good Fair Wrecked

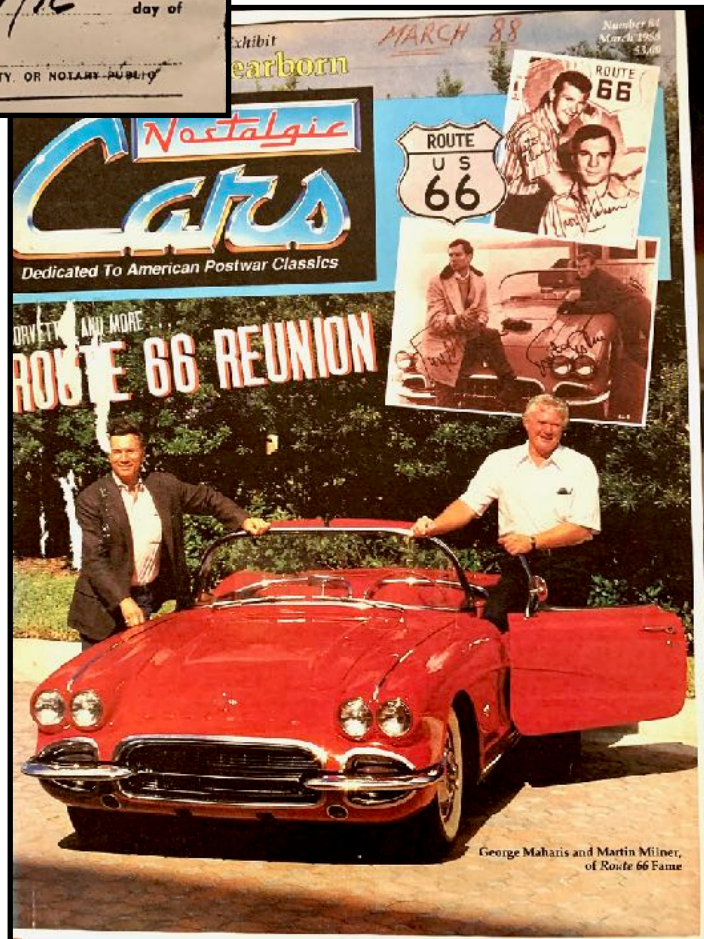
If the motor vehicle was purchased outside Ohio, or through a casual sales transaction in Ohio, the purchaser must execute the following sworn statement.

I have examined this return and swear that same is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

[Signature]
PURCHASER'S SIGNATURE

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 3/19/76 day of _____ 19____

CLERK OF COURTS, DEPUTY, OR NOTARY PUBLIC



Of Interest

GM Unveils New Logo

General Motors has unveiled a new corporate logo. The new GM logo incorporates lowercase script with the “m” underlined, surrounded by a square border with rounded edges. The new logo is intended to acknowledge General Motors’ latest focus on electric vehicle technology and vision for a world with zero crashes, zero emissions, and zero congestion.

“As GM amplifies its EV message, it has also created a revitalized brand identity designed for a digital-first environment,” General Motors states in a press release. “The new logo builds on a strong heritage while bringing a more modern and vibrant look to GM’s familiar blue square. The new brand

identity extends to technology brands including Ultium. The team of GM designers tasked with creating the new logo considered how to balance the history and trust inherent to the existing design with GM’s vision for the future.”



The new General Motors corporate logo will feature a variety of different colors, including several blue tones, the latter of which is intended to “[evoke] the clean skies of a zero- emissions future and the energy of the Ultium platform.” The underlined “m” is intended to look like an electrical outlet.

