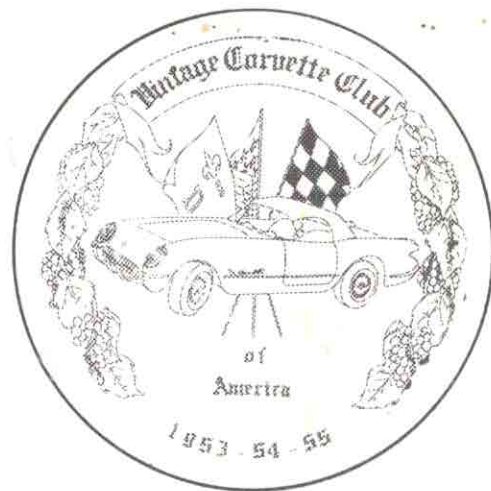


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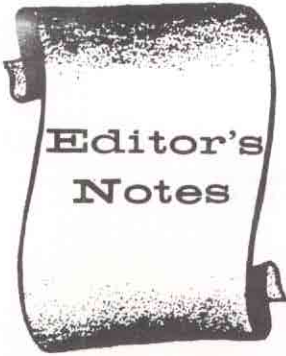
We have a newsletter name: "Blue Flame Special," submitted by our Secretary, Jean Thiebaud. The name Blue Flame Special was written in white letters on the blue-green six-cylinder engine valve cover on the early Corvette models.

-Ed Thiebaud



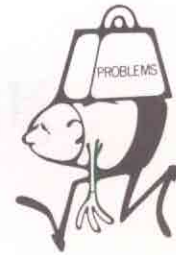
COVER STORY

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Good News! Chip Winzeler, Box 111, Bryan, OH, V.C.C.A. member #904A, has informed us, he will begin reproduction of '53-60 Grill Teeth, along with a few other things.

We would like to apologize for our magazine being so late. We thank you for being patient with us. We do have our problems too. We plan to be caught up real soon.



FUEL INJECTION NOTES

Year	Model Car	Car Serial No.	F.I. Serial No.	F.I. Part No.
1957		E57S100965	1379	701-4360 Finned top Doghouse
1957		E57S102558	1373	701-4520 Finned top Doghouse
1957		E57S103540	1334	701-4520 Finned top Doghouse
1957		E57S103560	1633	701-4520 Finned top Doghouse
1957		E57S103963	1662	701-4520 Finned top Doghouse
1957		E57S104730	2483	701-4800 Finned top Doghouse
1957		E57S106023	1147	701-4520 Finned top Doghouse
1958			1327	701-4900 Finned top Doghouse
1958		J58S100992	2191	701-4900 Finned top Doghouse
1958		J58S104652	2775	701-4900 Finned top Doghouse
1959		J59S100561	1109	701-7300 Finned top Doghouse
1959		J59S106597	1661	701-7300 Finned top Doghouse
1960		00867S105156	1356	701-7320 Smooth top Doghouse
1960		00867S108617	1608	701-7320 Smooth top Doghouse
1961		10867S105269	2382	701-7320 Smooth top Doghouse
1961		10867S105564	2679	701-7320 Smooth top Doghouse
1962		20867S104516	1773	701 7360 Smooth top Doghouse
1963		30837S109434	2531	701-7375 Finned top Doghouse
1964				
1965				

To help our club members, we are continuing our section on Fuel Injection Corvettes. I thought it might be of some help to identify Fuel Injection part numbers and serial numbers to car numbers if there is proof the car came original from the factory with the Serial Numbered F.I. unit to try to help those who want to identify F.I. units to year models.

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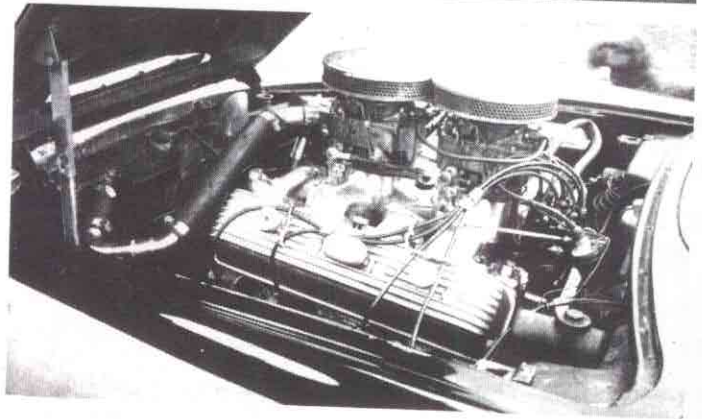
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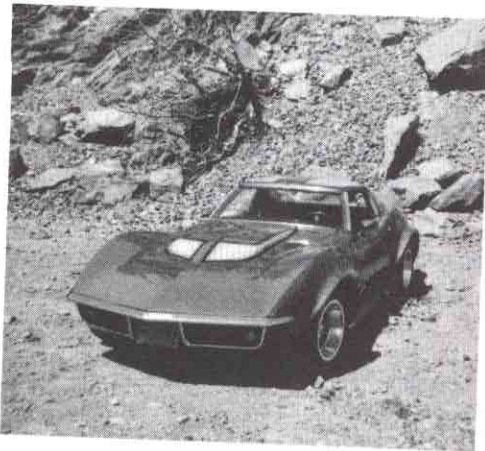
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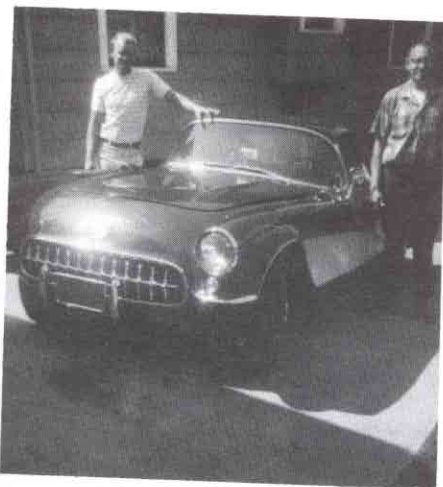
Charles F. Miller of Westminster, Maryland, is the proud owner of this 1956 Corvette. It was also pictured in *Corvette News* Feb.-March 1974. Serial #E56S003113



W. H. J. Rubin of Bradley Beach, New Jersey, is the proud owner of this 1954 Vette. It is equipped with a '66 Oldsmobile engine, with two four barrel carbs, a 3-speed electric overdrive transmission, with a Ford truck clutch. Rubin intends to restore it with an original engine.



