# Under The Radar

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Car Show Champion Rally Champion Auto Cross champion



**Doug & Ann Meeuwenberg with Tony Schavone** 

Doug is the First Member to Reach 50 Years!!!

# **Wow! What an Accomplishment!**

#### 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.

www.CalicintoRanch.org

# **CSS Family Updates**



**Photo by Rick Miller** 



















# CSS Upcoming Events 2017

- Feb 8
   General Meeting \* Wednesday \* (Special Date for this month only.)
- Feb 11 Valentine's Bowl
- Feb 24-26 Desert Association's Laughlin's Run
- March 4 Pat Works Memorial in Perris, CA

Please let us know of any events of interest to Club members.

\* SAVE your POP TOPS from cans for the Ronald McDonald House! \*

\* Please bring your pop tops to our next meeting and give them to Dianne.

Thanks!

# STEP

# **Support The Enlisted Project**

Providing financial grants to junior active duty and recently discharged veteran families in times of crisis and working with them to achieve financial colf sufficiency

working with them to achieve financial self-sufficiency



STEP is having their annual Baby Drive. We have donated in the past and I am hoping to continue doing so. Any baby items you could donate will be appreciated, such as diapers, wipes, gift cards or cash (so I can shop!!!).

Please bring your items to the meeting in February.

Thank you in advance for you support.

Dianne









President Tony

The VP's Column

The VP's Word By Rick Miller



Greetings everybody,

First of all, Thanks to Donna for her guidance and assistance during this transition. I hope to be a good V.P. and will try my best to fill the big shoes of my so very gualified predecessor.

Welcome to 2017. We started the year in great fashion. Our banquet was a huge success and much thanks to Donna and Laura for all their hard work and to all who attended and made it such a great event. Kudos!

2017 promises to be packed with activities, socially, Corvette related and club events. What's the difference you ask? Well...

A **Social Event** is an event planned by a club member or members specifically intended for member and invited guests attendance. It may or may not include driving your Corvette.

A <u>Club Event</u> is an event held by another club that we choose to highlight and support. By doing so we hope that they will support our events in kind. Much more on this subject will be discussed beginning with February's meeting (note this month only the meeting is Wednesday 2/8). Have you a favorite destination you'd like to share or an event you'd like to plan please step right up! What we do depends on you. ©

Our next Social event is our Valentines bowl on Feb 11th. This is a very fun event and requires no skill. Bring a dish to share at the post bowling pot luck. Come to bowl or just to cheer on those that do. Much much fun!!

Also in February is the Desert Association's Laughlin Run February 24-26.

These events and others are on our Website's Event Calendar. Check there often for updates and links to flyers.

Let me know if you have an event you'd like to have posted or send the info to Doug Mariani our webmaster.

I'm looking forward to a great CSS event year and your participation can do much to make it phenomenal.

Regards, Rick

Wow! Another new year has already started. We have some new faces on the Board and new Officers too. This is an exciting time. We will bring new ideas and maintain the great momentum the Club has shown in the past.

Last year was jam packed with many types of fun events. We are already putting together a calendar of events for this year. I encourage the members' input as to proposed outings, mystery runs, social events, etc. You could then organize the details of the event which we could help you with.

Congratulations to the 10 year and 30 year members. A special congratulations to Doug Meeuwenberg on receiving his 50 year pin. Listening to his Bio, reminded us of how instrumental he was in many of the ideas and plans for the Club. Way to go Doug! This show of longevity tells us what great members we have and what an awesome Club we are.

Thanks for the vote of confidence as I start my 3<sup>rd</sup> year as your Club President. I really appreciate everyone's support. We have a Super Club with Great Members. Here we go into 2017!

Tony Save the Wave

Answer to December Trivia Question: What year was the AM-FM Radio offered as an option: 1979

January Trivia Question: What year were there 53,807 Corvettes produced, (the most ever)?

<u>Corvette Time Line:</u> February 18, 1961. The Stingray racer debuts as a show car at the Chicago Auto Show. It has been restored after its retirement from racing.







