

The Year Was 1984...

- President Regan orders US Marines withdrawn from Beirut
- Soviet Union boycotts the Summer Olympic Games in US
- India PM Indira Gandhi assassinated
- Union Carbide gas leaks in Bhopal, India cause 2,000 deaths and injures 150,000
- Ma Bell is broken up
- President Regan is re-elected
- Federal debt is \$1564.7 Billion
- Cosby show debuts on TV
- Apple introduces the "user friendly" MacIntosh personal computer

In 1984...

- The eagerly-awaited sixth-generation Corvette for the '80s missed the 1983 model year completely, but arrived for the 1984 model year in an all-new form.
- The Corvette Coupe cost \$21,800 and 51,547 were produced
- A one-piece, full-width fiberglass roof (no T-bar) was removable.
- It had a transparent, acrylic lift-off panel with a solar screen optional.
- Hidden headlamps were featured, along with clear, integrated halogen fog lamps and front cornering lamps.
- The dual sport mirrors were electrically remote controlled.
- At the driver's left was the parking brake.
- *Car and Driver* called the new Corvette "the most advanced production car on the planet."
- *Motor Trend* described it as "the best-handling production car in the world, regardless of price."
- Heady praise indeed.
- During its year-and-a-half model run, orders poured in well ahead of schedule, even though the new edition cost over \$5,000 more than the 1982 version.

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