Lawrence Powell of Anchorage, Alaska, is glad to say he owns this 1969 Corvette #194379S724375. All body work and paint was done in a home garage by owner and a friend.



Roger E. Brower of Portland, Oregon, is very proud of his 1956 Corvette #E56S003731. His brother helped him complete the car.

Kevin Sabo of Lakewood, Colo., is the proud owner of this 1961 Corvette, which he bought for \$800. It has '66 327/340 HP with 4-speed, Ermine white with black interior. Both tops.



PARTS WANTED

WANTED:

1. All or any of the exhaust bezels and upper and lower verticals for 1957.
2. Front license bumpers with supports and license bar for 1957.
3. Front fender air scoop inserts left and right for 1957
4. Tach with recording revs for 1957
5. Red steering wheel for 1957 (mint only)
6. Front side chrome around fender well right and left for 1957
7. Black steering wheel for 1958 (mint only)
8. Trunk chrome for 1958
9. Wonder bar radio for 1958.
10. Hardtop for 1958 with black headliner, have a 1957 hardtop with red headliner to trade for 1958
11. Air cleaner for 1964 327 300HP duel snorkel type
12. Radio for 1962

The following items are for **trade only** for the above mentioned parts wanted:

1. Complete dash for '62, all gauges with 6,500 rpm tach, also have clock, also a beige steering wheel for '57
2. F.I. for '58, no dist.
3. F.I. for '60, no dist.
4. Complete dash for '63, also clock, radio, glove box door, red interior parts for roadster, no seats.
5. Complete dash for '65, dash pad black, door panels black for coupe

Butch Schroeder, 1205 Sara Drive, Danville, IL 61832

WANTED for 1954 Corvette:

1. Powerglide shifter and linkage
2. Cigar/cigarette lighter
3. Dash board mirror and support
4. Two hubcaps
5. Parking light gaskets
6. Trunk lock assembly

Mark D. French, 2416 Altoona, Flint, MI 48504 (313) 232-6053

WANTED for 1963 Corvette:

1. Gas tank lid. Has solid silver field with large cross flags. Must be perfect.
2. Original Saddle Tan leather seats.

Ron Musacchio, 725 Lawrence Lane, Ambler, PA 19002

WANTED for 1954 Corvette:

1. One Flywheel
2. One windshield washer bottle cover pump assembly
3. One complete set of exhaust system hangers
4. One fuel tank assembly
5. One battery box
6. One six-cylinder distributor shaft and housing assembly
7. One right and left exhaust systems, complete

Mac Mulkin Chevrolet, Inc., 3 Marmon Drive, Nashua, NH 03060

WANTED:

Sales brochures and owner's manual for 1966 Corvette, Model of 1966 Coupe also. Thanks,

Gene Bobrow, 38 Rugby Road, Yonkers, NY 10710 (914) 779-6877

WANTED for silver 1965 Conv. Corvette:

Original mint leather silver seats.
Original teak wood steering wheel.

Ron Kuntz, 4049 - 56th Street, Des Moines, IO 50310 (515) 276-6213

WANTED for 1957 Corvette:

1. Perfect taillight chrome
2. SS knobs, power unit
3. Original fenderwell chrome
4. F.I. air cleaner, shielding, filter
5. Owner's manual
6. Original front license bar

Dave Poole, 10531 W. 92 Place, Overland Park, KS 66214

WANTED for 1954 Corvette:

1. Shifting Assembly and knob
2. Clock
3. Tack
4. Chrome for around rear license plate
5. Exhaust extentions
6. Steering wheel
7. Radiator
8. Also see parts wanted Vol. 5 No. 1 and Vol. 5 No. 2

John Kershlis, 1730 South East Street, Amherst, MA 01002
(413) 253-5196

WANTED:

1962 Fuel Injection distributor valve assembly
1956 Corvette parts:

1. Tachometer
2. Fender mouldings P/N 3730105-6
3. Scoop mouldings P/N 3731229-230
4. 3-speed shifter
5. Door striker plate P/N 4664963 (RS)
6. Antenna
7. 2 x 4 air cleaner

Emil DeLuccia, 82 East 25 Street, Paterson, NJ 07514

WANTED for 1954 Corvette:

1. Rear bumper pieces
2. Grill ring
3. One tail light
4. Three hub caps

Jerry Rickard, 155 S. Bon Air, Youngstown, OH 44509 (216) 799-5527

My VE55S001180 needs grille, tail lights, ignition shielding, tach drive generator, hood springs (front).
Extra parts for trade: '55 hubcaps (one pair), shifting lever (auto).

Want Corvette News

Vol. 1 - #1, #2, #4

Vol. 2 - #3

Vol. 3 - #1, #2, #3

Vol. 4 - #2

Vol. 5 - #5

Vol. 6 - #1, #2

For trade: Forty issues Corvette News, Vol. 5 to present
Forrest Anderson, 56 Warren Street, Meriden, CT 06450

Information wanted about my Corvette sold in California in 1967. E54S002456.

