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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

For those who missed the Tri-Club road rally for Cindy Molokach you missed a great outing. 21 Corvettes were on hand with a couple of daily drivers bringing up the rear. The course was a challenge but most survived all the grueling twists and turns. Thanks to Paula Lewis for her many hours to make this happen, again Thank you Paula. The end was at #6 pavilion in Bradys Run Park with a great meal furnished by Joe Molokach, Thank you Joe!

Our next outing will be at the New Castle School of Trades in New Castle June 5th at noon for the annual Car Show and Cruise. For this event as last year I have 12 + parking spots reserved for Corvettes so let me know if you are planning to attend as we will be leaving Zelienople in a group.

Remember if you are planning to attend any of the many events at the Vintage Grand Prix you still have time to sign up for the early discount. Let's have a great showing from our members.

Thanks,
Paul





INDY 500 - PACE CAR

The 2021 Corvette Convertible will serve as the Indy 500 pace car for the 105th running of the “Greatest Spectacle in Racing” later this month.

This year’s Indy 500 pace car is a 2021 Corvette Convertible with an Arctic White exterior, Strike Yellow accents and a matching Strike Yellow/Sky Cool Grey interior. The pace car also has an exclusive stripe package, unique Stingray decals and rear-facing safety lights incorporated into the tonneau cover nacelles. These lights are joined by additional safety strobe lights in the headlights, front vent louvres and taillights. This will be the first convertible to lead the Indy 500 field to green since 2008, when a C6 Corvette Convertible was drafted in for pace car duty.

“The Chevrolet team is privileged every time we’re invited to pace the Indianapolis 500,” said Chevy marketing boss Steve Majoros. “We are confident the track-capable Corvette Stingray Convertible will catch every race fan’s eye as it leads the pack toward the Yard of Bricks. From the color scheme, to the special race weekend decals and how the safety lighting is skillfully integrated into the nacelles of the hard-top convertible Corvette’s revolutionary appearance, we’re putting Chevrolet’s best on display for the fans.”

The Indy 500 pace car will feature a bone stock 6.2L LT2 V8 engine, which is rated at 495 horsepower and 470 pound-feet of torque with the optional performance exhaust equipped, along with a factory eight-speed dual clutch transmission.

A Chevrolet driver last won the Indy 500 in 2019, when Simon Pagenaud prevailed in a wheel-to-wheel battle with Honda driver Alexander Rossi to take his first Borg Warner Trophy. A Chevy has won the “Greatest Spectacle in Racing” a total of eleven times between nine different drivers in the race’s history.

The 105th Running of the Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge will be held on May 30th, 2021. NBC will have live television coverage throughout the day, while the IndyCar Radio Network will broadcast the race to Sirius 211, XM 205 and via the INDYCAR Mobile App.





HERES ONE FOR THE KIDS

The latest LEGO Speed Champions lineup includes a brick set that will allow Chevy fans to build their own LEGO version of the Corvette C8.R racecar and the 1968 C2 Corvette road car.

The 512-piece set celebrates the evolution of the Chevy Corvette from a front-engine sports car to a modern-day, mid-engine supercar. The C2 Corvette, with its Stingray-inspired styling and impressive in-period performance, helped establish the icon status that the American sports car enjoys today. The Corvette C8.R, meanwhile, proves the current-day Vette can hang with and beat the likes of Porsche and Ferrari on the track and also serves as a real-world testbed for the road-going Corvette program.

This new Corvette LEGO kit is one of several Chevy-licensed brick sets that the toy company has introduced under its automotive-themed Speed Champions banner. It also offered a similar kit for the C7 Corvette Z06, Chevy Camaro SS and the NASCAR Cup Series Chevy Camaro ZL1. This marks the first time the new mid-engine C8 Corvette has been offered in a LEGO kit, however. In addition to the required bricks to build the two cars, the kit also comes with LEGO driver figurines complete with their own racing-themed outfits and race helmets.



Chevy fans can expect to pay \$55.65 for the Corvette-themed LEGO Speed Champions set. The kit will officially go on sale in the United States later this year and will be sold alongside several other new-for-2021 Speed Champions sets based around cars like the Koenigsegg Jesko, Toyota Supra, McLaren Elva and Dodge Challenger. The LEGO Speed Champions kits are appropriate for ages eight and up due to the small pieces included in the set. Happy building, Chevy fans!





