

**FROM JOE MONCADO**  
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**KCCA Members- While we were unable to be at the January meeting, I wanted to pass along to you the latest information from the National Corvette Museum and Chevrolet.**

**Trial Memberships:** The Trial Membership program is designed as a way for new Corvette owners to be introduced to the National Corvette Museum. The post card sized application can be found in the owner's manual of every new Corvette and is also mentioned on the DVD. This offer is valid on new memberships only and cannot be used as a renewal. Corvette owners will need to mail in the post card to take advantage of their new membership.

**Chevrolet to Produce Corvette 427 Convertible:**

Chevrolet today unveiled the 2013 Corvette 427 Convertible Collector Edition – the fastest, most capable convertible in Corvette's history – as well as a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Package that will be available on all 2013 Corvette models.

"The 2013 model year will be historic for Corvette, marking its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the final year for the current 'C6' generation," said Chris Perry, vice president, Global Marketing and Strategy for Chevrolet.

The Corvette has a 427 ci LS7 engine from the Z06, rated at 505hp. It is the most powerful engine ever installed in a production Corvette convertible and is only available with a six-speed manual transmission.

The 427 Convertible also features several carbon-fiber components that help reduce weight, including carbon fiber raised hood, Z06-style fenders, floor panels and optional front splitter and rocker panels.

On Saturday, January 21 2012, around 4pm, EST, the first 427 Convertible in the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appearance Package will be offered for sale at the Barrett-Jackson collector car auction in Scottsdale, AZ with live nationwide coverage on SPEED TV. If you are planning to attend the auction, be sure to stop by our booth and say 'hi'!

**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Package Announced for 2013:**

All 2013 Corvette models, including the 427 Convertible, will be available with a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Package, featuring an Arctic White exterior with the Blue Diamond leather-wrapped interior with suede accents. Convertible models will have a blue top.

Additional content includes a ZR1-style rear spoiler, special badging, gray-painted brake calipers and the "60<sup>th</sup>" logo on the wheel center caps, steering wheel and seat headrests. An optional graphics package adds full-length racing stripes in Pearl Silver Blue, including a tonal stripe stitched into the convertible top, extending the graphic theme over the roof.

For 2013, all Corvettes will feature special 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary cross-flag badges on the front fascia and the interior "waterfall" panel on the convertible model, as well as 60<sup>th</sup> logo in the instrument panel gauge cluster and on the sill plate.

Orders for 2013 Corvettes will begin in March.

If you are a fan of the Carlisle Blue exterior color or Centennial Edition packages, take note that production of those will end this winter. The last chance to order Carlisle Blue Corvettes is February 9-13 while Centennial Edition Package orders will wrap up March 1-6. Tentatively, the last chance to order 2012 Corvettes will be March 15-19.

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