Write George Budzik, 8144 Jefferson, Munster, IN 46321

WANTED:

1953-55 Corvette parts. Please! Price and condition in first letter.

Gregory M. Ostrowski, 83 W. Main Street, Dudley, MA 01570
(617) 943-0249

PARTS FOR SALE

FOR SALE 1954 parts:

1. One set gull wings—original used
2. Two hubcaps—excellent condition
3. Two parking brake handles—one new, one used
4. One side door moulding

M. D. French, 2416 Altoona, Flint, MI 48504 (313) 232-6053

FOR SALE:

Limited supply of NOS 2 1/4" wide whitewalls. 6.70-15 Air-Borne Deluxe Tubeless. \$38 each postpaid.

Elliott S. Miller, Sherry Drive, R.D. 1, York, PA 17404

FOR SALE:

1953-55 Sales Brochures \$2 each. 1957 F.I. \$2.50, 1957 S.S. \$3, 1957 Owner's Manual \$10 (84 pages), 1956-57 Corvette Shop Manual (big 8 1/2" x 11", 72 pages) \$15 each, 1962 Owner's Manual (86 pages) \$10 each, 1953-62 Wiring Diagrams \$1 each year. (All exact reproductions.) Satisfaction guaranteed.

Jerry Brewster, Rt. 2 - Old Monroe Rd., Bastrop, LA 71220

FOR SALE:

F.I. units (rebuilt)	
701-7320 (1960-61)	\$250
701-4360 (earliest 1957 Vette), complete	\$400
701-4800 (57-58 passenger car), like new	\$300
701-7365 (serial #1001) (1962)	\$400
701-7380 (1965) (no tag) complete	\$400

F.I. air cleaners	
57 Corvette—various conditions	\$100-\$200
57-58 passenger car	\$100

Ed Tauber, 26758 Grayslake Road, Palos Verdes, CA 90274 (213) 375-3904

FOR SALE:

1963-70 ignition shielding set, distributor, driver's side arm, all spark plug covers. Extra rear plug covers.

Robert Bernath, 16 Fergusson Street, Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada

FOR SALE:

Original '57 Corvette, one owner, automatic, hard and soft top, \$5000.

Ray Dockum Inc., 912 Ingraham Bldg., Miami, FL 33131 (305) 377-3685

FOR SALE:

1. 1960 Corvette Owner's Manual
2. Hood, deck lid, inside instruments, seats, limited other parts for 1957 Corvette

Wanda Moore, General Delivery, Paintsville, KY 41240 (606) 789-1946

FOR SALE:

1954 KAISER-DARRIN, F-head, 6 cylinder, 3 carbs, 3-spd. trans. Only 435 made. Price \$4,500.

Tony Delia (215) NE4-6686.

FOR SALE:

283 Corvette engine, dual 4-barrel carbs

Sue Dunzweiler, 6374 Balsam Dr., Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

PARTS FOR SALE

FOR SALE:

1959 Corvette (interior) Perfect, Color: crow sapphire, door panels left and right, seats, steering wheel, arm rests, rugs, (no dash)

1956-58 Hubcaps

1959-62 Hubcaps

1963 Hubcaps

1964 Hubcaps

1965 Hubcaps

1966 Hubcaps

100 caps in stock all years except 1953-55, all hubcaps in perfect condition.

Brian Strong, 24107 Park St., Hayward, CA 94544 (415) 581-5169

CARS WANTED & FOR SALE

FOR SALE:

1957 Corvette 327 4-speed original 2-4 barrels with air cleaners, original body and interior, new paint and new seats, new carpeting, new exhaust system. Beautiful Red Orange and White, two tops. Price \$2600

James Graves, Box 272, Homer, MN 55942 (507) 452-9649



FOR SALE:

1967 Corvette, factory Glen Green Fastback, 427 cu. 435 horsepower, 4-speed (220/low) 411 Postraction, am/fm push button radio, power disc brakes, all tinted glass windows. Special performance front & rear suspension, side exhaust, gas tank filler care lock and speed warning unit.

Car is absolutely immaculate. Bought from original owner 38,000 original miles, never driven in the rain (stored in the winter) spare tire has never been on the ground. Immaculate black interior & flawless exterior. No cracks, rock or chip marks. Tires are factory Rally wheels. Original owners manual, Car is A-1. Must see to appreciate. Price \$3500 FIRM

Brian Strong, 24187 Park St., Hayward, CA 94544 (415) 581-5169

ED'S CARS FOR SALE



1954 Corvette for sale, Feature Car Special Interest Auto Jan.-Feb. issue 1971 P.P. 20-21-22-23, also featured in Sports Cars of the World by Peterson Publishing #02301 1972 pages 62 thru 67 also pictured on Front cover Corvette News Feb.-March 1972 and in full color same issue page 7. A real concourse show car. Won many firsts in show, price **\$7,500.**

CARS FOR SALE NOT PICTURED

1958 Corvette, orig. Snowcrest white with powder blue flawless interior, orig. carpets, seat covers, both tops, 270 H.P. Twin 4-barrel carb. w/special hi-lift cam & high speed valve system RPO 469 — Factory orig. engine, 4 speed posi rear end still riding on the 1958 tires U.S. Royal Masters which were installed at delivery time—purchased from orig. owner with 27,000 actual miles—has to be one of the finest, most all orig. 1958 Corvettes in U.S.A. Price **\$5,000.**

Serious inquiries — send \$10 for complete set of color pictures on any of cars listed above.



