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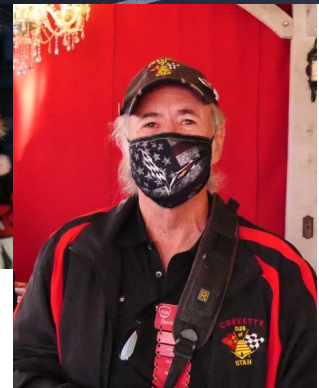
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Club News

Latest Information

Check the Website for the most current information regarding activities, news, and events at:

<http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org>

Wear Your CCU Name Badge

We have lots of new members in the club, and not so new members who are still getting to know people. The only way they will be able to remember your name is if you wear your CCU name badge. We strongly encourage wearing of name badges to activities and meetings. Please wear your badge!

Events

Please contact the Special Events Chair, Kori Jensen, regarding upcoming events.

Please contact the Secretary, Nola Emery, regarding event attendance and meeting minutes.

Membership

If you change your contact information, please send an email to ccu.membership@corvetteclubofutah.org.

Treasurer

Contact Diane Williams regarding membership renewals and payments for upcoming events. See Diane at our monthly member meetings for club financial break downs by quarter. The club's financial information is available if you are interested.

Embroidered shirts

Available through Creative Graphics. Contact Andrea Bitton at 801-266-7273 or andrea@cgprinting.com. Or visit their website at www.cgprinting.com. Nola Emery has a catalog.

Facebook

Join us on-line at www.facebook.com/CorvetteClubOfUtah.

2021 Charity

The charity voted for this year is the Utah Food Bank.

From the President

Hello Corvette Family!

We have finally made it out of the dark and lonely pandemic year. I have had time to reflect on a lot this past year and I am grateful for our club, our sponsor, my wonderful team of Officer's, and each one of you! Great friendships have been made from being in the club! I know we finally have some fun and sun coming in the next few months. I hope everyone has been able to get their vaccines, or are in the process of it.

Your Officer's have been working hard and meeting on zoom each month, and planning events for this year! We can't wait to get this club "rolling" again! We had a fun Poker Run in April for our Birthday Celebration! Please keep checking the website for upcoming events to see which ones may fit into your schedule.

It's time to get the cars out and over to Larry H Miller Service Department for any service work. Remember to mention the Corvette Club of Utah for your discount on parts, service and, on any vehicle, new or used.

We are so excited that we have had several new members sign up for the club! As always, please greet them when you see someone you don't know and introduce yourself! Please remember to bring pamphlets in your car so you can recruit new people to join our club! If you need new pamphlets, see our Membership Chair, John Emery or any officer.

We, as a club, are trying to raise money for our voted on charity. This year, it is The Utah Food Bank. The generosity of donations at our April meeting was outstanding! All of our donations come from car shows and parades that we, as a club are paid to participate in. Also, donations from our members, so please, give if you can. None of the money comes from club monies.

Speaking of Parades! Murray Fun Days Parade is on the calendar for July 3rd. The 3rd annual Vettes for Vets, is very important to me and our sponsor, Larry H Miller management, that we have a great turn out to participate. I told our sponsor that we will proudly drive the Veterans in our cars! BBQ at the dealership after. Please use the sign-up sheet online so we have an accurate count of cars.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my team of Officer's who have helped to keep this club going strong! Bob Clayton, Dave Ohlson, Don Schmidt, Karl Campbell have all helped me to do my job the last year and a half. John Emery, in membership has welcomed many new members. Nola is selling Club Jackets, so see her if you would like to purchase one. Diane Williams has sponsored our zoom meetings and keeps track of all of the club funds. Karen keeps our notes on the meetings. Steve is doing a great job as Historian. A special thanks to Kelly Vining for stepping up to help out with the Gazette. We have some great events that all of the officer's have planned, so please keep your eye on the website. Call Kori with questions or ideas on any events.

Happy Mother's Day to all the moms out there; and in June, Happy Father's Day to the dads too!

