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## From the Editor

Hello fellow Corvette enthusiasts! We've had a great start to our 2017 travel season. Our Route 66 trip in May, where we stood on a corner in Winslow, Arizona and traveled to the Grand Canyon via the Grand Canyon Rail Road, was a blast, as always. Then there was the Poker Run and the Wendover Cruise-In, both of which, I am told, were fantastic and a lot of fun.

Coming up, the calendar is packed with something for everyone – all kinds of interests are represented! We've got a fun birthday dinner drive and eat planned at Gray Cliff's Lodge in Ogden Canyon, the Tooele car show – which is always great, and our Shakespeare Trip for you Bard enthusiasts, where you'll make a lot of "sound and fury" in Cedar City. We've got parades and more car shows, and don't forget to sign up for the St. George trip to see three great plays at Tuacahn.

Later in the year, we've got the San Diego trip, organized by John Forbes and yours truly, which I am incredibly excited about! We've got a great drive planned on a twisty mountain road that ends at a quaint restaurant in the tall California pines. In October, clear your schedules for a drive to the famous Albuquerque International Balloon Festival, which promises to be a feast for the eyes!

I hope something has piqued your interest. Learn more about the coming events in the calendar section of this issue, and online at [corvetteclubofutah.org](http://corvetteclubofutah.org). See you on the road!

Annamarie Forbes



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## **Message from the President – Kim Riley**

Yeah!!! Spring is finally here and time for me to get the Vette out of storage and attend some events, so on some cruises, attend some car shows, and have some fun with awesome people. These winter months are hard for me – just seeing the Vette sitting there, covered up and plugged in. Now I can drive it again. Remember seven days with driving the Vette makes one weak. Did you know that the word “racecar” is the same whether read left to right or right to left?

The event calendar has been put together and it looks like another fun year. I know this year will be full of wonderful memories, and I hope each of you will be able to look back and be glad you shared in them. If you have an event you would like to plan, it is not too late to let Karen DeSmet, Event Chair, know and put it on the calendar.

### **Auto Racing Facts**

How fast could you drive a car in the old days? The first auto race in the U.S. was held in Chicago on Thanksgiving Day, 1895. It was a 50-mile race, and the winning car, driven by famous inventor, Frank Duryea, traveled at the average speed of 7 ½ miles per hour.

One of the unusual auto races of all time was the 1952 Florida Stock Car Championship. A car was in first place near the end of the race when its wheels came off. The car flipped over, but crossed the finish line first – skidding on its top across the line.

What’s the fastest a car has ever gone on land? The record was set in 1997 when a jet-powered car went 764 mph on Nevada’s Black Rock Desert – going faster than the speed of sound.

The longest skid marks ever made by a car were by Craig Breedlove’s jet-powered car after it went out of control at the Bonneville Salt Flats in 1964. The skid marks were nearly six miles long.

There was a special duration auto race in Paris in 1933 that lasted 133 days, from March to July. At the end of the race, the drivers had covered more than 185,000 miles.



## Corvette Club of Utah News

### Please update your information

We are trying to keep information current on all our members. Over the years many of us have moved, changed phones, emails or both, added and subtracted corvettes and may have even changed partners. Would you all please take a few minutes and send us your current information.

Member Name:

Date of Birth: These usually don't change, but let's just make sure we got it right.

Companion Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

E-Mail:

Corvette(s): Year/Color/ Style

You can send the information to:

ccmembership@corvetteclubofutah.org

Thanks so much. This helps us, the officers, keep you better informed of what we are up to. We don't want anyone to miss out on all the fun we have.

John Emery

Membership Chairman

### Check the Website for Current Information

Important! I can't stress this enough - check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information regarding activities, new, and events at <http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org/>. Since the gazette goes to the printer weeks before you receive it, and due to the natural course of changes to activities, please see the website for the most current information.

## **Other information**

To e-mail a CCU Officer, go to <http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org/> and click on 2017 Officers for a list of the officers. Click on the blue underlined title of the officer to send an e-mail to that officer.

Please contact the Special Events Chair, Karen DeSmet, regarding upcoming events. Contact the Treasurer, Shirlynn Gildea regarding renewals and payments for upcoming events. Please contact the Secretary, Nola Emery, regarding event attendance and meeting minutes.

The club's financial information is available if you are interested. See Shirlynn Gildea at our monthly member meetings. She has our finances broken down by quarter, and is happy to relate that information to anyone interested.

Embroidered shirts are available through Creative Graphics. Contact Andrea Bitton at 801-266-7273 or [andrea@cgprinting.com](mailto:andrea@cgprinting.com). Or visit their website at [www.cgprinting.com](http://www.cgprinting.com). Judy Corgiat has a catalog.

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## **Wear Your CCU Name Badge**

We have lots of new members in the club, and not so new members who are still getting to know people. The only way they will be able to remember your name is if you wear your CCU name badge. We strongly encourage wearing of name badges to activities and meetings. Please wear your badge!

## **Club Member Significant Family Events**

We'd like to thank Kelly Vining for his continued work on the website as he fights a heroic battle against the unpleasant effects of diabetes.