1960 Corvette, Color: Venitian Red, 283 P.G. original motor, hub caps, Hart top with red headliner, white vinyl soft top, black interior, radio. Price: **\$1250.**



Mint original **1962 Corvette** 327-340 H.P. 4 speed, orig. white w/black flawless interior, Previous owner pictured with 1st place trophy WSCC Concourse 1968 **40,000** actual miles. Featured in Sports Cars of the World magazine by Peterson Publishing #02301 (1972 issue pages 62 thru 67) Finest, most original 62 I have seen. Price **\$5,500**

VE55S001008, all orig. 265 C.I. engine #0092860F55FG 265 C.I., orig. P.G. Trans., hub caps, orig. vinyl soft top, polo white w/red int. Interior in excellent cond. Also original side curtains, price **\$5,000.** 57,000 actual miles—bought from orig. owner.

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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.

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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 **\$1.00**

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.

Vol. 2 No. 2 April 1970 **-\$2.75**

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, Canada — 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.

Vol. 2 No. 3 July 1970 **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.

Vol. 2 No. 4 December 1970 **32 pages — \$3.25**

Cover Car E54S003479 owner John E. Harmon Huntington, N.Y. — Attempt for hub cap reproductions — 4th annual all Corvette drag meet dates — Collection of complete Corvette literature on file VCCA headquarters — 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.

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.

Vol. 3 No. 3 Sept.-Oct. 1971

Cover Car E545003681-288 owned by George F. Campbell, Corvallis, Oregon — Editor's notes — What's new for 72 — PentHouse Features Article: "Sweet Chariot" Corvette story also few other sweet things — Region News — 2 original showroom brochures on 1956 Corvette — Classified section — Owners pride picture page — V.C.C.A. Concours Judging form — Corvette Radio Repair — 1957 Fuel Injection Adjustments — 1956 Hard top installation, interior.

Vol. 3 No. 4 Nov.-Dec. 1971

Cover Car E575105310-191 — Wally Thompson's Trophy winner St. Helens, Oregon — Editor's notes — Motor Trend Notes — Cen-Tex Corvette Club "Bash" Banquet — Ski Racks for Corvettes — Original showroom brochures 1957 Corvette — Classified — Region News — Tech Tips — Lost & Found — 1954 Corvette Christmas Card by Mike Merrit, Paducah, Ky. — Chevrolet's Dream Cars pictured 4 cars, (3 prototypes and 1953 Corvette) — Cover Story "The Making of a Winner" — Owners pride picture page — Roster — Corvette Radio article — 1957 Fuel Injection Repair — 1956 Corvette Engine, Cylinder Heads — Rocker covers, intake manifolds, carburetor, exhaust manifolds and distributor — First of continuation articles taken from A.M.A. Spec. Questionnaire 1953-54-55 six cylinder and 1955 V-8 — General specification, engine and electrical, fuel — lubrication, valves, cooling & starting system.

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Cover Car E545002700-79 owned by Leonard & Sharon Brabson of Memphis, Tenn. — VCCA in the news — Exhaust parts available — Reproduced Jack Instructions — Cover story original owner sells 1954 Corvette to Leonard & Sharon Brabson — Zora Arkus Duntov new honorary member — New Airplane route into V.C.C.A. headquarters Airport — Complete Duco Paintchart — Classified — Leonard Goodale's Brush & Ink Corvette Drawings — Owners pride picture page — Addendum to Roster — Regional News — 1958 original showroom brochure — First article on Corvette Collectors, Bill Davis "sports cars" Prestonburg, Ky. — Corvette Radio Repair article — Fuel Injection — 1956 Corvette: Ignition shielding, clutch, transmission, chassis, accessories, standard equipment, optional equipment, body color, cloth top floor, interior, exterior — Interior color combinations and interior colors and fabrics — A.M.A. Consolidated Specifications Questionnaire 1953-54-55 six cylinder and switches, lampbulbs, fuse and circuit breaker data — Drive units — National Council of Corvette Clubs, Dallas Texas schedule.

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Cover Story E545002525-463 owned by Russell L. Watson, Yokohama, Japan — Editor's notes — First listing of Corvette Collectors — Region News — Classified — First listing of Corvette parts reproduction vendors — Original showroom brochure 1958 and 1959 — Coming Events — Owners pride picture page — First article on reproducing Corvette News articles Vol. 1 No. 1 — Corvette Radio Repair — 1957 Fuel Injection — A.M.A. consolidated specification & questionnaire 1953-54-55 six cylinder & 1955 V-8 Corvette, rear axle, wheels, tires, brakes, frame, front suspension & height dimensions — Addendum to Roster.

Cover Car owned by Lee K. Nicholl, Beverly Hills, Calif. Editor's Notes 1955 ignition shielding reproduced for first time - all Corvette poster offered for sale - restoring a 1960 Corvette to original - Region News, Parts Wanted, Parts for Sale, Cars for Sale - E53F001013 offered for sale - Corvette Collectors - 1960 showroom brochure reproduced - 2nd 2nd half of Vol. 1 No. 1 1957 Corvette News 1957 Reproduction - Completion of 1954 Corvette Radio Repair article which started with Vol. 2 No. 2 April 1970. Completion of AMA Specifications Questionnaire 1953-54-55 six cylinder and 1955 V-8. Photo coverage of N.C.C.C. Dallas Convention, July 22 and W.S.C.C. Fresno Convention May 1972. Even young men like old Corvettes! and What's New for '73' Corvettes.

Cover Story E57S104672 owned by George Neiman, York, Pa. - Editor's Notes - Regional News - "Automobile Quarterly" Poster - Classified - "Chiltons Repair & Tune-up Guide for the Corvette" - Corvette Collectors List - Original Showroom Brochure for the 1961 Corvette - Owner's Pride (Pictures) - Reproduction Vendor's List - "Corvette News" Vol. 1, No. 2 first half - First half of the 1956 Corvette Owner's Manual - Addendum to Roster.

