



# Vette Gazette

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**Front Cover Photo Credit**

Some of our members on the Mount Rushmore trip, September 2016. As you can see, they made it. Some of the highlights included driving through snow in Yellowstone, meeting the locals on the Indian Reservation, and John Emery’s famous (or infamous) navigation skills. See more photos on our website, [corvetteclubofutah.org](http://corvetteclubofutah.org).

## From the Editor

It's the second edition of the 2017 Vette Gazette! Hopefully this one is a little more polished, and a little less hassle for the printers to publish! I'm using old 2016 pictures for the front cover because we need to go on some 2017 road trips and make more memories! We've got a lot of great trips being planned by our members for this coming year. Hope to see you at a few of them!

I've realized that the club is about our love for Corvettes and also about the people who drive them. Which is why I've got people on the front cover, and also include bits about the members in each Vette Gazette edition. I'm not very good at keeping up with the goings on of members, so I hope you will help me out. I just learned about George Rushton's heart attack – hope you are feeling better, George! – and want to make sure we hear about events in each other's lives so that we can support each other – not only by cleaning off water spots on the cars, but by encouraging and lifting each other through life's ups and downs.

**Correction** – The Jan/Feb edition listed the club dues as \$45. This is incorrect. They are \$40. However, it's nice to know that the gazette is getting read. Sigh...I was hoping for only spelling errors. Oh, and date mix ups. If anyone attended the birthday breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, I hope you had a great time. I also hope they didn't put you in the "Lonely Hearts" section of Marie Callenders. Anyway, if you overpaid, and would like a refund let me know. Otherwise, Shirlynn will donate the extra \$5 paid to the Utah Food Bank.

## Vette Gazette Submission Information

To submit information for publication in the May/June 2017 issue of the *Vette Gazette*, please submit your information to Annamarie Forbes, Gazette Editor, no later than April 21<sup>st</sup>. Email address: [ccu.vettegazette@corvetteclubofutah.org](mailto:ccu.vettegazette@corvetteclubofutah.org)

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Bob Clayton

2017 Corvette Club sponsored Charity: Utah Food Bank

# Corvette Club of Utah News

## Stay Connected!

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information regarding activities, news, and events. 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.

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.

To change your mailing address for the *Vette Gazette*, send an e-mail to [ccu.membership@corvetteclubofutah.org](mailto:ccu.membership@corvetteclubofutah.org).

Join us on-line at [www.corvetteclubofutah.org](http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org) or Like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/CorvetteClubOfUtah>.

## Creative Graphics – embroidered shirts

Embroidered club shirts are available through Creative Graphics.

The catalog is available online and members can call Creative Graphics if they decide on a different style.

1. Port Authority Diamond Jacquard Polos  
(moisture wicking - 10 colors)  
Men (K569)  
with logo/taxes \$23.02  
  
Women (L569)  
with logo/taxes \$23.02
2. Port Authority Luxurious 100% Pima Cotton  
Men (K448)  
with logo/taxes \$27.83  
  
Women (L448)  
with logo/taxes \$27.83

Members can also take their own items in and have the logo embroidered for a \$5.00 fee

### [Creative Graphics](#)

4876 South 300 West  
Murray, UT 84107  
[www.cgprinting.com](http://www.cgprinting.com)

Contact: Andrea Bitton  
Phone: (801) 266-7273  
[andrea@cgprinting.com](mailto:andrea@cgprinting.com)

Judy Corgiat has their catalog if anyone would like to check it out. See Judy at a member meeting (or her car, because that's usually where it is – smiley face!)

# New Members

## **Wendel and Kerry Burt**

Wendel and I are fairly newlyweds (2014). He has four adult children and I have three. He is co-owner/president of Burt Brothers Tire and Service. As you can imagine, he loves most things mechanical. He serves on the Bridgestone Dealer Council. Through Burt Brothers he and I are involved in several community events like KUTV Angel Tree, KSL Teacher Feature and Coats for Kids. I retired from Intermountain Healthcare in 2015 as the Chief Development Officer (fancy for fundraising) for the Southwest Region. My career years were in St. George and I was quite involved civically.

Wendel has loved Corvettes over many years, however this is his first. Years ago I had a 1970 convertible. With both of us loving them, it didn't take much to push us into buying one together. Wendel also has loved hunting with his three sons and we both enjoy riding his Harley and traveling with friends and family. We are looking forward to making friends in the Corvette club and participating in rallies and road trips.

