



**AUGUST 2007**

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**NMCA EVENTS CALENDAR**

What: BBQ

When: Saturday August 18<sup>th</sup>

Chairpersons: Brenda Bunting

Start time: 6 pm

Location: Brenda & Marcus Bunting home, 3805 Camino de la Sierra NE, Albuquerque

Requirements: Bring a dish to share

Please RSVP to Brenda and let her know what you are bringing

Events you should block your calendar for: (details announced when chairperson(s) provide information)

- ☼ September 8<sup>th</sup> – Autocross at Sandia MotorSports Park\*
- ☼ September 28-29-30 – NMCA Southwest Invitational (deadline for early bird is September 1<sup>st</sup>)
- ☼ December – awards banquet\*

\* insufficient details available at publication time

Check out NMCA events, plus other non-NMCA car events at <http://nmcorvette.org/events>

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**MEETING CALENDAR**

August 17 – General Meeting – 7 pm CASA Chevrolet, 7201 Lomas NE

September 11 – Council Meeting – 6:30 pm – 2420 Midtown NE, Suite A

September 21 – General Meeting – 7 pm CASA Chevrolet, 7201 Lomas NE

October 9 – Council Meeting – 6:30 pm – 2420 Midtown NE, Suite A

October 19 – General Meeting – 7 pm CASA Chevrolet, 7201 Lomas NE

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**BIRTHDAYS – AUGUST & SEPTEMBER**

☼ August ☼

- Matt Helge – 6<sup>th</sup>
- Shane LeMon – 11<sup>th</sup>
- Betty Newland – 17<sup>th</sup>
- Gloria Osborne – 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Dan Bond – 25<sup>th</sup>
- Pamela Alcalá – 30<sup>th</sup>
- Brenda Logsdon – 30<sup>th</sup>

☀ September ☀

Bob DuBois – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Chris Ortega – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Michael Ragsdale – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Kris Becker – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Mary Robb – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Chris Hollendonner – 10<sup>th</sup>  
Kimber-Lee Richards – 18<sup>th</sup>  
Annette Sanchez – 13<sup>th</sup>  
Collene House – 14<sup>th</sup>  
Joanna Nail – 27<sup>th</sup>  
Bryan Glas – 28<sup>th</sup>  
David Judd – 28<sup>th</sup>

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES –AUGUST & SEPTEMBER**

☀ August ☀

Omar Sanchez & ??? 8/5/00  
Michael & Catherine Ragsdale 8/13/77  
Chuck & Nelda Tipton – 8/19/42  
Dan & Karen-Lynn Garza – 8/24/??  
Gene & ??? Rudolph – 8/29/59

☀ September ☀

Scott & Frances Frankel – 9/2/01  
Stephen & Theresa Rahe – 9/6/87  
David & Helga Judd – 9/11/87  
Phil & ? Anderson – 9/13/91  
Bill & Betty Noble – 9/15/62  
Lloyd & Doris Faust – 9/17/89  
Roger & ??? Goldie – 9/22/68  
Steve & Sue Conrad – 9/27/75  
Chris & ??? Hollendonner – 9/28/90

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**NMCA NEWS**

From NMCA email – a visitor is coming through NM – read on;

Hello, my name is Dick Doering. I am sending you this letter as a way of introducing myself. I live in Sherwood Park, Alberta, Canada. (just outside Edmonton)

I am leaving on Sept. 5th in my 1960 Corvette on a road trip and I will be passing thru or close to your town. I am attaching my itinerary so you will have some idea when I may be in your area. The dates may change a day or two either way depending on the car, weather, driver's, or thing's to see.

I am hoping that when we get to your area we can get together for a coffee or a beer, depending on time of day. As you can see by the itinerary we are in no great hurry. We do have to be in certain cities to change passengers so that will determine how far we go in a day.

If you have in your area thing's you think are worth seeing, or a good inexpensive accommodation where the car would be safe please let me know ASAP so I can incorporate it into the plan. My brother will co-pilot from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan to Albuquerque New Mexico. He doesn't golf but I do so if you have a nice course let me know, and maybe there will be time for a round.