Regards,

Scott Jensen
President



The following news comes from the NCM E-News, the weekly email newsletter of the national corvette museum. Subscribe to NCM E-News on the NCM Website for more news and the details.

Museum Videos

Vettecademy S2 Episode 20: Stars and Cars

On this episode of Vettecademy, learn about a few famous musicians and their connection to Corvette!

The Corvette Club of Utah is sponsoring one of the Vettecademy Episodes this year. You can view them from links on the CCU Facebook Page. I'll put a post on the Facebook Page when our episode is released.

Museum News

NCM Visits Corvette Club with Mobil 1 Corvette

Jack Matukas, NCM's Interim CEO, had the opportunity to visit Circle City Corvette Club last week.

On this visit, Matukas brought the Mobil 1 C8 Corvette, which was prominently featured at the recent 12-Hours of Sebring race, along with him as an added treat for the club.



The National Corvette Museum is most grateful for Circle City's dedication to supporting the museum. Clubs like Circle City are so important to the continued success of the National Corvette Museum and they are immensely appreciated.

NCM would also like to thank Mobil 1 for the C8 and its ability to put smiles on the faces of Corvette admirers.

Museum News

Lone Star Corvette Classic

Join the Lone Star Corvette Club at their 31st Annual Lone Star Corvette Classic from May 21-23 in Fort Worth, TX. The National Corvette Museum will be attending this show!



Corvette Raffles

Museum to Raffle 2020 Build Your Own

Win a 2022 Build Your Own Corvette! You could select your color and options if you are lucky enough to win the raffle! Prices for tickets vary with each raffle. You can download a Secure Raffle Order Form from the Corvette Museum at:

<https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/>



Contact your NCM Ambassador to join the National Corvette Museum or for Membership Information. Can't find a C8, ask your Ambassador how to get one through the NCM raffle drawings. He can help you get the Raffle Order Form.

Your NCM Ambassador for the Corvette Club of Utah is Bob Clayton.



CORVETTE RACING AT SPA: FIRST STEP TOWARDS LE MANS

CORVETTE RACING AT SPA: First Step Toward Le Mans

- Garcia, Gavin set to team together for first time in No. 63 Corvette C8.R
- FIA World Endurance Championship return for Corvette Racing
- First race outside U.S. for mid-engine Chevrolet Corvette race car
- Six Hours outing ahead of two-car effort at 24 Hours of Le Mans in August

DETROIT (April 22, 2021) –

Corvette Racing takes its first steps toward a return to the 24 Hours of Le Mans next week with the opening round of the FIA World Endurance Championship at historic Spa-Francorchamps. Antonio Garcia and Oliver Gavin are set to team in a unique opportunity for sports car racing's dominant GT program at the Six Hours of Spa on Saturday, May 1.

For the first time, Garcia and Gavin will team together for Corvette Racing with the pair sharing the No. 63 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C8.R. This will mark the first appearance for the mid-engine racing Corvette outside the United States and the team's first appearance at Spa.

The Garcia/Gavin pairing and the rest of the Corvette Racing contingent will take part in two days of FIA WEC preseason testing Monday and Tuesday before official practices get under way Thursday at the 20-turn, 4.35-mile

circuit in the heart of the eastern Belgium.

Between them, Gavin and Garcia have 318 starts, 73 wins and nine championships with Corvette Racing, but they've never shared the same racecar within the program. Each, however, has previous experience in GT programs at Spa.

Garcia was part of a class-winning effort at the 2001 Spa 24 Hours and won there in European Touring Car competition as well. Gavin has raced both open-wheel and sports cars including a podium finish in the 2016 Spa 24 Hours.

The run by the No. 63 Corvette in the GTE Pro category will help lay the groundwork as the program makes its comeback to Le Mans in August after missing last year's event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The program has won eight times at the event since 2001 and will enter two Corvette C8.Rs in this year's race.