## **Craig and Karla McManama**

Craig and Karla live in West Valley City. They own a 2002 orange vette.

## **Ari Ioannides and Ember Conley**

I collect classic cars and always wanted a Corvette hot rod. I love the C3 and wanted a stingray curved back window. I worked with Jason and JDP Motorsports to get the car customized into a great hot rod, but kept the looks of the 25 anniversary coupe. Ember and I live on a 260 acre nature preserve just outside Park City. You can see her tooling around in her restored and original 56 T-Bird. Car: 1978 Silver Roadster.

## **Raymond Wagner**

My name is Raymond L. Wagner. I work at Hill AFB as a certified climber on the HILL AFB Radome Team. I moved from California/McClellan AFB/ to Utah/Hill AFB in January 2000. I have always been interested in older Corvettes, Harleys and muscle cars. I purchased my 1973 Corvette Coupe in 2000. It was painted blue with buckskin interior and 350/Auto. The 1973 Corvette Coupe is now painted B5-Blue with black leather interior, 502/600 HP Gen IV big block and a TREMEC T-56 Magnum 6-Speed.

# March/April Birthdays

## March

1 Dennis Barker  
2 Kathleen Barker  
2 Cheryl Woolston  
2 Scott Stanford  
2 Chuck Baker  
4 Andrea Hughes  
6 Bonnie France  
8 Janet Blood  
8 Christy Floor  
10 Char Ohlson  
11 Kathy Rocco  
11 Ranee Barney  
14 Marlene Cummings  
15 Sally Allen  
18 Amber Jones  
19 Ken Frailey  
19 Brenda Peters  
19 Kathee Richardson  
21 Lance Parker  
21 Nona Ellis  
21 Juleanne Dawson  
22 Rodney (Rod) Hallsten  
22 Dave Meents  
24 Debbie Richards  
25 Rik Noring  
25 Scott Strong  
25 Byron Simpson  
25 Sherry Bernard  
27 Janet Tillotson  
27 Lynn Spencer  
28 Peggy Larsen  
30 Ron Probert  
31 Bernie Warburton  
31 Teddy Wardle  
31 Jim Dickson

## April

2 Lori Price  
3 Ron Stewart  
3 Dianne Allen  
4 David E. Nagel  
6 Marie Liston  
9 Shirley Harrington  
11 Mark Massey  
12 Jackie Howell  
16 Steve Halvorson  
19 Cliff Simpson  
19 Luke Hoefnagel  
23 Karen DeSmet  
25 Robert Callaway  
25 Florece Noring  
26 Racheal Hellier  
27 Lynne Hicks  
29 Cecelia Symons  
30 Don Sommers







Greetings from the South Pacific. The club Facebook page is going to be neglected for the next few months while I complete this journey. I try to add content as I have internet, but it won't be as frequent as when I'm home.

The National Corvette Museum recently announced the 2019 National Corvette Caravan. It will be the last week in August. Specific dates will follow. This occurs every 5 years. Plan on leaving Utah on Sunday, participating in museum activities Thurs thru Sat, and returning home the following Sunday. Details will be announced as they become available.

CCU is a lifetime member club of the NCM. If you join the NCM be sure to offer that information to get a membership price break.

I'm not there to sell raffle tickets for a new Corvette, but you can get them from the NCM Web page.

Email me if you have questions regarding the NCM. I'll get back to you when I can.

Bob Clayton - Your NCM Ambassador

## **CCU NCM Ambassador News**

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.

## **Mountain West Street News (MWSN)**

The 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's quite informative and 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.

## **Annual Picnic, Sunday, June 4th**

The first Sunday in June, it's the 4<sup>th</sup> this year, MWSN will hold an awesome event at Sandridge Park in Roy. It is the Mountain West Street News Picnic. All the clubs show up. It's not really a 'car show' by definition but a picnic/show-n-shine to support the publication of MWSN. It is a great event, on the green park grass. They have raffles and prizes and lately have been giving away trophies to some of the best entrants. Under the Photos tab on the club web site you can pull up a few photos from past picnics.

The following two pages include information about the MWSN picnic and registration form. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Tillotson at (801) 773-8438.



