

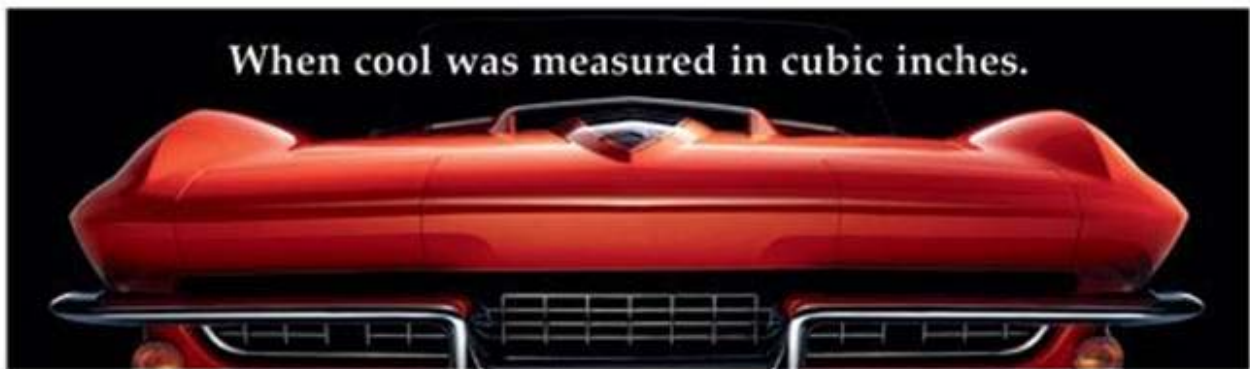


# SANTA CLARITA VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB

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## JANUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER



*1967 CORVETTE*

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# SCVCC Upcoming Calendar of Events

(Club events are in **BLUE**. Events in **RED** are for your info, but not necessarily SCVCC attending)

**NOTE:** If you hold CTRL+click at underlines you will go to the web links or email to the contact!!!

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|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Feb 5<sup>th</sup><br/>Sun</b>  | <b>Annual Super Bowl Party</b><br>At Fred & Sara's house See Fred for more information  |
| <b>Feb 12<sup>th</sup><br/>Sun</b> | <b>Sweetheart Run</b><br>Larsen's Grill / Simi Valley See Howard for more information   |
| <b>March 3-4<br/>Sat/Sun</b>       | <b>Santa Maria Over Nighter</b><br>See Howard for more information.                     |
| <b>March 24<br/>Sat</b>            | <b>March Madness Run</b><br>See Fred for more information this is a great gimmick rally |
| <b>April 15<br/>Sun</b>            | <b>Lockwood Valley Run</b><br>See Fred for more information                             |
| <b>April 20-22<br/>Fri-Sun</b>     | <b>Gamblers Classic Laughin NV</b><br>See Mark for more information                     |
| <b>April 26<br/>Thur</b>           | <b>Taste of the Town / Robinsons Ranch</b><br>See Howard for more information           |



# From the Drivers Seat

February 2012 President's Message

Hi Everyone –

It's hard to believe January is over already but when you're having fun it goes quick. It was nice to have such great turnouts for our two events this past month.

The Mullin Automobile Museum was stunning along with a great lunch at the Greek Restaurant in Ventura Harbor, and GAMEDAY Sports Bar and Grille certainly, provided a fun time for our quarterly "Taste of the Town" that seems to be growing in popularity and attendance. A big thank you to our activities team who continues to come up with great and creative runs.

Pat and I went over the next day and thanked the owners of GAMEDAY, (Tom and Jody) for providing our club with great food and service. They own a corvette and want to join our club as members, and will be with us on our Sweetheart Run to Larsen's Grill in a couple of weeks.

It appears lately we've been getting a lot of e-mails from corvette owners wanting to join our club. It's certainly a good feeling and a credit to our club for having such a strong and well rounded program that others want to be a part of. Again my thanks to all of our hard working Board Members and others who make a difference every month.

I hope you make plans to join us for our upcoming February events which of course starts out with the Super Bowl Party again hosted by Fred and Sara Seeley. We thank them once again for opening their home for this yearly traditional good time.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for this year's Valentine's Sweetheart Run that Howard has worked hard to put together for us. As always, if you have an idea for an event or run, please contact our activities committee.

