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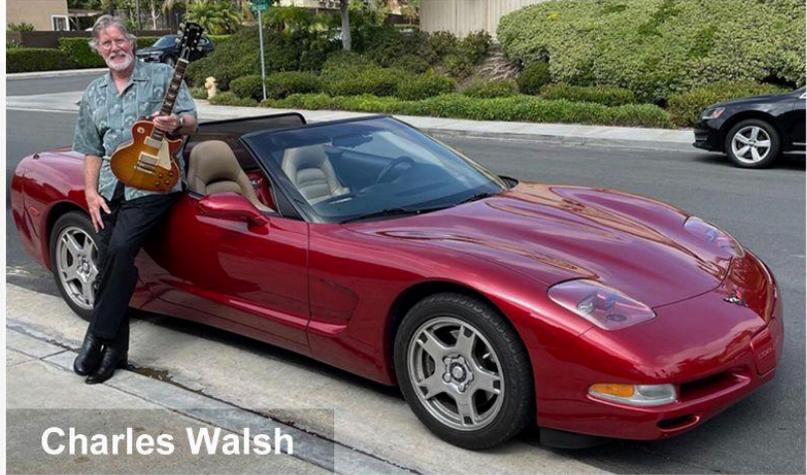
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GREETINGS PCC'ers



Charles Walsh

The Christmas Season is well underway and it seems like Thanksgiving was just a couple of days ago! I hope each of you are enjoying the festivities of this most wonderful Season. My Christmas Tree has been up since the Sunday after Thanksgiving which is quite early for me. When I was a boy, my family's tradition was to put the tree up and decorate on Christmas Eve. My two Granddaughters - 7 and 2 - helped me decorate and at least the lower third of the tree looks perfect! But all is good.

Our annual Toys for Tots drive was a huge success! 41 PCC 'Vettes brought quite a haul to the San Clemente Outlets. Thank you all for participating and helping to insure that a young child will be able to enjoy this Holiday who would otherwise go without. A Special Thanks and Shout-out to Bob and Sandy Savanich who organized this fantastic event!



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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The joy of our holiday celebrations were tempered with the passing of Jerry Wheeler. Many PCC'ers joined to give Jerry a very Corvette farewell at his Memorial Service. Jerry was a Marine and it was very special to see his faithful service to our Nation be honored by a Marine Burial Detail. Everyone was moved to tears. Jerry was a great man and a great friend. He will be missed.



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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

On a happier note, Planning for our Annual Awards Party is well under - way and we will celebrate our Club on 10January2026. Please see the Party flier on our Club's Calendar. Vicky Kovacs, Haley Villegas-Rees and Barbara Vente are hard at work ensuring that we will have a great event. The Theme is Country-Western this year, so dust off your Cowboy hats and boots and get ready for a galloping good time!

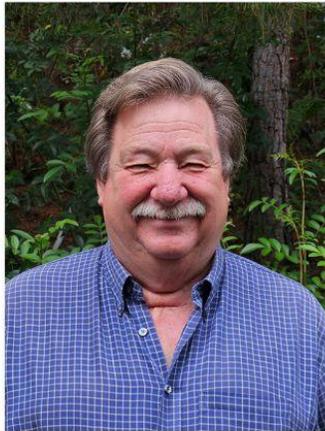
As always, I encourage each of you to participate in as many of the myriad activities we have on our Club's Calendar. And even more importantly, if there is an event that you'd like to see added to our Calendar, don't hesitate to suggest it and we will help you to organize it to make it happen. Be part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

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

Stay Safe and Stay Fast!

Saving the Wave for 35 Years!





Bernie DeMarkey

Christmas is right around **the** corner,

and the New Year is next. Jan 1 is our annual Drive and Dine Cruise (Thank you Bob & Sandy), The Award Banquet is Jan 10. Thanks to a Team of folks working to make it something special and it will be. Last year I had a number of events I had hoped we would do.