# New Members

## **David Spencer – 2013 Red Coupe**

- Best friend during teen years: my father
- Best friend from June, 1958, till she died July, 2016, was my perfect wife, Dawn.
- 3 children, 7 grandchildren. All live close and enjoy spending time together.
- Mechanic on cars, motorcycles and boats
- Drafted 1958 for 6 years obligation in army.
- Served on pistol team, Ft. Lewis, Washington.
- Raced Fiat and Simca demos in 1960's gymcanas, hill limbs and auto crosses, Utah Region, SCCA.
- Raced motorcycles from 1964 a 1985. Still riding.
- Involved in boating 1954 to present.
- Raced our 26' sailboat on Great Salt Lake and Bear Lake in the 1990's.
- In year 2000, spent 6.5 months with sweet wife exploring inland waterway from Key West to Annapolis and Washington, D.C., in our sailboat.
- Lived at same address in Draper for 51 years.
- Bought 2013 Corvette in Nov., 2016. Love it!

## **Debby and Joe Taylor – Yellow C5 Z06**

Okay, I'll make an attempt at a "short" biography. I was born and raised in ID, but graduated from universities in WA, Logan, and WI. I subsequently lived and worked in CO and TX, before we moved to Centerville, West Valley City, and then Sandy, where we live now. Debby was an only child and an "army brat," born in CO, but then lived in Europe, AK, OH, MI, PA, NY, and then finished high school in AL. We met in Dallas right after I was transferred there from Denver, and Debby came to be a freshman at SMU.

I have been an investigator, Medicare supervisor, cost control supervisor, group supervisor, and marketer in the insurance world. I have taught at 4 colleges (full- and part-time) through the years, and at one of those schools I was a financial aids officer as well. I took an "early" retirement from the State of Utah, where I was first a training, education, and public information officer with the Utah Department of Emergency Services. I was also a financial examiner with the Department of Financial Institutions and the Utah Insurance Department. I was then a consumer service examiner with the Insurance Department for 2 years, but spent most of my time there as a market conduct examiner/compliance and enforcement investigator. After



leaving the State, I spent some time in the car business, spent a year in the fence business, and have now been a Realtor for over 10 years.

Debby was a stay-at-home mom while our 3 kids were small, but was also a top seller for Avon. She then worked part-time for a few years running the copy center for Murray High School. She then became a mortgage processor and then a mortgage broker with a mortgage brokerage outfit out of CA, and for the past several years has been a mortgage & consumer loan officer for America First Credit Union.

We have two grown daughters and a grown son, and they're all married and close by in the south end of the Salt Lake Valley. We have two grandsons--one will be 8 in August, and the other turned 2 on May 4.

I haven't had a lot of hobbies, but have been involved in martial arts of several types, shooting sports, music (guitar and some keyboard), fitness and nutrition, the stock market and investing, politics somewhat, and several other distractions. Debby specialized in raising little folk, but likes TV and novels, and is a voracious reader.

I have a son-in-law who's spent his whole life in the car business, and owns an "automotive boutique" called [emotivedirect.com](http://emotivedirect.com). Early this year we started talking about finding me a C5 ZO6, and he soon found an '04 with fewer than 6,700 miles on it. After getting it shipped here, we found out that it was indeed in show-room condition, and just like new.

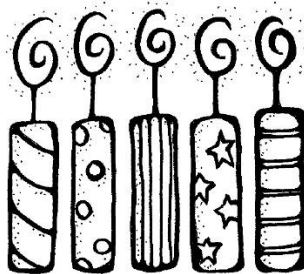
# July/August Birthdays

## July

05 Tony Rice  
07 Jerry Draper  
07 Jay Fenton  
07 Ember Conley  
07 Kim Riley  
08 Steve Woolston  
09 Mike Barker  
09 Rod Derrick  
11 Alex Johnson  
11 Pauline Rushton  
14 Susan Callaway  
17 Kristie Berg  
17 Julie McFadden  
18 James Peters  
19 Rob Allred  
20 John Berg  
20 Ari Ioannides  
20 Douglas Spencer  
21 Janene Avery  
21 Beverly Chase  
22 Nancy Sorenson  
25 Chad Hanson  
25 Beth Rice  
26 Paula Baker  
26 Ryan Tiller  
28 George Rushton  
30 Bruce Laurence

## August

02 Pam Simpson  
04 Dennis DeBoer  
06 Mindy Stowers  
10 Dennis Trayner  
11 Rod Collings  
11 Richard Duarte  
11 Dale Hooper  
11 John Howell  
11 Lane Wilson  
16 David Avery  
16 Annamarie Forbes  
18 Raymond Symons  
22 Dusty Duffield  
24 Michele Schneeweis  
25 Diana Marks  
27 Elaine Bess  
27 Shannon Spencer  
30 Brent Munson  
31 Brandon Allen  
31 Diane Chase



# Mountain West Street News (MWSN)

## Mountain West Street News Picnic 2017



On Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, a modest number of CCU members brought their Corvettes out to participate in this year's 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Mountain West Street News Picnic at Sandridge Park in Roy. Though small in numbers the members attending had a fine time on the green lawns of the park, enjoyed the Rock-n-Roll tunes by JC Hackett, ate slow cooked BBQ pork and sausages provided by the event's caterer. There were fun and funny events held in the bowery, raffle gifts were given out and best of all, the hundreds of cool cars were on display. All of the car clubs in northern Utah participate in the Picnic with their muscle cars, classics, hot rods, modifieds, works in progress, Model-A's and T's and of course an array of Corvettes, not all of which belong to CCU members.

