

# THE STINGRAY

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE WICHITA COUNTY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION



## 31st Annual North Texas Corvette Roundup 6 Short Months Away

The Wellington will provide an amazing setting for our dinner, live auction and awards ceremony.

Speaking of the live auction, our own Weldon Floyd has agreed to serve as auctioneer again for us this year. Weldon's skill is not only evident as a master auctioneer but also as a very hilarious entertainer. New WCCA members - if you have not seen Weldon in action - do not miss this opportunity! Weldon is so well received by everyone, Lone Star Corvette Club borrows him each year for their live auction as well.

Roundup participants and WCCA members will also have the pleasure of hearing Michael Brown speak during our dinner and awards ceremony. Michael Brown is a media producer and co-host of the television show, Corvette Nation, which can be seen on the Velocity Channel. Michael is quite a Corvette enthusiast himself. He owns 14 Corvettes. Some WCCA members toured his private Corvette collection at his stunning home and garage in Arlington, Texas last August. Mr. Brown will be a wonderful guest speaker.

What about food? The Branding Iron has been secured to cater the banquet with their great tasting barbecue and all the fixings.

That's right! Can you believe it? The 31st edition of the North Texas Corvette Roundup hosted by the Wichita County Corvette Association will be here in only 6 months. Wow. It's hard to imagine that 10 months have passed already since a conversation was started by a few WCCA members in May 2015 regarding the possibility of "reviving" the Roundup. Be assured that much has taken place since that time. The Roundup will take place September 23 & 24, 2016.

A new venue has been secured. This year's Roundup will take place on the adjoined properties of the Holiday Inn Express and The Wellington Conference and Events Center on Kell West Boulevard. Prior to placing a deposit on these facilities, the Roundup Committee toured the hotel and the conference center. The hotel is a newer hotel that should provide comfortable lodging for our guests. The Wellington is absolutely gorgeous.

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## *Start Your Engines!*

### *Words From Our President*

*Mike Wenk*

With warm weather right around the corner, that means the start of the car show season is also right around the corner. A few of us are already planning to attend a few shows in the next few months. Of course the big one is the Lone Star Corvette Classic at Texas Motor Speedway on May 20-22. If you have never been, this is one fun filled weekend. My first time was last year, and I had a great time. Even if you do not get into showing your Corvette, it is still an excellent opportunity just to spend a weekend with fellow club members. If The Lone Star Corvette Classic does not fit into your schedule, there are a few smaller ones coming up in the next few months you may be interested in. Check with Jerry, Chad, Steve or myself for more information on different shows. See you all on March 3rd!



## *Save The Wave*

### *Vice-Presidential Thoughts*

*Jerry Ensey*

I had one of our members ask me recently about where “Save the Wave” came from. The wave is a part of our Corvette history. This is the short version of the story. In the 1950’s and ‘60’s, as Corvette owners passed each other when driving, they would wave at one another. In the mid ‘60’s, I first experienced “the Corvette wave” while riding with my friend Dan Walters in his frost blue ‘59 Corvette. When I got my first Corvette in 1970, it was still a common practice to wave at another Corvette, so I continued the tradition. Unfortunately, by the late 1980’s and ‘90’s the wave was becoming a thing of the past. In an attempt to bring back “The Wave”, many of us continue to wave to save this Corvette tradition. I think we are doing a good job at bringing it back. I hope the next time you pass another Corvette on the street you will wave and get a wave back. That way we will all “Save the Wave”! See you soon!



## *Editor’s Note:*

### *News & Notes From Your Editor and Webmaster*

*Chad Brownlow*

Can you believe the North Texas Corvette Roundup is only 6 months away? I can’t believe that time has passed as quickly as it has! I still have vivid memories of the discussions that took place last May 2015 at the Lone Star Corvette Classic when a small group of us committed to revive the Roundup. Next, there were meetings at The Parkway Grill and Pizza Hut. There has been a lot of work that has already been done on behalf of the Roundup - and there is a lot still left to do. I am confident however, that the 31st edition of the North Texas Corvette Roundup will be among our best. I hope that my excitement is contagious - let’s all work hard and work together. I promise we will have fun! Be sure to check out our official registration flyer. By week’s end, we will have handed some out and posted the flyer on our Facebook page. Let the registrations start coming in!!! Enjoy this month’s *Stingray* and keep an eye on [www.wccatx.com](http://www.wccatx.com)!!