Until next time.

Greg



**Business Meeting on the 1st Thursday of each Month**



**Social Hour at 6:00 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.**

Marie Callender's  
27630 The Old Road (at Magic Mountain)  
Valencia

*Next Business Meeting: February 2, 2012*

**Social Gathering on the 3rd Thursday of each Month**



**Social Hour and dining at 6:30 p.m.**

Route 66 Classic Grill  
18730 Soledad Canyon Rd (Edward's Entertainment Ctr.)  
Canyon Country

*Next Social Gathering: February 16, 2012*

*Birthdays and Anniversaries*

- Pat Attl Feb 3*
- Debi Clarkson Feb 6*
- Linda Butler Feb 6*
- Tracy Dupree Feb 7*
- Mike Salmen Feb 9*
- Ruth Gauthier Feb 11*
- Nancy Spicer Feb 19*
- Bob Searcy Feb 23*
- Phil G Johnson Feb 24*
- Elke Couples Feb 26*
- Dan Stern Feb 26*
- Steve Jackman Feb 27*



- Negri February 16, 1973 39 years*
- Coussens February 5, 1983 29 years*
- Hidalgo February 6, 2010 2 years*



# Meeting Minutes

*Recorded by Moira Moe, Secretary*

## SANTA CLARITA VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB Minutes of January 5, 2012 Meeting

**President Greg Attl** called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Announcements:

Car calendars compliments of Santa Paula Chevrolet – if you go there, they will take a photo of your car and put it on a two-year calendar.

January 16 is the cut off date for lower rate on the Monterey Cruise. See Mark Ware for price change info.

Greg said Joe Ryan has offered to Chair a Committee and asked if there would be any interest in a 2012 SCVCC Car Show. A quick show of hands (no count taken – I did not see many).

The Christmas Party was a great success – Greg thanked Howard and his staff of helpers

**Greg's Corvette Trivia GiveAway** –Geri Pollack (with much assistance from Milt) answered C1 trivia questions, and won the prize – a bottle of wine.

**Minutes** of the December General Business meeting were approved as published and filed.

**Treasurer Dick Gauthier** *Report available upon request.*

**Membership Chair Pat Attl** announced that the club is at 96 members, with 12 people on the wait list. Paula Knutsen was added as a new member. Visitors/Guests: Kevin McBride – was introduced to the club by Tony Munshi, they traded wheels. He has a Magnetic Red C6 and a C5 Black Convertible. Art and Bonnie Sanders recently purchased their first Corvette – an '04 Z06 in silver. Mark and Peggy McMullen, who are friends with the Percivalle's and attended the Christmas party have had several Vette's currently a 2003 red Convertible, their 2000 was burned in a fire.

**VP/Publicity** Mike Woodings had a story in The Signal on Christmas Day about our Party and Food Pantry donation. They will be running Club meeting information regularly.

**Quartermaster Chet Morse** said Let's Make a Deal. He has some T-shirts on clearance, and Club patches for \$3. Pickup a catalog ...he will take special orders.

**Newsletter** - Greg said Chris Noski put out another great issue. He doesn't know how it happens. Chris reminded that volunteers to write stories or take photos are always welcomed and encouraged.

### **Activities - Mark Ware**

Howard spoke about the fabulous Christmas Party and read the thank you letter from the Food Pantry. January 14- Dine and Dash to the Mullen Museum in Oxnard 8:15 meeting. Prepay at drivers meeting.

January 26 – Taste of the Town at GameDay in Valencia. Flyer will be sent out.

February 5 – SuperBowl Sunday Party and potluck at the Seeley's home announced by Fred.

Greg read the January birthdays and anniversaries.



**50/50 Raffle** – Jeff Samsom collected \$102.

**Badge It or Lose It** – Melody Reid did not have her badge on! \$40 up for grabs in February.

**Old Business:** none    **New Business:** None

Moira thanked everyone for the donations for Team SCVCC Relay For Life for their Christmas Party photos. Almost \$300 donated from the group.

**Car Talk** – Lou Stabile mentioned a discount coupon for an oil change at Santa Paula Chevrolet for \$69.

Joe Ryan announced that Guldstrand Motors was closing at the end of the week.