# **Rick's Birthday Bash with Family and Friends**

#### By, Tony Schavone

On the occasion of Rick Miller's Birthday in January, he invited a group to accompany him and Lynne on a "Pilgrimage to the Holy Land." No, we didn't go to Israel. We went to the Holy Land of the Corvette in Bowling Green Kentucky. We flew to Nashville, Tennessee and rented vehicles to drive to Bowling Green. We arrived at the Corvette Museum the next day at 8 A.M. for the bus ride to the Corvette Assembly Plant. Our tour consisted of 4 people per guide. Of course this allowed us to spend a lot of time and ask lots of questions. What a "rush" seeing those beautiful red, white and blue Corvettes go to their final destination.

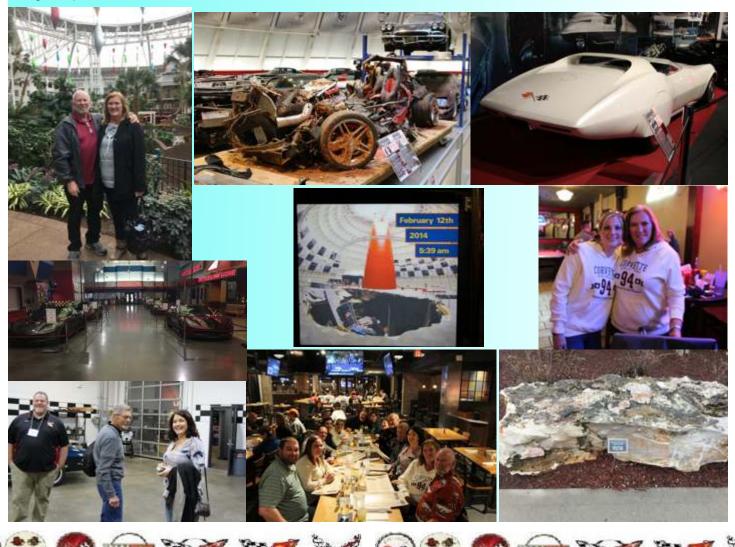
The Assembly plant was previously a Chrysler Air Conditioner plant that closed in the 1980's. The city of Bowling Green offered it to GM for one Dollar a year for 99 years. That was in 1991. WHAT A DEAL!!!

They build 137 Corvettes a day, 5 days a week, 8 hours a day.

We then returned to the Corvette Museum and toured it. This is where the sink hole appeared in the floor of the dome on February 12, 2014. The hole has been filled in but some of the cars on display are as they were when pulled out of the hole. What an amazing site.

The trip was really incredible and was a great way to celebrate Rick's Birthday.

Another highlight of the trip occurred one night as our group was leaving a sports bar. Rick and I were stopped by two men who saw us wearing Corvette jackets. They shook our hands and thanked us for buying Corvettes. They told us how we changed their lives and how the city of Bowling Green has steadily grown since the Corvette Plant and Museum was built. Events at the Museum bring thousands of people to the City every month, making Bowling Green, Kentucky one of the "go to" places in the State.





CSS Annual Banquet January 21, 2017



































Club Banquet (Con't)















































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Club Banquet (Con't)



































Club Banquet (Con't)











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Club Banquet (Con't)



**2016 MVP = Tony Schavone** 



Let's Dance!







Rookies of the Year 2016

Bill & Marsha Gallavan Ken & Jean Pence













# (Abridged) MINUTES TO THE WEST COAST REGIONAL GOVERNOR'S MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY ALLEN MORRIS AT 1:00 PM ON SATURDAY January21, 2017

THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: 1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #302, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #398

#### **REGIONAL TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED: 1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #325, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #518**

FOUR CLUBS STILL OWE THEIR \$25.00 DUES FOR THE YEAR.

SIX CLUBS THAT HELPED OUT IN 2015: RECEIVED AN ADDITIONAL \$300, DUE TO NO TAXES INCURRED BY CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS. (NEWPORT HARBOR,CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS, INLAND EMPIRED CORVETTES, LAS VEGAS CORVETTES, PVCA, & VETTES 'R' US).