## It's Corvette Roundup time in Texas



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There will also be a cash bar available for those who wish to enjoy an adult beverage (or two) during the evening's activities.

While the Saturday evening banquet and awards ceremony will conclude Roundup activities, there is plenty of Corvette fun to be had before the awards are handed out.

Early check-in and show field staging will begin on Friday, September 23rd at noon. It is expected that Corvettes will be arriving all day. WCCA members will be on hand to process registrations and stage the Corvettes in the show field. At this time, the show field will be unaccessible to any other traffic. A Corvette wash station will be available.

Friday evening, WCCA will host a fun outdoor social activity and cookout. Mike Simmons and Dr. Kevin Thomas have offered to provide the meat. They will also display their skills as grill-masters. Other WCCA members will be asked to bring side dishes, non-alcohol drinks and desserts. Guests and WCCA members may BYOB. The Mad Man Joe Martin will be spinning tunes. This will all take place on the open-air patio at The Wellington - only steps away from the show field of

Corvettes and the hotel. If by chance it turns out to be a cool September evening, don't worry - the outdoor fireplace on the patio can be used. What a neat setting this is going to be! This Friday evening get-together will be WCCA's way of thanking all of the Roundup participants for coming and supporting WCCA.

After the cookout, it is expected that some revelers will continue their imbibing well into the night...in the Corvette show field. If you witness this activity - don't fret. What you will be observing is known as the infamous "Lot Lizard" party. Some WCCA members are even members of the "Lot Lizard" Club - and they have a window sticker to prove their membership is current. For the peace of mind of the participants, overnight security will be provided by WCCA.

Saturday morning is when the really good stuff kicks off. Hotel guests will be able to enjoy breakfast in the breakfast bar. WCCA members will have an early start as well - getting to work. Continued processing of registrations, staging Corvettes, organizing silent auction items, assigning judging duties and distributing Show-N-Shine ballots are just a few of the many things that are sure to take place.

A Color Guard will present the United States Flag and national anthem. With this, the North Texas Corvette Roundup will have officially opened. On display will be some of the most beautiful Corvettes for participants, spectators and WCCA members to enjoy. Some will be competing seriously for awards. Others will enjoy the more laid back Show-N-Shine. Either way, fun will be had by all. Food trucks will offer treats during the day. Expressions Photography will be taking photos. The Mad Man will be spinning his tunes. The day's events will then conclude with the Saturday evening banquet and awards ceremony.

The Co-Roundup Directors for this year are Mike Wenk and Chad Brownlow. Mike has been busy securing sponsors, contributors and food vendors. Be sure to thank him when you see him. Chad has revised and redesigned the Roundup registration flyer. It is included in this month's newsletter for members to see. The flyer is ready to print and will be available for distribution for the first time this weekend. Chad will put the flyer on the WCCA website and Facebook page. There is still a lot of work to do - but by this weekend, the Roundup will be officially "open for business"!

# 31st Annual North Texas Corvette Roundup

## September 23 & 24, 2016



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**Food Trucks  
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**Friday Night Social Activity  
Hosted by WCCA  
BYOB**



**Awards Banquet Guest Speaker  
Michael Brown  
of Corvette Nation TV Show**



**Saturday Night  
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Driver's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Navigator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Corvette Year \_\_\_\_\_ Exterior Color \_\_\_\_\_  Coupe  Convertible

Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Miles Traveled From Your Home to Wichita Falls \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate Number \_\_\_\_\_ Driven or Trailered \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle Your Class**

**JUDGED: Awards will be presented for 1st and 2nd in each Class**

**C1 (1953-1962) C2 (1963-1967) C3 (1968-1982) C4 (1984-1996) C5 (1997-2004) C6 (2005-2013) C7 (2014-2017)**

**Custom (All generations - If you have 3 or more modifications, choose this class: paint, engine, interior, wheels, etc.)**

*\*Event Judges reserve the right to move modified Corvettes into this class if they qualify.*

**SHOW-N-SHINE: Awards will be presented to the Top 2 vote recipients in each Class**

**C1 (1953-1962) C2 (1963-1967) C3 (1968-1982) C4 (1984-1996) C5 (1997-2004) C6 (2005-2013) C7 (2014-2017)**

*\*There is no Custom Show-N-Shine Class - just choose your respective Corvette Generation*

