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Hotel Reservations...Now is the Time!

The Southwest Section of the 2024 National Corvette Caravan begins its sixth trip to the National Corvette Museum four months and 21 days from today. All Caravaners Registered with the Southwest Section have received information about available hotel properties in the eight cities and towns at which we will stop. The Southwest Caravan Organizing Team has blocked rooms at a number of properties in those locations. Caravaners must make their own hotel reservations. Your Organizing Team suggests making reservations at the properties where it has blocked rooms.

All room blocks will be released 30 days before we visit each overnight stop.
Book your rooms NOW

The Southwest Organizing Team urges all Caravaners to make reservations ASAP. In the stops where the Caravan is using more than one hotel, the best rooms in the most desirable properties will go first.

Contact information for each hotel property with blocked rooms is in the list of suggested hotels Caravaners received after they registered with the Southwest Section of the Caravan. The Organizing Team suggests Caravaners contact their hotel property of choice by phone or by email. Additionally, the Organizing Team reminds all Caravaners to get a confirmation email from each property at which they reserve rooms.

New Events Announced

This week, Section Captain Bill Herold announced two key events that will take place during the Caravan. The first is the Caravan Kick-Off Meet-and-Greet on Wednesday night August 21. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Caravaners will meet the Southwest Organizing Team. The Route Book will be distributed. The Caravan "Goodie Bag" will be handed out. Organizing Team members will announce any last-minute route changes because of road construction. There will be a Q and A session with Organizing Team Members. There will be finger food deserts, raffle prizes and a cash bar.

Section Captain, Herold also announced, "Dinner with Steve Garret" which will take place on Monday night August 26th. Caravaners will meet at the Budweiser Brew House on the east corner of Kansas City's Children's Mercy Park. A casual buffet dinner will be served. Expectedly, Budweiser

products will be available along with other beers and wine at a no-host bar. This event will cost \$50.00 per person.

The after-dinner speaker is Steve Garrett, host of the "Corvette Today" podcast and President of the Corvette Club of Kansas City. Multitalented Garrett also does weekend radio shows at KC's powerhouse classic rock station, "101 The Fox," and has been stadium announcer for ice hockey in Kansas City for over 30 years.

It's a little too soon to know what Garrett's presentation will cover but you can bet it will be mostly America's Sports Car with maybe a little rock 'n' roll history and hockey trivia thrown in.

To get tickets for these two Caravan events, send a check for \$75.00 per person to Southwest Caravan CFO, Paula Megowan, 7511 Wilson St., Ventura CA 93003



Corvette podcaster Steve Garrett

Other News

Route Book Staff Introduces Tribute Boxes

Looking for ways to improve the Southwest Section's famed Route Book, the Book's design staff has introduced "Tribute Boxes." They are a business card-sized spaces in the Route Book with which Caravaners can pay tribute to their Car, their Corvette Club, their Mom or Dad, their children, their pet, a politician, or anything they wish to acknowledge. Tributes are 3 1/2-in by 2-in. and cost \$150.00. Accepted formats are .jpg and .pdf. Tribute space is available from the Route Book staff. Here are some examples of Route Book Tributes

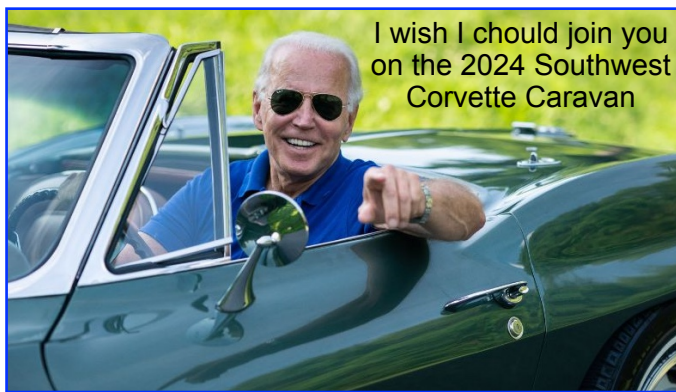
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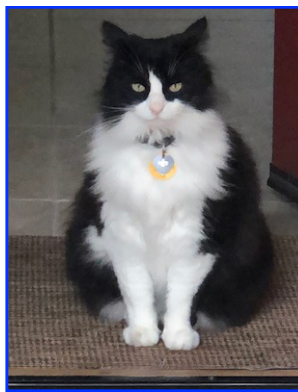
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I wish I could join you
on the 2024 Southwest
Corvette Caravan



