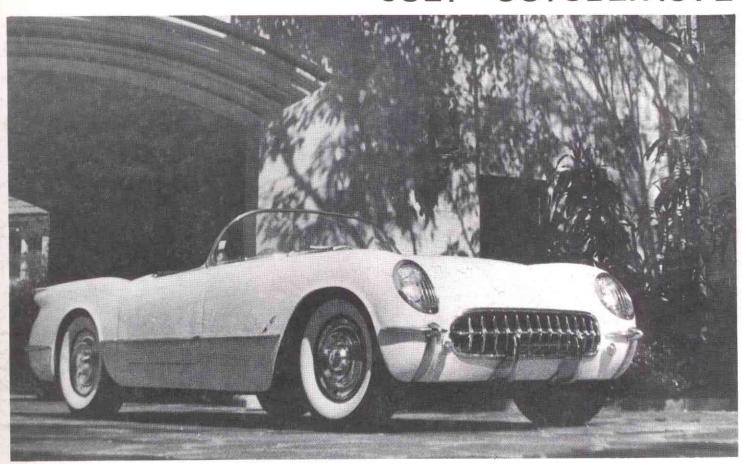
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We have a newsletter name: "Blue Flame Special," submitted by our Secretary, Jean Thiebaud. The name Blue Flame Special was written in white letters on the blue-green six-cylinder engine valve cover on the early Corvette models.

-Ed Thiebaud

COVER STORY

For those of you who might be taking a Sunday drive through Beverly Hills, located near Hollywood, California, you may have seen the cover car, a beautifully restored 1954 Corvette, E54S002141-469 parked by the mansion, near the home of Lee K. Nicholl of 2037 N. Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills, California 90210.

Lee's love for early Corvettes began early in his life. I might say it probably began earlier than most because Lee's father came home one night from work and made him a proposition. He said, "Lee, I will give you an old Corvette, 'so old' it has an original 6 cylinder in it, IF you promise to remove all the old original paint by hand, sanding the entire car. Needless to say, Lee agreed, and that's where he began his early interest in 1954 Corvettes.

All this took place in 1969, when Lee was a sophomore in high school, and by the time he was a junior and old enough to drive, Lee had the Old Corvette repainted, interior spruced up, and he sported one of the best looking sports cars on the high school campus. I questioned Lee if the high school girls chased HIM or the CAR around campus. His modest answer was, "Yes, I guess they sort of grooved on my car a little." With the fancy bright canary yellow paint job, all chrome wheels and bright red interior, we are sure Lee was in the "in crowd".

Lee became so interested in old Corvettes he continued his search for another real fine, low mileage, 1954 Corvette, which he found and purchased late in his senior year of high school. He has been restoring the car since then and has completed restoration of E54S002141, which you see the results of as our Cover Car.

This story of Lee continues further in this issue, titled, "Even Young Men Like Old Corvettes".



DRAG MEET

3rd Annual NHRA Supernationals Drag Racing to be held at Ontario Motor Speedway, Ontario, Calif. 91764 on November 17, 18, 19,1972 - Further information phone: 714-984-2255.

NEW! REAR WINDOW LOUVER KIT

Motion Performance Parts, Inc., 598, Sunrise Highway Baldwin, New York announces the availability of a rear window Louver Kit designed to enhance the beauty of 68-73 Corvette Coupes. Motion also offers a complete line of custom Corvette Fiberglass including the unique Mako Shark & G.T. Corvette components. They also offer a high performance overdrive to change your 4:88 rear end ratio by a flick of a lever to a 3:42 ratio.

1955 CHROME IGNITION SHIELDING OFFERED FIRST TIME

For the first time in history of our club we are offering for sale complete chrome ignition shielding for the rare few 1955, 265 V-8s still around. There are only 12 sets for sale so if you're interested you can read about it later in this issue. The club wishes to thank Ray Willard at 1358 Oakland Rd. Space 120, San Jose, Calif. 95112 for his 6 months of hard work to complete the 12 sets. Ray is one-in-a-hundred fellows that when he says he's going to do something he follows thru with it. Ray works in Airline service and travels coast to coast almost daily in his line of work. He said the part that kept him going was if he could not find a difficult part in San Jose he would phone someplace in Chicago or New York the next day while there on business and usually find the part he was searching for. Ray came to Fresno and borrowed the complete set of shielding from our VE555001008 last May. From this he tooled up and made his patterns. We counted all parts going into each set of reproductions including every nut, bolt, screw, wire, shield etc. total of 39 parts.

REPRODUCTIONS IN THE MAKING

"Surprise," reproduction of the 3 original chrome air cleaner bullets for 53 — and early 54s are in the making by our, you guessed it! Ray Willard at San Jose. Ray feels at this time they will be perfect exact reproductions available thru the club offered in Vol. 4 No. 4 he hopes!

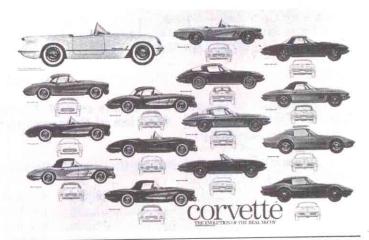
NEW AUTO BOOK

Recent discussion with Automobile Quarterly I learned the following information. They have almost completed their new hard bound 300 page book called, America's Star Spangled Sports Car, including 106 full color pictures, plus 300 black and white pictures.

Also a complete history of Corvette from 1953 through modern day new Corvettes. Cost will be \$16.95 retail and \$14.95 for Automobile Quarter-

ly subscribers.

Also Automobile Quarterly is offering a new all color Corvette poster for sale as pictured below, 1953 through 1969, but the new one is from 1953 through 1973 in full color. Send \$3.00 for the poster to: Automobile Quarterly, 245 West Main Street, Kutztown, Penn. 19530.



RESTORING A 1960 CORVETTE TO ORIGINAL

Read Southeast Region News by Gene Tucker (Corvette collector). This Vol. 4 No. 3. Gene recently purchased one with 23,200 actual miles on it for his collection. Its 100% original, paint, tires, hubcaps, engine, transmission, carpets and seat covers — for more details writeor visit Gene Tucker. For address refer to Corvette Collectors List this Issue.

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SOUTHWEST REGION

By Jack Krawaczyk

The New Mexico Corvette Assn. presented its 3rd annual Invitational Autocross September 1, 2,3, and 4th 1972 with great success. It was an NCCC sanctioned event with the following itinary: Friday, Sept. 1, Early Registration, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. with a hospitality room 3 p.m. to 12 p.m. same day. Saturday, Sept. 2, Registration began at 8 a.m. to 12 noon with Autocross Tech. Inspection from 8 to 12 noon. The Rally gimmick started at 1 p.m. Saturday and ran until finished later in afternoon. Then everyone gathered poolside for a party with live band until Sunday a.m.? even free beer - what a party! Sunday wound it all up with the final run offs of the Autocross and a fantastic Awards Dance for a finale Sunday evening. All in all Jack reports they had a great weekend even though Jack could not attend he received the later report from those who did. Let's mark our calendars for this event next year and hope for another great weekend.

SOUTHEAST REGION NEWS

By Gene Tucker

On a recent trip to the West Coast, I purchased a 1960 Corvette Serial No. 00867S100277 which has 23,200 actual miles on the odometer. This car is 100% original and might possibly be of some help to anyone in the process of restoring a 60 Vette. I will be happy to furnish any Club member with useful information pertaining to this car.

The trip to California was great. The people we met went out of their way to help us. The trip home to Georgia went smoothly enough and was enjoyable, even answering dozens of questions about the "New" 1960 CORVETTE and that "FUNNY CHEVROLET ON THE TRUCK" which was a Bronze 1955 Vette which Judy and I purchased from Ed.

NORTH CENTRAL REGION

The following article was taken from THE FLINT JOURNAL, section three, pages 21 to 48, Sunday, July 30, 1972. Submitted by Dave Foutch, E53F001300-353.

