

# THE Corvette Waves

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## Greetings PCC'ers

# Well, Happy July!

Charles Walsh

I hope that each of you had a glorious 4th of July. Thanks to Neil Morrison for coordinating our participation in the Lake Forest parade. 12 Club 'Vettes joined many other paraders to celebrate our Nation's 249th Birthday. It was a great day and a great event - **Thank you Neil!**



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## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As you all know, this year is our Club's 35th Anniversary. We are the largest and arguably the best Corvette Club on the West Coast. To celebrate this milestone, we took a Club photograph on Sunday, 22 June at the Tustin Marketplace. We had 37 PCC Corvettes there! Bernie DeMarkey and Rob Esquinas went to great lengths to make this anniversary photo happen. I have authored a brief article about our Club and have submitted it for publication in Blue Bars - our NCCC journal. I have received word from the Blue Bars Editor that our Club will be featured in the Winter 2025 edition. Thank you all for helping to make this photograph a great success!



After the photo shoot, we went to BJ's Restaurant in the Tustin Marketplace for dinner and socializing. BJ's will donate 20% of our bill that day to our Club's Scholarship Program!

As always, I encourage each of you to participate in as many of the myriad activities we have on our Club's Calendar. And even more importantly, if there is an event that you'd like to see added to our Calendar, don't hesitate to suggest it and we will help you to organize it to make it happen. Be part of the ten percent of our Club that makes a difference!

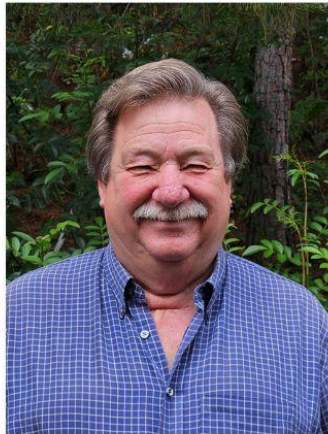
The Red Rocket LIVES!!! She has been returned to me in perfect condition. See this month's issue of the "Back Yard Mechanic" for details.

Well, the Red Rocket is calling my name...

**Stay Safe and Stay Fast!**  
**Charles**







**Bernie DeMarkey**

**Well,**  
I guess nobody  
read my article  
**in last months**  
**newsletter.** That's ok it was not my best work.

I want everyone to know my Cell phone Number,  
**714 982 5875** and my email, **[bjdemarkey@gmail.com](mailto:bjdemarkey@gmail.com)**.  
I have forgotten a couple of my All Club Emails SORRY!

**The Club Group photo** was a lot work but with the  
of many folks is came out Great! The photo is available  
for you to print on our Website IF you are unable to  
download it from the Website I will get you a print. Their  
some folks who deserve a lot of Credit for making it  
happen, Charles Walsh for promoting the idea in the  
first place, and handling the final legal issues with the  
Irvine Company. Mike Corlett and Bob Equinas, the  
team that scouted locations. Scott Luader, our Drone  
Photographer, and setup person Jerry Wheeler who  
got everyone parked where the needed to be. I must  
mention Bob Equinas again, his successful efforts in  
working with BJ's Restaurant to donate 20% of the  
entire dinner check to the PCC Scholarship Fund!!!Just  
Outstanding!!

**Bob & Sandy Savanich, Cars & Coffee:** The total  
number of Club Member's Cars that were there...43. I  
know Bob has a hard time counting and we know Sandy  
was really in charge. Of course, all the goodies to eat  
sure helped to make event special. **We have some-**  
**thing very special in this club** that you don't see in a  
lot of other car clubs, we like to get to know each other,

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## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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we take time to meet people who are new to the club even new to each other.

I have been told the Paso Robles Trip was great I hope some one will write an article about it for those of us who could not make it.

National Corvette Day at the Marconi Museum on the 29th. Mo Wise did a great job setting up this Great and very large Gathering of Corvettes and a special day. Over \$6,000.00 was raised for "The Marconi Family and Museum" which donates to Various Children's charities specially Make A Wish Orange County.

**July is busy for our club.** PLEASE check out our Calander for all the information. A lot of folks have put it a ton of work to make these event happen!!

**August is chock full of Events**, the event below requires you to register for each.

**August 10th Villa Park High School Basketball Team Car Show.** This is a Donor Show. There is no set fee, Come, exhibit your car and donate whatever amount you want to \$0.00 to \$1,000,000.00. IF 10 Corvettes register for the show their will a special Corvette Trophy. See club Calander for information.

**August 23rd Lyons Air Museum.** Park your Corvette on the John Wayne Airport Apron. Details are coming out every day so watch your email.

**In celebration of our 35th Anniversary...** Custom Lapel/Hat Pins have been made!!! They are beautiful. The price for these beauties is \$6.00 each. When we sell out, we sell out. So do not delay they are going fast.

Well that is all for now,  
Bernie



# Upcoming Events

Listed below are dates of upcoming events. Be sure to check the Calendar Section of the PCC website for further updates and event details at [pccvettes.org](http://pccvettes.org).

