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back, understands how to interpret data and knows how to make changes to the car and his driving style to suit the conditions. He has tremendous potential, and we see this opportunity as an investment in the team's future.

"I also want to acknowledge the contributions of Olivier Beretta to Corvette Racing," Kent continued. "Olivier was a valued member of the team, and he played a key role in our success in the ALMS and at Le Mans. Although we have parted company with Olivier, we'll look forward to seeing him at the racetrack, and we wish him all the best in the future."

Corvette Racing will participate in the Sebring winter test on Feb. 8-9 in preparation for the season-opening 60th-anniversary Mobil 1 12 Hours of Sebring on March 17. With two automatic invitations to qualify for the 24 Hours of Le Mans, the team will return to the French circuit for the 80th running of the classic endurance race on June 16-17.

"Corvette Racing's starts every season with the same objectives: to capture the ALMS GT championship and to win at Le Mans," Kent said. "We've never worked harder to achieve these goals. The entire team is energized and excited, and the strength of the competition drives us to strive for continuous improvement."

2013 Collector's Edition 427 Convertible *Autoweek.com, 12 Jan. 2012*

The C6 Chevrolet Corvette is going out in style--and with plenty of performance.

Chevrolet confirmed on Thursday that the 2013 Corvette will be the final year for the sixth generation of its iconic sports car, which it will send off with a 427 convertible collector's edition and a 60th-anniversary package.

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As the name implies, the 427 edition has a 427-cubic-inch LS7 engine borrowed from the Z06, and it's rated at

505 hp and 470 lb-ft of torque. Chevy says this is the most powerful production convertible in Corvette's history. This model will be offered only with a six-speed manual. Carbon fiber is used for the raised hood, the Z06-style fenders and floor panels and as an option for the front splitter and rocker panels.



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