SUNDAY, JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (RAIN, SNOW OR SHINE)  
SANDRIDGE PARK 2075 WEST 4400 SOUTH ROY, UTAH

**PICNIC REGISTRATION FEE:**

ENTRY FEE: Subscription to MWSN and Picnic Registration  
\$27.00 before May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 \$32.00 after May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Picnic registration only

\$ 7.00 before May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 \$12.00 after May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**NOTE:** If you have a current subscription to MWSN and it does not expire at this time of year, your subscription will be renewed at the time of expiration.

**ALL VEHICLES ARE WELCOME!**

FREE TEE SHIRT FOR THE FIRST 25 TO PRE-REGISTER  
DASH PLAQUES & GOODIE BAGS TO THE FIRST 250 TO REGISTER

NSRA SAFETY INSPECTIONS FOR 2017 WILL BE AVAILABLE

\$150.00 CASH DRAWING FOR ENTRIES RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MAY 27<sup>TH</sup>  
(VEHICLE OWNER MUST BE PRESENT AT TIME OF DRAWING)

**REGISTRATION FOR THE PICNIC BEGINS AT 9:00 a.m.**

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH IF YOU LIKE. FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE  
PARK FOR YOUR CONVIENCE.

REMEMBER, THIS IS A PICNIC TO SUPPORT M.W.S.N.

**THIS IS NOT A CAR SHOW.**

ACTIVITIES GET UNDER WAY AROUND 11:00 A.M. PRIZES AT 3:00 P.M.

**ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE!** We would like to help the Joyce Hansen/Catholic Community Food Bank again this year! For each non-perishable food item you bring, we will give you one FREE raffle ticket. (LIMIT 10 tickets per person) Help us fill their food barrels!

MOUNTAIN WEST STREET NEWS NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT TO CONTINUE THIS PUBLICATION. REMEMBER, WE ARE A NON-PROFIT PUBLICATION. PLEASE HELP US MAKE OUR 37TH ANNIVERSARY PICNIC ONE OF THE BIGGEST & BEST EVER!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:  
M.W.S.N. P.O. BOX 172, ROY, UTAH 84067  
OR CALL (801) 773-8438 OR (801) 725-8784

# Mountain West STREET NEWS PICNIC

ENTRY # \_\_\_\_\_  
SUB/PICNIC \_\_\_\_\_  
PICNIC ONLY \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION FORM  
MOUNTAIN WEST STREET NEWS PICNIC 2017  
PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BEFORE 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
PLEASE DO NOT MAIL AFTER MAY 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ SPACE/APT # \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY: \_\_\_\_\_  
YEAR MAKE MODEL

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MY VEHICLE NSRA SAFETY INSPECTED \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

**ENTRY & ADVERTISING RELEASE:** Owner, wife and/or guests agree to permit Mountain West Street News to use their names, pictures and other information for publicity, advertising or commercial purposes before, during and after the MWSN Picnic.

**LIABILITY:** Entrants, participants, & spectators hereby release Mountain West Street News, the City of Roy, the County of Weber, the State of Utah and the editors and staff of MWSN and picnic from any and all damages, injuries, losses and claims suffered by entrant, family or guests to his person or property. Entrants who will participate in this picnic agree to follow any and all safety rules and regulations.

I have read and agree to all the conditions and rules governing this picnic including all games & activities. I agree all music will be provided by J.C. Hackett. Individual stereo systems will not be allowed. I agree to observe all decisions of the picnic management, the Mountain West Street News Picnic Staff. I understand if I pre-register and do not attend, packets will not be forwarded. I also understand that the picnic staff and their vehicles are admitted to the picnic area before the registered cars so they can set up for the day's events. I understand that if I have an Easy Up, I must have it secured safely to the ground.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY FEE: SUBSCRIPTION TO MWSN & PICNIC REGISTRATION  
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\$32.00 AFTER MAY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

PICNIC REGISTRATION ONLY  
\$ 7.00 BEFORE MAY 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
\$12.00 AFTER MAY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

IF SUBSCRIBING, IS THIS A RENEWAL \_\_\_ OR A NEW SUBSCRIPTION \_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: M.W.S.N. P.O. BOX 172 ROY, UTAH 84067



## **Corvette Club of Utah News**

### **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!

### **Not Hearing About Upcoming Events**

We try to keep you informed with the Gazette, the CCU Website, and e-mail reminders. If you want to receive e-mail updates on events, changes to the schedule (and that does happen), you need to let us know your current e-mail address. If you change your email address, you need to tell us or you won't get CCU e-mail.