**July 15th** July Corvettes and Burgers at In-N-Out.

**August 6th** PCC Monthly Meeting  
Campus JAX  
3950 Campus Dr., Newport Beach, CA

**August 10th** Villa Park Car Show  
Villa Park High School  
8 AM - 12 PM

**August 16th** Super Sports All Corvette Show  
Buena Park Elk Lodge  
7212 Melrose St., Buena Park, CA

**August 19th** August Corvettes and Burgers  
In N Out El Toro  
24001 El Toro Rd., Laguna Hills, CA



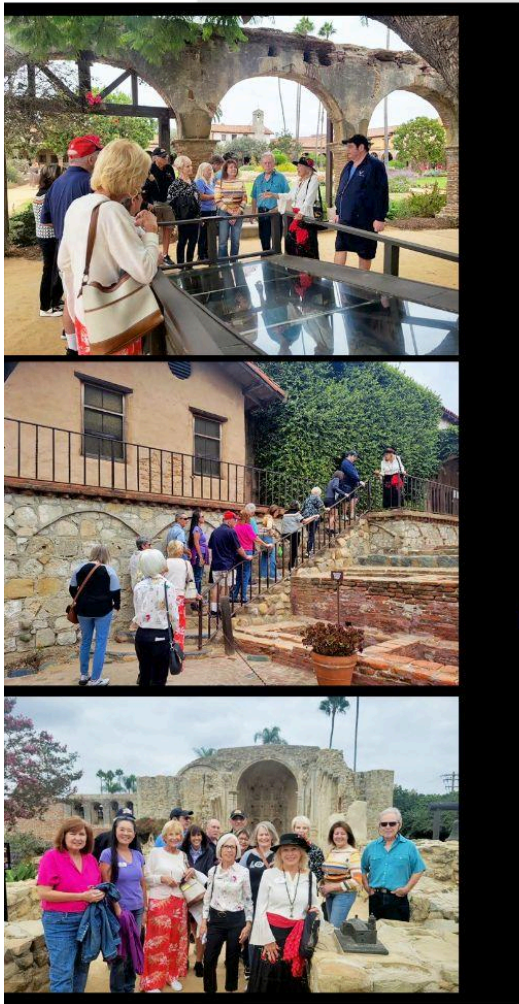
# A Look in the Rear View Mirror

By Donna Friess

Part of the fun of being in PCC is the vast number of activities which our members organize and make available. There is great fun to be had whether it's at Cars and Coffee, Cars and Burgers, a cruise to Palm Springs, a trip to Cambria, a day at the flower fields, a look at the Midway or USS Iowa, an experience at the Lyon Air Museum, or a stroll through the past at the historic Mission San Juan Capistrano. PCC has something for everyone.

Last September Donna Friess hosted a PCC day-trip to the Mission, the birthplace of Orange County. Our members enjoyed seeing the oldest standing building in California, the Serra Chapel, built in 1782, where Saint Serra celebrated mass. Our day concluded with lunch at the famous El Adobe Restaurant, once a Wells Fargo stage coach stop.

Coming up this September 18th, Donna will be leading a one hour or so walking tour of old San Juan featuring Los Rios Street, the oldest continuously lived on street in California. Lunch will be enjoyed at the exciting new River Street Marketplace. Group limited to 25. Register through our PCC website or directly with Donna Friess.







## By Jobe, Quaker State is first at Road Atlanta.

Bill Jobe is the name. And he was some kind of quick at the 1974 Road Race of Champions. All Bill did was win B Production in his blue streak Corvette; take first over-all in the 3-day event; and win the Road Racing Driver's Club award for outstanding performance.

Though he's only been racing for 5 years, Bill is no Johnny-Come-Lately to Quaker State. He's relied on it for 20 years—ever since his father, a new car dealer, recommended it for Bill's first car.

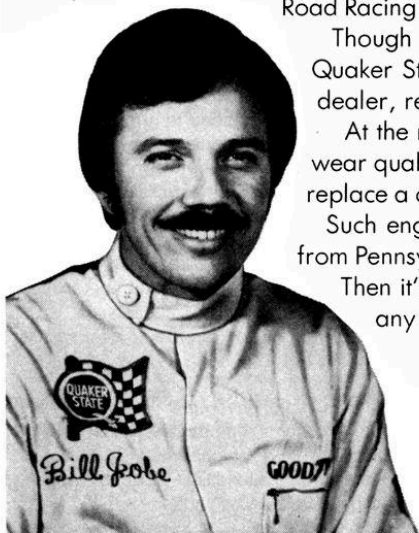
At the races, Bill uses Quaker State Racing Oil for its anti-foaming and anti-wear qualities. "In tear-downs we never see any wear," he says, "never have to replace a cam or a piston, or anything like that."

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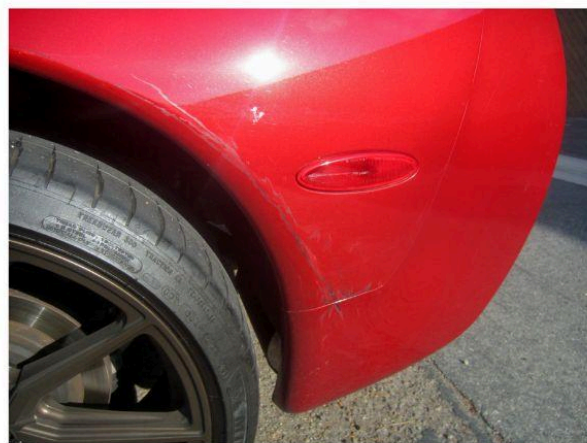
# BACKYARD MECHANIC

By Charles Walsh

## Issue 9

As I reported to you back in April of this year, **The Red Rocket was struck by a hit-and-run driver** when we were returning from the wonderful luncheon we had with the Palm Springs Corvette Club. Thankfully, neither I nor my passenger was injured in this mishap. It has been a frustrating, but ultimately rewarding experience as I did my research and chose what I thought to be the best body shop in SoCal - European Motor Car Works of Costa Mesa - to do the restoration work. The most difficult aspect was, as you might expect, dealing with my insurance company.