This annual event which is attended and supported by all of the automotive clubs in northern Utah and surrounding states, provides the opportunity for car enthusiasts of all interests to meet, talk, exchange ideas and make new friends. Back in 1978 our Corvette Club of Utah was one of the first northern Utah car clubs to sign up with the 'News and be a part of this publication. CCU continues that tradition today with our club page containing current club information prominently printed in each issue. The proceeds from the annual Picnic go toward the continued publication of the *Mountain West Street News* magazine which is published bi-monthly. Anything car club, car show and car event related is on the calendar in the 'News. Our club copy of the MWSN magazine is with our club officers and is available to the members to browse.

If you missed this year's Picnic you can join us next year. The Picnic is always held on the first Sunday in June, rain or shine.

Mountain West Street News (MWSN) is a local publication that promotes and advertises area events for car clubs and enthusiasts in the mountain west. CCU is part of this publication. Our CCU correspondent for MWSN is Bob Tillotson. You can join MWSN and receive it's bi-monthly publication by attending the MWSN Picnic each summer. MWSN, P.O. Box 172, Roy, UT 84067 or call (801) 773-8438.

The MWSN magazine includes a full year calendar of events, and outlines the dates and times of any and all car events in our area, from car shows, rallies, charity events, concourses and such. It is a conduit for the clubs to stay in touch with each other. Our club receives a copy of the magazine at the post office box with each publication. If you are interested in reviewing the magazine, please ask an officer.



A man arrives at the Pearly Gates, and Saint Peter says, "Now wait just a moment, before I let you in, I need to ask you, have you ever done anything to put others first, or defended the weak or innocent, things like that?"

The man answers, "Why yes. I saw this man with a Corvette by the side of the road, and he was yelling at his wife, and threatening her, so I walked up to him and screamed at him to leave her alone, and if he didn't I'd kick his head like this.... and I kicked a huge place on his driver's door on that Corvette."

Saint Peter answers, "Wow, that's pretty good, when did you do that?"

The man answers, "Oh, about 4 minutes ago".



## **Bowling Green Assembly Plant Tours**

Tours of the Bowling Green Assembly Plant will be closed after June 16, 2017. It will be approximately 18 months (January 2019) before tours resume after June 16th. Please subscribe [NCM eNews](#) for future updates.

## **2019 National Corvette Caravan**

Often referred to as the world's largest moving automotive event, the National Corvette Caravan is a celebration of America's Sports Car, culminating in Bowling Green, Kentucky for the anniversary celebration of the National Corvette Museum. Hosted only once every five years, the next event is slated for Labor Day Weekend 2019 and will mark the Museum's 25th Anniversary. Leading the charge will be Jeffrey Duda of Hainesport, NJ, a Lifetime Member of the Museum and previous co-captain of the New Jersey 2014 and 2009 Caravans.

The 6th National Corvette Caravan is slated for August 28-31, 2019. Regional caravans will form and join other caravans as they travel across the United States to meet in Bowling Green, Kentucky for four days of festivities at the National Corvette Museum. An event such as this requires years of planning and coordinating. All help is appreciated! If you would like to volunteer to be a Caravan Captain, please email Jeff at [nationalchairman2019@verizon.net](mailto:nationalchairman2019@verizon.net)

Don Herzer, Publications Director for the Western States Corvette Council (WSCC) who served as Captain of the NorCal section of the 2014 Caravan, has been asked to to be the Captain for 2019.

He has elected to give our section a nickname – Pacific Central Corvette

Caravan – which is easily further shortened to Pacific Central and PCCC. This is much less cumbersome than listing the whole three states. Also, if it is shortened to NorCal (as done in 2014), then N. Nevada and Utah feel left out.

Please note that even if you are not going all the way to Bowling Green, you are welcome to join in the Caravan out of CA as far as you like, or just join us at the launch site (TBD), as many have done in the past.

At this point, he is planning on pretty much replicating the route that he took in 2014. If you have any thoughts/suggestions on that please let him know.

Registration for both the Caravan and the festivities are not open at this time. Note that the 2019 Corvette Caravan and the NCM 25th Anniversary are two separate events, each with their own registration, which is expected to be available on the NCM web site starting (TBD).

He will be working on blocking sets of rooms at hotels along the route, but do not expect registration to be available until approximately fall of 2018. He will be compiling all this and much more into a Route Book that will be available to registered participants in Spring 2019.

If you would like to volunteer to help him in this venture, he would welcome that. He will also be looking for sponsors to help defray some of the costs. You may reach him via:

Don Herzer  
Pacific Central Captain  
[corvdon@wscppubs.net](mailto:corvdon@wscppubs.net)  
209-586-3079

The Museum is located at I-65, exit 28 in South Central Kentucky and is open daily, 8am to 5pm Central Time.