Howard regaled the group with a recap of the LeMons Race that Beer Goggle Racing participated in.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm

*Submitted by Moira Moe  
SCVCC Board Secretary*

***QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER***

**Mens Wear**

Tee Shirts:	\$10.00
Tank Tops:	\$15.00
Polo Shirts:	\$28.00
Sweat Shirts:	\$35.00
Club Jacket:	\$95.00

**Womens Wear**

V-Neck:	\$16.00
Scoop Neck:	\$16.00
Tank Tops:	\$15.00
Polo Shirts:	\$28.00
Sweat Shirts:	\$35.00
Club Jacket:	\$95.00

**Misc**

Tote Bags:	\$5.00	SCVCC Club pins	\$5.00
Patches:	\$2.00		

Contact Chet Morse for more information [quartermaster@scvcc.org](mailto:quartermaster@scvcc.org) or see him at the next Club meeting.



## Corvette News and information

By: Fred Seeley 2014 C7  
Janie Hansen C6 Collectors Edition

# *2014 CHEVROLET CORVETTE SPIED WITH C7 BODY*



These sightings of the latest Corvette come as Chevy announced plans last week for a 427 convertible, which draws Z06 power into an open-air configuration, and a 60th-anniversary edition to celebrate the final run of the C6.

*Photo credit: KGP Photography*

Greg Migliore **Autoweek** -- January 19, 2012 - 11:44 am ET

DETROIT -- Corvette's future is crystallizing as the temperature drops. The C7 was captured by spy shooters in cold-weather testing in the Great White North, and the profile indicates a wedge-like silhouette, curvy, slightly flared fenders and a potentially longer wheelbase.

Production of the next-generation 2014 Chevrolet Corvette will begin next year. These shots advance previous knowledge of the C7, which now appears to have been photographed in an actual body shell. Older pictures indicated the wider wheelbase but were C6-bodied.





[These fresh shots from KGP Photography, posted by Autoweek](#), an affiliate of *Automotive News*, show the quad exhaust in the rear, the distinctive taillights

and a prominent air intake in front. We also expect the C7 to employ an all-aluminum frame and perhaps some carbon-fiber techniques.

But, insiders have noted that the Corvette is a reasonably light car already, and Lamborghini or McLaren-style techniques might not be necessary.

The engine is also a source of much speculation, and a twin-turbo 5.5-liter V8 is a strong possibility. Currently, the top-end Corvettes run 6.2-liter V8s. A seven-speed manual transmission is also a possibility.

Interestingly, these shots appear to offer an authentic first look at the styling direction of the C7, as it's heavily clad with both camouflage and dark armor.

The sightings come as Chevy announced plans last week for a 427 convertible, which draws Z06 power into an open-air configuration, and a 60th-anniversary edition to celebrate the final run of the C6. This car will have a shortened model year.

General Motors said in May that it will spend \$131 million and will add 250 jobs to improve the Bowling Green, Ky., factory that builds the Corvette. That's a dramatic increase from the \$39 million spent in 2005 when the site changed over to produce the C6.

Read more:

<http://www.autonews.com/article/20120119/OEM04/120119819#ixzz1jwh8vopK>

## **Info on the 2013 Corvette 427 Convertible Collector Edition**







**C6 performance convertible and its 60th Anniversary Package will be unveiled at Barrett-Jackson, where the first public version will be auctioned off for charity.**

**Media Release | Posted January 12, 2012 Detroit, MI**

Today Chevrolet announced two new special edition Corvettes to round out the production of the C6 Corvette. The two models that have been unveiled are the 60th Anniversary Edition and the fastest Corvette convertible produced, the 427 Convertible Collectors Edition.

“The 2013 model year will be historic for Corvette, marking its 60th Anniversary and the final year for the current ‘C6’ generation,” said Chris Perry, vice president, Global Marketing and Strategy for Chevrolet. “We couldn’t think of a more fitting way to celebrate these milestones than bringing back one of the most-coveted combinations in the brand’s history – the Corvette convertible and a 427 cubic-inch engine.”

### **Corvette 427 Convertible Collector Edition**

The Corvette 427 Convertible blends elements of the Z06 and ZR1 models to create the fastest and most-capable convertible in Corvette’s history.