STEEL BODIES ON CORVETTES?

While officials of the Classic Corvette Club — a group interested in 1953-55 'Vettes — were trying to pick winners in their national meet in Flint Saturday, it was reported in Detroit that Corvettes may be built with steel bodies starting in 1975.

Starting with the first Corvettes—300 built in Flint in 1953—the Chevrolet sports car has been the only American production car built with a fiberglass body.

However, Automotive News, a trade publication, said it has learned of the planned switch to steel from sources in the tool and die industry who say General Motors has begun ordering steel dies for Corvette body stampings.

"I've heard those rumors," said Robert F. Sovis, chairman of this weekend's meet here. "If they're true, that will mean that the life of future Corvettes will be shortened and there will be a 'run' on the models built of fiberglass.

"Rust takes its toll. That's a problem with the classic twoseat Ford Thunderbirds."

There was no comment on the Automotive News report from either Chevrolet or the Molded Products Division of North American Rockwell Corp., which builds the fiberglass reinforced plastic Corvette bodies.

The paper said that two major reasons for the switch to steel are that growing production of the sports car has made steel more economical than fiberglass, which is most efficiently produced in small runs, and that fiberglass bodies would have difficulty absorbing enough energy to meet upcoming federal standards for the protection of car occupants in crashes.

The 20 gleaming Corvettes displayed Saturday, at Durant Plaza between the Sloan Museum and Whiting Auditorium, were advertisements for the staying power of fiberglass (though there are plenty of antique steel-built cars around that look pretty good, too).

There were three of the original 300 Flint-built Corvettes entered, and they took the biggest awards.

John Vass of Detroit won best in show by one-half point over John Mansell of New Wilmington, Pa. Both entered Flintbuilt '53s. Mansell's car also won the senior class award for cars which had placed first in other meets.

John Cook, Long Grove, Ill., was first in the junior class, for cars which had entered previous shows and won awards less than first place. He had a 1954 model. Bass was also the

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CENTRAL WEST REGION NEWS

by Noland Adams Martin Ball

On September 24, 1972, the Vintage Corvette Club of America was represented in the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America Nor-Cal Region Car Show held in Eastshore Park in Oakland, Calif. Martin Ball entered his very nice E57S105536-60A Corvette in the Special Interest Class and won first place, over a clean stock 54 Corvette and a stock 55 Corvette. Martin Ball was busting his buttons over his trophy as it was the first show he had entered his car in. Martin also states, "He would like to thank the Vintage Corvette Club and its many members of the club who have helped him find the parts needed during restoration to complete his show 1957 Corvette."

Also our thanks to Noland Adams Regional Rep. for submitting the 1973 New Corvette showroom brochure for use in this Vol. 4 #3 to help introduce the new "1973 Corvette".

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winner in the primary class, for cars which had either not placed in or not entered any previous show.

Other award recipients were: John Hutchins (1954), Alma, second in senior class; Tom Essex (1954), Goshen, Ind., second and Ken Frenchak (1954), Butler, Pa., third, both in the junior class, and Dora Pence (1953), Elkhart, Ind., the only woman entrant, second and Sid Diamon (1954), Chicago, third, both in the primary class.

Frenchak won an award for driving the longest distance to the meet. He drove in from Butler, Pa. Felix Napier Jr., Detroit, got a special "hard luck" award. His 1954 'Vette broke down on the freeway 10 miles south of Flint. He finally got it to the motel where most of the entrants are staying and club members were trying to figure out if they could fix his apparent transmission failure.

Except for the first 300 'Vettes built here, all Corvettes have been produced in St. Louis, Mo. The first three years of cars, similar in basic style, are considered classics by collectors, and the Flint-built cars are particularly valuable.

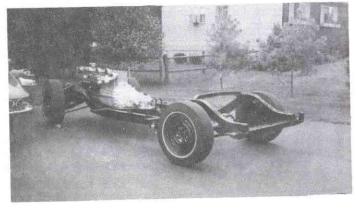
These cars have been priced in recent years for anything from \$500 - from sellers who don't know the collector value - to \$10,000, club members said.

David Foutch, 1621 Blackberry, who entered a 1954 in the meet, bought the last Flint-built Corvette (No. 300) in California in February, and said there are at least two more in Flint (including the one in Sloan Museum) and possibly two in Grand Blanc. He said his personal records show that 146 of the first 300 are still in existence.

Corvette No. 3 is in the hands of a collector in California.

NORTHEAST REGION NEWS

By Dr. Art Norley



The stages of Art Norley's E54S003902 in the above picture is the main reason the car did not go to the N.C.C.C. Dallas Convention this year. Art hopes to have his 54 ready for the Northeast Region meet in the spring of 73 which plans are being made for now.

The first part of my report will deal with the subject of listings of available parts in our area. For those who are not familiar with our efforts, I'll try to explain what we did and the results. I wrote to all Vintage members in our region first, then expanded into New York, New Jersey, and Penn. The letter mainly consisted of projecting the idea of making available to these interested members a listing of parts available for sale or trade directly from individuals, no middleman. Well out of 37 letters, I received 15 positive answers. At this time a small parts booklet was made and sent back to those individuals who had responded. Also included in this booklet were listings of parts people needed.

I regret to report that we had only one edition—as we received no further correspondence from any of the members. As to say whether or not the parts booklet was a success or not I cannot say. If we received more letters from our members we could elaborate on this further.

The second subject deals with the initial plans for a Regional meet in this area sometime in late spring. Of course any other members in other regions would be invited. The preliminary plans are the following — Weekend either on Cape Cod or some central area to be specified at a later date. The actual place will depend on the response from the interested members.

Activities would consist of a concours, a simple rally, mainly to sightsee, and an awards evening. The Cape area is a greet place to visit in the spring. Our club has had 3 years to prepare for this, as we have had spring weekends on the Cape for the last 3 years. Now, if any of you Vintage members are interested here is what must be done.

The first thing to determine is whether there is any interest in this event. To determine this we will set up a registration period. If we do not receive adequate response, then we will cancel the event and those of you who did respond will have their registration fee returned.

Registration will be open from now till the 1st of March 1973. To register you must send your name, address, type of car, year etc. to Art Norley, 142 Westfield Dr., Holliston, Mass. 01746. Also you must send a check for \$10.00 for each car. Check is to be made out to Bay State Corvette Club.

Tentative date will be the first part of May. For those who register, there will be a package sent to you a few days after March 1, 1973. In this package there will be all the info needed for the weekend.

We are willing to do the work, but we must get a good turnout in order to make this a success. So, it is up to you! Anyone with questions, please write and I will do my best to answer any questions or problems. A quick thought — how about a flea market set up along with the Cape Weekend.

With the N.C.C.C. Convention over we can now begin to prepare our cars for next year in Indy. Enclosed find picture of E54S005902 in its early stage of restoration. Frame and drive train are finished with a fair amount of body work to do. Hope to have ready for the Cape Weekend in May of 73.

Our congratulations go out to the Corvette Club of Texas for a great time in Dallas. We had 6 members venture down to old Dallas from Mass. with a total mileage of 24,000 miles. Brought home four trophies and a few cases of Coors.

Well, that's about all from the Northeast Region. I sincerely hope to hear from our regional members in reference to the weekend on the Cape in May.

Also if any regional member wants to write anything, or report on their restoration, please send to me and will get it published in the following Vintage B.F.S. under our region.

OPEN LETTER

Dear Mr. Thiebaud:

We have been reading about you and the Vintage Club about as long as we have been looking for a vintage Corvette. We haven't stopped reading, but we have stopped looking as we just purchased a 1954 Corvette. It has the original engine and drive train, and 85% original otherwise.

Our biggest problem is finding the other 15% of the parts, around Long Beach that can be a headache.

