

# THE LEGEND

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## Chairman's Welcome

Jim Augustus

Wow – does time fly as its already time to publish our Chapter's third quarterly newsletter and that means 3 months have gone by seemingly like the wink of an eye! There are a significant number of Chapter accomplishments that should make every member very proud. The first one is: We qualified and received a National NCRS Chapter Top Flight Award at the 2005 NCRS National Convention in Park City Utah held this past week! Yes, I know it is July (3rd quarter) info however, all the work was performed by our Chapter (that is you the members) during June, 2004 through June 2005. St Louis was one of only fourteen Chapters that received Chapter Top Flight Awards (FYI – Two received Second Flight Awards and One received a Third Flight Award.....out of 46 Chapters...as of July 2005). I want to thank everyone for all the work you performed in making this award happen. We will have the award for all to see at the dinner meeting on August 11th.

Other accomplishments include: Our excellent attendance at the Dallas Judging school in February, our Chapter membership has increased 25% since January plus our attendance at our monthly dinner meetings has gone way up and we have named John Foster to be our Co-Chairman for the NCRS 2006 St Louis Regional. The National NCRS Organization sees all of this as a very positive picture for our Chapter.

To help our future to stay on path, I want to assemble a long range planning committee for our Chapter and I will bring this up for discussion at our August meeting. We need

everyone's input to help us plan activities that you like to participate in so come to our monthly meetings and speak up. John Foster is currently organizing his thoughts on the 2006 Regional Committees so please contact John and offer your help.

I encourage all of you to join your fellow Corvette friends at our monthly dinner gatherings or call (636-462-4231) or send me an e-mail [jkclassics@centurytel.net](mailto:jkclassics@centurytel.net) regarding your thoughts on what our Chapter should be doing and what interests you.

## Judging

### St Louis NCRS Chapter Judging Event

Bernie Myers

The St. Louis Chapter of the National Corvette Restorer's Society will be hosting a fall judging event in conjunction with a picnic. The event will be held the M.H. (Maryland Heights) Pavilion in Vago Park in the city of Maryland Heights beginning at 9:00am. It is reserved and will be available to us from **8:00 A.M. until 10:00 P.M. Saturday, September 10, 2005.**

There is ample parking, covered picnic area, rest rooms, etc. Vago Park is located near the intersection of Fee Fee Rd. and Midland Ave. This is very close to where we hold our monthly meetings. Take Dorsett Rd. east from I-270 to Fee Fee (6 stop lights) and turn left. Go down the hill to the second stop light and turn right onto Fred Eller Memorial Drive which leads into the park. Continue straight to the cul-de-sac at the very back of the park. The shelter consists of the three connected gazebos on the left. The rest rooms are in the stand-alone gazebo by the playground. To get to Westport from there, go back to

Dorsett Rd., turn right then turn left at the next intersection (Y). That road goes directly to Westport Plaza.

This has been a very successful event in the past and we're hoping to continue that tradition. Our chapter has some very knowledgeable judges in all Flight® classes to perform the judging duties but in order to provide our best effort, the number of entries may be limited, so please submit your application as soon as possible.

As usual, the chapter will be providing the main course for lunch while members are asked to bring along their favorite side dishes to share. This has afforded a virtual feast in the past. Please feel free to contact any chapter officer for information.

## Activities

### April 2005 Chapter Judging Event

Bernie Myers (Pictures by Connie)

I'd like to thank everyone that showed up for our spring Corvette judging. This was my first event as judging chairman and I learned a lot; not just about judging, but about managing an event of this nature. I made a couple of mistakes, but hopefully they were transparent to those in attendance.

In the end, we were able to Flight judge five cars. Four others displayed their cars in the Sportsman category. Additionally, Rich Beauchamp and Kathy Johnson attended from the Chicago area to display their 1982 Five Star Bow-Tie candidate.



The event was held at Mary's Shelter in St. Louis County's Love Park where we have held several of our more recent judging events. This is a very nice venue for a show of the size we are able to assemble at a chapter level.

Results of the Flight judging were as follows:

Greg Simon

1962 Convertible Top Flight®

Cherie & Doug Garrette

1965 Convertible 2nd Flight®

Bill Lacy

1967 Convertible Top Flight®

Carolyn & Jim Galinsky

1969 Convertible Top Flight®

Roger & Chris Reeble

1971 Convertible 2nd Flight®

Kelly Waite (1956 Convertible), Frank and Teddy Savetz (1967 Convertible), John Foster (1967 Convertible) and Joe Anthes (1976 Coupe) displayed their Corvettes in the Sportsman class.