(Below is his itinerary as it applies to the NM portion of his trip)

Sept. 18      Amarillo to border 70 miles  
                  Texas/NM border to Albuquerque 210 miles

Sept. 19      Albuquerque -drive Santa Fe portion

Sept. 20      Albuquerque

Sept. 21      Albuquerque-Larry fly out, Terri fly in

Sept. 22      Albuquerque to Gallop 130 miles  
                  Gallop to NM/Arizona border 25 miles  
                  Border to Holbrook-Wigwam Motel-Route 66 lodgings in teepees

Vette-Viper recap (7/28/07), submitted by Jackie Haydu:

Everyone who did not attend this event missed out on the large Showdown. There were cars and trailers for miles. The Vipers didn't even get a chance to race against the Corvettes, but only among themselves and other cars that were out there. The members who showed up to race were Jim Allen with his nitrate Corvette who ended up with a good time 14:04 in the time trails. Steve Haydu with a time 14:20 with his little red Corvette. Shane LeMon with a time 12:90 with his yellow Z06. Its like I think I saw something yellow ,but I wasn't quite sure. His Corvette is fast. Steve Rahe had a time 15:80 with his white knight Corvette and his wife Theresa Rahe is now known at the Powder Puff of racing showing how it's done for the first time out. We had some spectators out there cheering them on. Bruce Behrends , Hugh Monroy, Mary Ellen & Shawn Mitschelen, Gloria & Larry Osborne Bill Jackson, Dan Garza and Karen-Lynn Fiato.

El Paso Corvette Club Event Recap, by Jack Richards:

Kim and I just got back from Ruidoso where we attended the five event weekend that El Paso Corvette Club put on. I have to tell you, it was one of the most fun and relaxing events we've gone to in a long time. This was the first NCCC event that EPCC has put on in many years and I think it was a success. Friday night was registration and then getting out for dinner with a group of friends that we have developed.

Saturday morning was a Peoples' Choice Car Show with 28 Corvettes entered. Kim and I had our Red 1999 coupe, Dan Garza brought his "slightly" modified Z06 convertible, and Jerry Gorman had his Atomic Orange C-6. Dan Garza won his class and had the most votes (31) of any car in the show. How come more votes than cars you might ask? While the car show was going on, 17 Corvettes from San Antonio just happened to show up and stayed to observe. They were up on a totally unrelated Casino trip and needless to say, there were Corvettes all over Ruidoso for the weekend.

In the afternoon we went out on a TSD/Poker Rallye and we and Jerry actually took some decent places (results are still pending). It was challenging (who would ever put a payphone out in the middle of nowhere for a check-point?), but not hard. We were done in an hour and then back for another night of eating with friends. Results were announced at the hotel and Dan won the 50/50 raffle taking home more than he probably would have won at the casino (no amount will be disclosed for tax purposes).

Sunday brought the final events with another TSD/Poker Rallye that took us out of town and headed in the direction of home. We said our goodbyes and pointed the Vette north with Nick Farkas and his daughter right behind us. Two Red Corvettes out on the two-lane brought some attention but no problems.

I want to thank El Paso Corvette Club for a fun weekend and for those who missed it, well, you missed a great event...

Respectfully...Save the Wave...Jack Richards, NMCA Governor

See event photos (courtesy Jack Richards) at: <http://nmcorvette.org/photos/2007/8-5elpaso/>

## FOR SALE

The NMCA web site accepts For Sale and Wanted listings related to Corvettes, at no charge by private parties. This list is constantly changing, with many Corvettes sold within a short period of being listed. Corvettes added to or postings updated on the For Sale list recently include:

- ☼ 1978 Coupe – Auto – Blue - \$16,500
- ☼ 1990 – REDUCED to \$8,000 – check it out
- ☼ 2001 Coupe – 6 speed – Yellow – \$27,000
- ☼ 2001 Z06 – 6 speed – Black - REDUCED to \$29,875
- ☼ New “parts” were added 7/10/07 (for 2007 Corvette)

Review all For Sale & Wanted listings at <http://nmcorvette.org/forsale>

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## NMCA MEETING MINUTES

Council meeting minutes and General meeting minutes are available for review anytime at: <http://nmcorvette.org/newsletters>

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## TEST YOUR CORVETTE IQ

☼ All Corvettes are red....not! In 1954 only 100 Corvettes left the factory painted red, while 3,230 were painted Polo White. How many '54 Corvettes left the factory painted black?

