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#### **CSS News and Upcoming Events**

The Social event for August The Club event for August Other events for August

Sunrise Senior Center Car show/BBQ 8/24 **Corvettes West Car Show Loma Linda 8/11** 8/31 **Homeland Security Training** 



All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings. As you can see, many did

You can also see that we do have a good time too.

#### Who We Are

We are a car club made up of Corvette owners with a passion for a fine driving machine, with the goal to participate in and support auto-related activities, such as: car shows, auto-crossing, rallies, drag racing, caravans, cruises, parades, etc.

We support (N.C.C.C.) National Council of Corvette Clubs, National Corvette Museum, several social, civic, and charitable organizations. CSS is incorporated as a non-profit organization in the County of Orange, California.

Corvette Super Sports was blessed during 2012 to have provided venues that attracted many participants. From our activities, we were able to donate \$3,200 to our charities.

**HIS House** \$800.00 CHIPS for Kids \$800.00 Council On Aging \$800.00 Operation Home Front \$800.00

# **CSS Family Updates**

Please keep Richard Carias and Barbara Ortiz in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with the passing of Richard's father on June 20th.























































# **President Geoff**

As I sit here writing my byeline this month, I am wearing a new favorite hat. Last evening we were invited to go putting on Lake Mission Viejo with friends and they presented me with a "Captain's" hat because they knew I enjoyed driving the boat. I will wear it at the next meeting and see what

you think. But even though I like this new hat, it cannot take the place of the "feather" cap that I wore at the last meeting. For those of you who missed the last meeting, we announced that this Newsletter took first place in the NCCC Newsletter Contest and the Web site took Second in its NCCC contest. Doug and I proudly displayed our feathers for all the club to see.

July has been a busy month for the Car Show team, for our racing team, and our party team. The month started as a spill over event at Big Bear and I would like all of you to read the letter submitted by Garry Jones about how much they enjoy us all coming to the Bash before the Big Bear bash. I can tell you that I too look forward to that event because it is one of those very special times when I get to be with all my best friends and get to race too.

The rest of the month involved Joe and Cindy representing us at the NCCC convention in Bowling Green. Be sure to read Cindy's article about the fun they had at the convention and afterwards at Joe's cousin's house in Georgia (look for apple pie) and at the Duck Dynasty lot (quack quack). She did not change the names to protect the guilty.

On July 13th, several members went to Santa Maria for the VTV Autocross, but even though you all know I am a point chaser, I elected to miss that event in order to be on stage at Mt Hermon in Santa Cruz to play my harmonica with Buddy Green and the Mt. Hermon Harmonica Band. As such we have no pictures of the Autocross, but if anyone is interested I can post the link to the Harmonica Band on our web site.

We also spent time at the shot gun range and had a very large turn out. This is mid term exam time again and I thought going to a venue where it was not so challenging would give everyone high scores(including me) so that it would improve our confidence for the rest of the year. It did not work for me. I guess I need to just practice more.

In August, some of us will be going to the Drive-In arranged by the Santa Clarita Corvette Club at the drive-in in Montclair as well as Laguna Seca to relive Corvette Racing, various car shows like the Ronald McDonald show in Loma Linda, the Hot August Days show in Vallejo, and the annual car show at the Sunrise Senior Living Center in La Palma.

Save The Wave Geoff

#### The VP's Word

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Sunday July 28 10 am-3pm Charity Car Show, Sea Port Village. http://corvettesofsandiego.com

Wednesday-Saturday July 31 -August 3 Vettes on the Rockies

Winter Park Resort, Winter

Park, Colorado. Sponsored by Looking Glass Corvette Association of Lakewood, Co. http://ww.lgcacorvette.org contact Doug Glenore dglenore@yahoo.com

Saturday August 10 Rotolo Car Show/Cruise Night Rotolo Chevrolet sponsors a car show/cruise night. 5-8 p.m. 16666 South Highland Hwy, Fontana. Door prizes and awards. No entry fee and all cars are welcome.