Unfortunately, many did not happen because no stepped up to host them. There were many new events that did happen, The **Pancake Breakfast Drives**, the **Trip to Paso Robles**, the **Weekend in Borrego Springs** and **Watercolor Painting** to name a few.

I know many of you have a favorite place you like to go...why don't you share with the rest of Us? Hosting an event is easy and a lot of fun. If you want to host an event but don't know where to go..... give me a call, I've got a million ideas. I know for years people believed that a GREAT EVENT was a sellout. We as a club have grown to the point that a great event is one that folks had a great time. The Trip to Borrego Springs was a perfect example it was small group about 12 people and we had a blast. Lots of fun, lots of time to get to know our fellow club member on a deeper level. So, for argument's sake you want to go to museum of an-

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

tique glass bottles, I know there a few other club members who would love to go. So, make it happen. Donna Friess, discovered she was having a problem with her Vision so Driving events are out of the question, so she hosted a watercolor painting class. She told me she was hoping to get 10 people, she had almost 20. And she is planning to do this again.....expecting 30 people the second time around. Funny how that happens.

February is pretty wide open for events. How you! Make February special for the Club! I want to take a minute to **thank Scott Sturdivant and Rick Vente** for their service to our club. Scott your over-the-top welcome to folks checking out our club will be missed, but I know you will still be that gregarious hyper guy who has a smile for everyone he meets. Rick Vente, I don't know if the announcement of Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries and Club Anniversary dates will ever be handled with the same polish and elegancy that you have provided us.

Always remember this is your Club, so please let me know what events you want to do and we do our best to make them happen.

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.

**BE SURE TO CHECK
THE PCC WEB PAGE
CALENDAR FOR ALL
THE DETAILS!**

- Jan. 1** New Year's Day Cruise and Lunch
Ralph's Aliso Viejo 26901 Aliso Creek Rd, Aliso Viejo, CA,
Date: Thursday, January 1st,
Time: Starts at 8am
RSVP required by December 21st.
See flyer on PCC webpage calendar for more details.
- Jan. 7** PCC Monthly Meeting
At Campus Jax, 3950 Campus Dr., Newport Beach
Social hour starts at 5:00 pm.
Meeting begins at 6:30.
- Jan. 10** Annual Awards Party
Jim Burra's Building, 22952 Alcalde Dr., Laguna Hills
- Feb. 4** PCC Monthly Meeting
At Campus Jax, 3950 Campus Dr., Newport Beach
Social hour starts at 5:00 pm.
Meeting begins at 6:30.



DEAR PCC MEMBERS

I wanted to take this time to thank everyone who attended Jerry's Services. It was a beautiful service that would have made him proud. The Corvette parade was amazing and the military salute, beautiful! I miss him terribly, but I can also be thankful that it was fast and he didn't suffer. I thank God for all of you and your friendships.

Thank you too for all the flowers and cards, they were very touching and appreciated. Like I said during the service, he left me way too soon, I thought I had at least another 10 or 15 years with him.

Jane Wheeler



8th Annual PCC TOYS FOR MARINES

At The San Clemente Outlets

By Bob Savanich



A big thank you to Eddie Fiero, the manager at Carl's Jr. for letting us gather in his parking lot.



Hey PCC'rs, You did a fantastic job showing up and showing out at the 8th Annual PCC Toys for Marines at the San Clemente Outlets. South OC Cars and Coffee gave us early entry and preferred parking. We were joined by several other car clubs this year. Forty one (41) PCC Corvettes made the trek down to San Clemente from the Carl's Jr. on Del Obispo in San Juan Capistrano. A big thank you to Eddie Fiero, the manager at Carl's Jr. for letting us gather in his parking lot. By the way if any of you are going to use Carl's Jr. as your jumping off place for future events please let me know. I will call Eddie to let him know that your group is coming. Smaller groups don't impact his parking and staff as the larger groups. So if you have more than 5 or 6 Vettes let me know.