I am a foreign car mechanic and have a 1969 Corvette Roadster also; the only wrench turner in the garage who doesn't own an Alfa Romeo or Ferrari. You can probably imagine all the "bull" I have to go through!

Enclosed is a check in the amount of ten dollars for membership in your club and would appreciate any more particulars about it.

Hope this will be a good year for turkeys!

Sincerely,

Lonan and Patti King 5119 Autry Avenue

Lakewood, Calif. 90712

PARTS WANTED

60 Corvette seats, mint or good condition.

Dave Cole, 1311 So. Main, Auburn, Ind. 46706, 219-925-0660.

WANTED FOR '59 VETTE:

- 1. Switch Assembly with retainer in Corvette Parts Catalogue "View A". Group number is 14.483.
- 2. Frame Assembly in front. Both wanted. Group & serial # are 1.268 and 3740209-12.
- 3. Moulding in front. All four wanted. Group and serial # are 1.268 and 3740209-12.
- 4. Moulding on sides. All six wanted. Group & serial # are 8.132 and 3744867-72.

No rust on mouldings & frame assembly.

Peter Propst, Kallplan 4D, 75432 Uppsala, Sweden.

WANTED:

Complete set grill teeth for 1957 vette. Box 16, Bedford, Ind. 47421, 812-279-1730.

54 clock, 63-65 fuel injection, 57 corvette with fuel injection. Good condition.

Dick Hellman, 901 Chestnut St., Stlanta, Iowa 50022.

WANTED FOR 1961 VETTE:

- original 5 pc. floor carpet (tuxedo blue)
- ignition shield top only for '61 F.I.

Dale Jones, Rd. #2 Box 118-B, Bangor, Pa. 18013.

WANTED:

1953-57 Corvette in good to mint condition. Have mint 1941 Chev. to swap.

Jim Holzschum, 220 Wostman Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14624.

WANTED:

- 1. Front bumperettes (all)
- 2. 1 headlite grille
- 3. ORIGINAL HUBCAPS
- 4. Plexiglas cover & Bezel for license plate
- Rear vertical bumperettes (both sides)
- 6. Exhaust pipe bezels

Richard Poppo, Oak Ridge Road, Ellenville, NY 12428.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE:

Set of five (5) rib-type magnesium wheels. Special option on '66 & '67 Vettes. Excellent condition - asking \$125 for the set. Call 714-622-0858.

Zane Mills, 1135 E. 7th St., Apt. 24, Pomona, Ca. 91766.

FOR SALE:

1954 Corvette full color showroom brochure. Mint condition,

Bill Gilchrist, 1108 Crest Ct., St. Joseph, Mo., 816-233-7502.

1953-55 CORVETTE:

4 yards of factory original red - \$250.

Lee Nicholl, 2037 N. Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90210 Phone 213-276-4064.

FOR SALE:

1953 Corvette being scrapped for parts. Complete dash, body panels, etc.

Bill Focht, 3811 Nicholas St., Lynchburg, Va. 24502, 703-846-

FOR SALE:

1 53-55 Corvette Trunk Lid

1 53-55 Rear center bumper (very good)

Will trade for 56-57 parts.

George T. Lyons, 417 E. 37 St., Erie, Pa. 16504, 814-864-2907.

FOR SALE:

1963 Corvette hood with panels still in tact, like new condition only \$45.00 plus shipping.

Jonathan E. Daugherty, P.O. Box 251, Tempe, Az. 85281.

FOR SALE:

6" side pieces - cast aluminum fine grain reproductions, \$20.00 pair, ppd. Need mounting studs, polishing, or chrome to match original appearance.

Charles F. Holmans II, 119 Pennsylvania Dr., Denton, Tex. 76201, 817-387-7416.

FOR SALE:

53-55 Corvette exhaust manifold, part no. 3707904.

Clyde De Boer, De Boer Chevrolet Co., P.O. Box 337, Edgerton, Minn. 56128.

FOR SALE:

1956-1957 now genuine corvette left front fender #373911, \$150.00 - 1958-1957 parking lamp rims #5933022, \$4.00 ea. Jim Holzschun, 220 Wostmar Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14624.

PARTS FOR TRADE

TRADE: 4-speed transmission in 1963 coupe (27,000 miles) for powerglide with PG owner assuming transfer costs.

Mike Ruether, 1100 County Lane Rd. B8-A30, Kansas City, Kan. 66103.

TRADE: Mint 1956 showroom brochure for mint 1957 brochure and a 1963 brochure for a 1967 brochure.

Richard Holt, Rt. 6, Lookenville, Tenn. 38501.

PARTS FOR SALE OR TRADE

- 1. F.I. unit 7014900R for 1958, 290 horse, long nozzle to trade for a 1957 F.I. unit.
- 2. 1956 owners manual in excellent condition part#3726900 to trade for a 1957 in like condition.

Bill St. Clair, P.O. Box 791, Warren, Mich. 48090.

CARS WANTED

WANTED:

1967 Coupe, air condition, prefer automatic, large or small block. Must be in excellent condition.

Bud Jones, 6734 McKinney St., Roanoke, Va. 24019, 703-366-1446.

PARTS FOR SALE

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	Н.	H. Chrome Parts Exhaust Bezel Left rear bumper Right rear bumper Left front bumper Right front bumper Left door post		56 - 57 58 - 60 58 - 60 63 - 67 63 - 67 56 - 62	1 2 1 1	WANTED: 1953-57 Corvettes. Interested in purvettes any condition. Bill Gilchrist, 1108 N. Crest Ct., St. J. 232-1165.	
		Right door post Window molding Windshield frame Parking lights Door sill		56 - 62 56 - 62 56 - 62 58 56 - 62	1 1 3 2 4	CARS FOR SALE 1953 Corvette in restorable condit engine, good pair \$3500.	ion, 1954 for parts-
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		283 starters 327 fan 283 pressure plate 283 fuel injection unit		56 - 62 57 - 62	3 1 1	FOR SALE: 1959 Corvette, factory origin (have wheel covers) 283 powerglide, w both tops. Mechanically sound. Ex Reg Richart, Rt. 1 Box 85, Byron, Ca	white with red interior, cellent buy - \$1,000.

PARTS WANTED

WANTED FOR A '57 CORVETTE:

2 front outer bumpers in good condition. David Rosen, 364 Tompkins St., Cortland, N.Y. 13045.

WANTED FOR A '58 CORVETTE:

1. Air cleaner assembly for original fuel injection.

2. 1958 show room brochure

Robert K. Braungart Jr., RR# 2 Box 88-A, Syracuse, Ind. 46567

WANTED:

2 spacers (Bakelite) which fit between 53-54 Carter VH Carbs. and intake manifold; 1 passenger door chrome. Art R. Norley, 142 Westfield Dr., Holliston, Mass. 01746, 617-5662.

WANTED:

Air cleaner (type I), hub cap, headlite bezel and screen, stainless steel strip to rear of right door, choke cable, inside rearview mirror.

Harold E. Fisk, R.D. #2 Thomas Rd. Box 100, Hubbard, Oh. 44425.

WANTED:

1 original jack and handle for 1954 vette.

R. V. Daffin Jr., 110 Skyline Dr., Joplin, Mo. 64801, 417-623-6727.

WANTED:

Front fender scoops, 2 complete exhaust bezel & upper & lower bars for a 1956 Corvette.

C. W. Wright, P.O. Box 336, Inverness, Fla. 32650.

WANTED:

Left and right side door chrome for a 54 vette. Charles F. Holmans II, 119 Pennsylvania Dr., Denton, Tex.

WANTED:

A mint condition 1961 Corvette.

Jay C. Smith Jr., 720 Park Shore Dr., Naples, Fla. 33940.

WANTED:

Corvette literature for my personal collection, please send details to:

David Rosen, 364 Tompkins St., Cortland, N.Y. 13045.