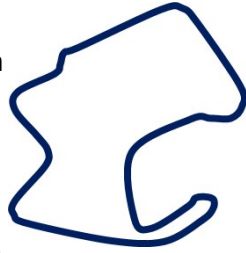
Competing at Spa will provide the Corvette Racing team a bit of a refresher on specific rules and strategy methods that are unique to FIA WEC races. Pit stop operations and safety car procedures are among the biggest differences in IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship and FIA WEC competitions.

Live race television and online coverage will be available via MotorTrend Network and MotorTrend On-Demand. Radio coverage for all practice sessions plus Friday qualifying and the race will air on Radio Le Mans. Live timing and scoring will be available on the FIA WEC website.

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Corvette Racing at Laguna Seca

The closest opportunity for the club to watch Corvette Racing in action is at the WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca near Monterey, CA. The IMSA schedule has change again, just like last year, and the Corvette's will be back at the track for the Hyundai Monterey Sports Car Championship on Sept 10-12th. It's on the IMSA schedule and the track's schedule but race teams are still finalizing their participation. Tickets are not on sale yet, details for the Corvette Corral are not available so it's can of hard to formalize a trip for the club. This late in the game lodging will be expensive and hard to get.



If you would really like to go and would like try and beat the high hotel prices in Salinas you can go online or call to book a room at the Best Western Salinas Monterey Hotel on 175 Kern St in Salinas, CA. At the present time the online rate (AAA, AARP, Senior Citizen, etc.) is \$152.77 per night for Thursday Sept 9th and departing on Sunday Sept 13th. There are two Best Westerns on Kern St and the other Best Western room rates are close to \$300 a night so make sure you contact the right one. It works out to \$120 for Thursday and Sunday and \$180 for Friday and Saturday. Jo and I have booked rooms at the Best Western. There is also a Quality Inn at 144 Kern St advertising rooms for \$137 and a Super 8 at 131 Kern Street advertising rooms for \$126. If you book a room, make sure you are getting a refundable rate.

When the WeatherTech Raceway starts selling the race tickets and the Corvette Corral is finalized I'll put a trip together and add the hotels going down and back. We would leave SLC on Weds Sept 8th with one stop enroute and return to SLC on Tues Sept 14th with also one stop enroute. I'm trying to avoid what happened last year as COVID 19 restrictions kept changing the race schedule and eventually turned the race into a virtual only event and had us scrambling for refunds.

March Birthday Celebration and Go Karts

What a rainy day it was to start off our Birthday Celebrations!



We had a great turn out at Mimi's café. Scott Stanford was the lucky draw for the Birthday!



After breakfast some of us went to K1 Speed, for the go kart racing. Kelly, Scott and Don were in their driver's seats for all the action. It was fun to watch them race around and get "bumped" a little bit. They took their places in the standings respectively.

April Birthday Celebration and Poker Run



Members enjoyed a delightful breakfast at Tru Religion in Orem. We had a great turn out even with the cold weather!

Dave Nagle was the lucky draw for this celebration!

Beautiful day for a fun drive with the sun shining on the snow covered mountain peaks and crystal clear blue skies as we made our way up Provo Canyon for a Poker Run. We enjoyed seeing the Swiss chalets along the way from Midway to the Mountain State Park for another card draw by the lake and visiting with all of our friends.

We left there and concluded our run with a few stops, and round-about, in the Park City area to the Ski Jump for the last draw. We calculated the winners and the worst hand!

Congratulations to all! Everyone enjoyed themselves on this 1st cruise of the year!

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|----------|--------|---|
| 30 Veterans Car Show | 31 Memorial Day | | | | | 1 Route 66 |
| 2 Route 66 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 Mother's Day | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Birthday Lunch Birthday Cruise |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Club Meeting | 20 | 21 | 22 Wendover Poker Run |
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May ● 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 MWSN Picnic | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Flag Day | 15 | 16 Club Meeting | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 Father's Day | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Founders Day Car Show |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |

June ● 2021

May Birthday Lunch and Cruise

The club will be celebrating members birthdays for the month of May in Syracuse at Hug Hes Café, 2432 W 1700 S at 11:30 pm.