### **CCU NCM Ambassador News**

If you are visiting the National Corvette Museum, contact me for free admission tickets. I have 10 tickets available on first come first served basis.

To find out more about the National Corvette Museum, events, the Corvette Store, Corvette raffles, or to become a member of the museum, go to the museum web page at [corvettemuseum.org](http://corvettemuseum.org) or contact your NCM Ambassador, Bob Clayton.



## Corvette Racing at Le Mans

**DETROIT** (May 9, 2017) – Corvette Racing's 18th consecutive appearance at the 24 Hours of Le Mans will feature a lineup of six drivers, each with victories in the famed French endurance event. In addition to full-season drivers Antonio Garcia, Jan Magnussen, Oliver Gavin and Tommy Milner, Corvette Racing adds Jordan Taylor and Marcel Fässler to its roster for the June 17-18 race with a pair of Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C7.Rs for the GTE Pro class.

The group has a combined 18 victories at Le Mans – an impressive number to go along with Corvette Racing's eight class triumphs since 2001. The team will arrive at Le Mans with three straight victories in the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship and the lead in Manufacturer's, Driver's and Team points for the GT Le Mans (GTLM) class.

"This represents one of the strongest lineups Corvette Racing has fielded for the 24 Hours of Le Mans," said Mark Kent, Chevrolet Director of Motorsports Competition. "Just like our full-season lineup, Jordan and Marcel have proven themselves repeatedly on the biggest stages in sports car racing. We are confident they help give us the best possible chance to win Le Mans for the ninth time."

Taylor has been part of Corvette Racing's Le Mans program since 2012 and was part of the winning effort in 2015 alongside Gavin and Milner. For 2017, he will reunite with Garcia and Magnussen in the No. 63 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C7.R; the trio placed second in GTE Pro together in 2014.

Taylor and brother Ricky have swept all four IMSA events this year with their Wayne Taylor Ricky Cadillac DPI-V.R prototype including the Rolex 24 At Daytona and Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring.

Fässler, who returns to the No. 64 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C7.R, won each of those two races in 2016 with Corvette Racing alongside Gavin and Milner. Those victories helped Corvette Racing sweep the GTLM Championships a season ago. The trio drove together

again at both Florida events again in 2017.

A three-time overall winner at Le Mans, Fässler also has two additional podium finishes. He drove for Corvette Racing in Chevrolet's final GT1 race at Le Mans in 2009, but that entry was forced to retire while leading.

Both Taylor and Fässler are part of a pre-Le Mans test this week at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisc.

Corvette Racing's next event is the 24 Hours of Le Mans on June 17-18 from Le Mans, France. It returns to IMSA competition for the Sahlen's Six Hours of The Glen on July 2.

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### **2017 Total Eclipse Cruise (Aug 21st)**

On Monday, August 21st we will be departing the Flying J in Willard (600 W 750 N) (Willard Bay North Exit on I-15) promptly at 6:00 AM to view the total eclipse of the sun. We will travel North on I-15 to Idaho Falls, ID and then US-20 to Rexburg, ID. On the University Blvd Exit, there is an Applebee's with a large parking lot which is where I plan to stop and view the eclipse. The eclipse will start at 10:30 AM with totality expected between 11:24 AM and 11:36 AM. Following the eclipse, we will eat lunch at Applebee's before heading home.

This is a big event and there will be lots of people and traffic present. Please plan on being flexible as we deal with the crowds. We may have to use another viewing area. The initial plan was to make this an overnight trip, but there are no motels available within 40 miles and gouging is occurring with the Super 8 in Rexberg asking for over \$500 for their remaining room. So this will be a day trip. If traffic permits, we will stop at Blackfoot and see the Spud Museum while we are up there.

If the weather is forecasted to be cloudy or raining, this trip will be cancelled. We will send a club wide email the day before (Sunday, August 20th) if it is cancelled.

For more information contact Bob Clayton at 801-399-2557 or [robert.clayton@comcast.net](mailto:robert.clayton@comcast.net).





# July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 Birthday dinner & ride – Gray Cliff Lodge
2	3 Tooele Car Show	4 Sandy City Parade	5	6 Utah S. fest	7 Utah S. fest	8 Utah S. fest Coalville car show
9 Utah S. fest	10	11	12 Officer's mtg	13	14	15 Pop Up Social with a Twist
16	17	18	19 Members mtg, Murray park	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

# August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Sunday Dice Run	7 St. George trip	8 St. George trip	9 St. George trip  Officer's mtg	10 St. George trip	11	12 Birthday bkfst – Ruth's Diner
13	14	15	16 Members Mtg, Falcon Park Sandy	17	18	19 CCS Car Show
20	21 Eclipse of the Moon trip	22	23	24	25	26 Lake Point car show
27	28	29	30	31		

# July Events

## **July Birthday Dinner – Saturday, July 1st**

Join us for a cruise through Weber Canyon over Trapper's Loop, with a stop at Pineview Reservoir before proceeding down Ogden Canyon to Gray Cliff Lodge Restaurant for dinner at 5:00 PM. If you're going to join us on the cruise, meet at the flagpole in the Layton Hills Mall parking lot at 3:30 PM for a 3:45 PM departure. You must sign-up for this event and select a dinner choice so the restaurant will know how many to expect and what to prepare for dinner. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in July. Everyone is invited to attend and wish them a happy birthday. For more information contact John Forbes at 801-721-0750.