WANTED:

2 hood rear plungers, cigarette lighter knob, hood release cable, tach cable, rear trunk lower latch assembly, 2 forward soft top chrome latches, 2 rear deck chrome tooth

Robert L. Davis, Jeffrey Lake, Brady Nebr. 69123.

WANTED:

2-6 cyl. 154 motor mounts attached to frame. John Schlaht, 1093-B Gribble Ave., Richland, Wash. 99352, 509-946-0392.

WANTED FOR 1953, 1954, or 1955 CORVETTE:

Will pay top price for hood release bracket, and knob, cable; Mounts under dash on left side by hand brake, also foot control for windshield washer.

R. W. Thompson, 1201 S. Summit, Villa Park, Ill. 60181.

WANTED:

For 54 vette, hub caps, grill assembly, hood emblem, convertible top plate 54, tack drive cable, gull wings, trunk antenna fitting, bumper bullet, ignition shielding.

John Bowman, 3005 92nd S.E., Everett, Wash. 93203, 206-337-7125 evenings; 206-655-1309 days.

WANTED FOR A 62 VETTE:

both sun visors, tach drive distributor, front license plate bracket with both vertical chrome bumpers.

Fred Bidwell 272 a, 3815 Nevada Ave., Fort Wayne, Ind. 46805, 219-433-7623.

WANTED:

All exterior chrome for 59 vette excluding bumpers and windshield frame. Send description and price. Steve Higgins, 1620 Wildwood Rd., Toledo, Oh. 43614.

WANTED:

1 pair soft top (pot metal) female strikers for the top deck 1953-1955 Corvette - these are 2 the strikers that the saw tooth chrome latches go down thru.

Tony Chavez, 4625 E. Monticito, Fresno, Ca. 93702.

WANTED:

1955 265 V-8, 4-barrel air cleaner - tach drive adapter on rear of generator and cable and hosing - also 4 hub caps. Mark Wells, 2461 Vassar Place, Columbus, Oh. 43221; 614-488-9502 home; 614-223-6231 work.

WANTED:

1. 1 set of original door panels (RED) for 58-60 vette.

2. 1 set of inside door release knobs with Corvette emblem engraved on face. WILL PAY TOP PRICE.

George T. Lyons, 417 E. 37 St., Erie, Pa. 16504, 814-864-2907.

WANTED:

1957-1965 Rochester Fuel Injection - complete (with or without air cleaner). New parts for 1955-57 chev. Nomad or Safari. Send price and condition to:

Steven A. Fischer, 928 N.W. 122nd, Seattle, Wash. 98177.

WANTED FOR 57 VETTE:

One pair new or mint #3725539 chrome front bumper bars. All grill teeth. Rear bumper and curved bars. '57 F.I. Air cleaner.

Gerald A. Chouinard, Rt. #3 Box 360 Thornapple Rd., St. Charles, III. 60174, 312-527-4658 days; 312-584-8862 nights.

WANTED FOR 62 VETTE:

Two rear deck top latches in excellent working order. Steve Griswold, 8314 Island Dr. So., Seattle, Wash. 98118, 206-PA3-0588.

WANTED:

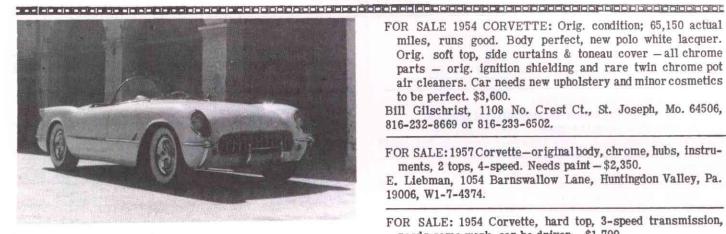
Any back issues of Corvette News. Scott Leon, 2832 W. Granada, Phoenix, Az. 85009.

WANTED:

1 pair 1954 side curtains, 1 set of air cleaners either type

3 singles or 3 way 2 chrome pot hook-up. Tony Chavez, 4625 E. Montecito, Fresno, Ca. 93702, 209-251-0801.

CARS FOR SALE



1954 CORVETTE E545002141: Immaculate mint condition restored 1954 Corvette Cover Car. This Issue Vol. 4 #3-6 cylinder powerglide, look at the photo it's worth a thousand words, probably one of the finest Corvettes in existence today - Read the "Cover Car Story" and "Even Young Men Like Old Corvettes!" for further details. Lee is tentatively planning to further his education at this time and is offering his car for sale for \$6500.

Lee Nicholl, 2037 N. Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90210, phone 213-276-4064.



Dear Ed:

I have been thinking of selling my 1954 Corvette with 2 tops model #2934-F#003865.

I am having trouble finding a good place to keep it. The car is real nice with 43,000 miles. The car is real sharp and runs good if I had the wide white wall tires would be like new. When I sell it must go to a good home, if I cannot find the right place for it I will keep it. I saw your write-up in Corvette News. Let me hear from you.

W. R. Garman, R#2, Algona, Iowa 50511.



FOR SALE 1954 CORVETTE: Orig. condition; 65,150 actual miles, runs good. Body perfect, new polo white lacquer. Orig. soft top, side curtains & toneau cover - all chrome parts - orig. ignition shielding and rare twin chrome pot air cleaners. Car needs new upholstery and minor cosmetics to be perfect. \$3,600.

Bill Gilschrist, 1108 No. Crest Ct., St. Joseph, Mo. 64506, 816-232-8669 or 816-233-6502.

FOR SALE: 1957 Corvette-original body, chrome, hubs, instruments, 2 tops, 4-speed. Needs paint - \$2,350. E. Liebman, 1054 Barnswallow Lane, Huntingdon Valley, Pa. 19006, W1-7-4374.

FOR SALE: 1954 Corvette, hard top, 3-speed transmission, needs some work, can be driven - \$1,700. Donovon Wood, 2036 52nd St., Moline, III. 61265.

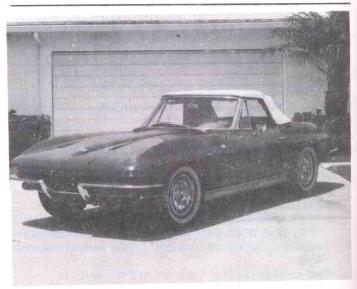
FOR SALE: 1962 Corvette, original 340 H.P., 2:20 low T10 4-spd., 3.70 posi, 2 tops. all red. \$1,600 firm. Serious inguiries only.

Mike Sullivan, Box 127, New Milford, Conn. 06676, 1-203-354-5986.

FOR SALE: 1955 Corvette; automatic V8, serial# VE55S00127... New yellow paint, new matching interior. Mechanically sound and original. Licensed and driven daily. Approximately 70,000 miles on original 265 cu. engine - \$1,500.

Bob Mathews, 2212 Wendy Way, Manhattan Beach, Ca., 213-372-9891.

FOR SALE: 1953 Corvette #136. Donald P. James, P.O. Box 1190, Commerce City, Colo. 80022.



STOCK 1963 Red Stingray - For particulars contact: Fritz & Mary Perfect, 13819 Martinique Dr., Largo, Fla. 33542.

Out of Vol. 3 #4, 1959 Corvette - original running gear and body, factory orig. 283 automatic, powerglide, excellent condition, both tops, white w/red interior - \$1,000.

Reg. Richart, Rt. 1 Box 88, Byron Calif. 94514, 415-634-3050.

CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE

1953-55 CLUB ITEMS OFFERED FOR SALE

- 1. Carburetor kits new \$8.00 each p/p 1954.
- 2. Owner's Manuals 1953-55 reproduction \$7.50 each p/p.
- 3. Back issues of Newsletters: All Volumes. See page 14 for price.
- 4. New outside mirrors \$12.00 each p/p.
- 5. Park Lights: A. Lenses \$2.50 each p/p.
 - B. Doors (chrome piece) \$2.50 each p/p.
 - C. Gaskets 75¢ each p/p.
- 6. New original windshield -\$150 plus postage and insurance.
- 7. New windshield rubber gaskets \$11.00 each 1 p/p.
- 8. Original large open-mouth windshield washer jar for passenger side mount of engine compartment-\$4.00 each p/p.
- 9. One quart of Chevrolet engine blue heat resistant paint -\$7.50 each.
- 10. One quart of Chevrolet red upholstery paint for entire upholstery paint for entire upholstery, including carpets, seats, door panels, etc. \$7.50 each p/p.
- 11. New "stop light" brake switches, fits under dash \$4.00 each p/p.
- 12. Weather stripping for trunk under top deck, doors & hood 162" long - \$10.00 p/p.
- 13. Original right & left door handle knobs white \$3.50 p/p.
- 14. Original left & right side curtain release knobs, white -\$2.50 each.
- 15. New original distributor with side tachometer drive \$60 each plus postage and insurance.
- 16. New rubber transmission mount (2 bolt hole) fits between trans, and cross brace unit - \$6.00 each p/p.
- 17. Lower seating strip (rubber) used around bottom of the plastic on hardtops and any other custom made vintage hard tops - \$2.00 per foot.
- 18. Chrome ash tray with flip lid, fits into arm rest 1953-55, also fits into tunnel for 1956-62-\$5.50 each p/p.
- 19. Chrome ring around ash tray, square pattern fits into arm rest = \$1.00 p/p.
- All Corvette glassware for sale. 12 ounce thick base, highball glassed in the evening, Alkaseltzer glasses in the morning. They are 3" in diameter and 4" high, sturdy built. Each set of four glasses has pictures of early model vintage Corvette 1953-55 on one, a 1958-62 on second glass, a 1963-67 on third glass and a new model Stingray on the fourth glass. Price postpaid and insured \$7.95 per set of four glasses. (Corvette ash trays now available at \$7.95 p/p.)
- Head lamp chrome rings \$8.50.
- 22. 6 piece master cylinder brake rebuild kit \$5.50.
- 23. 1955 Corvette V-8 265 carburetor kits, \$9.50 each. 1955 Corvette V-8 265 new orig. carburetor \$62.50 p/p.
- 24. 1953-54 6 cylinder new bottom radiator hose -\$3.50 each. Takes a total of 2 (takes 2 hoses inner connected by a 1 3/8" inside diameter approx. 7" in length metal elbow pipe). Elbow pipe NOT included in order.
- 25. Center of front hood deck rubber vent seal \$3.50 each p/p.
- 26. 1953-55 complete park lite assembly with lense, chrome ring, screws, bulb socket with bulb and wire harness-\$14.50 each p/p.
- 27. Left & right side chrome script Chevrolet word \$3.50 ea.

1953-55 CLUB REPRODUCTIONS FOR SALE

1. Original (patterend in configuration) trunk mat repromade out of red loop pile carpet with red leatherette sewn around perimeter for trim work - \$22.00 each p/p,

- 2. Reproductions of red original side curtain bags with the passenger car headliner material used as a divider between side curtains while in bag - also two original chrome turn buckles to attach it to inside trunk area -\$20.50 each p/p.
- 3. New chrome reproduction head lamp screens, like original - \$27.50 p/p.
- 4. Beautiful reproduction of original ignition shielding done in fibre-glass - top - 27.50, bottom half - 27.50 p/p.
- 5. New front center bumper (lic. plate hangs between these two bumpers)- \$15.00 each p/p,
- 6. Rear license plate covers exact duplication \$15.00 p/p, insured.
- 7. 1953-55 Corvette rocker arm cover decals, exact reproduction. 1953 - \$6.00, 1954 - \$5.00 each p/p,
- 8. New plasticon Hardtops reproduced by original manufacturer - all original equipment - \$350.00 F.O.B. Fresno, plus Crating and shipping.
- 9. Original parts catalog 1953-55 66 pages with pictures, part numbers and prices. Price \$12.50
- 10. Hand-painted and assembled horn buttons \$15.00 p/p.
- 11. License plate hanger stainless steel. Front end license plate is mounted to the two bumpers with this channel price \$3.00 each.
- 12. 1953-55 gear shift knobs \$8.50 each.
- 13. Complete set of ignition shielding for 1955 Corvette V-8; includes distributor cover and wires, chrome coil cover and wires (37 pieces in all) - \$97.50. Only 1 dozen sets available.



1958-62 CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE

- Fuel injection name place (62) \$2.75 p/p.
- Ignition shielding for distributor (not for fuel injection)-\$18.50.
- 3. Fuel injection name plate (58-61) \$3.00 each.
- 4. Shielding passenger side from distributor shield to lower rear of engine (57-283 thru 62-283 & 327) - \$9.95.
- 5. Chrome ignition shield butterfly screws 50¢ each.
- 6. Complete front end and rear deck Corvette emblem; chrome ring, plastic emblem, rubber gasket, aluminum plate with 4 nuts - \$14.50.
- 7. Gear shift rubber boot \$2.50 each p/p.
- 8. Hard top front top windshield chrome hold down latch, right or left side - \$6.50 each p/p.
- 9. Park lite lenses: A. Lense \$2.50 each p/p.
 - B. Chrome piece 75¢ each p/p.
 - C. Gasket 75¢ each p/p.
- 10. New windshield \$125.00 plus shipping and insurance.
- 11. Inside white door knobs \$3.50 each p/p.
- 12. Gear shift knob white \$3.75 each p/p.
- 13. Lower radiator hose 283 C.I. Eng. & F.I. (58-61) \$4.25.
- 14. Upper radiator hose 283 C.I. Eng. & F.I. (58-61) \$3.75.

PARTS FOR SALE

1963-67 CLUB ITEMS OFFERED FOR SALE

- Fuel injection name plate Stingray (63-65) \$3.75 each.
- 2. Gear shift boot, 4-speed \$3.75 p/p.
- 3. Gear shift boot powerglide \$3.95 p/p.
- 4. Ignitivn shield chrome butterfly screws 50¢ each.

1956-57 CLUB ITEMS OFFERED FOR SALE

- Chrome headlite ring \$7.50 each p/p.
- 2. Fuel injection name plate (57) \$3.00 each p/p.
- Ignition shielding for distributor (not for fuel injection) \$18.50.
- Shielding passenger side from distributor shield to lower rear of engine (57-283 thru 62-327) - \$9.95.
- 5. Chrome inside door lock \$2.50.
- 6. Chrome ignition shield butterfly screws 50¢ each.
- 7. Park Lites: A. Lenses \$2.50 each p/p.
 - B. Chrome piece 75¢ each p/p.
 - C. Gaskets 75¢ each p/p.
- 8. New windshield \$125.00 plus shipping and insurance.
- 9. New weather stripping for trunk, under top deck, doors and hood \$10.00 p/p.
- 10. Right & left white door handle knobs \$3.50 each p/p.
- 11. Chrome ash tray \$5.50 each p/p.
- Hard top right or left chrome hold-down latch top windshield - \$6.50.
- 13. Rubber transmission gear shift boot \$2.50 each p/p.
- Front end and rear deck emblems complete with chrome ring - \$9.50 each p/p.
- Inside chrome door lock handle \$2.50 each p/p.
- Complete park lite assembly with lense, chrome ring, screws, bulb, socket and wire harness - \$14.50 each p/p.
- 17. Rear window and hard top base rubber \$17.50 each p/p.
- 18. Windshield gasket \$11.00 each.
- 19. Lower radiator hose 283 C.I. Eng. F.I. \$4.25.
- 20. Upper radiator hose 283 C.I. Eng. F.I. \$3.75.

1956-57 CLUB REPRODUCTIONS FOR SALE

- Venitian Red upholstery dye 1 qt. liquid \$9.50 each p/p
- Venitian Red upholstery aersol spray cans 12.5 oz -\$7.50 ach p/p.

