



REGIONNAIRE

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A newsletter of the Southern California Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America by and for its members



Director's Message

Hello Chevy Friends,

Welcome to the new year! The future holds many exciting opportunities to enjoy our classic cars. I'm looking forward to getting on the road and cruising in my Chevy throughout the year. I can't wait to see fellow members at our meetings, on tours, and at the many car shows here in So Cal. One of the goals for the region for 2020 is to build our membership numbers and have some new faces join our club. I will be working with Jim Karras to work on outreach to classic Chevy owners in the So Cal area to get them interested in being part of our local and national VCCA. Our first meeting of the year will be on Saturday, January 18th at Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant in Norwalk. See the details in this newsletter.

Here's wishing everyone good health, prosperity, and lots of time to spend with loved ones in the new year. See you on the road!

Sabrina Karras, 2020 Director, So. Cal Region VCCA

“The Worlds Best Chevrolet Club!”
“Dedicated to the restoration and preservation of all Chevrolets.”

CHEVROLET CORVETTE STINGRAY NAMED 2020 MOTORTREND CAR OF THE YEAR

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EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — The redefined Chevrolet Corvette Stingray won the 2020 Motor Trend Car of the Year award, earning the mid-engine masterpiece a top spot among the best vehicles the world has to offer for the third time in Corvette's history.

The coveted honor, previously awarded to Corvette in 1984 and 1998, was presented to Tadge Juechter, Corvette executive chief engineer and Michael Simcoe, General Motors vice president of Global Design, at an event featuring industry executives and celebrity guests at MotorTrend's headquarters in El Segundo.



"It's an honor for the Corvette team to receive this coveted award from MotorTrend against the best the industry has to offer," said Juechter. "Our design and engineering teams spent several years sweating the details to deliver the first mid-engine Corvette. To have a third party validate our hard work makes it all worthwhile."

Chevy's first-ever production mid-engine Corvette represents the fastest, most powerful entry-level Corvette in the vehicle's 66-year history, reaching 0-60 mph in 2.9 seconds when equipped with the Z51 Performance Package. The reimagined icon boasts exotic proportions and a modern design inspired by racing and aeronautics to deliver unprecedented levels of quality, customization, technology and craftsmanship. Powered by the next-generation 6.2L Small Block V-8 LT2 engine, the 2020 Corvette Stingray packs 495 horsepower and 470 lb-ft of torque.

"We have been looking forward to the arrival of the mid-engine Chevrolet Corvette for so long, that you'd think there is no way it could live up to the weight of expectations, but the all-new C8 Corvette epitomizes what it means to be MotorTrend's 2020 Car of the Year," said MotorTrend Editor-in-Chief Edward Loh. "Corvette delivers stunning design and world-class performance, around an exotic mid-ship layout, yet it remains a truly livable grand touring sports car, all at an almost unbelievable price point. Our 2020 Car of the Year is the one that democratizes the supercar – the Chevrolet Corvette."

Production on the Corvette will begin in February 2020 at General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant in Kentucky. True to its roots of attainable performance, the 2020 Corvette Stingray upholds its no-compromise value proposition, starting at \$59,995.

Press release from media.chevrolet.com **2019-11-18**

1941 Chevrolet Deluxe

The Chevrolet Deluxe was a trim line of Chevrolet automobiles, marketed from 1941 to 1952, and was the volume sales leader for the market during the 1940s. The line included, at first a 4-door sedan, but grew to include a fastback 2-door "aerosedan" and other body styles. The 1941 Chevrolet was the first generation that didn't share a common appearance with Chevrolet trucks, however, the Chevrolet AK Series truck did share common internal components. The original series ran from 1941 to 1948, after which a new body style was introduced for 1949, running through 1952.



In 1941, the Master and Special Deluxe had updated styling from the year before with things such as a new grill, new suspension, new curves, and the headlight mounted in the fenders. The Special had better fabric than the Master, along with arm rests in the doors. There was full instrumentation.