The Red Rocket was struck primarily in the left rear wheel/quarter panel area as seen below:



Thankfully, the fiberglass was only scratched and rubbed from the rear bumper all the way to the middle of the driver's door. Initially, European Motor Car Works was hesitant to accept my 'Vette for repairs as they hadn't worked on a Corvette for some time, but once they saw that the damage was primarily cosmetic, they took it in.

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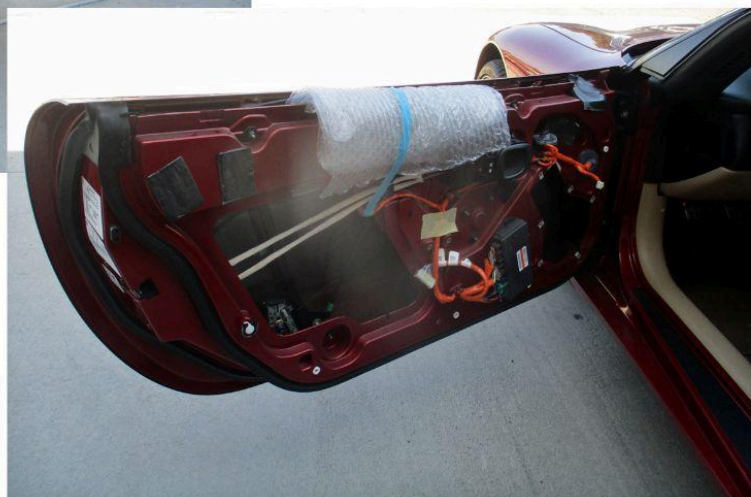


# BACKYARD MECHANIC

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The rear bumper, left rear quarter panel and driver's door had to be removed to enable a proper paint job as well as check for any hidden damage.



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The only real issue we had was trying to find an appropriate weather seal strip that protects the trunk from water intrusion - parts for a 26 year old C5 are becoming a bit difficult to find. The weatherstrip had to be replaced because GM in their infinite wisdom, glued the original weatherstrip in place. Thankfully, a C6 weatherstrip fits! So that is what got installed.

European Motor Car Works had my car for almost 4 weeks but the wait was truly worth it. They not only repaired the damage perfectly, but they buffed the entire car to better than show-room quality! It looks prettier now than ever before.



As you can tell, I am very pleased with the efforts of European Motor Car Works to return The Red Rocket to me in pristine condition. The only issue remaining is that the left rear wheel still needs to be replaced - it is a custom wheel and has been ordered. I should have it soon.

I look forward to joining all of you in creating new Corvette adventures!

**'Till next time - Stay Safe and Stay Fast!**  
Charles



# THE MAGIC of Glenda's Glitzy DESIGNS



By  
Stephanie  
DeMarkey

As I sit here on a beautiful Independence Day morning, I think of the amazing history and countless heros that have not only come to this country in recent years, but also the heros of long times gone by. These simple men and women encompassing all that is in this world came to the United States for over 250 years to contribute in both large and small ways to make America what it is today.

Of the many outstanding people, I would like to talk about Glitzy Glenda who has brought sparkle and joy into many lives simply by creating designs that stand out for all to see. Glenda's love for Corvettes has enriched the glam in her T-Shirts, purses, hats, to name a few things. Her products are seen worldwide as far as Australia and Germany, not to mention a glimpse of her glitter throughout the United States.

I met Glenda through another club and enjoyed the experience of seeing the variety of what she offered in T-Shirts and accessories and the countless designs, all sparkly, all beautiful, all of "I want one of. everything." She offers custom designs catered to the specific cars of each of her customers being a C7 and or a C8. She genuinely puts love into everything she creates by placing a tiny red heart on the back.

Pattie Smith told me a story of how she ordered custom shirts for the 2024 Corvette Caravan through Glenda to add sparkle to their trip; however, they only made the trip only as far as Las Vegas when their corvette decided to break down. Sadly, Mark and Patti had to return to California and cancel the remainder of their trip. Glenda heard of this misfortune and generously offered the use of her yellow Corvette to Mark and Patti so they

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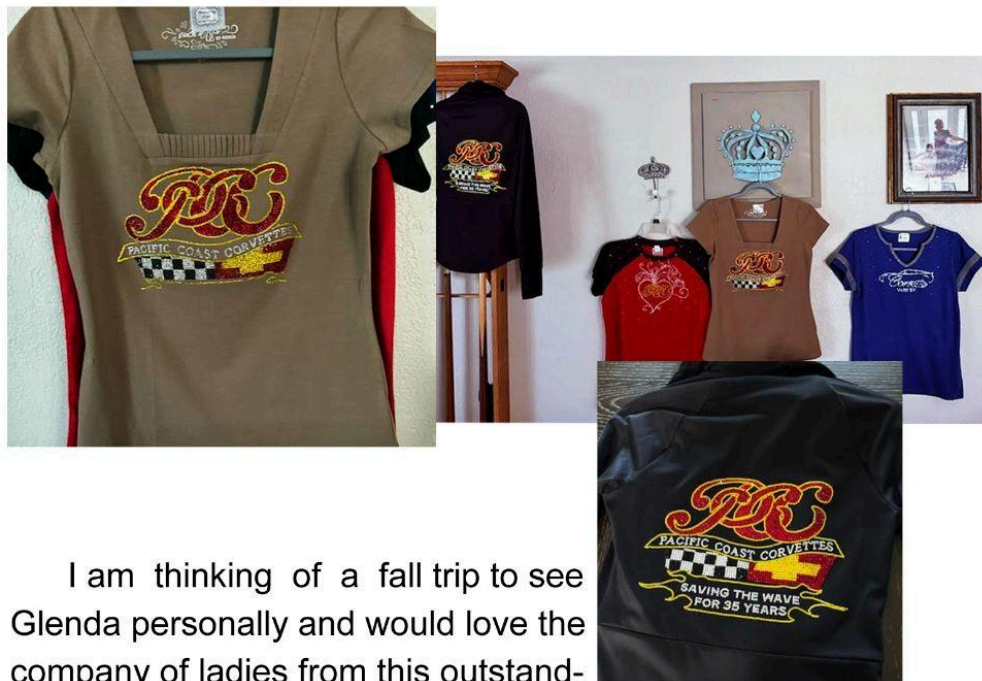
# THE MAGIC of Glenda's Glitzy DESIGNS