Sunday August 6-11 Barrett Jackson Auction Reno, NV http://www.barrett-jackson.com/

Sunday August 11 Loma Linda Ronald McDonald House car

Friday-Sunday August 16-18 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion. Recognizing Corvettes 60th Anniversary. www.mazdaraceway.com

Saturday, August 17 Hot Summers Night at the Drive-In

\$7.00 per person. This is not a car show, just an evening for corvette lovers from all over Southern California to get together, mingle, eat and enjoy a couple of good movies Contact mdsalmen1@gmail.com for registration and specifics.

Saturday August 24 Drag Racing Series **Round Four at Las Vegas Motor Speedway** 

Saturday August 24 Bass Lake Hot Rod and Classic Car

Hot Rods, Music, Food, Raffles. Pines Village 1 – 7 p.m. http://www.basslakechamber.com/calendar.html

#### Saturday August 24 Car show and BBQ

Sunrise Senior Living Center, 5321 La Palma Ave/Walker Ave, La Palma, CA. 11:00 a.m This is an annual event at Sunrise where the folks there get the chance to admire our beautiful cars and share a meal with us. A flyer will be forthcoming, but I wanted to get an advance notice so that you can save the date.

Saturday September 14 Vapor Trail Blast Event.

At Santa Maria Inn, Santa Maria. Car Show and Gimmick Rally http://www.vaportrailvettes.com

Saturday-Saturday September 7-21 Mid America Adventure Corvette Caravan to Mid-America. http://www.diamondvalleyvettes.org/































#### The VP's Word continued

Thursday-Sunday September 12-15 Silver State Classic Challenge If you want to go fast note http://www.silverstateclassic.com/ This is on Nevada Highway 318.

Sunday September 15 Show & Shine Car Show

Presented by Red Line Corvettes. 7:30 -2:30. Conejo Creek Park North, 1379 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks. \$35 registration by Sept 8 and \$45 after. Note http://www.redlinecorvettes.com/carshow.htm

#### Saturday September 28 Cruisin' for a Cure

At OC Fair Grounds. 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. http://www.cruisinforacure.com/about\_the\_show.htm Gates open 4:30AM for participant cars. 7AM for specta-

Spectators: \$15; \$13 with AAA card; Kids under 12 are free

#### Sunday September 29 Car Show Celebrating 60 **Years of Corvettes**

This is for all GM Cars. At Hooters of Anaheim, 2438 Katella, Anaheim. This is by the 57 Freeway and Anaheim Stadium. 8 a.m.to 2 p.m. NCCC sanctioned. \$35 registration by Sept 21 and \$40 after. Presented by Corvette Super Sports. Note http://corvettesupersports.com/frame/frameset.html

Thursday-Saturday October 3-6 12th Annual Corvettes and Ghost Riders in Tombstone

For info http://www.corvettesandghostriders.com/registration.htm Or you can email vettetex@cox.net

Saturday October 12 Sports Car Show Oakhurst, CA http://www.fallinthesierra.com/

Saturday October 19 Mariposa Yosemite Hot Rod and **Custom Car Show** http://www.mariposacarshow.com/

Saturday October 22 All Car Lovers Show Escondido Elks Lodge, 2430 S. Escondido Blvd, Escondido. 10 a.m.-2p.m. Presented by Corvettes of San Diego

http://corvettesofsandiego.com

If I have omitted any events, let me know the information so I can include it.

"Men at some time are masters of their fates: The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, But in ourselves, that we are underlings." (Julius Caesar, 1.2.146), Cassius to Brutus

Art

#### Charities

Karen D., Bob and Kelli

As you know, Bob and Kelli (our fearless chairpersons) will be moving to Las Vegas in October. We wish them all the best in their new adventures. They have done a great job coordinat-



ing events and keeping in constant touch with our charities. Thank you for all your hard work!

Our charities were documented in a past article and CSS is proud to be able to contribute back to the community.

The most important event to generate revenue for CSS is our annual Car Show. Please help and support the car show committee to make this a big success. Your help will be greatly appreciated and so will everyone who benefits from CSS's hard work.

"Since you et more joy out of giving to others, you should put a great deal of thought in the happiness that you are able to give" - Eleanor Roosevelt.

#### Shirley and Garry **Jones**

To the President of Corvette Super Sports: First we would both like to thank you for your kind words about the Bash before the Big Bear Bash. Shirley and I have been doing this for 13 years and previous members, Mike and Linda Schaefe for two years, We look forward every



year to see new and older members having fun in Big Bear. It was great to see Karen DeBartolomeis having her first ride on Troy's Harley.