There was a "little" hiccup on the front end of our parking assignment. I apologize for that. In the end, a good time was had by all. There were lots of "treats" from our members. Thanks to Haley, Pattie, Tom and the others who brought goodies. If I missed you, forgive me. It pained me to share my powdered donuts, but alas it was for the greater good. I gave **ALL** the leftover treats to the Marines and volunteers who work the event. Our treats were deeply appreciated.

We surpassed the toy count from previous years and I appreciate that very much. You set the bar very high so be prepared to break the record next year. An

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At The San Clemente Outlets



exact toy count is not available but let's just say PCC kicked some serious booty with our contribution vs the other car clubs. In the words of Sarah Wehr, one of the hosts from South OC Cars and Coffee, our toy contribution was "impressive".

The next outing hosted by Sandy and I will be the New Years Day Cruise of Orange County and Lunch at Lucille's in the Tustin District. Stay tuned for emails with the details. So top off your gas tank come hungry January 1st, 2026..

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8th Annual PCC
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At The San Clemente Outlets



Is the Season.



FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

It happens every month. Just grab your name badge and find your way to Campus Jax for PCC's monthly meeting. Make an evening of it. Corvette owners abound. Arrive a little early and enjoy eats and conversation. It's always entertaining and chocked full of club information.

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FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH



Campus Jax

3950 Campus Drive, Newport Beach

Social hour starts at 5:00 PM.

Official meeting begins at 6:30 PM.

All club members are welcome along with all potential club members.



I am a *proSPECTIVE* new PCC **MEMBER.**

By Steven G. Eguina

A little about me.....Steven G Eguina and Jeanne Fendel.
We are Prospective new members.

I was born Sept. 21,1947 in Northern California and have lived in Southern California since 1979. My partner in crime is Jeanne Fendel. We are a **perfect match!** She enjoys cooking and I enjoy eating. We also enjoy spending time with family and doing a little traveling. I have two sons Daniel (40) and Michael (41) who are best friends. Also, Daniels wife Caroline and my almost new granddaughter Elizabeth live in Dallas. My son Michael lives in Orange County and owns **Corner-Exit.com** which holds 38 Auto X and Driving Events per year. I just might have an **"IN"** if PCC would want to set aside a few entries at an event next year.

What about cars? My father bought me my first car for \$50 when I was 14. The only thing worth \$50 was it had a new white top still in the box. It was a 1950 Morris Minor convertible that I think had sat out in the rain with no top for 7+ years, it was full of water and very rusty. My father towed it home and said "Steve you can drive it when you get it **"PROPERTLY"** repaired and running". I was so excited! I had my own car. I should have known "properly" running meant basically almost restored. Really dad? It's a 1950 Morris Minor? Eighteen months later with my friend Jim we had it in good shape with all the rust removed and running.



"C8 at Laguna Seca track day"



"My son Michael loves Auto X and other Driving Events. The apple does'nt fall far from the tree."

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By Steven G. Eguina

Now we just needed to find some seats. I guess my dad figures working on a car would keep me out of trouble with those wild high school girls!

As for my other cars! Over the years I have owned the following: One MG-TD

two MGAs

two MGBs

two Z28 Camaros

three Shelby GT350's

three Ferraris and

various Porsches

including a 700 HP GT2 which is still in my garage.

As Dick Guldstrand once told me "When you get older 700 HP on the track will keep you regular!"

In 2003 I purchased my first Z06 Corvette and joined **VETTE'S R US**. This club was not your normal Corvette Club. We mainly spent weekends at SCCA Champion Auto-X events all across the country. Eighteen years and 150,000 miles later I gave the Z06 to my younger brother Paul on his birthday. All detailed with a big bow on top. He was thrilled and still driving it. I replaced the Z06 with an Elkhart Lake Blue C8 with the Z51 suspension. This was an excellent Auto-X and fun track car. However, at 41,000 miles the dealer had a new 2024 red Z06 with the Z07 track package on the showroom. (just could not resist the sound of that flat crank motor.)

