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Are we proud of “one of our own”?

Captain Kelly Hancock sits in the cockpit as the American flag billows on takeoff.



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Club Meetings:

1st Wednesday of each month, 7 PM
Location: Creekside Plaza
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JULY BIRTHDAYS

Niki Barbour	July 10
Larry Rphlmeier	July 13
Lynn Grindstaff	July 17
Linda Eklund	July 20
Galina Paul	July 24
Annette Wood	July 29



About Our Club

Corvette Enthusiasts,

North County Corvette Club (NCoCC) is a not for profit organization founded in 1974 by San Diego Corvette enthusiasts who wanted to enjoy America's finest sports car. Our sponsor is Bob Stall Chevrolet in La Mesa, and NCoCC is a member of the National Corvette Museum and the San Diego Car Club Council.



Club members enjoy planned trips, car shows, auto rallies and a host of social and Corvette-related events, including a Christmas Party, an Annual Awards Dinner, two major NCoCC shows (PLASTIC FANTASTIC at Seaport Village, and ENDLESS SUMMER at Bob Stall Chevrolet), monthly fun runs, and special trips. We support local communities in the San Diego County area by participating in special event parades and high school homecoming events. Our members also devote a lot of time, energy, and resources in supporting our club charity, the Challenged Athletes Foundation located in Del Mar, CA.

Business meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm in the Creekside Plaza Meeting Room located in the shopping center at the SE corner of Poway Road and Community Road in Poway. The meeting room has no dining facilities, but there are a number of restaurants within nearby walking distance. We always welcome and encourage guests to attend our meetings and to participate in our club sponsored events. *For a map of our meeting location in the Creekside Plaza Shopping Center Meeting Room (across from Baskin Robbins 31 Flavors) please see our web page and click on the Yahoo map link.*

Membership is open to anyone at least 18 years of age who owns or leases a Corvette. Applicants must attend two business meetings and participate in one club event before becoming a member. Membership in NCoCC entitles you to:

- A membership card for you and your significant other
- Discounts on parts and service at participating dealers (Bob Stall and others)
- A club T-shirt
- A name tag
- A monthly newsletter

Members are expected to attend regular business meetings, maintain current dues, and support the club by serving on committees and participating in club events. Initiation fee is \$25. Dues are paid in advance: \$48 for six months or \$88 for one year.

We hope this short introduction is helpful. If you have any questions, you can reach us via 'snail' mail at P.O. Box 500104, San Diego, CA 92150, or via e-mail at astengo@netzero.net

Again, "Welcome to North County Corvette Club." Your only requirement is to have a great time and make some new friends along the way.

Sandy Mayer,
President, North County Corvette Club

President's Corner



Well, I guess the time has come for me to step up to the role of President. After being Vice President twice, Sergeant-at-Arms, Historian, and Member-at-Large in the seven years Lynn and I have been members, plus Plastic Fantastic chairman twice, there was no where else to go but up. Being an optimist, with minor pessimistic tendencies, I am excited about the potential for this year. I have learned a lot from the prior boards I have been on the last few years and from many of the members that I have worked with on various adventures. I think the make-up of your newly elected board is excellent and will bring new ideas, energy and activity to the organization.

One of my goals this year is to increase the level of member participation, including going on car runs, leading runs, recommending ideas for activities, places to go, leading projects, support at shows, etc. Along that line I did some research on organizations. Following are some definitions that I found:

1. A group of people who work together towards a common goal
2. An organization is a formal group of people with one or more shared goals
3. An organization is a group of people intentionally organized to accomplish an overall, common goal or set of goals
4. An organization is made up of components (organisms) working together towards a common set of goals.

We are a social organization with a common interest, Corvettes. We should make the most out of our interests, sharing our knowledge of Corvettes, enjoying the use of Corvettes, spending time together, sharing our cars with others as in parades, displays, etc. Let's work together to make this a year filled with fun, adventure and enjoying our cars to the fullest.

Let's have a great year and put some miles on the Corvettes, both old and new.