EXPENSES FOR ALLEN MORRIS OF \$144.99 FOR AWARDS AND OTHER OFFICERS EXPENSES WERE APPROVED:

1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #302, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #552

#### **REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

IMPROVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CLUBS TREASURER AND GOVERNOR FOR END OF YEAR REGISTRATION.

#### **REGIONAL COMPETITION DIRECTORS –**

JOE ORRICO HANDED OUT 2016 AWARDS:

- TOP 3 MEN'S 2016 AWARDS
  - 1. DAVID ALCIATORE
  - 2. BUD NORRIS
  - 3. CHARLIE PERRY

#### **TOP 3 WOMEN'S AWARDS**

- 1. SHANNON NORRIS
- 2. JACKIE LYON
- 3. NANCY ERKICKSON (3 WAY TIE)

#### **TOP 3 CLUBS FOR 2016**

- 1. CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS
- 2. VAPOR TRAIL VETTES
- 3. POMONA VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION

#### EVENT REGISTRATION -MEMBERSHIP CARDS-TECH

MUST SHOW NCCC CARD AT ALL EVENTS.

WAIVERS - DOWN LOAD FROM NATIONAL NCCC WEB SITE- NO NEED TO ORDER ANYMORE.

WAIVERS FOR EVENTS MUST BE SAVED BY GOVERNOR FOR 7 YEARS.

SANCTION REQUEST, FLYERS, AND RESULT FORMS-JOE WILL WORK WITH YOU TO ENTER INTO WEBSITE

2017 COMPETITION CALENDAR – ALL CLUB SUBMIT EVENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (JOE WILL HELP) 2017 RULE BOOK CHANGES – FEW CHANGES-

RALLY SIGNS OR DIRECTIONS MUST BE SEEN FROM THE CORVETTE LEVEL.

REGIONAL COMPETITION REPORT APPROVED BY 1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #507, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #336

#### NEW BUSINESS: – APPROVED – 1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #325, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #326

EXCORT RADAR DETECTORS – SPECIAL PRICE FOR CLUBS THAT ARE INTERESTED. ONE ORDER AND CHECK PER CLUB. CALL ALLEN MORRIS WITH QUESTIONS

#### UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS: - APPROVED - 1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #326, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #398

VAPOR TRAIL VETTES – APRIL 1, 2 LOW SPEED AUTO CROSSES - SANTA MARIA, CA (SANCTIONED) VAPOR TRAIL VETTES – JUNE 10, 2 LOW SPEED AUTO CROSSES - SANTA MARIA, CA (SANCTIONED) CORVETTES OF BAKERSFIELD-FLYER ON WEBSITE – APRIL 20-22 (T, F, S) GAMBLERS CLASSIC, LAUGHLIN, NV.

O.C. VETTES – JUNE 4, 2017, PEOPLES CHOICE CAR SHOW (HUNTINGTON BEACH CONCOURSE) THE VETTE SET, INC. – CAR SHOW THAT WILL BE JUDGED.(DATE TO BE DETERMINED)

ADJOURNMENT: APPROVED – 1<sup>ST</sup> CLUB #302, 2<sup>ND</sup> CLUB #336 2:23 PM



# Where You Can Find Corvette Parts and Merchandise

For those of you who have been into Corvettes for awhile most – or all – of the following will not be news to you, but for you relative newcomers to the love of Vettes this offering is being made to help you find the parts you may need for your classic or the trim add-ons you might want to buy to personalize your Vette or the clothing, gear, etc. you might like to own to show others of your interest in the sport.

It's amazing just how many publications are out there that are dedicated to Corvettes and how helpful many of them can be. Following is a list and quick summary of the more popular catalogs that you might want to look into. Most of them are available for routine periodic mailing if you request it, and most of them have a web site from which you can peruse their offerings. Me, I prefer to receive the catalogs so that I can better see just what's out there I might not have not seen before.