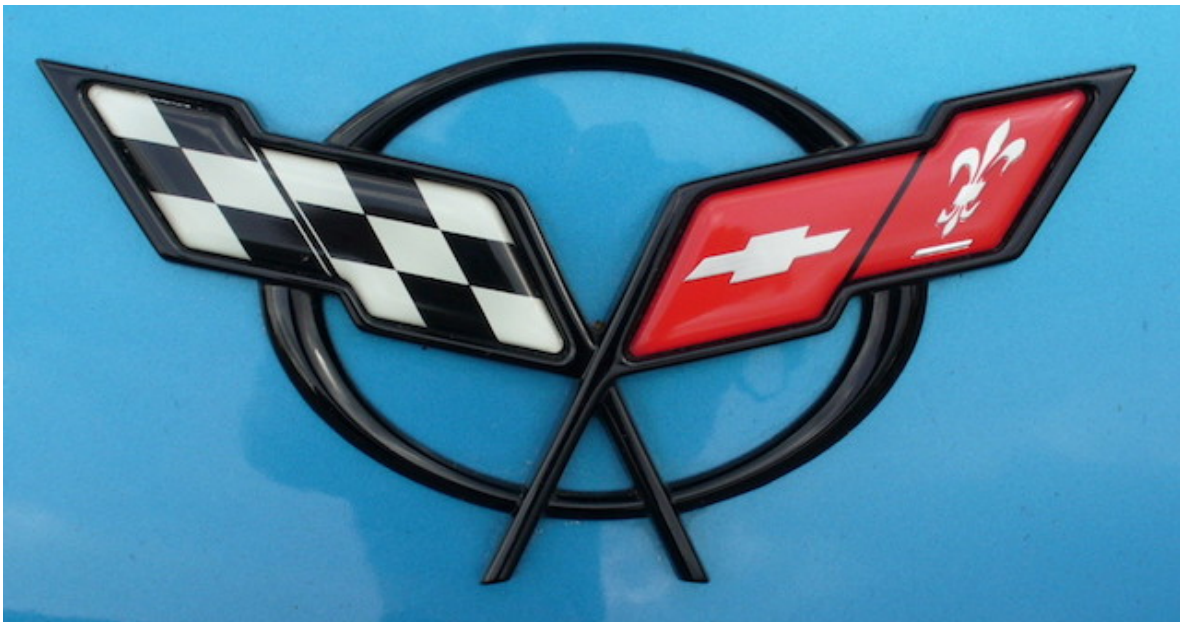
The updated corporate logo will be used in all corporate communications going forward, and coincides with the launch of a new marketing campaign titled “Everybody In,” which will promote The General’s range of all-electric vehicles designed to fit the lifestyle and budget of every new car buyer, including for work, adventure, performance, and family. The range of new EVs will include Cadillac, GMC, Chevrolet, and Buick products. . . .



25 Fun Facts about the Chevrolet Corvette

As the longest produced sports car in the world, the Corvette is used to being in the spotlight. When it comes to its proud history, there are a few things we'd like to get out about Chevrolet's most iconic vehicle. Check out these 25 fun facts and see how many you didn't know!

1. Haley Earl, the designer of the Corvette, initially designed his roadster under the name "Project Opel." The original target price point was a mere \$2,000.
2. There's a bit of resemblance between early Corvettes and the Jaguar XK120 due to Haley Earl drawing some inspiration from the classic Jaguar.
3. The Corvette has been produced in three different cities: Flint, Bowling Green, and St. Louis.
4. The first Corvette retailed for \$3,513 in 1953. Adjusted for inflation, that's an affordable \$31,608!
5. Myron Scott, who worked as a photographer for Chevrolet, named the Corvette after a small warship of the same designation.
6. The Corvette is the only vehicle to ever offer a legitimate "wrap-around" windshield.



7. The original Corvette logo featured the classic checkered flag crossed with the American flag. However, when designers learned that using the stars and stripes on a commercial product was illegal, the logo was changed to the traditional bow-tie emblem and a fleur de lis.

8. The Corvette has been used as the pace car of the Indianapolis 500 thirteen times, more than any other vehicle!

9. You might be surprised to learn that the 1968 LT-2 Corvette prototype is the fastest in history, completing the quarter mile in 10.86 seconds and going 0-60 in 2.8 seconds. Though the 2009 ZR1 came close with a quarter mile at 11.4 seconds, the old prototype still reigns supreme.