ADVERTISING

Name, address, and phone number will be counted as part of your ad. A \$5.00 fee will be charged for each photograph. Also all ads must be received by 15th of the month prior to publication, i.e., March 15, 1970, June 15, 1970, September 15, 1970, December 15, 1970. Members may advertise their vintage Corvettes or parts at the following rates:

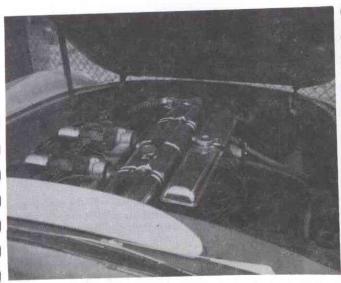
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		words	\$2.00
51-	75	words	\$5.00
75-	100	words	\$8.00

LOOK! E53F001013 • FOR SALE



THEY DID NOT MAKE MANY CORVETTES WITH LOWER SERIAL NUMBERS THAN THIS CAR - AND IT'S FOR SALE!

E53F001013 offered for sale — among the first few Corvettes to roll off the Flint Michigan assemblyline. Factory original 6 cylinder engine with 3 side draft Carter carbs. still in car. Original powerglide transmission. All body chrome complete. Original side curtains and hubcaps. Runs good — serious offers over \$6,500.



Call ED THIEBAUD

PARTS FOR SALE

- Right & left outside horizontal rear bumpers.
- 2. Three rear center bumpers.
- 3. Two complete sets grill teeth, used.
- 4. Front & rear chrome bullets, also horizontal front & rear.
- 5. Two used sets intake & exhaust manifolds with 3 carbs.
- 6. One set 1956 hubcaps.
- 7. One chrome expansion radiator tank, 1954.
- 8. Wrecked 1954 parts windshield frame, all dash equipment, both doors, top deck, trunk, etc.
- 9. Three sets used tail light lense with chrome bezel.
- 10. One 1957 Venitian Red steering wheel.
- 11. Used horizontal grill bar.
- 12. One set hubcaps 1953-55.
- 13. One original steering wheel.
- 14. Speedometer, tach & chrome expansion tank.
- 15. Four 1954 partially complete parts cars, trunk, rear fenders, complete dash, hoods, grills, tops.
- 16. One original 1953-55 radiator.
- 17. 1956-60 soft top.
- 18. One 1958-60 hard top.
- 19. One 1961-62 hard top.
- 20. One 1954 transmission powerglide.
- 21. 1955 side curtain with window wing clip.
- 22. 1954 side curtain for sale.
- 23. Set of 1955 seats original white upholstery still on the
- 24. One 1953 or early 1954 soft top, complete.
- 25. Late 1954 or 1955 complete soft top.

Ed Thiebaud, 2359 W. Adams, Fresno, Calif. 93706 (209) 266-2153 or 266-6216.

> Chilton's Repair and Tune-Up Guide For The Corvette (1953-62)



This book gives coverage on all the solid rear axle Corvettes. The 235 cubic inch six and the 265, 283, and 327 cubic inch V8 engines are included, along with sections on their electrical and fuel systems. Published in June, 1971, this early Corvette guide has 142 pages and its list

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CHILTON'S REPAIR AND TUNE-UP GUIDE FOR THE CORVETTE STINGRAY (1963—72)

The Stingray guide covers the years from 1963 through 1972, including all engines from the 327 cubic inch, small block to the 454 cubic inch, big block. Published September 29, 1972, the Corvette Stingray has 217 pages and its list price is also \$6.95.

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CLUB PARTS FOR SALE

DISTRIBUTOR

Remove dist. wires and cap. (Mark for easy replacement.)

Install dist. shield base onto dist. assembly.

Replace dist, cap onto dist, (Do Not clamp at this time.)

Install body assembly dist. shield over cap guiding spring retainer onto holddown shoulder of dist. cap, during this step guide the inverted sides of base shield that is 180° apart between spring retainer and dist. shield. (Lower shield fits inside body assembly.) This will secure shield base to assembly. Make sure dist. cap is seated properly then bring dist, assembly clamps up and snap on to outside of body assembly retaining brackets.

Replace spark wires into dist.

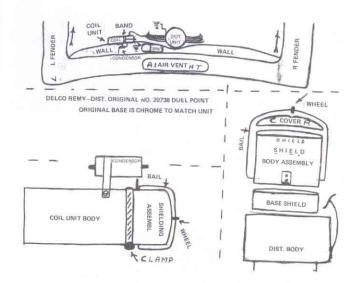
- Lift one side of bail wire out of body assembly.
- Install shield cover (dome) onto body assembly matching notches on cover and shield body.

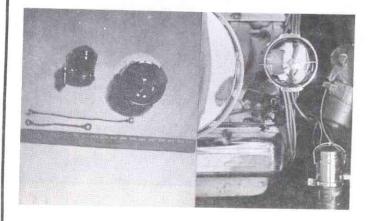
COIL SHIELD & ASSEMBLY

- Remove wires from coil unit, (Be careful to mark positive and negative.)
- Install retaining band onto shield. Keep loose.

Install shield assembly onto coil unit.

- Connect lead wire inside of shielding to positive side of coil post. Connect dist, lead to negative post, Connect coil wire and ground
- See diagram for position of shield and tighten retainer band.
- Install cover (dome). Secure with bail wire assembly.





ED'S CARS FOR SALE



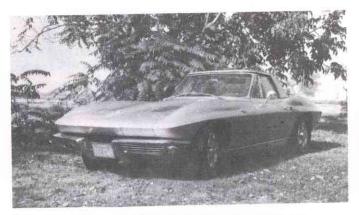
1954 Corvette E54S001564, original 6 cylinder, 3 carbs., P.G. transmission, soft top, hard top and original metal shielding, wide white wall tires, side curtains. Price -\$3250.



1962 Corvette Roadster serial #20867S109773. Original 327-340 H.P. engine 4 speed, original hubcaps, hard top only, radio, original black carpet, original black seat covers, original white headliner in hard top, these 62 Corvettes have all the solid axle Corvette improvements from the Real McCoy in 1953 thru 62. Price — \$3500. It's the twin to the 62 in our collection.



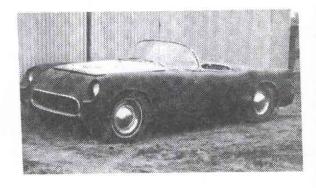
1954 Corvette E54S002483, factory original 6 cylinder, P.G. transmission, soft top and hard top, complete chrome goes with car, new Polo White paint. Did not have time to put all chrome back on before photo. Red carpet and seats. Price — \$2950.



1963 Convertible serial #30867S121296, original 327-250 power-glide, hubcaps, hard top, soft top, black interior, a real stocker and pleasure to drive. Ed & Jean's personal car - \$2750.



1964 Corvette Convertible serial #40867S117836, original 48,000 miles, original 327-250, 4 speed, orig. hubcaps, original saddle tan with flawless white seats and door panels. Saddle tan orig. carpet. This color combination roadster is pictured on center fold page of orig. 1964 full color brochure. Price — \$1975.



1954 Corvette, new tires all orig. 6 cylinder, 3 carbs., P.G. trans. black int., soft top, needs restoring, body chrome removed. Price - \$950.

NOT PICTURED

1954 Corvette completely rebuilt, original 6 cylinder engine, powerglide trans., soft top, new paint - \$2500.

NOT PICTURED

1955 Corvette both tops, no engine or trans., interior complete, right front fender needs repair, most of chrome with car. Price - \$950.

These cars are for sale — for additional photos please write: Ed Thiebaud, 2359 W. Adams, Fresno, Calif. 93706. Phone (209) 266-2153 or (209) 266-6216



1956 Corvette E56S004444, 57,571 actual miles, original factory 265 C.I. V-8 powerglide. Purchased by Bryan & Beverly Hill, China Lake, Calif. A real showpiece. \$3750



1960 Corvette, original 283 — 3-speed, soft top, orig. hubcaps, actual mileage 96,000; black int. Good straight body. Price — \$950. Drive anywhere — color Classic Cream. Purchased by Jerry Moffet, VCCA member, Fresno, Calif for \$950.