The three largest, most popular catalogs with the most items that are non-"parts" are:

- a. Mid America Motorworks, <u>www.mamotorworkscom</u>, (800) 500-1500;
- b. Eckler's Corvette, <u>www.ecklersCorvette.com</u>, (800) 327-4868;
- c. Corvette America, <u>www.CorvetteAmerica.com</u>, (800) 458-3475.

Those publications periodically also publish catalogs geared specifically for a single generation of Corvettes so when they ask you for the year and model you drive don't be afraid to tell them.

Then there are catalogs that are almost exclusively for parts, especially of older model Corvettes:

- a. Volunteer Vette Products, <u>www.volvette.com</u>, (865) 521-9100;
- b. J & D Corvette, <u>www.jdcorvette.com</u>, (800) 838-8353 (located locally in Bellflower, CA).

For trim and accessory items as well as clothes, furniture and the like, you should look at:

- a. Corvette Central, <u>www.CorvetteCentral.com</u>, (800) 345-4122. They have an accessories catalog and a separate catalog of parts, etc., for each generation of Corvettes.
- b. Burston Marketing's Corvette Collection, <u>www.CorvetteCollection.com</u>, (800) 653-1375.
- c. And finally, the catalog from the retail store at the National Corvette Museum, <u>www.CorvetteMuseum.org</u>, (800) 538-3883.

In addition to the above, you might also consider visiting the show rooms of Corvette Mike's at 1133 North Tustin Avenue and West Coast Corvettes, 1210 N. Kraemer Blvd., both are located near each other in Anaheim just off the 91 freeway in Anaheim. They have a selection of GM authorized accessories and clothes for sale, as well as an indoor Corvette sales room with used road gems. Both also maintain service departments for installing accessories and the like and for general maintenance of Corvettes. West Coast Corvettes has a new catalog that was just released and is available for pick-up at the store. (Price is pre-printed on each catalog as \$12.95, but don't be fooled, they're free - just ask for one.)





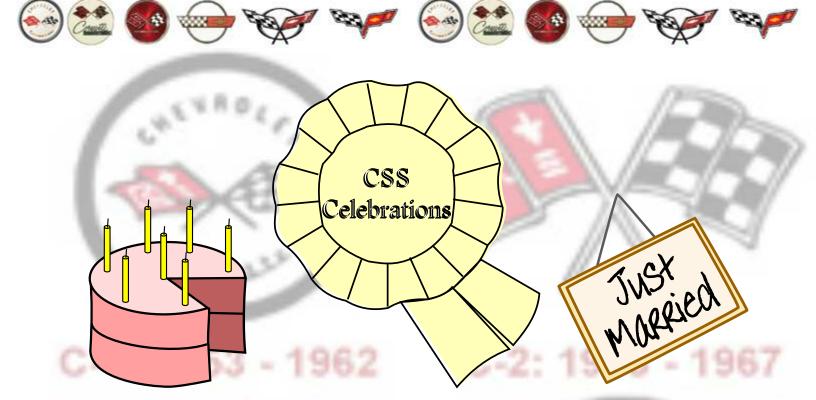












# January Birthdays

- 8 Dale Dobernecker
- 10 Chris Glodery
- 10 Marge Huhta
- 12 Rick Miller
- 16 Kathy Baddley
- 16 Art Huhta
- 17 Scott Glover
- 19 Shirley Jones
- ? Brian Valparaiso
- 25 Ann Meeuwenberg
- 26 Dianne Wiest

# February Birthdays

15 - Doug Meeuwenberg

- 15 Judy Spurr
- 19 John Manfred

### January Anniversaries

26 - Douglas/Wanda Utash

# **February Anniversaries**

#### 14 - Bert/Dianne Wiest

















Connell Chevrolet helps sponsor our Corvette Club. They have been family owned and operated by the Doddridge family since 1989 when Paul Doddridge purchased the franchise from John Connell. Paul is still active with the dealership, but he also spends a lot of his time at his ranch in Montana. His son Wayne Doddridge is the active General Manager.