### **Club Member Significant Family Events**

If you know of another member who is ill, having surgery or has had a death in the family, please let the CCU Secretary or another officer know, so a card can be mailed from the club.

### **We wish the following people a speedy recovery:**

Georgiana Nelson – hip replacement  
Lynn Spencer – Back surgery, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>

(I have just started putting this information in the Gazette, which means that I know that this is an incomplete list. For those of you recovering who haven't been mentioned, my apologies! Perhaps this will be your motivation to get better quickly, rise up, and beat me with your cane, or any other recovery equipment!)

# January/February Activities Review

Of course we had the January birthday breakfast, and membership meeting (if you are interested in notes, please see Nola Emery). But the highlight in January was the annual Awards Banquet, which was held on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Farmington Country Club.

Following a lovely dinner, Dave Ohlson recognized each 2016 officer for their service. Then the 2016 awards were given as follows:

## Participation awards:

First Place: Jo Clayton, Karen DeSmet

Second Place: Mike & Merry Barker, Linda Laycock

Third Place: Paul and Jalee Cox

## CCU Patches:

### Five Year:

Fred & Dianne Allen

Chuck & Paula Baker

Steve & Karen DeSmet

Will & Maurie Gardner

Brenda Tippetts

### Ten Year:

Mike & Kit Kosakowski

Lloyd & Linda Laycock

Darrell & Nancy Moench

Phil & Kathy Rocco

Dennis & Carol Salzetti

Lowell & Nancy Sorenson

Scott & Doreen Strong

Robert & Susan Thomson

Vaughn & Diane Williams

### Fifteen Year:

Bruce & Shirlynn Gildea

Alan & Diana Marks

Robert & Gin Strong

Robert & Janet Tillotson

Karen Ward & Tammy Barnhurst

Allen & Kathy Rohlfing

### Twenty Year:

Robert & Susan Callaway

(Twenty Year – continued)  
Dee & Ann Oldroyd

Twenty-Five Year:  
Joel & Bonnie France  
George & Pauline Rushton  
Bernie Poelzl

Thirty Year:  
Robert & Nancy Jensen

Thirty-Five Year:  
Pete Schwager

The Funny Awards were given as follows:

- Steve & Terry Ballard, Craters of the Moon trip. Terry lost her Corvette hat when it blew out of the car. Kelly Vining saw it and stopped to pick it up. Terry was presented with a chin strap to attach to her hats so she wouldn't lose another!
- Bob Clayton, Craters of the Moon trip. Bob led the group down a dirt road, which turned out to be a wrong turn, even though his GPS said it was correct. Bob received a paper map of unpaved roads of Idaho, with that section highlighted.
- Scott Stanford, Craters of the Moon trip. Scott's battery died when the group stopped for gas in Arco, Idaho. Fortunately, the right people came along, and he was able to buy a battery, even though the store was closed. Bob received green foam shamrocks for luck.
- Bruce Gildea, Elko Balloon Festival trip. Bob had carefully planned this trip, and wanted to take the group up a canyon to a beautiful waterfall. Unfortunately, a snowstorm hit the area shortly before the trip. The canyon ride turned into a snowpacked road adventure. Bruce was presented with a snow shovel.
- Steve DeSmet, Elko Balloon Festival trip. Steve overslept one morning, so he was given "Boost Your Memory" pills (Tic-Tacs) and Karen was given a megaphone to help wake up Steve.
- Nona Ellis & Terry Wahrburten, Goblin Valley trip. Terry brought her small dogs along on this trip, and she snuck them into a restaurant inside her coat. Nona wanted to see her dogs, so we went over to Terry and bent over Terry for a look. Well, it looked like she was looking at something else, and, of course, Steve

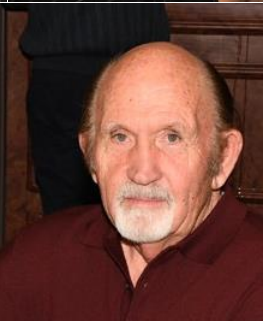
DeSmet got a very awkward picture of it all. Nona was presented with her own fancy bra and a mini stuffed dog. Terry was given stuffed dogs and a flyswatter, to keep any pesky lookers away!