Looks like the gunfighters from O.K. Corral left to right Dave Cole, Jerry Pippleglass and Ted Gillian — hometown Auburn, Ind. drove to Fresno from their Idaho hunting trip to purchase the 1960 all original Corvette. White side panel, 50,000 actual miles, both tops, 283-230 hp — \$1950. Also purchased green 1958 Corvette powerglide 283-230 for \$875.

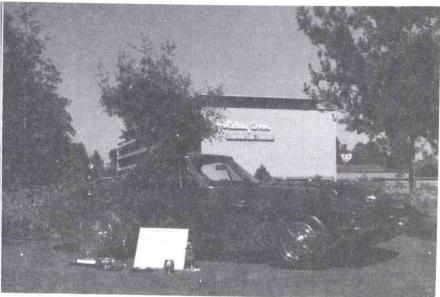
SOLD



E54S004469 mint, original, super fine show car, first place winner Harrah's, Reno Car Show 1970. Purchased by Ron Stevens of Ontario, Canada on his annual "holidays" in Fresno, Calif. Ron made 2 round trips to Fresno from Ontario totaling 13,600 miles in all to buy car and trailer home. Purchase price — \$4000.







1963 Fuel injected Corvette, low miles, all original factory red paint, black interior, first place winner in every concours shown in, also first place winner in WSCC Concours held in Fresno May 1972. Must see color pictures or car to appreciate. Price \$4,000 - firm.

BACK ISSUES OF BLUE FLAME FOR SALE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

Vol. 1 No. 1 January 15, 1969

\$1.00

How It All Began — Plans to reproduce 53-55 parts catalogue — Classified — Corvette Serial Numbers — '54 Corvette engine serial numbers, 7 associate members and 2 honorary members.

Vol. 1 No. 2 April 1969

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Articles — Corvette News — Jacket Patch — Owners Manual — Reproduction — Western States Corvette Council — National Council Corvette Convention, Daytona Florida — Corvette Service Manuals — Corvette Serial Numbers and Production figures 1953 thru 1967 — Corvette Colors — WSCC Corvette Convention, San Diego 1969 — Membership Roster.

Vol. 1 No. 3 July 1969

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Corvette News search for 1953 Corvettes. Corvettes appear in Automobile Quarterly — My Vintage Vette by Don Peers, Omaha, Nebraska — My Vintage Vette by John Goslin, Yardley, Pennsylvania — Paint colors of 1955 Chevrolet Corvettes — Classified section — Addendum to Roster.

Vol. 2 No. 1 First Club Magazine printed January 1970 - \$2.75

New Name: "BLUE FLAME SPECIAL" — Cover Car E54S003988-55, owned by Eric Daly, Ontario, Canada — Reproduction of 53-55 Parts Catalogue — The Evolution of A Sports Car — The Chevrolet Corvette by Maurice Olley G.M. — 1954 Corvette — Y H Carter Carburetors, adjustment photos, etc. — Owners pride picture page — Classified section — Reproduced Body Parts for Sale — Addendum to Roster — Club Facts and Figures.

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Vol. 2 No. 2 April 1970

Articles: Cover Car Ed and Jean Thiebaud pictured with Grand Daddy E53F001003 — Chevrolet "Parts Mart" — Editor's notes — Beginning of Corvette Radio shop manual — Members cars picture page — Classified Section — Blue Flame Blues by Eric Daly, Ontario, Canadà — How to tell the difference between a 1953-54-55 Corvette if the serial I.D. tag is missing — Removing 15 years of paint, by Don Majestic, Yucaipa, Calif. — First of 2 articles by Corvette News on Project Restoration of Corvette serial no. E53F00255 — Corvette paint chart interior and exterior 1953 thru 1960 — Addendum membership Roster — WSCC Convention dates for 1970 Vancouver B.C. Canada.

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24 pages - \$2.75

Cover photo reproduction of cover of June 1954 issue of Road & Track Magazine 9-1954 Corvettes racing around corner of G.M.s proving ground track. — Rare 1955 Corvette color combination — Assignment of membership numbers — Corvette Radio Article — Classified section — owners pride picture page — Road & Track story, The Chevrolet Corvette June 1954 — 2nd article: Project Restoration of Corvette serial no. E53F001255 by Corvette News — Addendum to membership Roster.

32 pages - \$3.25

Vol. 2 No. 4 December 1970

Cover Car E54S003479 owner John E. Harmon Hunnington, N.Y. — Attempt for hub cap reproductions — 4th annual all Corvette drag meet dates — Collection of complete Corvette literature on file VCCA head-quarters — Photos 53 prototype — Additional 1955 Corvette information — Begin reproduction of original showroom brochures — Classified section — Cal Farley's Boys Ranch — Owners pride picture page — Road testing the 1954 Corvette from Road & Track Magazine — Corvette Radio article — First continuation article on 1957 Fuel Injection Repair — First continuation article on 1954 Chevrolet powerglide transmission adjustments, etc. — Regionalization.

Vol. 3 No. 1 March 1971

36 pages - \$3.50

Cover Car E54S001834-214 owner Glenn Hinz, Wisconsin. 1960 Corvette original tires description — Original showroom brochure reproduction 1953 — Classified section — Informative Notes on a Late 55 Corvette, VE55S001696 — Cover Car story with rare "see thru bubble plastic top" — Tips from our Fiberglass body parts manufacturer — "Change

Your Luck" 30 years of progress + 17 more — America's No. 1 sports car by Frank Milne, Sales Manager, Harry Mann Chevrolet Company, L.A. — Owners pride picture page — Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Grant membership No. 1 — Harrah's Swap Meet & Car Show schedule — Corvette Radio article — 1957 Fuel Injection article — 1954 Chevrolet powerglide removal — Roster.

36 pages - \$3.50

Vol. 3 No. 2 June-August 1971

Cover Car E56001461 owned by James and Pat Lindamood of Cuyohoga Falls, Ohio — Region News — 1954-55 Drive replacement — 1953 Corvette engine colors — Cool the cockpit of a 68 or newer Corvette — Reproduction of 1954 and 1955 V-8 Corvette showroom brochures — Classified section — S.C.C.A. Racing in the Real McCoy 1953 Corvette — True story of the clear plastic bubble top — Engine Type Designations 1956-1965 — Cover car complete set photos — Owners pride picture page — First of continuation articles taken from "The 1956 Corvette Engineering Achievements" 24 page booklet — Covering exterior & convertible top operation — Corvette Radio article — 1957 Fuel Injection Repair — 1954 Chevrolet powerglide installation — Roster.

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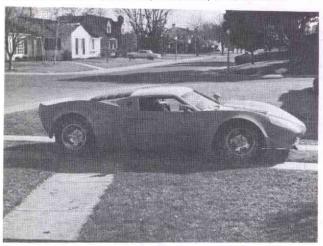
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ORIGINAL SHOWROOM BROCHURES

The club is attempting to include original showroom brochures in subsequent newsletters. Plans are projected to run brochures for every year model Corvette sold. 1953-1971. Pictured here in this issue is the 1960 model. Also a full page advertisement taken from a 1960 magazine



CLUB ITEMS →

Badges are on brass, hand painted in full club colors, then baked in a special process to a hard porcelain finish with two mounting screws behind the badge. Price \$6.50.



JACKET PATCH

The jacket patch is a 9 1/2" diameter round emblem embroidered in ten colors. The design is pictured below. The cost of the patch is \$12.50 each. Due to the great expense of the patch, we could only order a limited supply, so please get your orders in as soon as possible. Please allow one week for delivery.