10. The original 1953 Corvette offered only 2 options—a heater for \$91 and an AM radio for \$145. A Corvette with all the trimmings would set you back a total of \$3,749.



This 1963 Stingray from GearHeads.org is a thing of beauty

11. The original Sting Ray designs were partly taken from an actual Mako Shark caught by designer Bill Mitchell while deep sea fishing.

12. In 1960, GM gave all three Mercury 7 astronauts—Alan Shepard, Gus Grissom, and Chuck Yeager—brand new Corvettes as a publicity stunt.



13. 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.

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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!

17. The 2009 ZR1 was the first Corvette to be pushed over the 200 mph mark.

18. The 1963 Corvette Sting Ray Split-Window Coupe is widely regarded as the most beautiful and influential Corvette ever made.



19. The 1978 Corvette Indy 500 Pace Car was painted black and silver because it photographed better. Back then, most publications and ads were black and white.

20. Due to federal mandates, the 1980 Corvette had an 85 mph speedometer.



21. 1979 was the highest production year for the Corvette with 53,807 units built.

22. The 2014 Corvette Stingray was clocked going reverse at 53 mph—just 2 mph behind the all time record!

23. Vehicles made in 1953 were primarily constructed of steel—this made the Corvette’s innovative use of fiberglass a new and exciting feature.

24. The 1963 Split Window model only existed for one year because of a disagreement between designers Bill Mitchell and Zora Arkus-Duntov.

25. A whopping 36-gallon gas tank was an available option for the Corvette from 1963 to 1967.

Corvette News



By Keith Cornett. CorvetteBlogger.com

Thu., Jan. 14 | 2020 was supposed to be the year of the Chevrolet Corvette and in many respects it still was. While headlines of coronavirus and social unrest were evident through the year, so was the unprecedented demand for the new mid-engine Corvette.

Dealers in the United States sold a total of 21,626 Corvettes during the 2020 calendar year. That total includes any remaining 2019s that were still around following the model year changeover as well as the new 2020 Corvettes. The rankings on the Top 100 list are based on sales from each specific dealer location. We know there many groups of dealers (i.e. Bomnin, Hendrick) that would see their totals rise if they were all lumped together, but it's how Chevrolet ranks the dealers...

The top 10 were:

1	KERBECK CHEVROLET	ATLANTIC CITY NJ	866
2	MAC MULKIN CHEVROLET CADILLAC	NASHUA NH	778
3	LES STANFORD CHEVROLET CADILLAC	DEARBORN MI	321
4	CRISWELL CHEVROLET	GAITHERSBURG MD	308
5	BOMNIN CHEVROLET DADELAND	MIAMI FL	296
6	STINGRAY CHEVROLET	PLANT CITY FL	235
7	COUGHLIN AUTOMOTIVE	PATASKALA OH	170
8	RICK HENDRICK CHEVROLET	DULUTH GA	132
9	JIM ELLIS CHEVROLET	CHAMBLEE GA	131
10	GEORGE MATICK CHEVROLET	REDFORD MI	130

February Meeting Minutes By Scott White

Business Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2021

1. President Gary Pebley called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. at Ciao Restaurant in Vista.
2. Approval of Minutes for January 2021
 - a. Vicki Ford made the motion to approve and Lisa Larandea seconded....motion passed by vote of members.
 - b. Introduction of Visitors by Scott McClellan
 - c. None
 - d. Membership Report by Scott McClellan
 - e. Scott announced that there were 19 members in attendance.
 - f. Total NCV membership is currently at 80.
 - g. Treasurer's Report by Dave Tracy
 - h. Dave reported that there were Dues deposited.
 - i. There were also expenses for the Car Show License and Insurance.
 - j. New Business Gary Pebley
 - k. President Pebley read an email from Ruth Kurisu stating that she misses everyone but needs to be cautious about COVID.
 - l. Gary congratulated the Club for what we have achieved with regards to the Vettes for Veterans car Show and read the statistics as to total funds raised.