Your Pres:
Sandy Mayer



MEMBER OF THE MONTH - JULY

Featuring...Chuck and Patti Reminga

NCoCC members since 2000, Chuck and Patti Reminga have enjoyed their affinity for Corvettes since buying their first one in October 1999. Today, they have "his and her" Vettes. Chuck has a beautiful C-1, 1961 Red convertible, while Patti was surprised with a fantastic Christmas present of a silver C-5, 1998, a couple of years ago. (Way to go, Chuck!)

The Remingas have been in California for quite a long time. Chuck, originally from Michigan, was brought here by military service at the age of 18 and has been here 34 years. Patti lived in Indiana until the age of 10 before moving to the San Diego area. Together they enjoy spending time with their four grown children and their seven grandchildren, 5 boys and 2 girls. "Three live just around the corner and four live in Maryland -- Boo-Hoo," Patti says.

When not hard at work--Chuck is a Facilities Manager for Qualcomm; Patti is a Teacher's Aide in a Special Education classroom for Poway Unified--the Remingas love camping, fishing and spending time with the above mentioned grandchildren. One of Patti's "Claim to Fame" with NCoCC members is her yummy Dump Cake, the recipe for which she has shared many times. Chuck even had to bring it to our Plastic Fantastic XXX Stuffing Party when Patti couldn't attend this year!

Answering the question "What is your best or worst memory of our Vette?" They both answered, "The trip to Nashville/Bowling Green in 2003. (Good Friends-Good Food-Good Times) Our worst memory is the trip to Nashville/Bowling Green and breaking down sixty miles outside of Barstow (104 degrees, no rooms in Barstow-- huge softball tournament, finding out it would have to be hauled back to Poway etc.) But to our rescue came good friends Lynn and Jack G. with their flatbed trailer to haul us home."

Look for Patti running around town in her C5 finding fun Raffle Prizes (she and Lynn Mayer are sharing Raffle duties at meetings this next year) or you may find the Remingas enjoying their preference for classic Vettes in their 1961!

Submitted by **Lynn Grindstaff, Member of the Month Feature Writer**

Patti and Chuck Reminga at Bob Stall Chevrolet during the Endless Summer Show.



On June 10, 2007, a variety of NCoCC Corvettes were part of the San Diego County Fair at Del Mar.



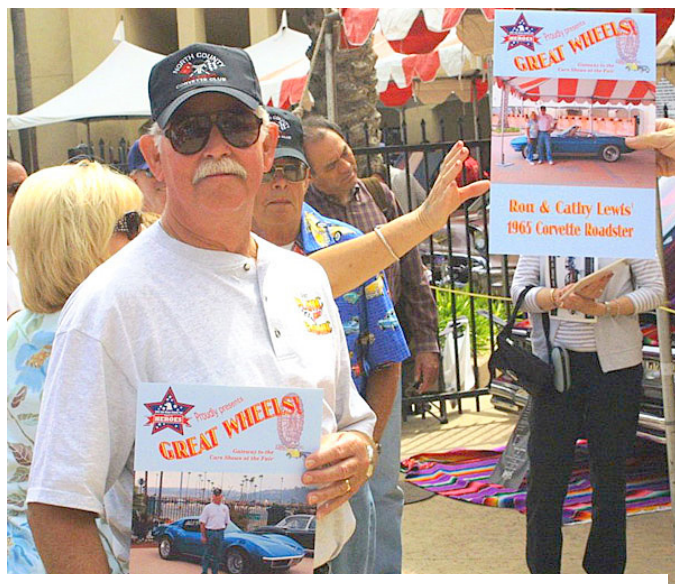
Bob and Carol Haller with their C3, above
Patty and Dick Knutson with their split-window '63, below



