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Feature Items

View From the Chair — by John Foster

This is a very busy year for the St. Louis Chapter. The NCRS National Convention in Overland Park is only weeks away. As co-sponsors of the convention, this is our moment to once again demonstrate to the Corvette community that the St. Louis Chapter is truly a "Top Flight Chapter." We need your support in making this a great convention. If you have not already registered for the convention, on-line registration closes June 1, but you can still register at the convention site. Remember too that NCRS members can only attend the convention if they are registered to do so. NCRS members cannot enter the convention site as visitors.

In April we held our spring judging meet and Top Flight awards were earned by chapter members Randy Rapp and George Williams. The event was extremely well attended and the knowledge level of our chapter judges continues to increase. Thanks to everyone who participated, especially to Judging Chair Kelly Waite for organizing another great judging event, and to Ernie and Brenda Durlas for manning the BBQ grill.

The chapter was well represented at the Easter Concours d' Elegance, hosted by the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri. As always the Corvettes were extremely popular and our members answered a plethora of questions about their cars and the NCRS.

I would like to welcome four new member families to the Chapter: Todd and Debbie Dillon of Glendale, Mark and Gina Kessinger of Glendale, Dan and Janice Rathgeber of St. Louis, and Tom and Kathy Traficanti of Chicago. The membership of the chapter now stands at 66 families.

Remember to join us on the second Thursday of each month for our dinner meeting at JJ's Restaurant in St. Charles.

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Articles

a. 1960 Corvette Forensics by David Dawdy

The Beginning

Stories of an old Corvette sitting flat on the ground in a Grafton, Illinois 'hollow' near the Mississippi River made me curious, so I began looking. Sure enough, after a few weekend drives I found the old car, an original fuel injected car but there was not much left! I tried to buy the car to no avail and the owner finally told me to stop calling. He said that if he decided to sell, he would call. Fast forward several years and two owners later, the old gem surfaced in an area newspaper ad. Of course I was still interested! So, in about 1985, I traded a 1928 Ford Model A 'survivor' for 1960 Chevrolet Corvette 00867S102348 and a mixture of boxes of rusty and dirty parts. Previous owners had not been kind to this old car and it needed lots of care.

So, the forensic process began. One summer evening in 1986, Bill Williamson and I began studying the remnants of #2348. The survey began with identifying the basics: Job number 309 and serial number 00867S102348.

RPO 579D – 759 cars built with 290 horsepower (Fuel Injection / high lift camshaft). It was easy to identify the fuel injection traits, an oval firewall tachometer cable opening, inner skirt air cleaner retainer,

high rpm tachometer, repaired holes for the fender script, and an open air inlet with no screen on the left radiator surround.

RPO 426 – 544 cars built with Power Windows. Continued inspection indicated that the care was delivered with power windows, based on the unmolested doors, wiring passage in the door jams and original wiring conduits in the parts pile as well as an original 40 amp solenoid for the right, top cowl. (I later learned that a previous owner sold the original motors and switches to a local parts dealer).

RPO 473 – 512 cars built with the Power Top option. The reinforcements for the power top equipment were easily spotted. These rusty, riveted metal rectangles were in all of the proper places for the cylinders and pump. We had previously noticed a rusty switch near the topside right trunk hinge, hinting of RPO 473, now it was certain the Power Top option was an original component.

In addition, the following options were identified to round out the build specifications of #2348:

RPO 261 – 2,557 cars built with Sunshades with Red Trim

FOA 101 heater assembly was with the pile of parts.

FOA 107 – 4,051 cars built with Parking Brake Alarm.

FOA 108 – 6,774 cars built with Courtesy Light

FOA 109 – Windshield Washer

RPO 419 – 3,506 cars built with hard top in addition to soft top.

RPO 675 - 1,548 cars built with Positraction rear axle and 3:70:1 ratio.

RPO 685 - 5,328 cars built with 4-speed transmission.

FOA 102 - 690 cars built with Wonder Bar Radio and Fuel Injected Engines, more than likely this option was present.