\*Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

## **Tooele Car Show – Monday, July 3rd**

The city of Tooele will be hosting their 7th annual Corvette Car Show from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Pratt Aquatic Center, 55 North 200 West, Tooele, UT. There will be free entertainment and everyone gets a trophy. The Car Show is free; no pre-registration required. There will be free entertainment and free trophies to everyone. There is a free BBQ that evening with a karaoke contest that night. We will have cold water and nice trophies for all who would please come and enjoy the evening with us. We will have 2 overall specialty trophies to award. All Corvettes will be allowed to park on the lawn in the shade and there is a pavilion available to rest, eat and visit with friends. Bring chairs for a nice casual and fun night. For those who can attend, we'll meet at McDonald's in Lake Point at 4:00 PM and cruise to car show as a group.

## **Sandy City 4th of July Parade – Tuesday, July 4th**

Sandy City has invited the Corvette Club of Utah to participate in their July 4th Parade. We will lead the parade around Centennial Parkway. Everyone is welcome to participate. The \$400 received for our participation will be given to this year's charity, the Utah Food Bank. The staging location will be in the parking lot west of Sandy City Hall, 10000 Centennial Pkwy. Please meet there around 5:15pm. Bob and Gin Strong have invited parade participants to their home for a summer social after the parade. The address is 10286 Weeping Willow Drive in Sandy. RSVP 801-599-9528.

### **Shakespeare Festival Trip - Thursday, July 6th – Sunday, July 9th**

“Now is the winter of our discontent” but look to the future and plan to join Will and Maurie Gardner on this short early summer trip down to Cedar City to enjoy the Shakespearian Festival. “To go or not to go....this the question” so “to thine own self be true!” There are several play options during the day or evenings. Even if Shakespeare may not be for you, a car show and some drives around this area may entice. We shall get thee to a cheesery, allow you to dine in your choice of restaurants, while inviting you to join us at ours, and you may enjoy mountain majestic drives among the very best. This is just going to be a delightful get-away and fantastic time to hang out with our Corvette friends. “Nothing will come of nothing,” so sign up soon if interested. With the car show going on this same weekend, you’re accommodations are acquired “Better three hours too soon than a minute late.” the hotel is the Best Western Town & Country Inn, 189 North Main Street, Cedar City, UT 84720 (435) 586-9900. The rate is \$115 per night. For more information contact Will and Maurie Gardner at 801-698-2597.

### **Pop-up Social with a Twist – Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>**

Join John and Annamarie Forbes for a pop up social at Culvers, 7165 S. Bingham Junction Blvd, Midvale at 5:30pm. Our uncle is having his 99th birthday. He is a car enthusiast and would love to see our Corvettes. Please come and wish our uncle, Richard Stucki, a happy birthday. Seeing a bunch of Corvettes would make his 99th birthday extra special! The Manager Tom will block off some parking for us. See you there! For more information call John at 801-721-0750.

### **CCU Membership Meeting – Wednesday, July 19th**

Join us 6:00 PM at Murray Park, Pavilion 3, 495 East 5300 South, Murray, for a BBQ pot luck. CCU will provide the pulled pork, pulled chicken and water. Please bring a side dish to share. Meeting to follow at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be discussions relating to future events and activities followed by drawings for door prizes. For more information contact Karen DeSmet at 801-910-2923. Check the Corvette Club of Utah Website for the latest information.



# August Events

## **Tuacahn Amphitheatre - Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> –Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**

If you haven't experienced the Tuacahn Amphitheatre yet, you've been missing out. It is located 5 to 10 minutes from downtown St. George, Utah dramatically situated in a red rock canyon creating a natural amphitheater. Every seat at Tuacahn has a great view. This trip we'll enjoy Shrek the Musical, Disney's Newsies, and Mama Mia! Contact the Tuacahn Box Office at 800-746-9882 or 435-652-3300 to purchase tickets for all three shows and dinner; reservations required. Make reservations at the Seven Wives Inn Bed and Breakfast in St. George and receive a 10% discount when you tell them you are with the Corvette Club of Utah, 435-628-3737. For more information contact Bob Luken at 801-915-0001.

## **August Birthday Breakfast – Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>**

Join us 8:00 AM at Ruth's Diner, 4160 Emigration Canyon Road, SLC. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in August. Everyone is invited to attend and wish them a happy birthday. After breakfast join us on a cruise to Evanston, WY where those who choose will have reserved seating at Wyoming Downs located at 10180 Highway 89, and enjoy an afternoon of live horse racing. For more information and to RSVP for Wyoming Downs contact Karen DeSmet at 801-910-2923.

\*Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

## **CCU Membership Meeting – Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**

Join us 6:00 PM at the Falcon Park Pavilion, 9200 South 1700 East, Sandy. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be discussions relating to future events and activities followed by drawings for door prizes. For more information contact Karen DeSmet 801-910-2923.