may continue on their adventure. Patti was amazed at the generosity and trust of someone like Glenda as the relationship went as far as her ordering and receiving glittering shirts.

Check her out on Facebook: Glenda's Glitzy Designs, she does always come up with new designs.

So now, with the glitter of the PCC logo and the 35th anniversary PCC logo, Glenda can add to her collection of outstanding bling for our club.



I am thinking of a fall trip to see Glenda personally and would love the company of ladies from this outstanding club to join me in this adventure. Let me know if you are interested and I would be happy to host the event.

My Email is [sjunkin23@gmail.com](mailto:sjunkin23@gmail.com).

# IT IS HERE and SUPPLY IS LIMITED

Don't miss out. **Get your 35th Anniversary pin TODAY.**

In celebration of the PCC 35th Anniversary this pin has been created for all members to sport on their hats, lapels or maybe even on a Corvette T-Shirt. **At just \$6.00 each**, it is a great way to show the joy of this club that has been the source of camaraderie, countless fun drives throughout the United States, and the enjoyment of long lasting friendships. Buy yours today to support the Club and wear with pride for all to see.

Contact Stephanie and/or Bernie DeMarkey at [sjunkin23@gmail.com](mailto:sjunkin23@gmail.com)

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# What IS CAGS

Author:  
William Rose

Hello all, allow me to introduce myself. My name is Bill Rose, and I am a prospect for PCC corvette club. I am writing this article for two reasons. One is to get points, second is to help others.

At the last cars in coffee event on 6/14/25 in San Clemente I was talking with other Corvette owners and discovered that those with a C7 seven speed were having the same issue I was having with the CAGS feature programed into the C7.

Transmission CAGS...

## What is CAGS?

To avoid a gas guzzler tax, Chevrolet invented a skip-shift device on its manual transmission cars called Computer-Aided Gear Selection, or CAGS. CAGS forces you to shift your manual Vette from first to fourth (rather than second or third) when:

1. Engine temp is greater than 169 F
2. Vehicle speed is 15 -19 mph.
3. Throttle is open 21% or less.

Under more spirited acceleration CAGS does not interfere.

This feature is annoying and can be programmed out with a tuner and AFM (active fuel management) can also be turned off.

This programmer can also help the C7 autos as well. This tuner has many more features like throttle sensitivity, fan control, and it is 50 state legal.

What tuner is it. It's the Diablo Intune 3 made by Holley. You can also gain about 15hp. If you have any questions, you can reach out to me 949-285-4061. Thank you.







# 2025 Lake Forest 4<sup>th</sup> of July PARADE

by Neil Morrison

What a great day for a parade! It all began at 8:30 AM in Albertson's parking lot at the corner of Muirlands Blvd. and Ridge Route Drive in the City of Lake Forest. Twelve shiny Corvettes and twenty-one enthusiastic PCC members and guests. At 8:45 AM sharp we headed out to our assigned place in the staging area on Ridge Route Drive just south of Toledo. In the staging area we formed six rows of two shiny Corvettes each. Now the fun began, everyone started showing their true colors for the 4th of July by decorating their car with many, many red, white and blue decorations. There were American flags of various sizes, ribbons, and other decorations celebrating the country's independence. Also, while in the staging area we got a special guest, 5 year old Zach Morrison, who would ride along with his Papa in his first ever parade. It was also very encouraging to see new and prospective PCC members this year. At around 10 AM we were signaled to enter the parade route and what a great welcome



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# 2025 Lake Forest 4<sup>th</sup> of July PARADE



it was. Twelve shiny and well decorated PCC Corvettes began the 1.1 mile parade route to the cheers, flag waving, yelling, whistling, thumbs up, etc. from an all-out enthusiastic crowd. For the next 30 to 40 minutes, we were greeted by a huge crowd all along the parade route. We waved back, honked our horns, flashed our lights and soaked in the energy of the crowd. It was depressing for it to end; it was just so energetic. Once off the parade route we pulled over on Ridge Route Drive north of Serrano and underdecorated our cars. From there, some went to Lucille's restaurant on El Toro Road where I understand a good time was not had other than the comradery. Next year we will do something different. Others went their separate way to join family and friends to continue the 4th of July celebration of 2025. We all agreed it was a great morning, and we look forward to the 2026 City of Lake Forest 4th of July parade.

