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**Chairman's Message** 

As the driving season slowly begins to dwindle going into the fall, we find ourselves very busy with events culminating the last driving efforts of the Vette season.

Coming up in the first weekend in October is a favorite with Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS (HoO), the Atwood Lake Park Fall Festival. This again, like last year is a fall tour for those that wish to get out and enjoy the fall colors in the Ohio countryside. At our tour destination is a beautiful park with a car show and a very large Fall Crafts Festival. After the tour /car/craft show is an open invitation to Rink's countryside estate just east of Buckeye Lake. Priscilla and Randy have invited the HoO Chapter for food and fun a great finish to a fun fill pack fall day.

The second Sunday, in October the 9th is of course the **Central Ohio Corvette Alliance, Gathering II.** The show, which was a great show at the Polaris, Quaker Steak and Lube restaurant, has now been moved to Lancaster, Ohio. The show has outgrown the Polaris location and a new venue was needed. This year the Heart of Ohio Chapter–NCRS has

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elected to participate and show our support to the love of Corvettes whether gathering for judging or just gathering for fun. So, come one come all and join our fellow Corvette lovers.

The Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS Judging Meet at Bob McDorman's Chevrolet has always marked the end of summer for me. But, this year I must say I was looking forward to my first regional at Cincinnati's Queen City Regional Corvette judging meet and marking this as my end of summer event. (See my article on page 4 about this event.)

The Heart of Ohio Judging Meet was not as filled with judged Corvettes as in the past, but in fact we had a flip-flop of Judged Corvettes verses Sportsman's cars attended. Still in all, the Meet went very smoothly, as there were plenty of judges to fulfill the team judging sections of the various Corvette classes. I must admit the Oueen City Regional had a great impact on our Judging meet. The speculation for all of us was that these two meets being so close together impacted us in the way that only proved that more Corvette owners were focusing on the Regional meet than a local chapter meet. This gives rise to the thinking that a regional meet in Columbus would bring more Corvette owners to our chapter's focus.

One last topic I wish to share with our members, please remember the highly touted, authoritative resource on Corvette documentation, **Al Grenning** will give his presentation **Saturday**, **November 5<sup>th</sup>**. See Page 12 for further details.

As the driving season progresses into fall fun, please take care when you are on the road. Hope to see you about at the various events. And remember to save the wave.

Lou Zuniga

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## **October Events**

Oct 2	Classic Glass Corvette
	Club – Atwood Lake
	Car Show and HoO
	Chapter NCRS – Fall
	Tour (Combined
	Event)
Oct 9	<b>Corvette Alliance car</b>
	show – Details in
	attached flyer
Oct 7-9	AACA – Hershey, PA
Oct 13-14	National Corvette
	Museum Extravaganza
	– Bowling Green, KY
Oct 14-16	Corvette Expo – Fall –
	Knoxville, TN
Oct 16	NCRS Pittsburgh,
	Judging School – Barry
	Holmes Garage –
	Saltsburg, PA
	(For further
	information contact
	Roger Zrimsek at
	rz.redvet@verizon.net
	or see attached flyer)
Oct 20-22	NCRS Texas Regional
	– Waco, TX

### **Chapter Meeting Notes**

On Saturday September 10th the Heart of Ohio Chapter of the NCRS held its annual Judging Meet at McDorman Chevrolet's 2005 Classic Chevy and Corvette Show in Canal Winchester, Ohio. We had a beautiful day for the event and a good member turnout.

McDorman dedicates a special area of their parking lot for this event and provides us a tent that is large enough to hold



approximately 50 cars. The show attendee traffic was excellent, with Pam Matejovic dispensing and collecting new membership information. Our Chapter was adjacent to the Corvette Auction and the new Corvette Showroom Building which gave us even greater visibility.

Registration got underway at 8:00am and there was plenty of coffee and bagels for all. Three cars registered for the Flight Judging – a 1957, a 1965 Convertible and a 1978 Coupe. In addition, 12 cars registered for Sportsman. Included were a C-1, and a nice assortment of C-2's and C-3's. Two Top Flight and one Second Fight Awards were given.

Steve Steffensen served as Head Judge with sixteen accomplished judge members serving as Team Lead Judges. In addition there were eight assisting judges. Among the judges were members from the **Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter**, the **Lake Erie Chapter** and the **Cincinnati Queen City Chapter**.