- Kelly Vining, Goblin Valley trip. Kelly was fascinated by the pancake machine in the hotel, so the breakfast hostess took it apart to show him how it worked. Kelly received a pancake turner and a Wikipedia printout of the history of pancake makers.
- Dave Ohlson, Ruby's Dinner breakfast. Dave kept misplacing his napkins, so the waitress continued to bring him napkins. When they got ready to leave, Dave realized his back pocket was full of napkins! Dave was presented with a package of napkins.
- Terry Wahrburton, Evanston, Mirror Lake Highway trip. Terry's hat flew off on this trip. Linda Laycock spotted it and got her hat. Linda presented Terry with a crocheted strap with Acco clamps that she can use as a "hat holder".
- John Emery, Mount Rushmore/Yellowstone trip. Karen DeSmet presented John with the "Which Way? This Way!" or "Follow Me, I Never Get Lost!" award. John's navigational skills were highlighted, including, stopping at a restaurant that was no longer there and pulling into a stop with lots of semi-trucks. He was presented with a magnifying glass, map, and framed U-Turn picture with each of his famous U-turn maneuvers.
- Reed & Lori Price, Mount Rushmore/Yellowstone trip. The group stayed a night in Max's Inn Resort, which was marketed online as a beautiful rustic lodge. Reed and Lori experienced a terrible couple of rooms, which included – sloping floors and door sweeps made of carpet that would not have kept out varmints. Karen DeSmet presented them with airfreshner, Clorox wipes, aluminum foil, a small rug to remind them of their door sweep, and a framed internet picture of what their room was supposed to look like.

After the awards, we were treated to several videos that Kelly Vining had put together of trips that the club had made in 2016, including commercials between trip videos. Well done, Kelly!







## March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 CCU Officers Meeting	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 CCU Members Meeting	16	17	18 Birthday Breakfast, Village Inn Ogden, UT
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Birthday Breakfast Mimi's Orem, UT
9	10	11	12 CCU Officers Meeting	13	14	15 Hurricane Valley Easter Car Show
16 Hurricane Valley Easter Car Show	17	18	19 CCU Members Meeting	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	May 1	May 2	May 3 Route 66 Historic Drive Kingman AZ	May 4 Route 66	May 5 Route 66	May 6 Route 66 Returns May 8

## **March Events**

### **March Birthday Breakfast – March 18th**

Saturday, Mar. 18th - 9:00 AM at Village Inn, 322 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Ogden, UT. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in March. Everyone is invited to attend and wish them a happy birthday. For more information contact Karen DeSmet.

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

### **CCU March Membership Meeting – March 15th**

Wednesday, Mar. 15th – 7:00 PM at Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S. State Street, Murray, UT. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be discussions relating to future events and activities followed by drawings for door prizes.

Be sure to wear your name tags. For more information contact Karen DeSmet.

Check the Corvette Club of Utah Website for the latest information.

## **April Events**

### **April Birthday Breakfast – April 8th**

Saturday, Apr. 8th – 9:00 AM at Mimi's Cafe, 304 East University Parkway, Orem, UT. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in April. Everyone is invited to attend and wish them a happy birthday. For more information contact Karen DeSmet. Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the information

### **CCU Membership Meeting – April 19th**

Wednesday, Apr. 19th – 7:00 PM at Larry H Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S. State Street in Murray, UT. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be discussions relating to future events and activities followed by drawings for door prizes.

Be sure to wear your name tags. For more information contact Karen DeSmet. Check the Corvette Club of Utah Website for the latest information.

### Hurricane Valley Rotary Easter Car Show – Saturday, April 15th

Saturday, April 15th: The Hurricane Valley Rotary Easter Car Show is held each year on the Saturday before Easter at the Hurricane Community Center located on 100 W State Street in beautiful Hurricane, UT. For more information contact Tony Rice at 801-793-0414 or [tonyrice73@gmail.com](mailto:tonyrice73@gmail.com).