In the 1941/42 model years, the 216cid inline 6 "Blue Flame" engine was the only one offered. It produced 85 horsepower at 3300 rpm.

a manual synchromesh shift, in which the "three-on-moved between gears by the Third gear was direct, mean-speeds. Overdrive was a rare member rear-end was via an The brakes were hydraulic cylinder was located beneath of the lever type. The wind-flat-glass type. The wipers offered windshield washers

The exterior sported smooth trim. The rear bumper had that had to be ratcheted out be lifted. Front and rear "tips", a dress-up item that bumper. Although it wasn't a market feature was a large the driver from glare off the

Among All
Biggest-Selling Low-Priced Cars

CHEVROLET FOR '41 IS

FIRST in Acceleration
FIRST in Hill-Climbing
FIRST in All-Round Economy

| DOES LOW PRICES GAIN THEM? | QUALITY QUIZ | ANY OTHER CHEVROLET? |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|
| 90 H.P. ENGINE | YES | NO |
| CONCEALED SAFETY STEPS | YES | NO |
| VACUUM-POWER SHIFT AT NO EXTRA COST | YES | NO |
| BODY BY FISHER WITH UNUSUAL CORNER TIPS | YES | NO |
| UNITIZED KNEE-ACTION | YES | NO |
| BOX-GIRDER FRAME | YES | NO |
| ORIGINAL FISHER NO DRAFT VENTILATION | YES | NO |
| TIP-TOP MATIC CLUTCH | YES | NO |

—because Chevrolet for '41 is the only low-priced car with a 90-h.p. Valve-in-Head "Victory" Engine—the same type of engine that holds all world's records for performance on land, sea and in the air!

You step out of the commonplace when you step into this swank, swift-lined, spirited Chevrolet for '41. For its brilliance matches its beauty—its boldness matches its luxury—its road-action matches its style!

It's the most powerful of all the biggest-selling low-priced cars . . . the only low-priced car with a 90-h.p. Valve-in-Head "Victory" Engine . . . and it out-accelerates, out-climbs, out-rides all other cars in the big-selling low-price group!

This year, drive the leader! Drive Chevrolet—the leader—value leader—for nine of the last ten years! Eyes it, try it, buy it—today!

CHEVROLET MOTOR DIVISION, General Motors Corporation, WARREN, OHIO 44090

Again **CHEVROLET'S the LEADER!**

The transmission was 3 speed, with vacuum assisted the-tree" shifter was able to be slightest pressure on the lever. ing the input and output are equal option. Connection to the third enclosed "torque tube" driveshaft. with all-wheel drums. The master the driver. Shock absorbers were shield through 1952 was a split, were vacuum actuated. Chevrolet on some model years.

curves with chrome and stainless an optional center bumper guard of the way so the trunk cover could bumpers had optional chrome bolted to the ends of the stock Chevrolet option, a popular after external sunshade that protected metal dashboard.

The interior had cloth bench seats and a metal dash, sometimes with a simulated burl wood grain. The radio was a simple mono vacuum tube type radio with integrated speaker. On the left side of the radio, was a knob labeled



"T" and it operated the throttle, because during startup, it was hard to press both the starter pedal and the accelerator, while keeping the clutch depressed. On the right side was the choke lever. The clock was integrated into the glove compartment door and was of a manual-wind 7-day type.

With classic styling and reliable mechanics the 1941 Chevy's were the best options for motorists in the days before WWII.

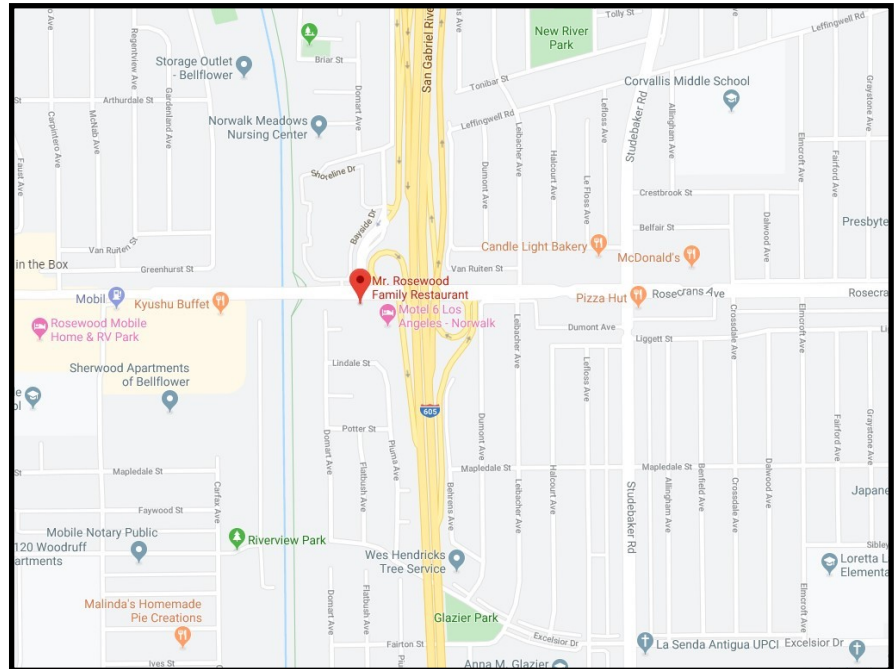
Next meeting:
Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 9:00 am
Meetings are held on the third Saturday of every other month

Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant
10640 Rosecrans Ave, Norwalk, CA 90650

Driving Directions:

I-605 N: Exit 9A towards Rosecrans Ave. Turn left off freeway. Continue straight, restaurant will be on the left.

I-605 S: Exit 9A towards Rosecrans Ave. Use right lane to continue on Flatbush Ave. Continue straight, restaurant will be on the right.



**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION FUND RAISER
NEW BASBALL CAP with Embroidered VCCA LOGO**

Cap includes:

- High Quality Tan Cotton
- Comfortable and Adjustable Size
- Custom embroidery on front and back

\$19.95 includes postage

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Purpose

The Southern California Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (“VCCA”) was organized to promote the restoration and preservation of Chevrolets and welcomes everyone with an interest in the history of Chevrolet and sharing knowledge and experiences about these wonderful automobiles.

Our region is comprised of both single and married members who join together at many fun events including; tours, picnics, car shows, banquets and other interesting outings.

Membership and Dues

An active member is defined as an individual who has paid dues to both the National VCCA and the Southern California Region. Ownership of a Chevrolet is not a requirement of membership.

National Dues: Dues for the National VCCA are \$40.00 per year in the U.S. National Dues include membership card, badge, club decal, and monthly publication – the *Generator and Distributor*.

Southern California Region Dues: Dues for the Southern California Region are \$15.00 per year. Dues are payable on or before January 31st. An active member receives a monthly newsletter – the *Regionnaire* and notification of all club activities. An active member may participate in the business meetings and all club events, both regional and national.

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Other VCCA Resources

Southern California Region Web Site

www.scrvcca.org

National VCCA Web Site

www.vcca.org

VCCA Internet Chat Forum

www.vcca.org/forum/

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Regionnaire Publication Information

The Regionnaire is published every other month. Ads and other contributions from members are welcome for publication in the Regionnaire. The deadline for all contributions is the first Tuesday of every other month.



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Southern California Region
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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Birthdate _____
 Spouse _____ Birthdate _____ Anniversary _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Telephone _____ Email _____

Are you a member of the National Vintage Chevrolet club? YES NO

If YES: Your membership number: _____ **If NO:** It is a prerequisite for becoming a member of a local region. Yearly dues for National Membership are listed below and are forwarded to the National Organization. Dues for region membership are \$10.00 per year.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION DUES..... \$ 15.00 per year
NATIONAL DUES RENEWAL NEW
 Membership (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes \$ 40.00 per year
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

NOTE: FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES ALL REGION MEMBERS MUST JOIN NATIONAL IN ORDER TO JOIN THE REGION. If you send the Region, your National dues, we will send them on to National.

REGION: All members receive a monthly region newsletter and information on upcoming events and tours.

NATIONAL: All new members will receive a club badge, decal, membership card and the national magazine, Generator & Distributor. Members are entitled to free classified advertising in the club magazine and participation in Vintage Chevrolet Club activities. Members are entitled to free classified advertising, access to member-only website features, and participation in all VCCA activities. Chevrolet ownership is not a requirement for membership. Dues are non-refundable.

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolets.

If you presently own a Chevrolet, please fill in below.

| Year | Model | Body Style | Cyl. | Condition |
|-------|-------|------------|-------|-----------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
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Recruited by (VCCA member recruiting optional) _____ VCCA # _____

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| <p align="center">FOR CLUB USE ONLY</p> <p>Paid \$ _____ Check/Cash</p> <p>Date Paid _____</p> <p>Regional Membership Number _____</p> | <p>Return complete form and mail with dues to:</p> <p align="center">SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION 829 E. Van Bibber Ave., Orange, CA 92866</p> <p>X _____ Applicant's Signature</p> |
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