The Judging began promptly at 9:00 am and concluded just in time for lunch. Lou ordered-in a selection of great box lunches for everybody from Katzinger's (the best deli in Columbus) and at about 1:00 the awards were announced. About that time the Corvette Auction got underway and we all joined in fellowship and Corvette discussions.



In summary, it was a great event and we had a great day for it. Our thanks to Steve Steffensen and Randy Rink



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(who is serving as Acting Judging Committee Chair) and



the following who served as judges: Richard Ankenbrandt, Howard Baker, John Ballard. Tom Barr, Paul Borowski, Dave Borror, Bill Clupper, Richard DeMay, Joe Eyl, Dave and Marylyn Heitzman, Randy Mullins, Larry Murphy, Patrick Ofenloch, Paul Oslansky, Jim Salvino, Carl Zander, Roger Zrimsek and Lou Zuniga. Many of them joined us from sister NCRS Chapters. Also, we want to think Jan Steffensen and Sue Yasher for taking time out of their day to provide their assistance in judging sheet tabulations and to Lou Zuniga, our Chair, who oversaw the whole event. Finally, special thanks go out to Bob McDorman for hosting this event and providing us with a great venue.



### Report from Carlisle By Roger Zrimsek

When you hear the words "Corvettes at Carlisle" what do you think? Until now I just thought it was a bunch of Corvettes parked in a fair ground and people selling their old parts. The reason I thought this way is because I had never been there.

This year I had a couple of car questions and I figured the best place to get the answers was at Carlisle, but I had no idea what to expect. Where else could you go and see an NCRS Gallery, a 1955 Corvette display, a Racers Reunion, a Callaway Display, the Chevrolet Engineers tent (including the new Z06) and a display of Chips Choice Corvettes.

There was also a ZR1 reunion, the 35th, 40th, and 50th anniversary displays and, lastly, the fun displays. Besides all the great Corvettes, there were a lot of vendors selling parts for all year Corvettes, plus food, models and anything Corvetterelated.

As I walked the entire grounds looking at most of the Corvettes for sale I found the answers to both of my questions. Then towards the end of the day on Saturday I started looking at things other than cars. I looked at some of the models, jewelry, clothing and other items. But, the best vendor of model cars was the guy selling what looked like junked, rusted-out cars. At first I thought it was a joke-someone trying to sell old junk models he found in a junk yard or at flea markets.



After talking with him for a short while I came to find out that he makes the models look like junk. What a great idea. If you think about it, many people found a barn car with trees growing out of it. Or they are full of hay with the cows or some other animal eating out of them. If you found one of these cars and had it completely restored, this guy either has or could make a model of your find. Or if you have a collection of model cars, these would be a great addition because it would show what may have happened to the original car. If you want to give a great gag gift this would be it. So if you are interested go to



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(Editors note – Roger belongs to both the Heart of Ohio and Pittsburgh Tri State NCRS Chapters and owns a 1975 Convertible).

### Report From The Queen City Regional Meet by Lou Zuniga

The Queen City Regional meet was a four-day event with the initial proceedings beginning only four days after the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS judged meet. The Regional began with Corvettes arriving on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Because the meet was held in Cincinnati's Cinergy Convention Center and the cars would be on the third floor for the judging meet, the operations portion of the judging section would have to be performed as the Corvettes arrived and before the cars were moved to the third floor. So Corvette owners were instructed to arrive on Thursday to allow for this unusual procedure.

Once the ops check was completed, the fire marshal had to inspect the cars to insure only a quarter tank of gas was allowed and the gas tank caps were all taped close, then the cars were painstakingly moved <u>Newsletter</u> The Front End

one at a time back into the elevator and then pushed to their final resting position on the third floor for the remainder of the judging meet.

Friday and Saturday was the main event the elite judging certification. The field consisted of from 50 to 75 fight judging Corvettes from C1, C2 big & small blocks, C3 and for the first time C4 Corvettes of 90' & 91'vintage. From the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS our representatives were as followed. Randy Rink, our Vice Chairman with a 1963 fuel injected roadster in Daytona Blue, Dave Borror, our past Vice Chairman with a 1967 big block 427/400 hp, triple black roadster. Jim Salvino, with a 1967 Marlboro maroon and black base 327/350 hp L79, Harry Lambert with his 1978 silver anniversary, Silver & black Corvette and finally Larry Murphy with his Black 1990 LS1 and first year for C4 Corvette judging.

