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From the Editor

Well did everyone have enough HOT summer this year? Wow, was it hot at times. I got to the meets which I targeted, Gettysburg and Cincinnati Regional. Both were great events and venues. I'll try and cover some highlights later in this news letter.

The next Lake Erie Chapter event is a technical session on Paint presented by John Ballard. John has an extensive background in finishes and how it really was. This is a don't miss event.

See the details later in this news letter

Tom Fetchik, Editor

Membership News

Welcome to all New Members!!

Lake Erie Chapter dues are to be in by January 1, 2011. Please complete the attached form and send it in with your check made out to "Lake Erie Chapter" or, better yet, save yourself the postage and bring it with you to the Paint session on November 13th!

Please direct any Membership Questions or information:

Mike Cioffi, Membership

Around NCRS

The Corvette season is coming to an end with just one more Regional to go which will be in New Mexico where we will not only get to enjoy our NCRS family and great Corvettes, but we will also get to watch hundreds of hot air balloons above us. It will be like watching a fireworks display with all the colors and patterns of the balloons.

The 2010 Corvette season has been fabulous! With Regionals from the West coast to the East, from Florida where we all enjoy the warmth and sunshine, up to the State of Oregon with it's picturesque background! Then of course there was the National Convention in North Carolina – it was fantastic!! I don't know of anyone that did not have a great time, but then how could you not with the Lowes Motor Speedway as our host. The 2011 National in Novi, Michigan promises to be fantastic so if you can, I would love to see you there.

Hopefully by now you have read about the new services provided to all NCRS members – the NCRS Award Confirmation Document and the GM Delivery Data (available starting October 1, 2010). The Award Confirmation Document provides the verification of awards that are linked to one particular car. So before you buy a "NCRS Award winning" car, you can make sure it truly is an award winning Corvette. The GM Delivery Data service will offer information contained on the Corvette Month Shipped Reports – such as dealer code, dealer name & address, and the date shipped. Get more information on these two services from the NCRS web site and the latest edition of the *Restorer*.

Enjoy the rest of the Corvette season and I hope to see you in Florida in January.

Marilyn
NCRS VP & Regional Director

Chapter News

Lake Erie Elections

Believe it or not, it was almost two years ago that the current Lake Erie Board was elected and we would appreciate your involvement. Whether it is to serve as a Board member or simply to put on a tech session (all our tech/judging sessions can be held at the Tim Lally's) or give the Board ideas on what topics you would like to have more information on so you can finish your Corvette or improve your judging skills.

With some of the Board positions currently vacant, and the membership growing, we need more of you to help the Chapter out by volunteering to sit on the Board. The commitment is only for one year. If you would be willing to help out, please let Mike Cioffi know which position you would like to be a candidate for – Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chairman, Events coordinator, Judging Chairman, Newsletter Editor. We will have the election in November, 2010.

Please step up and help your Chapter improve!!!

Lake Erie Chapter NCRS August 8, 2010 Chapter Meet at Tim Lally Chevrolet

There were really great cars for the judging field. A rare no paint code car was brought by xxx for judging.

Bob Fratus NCRS member and our support from the dealership made sure everything was ready and the service area cleared for our cars. Even though the weather was nice, it is really a benefit to be able to host a meet inside. Thanks to the dealership for allow us the opportunity to use the facilities.



Roger Angel, 1957, Second Flight



Tom Masztak, 1956, Second Flight



Lenny Warren, 1964, Second Flight



Chuck Walder, 1966, Top Flight (primer car)



Chuck Simon, 1966, Second Flight



Kevin Finnerty, 1967, Top Flight



Jack Straka, 1969, Second Flight



Frank Pelly, 1973, Top Flight



Spence Brady, 1996, Sportsman



Tom Fetchik, 1967, Sportsman



Jerry Prahl, 1956, Display



Tom Bullock, 1969, Display



David Mann, 1966, Display



Jeff Cook holds court for the Judges meeting



Show Field, Tim Lally Chevrolet Service area provided a very nice environment for everyone



Marilyn Heitzman arranged some terrific door prizes, everyone took home something

LE Chapter Technical Session

The next Chapter event is on November 13, 2010. The technical session will focus on Paint, application and condition. Primarily focusing on 53 – 75 cars. John Ballard from the Cincinnati Chapter will be here to cover the subject.