RPO 440 - 3,309 cars built with Two-Tone Exterior Paint – White/Silver as indicated beneath many coats of various colors and **IVORY** grease penciled color on trunk bulkhead. The result is Ermine white exterior and red interior colors.

Discoveries

•There were no holes in the cowl for windshield washers and no parts to support them ever being present.

•Based on title information from the state of Missouri there were many owners between 1966 when it was first titled in Missouri and when I purchased it in 1985.

•The previous Illinois title indicated Credit Thrift financing and released on August 15, 1966. All other information on the front of the submitted title to Missouri is not legible. The reverse side shows the purchasing dealer to be Vicart Motors, St Louis, MO and the sellers signature of Charles S. Meyer Jr, dated October 5, 1966.

•Evidence of lots of hard driving, i.e., flexed frame with cracked welds, replaced right front, lower fender with repainted blue cove (an early repair), many coats of paint over the original white and silver.

•Blue stripes and coves painted over the original paint as well as the replaced right fender. Three stripes over the body, one wide with a narrow stripe on each side of the large center stripe.

•Evidence of being driven without carpet. The driver's floor board is scuffed clean where the feet work the controls.

•Evidence of a three point roll bar.

•RPO 687 heavy-duty brakes and suspension evidence per photos.

Over the last 27 plus years I have gathered the equipment to rebuild 1960 Corvette serial number 00867S102348, as forensically correct as my 'pile of parts' has allowed. The late Jack Knudsen provided an early January 1960 build completion date, but where was this car delivered new and how was it used in those early years of its life, i.e., pleasure driving, SCCA Club Racing, boulevard racing, drag racing? Many questions remain but this old pile of parts is once again, together and recent conversations have revealed an interesting and traveled past. Additional history will be presented in '1960 Forensics, Part 2'.

Here it is at the 2008 St. Louis National Convention:

David Dawdy
NCRS #1624

b. How We "Fell Into" The Sinkhole by Tom Hanks

My brother Jim made me a Corvette nut by buying a new '67 Convertible when I was sixteen. Between us we have owned six Vettes, and still have three. In January we made plans to meet at Bowling Green for a factory and museum tour on April 9. Then, as we all know, things changed overnight on February 12 when the earth swallowed eight great Corvettes at the museum. Of course we have all followed the progress of recovery, but Jim and I had special incentive to wonder what the status would be during our visit. As it turned out only the 2001 Mallet Hammer Z06 remained to be recovered and it had only been found the day before. Little did we know that we would be among the first 50 people to see it up close!

We arrived at the museum on that Wednesday morning and they told us at the ticket area that there was a chance the Z06 would be pulled out that day! I wish I could say we were able to go right out to the recovery area and peek over the edge. Not even close. A fairly small window area had been installed that allowed viewing of the Skydome interior, but the center structure was between us and the sinkhole. Still it was interesting to see the crane and other equipment that were operating in the very confined space of the dome. Also, there was a live webcam screen showing the actual recovery area from overhead. Best of all, the museum and construction workers were regularly coming and going through a door from the museum into the Skydome, giving us a glimpse of the sinkhole area (and tempting us to follow).

The seven recovered cars were on up-close-and-personal display, so the extreme damage was easy to see.

As bad as the photos we have all seen look, they don't do justice to the damage received by some of these cars. It's depressing to say the least, but still fascinating. The '93, 40th Anniversary model, with its striking Ruby Red color, is far from the worst damaged or most valuable, but was of special note to me. Many of these cars were being assembled on the line during my only other visit to the factory in the summer

of 1993. At that time the Museum was little more than a storefront with a small display to help solicit donations.

We left the museum for the 11:30 factory tour and then went back to check on status. The word then was that the car would be pulled out as soon as they could get a trailer in to load it on – at least 20 minutes. We assumed it would be at least 45 minutes and went to the museum café for a quick lunch. We returned to find that the car had already been pulled from the sinkhole and taken outside. We were sick! I was sure we would hear that it would be several days before it was put on display. Instead, 5 minutes later word went around that they were bringing the trailer up to the building for viewing. Jim and I were easily among the first 50 people to see what remained of that poor car. And what a sad sight!