Also we would like to thank all the members and friends that who brought food and provided their support in other ways. For us we like members staying over and seeing a lot of cool Corvettes in front of our home. We also like having a big crowd of people there talking about their weekend.

From Thursday through Sunday, all the hard work to make a great party is all worth it when we see a great club having fun. We hope to see you all next year especially the newer members who have not experienced the Bash before the Big Bear Bash.

We would like to congratulate Ron Kennedy for guessing the correct number of pop top tabs in the jar. The total was 13,916.

Thank you all for making the Jones' weekend the best by coming to Big Bear.

P.S. With the extra BBQ on Saturday this year, we would like to thank Shirley's son Troy for all his help in the kitchen and BBQ.

Shirley and Garry































# 54<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NCCC CORVETTE CONVENTION BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY JUNE 24 – 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 By Cindy Orrico

Willie Nelson sang it right......"On the Road Again"....... to Bowling Green, Kentucky no less!!! Just so happens to be where they make those cars that we L-O-V-E to drive, race and show!

Short Story: (We saw ...... Or experienced)

219 McDonald's 101 Cracker Barrel's 265 Waffle House's 1452 Big Rig Trucks 16,780 bugs on car, some not identifiable Sat in the NEW C7!!!

250 Gallons of gas (but gas is cheaper the farther East you go) 34 Casinos

Passed 6 Corvettes, not including the convention Went to the site of the REAL "Duck Commander" Visited Relatives

Drank "MOONSHINE! (See above line!) 4,941.7 miles on the car!!! (AND ALL WELL WORTH IT)

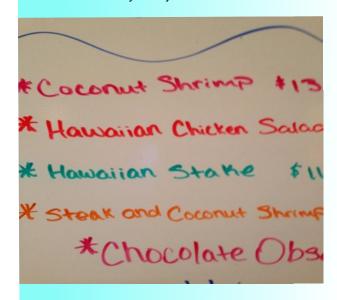
For Joe's and my 1st Convention 8 years ago, we traveled to Bowling Green, KY to see the museum and a plant tour, then down to Nashville, where the "Convention Stories" began for us. At Nashville, we looked to see if anyone was there from California – turns out Scotty & Marilyn Davis from Wild West Corvettes and Charlie and Joan Perry from Vapor Trail Vettes were there – we've been going to convention/vacation every year, ever since! (Nashville, TN; Tulsa, OK; Colorado Springs, CO; Topeka, KS; Tinley Park, IL; and 1 Alaska Corvette Cruise) This year we added Cliff Harris from Pacific Coast Corvettes and his new Grand Sport. He's retired now and has decided to go with us fun people. Allen Morris from Newport Harbor Corvette Club cheated and flew in and flew out, so is missing in action in the picture.



Day 1, Joe, I and Cliff traveled to Lake Havasu to spend the 1<sup>st</sup> night with Scotty & Marilyn. Day 2, we all drove to Flagstaff to meet up with Charlie and Joan to drive East! And guess what we don't have in California????? WAFFLE HOUSE heard many names for this place!!! Like "Awful House"! Some love it, some don't.



Any of you been to Arkansas??? We stopped for dinner at this restaurant – one of only 2 restaurants in the city with 'alcoholic beverages' - Big Mike's. I just LOVE how those Southern people talk. Immediately started teasing the waitress, they are good sports about this (they think 'we' talk funny) And we probably did cause after 10 hours in the car and needing a glass of wine...... I go into the restroom and see silver dollar sized rocks in the bottom of the sink..... hmmmm.... Couldn't figure this one out on my own. So I asked our waitress - they call it "The Arkansas Filter" -Filter? For what??? I didn't ask. Coming back from the restroom, I decide to look at the white board with the dinner "Specials" on it. I notice '\*HAWAIIAN STAKE". Ok, I ask the waitress thinking maybe this was a 'special item' like a shrimp on a stick stuck in a baked potato or something. Nope - it's stake, correctly spelled 'steak'. (Note 3rd line on left picture) Now, this waitress couldn't believe it was misspelled, HOWEVER, by the time we left, no one changed it. Must be an Arkansas thing!!!??? And then of course, there's the 'nuts' story. They sell T-Shirts with this on them.

