The tentative agenda is:

Intro –

The early years - 53 - 57, what was then and what is now

The mid years and sharks 63 - 78, what was then and what is now

Base Coat Clear Coat - Getting better but for who

We hope to have cars available for actual comparisons

The event will be held at Tim Lally Chevrolet Dealership. Starting at 10:00AM sharp ending around 2:00PM. Lunch will be provided by the Chapter so we need your RSVP! Please email or call Tom Fetchik at tfetchik@aol.com or call 330-524-5009

Tim Lally Chevrolet
19000 Rockside Road
Bedford, OH 44146

A little back ground on John Ballard

BACKGROUND

Involved for 50 years as a paint, color matching & application chemist. Ballard has served as a paint consultant for two GM factory assembly plants and has had exposure to factory assembly plant procedures. He has studied and/or disassembled factory original vehicles and has extensive photo documentation files regarding authentic finishes and application procedures.

UNRESTORED CARS OWNED

- ♦ 1957, 1959, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1970, 1972 & 1978
Corvettes

PRIMARY EXPERTISE

Authentic paint and body finishes on corvette production vehicles. Extensive knowledge on interior, underhood, and chassis factory correctness.

CURRENT PROFESSION

Paint chemist/Formulator/Application Specialist /Color Matching

NCRS

Master Judge 600 level

BOW TIE AWARDS

1959, 1963, 1965, 1972 & 1978

BLOOMINGTON GOLD

Bloomington Gold Survivor, Certification, Benchmark Judge, Instructor in Gold School classes on factory correctness.

Queen City Regional

I thought I would include an overview of my attendance to the NCRS Regional meet at Bob McDorman Chevrolet.

The meet was hosted by the Cincinnati Chapter, NCRS. Being a Regional meet Corvettes that need to have that level of certification come in groves, and they did! 80 Trailers and cars filled the area. The longest trailered was over 1200 miles and the longest driven was over 1100 Miles!

The weather was (almost) perfect. Thursday and Friday was sunny and in the 70's. Saturday for most of the day all was well with cloudy skies and a threat of rain. Rain did not arrive until about 6PM and by that time we were all inside for the awards dinner.

Bob McDorman, a long time NCRS member and supporter, went all out in supporting this meet. He moved his collection of pace cars, Camaro, Corvairs and Corvettes outside on the grass so we could hold the meet inside. In addition, Bob hosted the awards dinner in his new all Corvette showroom, and provided a full dinner. And was it ever good. Thank you Bob

Here are some pictures from the event!



Bob McDorman gave his buildings to NCRS



The Corvette showroom



Show was held inside, safe and dry



Bob's collection was open for everyone to get up close and review his special cars



John Ballard addresses the ceremony



Bob McDorman discusses his commitment to NCRS

Upcoming Events

Lake Erie Chapter Technical Session

November 13, 2010

For Sale

Set of 4 B.F. Goodrich Silvertown 7.75x15 4 ply reproduction redline tires. Very good condition, one tire is new as it was the spare. \$150. Call Tom 330-524-5009



Do you have something to sell? Send Tom Fetchik your item advertisement and he will get it up on the web site and in the next news letter! Contact Tom at tfetchik@aol.com

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LAKE ERIE CHAPTER 2011 MEMBERSHIP Form

New Membership _____ Renewal _____

NAME: _____ Birthday (Mo/day only) _____

SPOUSE NAME: _____ Birthday (Mo/day only) _____

NCRS# _____ Phone # _____ Cell# _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CORVETTES OWNED (OPTIONAL)

JUDGING LEVEL (OPTIONAL) _____

Please mail a \$15.00 check payable to: LEC NCRS

SEND TO:

Marilyn Heitzman

LE Chapter, Treasurer

15769 W Portage River S Rd

Elmore, OH 43416

tell us what topics you would like our tech sessions to cover!

TECHNCIAL/JUDGING Topic _____

WILL YOU HELP AND AN EVENT? YES _____ MAYBE _____