The attitude and approach of the National Corvette Museum management and staff was the most outstanding part of the whole visit. Talk about turning lemons into lemonade! Every Corvette pulled out of the hole has been immediately put on display, and the entire staff seems to be knowledgeable to answer all basic questions. One staffer (originally from Granite City) even flagged down a construction foreman in a hard hat to answer my question about how the sinkhole will be dealt with. It won't be as simple as "filling the hole". There is a lot of engineering work to be done and there are a number of options being discussed to keep a permanent display related to the event. The display could even be underground!

As for the damaged cars, I'm afraid GM spoke too quickly in saying they would restore all of them. Think of a car that has been through a salvage yard compactor. Several of them are almost that flat. It's unrealistic to think that those can be rebuilt. The sinkhole event, and the fantastic way the NCM has

handled the aftermath have greatly increased tourist interest in the short term. It's probably best to leave the most heavily damaged of the group on display "as is" and use this catastrophe as a very unusual means to attract more interest in Corvettes!

c. C2 Dash Cluster Restoration, Part 1 by John Hinckley, Michigan Chapter

Here's another excellent article by John Hinckley. The topic is mid-year dash cluster restoration. This is part one, stay tuned for the second part!

C2 Dash Cluster Restoration, Part 1

Thanks John!

d. C5 Judging Approved

Here is a sticky message that was posted on the Technical Discussion Board by Dave Brigham (NCRS National Judging Chairman):

I am pleased to announce that your Board of Directors, at its March 2014 Board meeting, approved my proposal to begin judging C-5 Corvettes. Allen Tremain, our C-5 Manual Coordinator, is working on the first Technical Information Manual & Judging Guide for this series. It will cover the 1997-1999 model years. This first C-5 TIMJG will be available for sale at our 2015 National Convention. Judging of this series will begin immediately after that convention.

e. Chevrolet Historical Document Services

Historical Document Services
1965-1972
BEGINS MAY 1

National Corvette Restorers Society is pleased to announce that we can now provide certain information for model years 1965 through 1972 for Camaro, Chevelle and Nova through the efforts of the NCRS and permission granted by General Motors. We believe our fellow hobbyists and car clubs have desired this information since it became available for Corvettes several years ago.

The information consists of the dealer code, dealer name, dealer location and the production date the car was produced. The good news is this may allow you to find the original dealer where your Chevrolet Camaro, Chevelle or Nova was shipped and possibly open the door to finding more information about your Chevrolet.

A Camaro, Chevelle or Nova Shipping Data Report can be ordered only online. Membership in NCRS is not required. The fee will be $50 payable by credit card or PayPal. You will receive via USPS a letter with the information which includes the NCRS official seal. In limited cases the dealer code is not available or readable and in this case a full refund will be made.

www.chevymuscledocs.com

f. NCRS Classifieds

It was covered in the last two newsletters, but we thought we would plug it again (and again!)

Events

a. April Judging Event by Kelly Waite

We just had another great Judging Event on April 19th at Love Park!!!!

We had 5 cars to judge ....three 67s, and two 65s!! Kudus to all of the Judges!! We really appreciate your time and passion!! The weather was great and the Corvette passion even better. I can't recall when we had a bigger turn out. We even had judges from Chicago, Arkansas, Kansas City, Wisconsin and Tucson!! All of our Judges were awarded 2 Judging Points in the NCRS system. Our Tabulators are awarded 5 points. Thanks to Kay Augustus and Brenda Durlas for their Tabulating - much appreciated!! Also thanks to all those who brought their cars to be judged! We had two Sportsman entries as well.

We also had a great Judging School by Mike Hanley and Greg Simon on Judging Paint before we started judging. The session was very interesting and helpful especially before the judging of the cars. Thanks to Mike and Greg!! Folks who attended the Judging School were also awarded a point in the NCRS system.

We also had a special Bow Tie 5th Star candidate - Jerry Garrett from Chandler, Indiana - present his incredible un-restored 60 Corvette!!!! Great to see an original car!!