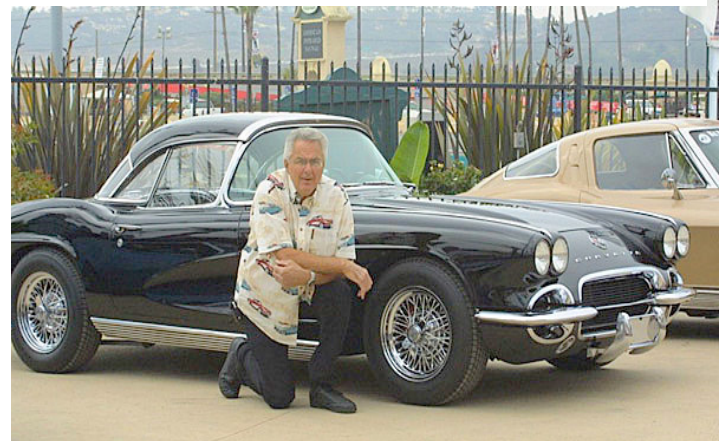
Wayne Osborne, above, and newly-elected President, Sandy Mayer holding his plaque, below

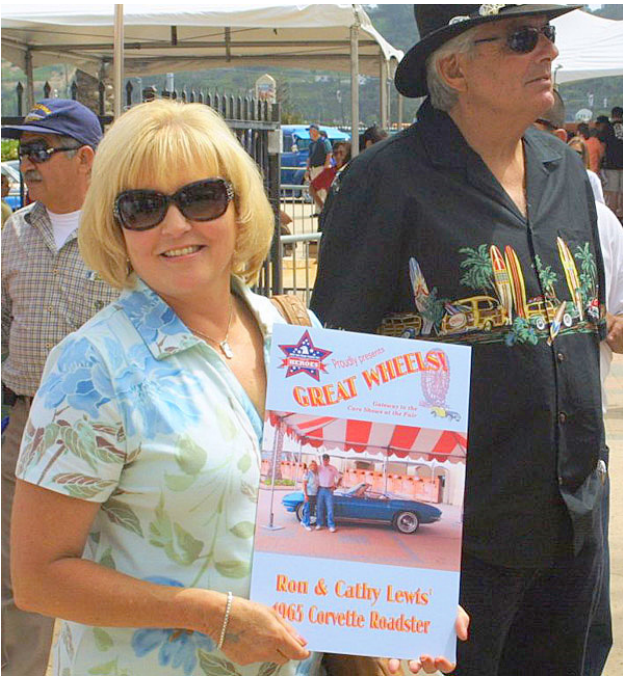


Bob Hurst kneels next to his black '62 roadster



Jan Houshar holds the sign bearing a photo of his blue C3





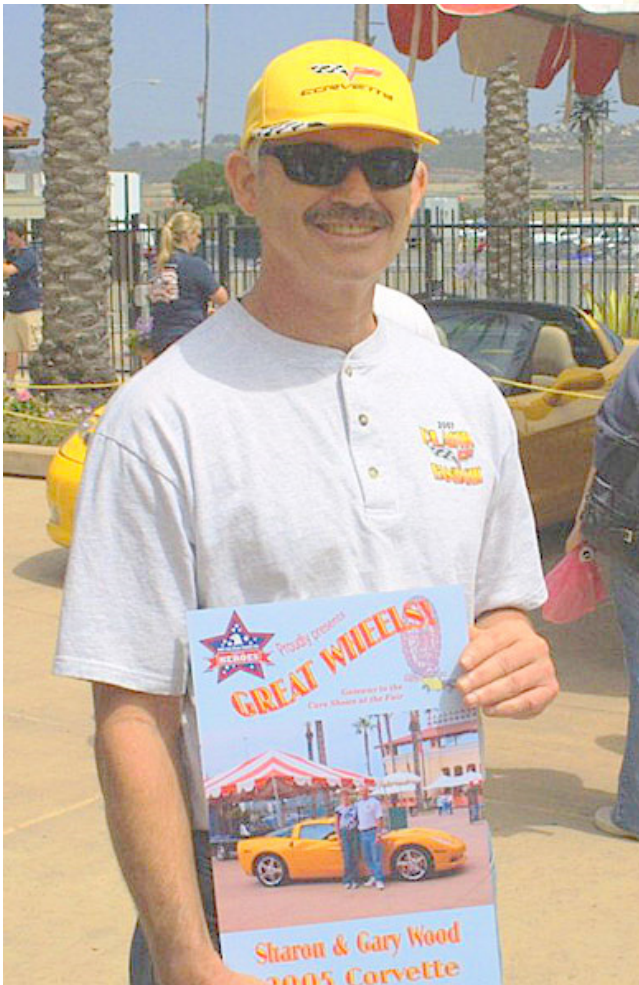
Cathy Lewis holds the sign that bears the photo of their blue mid-year. Below, Gary and Sharon Wood's yellow C6 is shown in the plaque Gary is holding.