Friday, the day began with all the judges meeting for a preliminary talk by Dave Heitzman, the overall Regional Judging Chairman. Dave's talk was about cautions, discussions, procedures and care towards handling other's Corvettes. Perry Yasher and I met with Keith Biggers, team leader for

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67' C3 class judge, after the judge's meeting. We introduce ourselves and informed Keith of our intentions to be observer judges for the meet.

We started out with an interior group and then fazing ourselves through other sections, exterior, mechanical and chassis sections of the judging classes. At lunchtime we gathered most of our group to delve in to Cincinnati's famous cuisine, Skyline Chili with beginnings in 1949.

After lunch we continued our judging observations on the 67' Corvettes. Later that afternoon we spoke with Larry Murphy, who seemed assured of a topflight award by his calculations over the judging process. Murphy was the first in our chapter to go through and finish the judging process. Dave, Harry, Jim and Randy would have to wait until Saturday for their outcome to pass.

Saturday began with the remainder of our group very intense and focused toward the judging teams surrounding their Corvettes. Perry did not return on Saturday, instead opting to sleep and then go to a wedding. Where are this man's priorities? I elected to go to the alternate judging schools for a maximum point gathering towards judging



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The German food and atmosphere was most welcome on a bright warm September, Saturday. Returning to the Cinergy Center with food in hand for my comrade, I took to the second part of the Judging school scheduled that afternoon. The judging schools consisted of identifying some obvious and not so obvious components from C1 and C2 Class Corvettes that are original.

I as most found that observer judging was where most education on Corvettes was gained in the process. When the Judging class wound down I proceeded to find out how our troops had faired the judging entourage. As I gathered information most of our guys were looking at this with the glass have empty attitude. But in learning of their deduction points I gathered that all of our warriors did extremely well through the process. By my calculations all Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS members had top-flighted and I was proud for all their work and perseverance. As the final hours ware down a

team of assistances wondered though the judging field scheduling owners for their elevator time slot to move their Corvette for departure after the judging was completed. Once again I understand that the Fire Marshall had to official approve their Corvette exits.

I must say that the judges Perry and I paired up with were most cordial and educational. I found that they were very open and willing to explain the reasons for deductions in all the judging sheets that we observed. I must thank Terry McManmon, John Ballard and the host of other Judging school presenters for their information they shared with us, the hungry for Corvette knowledge students. I wish to say thank you to all the hard working individuals at the Queen City Regional Judging meet, for you are the ones that the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS are most thankful for.

Once again on behalf of my fellow members and myself **Thank You Queen City Chapter** of the NCRS for the education, the hospitality, the judging and the time well spent. And, for a well-organized and smooth running judged meet. OH! And, congratulations to Dave, Harry, Jim, Larry and Randy for achieving Top-Flight October 2005

at the Queen City Regional Judge meet. Great going guys!

## Other Newsletter Features

## **Authors Wanted**

Do you have anything that is Corvette or car related you want to share with our members? A special vendor you found, a tip on how to fix something, a story about a corvette experience. Anything you think might be of value or interest. We welcome your contributions!

Please take a few minutes and send me an email. I will be glad to put it into our Newsletter. You can reach me at **Herb@harltons.com** or (614) 847-0774.

### Herb Harlton

## Moving?

Let us know if your mailing address or your e-mail address has changed so, we can update our records and keep you up to date. **Please send changes to Membership Chairman:** 

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HoO Vendor List

Help others find quality services and vendors. Share your good experiences by contributing to our list. Send me listings for your favorite vendors. *HH* 

#### Aluminum Arc Welding

Ohio Trailer Supply Inc. 2966 Westerville Rd. Columbus, Ohio 43224 PH: (614) 471-9121

#### Brakes & Fuel Lines

Fine Lines, Inc. 127 Hartman Rd. Wadsworth, OH 44281 Phone 800 778-8237

#### **Corvette Reproduction Parts**

Corvette Central P.O. Box 16 13550 Three Oaks Road Sawyer, MI 49125 Phone 800-345-4122

#### Corvette Parts, Service & More

Corvette Corner 1661 E Dublin-Grandville Rd. Columbus, Oh 43229 Phone 614 888-6688