#### Convention continued....



One 'adventure' that was HIGHLY recommended was to take "The Nash Trash Tour" A tour bus drove us to Nashville, where we got on this pretty pink bus. This tour is owned and operated by 2 sisters - it was non-stop laughter!! They are well known and you can't get a reservation for about 3 months. If you are ever planning to go to Nashville – look them up! They even had 1st class appetizers on our tour!! Now, this should give some indication of how they entertained us with laughter!





YEP - the C7 is real - interior, engine and all. And so shiny!!! The museum 'drove' one over to the Hotel for us to play with! I will say those seats ARE comfortable and the total look of the car well, what can I say. If I could talk Joe in to it right now, we would have one on order!



We made our way over to that breathtaking Museum – wow! It's been 7 years since our last visit and the 'new' museum has so much more. Sadly, we did not get to do a plant tour, so we just drooled throughout the museum - oh well.

On Thursday, the museum brought out 7 new C7s to display more drool. Emerald is my birthstone - I think Joe should get me one of those for my next birthday!! HA HA It's gorgeous!!!





































#### Convention continued.....





building at the Museum!! Us women folk packed!





Cliff Harris join us and by the looks of this picwith us too!! He wants to join us for all future trips!

While Bowling Green, Kentucky was beautiful, the Corvette Museum was breath taking, the beer and wine endless, the friends you see year after year = priceless, it's always nice to get on the road again to head towards home. But this time, we had some long overdue and "I want to" stops to make!! Joan Perry was a lucky winner of winning tires this year (They said they never win anything.....) We got to see THESE TIRES on the way home - wow!



Our 1st stop after convention was down to Cochran, Georgia – my The guys attended the Ground Breaking for the new track they are 1st time to Georgia. What a beautiful state! Lots of green! This is where Joe's cousin and wife live. They have an extra, 5 bedroom, 2 story house, with 3 car garage (unless you use stackables....) with a huge bonus room above the garage on an acre of property for \$220K. Yes, we were drooling...... But then one night.... A Thunderstorm came in – WOW – they are pretty darn loud out there and this one came with LOTS of rain!



Since that made me jumpy, they We were happy to have THICK southern accent on that...) MOONSHINE!! My first try at Moonshine! I seriously didn't think ture, he enjoyed coming they did that anymore.... I tell you what - they pour a small amount for a reason!!! That was by far the best liquefied Apple Pie I have EV-ER had in my life! YUMMMMM-MMY! Love those relatives!



































#### After the Convention continued......

The next stop was the Petroleum Museum in Midland, Texas. These were the Jim Hall, Chaparral's first cars to use ground effects and aerodynamics in wings on the cars in the early 1960's. Pretty cool to see!

Also a great challenge to see if we could fit in them - maybe play some Bumper Cars!





#### Look Ma! We fit! (BARELY)

You either gotta love them or not <u>- DUCK DYNASTY!!!!</u> We are lovers of them. West Monroe, Louisiana. It was HOT and CROWDED! They can't keep their merchandise stocked, sell out too fast and furious. Just inside the hot warehouse are the trinkets that you might want to buy. They sell out so fast, that they just write on the box with a Sharpie what it is and you just take it out of the box! It is a dump, just as on TV, and maybe I shouldn't tell you that across the street is like a normal city, like the area around the Sizzler - Spoiler Alert! For us, this was truly exciting to see - if only all those other people would have left! That old warehouse dock is just what it looks like!!!

And what better than to get a picture with the CEO of Duck Commander - Willie Robertson!!! Whoooo Hoooooo After that we headed to Plano, Texas to see my niece and her family for a visit. LOVED seeing them, miss them..... Then the adventure was off to home and back to reality – for a little while anyway. Next year's NCCC Convention is in Savannah, Georgia!!! Dates are August 25-29th. You always have the option to fly.....







































# **Homeland Security Mid Term Exams**

On July 27th our band of agents took their mid term exams. Joining us this time were our 2 newest agents, Eric Ellsworth and Tony Schavone as well as agents Tracy Sanderson and John Hanlin. The other agents were Geoff and Ginger, Art, Dave, George, Jason, Jim and Elaine, and Greg, Joe and Cindy.