REPRODUCTIONS

The people listed below are offering reproductions for Corvette owners. We will continue to publish a list of reproduction vendors. The Vintage Corvette Club of America will in no way be responsible for any of the reproductions sold by the vendors listed in regard to quality, etc. The only way we will be involved is if we have been contacted by the vendor and furnished with a sample to assure us of the quality. The Club will then recognize that specific vendor with an asterisk by his name. The Club wants to thank Noland Adams of 715 Talbot Ave., Albany, Calif., 9406 for assisting in compiling the following list.

- Waffle pattern upholstery & Vinyl, 1956-57.
 *Walter Zoren, 1295 Talbot Rd., Windsor 42, Ontario, Canada.
- 6-cylinder ignition shielding (metal) 1953-55.
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The club jackets are light weight white nylon with racing style collar, and a red, white, and blue stripe down the left front. The jackets are \$12.50 each. Please allow one week for delivery. The sizes are as follows:

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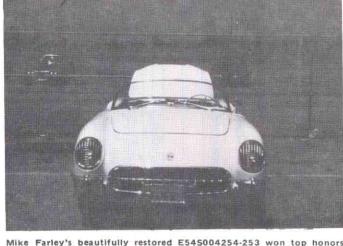
The pages following are articles being reprinted in series for the benefit of club members. The first article is the 2nd half of the very hard to find Vol. 1, No. 1 Corvette News. This will be continued. The second article is on the Corvette radio and finishes with this issue which has been appearing in series of the Blue Flame for 2 years. The last one deals with the 1955 Corvette Specifications for both six cylinder and eight cylinder. This is taken from Ed Thiebaud's collection of Technical Data File. It also finishes with this issue. Being there is very little information available on the '55 Corvette we thought it may be of great help to those '55 owners of 6 and 8 cylinder Corvettes.



N.C.C.C. DALLAS CONVENTION JULY 1972



Mike Farley of "Mike Farley's Race Cars", Waco and Irving, Texas- - Accepting one of 3 trophies along with a can of classic car wax. Mike had a 1954-1962-1968 and a 1970 Corvette entered in the NCCC Convention. For those who enter just one car I think can appreciate what a busy week this was for Mike.



Mike Farley's beautifully restored E54S004254-253 won top honors in the Vintage Corvette class.



Randy Todd E54S004115-486 of Waco, Texas accepting his trophy for drag racing a fully prepared 1962 race Corvette for Mike Farley's race cars. Randy & Mike are presently preparing a full race 6-cylinder 1954 Corvette for NCCC drag competition.



Don Art & Nancy Norley VCCA's 12th associate members since changed to E54S003902-417 regular members proudly display their trophies for NCCC competition. Art reports 6 members of Bay State Corvette Club of Holliston, Mass. drove a total of 24,000 miles round trip to Dallas Convention — That's "Corvette enthusiasm".



Right to left: Jim & Arlene De Borde and members of Camino Corvette, San Jose, Calif. take in the awards banquet at NCCC Convention. You can see their "Rufus" pictured in show at WSCC Convention, Fresno, Calif. opposite page.



Left to right: Milt, Gale & (their almost 2nd born) Piver, 165-A, Bob Bower WSCC President and others attend Convention dinner. Milt trailered his fantastic 64 Corvette Roadster from San Francisco to Dallas.

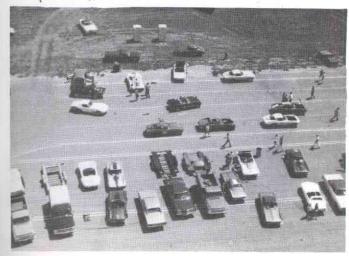
W.S.C.C. FRESNO CONVENTION 1972



Jim and Ariene De Borde's pride & joy "Rufus" shown at WSCC Convention concours held on downtown Fresno Mall. Their car was written up in full color page 21, Corvette News August-Sept. 1972. Beautiful car — Jim's handywork. He extended nose 2", shortened rear body 6", made many modifications and finished exterior with 30 coats of alternate gold and chocolate brown laquer. This car took best in show at N.C.C.C. Convention in St. Louis in 1971.



Voted favorite car — pictured above are 3 National Council Corvette Club officers who, while attending as guests at the WSCC Convention, toured the Thiebaud Corvette collection and decided they like the 1957 fuel injected best or favorite car. Left to right: Dave Weaver, vice president membership, Troy, Ohio; James D. Hildebrand, President of NCCC from Reyoldsburg, Ohio also Carl Durbin, treasurer.



WSCC Convention Auto Cross photographed from the air from a Cessna 172 Skyhawk with 10 degree flaps, slow flight @ 70 mph with photographer hanging out the co-pilot's window. There is a black, funny looking Corvette (center picture) about ready to race with chicken wire over the headlights?



Gary Kenyon E54S001239-556 from New Westminister, British Columbia stands by Ed Thiebaud's 1954 show car which won first in class and 3rd in overall sweepstakes. Gary and his wife drove from Canada in their 1968 Corvette to attend the WSCC Convention.



Milt & Gale Pivers fantastic 1964 fully prep. Corvette Roadster. This is not only a top notch racing Corvette but one of the finest concours cars in WSCC. They took top awards in class and was a sweepstakes runner-up. They're from Castro Valley, Calif. Those weird looking shaped things by Corvette are handmade tricycles by Corvette owners and were raced in a special tricycle race at WSCC Convention.



WSCC Convention Auto Cross pit crew? They say when she drives in competition she lets it all "hang out" on the corners too —?

Even Young Men Like Old Corvettes!

Lee K. Nicholl owner and restorer of Cover Car E54S002141-469 was born April 30, 1953. Seems like that was not only his birthdate, but also the birthday of Corvettes, as the first ones were beginning to take some sort of size and shape back at the Chevrolet Flint Michigan plant, and were actually rolling off the production line by the fall of 1953. Lee tells of his many hours of restoration and how he phoned a local upholstery shop who had a good reputation for upholstery work in sports cars of many marques.

Lee said, "Sir, I am restoring a 1954 Corvette to mint condition

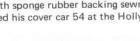
and would like you to do the carpet replacing for me."

The man answered, "Why sure, bring your car in. I have some original red floor rug carpet material in a bolt in the back, I'll put her back like she was new in 1954."

Lee, "Sure you do. I'll be by to make the arrangement soon."
Well for those of you who want to blow your minds, read on
and "eat your heart out." Soon after the phone call, Lee stopped by

the upholstery shop to see if the owner really did have the original material. Well believe it or not, he really did have a small quantity left over from years ago. He told Lee he had purchased it from G.M. back in '54 & '55 when he would use it in recarpeting Corvettes and other Sports Cars. Needless to say, Lee probably has let's say, one of the few (if not the only) Vintage Corvette around with "Brand New" factory original red carpet with sponge rubber backing sewn in — exactly to original pattern.

Lee also showed his cover car 54 at the Hollywood Bowl 1972 Classic car show. (pictured above)



This young man not only has his car looking like it did new back in 1954, he and his sweetheart Suzanne Pedley decided they would also look and dress like folks did at that time. They went searching through some old magazines and found some pictures as seen below from Harper's Bazaar, Sept. 1954. From these pictures they made up their own appropriate dress for 1954. They won a second with their car and as you can see, Lee and Suzanne proudly display their 1st place Blue Ribbon and sterling silver First place trophy for the "Best Dressed Couple" for the era their car was built. I think this lends a good idea for those of you who are involved in showing your cars. Why not dress like folks did in 1954. Thanks to Lee for the idea and hope to hear and see more on this in the future.

I guess if you have read this far by now you must be waiting for this young man to have an encore or Grand Finale, well he has that too. Lee reports that Wally Wyss Vintage Corvette Club Honorary Member No. 7 recently came and did a story and took photos of the cover car for a tentative "In Retrospect" article for a coming soon issue of Motor Trend center page spread.

I think in summary one could say when Chevrolet built Corvette, they not only built a great car but one of the greatest bridges of communication between the generation gaps today.