Bob Miegs making the important announcements.



Lynn and Sandy Mayer's '63 leads off the group (above) while below, Bob Brown does a little dusting.





The Woods' yellow C6 keeps the Mayers' Vette company.



Jan's blue beauty is always admired.



The Woods, the Mayers, Jan Hoshar, Liz Brown, Bob Hurst, the Knutsons, the Osbornes, the Hallers, the Lewises, and behind the camera, Bob Brown (Below) Dick, Ron, and Wayne chat.



Carol Haller and Marilyn Osborne (Above)

(Below) Lots of smiling faces on a cloudy day



We Will Miss Our Friend, Pat Rohlmeier

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Passion for family, her Corvette sparked Escondido woman's life

By: J. STRYKER MEYER - Staff Writer

ESCONDIDO ---- After loving and doting on her family, Patricia Rohlmeier's favorite way to pass time was behind the wheel of a Corvette convertible or cooking up a meal from scratch, said her husband, Larry Rohlmeier.

"We had a wonderful 46 years," Larry Rohlmeier said Friday.

The Rohlmeiers' romance began in Addison, Ill., when Larry Rohlmeier heard there were "two hot chicks who walked a dog a few blocks over," he said.

After he got up the gumption, he drove his car over a few blocks, saw the two young ladies walking a collie and "sure enough, they were very attractive," Rohlmeier reflected. "I stopped and talked to them for a few minutes and when I asked her for a date she said 'yes' and the rest is history. In terms of us, it was a wonderful history."

She went on to a career as a circuit board inspector and gave birth to four sons, Richard, Robert, Scott and Todd.

During that time, the Rohlmeiers' shared passion for Corvettes drew them to the North County Corvette Club, which they joined in June 1986.

"She loved driving a Corvette convertible, her favorite was a 1986 convertible," Rohlmeier said. "That's why we so enjoyed our time in the Corvette Club, because we'd go for those drives with the club and do other events with the club."

Patricia Rohlmeier's favorite time of the year was early December, he said, "because she loved to go Christmas shopping for our children in the early years and then for the grandchildren in recent years. I used to tease her, saying she was trying to buy out the store at Christmas time."

Over the years, Patricia became a big fan of riding in her son's 19-foot jet boat during family trips to the Colorado River. "She'd love to go boating on the river whenever she had the opportunity," Rohlmeier said. She also enjoyed gardening, sewing and playing computer games.

And as for her cooking: "She was a wonderful cook. She could make anything from scratch. I could probably stand to lose about 20 extra pounds" that he gained from his wife's good cooking.

Patricia Rohlmeier's internment was June 18 at Oak Hill Memorial Park in Escondido, with Grace Lutheran Church Pastor Phil Robbins officiating. More than 100 people, including family members and North County Corvette Club members attended the service.

In addition to her husband, Patricia Rohlmeier is survived by her four sons, daughters-in-law Cecila, Jennifer, Chrissy and Felicia, and seven grandchildren.

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Coming Events - Activities Coordinator, Tom Harper