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By Steven G. Eguina

With track toys over the years I have raced with SCCA (Pro-Licensed), PCA-Porsche Owners Club and POC-Porsche Owners Club at tracks like California Speedway, Laguna Seca etc and even the old Riverside Raceway. The track weapons? From 1985 till a couple years ago. various spec racers, Porsches and even an old Trans-Am Camaro. All great memories!

My other love is sailing. Raced a 34ft Ericson out of Dana Point YC for about 8 years. I love the ocean! Then sold my company, purchased a 44ft C & C sail boat and took the family for a little sail. For 5 years!. During this period the boys were home school on the boat and came back two grades ahead of their class mates. When we got to the East Coast I entered a race from Daytona Beach Fl. to Bermuda with some buddies and almost won. Then with the family back on board it was on to Europe. All that is for another story.

Jeanne and I have very much enjoyed meeting so many club members. We have enjoyed the driving events and the monthly meetings at Jax's. **I am pretty sure we now have our 12 points** and hopefully can become members!



*"Let me introduce you to Antonio. In addition to all the car stuff....I've been a **Big Brother** for over three years for Antonio. I have found Big Brothers to be a very rewarding program and I hope it is helpful for Antonio ... a fantastic young man".*

A Message From NCCC



Deb Murphy NCCC
President

NCCC President's Message

December 2025

Hope you had a relaxing Thanksgiving with lots of food and naps! All of the Competition Rule changes passed. The new programs will start in 2026 and will need your support to make them successful. Take a look on the website for more details.

Congratulations to Jeanne Cassel the new Business Manager and Rita Robison the new Secretary. Congratulations also Rene Cardenas for another term as Vice President of Competition and Tom West II for another term as Sergeant-at-Arms. Again, if you are interested in serving as a National officer, please let someone know. It's always good to get a head start to see what the position is about!

Hopefully also, you have paid your annual dues. We had a dues change to: New primary \$50. Spouse/companion \$15- Renewal Primary \$40 and Spouse/companion \$15. Lifetime membership is now \$500. Dues must be paid prior to December 15th but hopefully sooner so the administrative work to get the 2026 information in place can happen starting December 16th. If you are late you will need to pay the new member rates.

Don't forget to check out the 2026 Convention information on the website. The convention will be in Syracuse, NY with lots of events and tours. One tour is to Niagara Falls and you also have an opportunity to drive around Watkins Glen race-track. Registration will start on February 1st so check out what you want to participate in. It's a great venue, come and join us!

CORVETTE MUSEUM - Great news! The new Collections Building is being built on the museum campus. This building will be right next to the main Museum and will have on the display the entire car collection. I can't wait to see it! There is still time to enter NCM new Sweepstakes! The winner gets a beautiful 1967 Goodwood Green Corvette convertible. Check out the options to purchase an entry to go to the National Corvette Museum website. The drawing will be at the museum on December 29th .

That's all I have for now! Deb Murphy NCCC President

A LITTLE FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Submitted By Scott Sturdivant



The Little Things We Take For Granted

While you woke up tired today,
someone else didn't wake up at all.

While you hurried through your morning,
someone else is praying for a reason to
start theirs.

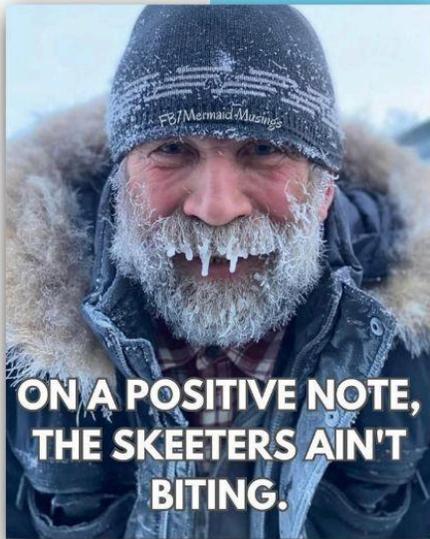
While you complained about walking to
work, someone else would give anything
just to stand again. [@MindSet Codess](#)

While you wished for the weekend to come
faster, someone else is wishing for just one
more day.