Cover Story: 1959 Frost Blue Corvette Roadster owned by Jim and Pam Lafferty of Carterville, Ill. Editor's Notes - Regional News - Classified - Membership Boy's Town Nebraska - Parts Wanted - Classified - 1962 Showroom Brochure - Owner's Pride Picture Page - Bryan & Bev Hill, China Lake, Cal. Feature Story - Second Half Corvette News Vol. 1 #2 - Second Half 1956 Corvette Owner's Manual - Standard & Optional R.P.O. Equipment 1960 Corvettes - Available 1/25 Scale Model 53-54-55 Corvette - Addendum to Roster.

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Cover Story

I wish to thank you and those responsible for honoring me in selecting the photo of my car as the cover picture of Blue Flame Special, Vol. 5 No. 4. To say the least, this is one of my most prized possessions and I did spend considerable time in making this acquisition.

The original owner was Mr. David McElrath, one of the owners of the West Side Used Car Lot in Berwick, Pa. I had admired this car on numerous occasions and had approached Mr. McElrath in the hopes of being able to buy this from him, but unfortunately, he was not interested in selling. I believe it was during 1965 that Mr. McElrath was called to the Service, and it was then that he decided to sell the automobile and was kind enough to give me the first opportunity.

Unfortunately, at that particular time, I did not have sufficient money to make this purchase, and my father-in-law,

Harry L. Magee, came to the rescue and purchased this car December 28, 1965, at which time he then placed it in his Antique Automobile Museum located in Bloomsburg, Pa. where it was viewed by thousands for the next several years along with his Duesenbergs, Paiges, and many other valuable antique automobiles. Since his demise, these have been auctioned or sold through other means, and some have found a way to the Harrah's collection in Reno, Nevada. I actually acquired my Corvette in 1968, at which time it was moved from the Magee Museum to Hartzell Chevrolet & Cadillac Garage on August 10, 1968, and restoration started August 12, 1968.

I have enclosed a series of restoration photos for your general interest.

Restoration was actually completed in June, 1969. The restoration is 100% authentic, and received rightful recognition in the December-January

1970 Corvette News, which concluded a contest for the search of the remaining 300 original 1953 Corvettes. My serial number is 001247, and carries the license plate K-1953 (K standing for Katerman).

This car is in excellent shape. I drive it every year in excellent weather only, and it has a total of 45,301 original miles.

This automobile is to be passed on to my son, Harry Magee Katerman, who was born April 28, 1953, the same year that General Motors gave birth to America's first production sports car.

I again thank you for selecting my car to grace the front page of The Blue Flame Special, and should you require any further information or detail, please let me know.

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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 1964 model.



Response To The First Report. Response to the initial report of IREC containing selected data collected through September 1, 1973 has been most encouraging, and this second report will update our progress figures, as well as presenting some further information about the first cars which spawned today's Corvette generation. One major benefit, which we anticipated and saw fulfilled by the publication of the first report, was the establishment of contact with a number of new entries for the Registry which had not previously been accounted for. Another result of publication was a series of letters offering encouragement or making inquiry for clarification of some aspect of the data. Several letters expressed confusion about the production volume data we cited as our reference point for the percentages quoted in the previous report.

Most confusion was with regard to understanding the difference between Calendar Year Production and Model Year Production. The generally accepted production and sales figures break down as follows:

	CALENDAR YEAR		MODEL YEAR
	Sales	Production	Production
1953	183	314	300
1954	2780	3265	3640
1955	1639	700	700

Obviously for the series of studies conducted by the International Registry of Early Corvettes, the model year production figures are the only relevant ones. However, a comparison of the above figures reveals several interesting stories about the early history of the car. Since the production of the 1953 version totalled a well authenticated 300 units, the fact that 314 units originated in the calendar year 1953 confirms the fact that the first 14 cars in the 1954 production were produced before the end of 1953, and prior to the closing down of the production line in Flint, Michigan, and its transference to its then new permanent home in St. Louis, Missouri. Further, since we understand that 3,279 of the 3,640 1954 cars produced were supposedly available for sale during 1954 (14 + 3265), we can appreciate why there may have been some high-level concern with the lagging sales figure of 2,780 cars.

We can imagine that when a low production "specialty" sports car produces such a surplus in the dealer showrooms, that a process of evaluation or second-guessing might begin as to whether the car was going to make the grade as a viable production effort. This is particularly evident since the original Chevrolet publicity releases indicated an initial production of 10,000 units per year was aimed for. Sales that ran only a quarter of what the manufacturers were originally hoping for must have been very disappointing, and the 1955 production of a mere 700 units is an acute illustration that faith in the project was shaken to the point that the now legendary marque of Corvette almost ceased to exist in its third year of life. A more detailed elaboration of this fascinating story of the early years of Corvette is better told elsewhere, so suffice it to say that we rely on the model year information as the most valid measure of the progress IREC is making toward its goals.