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## **Crossaction Computer Specialists Car Show – Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>**

The Crossaction Computer Specialists Riverdale location will host The Corvette Club of Utah for an all Corvette Car Show at their Riverdale Store on Saturday August 19, 2017. The show will run from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Crossaction is donating \$200.00 for our 2017 club charity. Lunch will be provided along with raffle prizes and trophies.

### **2017 Total Eclipse of the Moon- - Monday, August 21st**

We will be departing the Flying J in Willard (600 W 750 N) (Willard Bay North Exit on I-15) promptly at 6:00 AM to view the total eclipse of the sun. We will travel North on I-15 to Idaho Falls, ID and then US-20 to Rexburg, ID. On the University Blvd Exit, there is an Applebee's with a large parking lot which is where I plan to stop and view the eclipse. The eclipse will start at 10:30 AM with totality expected between 11:24 AM and 11:36 AM. Following the eclipse, we will eat lunch at Applebee's before heading home.

This is a big event and there will be lots of people and traffic present. Please plan on being flexible as we deal with the crowds. We may have to use another viewing area. The initial plan was to make this an overnight trip, but there are no motels available within 40 miles and gouging is occurring with the Super 8 in Rexberg asking for over \$500 for their remaining room. So this will be a day trip. If traffic permits, we will stop at Blackfoot and see the Spud Museum while we are up there. If the weather is forecasted to be cloudy or raining, this trip will be cancelled. We will send a club wide email the day before (Sunday, August 20th) if it is cancelled. For more information contact Bob Clayton at 801-399-2557.

### **Lake Point Days Car Show and Shine - Saturday, August 26th**

The parade starts at 9:00 AM followed by the Show and Shine from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM located at the Lake Point Park. Breakfast of pancakes, eggs, and ham will be served between 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM at the park for \$3.00. The Show and Shine is FREE with prizes for all who attend. More details including this year's flyer coming soon. For more information contact Kirk Allen at 801-557-5796.



# Future Club Events

## San Diego Trip – Tuesday, September 12 – Sunday, September 17th

### **Tuesday, September 12th**

Meet at Thanksgiving Point at 3:00 pm for a 3:15 pm departure. We will travel down I-15 to Mesquite Nevada. We will stay at the Virgin River Casino (702-797-7517). Rooms will be \$27.00. Dinner will be at any of the many buffets.

### **Wednesday, September 13th**

Breakfast in Mesquite then depart at 9:00am for Las Vegas. We will stop at Count's Kustoms for a tour. We will leave Las Vegas and head to San Diego. We will stay at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (619-297-1101). Rooms are \$120.00 including breakfast. Parking will be \$5.00 per night. Dinner will be in Old Town San Diego. The hotel provides a shuttle so we don't have to worry about parking in Old Town.

### **Thursday September 14th**

This will be a fun day in San Diego. We can go as a group to one of many options including; SeaWorld, Zoo, Wild Animal Park, or Coronado Island. There is a hop on hop off bus that goes to all of the major attractions. This is a great way to see the City. Dinner will be at the Corvette Diner.

### **Friday September 15th**

This will be another fun day in San Diego. We can go as a group to one of many options including; SeaWorld, Zoo, Wild Animal Park, or Coronado Island. There is a hop on hop off bus that goes to all of the major attractions. This is a great way to see the City. Dinner will be at Rockin' Baja Lobster in the Gaslamp District. It will be fun to cruise the main road through the Gaslamp District in our Corvettes. This is one of our favorite restaurants.

### **Saturday September 14th**

We will have breakfast then depart San Diego. We will travel up Palomar Mountain. It is a very beautiful twisty drive. We will stop for lunch at Mother's Kitchen. We will come down the other side of the loop then head to Las Vegas. Dinner will be at Lucille's in Green Valley. I am still working on a hotel for the night.

### **Sunday September 17th**

After breakfast we will head home. For more information contact John Forbes at 801- 721-0750 or [jforbesut@yahoo.com](mailto:jforbesut@yahoo.com).

## **Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta - Wed, October 11th–Mon, October 16th**

Over 500 balloons take flight during the mass ascension of this annual fall event during the first two weeks in October. The event began with 13 balloons in 1972 and today is the largest hot air ballooning event in the world. Join Steve and Karen DeSmet as they enjoy early morning and evening balloon events, as well as touring thru some of New Mexico's most scenic byways and historic towns. The clear, brilliant-blue skies, red rock masses, and undulating desert sands of George O'Keefe's vivid canvases capture the essence of New Mexico. No wonder New Mexico is nicknamed the "Land of Enchantment." For more information contact Karen DeSmet at 801-910-2923 or krdesmet@gmail.com.

**Wednesday, October 11th:** Meet at Thanksgiving Point exit 284 by the water tower in the parking lot. The drivers' meeting will be at 8:45 AM, departing at 9:00 AM for lunch in Moab at approximately 12:30 PM. Continue on to Durango, CO via HWY 6 where we will spend the night at the Hampton Inn and Suites, 3777 Main Ave, Durango, CO. Hot breakfast is available. Rooms are reserved under the Corvette Club of Utah. Group rate for Standard King or Double Queen is \$139 + tax. For reservations call 970-247-2600. Reservations must be made by July 31st. Our block is released on August 1st.