Everyone is welcome so come and wish them a happy birthday.

Afterwards will be a cruise. Destination still to be determined.

Member's Birthdays

| May | | June | |
|-----|-----------------|------|-------------------|
| 1 | Billie Ramey | 12 | Will Gardner |
| 2 | Macario Aragon | 12 | Linda Smith |
| 4 | Herm Ruseler | 14 | Norm Bates |
| 5 | Trisha Poelzl | 15 | Louise Johnson |
| 6 | Myrna Williams | 18 | Don Kent |
| 8 | Warren Afflect | 18 | Dawn Fleishans |
| 9 | Larry Elmer | 19 | Fredrick Allen |
| 11 | JoLayne Clayton | 19 | Liliane Hoefnagel |
| 17 | Bruce Gildea | 22 | Mat Fleishans |
| 19 | Robert Luken | 26 | Don Huffman |
| 19 | Raymond Wagner | 27 | Scott Jensen |
| 22 | Judy Bailey | 27 | Brian Hicks |
| 23 | Bonnie DeBoer | | |
| 26 | Donald Dingbaum | | |
| 29 | Lee Ellis | | |
| 29 | Janice McCrady | | |
| 29 | Norman Ristau | | |
| 31 | Cathy Racine | | |

Wendover Overnighter

We are holding an overnight Poker Run to Wendover on Sat. May 22nd.



Rooms at the Golden Nugget will be \$60 with secured parking. Please use the signup button on the website so we know who is attending.

We will be meeting at Smiths on 5300 at 10:00 a.m. 1st card will draw there.

The 2nd stop will be at the Flying J in Tooele, 2nd card will be drawn there

The 3rd stop, exit 70, left to the Delle Sinclair, 3rd card will be drawn there

The 4th stop, just past Aragonite past exit 56 is a rest stop for a quick stop and draw our 4th card.

The 5th stop, after the famous tree is a rest stop MM 11, Where we will Draw our 5th card and any extras to purchase will happen there.

We will take exit 1 to Wendover and park at the Golden Nugget. There will be security watching over the cars.

To make reservations call 1-775-664-2221 and mention the Corvette Club of Utah for the special pricing of \$60.00 for your room. The code word for the CCU Pricing is "CORVETTE"

They are also offering 10% off meals at the cafe, or 20% off at the steakhouse for our club!

1ST ANNUAL
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS – POST 12087
2021 CAR SHOW



Date: **Sunday, May 30th, 2021**

Location: **Riverton City Hall Park**

12825 S. 1830 W. Riverton UT 84065

ALL SPECTATORS ARE FREE

Time: **11am – 3pm**

Registration: **10am – 11am**

Day of Show: **\$15**

Pre-Registration: **\$10 – Due by 21 May**

VFW Members Cars are Free



Vendor Space is available for \$20

For more info Email: vfw.post12087@gmail.com

All Vehicle/Motorcycles

Makes/Years

Are Welcome





SUNDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2021 (RAIN, SNOW OR SHINE)
SANDRIDGE PARK 2075 WEST 4400 SOUTH ROY, UTAH

PICNIC REGISTRATION FEE:

ENTRY FEE: Subscription to MWSN and Picnic Registration

\$25.00 before May 27th 2021 \$30.00 May 27th, 2021

Picnic registration only

\$ 5.00 before May 27th, 2021 \$10.00 after May 27th, 2021

NOTE: If you have a current subscription to MWSN and it does not expire at this time of year, your subscription will be renewed at the time of expiration.

ALL VEHICLES ARE WELCOME!