Updating The Progress Report. Things have been happening since IREC Report No. 1 used the cut-off date of September 1, 1973, so let's update the statistics as of the new date of January 1, 1974. Here is the newest picture:

	1953		1954		1955		1953-55	
	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%
Car Fully Accounted For	119	39.7	698	19.2	155	22.1	972	20.9
S/N & Name W/O Addr; Addr W/O Name; Unable to Contact	35	11.7	42	1.2	7	1.0	84	1.8
S/N Verified, No Name/Addr.	7	2.3	0	0	0	0	7	0.3
S/N Unknown or Questionable	2	0.7	103	2.8	14	2.0	119	2.6
S/N & City, No Name/Addr.	1	0.3	0	0	0	0	1	----
S/N Possibly Accounted For	0	0	4	0.1	1	0.1	5	0.1
Verified S/N Destroyed	1	0.3	2	----	0	----	3	0.1
Total	165	55.0	849	23.3	177	25.2	1191	25.8

In addition to the continuing inflow of new entries, we have been able to eliminate some duplicate entries, and to uncover some previously unknown addresses for verified cars. The listing of what is now well in excess of 1200 cars (as of the date this report is being written) continues to confirm both their stating power and the possibility of our expectations to eventually account for as many as 50% of the original production for 1953-54-55 Corvettes. Hopefully, many will continue to contribute to that effort by feeding data to IREC and by spreading the word of our mutual efforts.

On The Subject Of Theft. One of the objectives of the International Registry of Early Corvettes is to provide a continuing tracer on the early Corvettes to discourage theft. This objective is already receiving its first test, with the report from the east coast of the United States of the theft of VE55S001065 on November 10, 1973. The owner reports that the car was completely stripped in preparation for full restoration and was missing its soft-top, radio, seats, and chrome. The original engine and transmission were both still in the car. The theft has been noted in the basic Registry data, and we call upon the assistance of all those who read these IREC Reports to help in the search for the car, and to report its discovery to IREC so the information can be relayed to the distressed owner. It is our hope that the keen eyes of those who are especially interested in the early Corvettes will prove to be the source of the discovery of stolen cars and discourage such thefts in the future.

IREC, Continued

IREC treats information about individual car owners in a manner to provide privacy where it is desired. Our attention is centered on the cars themselves, since their ownership is often only a transitory situation. If IREC eventually achieves full publication as a Registry, information about the cars will identify them by serial numbers and state of location only. Individual owner's names and community location of their cars is treated confidentially and will not be generally available to others. Individual inquiries about specific cars will be forwarded to the specific owner for reply if they desire to do so. This procedure is believed to be consistent with our desire to provide to owners protection from theft as well as providing the benefit of a continuing world-wide tracer service for missing cars. It is our hope that owners of the 1953-54-55 Corvettes will understand this procedure and cooperate fully with it for the protection of everyone concerned.

The Colorful Corvette. . . . One aspect of the early Corvettes which seems to drum on the inquisitiveness of many of the owners is the nagging question of what colors their cars came in. The owners of the 1953 cars are an exception to this group since the color choice in the first year was a very simple one. Old Henry Ford told his customers "they can have any color they want as long as it's black." The creators of the first Corvettes let their customers know they could have any color they wanted as long as it was a Polo White exterior accompanied by a Sportsman Red vinyl interior. From the earliest prototype to the final E53F001300 off the Flint production line, that combination apparently never varied, and the 1953 owners were thus spared speculation as to the original color, 20 years after the fact of their production. For the 1954 and 1955 owners, however, it's a whole different ballgame.

IREC has been accumulating a quantity of data regarding the colors of the early Corvettes, both the combinations they bear today as well as the best information the current owner has available concerning the original color combination of his car. Some of the conclusions we have been able to draw from analysis of the data is based on previously well known fact. Some of the conclusions amount to nothing more than educated speculations. They may or may not stand up under better knowledge possessed by others who have researched more thoroughly the color question. We present these thoughts with the hope that anyone who can speak more authoritatively than IREC will contact the Registry to establish a worthwhile dialogue to determine more precisely the full range of color choices available on order from the dealers as well as those combinations which were made available through the dealers on a special order basis. With this in mind, what follows is what the IREC participants have told us all, about the colorful 1954 and 1955 Corvettes.

The 1954 Palette. . . . At this point it would appear that five combinations can be fully accepted as factory choices in 1954. Here they are together with the percentage value achieved compared to all cars reporting in detail on the Inquiry Sheets:

Polo White/Sportsman Red	73.3%
Pennant Blue/Shoreline Beige	8.5%
Sportsman Red/Sportsman Red	3.0%
Pennant Blue/Blue	1.1%
Polo White/Blue	0.7%

A few other combinations appear with only a light repetition, and others with no repetition at all. These we put in the after-manufacture alteration and customization category. One appears to be a possible addition to the five listed below, even though only one of them has been reported thus far. More on that subject in just a moment.

An unusually high percentage of IREC respondents reported an actual or at least assumed original color choice. A high 90.7% responded positively while 5.6% indicated the original color was not known or had been altered, and only 3.7% failed to respond to the color inquiry. With a secure depth of reference, an effort has been made to further verify the authenticity of the colors by tying in additional data provided by the owners to substantiate their belief in the colors reported. In doing so we hope also to zero in on the points in the production process when the new colors were being introduced. Here is some of the supporting data behind the five color choices we can recognize today:

Polo White/Sportsman Red — Well established as the original color combination for the early Corvettes, 84.6% of the total cars in the five accredited color combinations for the 1954 model were the white and red pairing.

Pennant Blue/Shoreline Beige — Among the same group of five combinations readily accepted, 9.8% of them fell into this category, making it the second most prevalent pairing of the 1954 group. The earliest serial number showing blue on beige is E54S001783, an original car with only 37,000 miles on the odometer at the time the current owner purchased it. While 1783 is the earliest actually registered thus far, our own personal experience indicates at least one earlier example, and there may be more which have not yet officially been registered in IREC as yet. Also in this group of cars are two original owners who still own the cars they took delivery on way back in 1954, in Pennant Blue and Shoreline Beige!