Hi. I'm Zoey the
Tuxie

I wanted to go on the Caravan but my humans, Sandy and Hib, left me at the Kittyland Resort for two freakin' weeks!

Help us Out-Be a Caravan Patron

The National Corvette Museum, which sanctions the National Corvette Caravan, does not fund Caravan Sections. It is up to each Section Captain and his or her team to raise the money necessary to put on their events. The Southwest Section relies on sponsorship, Route Book advertising, and registration fees to fund most of its activities. Generous Caravaners also have a tradition of chipping in to help the Organizing Team put on the event.

Want to show your support for the Southwest Section of the Caravan in a special way? Become a "Southwest Caravan Patron". Each person donating \$100 or more to the Southwest Caravan Organizing becomes a "Patron" and will be listed on a page in the front of the Southwest Caravan [Route](#)

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Steve Bush	Dennis and Sheila Durham	

[Book Donations](#) from Southwest Caravan Patrons. At this point obtaining major sponsorships, selling advertising, and significant income from Registrations is still ongoing. The Organizing Team is relying on money lent to it by its members to fund its work, so until then...we need all the help we can get.

Those interested in the Southwest Caravan Organizing Team's Patron Program should contact Section XO Halverson at the email address or phone number listed in the "Information" section below.

The Southwest Caravan Organizing Team thanks all of our Patrons:

The Return of the Blankee Benefit

Starting with the 2014 Caravan, the Southwest Caravan Organizing Team has commissioned commemorative "stadium blankets" displaying the Southwest Corvette Caravan logo. Southwest Caravaners who became Patrons, also get this "Blankee Benefit". Our Stadium Blankets will be 50 by 60 inches. They are fur-lined with the logo and text applied by dye sublimation. They have no border with graphics and text being "full bleed".

The cozy fur-lined Southwest Caravan Blankee is perfect for Winter sports spectating, picnics, outdoor concerts, or just keeping warm in your lounge chair while watching a Sunday NASCAR race.



This is the 2024 Caravan Stadium Blanket. Image: Cmdr. Tony Megowan

Caravan Registration Information.

In eNews7 we asked Southwest Corvette Caravaners to register early. Section CFO, Paula Megowan, tells eNews that 164 cars are registered for the Southwest Section.

The fee for the Southwest Caravan costs \$100. Registration is accomplished the "old-fashioned" way. SW Caravaners will complete a Registration Form and mail that and a check for \$100 to Commander Paula Megowan, the Section's CFO.

At the end of this issue of eNews is a fillable .pdf into which you can enter data using your computer, tablet, or smartphone. Then will print the last page of this eNews then mail the finished form with your check to Paula Megowan who will email you back a confirmation.

Contact Us

We have a [page on the National Caravan website](#). We, also, have this Southwest Caravan eNews, a tradition going back to 2003. If you are not an eNews subscriber and want to start getting it, send email to SWeNews@netmotive.net and simply type "subscribe" in the subject field, then type your name in the body of the email. Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/919416625640194>. Finally, email or call any member of Caravan Leadership with questions.

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Caravan Merch

We have lots of goodies that registered Caravaners can buy. Show your support of the Southwest Caravan with our hats, flags, and two sizes of static cling stickers.

All are available from Section Captain Bill Herold. Contact Capt. Herold at the email address or phone number listed in the Contact Us section above.



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