FREE TEE SHIRT FOR THE FIRST 25 TO PRE-REGISTER
DASH PLAQUES & GOODIE BAGS TO THE FIRST 200 TO REGISTER

\$100.00 CASH DRAWING FOR ENTRIES RECEIVED ON
OR BEFORE MAY 27TH, 2021
(VEHICLE OWNER MUST BE PRESENT AT TIME OF DRAWING)

REGISTRATION FOR THE PICNIC BEGINS AT 8:00 a.m.

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH IF YOU LIKE. FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE
PARK FOR YOUR CONVIENCE.

REMEMBER, THIS IS A PICNIC TO SUPPORT M.W.S.N.

THIS IS NOT A CAR SHOW.

ACTIVITIES GET UNDER WAY AROUND 10:00 A.M. PRIZES AT 2:00 P.M.

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE! We would like to help the Joyce Hansen/Catholic Community Food Bank again this year! For each non-perishable food item you bring, we will give you one FREE raffle ticket. (LIMIT 10 tickets per person) Help us fill their food barrels!

MOUNTAIN WEST STREET NEWS NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT TO CONTINUE THIS PUBLICATION. REMEMBER, WE ARE A NON-PROFIT PUBLICATION. PLEASE HELP US MAKE OUR 41ST ANNIVERSARY PICNIC ONE OF THE BIGGEST & BEST EVER!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:
M.W.S.N. P.O. BOX 172, ROY, UTAH 84067
OR CALL (801) 725-8784 OR (801) 773-8438

Mountain West STREET NEWS PICNIC

ENTRY # _____
SUB/PICNIC _____
PICNIC ONLY _____

Sunday, June 6, 2021

REGISTRATION FORM

MOUNTAIN WEST STREET NEWS PICNIC 2021

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BEFORE MAY 27th, 2021

PLEASE DO NOT MAIL AFTER MAY 27th, 2021

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

NAME _____ PHONE (____) _____

ADDRESS _____ SPACE/APT # _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

ENTRY: _____
YEAR MAKE MODEL

ENTRY & ADVERTISING RELEASE: Owner, wife and/or guests agree to permit Mountain West Street News to use their names, pictures and other information for publicity, advertising or commercial purposes before, during and after the MWSN Picnic.

LIABILITY: Entrants, participants, & spectators hereby release Mountain West Street News, the City of Roy, the County of Weber, the State of Utah and the editors and staff of MWSN and picnic from any and all damages, injuries, losses and claims suffered by entrant, family or guests to his person or property. Entrants who will participate in this picnic agree to follow any and all safety rules and regulations.

I have read and agree to all the conditions and rules governing this picnic including all games & activities. I agree all music will be provided by J.C. Hackett. Individual stereo systems will not be allowed. I agree to observe all decisions of the picnic management, the Mountain West Street News Picnic Staff. I understand if I pre-register and do not attend, packets will not be forwarded. I also understand that the picnic staff and their vehicles are admitted to the picnic area before the registered cars so they can set up for the day's events. I understand that if I have an Easy Up, I must have it secured safely to the ground.

Signature _____

Date _____

ENTRY FEE: SUBSCRIPTION TO MWSN & PICNIC REGISTRATION

\$25.00 BEFORE MAY 27th, 2021

\$30.00 AFTER MAY 27th, 2021

PICNIC REGISTRATION ONLY

\$ 5.00 BEFORE MAY 27th, 2021

\$10.00 AFTER MAY 27th, 2021

IF SUBSCRIBING, IS THIS A RENEWAL _____ OR A NEW SUBSCRIPTION _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

MAIL TO: M.W.S.N. P.O. BOX 172 ROY, UTAH 84067

Upcoming Corvette Trips

I have put together some weekend trips for July and August. Hopefully by then, most of us will be vaccinated and the positivity rates will be back to minimal. I did follow the CDC guidelines for these trips so you are asked to not come if you feel ill, have tested positive, or have been around someone that has tested positive. Your bubble will be your car so bring a mask and some hand sanitizer to protect yourself when you venture out of your car. Bring your chairs so we can meet social isolation recommendations when we eat or get together after a day on the road. There will be no driver meetings or planned group meals at restaurants. I will provide an itinerary and you can talk with me individually if you have questions. Stops for meals will be at take out type of eating establishments. However, the itinerary will identify other recommended restaurants nearby that you can visit in small groups. We will be exploring roads less travelled, doing it safely, and having fun. Come join us, the details are on the club website.