I want to thank everyone who participated and helped with the judging and scoring.

As is customary with these events, the club provided meat and drinks, attendees brought dishes to share and a picnic broke out. Thanks to everyone who provided and prepared the food.

Our next judging event will be on 9:00 AM, September 10, 2005 at the Maryland Heights Shelter at Vago Park in Maryland Heights. Please make plans to attend. The park is located off Fee Fee Road near the intersection of Midland Avenue. Directions are included elsewhere in the newsletter as well as a registration form.

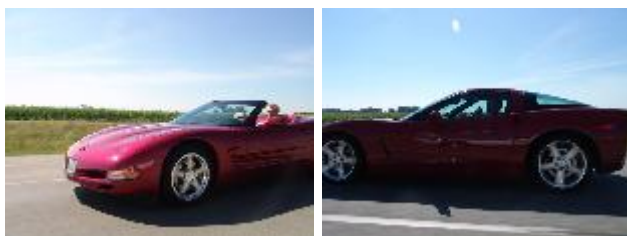
**D&A Restoration Road Trip**

Frank Savetz (pictures by Dave Davidson)

Saturday morning July 2nd, chapter members & guests from both Illinois and Missouri gathered together for a road trip to west central Illinois, our destination, 50 miles north of St. Louis, to Gillespie Ill., to the home of D&A Corvette.



Joining Up to Go



On the Road



Inside Tour



([Large Pictures](#) available on web)

Upon arrival there, we were greeted by the owner Dick Ferrando. Our narrated tour brought us full circle from bare rusty frame to complete restoration of classic corvettes. Members and guests were in Awe viewing the finished restored cars. These classics were beautiful and better restored than originally manufactured from the GM factory in St. Louis. Ferrando's knowledge of these classics left no question unanswered. The business name D&A comes from years past when Ferrando and then partner Ron Archibald were Co-owners, hence, Dick & Archie (D&A).

Cost for a restored D&A corvette brought a formula of \$45.00 per hour labor, and approximately \$40 thousand to \$50 thousand

dollars in parts, plus 1000 hours of assembly time. So you do the math. Solid axle cars were slightly higher. D&A will also restore your classic, but at a slightly different formula.

We ended our tour with refreshments provided by D&A, and a mini tech session of the methods used by Ferrando.

The road trip members then gathered at Tony's Rest. in Gillespie for lunch. Ferrando invited us back, but not during working hours.

I think everyone there learned a little something to take back home. Thanks to all those who participated.

PS: Any Ideas for road trips, please call or e.mail me....

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## **TECHNICAL SEMINAR**

Dave Buescher

On May 18, the St. Louis NCRS Chapter held a Technical Seminar as part of our chapter award event requirements. The seminar was on the restoration and rebuilding of Holley carburetors and was presented by Jerry and Marsha Luck at their shop. With several members in attendance we were treated to all the processes that go in to the restoration of an original Holley carburetor. We were able to take part in the teardown, inspection, remanufacturing, repair and reassembly of a Holley carburetor. Like kids in a candy factory, we all shuffled in a tight group going from work station to work station, following Jerry and Marsha as they explained and demonstrated the remanufacturing processes involved in the restoration of a carburetor.

The process presented to us began with the complete disassembly of Holley 2 barrel tri-power carburetor that was broken down to its individual components. All parts were inspected for damage or wear. The carburetor body, bowl, base plate, and small

parts were cleaned and all original machined surfaces inspected for any damage and flatness and then detailed. Jerry showed us how he actually machines various surfaces by milling several part surfaces that were not flat. He was actually working on customer carburetors in this demonstration!

After all parts have been taken through their various cleaning steps (Marsha somehow is assigned to the cleaning process....), inspection, repairs (he performed heli-coil steps for us) and detailing processes, the main body, float bowl and various exterior parts were run through a series of chemical washes and plating process' to give the carburetor a like new original Holley gold/brownish finish. From there, the freshly plated carburetor went to the assembly bench where Jerry began the assembly process. The carburetor base plate was reassembled and throttle shaft and blades installed with new fasteners. The main body was assembled with all new related parts and gaskets. Jerry must have tons of new Holley parts all cataloged in numerous part bins. The last step in the carburetor remanufacturing process is a "wet test" run on an actual fully operational engine to verify the carburetor's proper operation.