Columbus Corvette 572 S. Nelson Road Building Q Columbus, OH 43205 Phone 614 253-0066 (Fuel injection adjustment)

#### <u>Corvette Parts & Instrument</u> <u>Restorations</u>

Corvette Specialties of Maryland 1912 Liberty Road Eldersburg, MD 21784 Phone 410 795-3180

#### **Corvette Reproduction Parts**

Trim Parts Inc. 2175 Deerfield road. Lebanon, OH. 45036 Phone (513) 934-0815 <u>sales@trimparts.com</u>

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Mid America Motorworks #1 Mid America Place P.O. Box 1368 Effingham, IL 62401 Phone 800 500-1500

Paragon Reproductions 8040 S. Jennings Road Swartz Creek, MI 48473 Phone 810 6554641

#### **Electrical Components**

Lectric Limited 6750 W. 74th Street - Suite A Bedford Park, IL 60638 Phone 708 563-0400

M&H Electric Fabricators, Inc. 13537 Alondra Blvd. Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Phone 562 926-9552 <u>October 2005</u>

#### Frame Repair

**Glassworks & Stainless Steel** 

The Hardtop Shop 238 Spring Run Road Crescent, PA. 15046 Phone 888 340-7812

#### **Holley Carburetor Restoration**

Holley Custom Speed Shop 509 Industrial Drive Springfield, TN 37172 Phone 888 465-5395

#### **Horn Restorations**

The Horn Works 967 Hackett Street Beloit, WI 53511 Phone 608 361-0095

#### **Interior & Upholstery**

Al Knoch 9010 North Desert Blvd Canutillo, Texas 79835 Phone 800 880-8080

#### **Metal Acid Dipping**

US Metal Processing 1089 Claycraft Rd. Columbus, OH 43230 Phone 614 575-1806



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### Oil & Fluid Services

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Valvoline Service Center 2609 Dublin-Granville Road Columbus, OH. 1-614-899-9222 Discount to Corvette owners State your are a member of the Corvette Alliance

#### Paint & Body Shop

Murphy's Classic Restorations 841 Clubview Drive Dover, OH 44622 Phone 330-343-8778 Fax 330-364-5988 Web Murphysclassics.com

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Columbus Custom Powder Coating 915 Distribution drive Columbus, OH 43228 Phone 614 276-6181

#### Radio & Clock Repair

Radio & Clock Repair D&M Restoration 46 Grand Ave. Greenville, SC 29607 Phone 800 722-0854

#### **Radiator Repair**

Hedrick Auto Radiator Inc. 2733 Morse Rd. Columbus, OH 43231 Phone 614 475-3048

#### Suspension & Brakes

Precision Engineering 3111 Fortune Way Suite B-13 Wellington, FL. 33414 Phone 888 748-0362

#### Weather Strip & Rubber Products

Corvette Rubber 10640 W. Cadillac Road Cadillac, MI 49601 Phone 888 216-9412

#### Wheel Alignment

Bee-Line Alignment Service 1030 Harmon Avenue Columbus, OH 43223 Phone 614 443-7681

NTB/Tire Kingdom 2195 Baltimore-Reynoldsburg Road Reynoldsburg, OH 43068 Phone 614 863-6926

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# Calendar Of Events

Dates in Bold are Heart of Ohio Chapter events Dates underlined are NCRS chapter events Dates in italics are other Corvette related events Dates in italics and underlined are Corvette Alliance events

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## **NOVEMBER 2005**

Nov 5	Heart of Ohio Chapter – Seminar "Documents & Engine Stamps" sponsored	
	by HoO and presented by AI Grenning – Columbus, OH	
<u>Nov 13</u>	NCRS Pittsburgh Chapter Meet - Kenny Ross Chevrolet	
Nov 19-20	Chevy Vette Fest – McCormick Place – Chicago, IL	
Nov 24	Thanksgiving Day	

## **DECEMBER 2005**

Dec 3	Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS Board meeting
Dec 10	Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS Christmas Party – Details TBA