Its heart is the 427-cubic-inch (7.0L) LS7 engine from the Corvette Z06. Rated at 505 horsepower (377 kW) and 470 lb.-ft. of torque (637 Nm), it is the most powerful engine ever installed in a production Corvette convertible – and, like the Z06, the 427 Convertible is only available with a six-speed manual transmission.

The LS7 was co-developed with the Corvette Le Mans-winning GT1 engine and features lightweight titanium connecting rods and intake valves, as well as racing-inspired high-flow cylinder heads and a dry-sump oiling system. It is assembled by hand at GM’s Performance Build Center, where customers who purchase the 427 Convertible Collector Edition can purchase the Corvette Build Experience option and assemble the engine that will power their new car.

Supporting performance elements in the Corvette 427 Convertible include the driveline and rear axle system from the Corvette Z06, a rear-mounted battery and standard Magnetic Selective Ride Control. The standard 19-inch front and 20-inch rear wheels are wrapped in ZR1-style Michelin PS2 [tires](#). Lightweight machine-face Cup wheels – introduced on the 2012 Corvette Z06 with Z07 and Corvette ZR1 with PDE performance packages – come standard and include unique gray-painted pockets. Black Cup wheels or chrome ZR1-style wheels are also available.

The 427 Convertible also features several carbon-fiber components that help reduce weight, including:



- Carbon fiber raised hood (introduced on the 2011 Z06 Carbon Edition)
- Carbon fiber Z06-style fenders
- Carbon fiber floor panels
- The "CFZ" carbon fiber front splitter and rocker panels are optional on the 427 Convertible, and included with the 60th Anniversary package

The weight reduction brings the 427 Convertible's curb weight to 3,355 pounds (1,522 kg). Combined with its 505-horsepower LS7 engine, it gives the 427 Convertible a power-to-weight ratio of 6.64 – or one horsepower for every 6.64 pounds of vehicle mass.

That's better than:

- Porsche 911 Turbo S Cabriolet – 6.90
- Audi R8 5.2 RSI Spyder – 7.58
- Aston Martin DBS Volante Convertible – 7.82
- Ferrari California Convertible – 8.31

The combination of low mass and high output will make the 427 Convertible one of the fastest convertibles in the world, delivering estimated 0-60 performance of 3.8 seconds, quarter-mile performance of 11.8 seconds, lateral acceleration of 1.04 g and a top speed of more than 190mph.

The 427 Convertible is available in 2LT, 3LT and 4LT trim levels and will carry a unique vehicle identification number sequence, similar to the Corvette ZR1.

### **Corvette 60th Anniversary Package**

All 2013 Corvette models, including the 427 Convertible, will be available with a 60th Anniversary Package, featuring an Arctic White exterior with a Blue Diamond leather-wrapped interior with suede accents. Convertible models will have a blue top.

Additional content includes a ZR1-style rear spoiler, special badging, gray-painted brake calipers and the "60th" logo on the wheel center caps, steering wheel and seat headrests. An optional graphics package adds full-length racing stripes in Pearl Silver Blue, including a tonal stripe stitched into the convertible top, extending the graphic theme over the roof.

For 2013, all Corvettes will feature 60th Anniversary badges on the fascias and the "waterfall" panel on convertible models, as well as 60th logos in the instrument panel gauge cluster and on the sill plates.

Chevrolet will be auctioning off the first Corvette 427 Convertible at Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale collector car auction with proceeds going to AARP's Drive to End Hunger initiative on January 21st.



## Mullin Museum

Jan 14<sup>TH</sup>

By: Mark Ware

Pictures by: Tony & Kathy Munshi & Melody Ried

The first run of the new year turned out to be quite an event! We had excellent participation (Thank You Members!). We basically filled the lot near Copperhill Starbucks with over 30 rockin' Corvettes. Our group was so large that we split the caravan into two groups – red Corvettes and then all the rest!



Destination Oxnard... as we wound our way down the 126. With the increase in speed monitoring and devices on the route we set in to a

leisurely pace so as not to trigger an unwanted response from the local troopers. One Corvette did get stopped, however it was for expired license tags. All was well though, as a warning was issued and they were on their way in no time.