This was a very interesting and extremely informative evening. The St Louis Chapter of NCRS would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Luck for their time and hospitality in allowing us to come into their facility and show our group their operation. The 1 hour seminar actually lasted 2 hours as they answered every one of our many questions!

## Road Trip

Pictures by Dave Davidson

Sat, 21 was the St Louis NCRS Road Tour Rt. 66 Museum, Old Rout 66 at Meramec River.



## Calendar

### July

- 02 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Road Tour, D&A Corvette, Gillespie Ill.
- 14 - St Louis NCRS Chapter meeting, 6:30PM Ozzie's Restaurant
- 12-16 - NCRS National Road Tour
- 17-22 - NCRS National Convention, Park City, Utah
- 28 – 31 - Vettes on the Rockies.

### August

- 07 - Chapter Charity Car Show, Vettes Rest., Hwy 94, St. Charles Mo.
- 11 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Meeting, 6:30PM Ozzie's Restaurant
- 26-29 - Corvettes at Carlisle, Carlisle Penn.

### September

- 08 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Meeting, 6:30PM Ozzie's Restaurant
- 10 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Fall Judging Event - Vago Park - Maryland Heights
- 15-17 - Midwest Regional; Cincinnati Ohio
- 16-18 - Mid America Fun Fest; Effingham Ill.

### October

- 13 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Meeting, 6:30PM Ozzie's Restaurant
- 20-22 - Texas Regional Waco; Texas.

### November

- 10 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Meeting, 6:30PM Ozzie's Restaurant

### December

- 03 - St Louis NCRS Chapter Christmas Party

## Articles

Jim Augustus

### **Peter Max Corvette Collection**

St Louis Chapter Members - interesting story of another collection hidden away. Once you get to the web, you don't have to join this chat sight. Click and read the first two items (read the second one first) for the story and some pictures.

Max's collection consists of corvettes representing every year of the first 36 years of production. Max bought these cars from the winner of some contest and they have sat in a New York parking garage for at least ten years.

<http://www.digitalcorvettes.com/forums/forumdisplay.php?s=&forumid=171>

### **St Louis Chapter History**

Marvin Burnett

Early in 1987 Dan Bennett mailed post cards to all St Louis area NCRS members regarding the formation of a NCRS Chapter in the St Louis area. Thirty plus National members responded to that call, meeting at the Museum of Transportation. Twenty seven founding members paid dues and the chase began. Of the twenty seven, Mike and Pam Wikete, Ernie Coe and the Burnett's prevail.

Bill Miller (of the American Red Cross) was elected as our first chapter president at the Chapter meeting held in June of 1987 at the Museum of Transportation. Bill was almost immediately transferred to Texas and David Dawdy was elevated from vice president to president. The first check written on the chapter account was to Dave for postage of the minutes of the first meeting.

In January of 1988, a meeting was held to approve our by-laws (does anyone have a copy?) and discuss our participation in the

first Joplin Regional, a joint venture between St Louis, Kansas City, and Oklahoma Chapters.

On February 15th of 1993, Mike Wikete, Steve Walker and Marvin Burnett signed the application for the State of Missouri for recognition as a non-for-profit organization notarized by the sales manager of Johnny Landoff Chevrolet. The application was approved and we were incorporated

## Parts for Sale

No parts for sale at this time. Be sure to send in something for next time. We get good distribution on the newsletter – it's a good way to sell your parts.

## Board Meeting Minutes

### **Second Quarter Minutes**

Respectfully Submitted

Kay Augustus

### April Meeting

No minutes were taken for the April meeting because "Yours Truly" was on vacation. Sorry.....

### May Meeting

The May 12th meeting of St Louis Chapter NCRS met at Ozzie's in Westport Plaza.

There were two guests present: Bob McBride and Neil Schaller.

Awards from the April judging event were handed out to the ones that were in attendance. They also received their tally sheets.

In order to qualify for the National Chapter Top Flight Award, we need to have judged

cars from at least 10% of our membership. One of the cars registered for the April event was not able to attend therefore, we had to do at least another car. Thanks to Doug Garrette and Bill Lacy, this was accomplished. We also needed a tech seminar which Jerry and Marcia conducted on May 18th. Those of you that were not able to attend missed a very impressive seminar.

Frank Savetz reminded everyone of the road tour and said he would email the meeting place and time.

Doug Garrette has our new website up and running. We all agreed that any monies from these ads would go to Nurses for Newborns.