**Thursday, October 12th:** This morning we travel to Pagosa Springs and then onto the Taos Pueblo. The Taos Pueblo is one of 19 pueblos in the state, and stands out as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. People have lived in Taos Pueblo's multi-storied adobe structures for more than 1,000 years. Here we will enjoy a guided tour and have lunch in Taos vicinity. Fees apply. After lunch we will follow the High Road to Santa Fe, traveling along back routes and taking in the colonial countryside of New Mexico's beginnings. From Santa Fe we'll travel to Albuquerque, where we will spend the next 3 nights at the Best Western Airport InnSuites. Rooms are reserved under the Corvette Club of Utah. Group rate for standard King (Double Queen, if available) is \$154 + tax. For reservations call 505-242-7022. Reservations must be made by July 31st. Our block is released on August 1st.

**Friday, October, 13th:** After Breakfast we head toward Santa Fe via the Turquoise Trail. The Scenic and Historic Area of the Turquoise Trail encompasses 15,000 square miles in the heart of central New Mexico, linking Albuquerque and Santa Fe. Enjoy a breathtaking view from atop Sandia Crest, then drive back into history through the mining towns of Golden, Madrid, and Cerrillos, now coming alive with art, crafts, theater, music, museums and restaurants. There's a great photo op at Maggie's Diner in Madrid from the movie Wild Hogs. Arrive in Santa Fe in time to



see the city and have an early dinner before returning to Albuquerque to catch the Special Shapes Glowdeo and Laser Light Show. Evening Session admission tickets needed to enter the Balloon Fiesta Field. Note: Unless otherwise determined by our group, we will only see the balloon morning ascensions on Saturday and Sunday.

**Saturday, October 14th:** Today is an early day! We will be on the road by 5:00 AM or we will miss the morning ascension. Krispy Kremes and coffee will be available there. Also, our hotel may be opening breakfast earlier than 6:30 AM or make breakfast bags to go. TBD. This is an Albuquerque day. Options for our visit include Historic downtown, tram ride to Sandia Peak, or one of the many museums. Dinner before going back to the park for the evening session and the Night Magic Glow presented by Canon beginning at 6:00 PM. Morning and Evening Session admission tickets needed to enter the Balloon Fiesta Field.

**Sunday, October 15th:** We say good bye to Albuquerque today and start our way home after the early morning ascension. Morning Session admission tickets needed to enter the Balloon Fiesta Field. We'll travel along the Jemez Scenic NM Byway to Farmington, NM and from Farmington to Mesa Verde National Park, CO. Bring your passes! After touring thru the park we'll arrive in Cortez at the Holiday Inn Express, 2121 East Main St., Cortez, CO. Hot breakfast is available. Rooms are reserved under the Corvette Club of Utah. Group rate for all standard rooms (kings, queens, double queens, etc) is \$100 + tax. For reservations call 970-565-6000. Reservations must be made by July 31st. Our block is released on August 1st.

**Monday, October 16th:** Leave for home via US-191 and US-6W. Lunch TBD.

**Note:** We have reserved 2 - 15 passenger vans to transport us to and from the Balloon Fiesta Field and into town as recommended by the hotel and visitor bureau. This protects our cars from damage in town or on the field. The cost for 3 days is \$474.03 + gas per van and will be divided accordingly. We will release the reserve on the vans on August 1st. Additional costs for the event will include the entrance fee for morning and night sessions approximately \$10.00 per session, Taos Pueblo, and park entrance fees.



# 2017 Overview

## July 2017

- 1 CCU Birthday Dinner – Grey Cliff Lodge Restaurant, Ogden
- 3 Tooele Car Show – Pratt Aquatic Center, Tooele. 55 North 200 West. Free BBQ. Karaoke contest. 5 p.m. to around 8 p.m. Questions contact Ruben Trujillo 435-840-3847.
- 4 Fourth of July Parade, Sandy
- 6-9 Utah Shakespeare Festival, Cedar City
- 12 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 15 Pop-up Socil with a Twist – Culvers, Midvale
- 19 CCU Membership Meeting – Murray Park - Pavilion 3, Murray
- 28-30 Wells Fun Run, Wells, NV

## August 2017

- 5 South Weber Country Fair Days Car Show
- 6 Sunday Dice Run
- 7-10 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, St. George
- 9 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 12 CCU Birthday Breakfast – Ruth's Diner & Wyoming Downs
- 12 Under the Stars Car and Truck Show, Sunset
- 16 CCU Membership Meeting – Falcon Park Pavilion, Sandy
- 19 Crossaction Computer Specialists Car Show, Riverdale 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Crossaction is donating \$200.00 for our 2017 club Charity. Lunch will be provided along with raffle prizes and trophies. For those from the South who would like to cruise up together, meet at Smith's foods at 655 West 5300 South at 8:30 to leave at 8:45 AM.
- 21 2017 Total Eclipse of the Moon, Rexburg, ID
- 26 Lake Point Car Show, Lake Point