GOTTA COUPLE EXTRA BUCKS

The 1963 Chevy Corvette Sting Ray was a clean-sheet redesign of both the body and chassis. The bodywork featured pontoon fenders and a center ridge that started at the top of the windshield down to the tail of the coupes (on convertibles, the ridge ran from the leading edge of the convertible deck), much like the sea creature that is its namesake. The unbroken “spine” was made possible on the coupe by the one-year-only split rear window. The Corvette now featured independent rear suspension with a transverse leaf spring, allowing for much improved handling and ride.

For the 1963 model year only, the Chevy Corvette could be had with RPO Z06 Special Performance Equipment, intended strictly for competition cars. Checking the Z06 box got you the 360-hp, L84 fuel injected engine, a 36-gallon fiberglass fuel tank, a four-speed, close-ratio manual transmission, Positraction, larger finned steel brake drums with internal fans, “elephant ear” brake-cooling ducts that moved air to the front brakes, a dual-circuit, vacuum-boosted master cylinder, heavy-duty shocks and springs, and a larger front anti-roll bar. The Big Tank Z06 option was only available for coupes, and only 63 were made.

Our featured Chevy Corvette is one of those 63 Big Tank (RPO N03) Z06s. It has been the recipient of an exacting rotisserie restoration. It has won numerous awards, including Bloomington Gold Certification, an NCRS Top Flight award, NCRS Performance Verification, and the Zora Arkus Duntov Mark of Excellence. In addition to the Z06/N03 options, it comes equipped with leather seats, power windows, AM/FM radio, Off Road exhaust, T10 4-speed manual transmission, and 4.56 rear gears.



It is sold with documented ownership and title history, warranty book, owner’s manual, sales brochure, and an NCRS shipping data report. Hagerty Price Guide value for a 1963 Chevy Corvette Z06 Big Tank Split Window Coupe in #1 condition is \$681,000. This unicorn Corvette will grace the auction block at the Mecum Indy sale May 14th-22nd.





FOXBURG WINERIES CRUISE

What a beautiful day it was to cruise up to Foxburg Winery. Being that we wanted to enjoy the weather and driving our Vette's our band of 6 vehicles travelled all the way out to Punxsutawney then up north through Clarion and finally to our destination. We enjoyed a few bottles of wine and a great lunch before departing for home.





Triple Challenge

Tri-Club Triple Challenge Road Rally in Memory of Cindy Molokach

On Saturday, May 22 the **Triple Challenge Road Rally** was held in memory of Cindy Molokach. All three Corvette clubs – Corvettes of PA, Steel Town and North Pittsburgh – to which Cindy belonged participated along with members of her family and representatives from Yellow Ribbon Girls. There was a total of 50 individuals in attendance.

The rally started at Beaver Valley Mall with an approximate 40 miles drive through various roads in Beaver County. Along the route, participants were tasked with identifying various landmarks based on provided clues, discovering scavenger hunt items and playing a hand of poker.

The rally finish was at Pavilion 6 in Brady's Run Park where participants had a chance to complete their scavenger hunt and share a catered meal. This particular pavilion holds a special significance for Corvettes of PA as mentioned by Jim Kinest that day. Almost 50 years ago this coming September 2021, COPA held their very first club meeting at Brady's Run Park in Pavilion 6. Our rally finished where it all began for this club fifty years ago.

A special thank you to Joe Molokach for organizing and providing the catered meal for this event from Metro Grill. The food was fabulous. And good job on the homemade coleslaw from Joe.

A big thank you to everyone who participated and attended. All three Corvette clubs made financial contributions allowing us to present some nice prizes to our winners. Thank you to Joe Molokach, Dan Steele, Jim Kinest, Frank Holby and Troy Lewis for helping with the starting point and poker stops and to Jim Kinest for volunteering to provide the copies of the rally sheets. Linda Doughty handmade tablecloths for this year's COPA picnic and kindly allowed us to use them for this event. Bob Doughty led us in a blessing prior to our meal and we took a moment of silence to remember all those members we have lost this past year. The raffle baskets were graciously donated by Yellow Ribbon Girls. If I missed anyone, please know that I truly appreciate your contribution to helping make this event a success. Cindy would have been pleased.

With proceeds from the poker run, unused funds from club contributions and monetary donations from some members we were able to present Yellow Ribbon Girls with a donation in the amount of \$200 along with all of the items you generously donated for our soldiers. Our poker winners, Jim and Terry Mauck, also donated their winnings to YRG separately.