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# 2025 Lake Forest 4<sup>th</sup> of July PARADE





# MarketPlace

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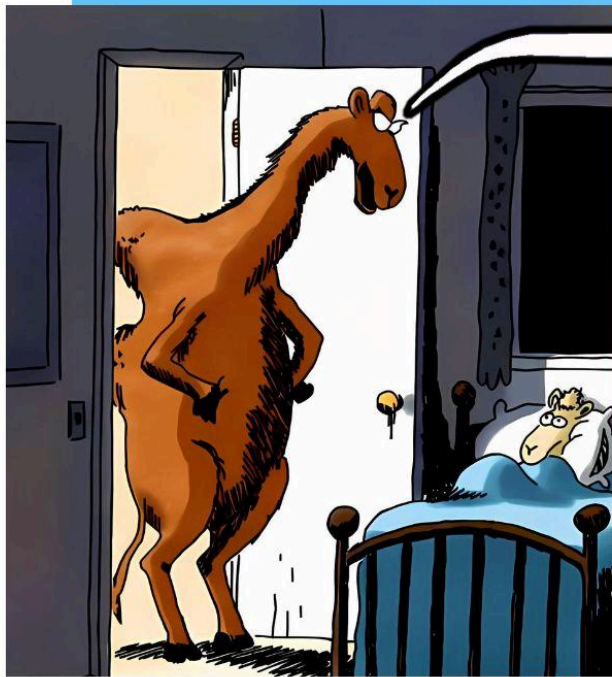
**Kelly Blue shows private party at \$50,422.00 stock. Asking \$44,000.00.**



## Congratulations.....This item is **SOLD**

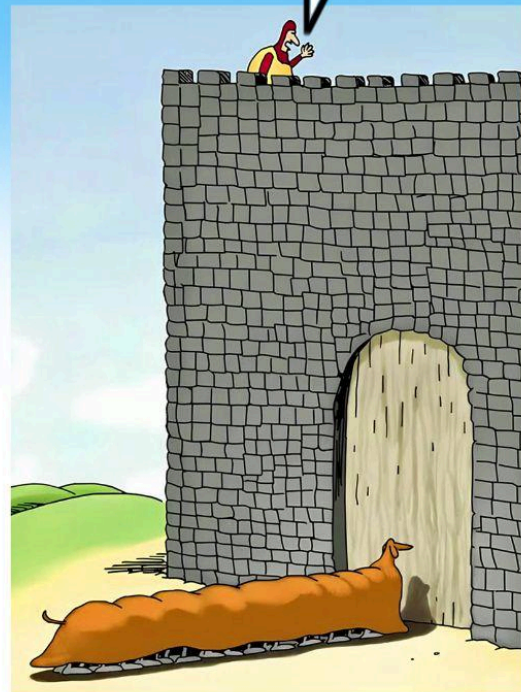
# The Best Part

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Again?  
You just had a  
glass of water  
twelve days  
ago.

Open the  
gate! It's a  
big wiener  
dog!



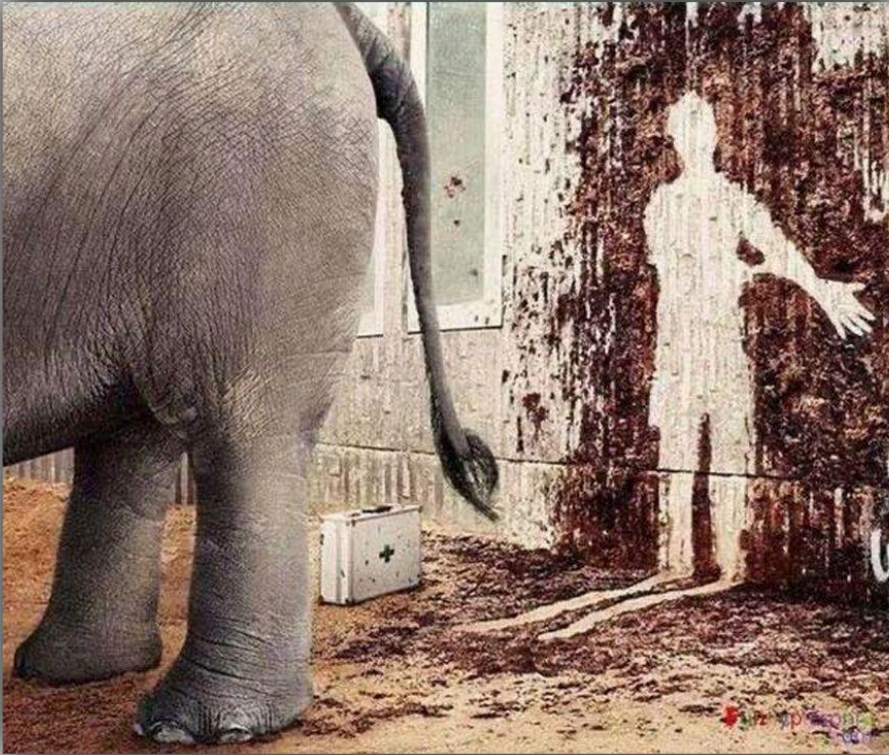
**FINALLY CAUGHT THE 20-POUNDER  
THAT KEPT STEALING MY LURES.**