So pause.
Take a breath. Look around.
You already have more than you think.

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The Best Part

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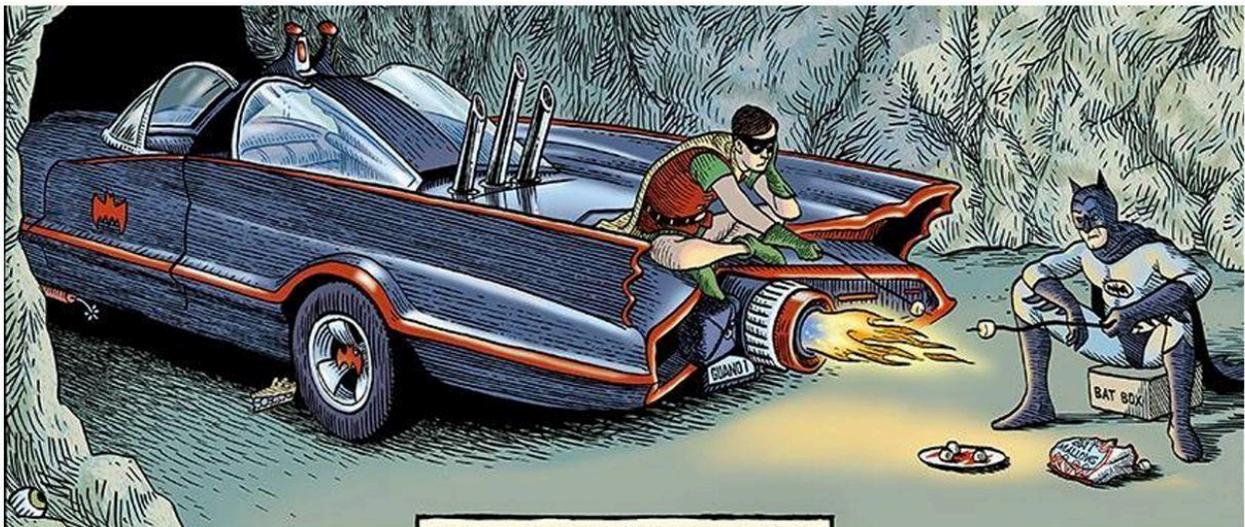