## **JANUARY 2006**

Jan 26-29 NCRS Florida Winter Regional Meet – Kissimmee, Florida



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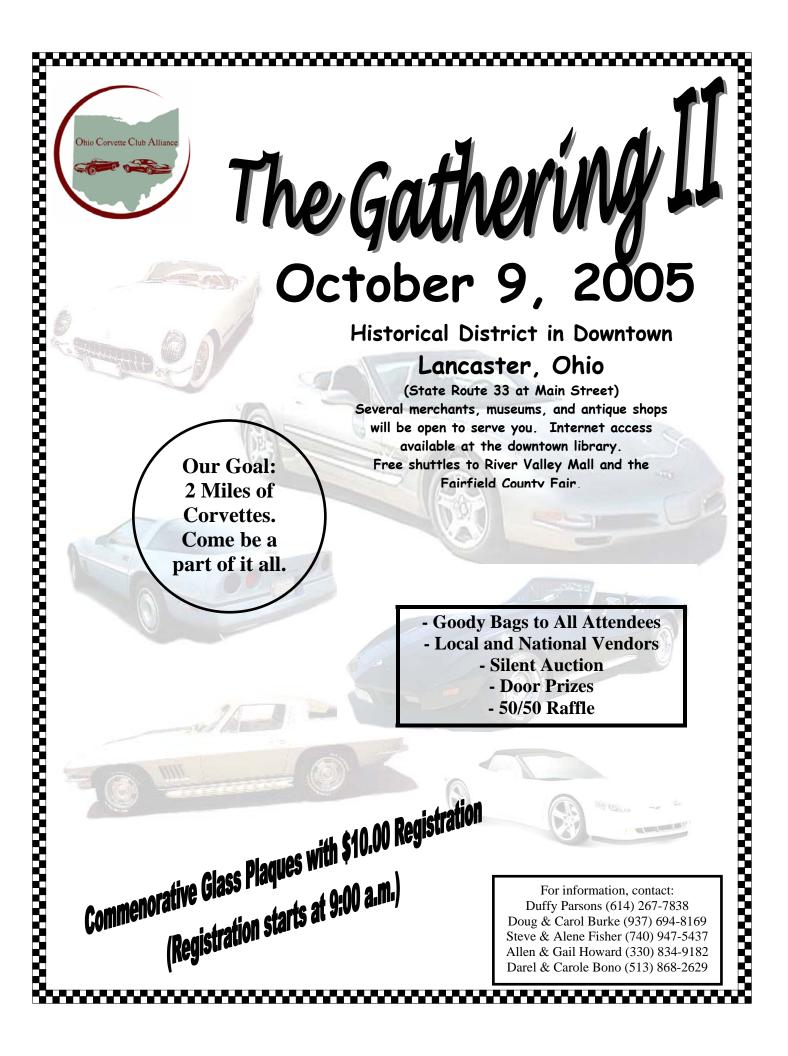
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Cost: \$10.00/person

Includes Registration, Coffee, Donuts, Lunch Time: Coffee, Donuts @ 9:00am / Start @ 10:00am Make Checks Payable to:

Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter NCRS

**Theme:** Judging of C2, C3, C4 Top Flight cars

Name:

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Along with the ever increasing values of unmodified C-2 Corvettes comes ever increasing attempts to turn less than mint C-2's into something they will never be. Some of the most attempted schemes are the falsifying of engine serial number stamp pads, trim tags and other documents.

Al Grenning is a renowned author and perhaps the most knowledgeable person in the hobby on engine Stamp Pads, Trim Tags and general Corvette documentation. Through extensive documentation and research Mr. Grenning has complied a vast library of information on these topics. On November 5<sup>th</sup> he will be presenting selections of this material NCRS Members and their guests at a Heart of Ohio Technical Seminar.

### Join us for this interesting and informative event

### Saturday, November 5, 2005

### Al Grenning Presents "Documents & Engine Stamps"

Highlights for Children Corporate Office 1800 Watermark Drive Columbus, OH 43215 (Northwest quadrant of Dublin Rd and Grandview Blvd, close to the I-670/Grandview exit)

8:45 – 9:25	Check-In, Fellowship & Continental Breakfast
9:30 – 11:00	Presentation 1 - Documents
11:00 – 11:30	Break – Pizza and Beverage
11:30 – 1:00	Presentation 2 – Engine Stamps
1:00 – 1:30	Q & A
1:30 – 2:00	Fellowship
2:00	Adjourn

Presented by the Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS. Donation \$10.00 for food and incidentals.

To help us accommodate you, please RSVP to: Jim Salvino at jsalvino@columbus.rr.com