If the COVID 19 situation changes, I will make changes to both trips and hopefully the changes will be back to normal by summertime.

On July 16th thru 18th, we will be heading to Vernal, UT to explore parts of Dinosaur National Monument that you have probably not seen. From there, it is over the mountains to Fruita, Co to explore the Colorado National Monument. We will head down the Colorado River Byway to Moab, UT and then out to Dead Horse Point for the sunset over the Colorado River. On Sunday, we will head home along along the San Rafael Swell and eventually end up in Nephi, UT for lunch and our farewells. There will be lots of photo opportunities for your Corvette so that you can get it on the club calendar. All the details are on the Club Webpage. One of our stays is in Moab which can book up in the summer. Book early and cancel if you change your mind. Please sign up on the webpage so I can add your name to the trip social page. Makes it easier to remember who you are traveling with.

On Aug 14th and 15th will head out to Kemmerer, WY to visit the Fossil Butte National Monument. While there, you will get to visit J.C. Penny's home in Kemmerer and see one of his first stores. Once again, we will be taking the roads less traveled to get there. If you need a break, this will be a cheap, but fun weekend to get out and drive your Corvette. All the details are on the Club Webpage. Please sign up on the webpage so I can add your name to the trip social page. Makes it easier to remember who you are traveling with.

On Jun 26th the Pleasant View Founders Day Car Show is back on. You are invited to join me for this free small town car show on the grass. Lots of cool cars. Anything goes so you don't know what will show up. The show runs from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Shady Lane Park located at 600 W (Shorty's Lane) 3000 N, Pleasant View, UT. There are free prize drawings and gifts throughout the afternoon. Traditionally, food trucks are brought in for lunch and refreshments. There is loudest engine contest conducted before the car show awards are presented around 4:00 PM. There is a Salmon bake following the car show at 5:00 PM and every car show entrant gets a buy one, get one (BOGO) ticket for the salmon bake. If you don't like salmon, you can join me at the Lost Texan BBQ just down the road on 2700 N before you head home,

Bring chairs. There is plenty of shade around the park or you can bring your own shade cover. You may want to arrive early between 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM to get parked and spiff up the Corvette. You can enter the park on the sidewalk at the corner of Shorty's Lane and 3000 N or from the parking lot on the East side of the park. The crowd comes down from the parade around 11:30 AM and stays pretty constant until the show ends.

You can signup on the webpage and I will pre-register you for the car show or you can register at the car show when you arrive.

For more information on these trips and car show contact Bob Clayton (801) 399-2557 or robert.clayton@comcast.net.

“An Event Like No Other”

ALBUQUERQUE INTERNATIONAL BALLOON FIESTA

October 4—October 9, 2021

For nine days in October, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta creates an enchanted world of special-shaped balloon rodeos, twilight balloon glows, and vibrant balloon filled skies. Brisk autumn mornings in the Rio Grande Valley create an otherworldly backdrop for the breathtaking majesty this most popular event, the Mass Ascension of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. The event began with 13 balloons in 1972 and today is the largest hot air ballooning event in the world. Join Steve and Karen DeSmet as they enjoy early morning and evening balloon events, as well as touring thru some of New Mexico’s most scenic byways and historic towns.

Day 1: Monday, October 4

Meet at Thanksgiving Point in Lehi for drivers meeting at 8:45 AM, departing at 9:00 AM for lunch at the Moab Diner. We’ll be staying at the Holiday Inn Express in Farmington, NM. Call 505-325-2545 for reservations booked under Corvette Club of Utah; 12 kings available at \$80 + tax. Free hot breakfast is served in the lobby 5:00 -7:30 AM; self-serve after 7:30 AM.