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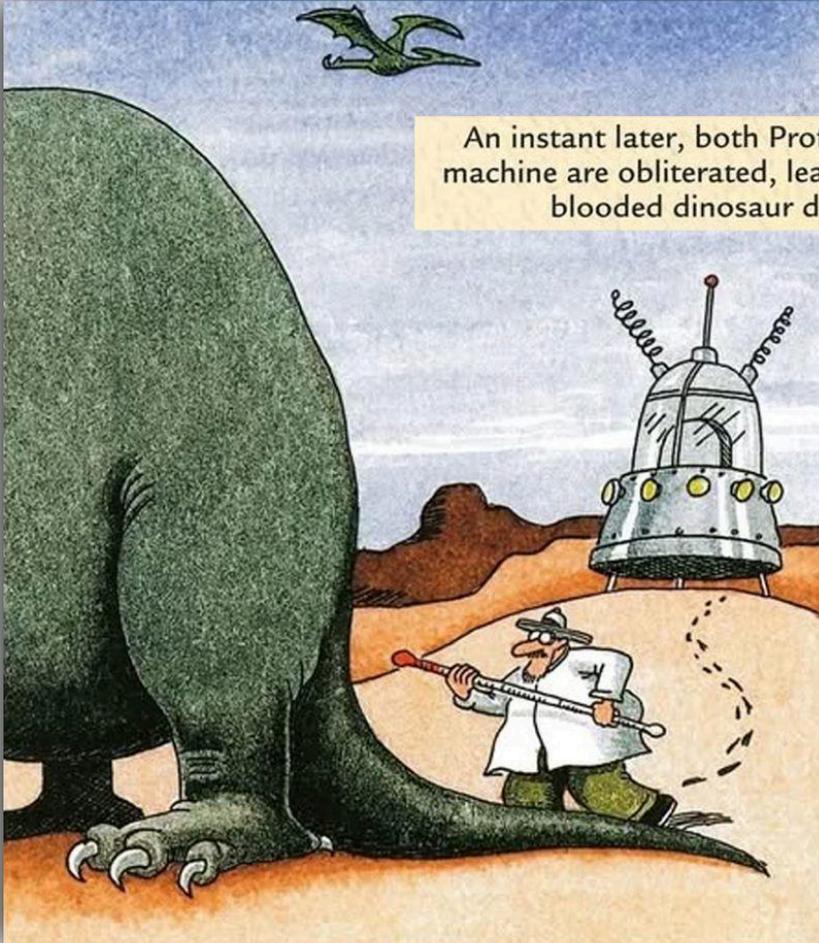
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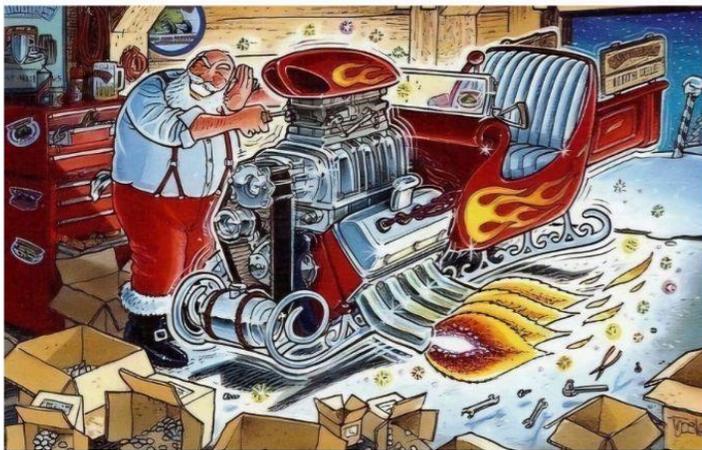
SLOW DAY IN GOTHAM CITY