Elaine's shirt says "Still Plays with Clay"













































# Sponsor's Corner:

As all of you know, Connell Chevrolet is our club sponsor and they are a great group of people. When we go into service our cars, both Corvettes and other cars we might have, the service advisors treat us like family and give us all the impression that they are truly interested in our best interests. This family extension is directly attributable to the owner of Connell Chevrolet, Wayne Doddridge.

Art, our CSS VP, stopped by to talk to Wayne recently and it became very clear why the Service Department and the Sales Department and every other department at Connell Chevrolet make us feel so welcome. The following is from Art's chat with Wayne.

Wayne Doddridge manages Connell Chevrolet.



Connell Chevrolet is a family owned and operated business. The dealership was first opened in the late 1950's on Pacific Coast Highway in Newport Beach. In 1963, the Chevrolet dealership was relocated to its present location in Costa Mesa. Connell Chevrolet has earned a reputation for solid deals and quality service. In fact, you are hearing more and more about the "Connell Chevrolet Deal". They have over 200 used cars in stock and are considered a large volume Chevrolet store. They have more master repair technicians than any other Chevrolet dealership in Southern California and their wholesale auto parts department has one of the largest inventories in South California.

Connell Chevrolet is active in the community and is proud to partner with the following organizations: Orange Lutheran High School, Crean Lutheran High School, Costa Mesa High, Fountain Valley High, Estancia High, Orange County 4H clubs, Newport Harbor Corvettes, Corvette Super Sports, Better Business Bureau, Auto Club, Costco, Los Angeles County Police and Fire Departments, Orange County Fire Department, Costa Mesa Police, Newport Beach Police, Huntington Beach Police and Irvine Police. And Corvette Super Sports.

Connell has been a family run business since Wayne's father purchased the franchise in 1989. Wayne is the active general manager, while his dad is more passive.

Doddridge said his philosophy is to "take care of your people as you would like your wife treated." He is a family man with six children and wife at home. When I last visited the dealership, I found him in the hall chatting with the sales staff. I introduced myself and he graciously turned to chat with me.

I asked him about the C7. "Some of my staff saw and touched it. They are Ga-Ga over it," he said. He expects to have one in the

show room later this fall. Wayne agrees that we should have a "C7 Welcome Party".

Connell offers full service as well as offering new and used cars.

Look for Wayne the next time you are at the dealership and introduce yourself.



When you go to Connell for service ask for Todd Mack. Todd has been a consultant at Connell for over 16 years, in the Automotive Business for over 17 years and a recommended advisor in the Corvette Forum. In addition he drives a white C4 - one more for our up and coming "Refrigerator" class.

































# **NCCC National** News.

One of the newest programs implemented by the NCCC at the national level is the Family Helping Family program.

We would like for this program to be available for use by all NCCC members. If you are traveling and something would happen to you or your car, wouldn't it be better to have a

and Region's assistance. Each Region Executive is asked to forward this information to each of the Governors in their region to sign up at least two or more club members from each individual club to be on the contact list. We hope out of each club member that signs up, we would have someone that has mechanical knowledge, someone with a trailer, someone with a spare bed and if someone wanted to stop and have a cup of coffee and conversation that we have someone sign up for just that. If you decide to sign up, then you have agreed to provide assistance for free, to help out a fellow NCCC member. You have made a commitment to respond as soon as you can or to find someone else who can. We

To make this program successful, we will need to enlist your Club

fellow NCCC member to help you out instead of a stranger?

don't want someone to wait for hours just because it may be in the middle of the night. If it was you that was needing help, you would want someone to respond as quickly as possible. We would hope that the person receiving assistance would offer some type of appreciation, maybe help with gas money or even lunch.

This list will not be used for outside Solicitations or Distribution. It is intended to be used for NCCC member assistance. Please do not use this list to ask about what tires to buy or if you are looking for a particular part unless you have broken down and this is the kind of assistance you need. Do not make a mailing list for solicitations or iokes from this list.