# The Best Part

LAUGHS AND GIGGLES



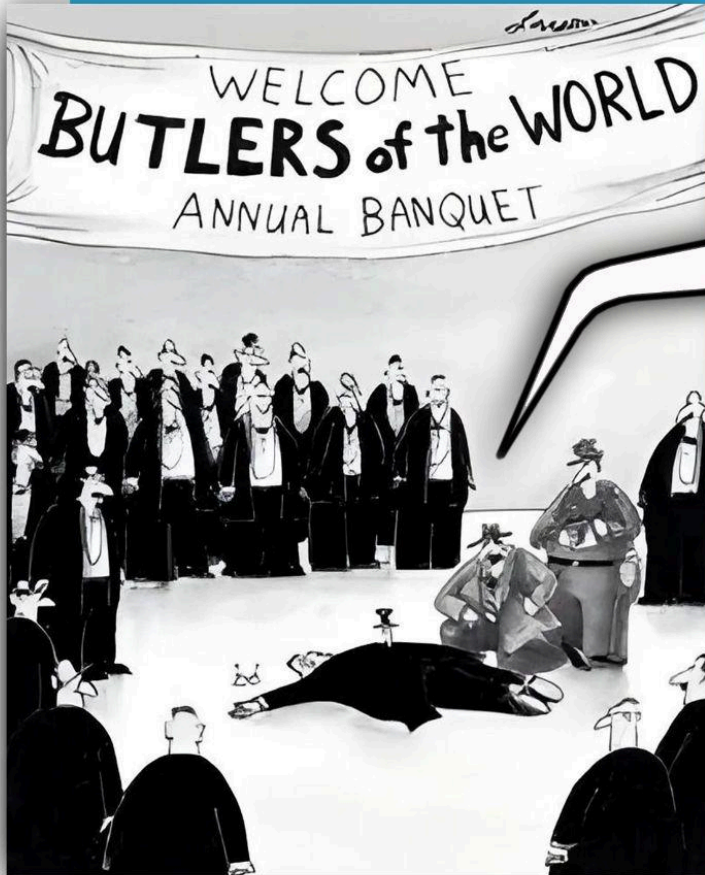
Sorry to keep you both waiting out here. Where's your wife?



I think you're going to be OK mister... but I can't say the same for your little buddy over there. The way I hear it, he's the one that mouthed off to them gunfighters in the first place.

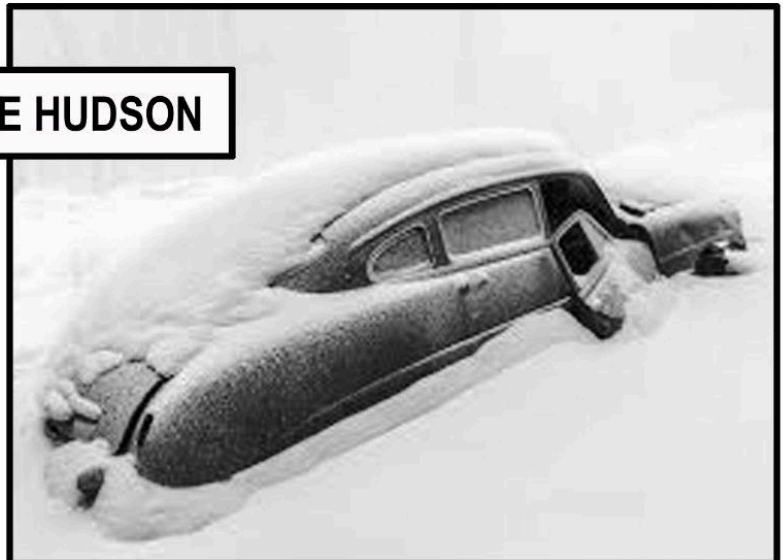
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Oh man Collins...  
I hate to start  
Monday with a  
case like this.

## ICE AND SNOW ON THE HUDSON



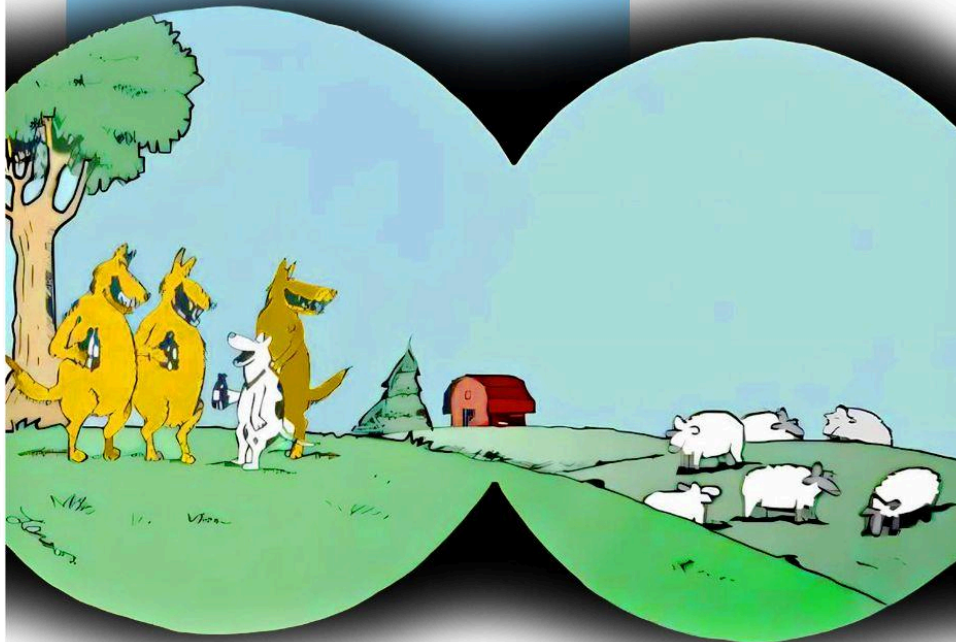


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Thank heavens the plumber knows CPR!