- 1 - 4
- 2 - 9
- 3 - 23
- 4 - 26

☼ The 1957 Corvette had two different colored shifter knobs. Most later models had a white shift knob. What color shift knob did the earlier '57 models sport?

- 1 - black
- 2 – lt blue
- 3 - chrome
- 4 – purple neon

☼ In 1959 you could order two-tone paint as an option. Doing so would set you back how much?

- 1 - \$12.85
- 2 - \$14.60
- 3 - \$16.15
- 4 - \$21.90

☼ The workhorse 283 cid engine was replaced by the 327 cid for which model year?

- 1 - 1960
- 2 - 1961
- 3 - 1962
- 4 – 1963

(answers at the end of this newsletter)

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Member input is always welcome. If you have photos and/or comments about a Corvette event or NMCA event, and wish to share those thoughts, please submit to [info@nmcorvette.org](mailto:info@nmcorvette.org). If you have comments about this new Tach Times distribution method, or if you know of a member who is unable to receive this

monthly e-mail newsletter, please send a note indicating the member and the reason why they are unable to receive this, and steps will be taken to insure they are provided with a hard copy of this same newsletter.

You should anticipate a monthly message similar to this arriving approximately 3-4 days prior to the NMCA general meeting date. Minutes of the Council meeting and General meeting will continue to be posted on the club web site in the newsletter section.

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## **NEWS FROM THE WORLD WIDE WEB – THE LAWS OF LIFE - USE AT YOUR OWN RISK**

### ☀ Law of Mechanical Repair

After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch or you'll have to go to the bathroom.

### ☀ Law of the Workshop

Any tool, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner.

### ☀ Law of Probability

The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

### ☀ Law of the Telephone

If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal.

### ☀ Law of the Alibi

If you tell the boss you were late for work because you had a flat tire, the very next morning you will have a flat tire.

### ☀ Variation Law

If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will start to move faster than the one you are in now.

### ☀ Law of the Bath

When the body is fully immersed in water, the telephone rings.

### ☀ Law of Close Encounters

The probability of meeting someone you know increases dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.

### ☀ Law of the Result

When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it will.

### ☀ Law of Biomechanics

The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.

### ☀ Law of the Theater

At any event, the people whose seats are farthest from the aisle arrive last.

### ☀ Law of Coffee

As soon as you sit down to a cup of hot coffee, your boss will ask you to do something which will last until the coffee is cold.

### ☀ Murphy's Law of Lockers

If there are only two people in a locker room, they will have adjacent lockers.

☀ Law of Rugs/Carpets

The chances of an open-faced jelly sandwich landing face down on a floor covering are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet/rug.

☀ Law of Location

No matter where you go, there you are.

☀ Law of Logical Argument

Anything is possible if you don't know what you are talking about.

☀ Brown's Law

If the shoe fits, it's ugly.

☀ Oliver' Law

As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it.

☀ Doctor's Law

If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there you'll feel better. Don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

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**CORVETTE TRIVIA ANSWERS**

- ☀ A grand total of 4 Corvettes left the factory painted black in 1954 (hardly seems worth loading the sprayer!)
- ☀ Chrome shift knobs were common for the early production run of the 1957 Corvette.
- ☀ \$16.15 was the high price to be paid in order to drive around in a two-tone 1959 Corvette.
- ☀ The 327 cid engine went into the 1962 Corvette for the first time. If you were wanting power, the macho 360 hp fuel injected 327 cid would cost you another \$484.20....a sizeable sum in 1962.