JULY

- 1 Dalton's Car Show.
http://www.daltonroadhouse.com/Dalton's_events.htm
- 1 San Diego Auto Swap Meet.
<http://www.sandiegoautoswap.com/>
- 3 San Diego Car Club Council Meeting, Balboa Park
- 4 Independence Day Holiday
- 8 **NCoCC Annual Awards Banquet, Spaghetti Factory 4:00pm**
- 8 All-GM Car Show & Swap Meet.
<http://www.buickclub.org/losangeles/news1.htm>
- 8 5th Annual Simpson's Car Show.
http://www.eastcountycruisers.com/pb/images/img_1613545d4ed7f969eb.jpg
- 11 **NCoCC Business Meeting.** Plaza Creek Meeting Room 7:00pm
- 14 All-American Car Show #IX.
<http://www.moparclubsandiego.org>
- 15 Cruising CoCo's Rancho Bernardo
- 15 Pomona Swap Meet.
<http://www.pomonaswapmeet.com/>
- 22-28 Corvette-N-America Road Trip.
<http://www.corvette-n-america.com/index.htm>
- 25 **NCoCC Board Meeting,** Coco's in RB. 7:00pm
- 27-29 Corvettes West Big Bear Bash.
<http://www.corvetteswest.com/BigBearBash.htm>
- 29 Main Street America People's Choice Show

AUGUST

- 1 **NCoCC Business Meeting.** Plaza Creek Meeting Room 7:00pm
- 5 San Diego Auto Swap Meet.
<http://www.sandiegoautoswap.com/>
- 5 16th Annual Automobile Heritage Show, National City
<http://www.nationalcitychamber.org/ContentPage.asp?ContentID=104>
- 5 Dalton's Roadhouse Cruise-In
http://www.daltonroadhouse.com/Dalton's_events.htm
- 7 San Diego Car Club Council Meeting, Balboa Park
- 12 **NCoCC Club Run (TBA)**
- 18 Corvette Super Sports Corvette Show. Buena Park.
<http://www.corvettesupersports.com/frame/frameset.html>
- 18 Run to the Hills #5 Barona
<http://www.mondaynitecarclub.com/>
- 19 Cruising CoCo's Rancho Bernardo
- 22 **NCoCC Board Meeting,** Coco's in RB. 7:00pm
- 25 Millennium Corvettes Participant's Choice Corvette Show. Riverside.
http://www.millenniumcorvettes.com/events/aug/glass_chrome_2007.pdf
- 25 North Coast Vettes Car Show. Carlsbad
<http://www.northcoastvettes.org/activities.html>
NCoCC Club event
- 26 Pomona Swap Meet
<http://www.pomonaswapmeet.com/>
- 30- Millard Fillmore Corvette Classic #31. Scottsdale.
- 3 Sep <http://www.vette.org/Millard.htm>
- 31- 2 Sep LVCA Corvette Roulette. Las Vegas.
<http://www.corvetteroulette.com/>

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Dalton's Roadhouse Cruise-In
http://www.daltonroadhouse.com/Dalton's_events.htm
- 3 Labor Day Holiday
- 4 San Diego Auto Swap. Qualcomm Stadium
- 5 **NCoCC Business Meeting.** Plaza Creek Meeting Room 7:00pm
- 15 Motorhead Madness Show, Poway
http://www.powaytransmissions.com/motorhead_madness_2007.htm
- 16 Cruising CoCo's Rancho Bernardo
- 16 Redline Corvettes 14th Annual All Corvette Show. Thousand Oaks
<http://www.redlinecorvettes.com/carshow.htm>
- 22 Cruisin for the Cure, Orange Cty fairgrounds
<http://www.cruisinforacure.com>
- 26 **NCoCC Board Meeting, Coco's in RB. 7:00pm**

OCTOBER

- 3 **NCoCC Business Meeting.** Plaza Creek Meeting Room 7:00pm
- 6-7 10th Annual Coronado Speed Festival. Coronado
- 13 Pomona Valley Corvette Association American Car and Corvette Show. Upland
http://www.pvca.org/pvca/PVCA_Event_Detail.asp?ID=51314
- 14 **NCoCC Endless Summer Corvette Show. Bob Stall Chevrolet La Mesa**



- 24 **NCoCC Board Meeting,** Coco's in RB. 7:00pm

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 • Dalton's Car Show • San Diego Auto Swap Meet	2	3 San Diego Car Club Council Meeting	4 Independence Day	5	6	7
8 NCoCC Annual Awards Banquet • All-GM Car Show & Swap Meet	9	10	11 NCoCC Business Meeting, Plaza Creek Meeting Room 7pm	12	13	14 All-American Car Show #IX
15 • Cruising CoCo's Rancho Bernardo • Pomona Swap Meet	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 NCoCC Board Meeting, Coco's in RB 7pm	26	27	28
Corvette West Big Bear Bash 27-29						
29 Main Street America People's Choice Show	30	31	July 2007			
Corvette-N-America Road Trip 22-28						