WINNING STATS:

- Rally (55 points) – Rob Goletti & Lori Saska – COPA
- Rally (53 points) – Paul Schulze & Kris Newell – NPCC
- Rally (50 points) – Dave & Carol Seibel – STCC
- Rally Pictures (20 points) – Keith & Jackie Schultz – STCC
- Scavenger Hunt (8 points) – Joe & Kristi Walent – COPA
- Poker (pair of 2s and 4s) – Jim & Terry Mauck – COPA
- Basket 1 – Diane Smith – COPA
- Basket 2 – Crissy Carr – Cindy's daughter



Triple Challenge





Quaker Steak and Lube



**EVENTS 2021****June**

- 5 – Newcastle School of Trades Car show (we have 14 reserved spots)
- 16 - NPCC board / membership meeting (Dinner at 6:00pm Meeting at 7:00pm)

July

- 10 – Chevy Car Show at Jim Shorkey (Watson Chevrolet) in Murfreesboro from 9:00am to 2:00pm
- 16-18 – Vintage Grand Prix Historics at Pitt Race Complex
- 19 – Walnut Street Car Show. Cars are by invitation only.
- 20 – Waterfront Car Cruise. \$5 donation
- 21 – Downtown Car Display. \$10 donation Corvette parking at PPG and Market Square
- 24-25 – Vintage Grand Prix Race Weekend. \$60 entrance fee for entire weekend. \$25 donation to drive your Corvette in the parade lap. Visit pvgp.org/marque for additional information and tickets.
- 31 – NPCC Picnic and board meeting. Noon until?? at the Adams Township Community Park, 698 Valencia Road, Mars.

August

- 8 – All Chevy Show by Steel Town Corvette Club & Colussy Chevrolet. Event will be held at the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department from 8:00am to 3:00pm. \$15 by July 25th, \$20 day of show. Benefits numerous local charities.
- 18 - NPCC board / membership meeting (Dinner at 6:00pm Meeting at 7:00pm)

When more information becomes available for these or other events, we will let you know.



CINDY MOLOKACH

“I want to thank the members of North Pittsburgh Corvette Club for purchasing a memorial stone in Cindy’s memory at the National Corvette Museum. This past April 9th, I visited the NCM on my way down to Tennessee to visit my daughter and her family. I took some pictures, her stone is located inside the museum, just to the left of the NCM store entrance. I bought some items in the store and I was impressed by the number of people in the store buying Corvette items. This goes to show one that there is widespread interest in America’s sports car, the car that we love to drive. Also, there were a number of C8’s ready for NCM Delivery in the museum and they attracted a lot of attention.

- Joe Molokach “





CORVETTE 1001 FACTS

FACT 58

The 1955 Corvette stands as a transitional model. It wore the early body but stepped up to V-8 power. Although General Motors became conservative with the production to ward an inventory glut, all but 7 of the 700 1955 Corvettes easily bruised European sports cars thanks to the new 265-ci OHV V-8. Arkus-Duntov obtained one of the first V-8 Corvettes and presented it to his wife, Elfie, for daily use. It wore special silver paint and a central racing stripe. Silver didn't join Corvette's option list until the 1957 arrival of Inca Silver.

FACT 270

Quick, what 1963 Sting Rays came without the iconic split rear window? If you answered "the roadster" you're only partially correct. Lacking the coupe's fastback roof (10,594 built), the roadster (10,919 built) naturally had no rear window to split. But again, the mini fleet of Grand Sport racers was built without the split-window treatment. The Grand Sport was Arkus-Duntov's baby, and he was far enough from Bill Mitchell's stylists to get rid of the split back window. Instead, a thin-gauge, one-piece Plexiglas replacement was blown and installed. If GM's anti-racing edict hadn't happened and Arkus-Duntov's plan to build 1,000 Grand Sports had materialized, today's 1963 Corvette coupe enthusiasts had materialized, today's 1963 Corvette coupe enthusiasts would have *two* body configurations to discuss.

FACT 671

Realizing that most C4 buyers weren't fans of the "Tokyo by night" digital instrument layout, the C5 interior went retro with full analog gauges, traditional orange sweep needles, and a full 200-mph speedometer face.

FACT 771

Surprising to many, the C6 roadster was the first Corvette since 1962 with a power-operated soft top. But at a time when even the base V-6 Mustang convertible included a standard power top, the 2005 C6 charged \$1,995 (RPO CM7). Regardless, the vast majority of C6 roadsters were built with the power top, which didn't take up any more space than the standard manual folding top. And unlike the portly folding metal hardtop on the XLR, the Corvette power mechanism only added 15 pounds for a curb weight of 3,288 pounds, 552 pounds less than the XLR.