Can't forget about our head chefs - Brenda and Ernie Durlas did another awesome job on the BBQ and served up another great meal!!! Thanks to Brenda and Ernie!!!!

George Williams receives Top Flight award!

Randy Rapp receives Top Flight award!

Our next Judging Event had already been reserved for October, 11 2014 at Love Park. Please mark your calendars.

b. Forest Park Easter Car Show

Our chapter was well represented at the Forest Park Easter car show.

c. St. Louis NCRS 2014 Remaining Calendar

When	What	Where
June 5-7	Rocky Mountain Regional	Loveland, CO
June 12, 4:30 pm 6:30 pm	Board Meeting St. Louis Chapter Dinner Meeting	JJ's, St Charles
June 15, 11 am to 3:30 pm	HCCM Father's Day "Cars With Class" Show	Museum of Transportation
June 27 – 29	Bloomington Gold	Champaign, IL
July 10, 6:30 pm	**No Meeting Due to National Convention**	
July 13 – 17	National Convention hosted by STL and KC	Overland Park, KS
August 14, 4:30 pm 6:30 pm	Board Meeting St. Louis Chapter Dinner Meeting	JJ's, St Charles
Aug 22 – 24	Corvette's at Carlisle	Carlisle, PA
August 28 - 30	Northwest Regional	Tacoma, WA
Sep. 7, 11 am to 3:30 pm	All Chevy show	Museum of Transportation
Sep. 11, 6:30 pm	St. Louis Chapter Dinner Meeting	JJ's, St Charles
Sep. 18 - 21	Corvette Funfest hosted by Mid America Motorworks	Effingham, IL
Sep. 25 - 28	New England Regional	Marlborough, MA
October 9, 6:30 pm	St. Louis Chapter Dinner Meeting	JJ's, St Charles
October 11, 8 am	St. Louis Chapter Fall Judging Meet	Mary's Shelter, Love Park
October 23 – 25	Lone Star Regional	Frisco, Texas
Nov. 13, 6:30 pm	St. Louis Chapter Dinner Meeting	JJ's, St Charles
Dec. 11, 4:30 pm 6:30 pm	Board Meeting St. Louis Chapter Dinner Meeting	JJ's, St Charles

d. NCRS Calendar

Click here to see the **NCRS Upcoming Events for the Next 90 Days** (scroll down to see the list).

e. Local Car Shows and Cruises

Here's a pretty comprehensive list of car shows and cruises in the St. Louis and Southern Illinois region:

St. Louis and Southern Illinois car shows and cruises

Check out the Museum of Transportation car shows:

Museum of Transportation car shows

Buy, Sell, Trade

Factory original crossover pipes, exhaust system with mufflers. Fits 2005-2007 Corvette. Professionally removed when almost new for aftermarket exhaust. $125.00 Call John Dougherty at 314-566-7989.

C1 body dolly, designed, built and used by Frank Bloemke during the restoration of his 57.

It can be easily modified for mid-years and maybe even Sharks! I have it apart right now. I might be persuaded to deliver it. $150.00 or best offer. Contact Joe Raine at 314-799-7513 or j.r.raine@gmail.com

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Note: We run ads for one quarter. We publish newsletters on the first of March, June, September and December. If you would like your add to run again, please notify me at least one month prior to publication time.