What's this...? As we approached the 101 to cross into Oxnard, the lead group spotted several Corvettes exiting the freeway onto our route. The first thought was that Howard (leading the second group) somehow managed to get ahead of us – which wouldn't entirely be far-fetched as we know that Howard is not shy about using the pedal on the right. J

But no.. this was a different Corvette group. Could it be that they were headed to the Mullin Museum as well? As it turns out they were - as we followed them into the museum lot. So now we had even more Corvettes and between the three groups quickly consumed the available parking.





The Mullin Automotive Museum was nicely appointed with the main floor displaying some the most elegant classic automobiles of the 30's era – the so called “French Curves” collection - each meticulously preserved. Among the featured cars of the day were the 1939 Delahaye T165 (cover car in museum logo) and the 1938 Talbot Lago T150 “Goutte D’Eau” <- meaning Teardrop in

French.

The main floor also had a small theater which featured a brief film introduction of the collection, the museum, and its background. The second level was open to the main floor below – giving a birds-eye view of the main collection. This level displayed more amazing examples of French race cars of the era. Some of these cars were winners in the Grand Prix de Pau and Le Mans.



In addition to the automobile collection, as a tribute to the influence of the art deco French design era, the museum also displays unique furnishings, art, and photographs.



There was much to see at the museum, but as the morning became afternoon many of us joined the caravan to enjoy lunch at ‘The Greek at the Harbor’. We were able to find decent parking quickly and made our way to the restaurant. The staff greeted us warmly and saw that we had dedicated servers. Even though our group was large they allowed us to order off of the full menu – which took a little more time but was well worth it. From skewers to Greek

Burgers all was good! Mr. Woodings also did a 50/50 raffle. I don't recall who won but all-n-all it was a winning event!







# Taste of the Town

Jan 26<sup>TH</sup>

By: Mark Ware  
Pictures by: Mark Ware

Our first quarterly Taste of the Town for 2012 brought out the Santa Clarita Valley Corvette Club in full force to the all-new GameDay sport bar and grill in Valencia. The owner Tom Law greeted club members and spoke of his admiration of the car and his interest in the club. Tom recently traded his C6 Corvette coupe for his latest - a 2012 Grand Sport convertible!



As you walk in, the center bar was sunken with lower and upper tier floor areas for tabletop seating around it. The place was well appointed for any televised sport event or group meal, with many large flat screen monitors. Referee-dressed wait staff took our orders while we marveled at the large flat screen monitors in the private room – one just about took up the whole wall.

The menu featured cleverly named burgers, salads, and appetizers. Like "Field of Dreams" salads, each named after a popular ball park or stadium. They also had pizza and a some specialty entrees.



The group took advantage of a great opportunity to take a break out of the week to have a brew or some wine with friends. Another great example of Santa Clarita's local fare!





# Laff Traxx

Submitted By: Unknown

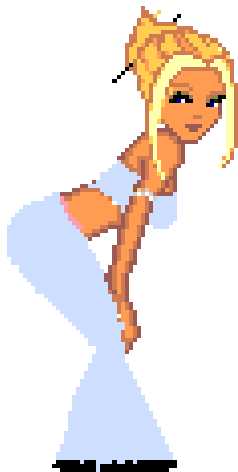
40 years - Priceless!

