

## The Year Was 1975...

- Saigon is surrendered, Americans evacuated
- Apollo and Soyuz spacecrafts hook up in space
- President Ford escapes assassination attempt
- Zora Arkus-Duntov resigns from Chevrolet
- Home video systems are developed in Japan, Sony – Betamax and Matsushita – VHS]
- The Altair home computer kit allows consumers to build and program their own PC's
- Median household income is \$11,800
- Stamp \$.13
- Saturday Night Live premieres with George Carlin as host
- Movies: Jaws, One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest and Dog Day Afternoon
- Songs: Convoy with C.W. McCall and Thank God I'm a Country Boy

## In 1975...

- The Corvette Coupe cost \$6810 and 33,836 were produced while the Convertible cost \$6550 and 4,629 were produced
- Major changes for 1975 involved improved bumpers which looked the same, a catalytic converter, a new High-Energy ignition, and the speedometer included kilometers-per-hour. In the USA, mph was the dominant display with km/hr in smaller characters and the odometer registering miles. In Canada, the reverse was true, this was the last year for the Corvette convertible
- The 454-cid engine was dropped this year in all Corvettes
- *Car and Driver* tested a 1975 and found that it did the quarter-mile in 16.1 seconds and did 0-to-60 in 7.7 seconds with a top speed of 129 mph
- Robert D. Lund became Chevrolet general manager
- David R. McLellan became the chief engineer.

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