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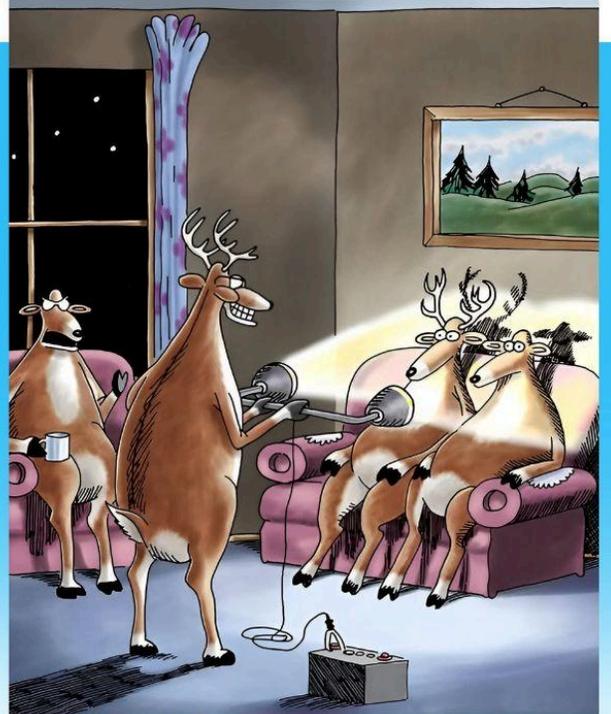
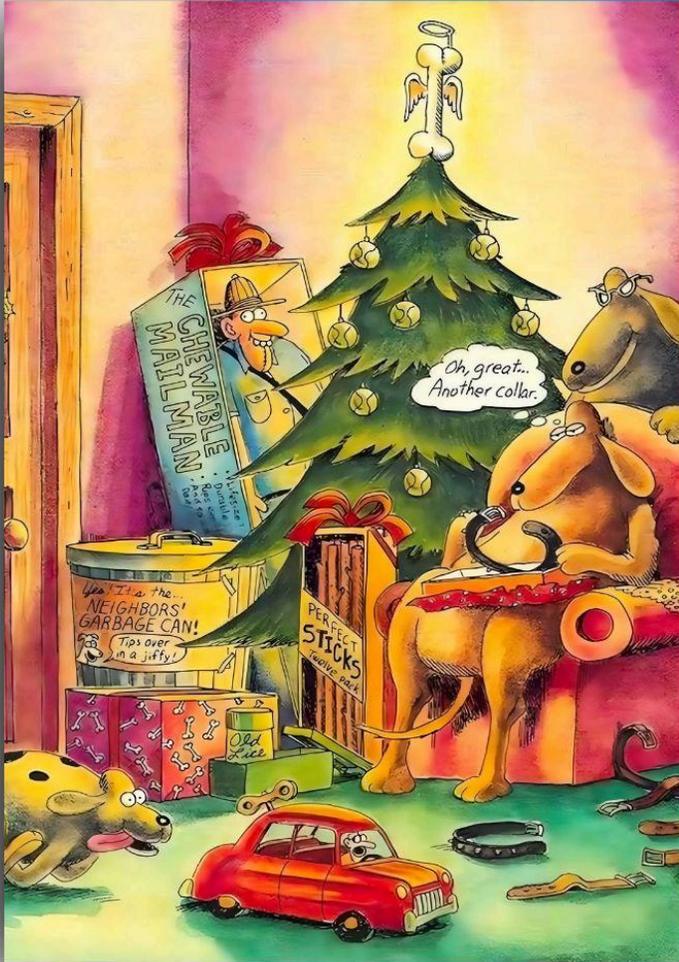
LULU SAID THE SECRET TO HAPPINESS IS TO LIVE IN THE PRESENT...