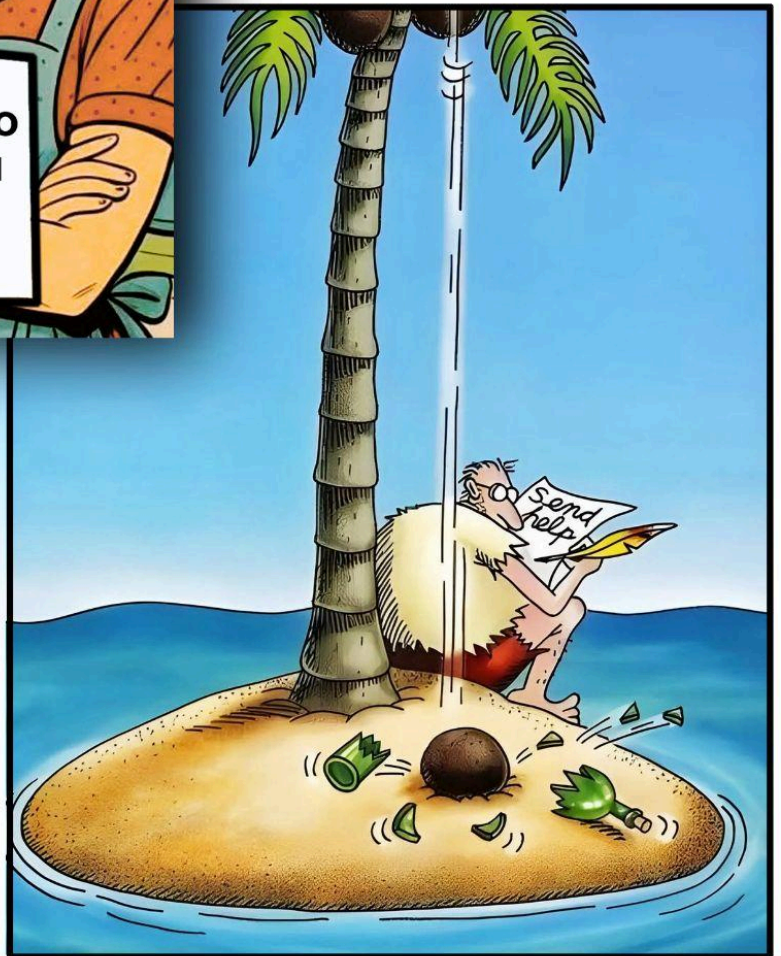
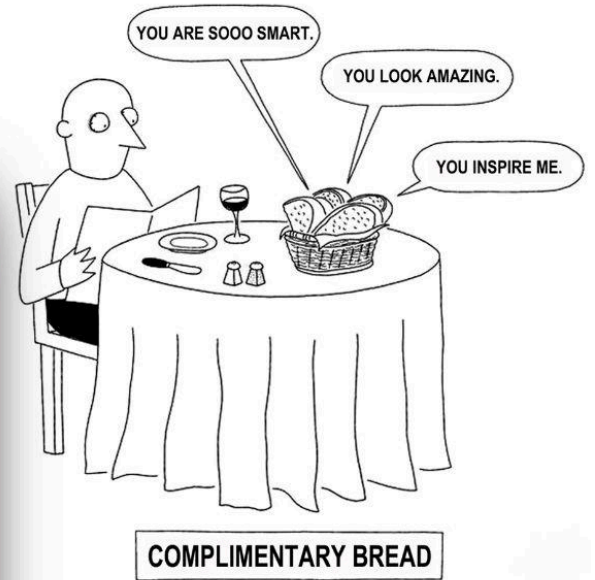


Everything was starting to come into focus for Farmer MacDougal: his missing sheep, his missing beer, and his collie Shep, who was getting just a little too sociable for his own good.