Club Information

a. Meeting Minutes by Kay Augustus

The March 13th meeting of the St Louis Chapter of NCRS was called to order by chairperson John Foster. New members, Mark Kessinger and Todd Dillon were welcomed.
Dave Buescher was not in attendance but he has tickets to the Easter Show in Forest Park for anyone that is interested in taking their car. Please contact Dave directly. All events are listed on the website.
Kelly Waite announced that we have 5 cars to judge on April 19th. Everyone needs to sign up and volunteer to assist the judges. Kelly asks that you arrive before 8AM so that we can get started on the paint seminar that is going to be presented prior to the judging. New members that are not familiar with judging can always be observer judges, which will give them some experience at judging for next time.
Brenda and Ernie Durlas have volunteered to play Top Chefs again this year. Please bring a dish to pass.
Jeff Peters and Greg Simon are working on finding new members and have recruited one so far. Good job to both for their time.
Joe Raine is always in need of information for the newsletter which will be published the first of June, September and December. All articles need to be to him the month prior to publication. Our intention is to try and profile a different car each issue. If we can get articles on more than one car, then both cars will be published in the newsletter.
Carol Kleinhenz has been working with the charities and is trying to get volunteers to help Claire, at Nurses for Newborns, to help set up an auction on April 27th. The auction will be held at the Frontenac Hilton. Anyone that could volunteer would be greatly appreciated. She also mentioned that Claire is planning on attending our May 8th meeting.
Joan Burnett requested that since we are co-hosts for the National Convention, we need to get registered. We are needing volunteers, sponsors and a date for a joint meeting.
The Chapter bought Judging Reference Manuals and suggests that anyone who doesn't have one, should get one. The cost is just $10.
The National President notified all chapters that National will match up to $5000 total to chapters donating money to the Museum for the restoration of the building. Alan Kleinhenz made a motion to donate $250 and Joe Raine seconded. The motion passed.
Cheri Garrett is no longer doing club shirts. We are looking for suggestions on another source to embroider our club shirts. Anyone with suggestions, please bring the information to the next meeting.
The membership decided that all ads in the newsletter will not roll over into the next issue unless you request it. This way we do not have ads for things that have already been sold.
50/50 drawing was won by Mike Hanley. Nurses for Newborns will receive $34 and Mike $33. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets.
John Foster made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mike Hanley. Meeting was adjourned.

On April 13th, the St Louis Chapter of NCRS held its meeting at J J's in St Charles. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Foster. At this time, he welcomed Dan Rothgeber, a new guest and now member from Oakville.

Joan Burnett gave the treasurers report at this time. We have a balance of $5261.72 in the treasury. We voted to have a check for $250.00 sent to the National Corvette Museum to help in their renovation from the cave-in. National is encouraging every chapter to help if they can.
Dave Buescher announced that he does not have the Easter Show tickets yet but he will make sure that the members that requested one will get it in time. If you come as a club, you can bring newer cars.
Kelly Waite announced that we have 5 cars to judge on Saturday. There will be two 1965's and three 1967's to be judged. Please arrive by 8 am so that we can get the paint seminar in before the judging. You will get a point for the paint seminar. Please do not forget your dish to pass.
Greg Simon had nothing new to report on membership. He will continue to work on it.
Joe Raine was unable to attend the meeting but requested to get the newsletter information in by May 1st. He still needs a technical article so that we can have one in every issue.
In an effort to support Nurses for Newborns, we volunteered to help set up for their auction on April 27th at the Frontenac Hilton. Volunteers need to be there on the 26th by 8 pm. Claire DeVoto will be attending our May meeting to update us on what they do.
We need to remember that we are co-hosting the National Convention with Kansas City this coming July. Everyone should get registered to attend as well as volunteer to help out whereever they can. Online registration closes on June 1st.
Cheri Garrette has been contacted since she used to do the embroidery on our club shirts. They are no longer members since they moved out of state, but she has volunteered to either continue to do them or send us the software. Bill Lacy made a motion that we just let Key Sports (Tom Greene) do the shirts since they are chapter members and have done many shirts for us. Mike Hanley seconded the motion and the motion passed.
Don Pickles has been working with Hunter Engineering in Bridgeton to try and set up a tour. Since they are expanding, they would like to wait until the expansion is complete. Don will keep us up to date.
50/50 was split between Nurses for Newborns and Dan Rothgeber. The total collection was $86.00.
Mike Hanley made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Kay Augustus.
Meeting adjourned.