Use the list for the purpose it was created for. Each member of NCCC will be informed on how to access this list by information provided by their club's governor. A separate form will be used for you to volunteer and that will also be place on the NCCC web site. The information you provide will be in a secure non-publicly linked area. We ask that the form or information on the form be sent to 3 individuals who have volunteered to help get this program started. Each of the 3 individuals will have certain Regions assigned to them and we ask that you submit your information to that individual.

Hal Tumbleson can be reached at e-mail address BusinessManager@corvettesnccc.org or fax number 719-667-7266 or phone number 719-641-7275. Hal will have the Michigan, Northwest, Rocky Mountain, Roadrunner, West and West Coast Regions assigned to him.

Douglas McMahan can be reached at e-mail address PublicRelations@corvettesnccc.org or cell phone number 972-998-1589. Douglas will have the Carolina, Florida, Midwest, Southeast and Southwest Regions assigned to him.

Ron Ruston can be reached at e-mail address Sergeant-at-Arms@corvettesnccc.org or phone number 405-348-3545. Ron will have the East, East Ohio, Indiana, Northeast and West Ohio Regions assigned to him.

# **NCCC** Regional News

Access to the West Coast Regional Web Site - use this link:



http://www.ncccwcregion.org/

#### **Regional Notes:**

#### **Update on Corvette Track Days**

We are working out the last few kinks before we announce the event. Once we do we will definitely send you along all the info so you can help get the word out. Please send a hello and a hug to Cindy for me. Hope you are both well. See you at the track soon!

Mike Weeks Vice President of Sales **Spring Mountain Motorsports** 

#### **New Race Site infor from Jimmy Belson:**

By the way are you aware of the Carson track....they broke ground 2 - 3 months ago.

Here's a link...

http://www.autoblog.com/2011/11/18/porsche-announcessecond-experience-center-to-open-in-southern-c/

Good race/convention site if they will allow Vettes. Jimmy B.

## NCCC West Coast Regional web links for:

1. WC Regional Google calendar page

Direct web access for users

https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=b3gs48a2epggjq brfhfdbbp31g%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Lo s\_Angeles" style="border: 0" width="800" height="600" frameborder="0" scrolling="no"></

Regional Events and flyer downloads https://93075438.domainhost.com/NCCCCompetitionDatabase/ 2013/Programs/ListEventsForRegion.php

Regional Championship points reported and results downloads

https://93075438.domainhost.com/NCCCCompetitionDatabase/ 2013/Programs/PointsCalculations.php?Region=WC























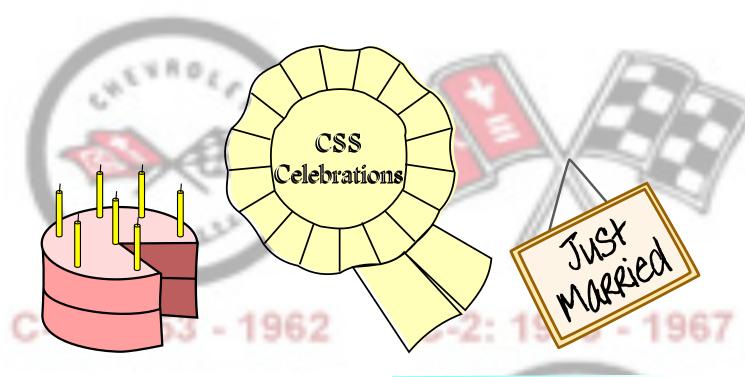












July Birthdays	
Dawnette Norris	07/03
Bob Kump	07/14
Les Troisi	07/14
Steve Salinas	07/21
Michael R Baddley	07/22
John Hanlin	07/25
Douglas Utash	07/25

July Anniversaries	
Bob and Vicki Kump	07/08
Chuck and Sue Rosen	07/12
Bud and Dawnette Norris	07/19

# **August Birthdays**

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Roger Bacon	08/04
Clifford Owens	08/08
Michelle Owens	08/09
Greg Glodery	08/13
Barbara Cuccio	08/16
Ron Kennedy	08/18
Kevin Presser	08/29
Jan Works	08/31

August Anniversaries	
Mark and Cindy Costello	08/07
Ed and Linda Norris	08/08
Jay and Marcia Lynch	08/16





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SALES HOURS MON-FRI8:30AM -





SERVICE HOURS