## September 2017

- 2 Willard Car and Truck Show
- 4 Miner's Day Parade, Park City
- 9 Peach Days Car Show, Brigham City
- 8-10 Rides & Rods Classic Car Show, Elko, NV
- 9 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD

- 13 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 12-17 San Diego Trip
- 20 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray

**October 2017**

- 11 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 11-16 Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, NM
- 14 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD
- 18 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray

**November 2017**

- 8 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 11 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD
- 15 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray,  
UT

**December 2017**

- 9 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD
- 13 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 14 CCU Christmas Party
- 20 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray,  
UT

**January 2018**

- 20 CCU Awards Dinner - TBD

**August 2019**

- 28-31 2019 National Corvette Caravan and 25<sup>th</sup> NCM Anniversary



# WFR 2017 ENTRY FORM

## JULY 28,29,30th

ENTRY # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Car \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Enter Street Drags YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

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55-57 Chevy	Convertible (49 - Pres)	Rat Rod
55-57 Chevy Mod	Custom	Specialty
60's	MOPAR	Street Rod
60's Mod	Muscle Car	Import Tuner
70's	Mustang (Pre 79)	T-Bucket
70's Mod	Mustang Late (79 - Present)	Unfinished
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Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Car \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Entering Burnouts \_\_\_\_\_

Free T-Shirt w/entry Size: S M LG XL 2XL 3XL Please circle size

ENTRY FEE: \$35

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CC	1940-1949
DD	1950-1954
EE	1955-1959
FF	1960-1964
GG	1965-1969
HH	1970-1974
II	1975-1979
JJ	1980-2000
KK	2001-Present
LL	Lowrider Extreme
MM	Chevy 55-57 Modified
NN	Camaro 67-69 Modified
OO	Mustang Early Pre 79 Modified
PP	Mustang Modified All Years
QQ	Corvette Late
RR	Corvette Modified All Years
SS	Muscle Car
TT	2wd Truck Modified Pre 1960
UU	4wd Modified All Years
VV	Pick Up Modified All Years
WW	Unfinished
XX	Pedal Cars
YY	Rat Rods
ZZ	Import Modified

STOCK CAR & TRUCK	
A	1900-1934
B	1935-1939
C	1940-1949
D	1950-1954
E	1955-1959
F	1960-1964
G	1965-1969
H	1970-1974
I	1975-1979
J	1980-2000
K	2011-Present
L	Lowrider
M	Chevy 55-57 Stock
N	Camaro 67-69 Stock
O	Mustang Early Pre 79 Stock
P	Mopar All Years
Q	Corvette Early
R	Convertible
S	Four Door
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# Pete Schwager's 1960 Corvette

A little about my 1960 Corvette, I bought new from Olsen Chevrolet (now Young Chevrolet) in Layton. They called me on a Friday and said the car had arrived and could be picked up on Monday. On Saturday, I had to leave for a two week Army Reserve summer camp, so it was a long two weeks.

List price was \$4,018.00. With accessories and taxes it was \$4,913.10; actual purchase price \$4,100.00.

The Corvette is still in winter hibernation, but I think the mileage is about 375,000+.

Major repairs were engine replacement (1969 and 1981) and frame replacement (2002).

I still own this Corvette and drive it as much as I can.

Options I purchased with the Corvette:

4 speed transmission..\$188.30

Positraction..\$43.05

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Heater.. \$102.25

White Walls..\$31.55

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Electric Wipers..\$16.15

Pete Schwager (Corvette Club of Utah Member)



# June 2017 Members Meeting at Roy Park Bowery



## June 10th Poker Run – A Review

### By Mike Barker

June 10, 2017, the following club members attended the poker run to Dugway, Utah: Mike and Merry Barker, Alex and Louise Johnson, Richard and Connie Stanham, Bob and Jo Clayton, Scott and Kori Jensen, Steve and Terri Ballard, Sam Howard, Paul and Christy Floor, Will and Maurie Gardner, Dour Fisher, Judy Corgiat, Fred & Dianne Allen, and Sonny and Barb Stach.

The cruise left West Jordan with five stops to draw cards. The ride from Dugway back into Tooele was beautiful. What made it nice was the drive up through the canyon to the overlook where everyone took the opportunity to read the plaque about the old Lincoln Highway. We all had a fun day and after lunch in Tooele we awarded the winners of the poker hands to Terrie Ballard (high hand three deuces), Kori Jensen, Paul Floor, Karen DeSmet and Steve DeSmet (with the low hand).

Merry and I want to thank Alex & Louise Johnson for helping with the drawing of the poker cards.







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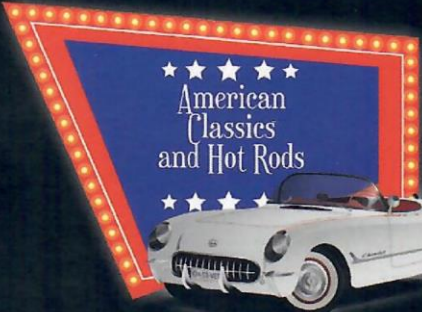
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