On May 8th, 2014, John Foster called our meeting of the St Louis Chapter of NCRS, to order. At this time, he welcomed guests Harold Lutz Jr owner of a 1967 and return guest Greg Kaprehan. He also welcomed Claire DeVoto and her husband from Nurses for Newborns. Claire immediately thanked those that volunteered to help her set up for the April Auction at Frontenac. Claire then explained a little background on how Nurses for Newborns came about and how they assist new mothers for up to two years on how to tend to a newborn. It is always good to hear how the money that we donate is being spent on such a great cause. We appreciate Claire taking the time to keep us up to date.
Kelly Waite thanked everyone for their assistance in making the judging school and meet a success. Mike Hanley and Greg Simon did a great job on their paint seminar and all the judges kept at it so that we were able to get done in a very reasonable time. It was a concern that 5 cars would be a lot to do. We did have a trim tag issue that made the judging go quickly. Everyone seemed to agree that a judging school on trim tags would be a great idea. We will look into that for our next judging meet on October 11th.
Kansas City did have a Convention meeting in which they were able to discuss any problems on their end. They are still trying to set a date for a joint meeting in the very near future.
John Foster is talking with Cheri Garrette about the chapter shirts. She is going to send the program that Doug created to John and he will get with Tom Green to take over the shirts.
John also mentioned that the Easter Show went good and the weather was great. There were 10 of our members present.

At our next meeting in June, there will be a Board Meeting prior to the regular meeting. All of the membership is welcome to attend. We will possibly not have regular meeting in July because of the National Convention. There will be more definite information on this at the next meeting.
50/50 drawing was won by Carol Johnson. The collection was $68.00 to be split with Nurses for Newborns.
Joe Anthes made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Jim Augustus. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kay Augustus

b. Club Officers

2014 Officers

Chair	John Foster	JF244@aol.com	636-530-9812
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c. NCRS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes by Joan Burnett

NATIONAL CORVETTE RESTORERS SOCIETY
Board of Directors Meeting
St. Louis, Missouri
March 28, 2014

NCRS Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM CDT

Present were Directors Vito Cimilluca, Bill Baker, Bill Braun, Joan Burnett, Dick Capello, Carl Davidson, Marilyn Heitzman, Mike Ingham, and Mike Sams. Also present were Dave Brigham, Carlton Colclough, Larry Colvin, Jeff Cook, Dana Forrester, Mark Lincoln, Eric Mortimer, Gary Mortimer, Vinnie Peters, Roy Sinor, and John Waggoner

One general member was present in the audience.

Marilyn moved, and Joan seconded, that the minutes from the July, 2013 Board Meeting be accepted.

Election/Appointment of Officers, Managers and Editors

Mike Ingham moved, and Bill Braun seconded, the election of Dick Capello as President of the Board. Passed unanimously.
Dick made the following appointments:
Mike Ingham as Vice President.
Vito moved, and Marilyn seconded, the election of Jeff Cook as Finance Officer. Passed unanimously.
Larry Colvin as Secretary.
Mark Lincoln as Business Manager.
Dave Brigham as National Judging Chairman.
Gary Mortimer as Membership Manager.
Eric Mortimer as Editor of the Driveline.
Vinnie Peters as Editor of the Restorer.
Dana Forrester as National Corvette Museum liaison.
Joan Burnett as NCRS Foundation Chair.
Carlton Colclough as Public Relations Chair.
Roy Sinor as Historic Document Services Manager (This will be discussed further during the Executive Board Meeting.).
Mike Ingham as Publications Committee Chair.
Bill Sangrey as Archives Director.
Vito congratulated Dick on his election as NCRS President and thanked Marilyn for her service as Vice President. Dick thanked both Vito and Marilyn for their service.

Reports to the Board

President's Report – Dick Capello

Dick expressed his hope that he will be able to successfully follow in the footsteps of previous NCRS Presidents.

Vice President's Report – Marilyn Heitzman

National Convention Report.

Dana Forrester presented a summary of preparations for the 2014 Overland Park, Kansas, Convention.

Marilyn gave a summary of the 2014 Road Tour status. There are 57 Road Tour registrants so far.

Marilyn gave a report on the status of the 2015 Denver Convention and the 2016 Rhode Island Convention. Plans are moving along for both.

The Texas Chapter was awarded the 2017 Convention, to be held in San Antonio.

Business Manager Report – Mark Lincoln

Chevelle/Nova/Camaro Program.

Fee for shipping data report will be $50 per report.