Connell Chevrolet was first opened in the late 1950's and was located in Newport Beach on Pacific Coast Highway. Then in 1963, they relocated to Harbor Boulevard in Costa Mesa.

Connell has one of the largest new, certified, and pre-owned inventories in Southern California. If you're looking for a specific Tahoe, Silverado pickup, Corvette, or a late-model used car or truck, chances are, Connell Chevrolet has it.

And over the years, Connell's Service Department has built a reputation fixing your GM vehicle right the first time and in a timely manner. They currently have more Chevrolet Master Technicians than most other Chevrolet dealers in the entire USA.

When you go to Connell for service ask for Todd Mack. Todd has been a Service Consultant at Connell for over 20 years and is a recommended advisor in the Corvette forum. For you "do-it-yourselfers," Connell Chevrolet has an expansive Parts Department. They are one of the largest wholesale dealers in the area. And if they don't have your specific automotive part on hand, they can probably secure it within a few days.

Lastly, let's talk about the Connell employee family. To many, their employment at Connell is not a job... It's a career. Many employees including the sales, service and office personnel have worked at Connell for twenty years and more. Even the outside vendors who help to support Connell Chevrolet, have been within the Doddridge family for many years.



Look for Wayne Doddridge next time you're at the dealership and introduce yourself. He is a family man with 6 children and supports the local community. He and Connell Chevrolet help sponsor Orange Lutheran High School, Crean Lutheran High, Costa Mesa High, Fountain Valley High, Estancia High, the Orange County 4H clubs, Newport Harbor Corvettes, Corvette Super Sports, Better Business Bureau, Auto Club, Costco, Los Angeles County Police and Fire Departments, the Orange County Fire Department, Costa Mesa Police, Newport Beach Police, Huntington Beach Police and Irvine Police.

Connell Chevrolet is located at:

2828 Harbor Boulevard, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Sales (714) 546-1200 Service (714)755-3335 Parts (714)546-9400 Website: www.connellchevy.com

#### In Other News:

**Corvette Super Shots** typically meets on the fourth Saturday of each month with lunch afterwards. All are welcome to join!

# Editor's Note: rubypics@aol.com

Hi everyone! Reminding everyone that I welcome pictures and extra articles from other members as long as you send them to me at least <u>five (5) days before</u> the end of each month. I especially need pictures and copy (articles) for events I do not attend!

\*\*\* It has been brought to my attention that I have had a unique advantage being the newsletter editor. I've been advertising my photography. Well, from now on, there will be a **new feature for EVERYONE'S benefit**.

A **"FOR SALE" Page** has been added. This means that each month, you may put in an ad for anything you want to sell. You may put it in the newsletter as often as you like, provided you let me know to keep it in there; otherwise, it will be removed from the next month's edition.

The other stipulation is that the ad must be the size of a business card or only one quarter of the page - max. That means I will have to cut my ad down to size also. Since there weren't any new ads yet, I kept my ad the same size as before - for now...

Depending on how many items you want to sell, I will add more pages to this feature to accommodate the space needed.

Thanks! 😊

Debbie :-)













DebraRubyPhotography.com



Large Calendars: \$14.99



Small Calendar: \$7.99



# PUT YOUR AD HERE!





20th Gambler's Classic

Corvettes of Bakersfield's

April 20-22, 2017 at Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort in Laughlin, Nevada

Driver's Name:			
Passenger:			
Address:			
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Club Affiliation:			
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The 20th Gambler's Classic will be limited to the first 250 Corv 250 will be contacted to see if they want to be placed on a waiting		-	
Entry Fee for Full Event Includes: Free meet & greet Thurs. nite,		Couple	Single
Dinner Show (1 single, 2 couple), Car Show & Poker Run,		•	0
plus 1 t-shirt, 1 poker hand, goody bag and dash plaque.		\$180.00	\$130.00
T-shirt size (circle 1): S M L XL XXL XXXL			
Extra T-Shirt @ \$15.00: S M L XL XXL XXXL		\$ ¢	\$
Additional Poker Hand(s): @ \$5.00 each		ې	\$
Late Registration Fee: If postmarked after March 20th 2017: \$2		\$	\$
(T-shirt order guaranteed if registration postmarked by March 1			
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Make checks payable to: "Corvettes of Bakersfield"	lail to: <mark>Cor</mark>	vettes of Baker	rsfield
	<mark>9.0</mark>	. Box 22065	