Rod McCoy mentioned our participation in other club's events. There will be a car show at Vette's Restaurant for "Bikers Against Child Abuse". Anyone available is welcome to participate.

Immediately after dinner a Board Meeting was held at which our St Louis 2006 Regional was discussed. A motion was made by Jim Augustus and seconded by Jerry Luck to approve a chairman at our June meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8PM.

### May Meeting

The St Louis Chapter of NCRS held their June meeting on the 16th (3rd Thursday) due to a conflict at Ozzie's. It was noted that our subsequent meetings will be held the 2nd Thursday of each month unless you receive a notice otherwise.

Guests in attendance were: Jen Garrette and Alan Harkness.

We thanked Jerry and Marcia Luck for their excellent technical seminar on rebuilding carburetors. We also thanked Doug and Cheri Garrette as well as Bill and Dian Lacy for letting us judge their car on such a last minute notice. With these last minute

volunteers, we should get a Chapter Top Flight Award from National.

David Grayson received a letter from Michaelis (Pro Team) wanting to know if we needed hand out bags for 2006. Terry supplied them in 2003 but they arrived too late to be used.

Frank Savetz announced the details for the Road Tour to D & A in Gillespie, IL. Everyone from Missouri should meet at Sieberg's (I 270 and Dorsett) at 9AM. The Illinois people will join up East of Edwardsville, Ill at the I 55 and Rt 143 exit. A lunch is planned in Gillespie before heading back home.

There will be a Charity Show at Vette's Restaurant on Sunday Aug 7th. The proceeds from this event will go to our Chapter Charity, Nurses for Newborns. Anyone having access to any vendors that would supply some door prizes, was asked to see what they could come up with.

Bernie Myers announced that Doug Garrette received a 2nd Flight and Bill Lacy a Top Flight Award for their cars. Our Chapter Judging Event in September will be at Vago Park in Maryland Heights. More details will be announced later.

John Foster volunteered to be the St Louis Co-Chair for the NCRS 2006 Regional Meet here in St Louis on June 8-10. Kansas City will also have a Co-Chair person as they were part of the bid as submitted to the National NCRS Organization. David Grayson and Joan Burnett agreed to assist John since both of them have performed as Co-Chair before.

Chairman Jim Augustus announced that he would like to form a long range planning committee for our Chapter. He will bring this subject up for discussion at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

## Editors Note

Doug Garrette

The newsletter is a great way to keep everyone in the club current on our latest activities. We are working hard to keep it and our web page up to date. The next edition is planned for November.

Our web page (<http://stlouisncrs.org/>) and newsletter have moved to our own host and we can begin posting classified ads.

Member ads to buy, sell, or trade are available free to all NCRS members for any model year Corvette. They will also show up in the next edition of 'The Legend' and will be added to the classified page on our web site (<http://stlouisncrs.org/>)

*(A small portion of the proceeds from our advertising and classified ads will offset the cost of our web site with the remainder going to the charity that we sponsor – Nurses for Newborns)*

### Classified Ads:

- Free for members – 50 words or less
- \$10 for non-members

Commercial advertising is available for the newsletter (also includes a link on our web

page). All ads will be included in four consecutive newsletters.

### Commercial Advertising:

- Full Page - \$75
- ½ Page - \$50
- Business Card size - \$25

Feel free to drop me a note if you have any suggestions for improving our newsletter or webpage ([dgarrette@charter.net](mailto:dgarrette@charter.net)) I want to hear from you!

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## NCRS ST. LOUIS CHAPTER MEET & PICNIC

### 8:00am Saturday, September 10, 2005

**\*\*Pre-registration Package Deadline: August 20, 2005.**  
**All NCRS Members are requested to register by Mail or Fax if planning to attend.**

Name:		Spouse / Companion:	
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: (Home)	Work:	Fax:	
Current NCRS Membership #:	E-mail:		

CORVETTE REGISTRATION: (One Registration form per car)			
Flight Judging Entry:	@ \$15	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sportsman:	@ \$5	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Bowtie: <input type="checkbox"/>	Duntov: <input type="checkbox"/>	Special Interest: <input type="checkbox"/>	FREE
Make Checks Payable to 'NCRS St. Louis Chapter'			Total:

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Engine CI/HP:	Complete VIN:			

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I would like to Judge :	Int: <input type="checkbox"/>	Ext: <input type="checkbox"/>	Mech: <input type="checkbox"/>
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Signature _____	Date:		Insured with:	
Policy Number:			Expires:	

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