Year	NCV	Semper Fi Match	PVA Grant	Total
2012	<u>\$ 7,200</u>			\$ 7,200
2013	\$11,600	<u>\$ 5,800</u>		<u>\$ 17,400</u>
2014	\$11,000	<u>\$ 5,500</u>		<u>\$ 16,500</u>
2015	\$14,100	<u>\$ 7,050</u>	\$ 16,000	<u>\$ 37,150</u>
2016	\$14,200	<u>\$ 7,100</u>	\$ 11,500	<u>\$ 32,800</u>
2017	\$16,000	<u>\$ 8,000</u>	\$12,150	<u>\$ 36,150</u>
2018	\$14,000	<u>\$ 7,000</u>	\$30,000	<u>\$ 51,000</u>
2019	\$16,000	<u>\$ 8,000</u>	\$30,000	<u>\$ 54,000</u>
2020	\$9,000	\$4,500	\$20,000	\$33,500
TOTALS	\$ 113,100	\$ 52,900	\$ 119,650	\$ 285,700

m.

- a. Gary asked for volunteers to fill the Activity Chairperson position that is still vacant. Since there were no volunteers Gary stated that each member assigned to the task is responsible for three activities, and made the following assignments in accordance with the Club's By-Laws:
 - i. Apr Scott White
 - ii. May Dave Tracy
 - iii. Jun Carm Finocchiaro

iv.Jul Wendy Nash
v.Aug Scott McClellan
vi.Sep Glenn Peterson

a.Congratulations to the February birthdays; Yvonne Finocchiaro, Rich LaFarge, Cramer Jackson, Dick Reylek, Barry Rechterovich, and Steve Schechner. Also, Glenn and Sandy Peterson are celebrating 55 years of wedded bliss.

50/50 On Hold due to Covid-19. However, Gary asked if the Club was comfortable with restarting this activity at the March meeting. All present agreed that it was a good idea.

a.Vettes for Veterans Car Show Update

b.Buddy Watson reported that he is still waiting for the flag contractor to respond; the DJ is set up; and the auction items/baskets will start in a couple of weeks after he discusses the activity with the committee.

c.President Pebley suggested to Buddy that we should have Car Show meeting before too long. Further details will be announced later.

a.Club sponsored Activities

b.The Thursday Breakfast Club is meeting regularly and Gary encouraged all that would be comfortable in attending to do so.

c.Newsletter Glenn Peterson

d.Nothing to report.

a.Social Director

b.Nothing to report.

a.Tech Talk

b.Vicki Ford reported that she dropped her key fob and the case shattered. She found someone that sold her a new shell for about \$20. A new fob would have cost about \$145.

50/50 On Hold due to Covid-19

a.Discussion

b.Jay Powers stated that he had done business with Premier Chevrolet and had been treated well.

c.Carm Finocchiaro reported that a few days after the January Club meeting Yvonne received a call from a friend asking if she knew anyone with a 1965 Vette. Our friend's neighbor in Carlsbad is terminally ill and wanted to ride in a 1965 Vette. Carm looked at the Vettes for Veterans Car Show registration and found seven 1965's. Two in Riverside County and five in San Diego County. Two people responded immediately – one from Encinitas and one from San Marcos. One of them said that he would also be happy to let the gentleman drive his car. Carm discussed the matter with President Pebley and proceeded to set up a route for the Run. The date was pending the gentleman completing some medical tests and the availability of some NCV members to participate. Sadly, prior to the gentleman completing his tests on 28 Feb, he took a turn for the worse and was in full time hospice care. The family and our friend were very thankful for the effort that the Club expended in making a wish come true. Carm will invite the two Corvette owners who stepped up to the plate to join us at our next Club meeting.

a.The meeting was adjourned by President Pebley at 7:11 pm.