**JUDGED CLASSES: Corvettes will be judged by experienced WCCA members using judging criteria and scoring sheets.**

**SHOW-N-SHINE CLASSES: Each Show-N-Shine registrant will receive one ballot to vote on their favorite Corvettes in each class.**

**WCCA Member Corvettes DO NOT Compete In Judged or Show-N-Shine Classes!**

Corvette Roundup Entry Fee for <b>Judged Classes</b>	\$40.00	x _____	=	\$ _____
Corvette Roundup Entry Fee for <b>Show-N-Shine Classes</b>	\$30.00	x _____	=	\$ _____
Corvette Roundup Late Entry Fee after September 1, 2016 - add	\$10.00	x _____	=	\$ _____
Friday Night Cookout and Party - hosted by WCCA - outdoors at venue	Free	x _____	=	\$ _____
Saturday Night Banquet & Awards Ceremony The Wellington	\$20.00	x _____	=	\$ _____
Corvette Roundup T-Shirts (S-3XL) Indicate size _____ <i>Pre-Order!</i>	\$20.00	x _____	=	\$ _____

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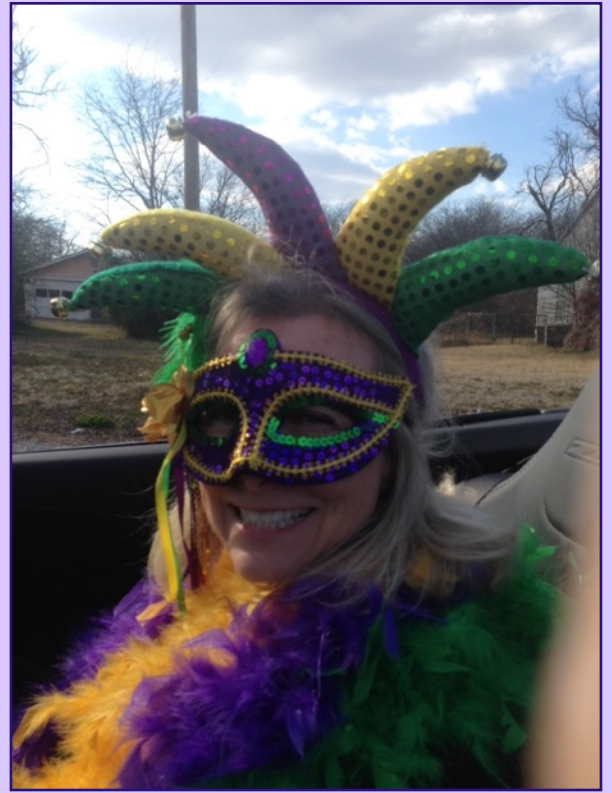
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On February 6, 2016, Mickey & Steve Allison joined other members of Lone Star Corvette Club for the Mardi Gras Celebration in Nocona, Texas.

Among a weekend full of activities was the Mardi Gras Parade. Mickey & Steve report they had a wonderful time! A future WCCA activity, perhaps???



Mardi Gras



# WCCA February Club Event

February 20, 2016



Everyone shared their excitement as we gathered prior to departure - at our usual meeting place... The Conoco Station on Windthorst Road.



All passengers may board and prepare for departure...



Destination:  
Doug's  
Peach  
Orchard







Doug's Peach Orchard  
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If anyone had a "grease" allergy - they were out of luck....





Chad promised everyone that he could provide samples of cholesterol lowering medication - and everyone was all smiles!



**Where there is food...  
There are also usually  
WCCA members!**





yum!



yum!





Everyone stood around for a little after lunch to let all of that deep fried goodness soak in.

Then, as per WCCA routine...we loaded up and headed out in different directions.