For more information, please call Bob Vella at (661) 809-7387, nvcorvettesales@gmail.com

LIABILITY: In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate. Entrants, participants and spectators release and discharge Corvettes of Bakersfield, Inc. (COB) from any known or unknown causes whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant or participant to his or her person or property. Event management reserves the right to restrict entrants or their guests to behavior deemed acceptable during any and all activities of this event, including the right of eviction from the premises if necessary. Participants wishing to leave their properties on the premises understand that they do so at their own risk. No exhibition of speed will be allowed. The undersigned entrant acknowledges, by his or her signature as having read and understood the above liability statement and waives all claims as car owners, guests, children and general public agree to permit COB to use magazines, newspaper, radio and television, before during and after the event and hereby relinquish any rights to the materials whatsoever. All advertising and publicity rights are reserved by the COB. Liability to include passengers.

Signature of Driver:	Date	:
Signature of Passenger:		(required)

Contact the Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino at (800) 227-3849 and reference "C/COBGC" to get special hotel room rate.

Check this box if you plan to attend the Thursday Night Meet & Greet.....

Bakersfield, CA 93390-2065



# We're Back! April 20 – 22, 2017

# 20th Gambler's Classic is on!



With the success of Gambler's Classic 19, we have decided to DO IT AGAIN! Yup Gambler's Classic 20 is set for April 20 – 22 2017. We will be returning to The Riverside Resort Hotel and Casino in Laughlin NV.

The Riverside Resort has proved to be a great partner in the past and really stepped up to the plate and gave us the same prices that we have enjoyed in past Gambler's Events. To make reservation please call The Riverside direct at 800 227 3849, use code C/COBGC to get the special rates.

We have included a Registration form for your convenience, please fill out and return ASAP to ensure your slot in this Classic Event.

Thursday night April 20<sup>th</sup> we will get together for an "Early Arriver's Mixer" from 7pm to 9 pm in the Star View Room. This will be a great opportunity to kick off the event and meet past and new participants. We will offer a special raffle that night for all who attend.

- Special Hotel Rates
- Fenced in secure lot
- Great Trophies
- Poker Fun Run
- Great Raffle Prizes
- Great Fun!
- Proceeds donated to local Bakersfield Charities

Please check out our website for more information, corvettesofbakersfield.org. If you have any questions please feel free to call Bob Vella @ 661 809 7387, nvcorvettesales@gmail.com.

# **SEE YOU THERE!**











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	VETTE SET CAR SHOW All GM Beach Classic" The Vette Set Sponsor
Show Check-in or F Late o	E SET 42nd ANNUAL CAR SHOW • May 6, 2017 Registration from 8:00am – 10:00am ONLY!!! Judging 10:00am – 1:00pm Pre-Registration by April 22, 2017: \$30.00 Donation r day of Registration: \$40.00 Donation (NO Event Tee Shirt) (Please print) CANOPIES, UMBRELLAS OR TENTS AROUND CARS. THANK YOU!
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	ENTRY FORM VOID WITHOUT DONATION.
All Proceeds Will	Be Donated To El Camino Scholarship Foundation, automotive students.
MAIL TO: The Vette	Set , c/o John Tully, 21 Roanwood Dr., Rolling Hills Ests, CA 90274
<u> </u>	Send Questions to: jtul01@aol.com
	n contact: John Tully (310) 378-4062 or Linda Tully (310) 619-6900 <b>Thank You</b>
view ¢	prior Car Shows, info on The Vette Set and Car Show at: www.thevetteset.com
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