## Calendar – 2017 Review

### March 2017

- 8 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 15 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray, UT
- 18 CCU Birthday Breakfast – Village Inn, Ogden, UT
- 31 National Hot Rod Association –NHRA Nationals, Las Vegas, NV **CANCELLED**

### April 2017

- 1-2 National Hot Rod Association –NHRA Nationals, Las Vegas, NV **CANCELLED**
- 8 CCU Birthday Breakfast – Mimi's, Orem, UT
- 12 CCU Officer's Meeting – Red Robin, Murray, UT
- 15-16 Hurricane Valley Easter Car Show, Hurricane, UT
- 19 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray, UT

## May 2017

- 3-8 Historic Route 66 – Kingman, AZ
- 10 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 13 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD
- 17 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet,  
Murray, UT

## June 2017

- 2 Historic 25<sup>th</sup> Street Car Show, Ogden, UT
- 3 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD
- 3 RC Willey Car Show, Roy, UT
- 4 Mountain West Picnic, Roy, UT
- 10 Poker Run with the Mustang Club
- 10 RMR Street Car Shoot Out, 11:00 -8:30 PM
- 14 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 16-17 Wendover Cruise In, Wendover, NV
- 16-17 Bountiful Rotary Club Coat s for Kids Car Dhow
- 21 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 22-25 Corvettes at Lake Tahoe Participants Choice Car Show
- 24 LHM BBQ - officers

## July 2017

- 1 CCU Birthday Dinner at Grey Cliff Lodge – TBD
- 4 Fourth of July Parade, Sandy City, UT - TBD
- 6-9 Utah Shakespeare, Cedar City, UT
- 8 Coalville City Super Cruise Car show
- 12 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 19 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 21-23 Boise VetteFest, Boise, ID

## August 2017

- 6 Sunday Dice Run
- 9 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 12 CCU Birthday Breakfast – Ruth's Diner?
- 19 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 21-24 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, St. George, UT
- 26 Lake Point Car Show, Lake Point, UT
- 26-31 Seattle Trip

### **September 2017**

- 4 Miner's Day Parade, Park City, UT
- 9 CCU Birthday Breakfast Brunch – TBD
- 13 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 13-18 San Diego Trip (John Forbes planning, more info TBA)
- 20 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray, UT

### **October 2017**

- 11 CCU Officer's Meeting – TBD
- 12-16 Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 14 CCU Birthday Breakfast – TBD
- 18 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, Murray, UT

### **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

### **August 2019**

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



# Specific Event Summaries

## ROUTE 66

**\*Note: This trip is coming soon! Sign up asap so that Bernie has time to reserve more rooms if needed.**

Wednesday May 3<sup>rd</sup> thru Monday May 8<sup>th</sup>  
You must register with Route 66 Association  
[www.azrt66.com](http://www.azrt66.com) phone: (928) 753-5001

### **Wednesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Meet at Thanksgiving Point exit 284 by the water tower in the parking lot. Drivers meeting at 8:45 am depart 9:00am for lunch approximately 12:30pm in Moab. Then onto Bluff, Utah. We will be staying at Desert Rose Inn – 701 Main Street Bluff, Utah. Phone: (866) 430-2692 – (435) 672-2303. Price of room: \$132.00 for one night. Reservations under Corvette Club of Utah under Bernie.

### **Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup>**

Drivers meeting at 8:30am. Highlights for the day include drive through Monument Valley in route to the four corners area. Then on to Winslow AZ stopping by the Petrified Forest on the way. If time permits we will stop by the Meteor Crater outside of Flagstaff and then off to Williams. We will be staying 2 nights at Comfort Inn – 911 West Route 66 Williams, AZ. Phone: (928) 635-4045 Cindy. Price of room: \$ 109.99 per night. Reservations under Corvette Club of Utah under Bernie.

### **Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>**

Meet and go to the train station 8:45am. Train boards at 9:15am for the day at the Grand Canyon, train boards at 3:15pm back to Williams 5:45pm for dinner. Train cost \$89.67 per person.

### **Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am drivers meeting leave for Seligman for the fun run start. We will pick up our packets in Seligman, all run details will be

discussed at the drivers meeting. Dinner in Kingman at the Dambar happy hour 6:30pm order at 7:00pm. We will be staying 2 nights at the Kings Inn – 2930 east Andy Devine Drive Kingman, AZ. Phone: (928) 753-6101. Price of room: \$110.00 per night.

### **Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Drivers meeting at 8:30am leave for Oatman, Topock, Golden Shores, then on to Lake Havasu for dinner at Shugrues, overlooking the London Bridge, then back to Kingman.

### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Drivers meeting at 8:00 leave for Salt Lake City via Boulder, NV Lake View Road to Overton and into Mesquite for lunch. About an hour and off to Salt Lake arrive home about 6:00pm.