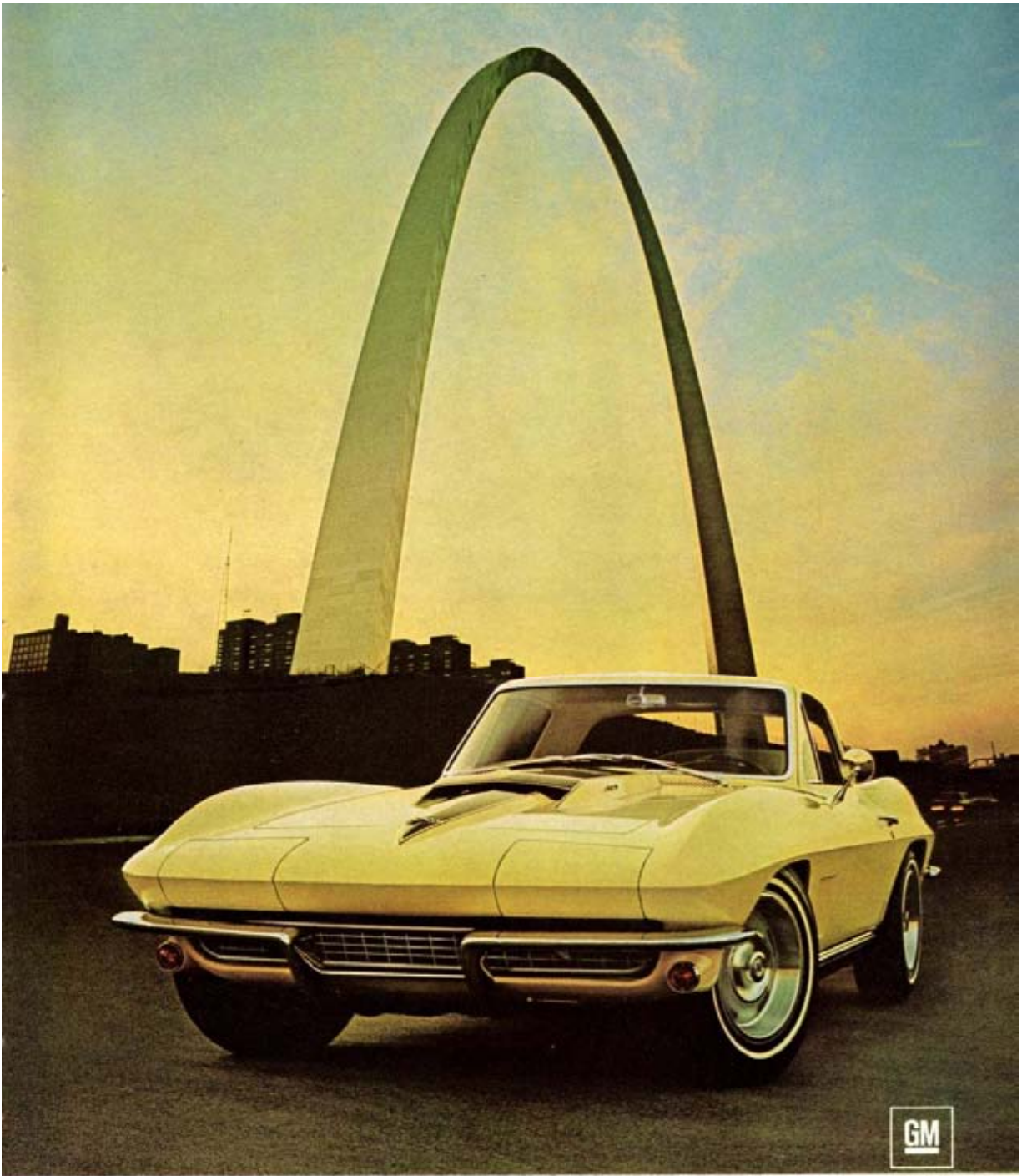
**After being married for 40 years, I took a careful look at my wife one day and said, "Forty years ago we had a cheap house, a junk car, slept on a sofa bed and watched a 10-inch black and white TV, but I got to sleep every night with a hot 23-year-old girl.**

**Now ... I have a \$500,000 home, a \$35,000 car, a nice big bed and a large screen TV, but I'm sleeping with a 63-year-old woman. It seems to me that you're not holding up your side of things."**

**My wife is a very reasonable woman. She told me to go out and find a hot 23-year-old girl and she would make sure that I would once again be living in a cheap house, driving a junk car, sleeping on a sofa bed and watching a 10-inch black and white TV.**

**Aren't older women great? They really know how to solve an old guy's problems.**





**St. Louis, and another spirited event. Corvette for 1967.**

The Arch. A salute to yesterday. A promise for tomorrow. So is another spirit of St. Louis, where it's built—Corvette for 1967.

Still America's only true production sports car, the '67 Corvette offers performance from V8s up to 427 cubic inches and triple two-

barrel carburetion you can order. Handling from independent rear suspension and four-wheel disc brakes. Comfort with add-ons like air conditioning and power assists. New standard safety features such as the GM-developed energy-absorbing steering column,

shoulder belt anchors, folding seat back latches, four-way hazard warning flasher.

Corvette: magnificently balanced and honed. The spirit of St. Louis revisited.

**1967 CORVETTE BY CHEVROLET**





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