AND NEVER THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX...

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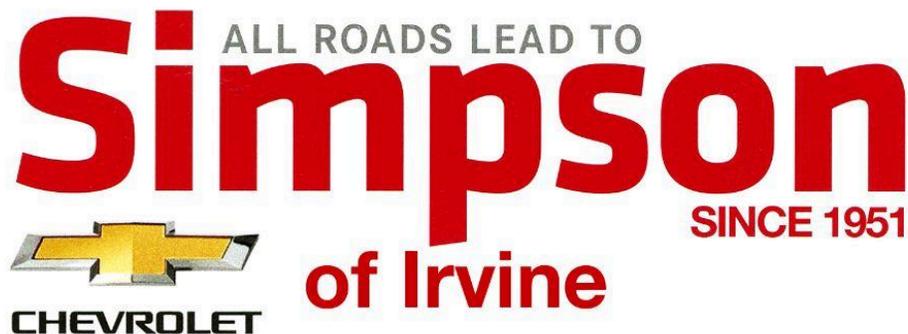


"Okay, Frank, that's enough. ... I'm sure the Jeffersons are quite amazed at your car headlight device."



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David Simpson, President

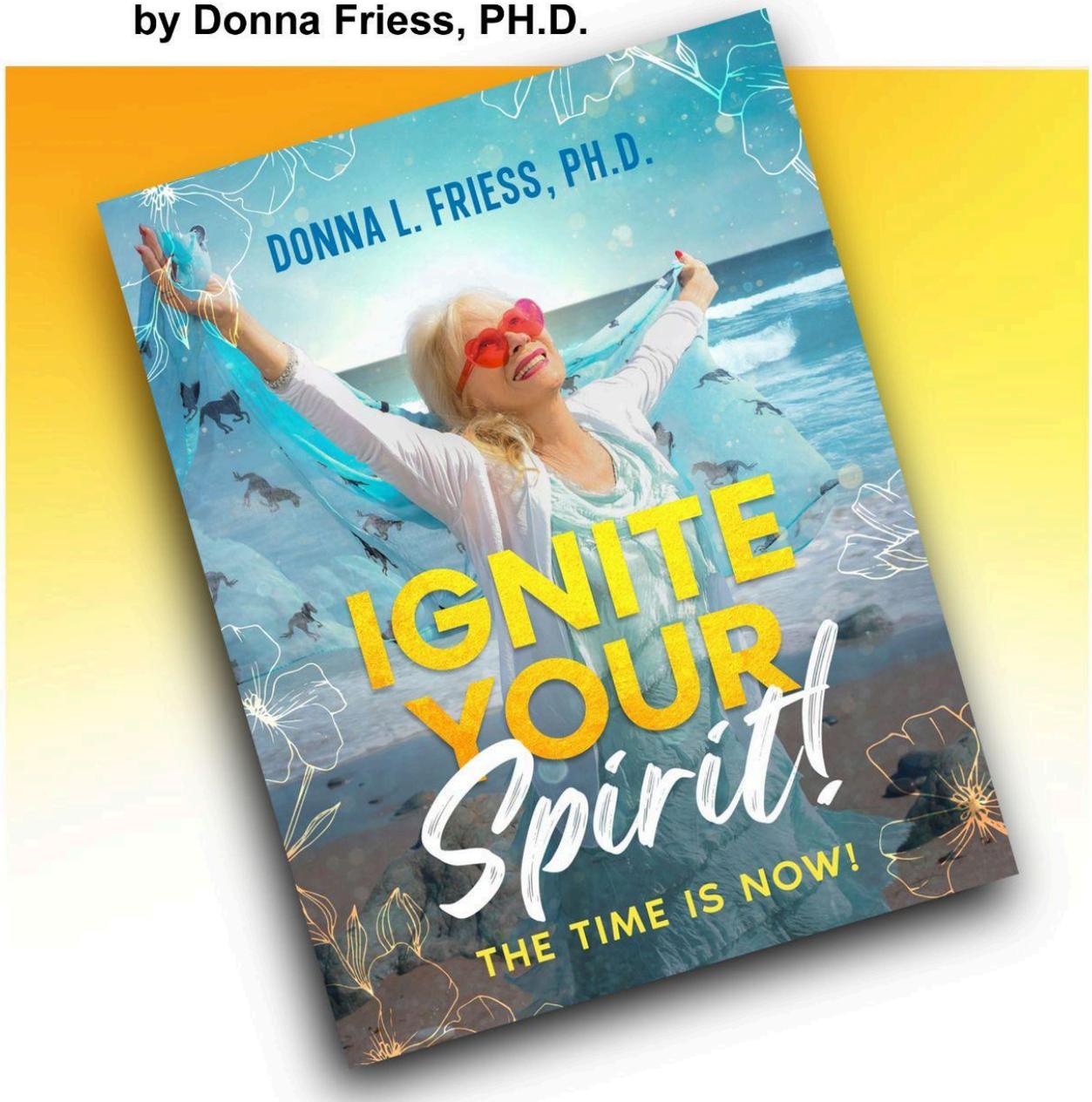
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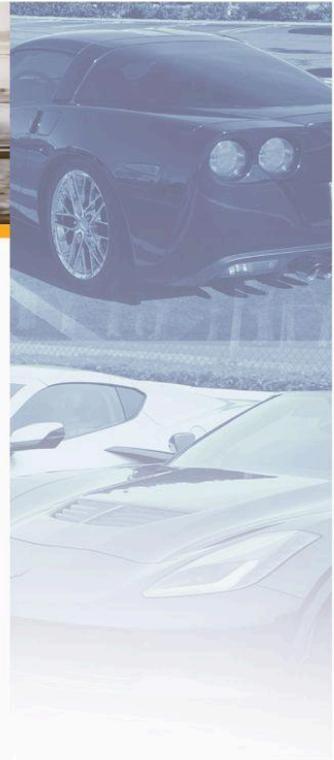


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EDITOR'S NOTE



Here we are again.
Christmas
Get ready to move into
2026.

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upcoming events.

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