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
August 2007			1 NCoCC Business Meeting, Plaza Creek Meeting Room 7pm	2	3	4
5 • SD Auto Swap Meet, • 16th Annual Auto Heritage Show, • Dalton's Roadhouse Cruise In	6	7 San Diego Car Club Council Meeting, Balboa Park	8	9	10	11
12 NCoCC Club Run (TBA)	13	14	15	16	17	18 • Corvette Super Sports Corvette Show, Buena Park • Run to the Hills #5
19 Cruising CoCo's Rancho Bernardo	20	21	22 NCoCC Board Meeting, Coco's in RB 7pm	23	24	25 • Millennium Corvettes Participant's Choice Corvette Show, • NorthCoast Vettes Car Show, Carlsbad NCoCC Club Event
26 Pomona Swap Meet	27	28	29	30	31	
					LVCA Corvette Roulette, Las Vegas 31-Sept 2	
					Millard Fillmore Corvette Classic #31, Scottsdale 30-Sept 3	

SAVE THE WAVE

A REFRESHER COURSE FOR THE LONGTIME VETTE OWNER OR SOMETHING TO ENLIGHTEN THE NEW VETTE OWNER

The particular article, called "Save the Wave", which I am quoting, appeared in the August/September 1969, Volume 12, Number 6 - *please* keep that in mind. Not only will you see that our fellow Corvette owners worried about carrying on the 'tradition' of 'The Wave', you'll see that times were simpler and that writing styles have changed ;^)

Ever since Corvette No. 00001 first met Corvette No. 00002 on the road, their drivers saluted each other with waves. Today, unfortunately, this grand and glorious tradition is wavering. There's one item of standard equipment that comes as a pleasant surprise to every new Corvette owner. It's an instant wave of recognition he or she receives when he meets one of their ilk on the road. The first time it happens, they will be taken by surprise.

He immediately thinks:
He has been mistaken for Sterling Moss.
His lights are on.
He has just been given the bird.

Soon, however, the new Vette owner anticipates, indeed even relishes, encountering other Vettes as he drives. During this period, he experiments with his waves, running the gamut from the gaping "yoo hoo" to the ultra cool "two finger flip." He perfects his timing, making sure he affects neither a too-early wave, nor the jaded "oh brother" too-late variety. Determined not to be one upped, he even develops a defense mechanism for non wavers, usually settling on the "Wave"? My hand was just on the way to scratch my head" approach. (This is especially useful when you're not driving your Vette, but you forget, and like a dummy, you wave anyway.)

Indeed, one of the most perplexing problems facing a would-be waver is what to do when driving next to a fellow Vette owner. Passing him going in opposite directions is one thing. Greetings are exchanged, and

that's that. But what happens when you pull up next to a guy at a light, wave, nod, smile and then pull up to him at the next light, a block later? Wave again? Nod bashfully? Grin self-consciously? Ignore him? Or take the chicken's way out and turn down the next side street? If you're expecting an answer, you won't find it here. Sad to say, some questions don't have any.

Girl-type Corvette drivers also have a unique problem: to wave or not to wave. This miss or misses who borrows her man's Corvette for the first time is immediately faced with this quandary. Should she wave first and look overly friendly, or ignore the wave and look like a snob? Most ladies who drive their own Vettes prefer to suffer the latter rather than take a chance of being misread. For this reason, all girls are excused for occasionally failing to return a well-meaning wave. So are new owners who are still learning the ropes.

There is no excuse, however, for a guy who refuses to return the wave, not out of ignorance, but of arrogance or apathy. While this type of behavior is the exception to the rule, it seems a few owners of newer models refuse to recognize anything older than theirs, while some others simply won't wave, period. Boo on them. These ding-a-lings don't seem to realize that they are helping to squash a tradition that had its beginnings back when most of us were still driving tootsietoys.

