



# News Release

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### **Stingray Chevrolet Corvette raffle winner named at BerryFest24**

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 18, 2024) – A 2024 Stingray Chevrolet Corvette was given away Sunday, March 10, at the Stingray Chevrolet display on the Florida Strawberry Festival grounds.

Franches Schnell won the Stingray Chevrolet Corvette valued at \$93,000. The vehicle features a 490 horsepower 6.2L V8 engine, an 8-speed dual-clutch transmission, rear park assist, HD rear vision camera, carbon flash painted nacelles, and a roof-convertible hardtop. The car also includes an 8-inch touchscreen, Bluetooth technology, voice recognition, 10-speaker Bose Premium audio system, wireless charging technology, theft deterrent system, high wing spoiler, 19-inch front and 20-inch rear 20-spoke forged aluminum wheels in midnight gray with a red stripe, Adrenaline Red Dipped Napa leather interior, a Silver Flare Metallic exterior with full length dual red racing stripes, and so much more. Schnell is not required to pay sales tax, a title fee, tag, or dealer fee.

Those hoping to win the car could purchase tickets all 11 days of the Festival at the Stingray Chevrolet display, at the dealership and on the dealership's website. At 5 p.m. on Sunday evening, a crowd gathered at the Stingray Chevrolet display to find out whose name would be drawn. Schnell was present for the drawing.

“On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Florida Strawberry Festival, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Stingray Chevrolet and Steve and Susan Hurley for their generous donation to the raffle,” said Florida Strawberry Festival Chairman Danny Coton. “Their contribution has not only added excitement to the event but also significantly supported much needed assistance to those in need in the Plant City community. Their kindness and generosity is truly appreciated, and the Festival is thankful to be a part of the culmination of this event.”

For 15 years Stingray Chevrolet has donated a new vehicle to be raffled off on the Festival grounds to benefit Unity in the Community, a Plant City organization that contributes to local youth organizations and other groups who provide assistance to underprivileged families.

### **About the Florida Strawberry Festival**

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, more than 600,000 visitors enjoy the Festival's

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headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2025 Florida Strawberry Festival will take place February 27 through March 9 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit [www.flstrawberryfestival.com](http://www.flstrawberryfestival.com), Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and X (#berryfest25).

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