Day 2: Tuesday, October 5

Leave for Albuquerque via Grants, where we will see iconic Route 66 sites before going to the Pueblo of Acoma. It is the gateway to Acoma “Sky City,” part of New Mexico’s cultural heritage, as the oldest continuously inhabited settlement in North America. Acoma history is also the story of the Southwest, from its initial role as the home to the Anasazi people, to the thirteenth century founding of the Pueblo, which is still alive and well as a community and touchstone for Native Americans in the area and nationwide. We’ll be staying at the Best Western Airport Albuquerque. Call 505-242-7022 for reservations booked under the Corvette Club of Utah; 12 kings available at \$169 + tax. Hot breakfast included. Dinner is at the Country Line BBQ, with a ride after on the Sandia Peak Tram, America’s longest aerial tramway. Once atop the peak, the view is a panorama of Albuquerque’s night lights below.

Day 3: Wednesday, October 6

Rise ’n shine! We’ll be on the field bright and early for the Dawn Patrol Show at 6:00 AM.

Dawn Patrol pilots take off in the dark and fly until it is light enough to see landing sites. Fellow balloonists appreciate the Dawn Patrol because they can watch the balloons and get an early idea of wind speeds and directions at different altitudes.

This is followed by the Krispy Crème Morning Glow at 6:30 AM. Next at 7:00 AM, pilots from around the globe will be participating in the Flight of the Nations Mass Ascension followed by the Remote Controlled Balloons exhibition. We’ll return to the hotel for a rest, and then head out to explore Historical Albuquerque and have lunch. Dinner is at the Route 66 Diner, followed by a cruise through the heart of the city along Central Avenue. This historic highway leads travelers through some of the city’s most beloved neighborhoods and by many Route 66 landmarks ending at the Route 66 Casino and Hotel.

Day 4: Thursday, October 7

We get to sleep in today! We will venture out to explore the Turquoise Trail after breakfast at the hotel. This includes exploring Santa Fe, New Mexico’s capital

city known for its relaxed pace, stimulating culture, fantastic food, historic architecture, and charming stores. Lunch to be determined. After lunch we will visit Madrid, where Wild Hogs was filmed, and travel the trail back to Albuquerque. We'll park the Vettes, get in the vans and head to dinner at El Pinto for dinner just 15 minutes from the balloon fiesta field. Our evening session on the field includes the Shape Glowdeo followed by the AfterGlow Fireworks show.

Day 5: Friday, October 8

We say goodbye to Albuquerque and began our drive home. Lunch is in Chama, NM, home of the Cumbres & Toltec Railroad. Ride on the Chama High Noon, half day train trip with a bag lunch from one of the local restaurants. We'll spend the night in Durango at the Hampton Inn. Call 970-247-2600 for reservations booked under Corvette Club of Utah; 8 kings and 4 queens available at \$119 + tax. Hostess served hot continental breakfast from 6:00 – 9:00 AM.

Day 6: Saturday, October 9

Leave for home thru picturesque countryside on our way to Pagosa Springs, CO. Lunch to be determined. After lunch we will head home.

Additional costs:

- Acoma Pueblo Sky City tour Adult \$25 + tax; seniors \$22 + tax
- Balloon Fiesta admission: \$15 per person for each of the 2 sessions; tickets available in July at 855-725-1824 or balloonfiesta.com
- Van rental for nighttime activities and Balloon Fiesta Field is approximately \$60 per person plus gas. Please note that each van has seating for 12; we will need a second driver for a larger group.
- Sandia Peak Tramway round trip tickets: Adult 21-61 \$29; seniors 62 up \$24
- Cumbres and Toltec Railroad experience: Coach \$95; group rate available for 20 or more.

Note: October gets chilly at night so bring some warm clothes, and folding chairs, so you don't sit on the grass. And don't forget your cameras!

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