Sportsman Red/Sportsman Red — Representing 3.4% of the accepted group, there are a number of entries as early as the first 250 cars made in 1954, but none of the early ones have enough substantiating data with them to be convincing at this point. The earliest well-authenticated serial number is 2110, which is a terminal parts car now, but was reported by a knowledgeable Corvette owner and restorer whose information can be safely relied upon. The possibility that this color originated substantially earlier in the production run remains strong, and we hope further IREC registrations will confirm this assumption.

Pennant Blue/Blue — Now this one may cause a few raised eyebrows, since long term Corvette owners may never have seen one of these cars and may therefore question its authenticity. The early numbers with this combination of colors are not well substantiated by the supporting data. However, E54S004430 is a mint original 1954 Corvette owned by its 20 year original owner, and delivered to him by his Chevrolet dealer in a gleaming Pennant Blue with a bright blue vinyl interior. A better authentication for the color combination than that would be hard to find.

IREC, Continued

Polo White/Blue — If eyebrows were raised by the previous combination, this duo should add a wrinkled brow as well. But, with blue as a low volume interior color already authenticated by the previous entry, Polo White on blue becomes more believable. Further nailing down this one as a true original factory color is the fact that the earliest registered Polo White on Blue is number E54S001695---owned by its original purchaser since he picked it up from a General Motors dealer in Detroit 20 years ago, and showing only 24,000 miles on the odometer today. It would appear this is a limited but well authenticated color combination.

One more combination appears to be fairly authentic, although it has not been included in the basic group of five thus far, and that is Polo White on "Tan." This would appear to be an unusual combination of the popular Polo White exterior color with the Shoreline Beige interior of the Pennant Blue combination. It seems to be an unlikely scrambling of color concepts, but the car is described by its owner as being a stock body in good condition with 74,000 miles on the odometer. The car is green and black now, but he claims the original color combination was white on "tan," and he has owned the car for ten years now. So, some of the data seems to support its possibilities, but since this is the only reference to this combination, we reserve consideration of its authenticity at this time.

Various other combinations are reported in small numbers, but most appear to be alterations, and without better substantiating data that they are truly factory option color choices for the 1954 Corvette, they are classified as doubtful at this time. Anyone who can contribute further to our mutual knowledge of the colorful 1954 Corvettes are encouraged to contact IREC so we can better answer some of the questions which arise as to the authenticity of some of the cars we encounter as the owners of the classic glass gather to pursue their hobby.

The 1955 Palette.....In the next issue of the IREC Report (No. 3) we will discuss the seven color choices available to the purchasers of the 1955 Corvette, together with the two combinations which seem to be "possibles" at this time. Meanwhile, we encourage any readers who have comments regarding the 1954 color analysis or the forthcoming 1955 analysis to drop us a line with their thoughts. The data in these reports is not infallible and we hope anyone else who has a contribution to make to our mutual knowledge will feel encouraged to participate.

IREC Epiloge.....Comments regarding this IREC data are welcome. Participation by all previously unregistered 1953-54-55 Corvette owners is solicited. We extend our thanks to the many who have already become a part of this effort. We are particularly grateful for the cooperation and encouragement received from Ed Thiebaud of the Vintage Corvette Club, John Hutchins of the Classic Corvette Club, Jim Prather of the publication Vette Vues, and for the excellent work of a group of "regional reporters" whose sharp eyes and unbridled enthusiasm have turned up many cars which would otherwise have languished unknown for some time to come. Their efforts will be recognized in a future issue of the IREC Report.

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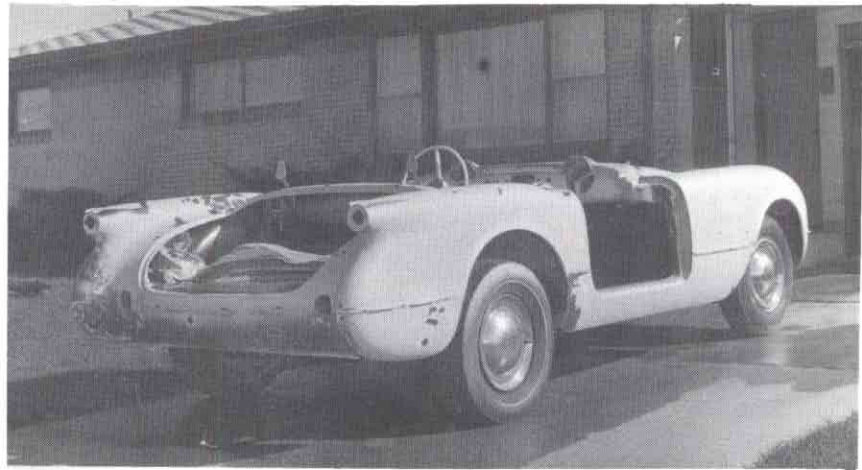
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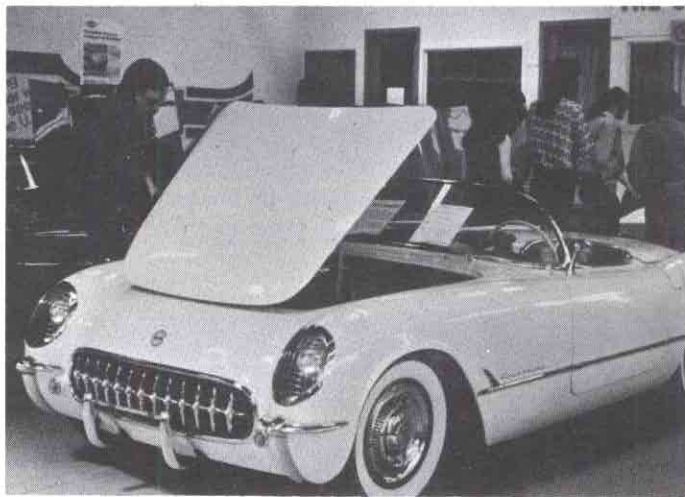


