



NOVEMBER 2007

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MEETING & EVENTS CALENDAR

November 16 – General Meeting – 7 pm CASA Chevrolet, 7201 Lomas NE
Voting for all elected Officer positions except Governor

December 11 – Council Meeting – 3317 Girard Blvd NE – Special time 6 pm
Special note: no general meeting will be conducted in December

December 15 – NMCA Awards Banquet
Where: La Placita in Old Town
Time: gather at 6 pm, dinner served at 7 pm
Cost: \$27.25 per person – includes tax & tip
Menu: NM combination plate, grilled chicken plate, chile relleno plate, chicken enchilada plate
Bring: new unwrapped toy for child or teen (for donation)
Bring: non-perishable canned food items (for donation)
Special note: NMCA will conduct the traditional (optional) member gift exchange*
*Gifts are traditionally in the \$10 range and non-gag in nature.
Special note: this is traditionally a semi-dressy event – no jeans please
RSVP: Suzanne Monroy, no later than December 5th

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BIRTHDAYS – NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

☼ November ☼

Jocelyn Glas – 14th
Maryellen Mitschelen – 15th
Rachael White – 16th
Marcus Bunting – 19th
Nelda Tipton – 21st
Phil Newland – 22nd
Jim Thomte – 24th
Barbara Thomte – 24th
Annie Jaques – 25th
Catherine Ragsdale – 30th

☼ December ☼

Jennifer McKerley – 1st
David Buckner – 1st
Wallace Bow – 4th
Terry Berry – 4th
Dusti Marchi – 6th
Tom Reynolds – 10th

Bill Shiffrar – 14th
Laura Jones – 15th
Robert Bauer – 16th
Lloyd Faust – 16th
Mark Graham – 17th
Suzanne Monroy – 21st
Debra Behrends – 24th

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES – NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

☀ November ☀

Bob & Kris Becker – 11/10/90
George & Joanna Nail – 11/15/64
Terry & Kathy Berry – 11/15/75
Robert O'Keefe – 11/22/91
Rich & Mary Mleczo – 11/27/99

☀ December ☀

Shawn & Maryellen Mitschelen – 12/4/04
Tom & Susan Nolen – 12/28/91
Richard & Laura Jones – 12/29/72

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NEWS

☀ NMCA Elects New Governor

Welcome Ron Scott, a long time NMCA member, back as club Governor. Ron not only serves NMCA well by staying abreast of NCCC issues, he is also well connected (as in an Officer) at the Road Runner regional level. Trust that NMCA will be proudly represented and well taken care of within the region.

☀ NMCA Membership Issues

Stemming from the discussions and voting back in March, April & May 2007, NMCA adopted some new membership procedures and dues amounts. This has caused a minor amount of trouble during the current dues renewal period. More discussion will take place at the November general meeting, and any member who wishes to voice their opinion or make recommendations needs to be present at this important meeting. Below are just a couple of lines, verbatim, from the November 6th Council meeting minutes.

CIA David Judd asked the question, "How will members who are going to pay NCCC and NMCA dues know what time-frame is encompassed?" There followed a discussion of what the time-frame encompassed by the Standing Rules & By Laws w/regard to the Term of Membership. Governor Scott stated that as clarification, the dates January 1 through December 31, should be noted in the By Laws Article XIV: NCCC Dues and Standing Rules, DUES for MEMBERSHIP. The Council agreed this clarification was necessary to eliminate confusion by members as to when the membership year begins & ends. This clarification will be noted on both the By Laws & Standing Rules as follows: (January 1 through December 31).

membership expires on 12/31; NOT 10/31.

From the above, one may assume that ALL NMCA members who were active members in 2007, will have their NMCA memberships automatically extended to December 31, 2007, whether they have paid their renewal dues yet or not. NCCC dues for 2008 are now delinquent, and anyone renewing NCCC at this point, or signing up for the first time will need to pay "new member rates".

Read the complete minutes report for the November Council meeting (or any previous Council or General meeting) at www.nmcorvette.org/newsletters.

☀ **NMCA Website Expands** (repeat insert from October Tach Times)

As you are aware, the NMCA website has always offered a photo section with photos generally grouped by event. Taking this one step further, the website now offers video presentations and/or slide shows, complete with background music. The inventory is small at the moment, but will most certainly grow with time. If you simply can't wait, the direct link is <http://www.nmcorvette.org/video>.

Technically speaking, these files are .wmv and will open with Windows Media Player. As with any large file, a high speed broadband connection will produce rapid results, while those using dial-up service will have a lengthy delay as the file loads. Clips are expected to be 1-5 minutes in duration. There may come a time when we post digital video clips of an event, create longer presentations and/or narrate the presentation. For now we'll stick to a few photos with some toe-tappin' background tunes.

As with any element on our website, members are always welcome to provide feedback and suggestions about our efforts and the web site functionality. Send your ideas and comments to info@nmcorvette.org. In unrelated web site news; please know that all stories that you initially see on the home page are available for review in the "news" section. We try to limit the home page to 4 or 5 stories, but don't fear if the story you saw is no longer on the home page. They all live on within the news area. Announcements on the home page, like the one currently addressing NMCA dues, are not archived. Once an announcement has served its purpose, the file is discarded.

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FOR SALE

Once an announcement has served its purpose, the file is discarded. 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. No new postings have been added in the past 30 days.

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

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TEST YOUR CORVETTE IQ (answers at the end of this newsletter)

☀ What was the first model year in which exhaust exited under the Corvette as opposed to through body panels or rear bumpers?

- 1 – 1959
- 2 – 1960
- 3 – 1961
- 4 – 1962

☀ Aluminum cases for 4 speed transmissions were introduced in what model year?

- 1 – 1959
- 2 – 1960
- 3 – 1961
- 4 – 1962

☀ Four taillights first appeared on what model year Corvette?

- 1 – 1959
- 2 – 1960
- 3 – 1961
- 4 – 1962

☀ Contrasting cove colors were last available on which year Corvette?

- 1 – 1959
- 2 – 1960
- 3 – 1961
- 4 – 1962

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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. 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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ABOUT NMCA

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| President - Hubert Monroy | Membership - Jan & Dan Bond |
| Vice-President - Rich Sherman | CIA - David Judd |
| Treasurer - Lori Jordan | Tech Chair - TBA |
| Secretary - Suzanne Monroy | NMCCC Rep - Bill Jackson |
| Governor - Ron Scott | Newsletter - Phil Ellison |
| Activities - Jackcuelyn Haydu | Webmaster - Phil Ellison |

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CORVETTE TRIVIA ANSWERS

- ☀ Exhaust exited below the body on all 1961's, a change from all previous Corvettes which exited through the rear body panel or bumper.
- ☀ Aluminum cases for 4 speed transmissions were introduced in the 1961 model year.
- ☀ 1961 again – 4 tail lights first appeared during this model year.
- ☀ Contrasting cove colors were last available in 1961 (did you pick up on a theme this month?)