# IMPORTANT DATES



<p><b>March 3, 2016</b> Club Meeting at Jason's Deli Eat at 6:00 pm Meeting at 7:00 pm Wichita Falls, Texas</p>	<p><b>March 5, 2016</b> Southwest Oklahoma Corvette Club Tech Day &amp; Show-N-Shine with Paul Koerner Lawton, Oklahoma</p>	<p><b>March 12, 2016</b> McGruff Car Show at Lone Star Muscle Cars Wichita Falls, Texas</p>	<p><b>March 26, 2016</b> 13th Annual Jim Bowie Car Show Bowie, Texas</p>
<p><b>April 1-2, 2016</b> Corvettes of Enid Corvette Expo XXIV Enid, Oklahoma</p>	<p><b>April 8-9, 2016</b> Southern Knights Corvette Club 6th Annual Corvette Celebration Shreveport, Louisiana</p>	<p><b>April 9, 2016</b> Cars &amp; Stars Graham, Texas</p>	<p><b>April 23, 2016</b> Wichita County Corvette Association Fish Fry Roddy &amp; Kathy Gordon's Home Henrietta, Texas</p>
<p><b>May 20, 21, 22, 2016</b> Lone Star Corvette Club Lone Star Corvette Classic Texas Motor Speedway Fort Worth, Texas</p>	<p><b>June 11, 2016</b> Non-Club Club of Oklahoma 9th Annual All Corvette Show Grand Casino Hotel &amp; Resort Shawnee, Oklahoma</p>	<p><b>July 23-24, 2016</b> 4th Annual Corvette Invasion Circuit of the Americas Austin, Texas</p>	<p><b>August 12-13, 2016</b> Vernon Street Machines &amp; Classics Association 27th Summer's Last Blast Vernon, Texas</p>
<p><b>September 9, 10, 11, 2016</b> Vettes &amp; Jets on the Lex Corpus Christi, Texas</p>	<p><b>September 23-24, 2016</b> Wichita County Corvette Association 31st Annual North Texas Corvette Roundup Wichita Falls, Texas</p>	<p><b>October 8, 2016</b> Brazos River Corvette Club 11th Annual Corvettes on the Square Granbury, Texas</p>	<p><b>More events to be added!</b></p>
<p><b>Have an event you want on the calendar? Submit it to the newsletter editor!</b></p>	<p><a href="mailto:cbrownlow@zoho.com">cbrownlow@zoho.com</a></p>		



Many WCCA Corvettes display personalized license plates. Can you match these plates to their owners?



**March 2016**

**March 4  
Karen Orris**

**March 20  
Karen Dailey**

**March 21  
Martha Floyd**

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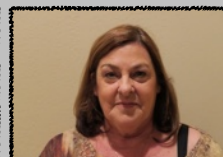
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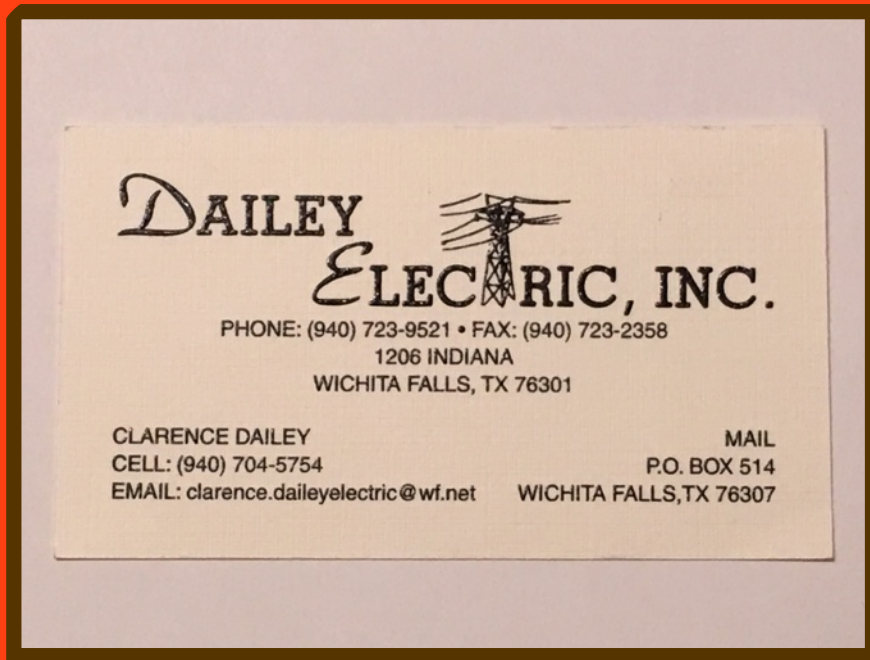
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