Register with club sign up sheet. Contact Bernie @ [tbuckethemigmail.com](mailto:tbuckethemigmail.com) : Cell: (801) 598-2278.

## **Wendover Cruise In**

Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>: Burnout Contest, Poker Run, trophies and more. The Good Vibrations Celebration of the Beach Boys is playing at the Peppermill Concert Hall. What a way to spend Father's Day weekend! For more information contact Tony Rice at 801-793-0414 or [tonyrice73@gmail.com](mailto:tonyrice73@gmail.com).

## **Boise VetteFest**

Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> – Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>: Fun and excitement for everyone, not to mention a whole lot of Vettes! Events include Fuel Economy run, autocross, drag racing, Show and Shine, and more. More information in the next issue.

## **Shakespeare Festival Trip**

Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>: "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.” See full itinerary below. For more information contact Will and Maurie Gardner at [801-698-2597](tel:801-698-2597).

### **Tuacahn Amphitheatre**

Monday, August 21st– Thursday, August 24th: 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! For more information contact Bob Luken at 801-915-0001.

### **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.

### **Seattle Road Trip**

Saturday, August 26th – Saturday, September 2nd: This eight day cruise takes us from SLC thru Idaho to Seattle, WN, returning down the Oregon and California coast. Highlights include underground Seattle and Pike’s Fish Market, overnight on Victoria Island, Sea Lion Caves, Lawrence, OR, Prehistoric Gardens, Port Oxford, CA, and the Redwood National Forest, Crescent City, CA. For more information contact John Emery at 801-750-4929 or [jemery56@outlook.com](mailto:jemery56@outlook.com).

## **San Diego Road Trip**

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>: This will be a two day drive to San Diego, with an overnight stop in Mesquite. San Diego on Friday (lots of options). A fun drive through mountains on Saturday on a twisty, curvy road with lunch at a restaurant on top of the mountain. An overnight stop in Las Vegas on Saturday, and lunch in Cedar City on Sunday on the way home. For more information contact John Forbes at 801-721-0750 or [jforbesut@yahoo.com](mailto:jforbesut@yahoo.com).

## **Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta**

Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> – Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>: Over 500 balloons take flight during the mass ascension of this annual fall event during the first full week in October. The event begun with 13 balloons in 1972 and today is the largest hot air ballooning event in the world. We will leave SLC Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> arriving in Albuquerque, NM mid-day Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, dinner and shopping in Historic Old Town with 6:00 PM Special Shape Glodeo that evening. Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> early birds enjoy 7:00 AM Mass Ascension. We leave after for a scenic byway cruise returning to Albuquerque to see the amazing Night Magic Glow presented by Canon (awesome photo op), followed by a laser light show and After Glow fireworks. Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, early birds start at 6:30 AM for the Krispy Cream Morning Glow followed by the Farewell Ascension. Then we check out, and begin a scenic drive home overnighiting along the route and arriving home late afternoon Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. More detailed information in the next issue. This is a well-attended event with reasonable lodging selling out as early as February. Rooms average approximately \$140 - \$165 for a king size; a little more for 2 queen size beds. Balloon Fiesta morning and evening sessions are \$10 each. WE will leave our cars at the hotel and take the hotel shuttle to the Park 'n Ride, which will take us to the Balloon Fiesta. I need to know ASAP who is interested so that we can take advantage of the reasonably priced lodging. For questions, suggestions, and more information contact Karen DeSmet at 801-910-2923 or [krdesmet@gmail.com](mailto:krdesmet@gmail.com)

## Beyond The Cars – Get to Know the Members



**Bob and Janet Tillotson**

Janet and I have been together since we were sophomores at Bonneville High School and graduated together from Roy High as part of the first graduating class in 1966. We finally tied the knot in September 1967 so we are now coming up on our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. We have 3 great kids, 1 daughter and 2 boys and we have 7 terrific grand kids, the youngest being 13 years old now, (Ouch).

