

The Year Was 1981...

- Fifty two US hostages captive in Iran are released
- Pope John Paul II and President Regan are victims of assassination attempts
- Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is assassinated
- Sandra Day O'Connor is first woman on the US Supreme Court
- Air Controllers strike and are fired by US Government
- AIDS is first identified
- IBM introduces its first personal computer running MS-DOS
- MTV is introduced with 24/7 music videos
- PAC MAN video game sweeps the country
- Movies: Raiders of the Lost Ark, On Golden Pond and Chariots of Fire

In 1981...

- The Corvette Coupe cost \$15,248 and 40,606 were produced
- The engine air cleaner had a new chromed cover.
- A new Computer Command Control system controlled fuel metering, as well as the torque converter lock-up clutch that operated in second and third gears.
- Manual transmission was available in all 50 states.
- It was the first time in several years that buyers of Corvettes sold in California could order a stick shift.
- A quartz crystal clock was now standard.
- The Corvette's standard anti-theft alarm added a starter-interrupt device.
- Joining the option list was a six-way power seat.
- Electronic-tuning radios could have built-in cassette or 8-track tape players or a CB transceiver.
- Bowling Green Assembly opens and produces 8,995 Corvettes
- Two-tone paint\$399

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