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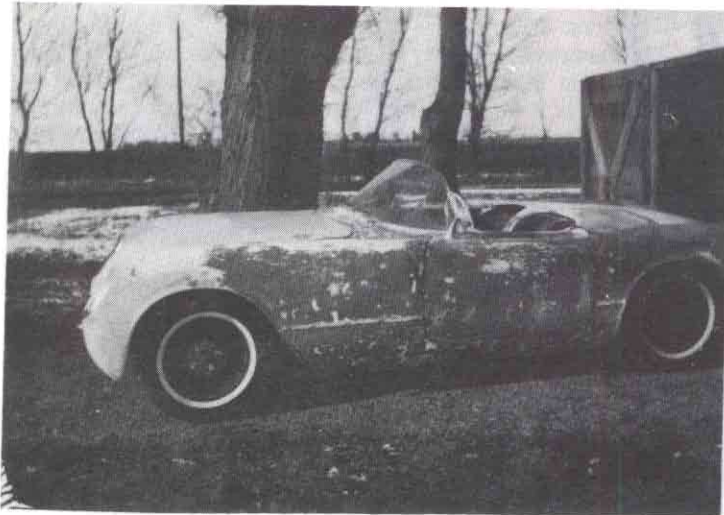


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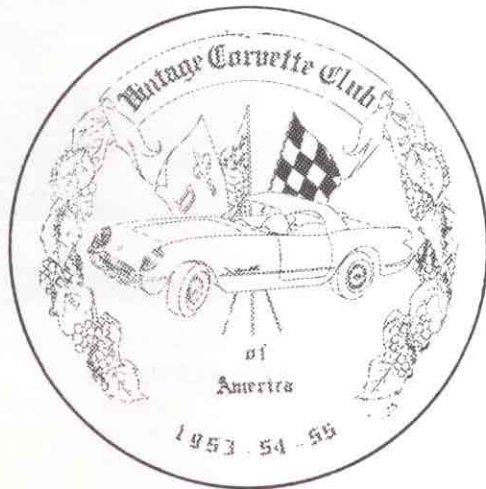
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6. 1958-62 dash pads.
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7. Gullwings (both sides), any of 16 pieces of chrome at 4 corners of car, 6" piece back of doors, jack instructions, folding top instructions.
Dick Campbell, 4021 Chamberlin, S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49506.
8. Flat script, V-8s for 1955's, top lid hold downs.
Richard Moser, 129 E. Glenside Ave., Glenside, Pa. 19038.
9. Corvette "6" water pump rebuilding service.
*Noland Adams, 715 Talbot Ave., Albany, Calif. 94706.
10. Paint for all year model Corvettes.
*Thompson Lacquer Co., 2324 So. Grand Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90007 (213) 746-1421.
11. Reproduction "Chevrolet" side script and large gold V's for 1955 Corvette models. Write for details:
Richard Moser, 129 E. Glenside Ave., Glenside, Pa. 19038.
12. Reproduction shift knob, directional signal knob & shaft assembled, trunk lock chrome ring bezel, red upholstery material.
*Ivan Bailey, 715 Doan Dr., Burbank, Ca. 91506.
13. Literature reproductions: Prototype 1953 Corvette brochure; 1953, 1954, 1955 V-8, 1957 SS Corvette sales brochures; 1957 owner's manuals; 1953 through 1962 wiring diagrams.
*Jerry L. Brewster, Rt. 2 Box 108-A, Bastrop, LA 71220.
14. Reproduction of 1953-55 six cylinder chrome bullet air cleaners, reproduction parts for 1955 V-8 ignition shielding.
*Ray Willard, 1358 Oakland Road 120, San Jose, CA 95112.
15. Rechroming "pot metal parts."
Classic Motor Custom Plating, 1046 N. West 71 Street, Oklahoma City, OK.
16. Reproduction 1953-57 grill shell frame. Should be available within 30 days.
Don Hein, 6973 Estes Drive, and Ken Miller, 6969 Estes Drive, Arvada, CO 80002.
17. Reproduction red 1953-55 original carpeting.
Jack Stepp, c/o Arts Trim Shop, 305 E. 38 Avenue, Anderson, IN
18. Automotive accessories and parts (some Corvette parts), write for catalog.
J.C. Whitney and Co., 1917-19 Archer Avenue, Chicago, IL 60616.
19. Convertible vinyl tops for 1953-73 Corvettes.
Write to your local Sears & Roebuck Company.
20. Exact reproductions of trunk mats, dash lenses, front license BAPS, 56-57 scoop chrome.
David Niles Rosen, 364 Tompkins Street, Cortland, NY 13045.
21. Stingrak, a precision custom-made ski rack for 1968 through 1974 Corvettes. Two point mount from rear ventgrill and bumper (no holes or suction cups). For brochure write: Stingrak Inc., P.O. Box 537, Blaine, WA 98230.
22. Ultra-Lock for 1963-74 Corvettes, tamper-proof under-hood steering column lock system with key. Write: Bruce Bennet, Auto Security Systems, P.O. Box 65, Larkspur, CA 94939. Phone: 415-457-0566
23. ArmorAll to restore, protect, and preserve the beauty of rubber, leather, vinyl, plastics, and other polymeric materials. *Write: Very Important Products, Inc., 4120 Birch Street, Suite 111, Newport Beach, CA 92660. Phone: 714-833-2574
24. For information about Corvette Jewelry, write: Douglas C. Miles, L. G. Balfur Company, 918 Kennecott Blvd., Salt Lake City, Utah 84111.

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