A high activity level is expected.

Customers do not have to be NCRS members.

Program is expected to start in Q2 of 2014.

Barrett Jackson Financial History

Mark handed out a financial analysis of NCRS attendance at Barrett Jackson events from 2008 to 2014. Each year was profitable for the NCRS.

Financial Report – Jeff Cook

Income on NCRS investments continues to decline due to declining interest rates.

Sales and Membership – Gary Mortimer

Road sales are steady.

Shipping costs continue to increase, especially international shipping.

Mark noted that auto-membership renewal is ready to go live.

Members must check the appropriate box to be on auto-renewal. Regional Directors will notify the Chapter Chairmen when the system is ready for member election.

Judging Report – Dave Brigham

Greg Picconi took over from Dave as '53-'55 team leader.

The Board approved Dave's proposal to move forward with C5 judging. The first judging manual (97-99) is expected to be available in late 2015.

Several new C1-C4 manuals are expected to be available at Carlisle this year.

The Board approved sending unbound copies of new judging manuals to Chapter Judging Chairs to facilitate dividing them into the five sections.

National Corvette Museum Report – Dana Forrester

Dana reported that the museum was very appreciative of the NCRS National and Chapter donations for the sinkhole repair. These donations were taken out of the NCRS general fund, not Foundation funds as previously reported.

NCM attendance after the sinkhole event has increased by 700%.

Driveline – Eric Mortimer

The Driveline was awarded another Golden Quill award.

Driveline revenue is stable.

Restorer Report – Vinnie Peters

Vinnie will arrange for Chapter newsletter editors to be able to download content from the Restorer.

The 40th Anniversary issue will be 84 pages and will be released in early July 2014.

Public Relations Report – Carlton Colclough

The majority of Chapters participate in the NCRS charity program.

Carlton will send the charity guidelines to Directors and John Waggoner.

Old Business

Puerto Rico Chapter – Marilyn

The Puerto Rico Chapter was approved for full Chapter status.

Hold Harmless Agreement - Marilyn

A new version of the NCRS Hold Harmless agreement will be sent to all Chapter Chairmen.

Florida Online Regional Registration – Marilyn

The NCRS online registration system was used for the 2014 Florida Regional and will be used for all future Regionals.

Chapter Top Flight Banners – Bill Braun

Bill was approved to order new banners for all participating Chapters. The new banners have room for ten annual add-ons.

New Business

2016 Regional Proposals - Marilyn

Five Regionals were approved by the Board:
Kissimmee, FL, January 20-23;
Auburn, IN, April 21-23;
Rochester, MN, May 12-14
Bend, OR, June 2-4;
Frisco, TX, October 20-22;

A sixth proposal would be welcomed and considered for the September timeframe. Regional Directors were encouraged to contact their Chapters.

Web Site – John Waggoner

John and the IT team will undertake a redesign of the NCRS store site.

Membership - Eric

Current membership is 15,754 families.

Historic Document Services – Roy Sinor

Roy reviewed the history of Historic Document Services since 2007.

Bylaws

The NCRS Bylaws will be updated to include 1953 to 1999 as cars subject to judging. The Bylaws will also be updated to reflect the Board's decision to move ahead with C5 judging.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM CDT.
Date of the next Board meeting: July 19, 2014 in Overland Park, Kansas.

d. Editors Note by Joe Raine

The newsletter and web page are great ways to keep everyone in the club current on our latest activities. I am already working on the next edition of *The Legend*. Please send in your articles just as soon as you can. The newsletter will be published quarterly as close as possible to the first of March, June, September and December. I need articles that include pictures one month prior to publication time.

Our web page (http://stlouisncrs.org/) and newsletter are available for posting classified ads for cars and parts you would like to sell, or parts wanted. Member classified ads will automatically run for one quarter, unless I am notified to run it again.

Classified Ads:

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

Commercial advertising is also available for the newsletter (includes a link on our web page). All commercial ads will be included in four consecutive newsletters.

Feel free to drop me a note if you have any suggestions for improving our newsletter or webpage (j.r.raine@gmail.com).

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