I have been a Corvette kid since long before I could drive. My dad would point out the early Corvettes and my eyes would bug out as I'd watch them cruise by. I used to watch the old TV show 'Route 66' just



to watch the Vette. I bought my first Corvette in April 1966 when I was a senior at Roy High, a 1959 Inca Silver with black soft top. I felt like top dog at school. The girls were saying that Janet was going with me for my Vette even though we'd been steady for 2 years already. I/we originally joined the Corvette Club of Utah in 1969 - 1970, and I still have my dash plaque. At that time I was driving my 1965 Goldwood Yellow roadster – wish I had that one back. Back in those days, everyone always waved at the other Vettes. What happened to that custom? We re-joined the club in Jan. 2002. I have held club officer positions 5 times, Membership Chair and NCM Ambassador. We have now owned 5 Vettes and still have our 2004 Commemorative Roadster and just bought our 2017 Long Beach Red Metallic Grand Sport coupe. We love CCU. We have met so many

cool folks and made a bunch of new friends. We love the road trips and the car shows, the breakfasts and dinners. We are sooo ready for summer again.

Lastly the boring stuff; I am retired with 37 years federal service the last 32 of which I was a branch chief and later Quality Assurance Monitor for the U.S. Dept. of HUD/FHA. Janet has been a hair stylist since age 16, still operates her salon and is also a full time Circulation Manager for the Weber County Library. She loves what she's doing and I love what I'm doing. Remember the 'Wave'.



**Bruce and Shirlynn Gildea**

have been members of the CCU since 2002 (15 years). Bruce owned several Corvettes in his younger years and Shirlynn was dating another Corvette when she met Bruce and his Corvette. So they both come from a strong history of "loving" Corvettes. Fast forward 35 years after 8 children, 22 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren (with 2 more on the way) and in 2002 they bought a 2001 red coupe and joined the Corvette Club of Utah. In the last 15 years they have upgraded two more times...always red...to their present 2010 Grand Sport. They have both been officers in the club and Shirlynn is the current treasurer.

Bruce grew up in San Francisco and Shirlynn in Bountiful, Utah. They met and dated across the Golden Gate Bridge, she living in Sausalito and he in San Francisco. Bruce was a fireman in San Mateo, California, retiring after 20 years with a back injury. He was involved in Real Estate in California and continued when they moved to Utah in 1979. He now manages his residential and commercial real estate. Shirlynn is a retired elementary school librarian. She has written, illustrated and published her first children's picture book.

Their children are scattered all over the planet, so a lot of their travel is to visit kids and grandkids. They celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this year.



**John and Nola Emery**

have been married 30 years and have three children, Troy, Travis and Trishia all grown up. Troy lives in Virginia, Travis in Washington, and Trishia in Idaho. We have been members of the corvette club for Three years. We have two corvettes, a 1972 Orange Stingray and 2008 Black Coupe. Love them.

We are originally from Idaho Falls, Idaho. John's work has taken us all around the country. We have lived in Dallas, Texas, Troy was born there and Mobile Alabama where Travis was born. We moved back to Idaho Falls, Idaho where Trishia was born. Then our adventures moved us to Utah in 1995 where we decided it was a great place to raise our children. We loved skiing and paintballing with our children, movies and sneaking them out of school when there dad wasn't looking and we would go skiing, bowling or a movie.

John is a Senior Project Manager for Jacobsen Construction where he has worked for 17 years. Nola works for Intermountain Healthcare at Utah Valley Hospital, Patent Account Service, Follow- up billing, 20 years with Intermountain Health Care. We so enjoy the Corvette Club and love the adventures.

We cannot wait to see what this year brings us. Corvette Cruising with you and getting to know all of you.

## CCU TRIVIA

When was the first mid-engine Corvette introduced (year)? What was it called? Who introduced it? And where was it unveiled?

Back when Chevrolet was not into racing, Zora Duntov created a Corvette to compete with the Ford Cobra 427 S/C and the GT 40's. What was the Corvette called? And what year was it produced?

In what year did Corvette produce cars in two different cities? What cities?

Three things were quite unique about this year of production what were they?

What one thing is unique about the 1981 Corvette?

E-mail your answers to Mike Barker at: [corvettemichael@yahoo.com](mailto:corvettemichael@yahoo.com)

The club member who submits the correct answers to me first may receive something of use for a Corvette owner.

Mike Barker



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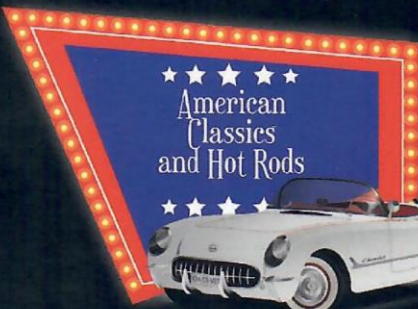
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