FACT 952

The C7 introduced the Corvette's first electric power-steering system. Standard on all models, electric sensors translated steering-wheel inputs into tire movement, eliminating the engine-driven hydraulic-fluid pressure pump used previously. The reduced parasitic drag added approximately 10 hp with no other changes.



NEW CASTLE SCHOOL OF TRADES CAR SHOW

Spectators Free!

\$5 Registration Fee

New Castle School of Trades

4th Annual Car Show

\$5 Registration Fee

Spectators Free!

June 05, 2021
Show 12pm-4pm
 (Gates open at 9 am)
 4117 Pulaski Rd
 New Castle, PA 16101
 For more info contact:
 Bill Grandy: 724-977-3541
 Phil Riggs 724-290-3870

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NEW CASTLE SCHOOL OR TRADES 4TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW

JUNE 05, 2021
12 - 4 PM

4th Annual Car Show held at New Castle School of trades . 300+ paved lot that we filled last year. \$5 per and dash plaques for 1st 250, DJ, Food , Door Prizes, Raffles, Tool Vendors, Spectators free, Lots of parking for spectators . GM Ford Mopar and Other are Judged classes along with peoples choice. Custom Trophies for 1st place winners. 12 to 4 pm gates open at 9 am Proceeds benefit Wounded Warrior Project.



JIM SHORKEY—ALL CHEVY SHOW

All-Chevy Car Show



6370 William Penn Hwy. Murrysville, PA 15668
jimshorkeymurrysvillechevy.com

Saturday, July 10, 2021
9 am - 2 pm



Details on Facebook



Pre-Register





ALL CHEVY SHOW



Steel Town Corvette Club 40th Annual
All-Chevy Show - Sunday, August 8, 2021



*Due to potential indoor restrictions associated with the Coronavirus,
this year's event will be held outdoors at the*

Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department

370 Commercial Drive, Bridgeville, PA 15017

One mile off I-79 at the Bridgeville Exit 54 or Heidelberg/ Collier Exit 55

Sponsored by Colussy Chevrolet

Celebrating 103 years as the oldest family-owned Chevrolet Dealer in the country!

Schedule of Events: (no cars before 8:00 a.m.)

9:00-11:00	Registration	50-50 drawings
9:00-11:00	Arrival / clean-up	Tee Shirts to the first 100 entrants
11:00	Participants Judging begins	Dash Plaques
2:00	Participants Judging ends	Door Prizes
3:00	Trophy Presentation	Chinese Auction

**Includes Best of Show & People's Choice trophies & a DJ!
Food & Refreshments available.**

\$15 advance registration - \$20 day of show

All Cars are encouraged to be Pre-Registered by July 25 @ \$15.00 per car

for Express Check-in and a Special Drawing

Fun Show - NO Judging - Dash Plaque only - FEE \$5.00

Participant Judging

STCC members' cars not eligible for judging.

Free Spectator Admission

Proceeds benefit numerous local charities!



North Pittsburgh Corvette Club

2021 Membership Application

Please complete all areas and print clearly New Membership Renewal Over 70

Member (1) Name _____ Birth Date _____ / _____ / _____
 Member (2) Name _____ Birth Date _____ / _____ / _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Phone No. _____ Fax No. _____
 Cell No. _____ Cell No. _____
 E-mail address _____ / _____
 Wedding Anniversary Date if Applicable _____ / _____
 Occupation _____ / _____

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER will be distributed by email: US Mail (Black / White) add \$11.00

CORVETTE INFORMATION		
Year	Model <small>(Coupe Or Convertible)</small>	Other Information

MEMBERSHIP TERM		
Annual Dues	Single Member	Dual Members
New Membership	\$30.00	\$35.00
Renewal *	\$20.00	\$25.00
Dues Are Non-Refundable Checks will not be cashed until Board approves And accepts membership. *Renewal must be paid by Jan31, 2021		

I hereby release the NORTH PITTSBURGH CORVETTE CLUB, INC, its membership and representatives, from any and all liabilities and claims occasioned by or resulting from and during our membership and any activities therewith. I hereby state that the license and insurance on my Corvette(s) is in force. I agree that, if accepted, I will abide by the By-Laws of

Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail this form with your check payable to: _____ WEB SITE: www.np-cc.com

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