And besides, in this era of mechanized anonymity, we need to save all the human relationships we can.

What to do about the problem of non-wavers? Well, in the movie "The Hustler," Fast Eddie had his hands broken for not playing by the rules. But, maybe this is going just a bit too far. Maybe the solution is to cure these guys with kindness.

So, take a look at these drawings and pick a wave you like. Then, the next time you pass a fellow Veteran, make sure you use it. And the next time. And the next. Who knows? If you don't succeed in getting some of these hard-noses to wave back, at least you'll have the satisfaction of knowing that you've started a lot of them thinking. And that alone is worth a wave.

The Gaping "Yoo Hoo!" - Good for waving at Vettes on the other side of divided highways, in medium-to-heavy traffic. Not much good for anything else.

The Two-Finger Flip - A move that can say "Hi." Or "Wow!" Or "Victory." Or most anything else, depending on the action of the giver, and the reaction of the taker.

The Four-Finger Pop-up - One of the classics. Palm grasps top of wheel, while fingers are extended snappily. An inscrutable expression helps the total effect.

[Man with hands a 11 and 1 o'clock, thumbs around wheel, all fingers up]

The Eight-Point Spread - Broad, expansive and outgoing. The hand action is reminiscent of Al Jolson at his best.

The Pointer - Sort of a wink, a click and a "bang, you're dead!" combination. Can also be used to draw attention to a pursuing traffic cop, in which case, you are dead.

The Wiping Swipe - Sort of a "Hi, guys." Primarily given by patronizing father-figure types.

The Topper-Tipper - A rarely seen, but eloquent gesture. Can prove embarrassing when the tipper wears both a hat and a toupee.

The Right-Handed "Hi-G'Bye." - A desperation move, given only at the last minute. Hand shoots straight skyward, occasionally scrunching fingernails or knuckles in the process.

The Near-Futile Head Jerk - A last resort, when you think you'll be snubbed, but aren't; or when you think you haven't been daydreaming, but have.

The Last-Minute Left Elbow Grope - Another desperation tactic, usually seen only in rear-view mirrors. Has all the grace and finesse of a peg-legged man in a forest fire.



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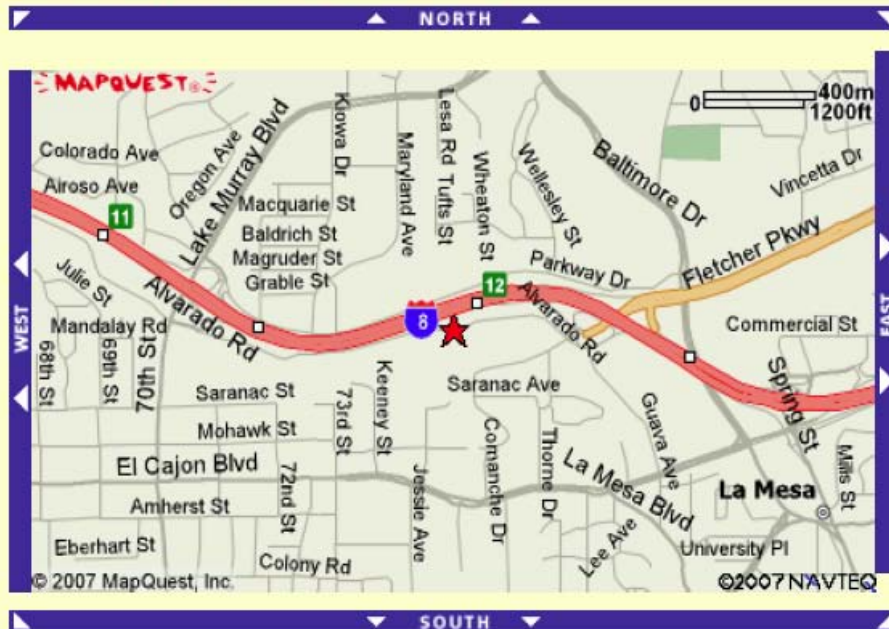
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