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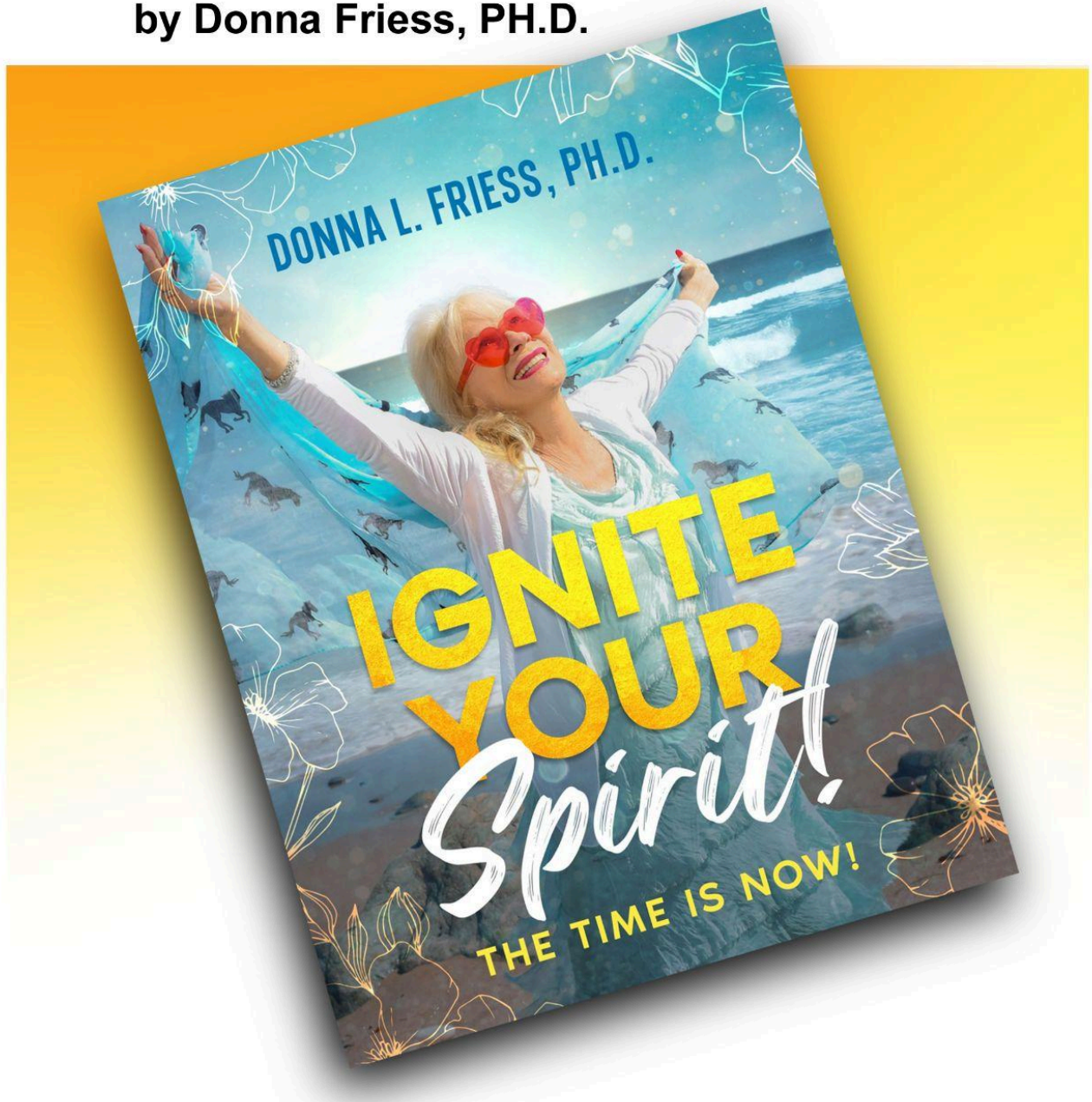
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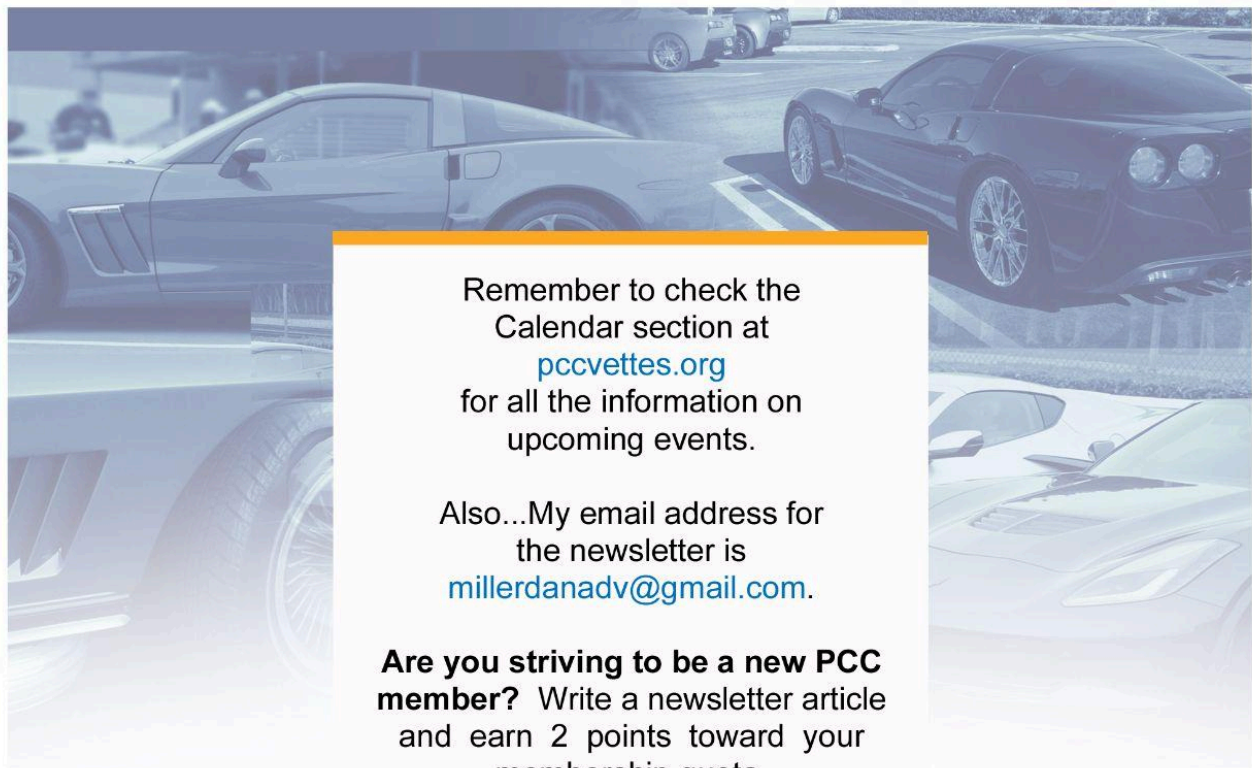
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upcoming events.

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