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### Chairman's Message

Thanksgiving holidays have just past and now the Christmas season is upon us. I hope you members were able to prepare your Corvettes for winter storage. This fall was most deceiving with the warm weather then the sudden cold snap. I was relieved to have taken my Corvette to storage on the warm weekend before Thanksgiving. I wish to remind all the members of the Heart of Ohio Chapter Christmas party held at Bob's service center, for details see the flyer attached.

At the Al Grenning seminar new officers were elected. I wish to thank Garry Brown (Judging Chair) for his assistance this past year, I realize that family matters need first attention and hope you all the best in Garry's wife's health.

I also want to thank Randy Rink for the many hats he has put on this year and because he did such a fabulous effort with our sudden change in Judging Chairs. Randy Rink has agreed to take the Judging Chair position this coming year. I am so much in his debt for his actions and assistance throughout this year. I also must say thank you to Priscilla Rink for

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her many ideas that have spurred on new activities for the Chapter. THANK YOU RANDY & PRISCILLA.

Replacing Randy as Vice Chair I wish to welcome aboard and look forward to his assistance, Perry Yasher. Perry will be taking on the duties of the Vice Chair for the Heart of Ohio Chapter. Perry and Sue Yashers have been very active members in the Chapter and I look forward to their assistance in the future.

Lastly I wish to welcome aboard, Stew Van Kirk and his wife Pam. Stew and Pam are also very active members and I look forward to their assistance again.

Thank You new office members for stepping up even more, I look to the New Year with

renewed focus and with your assistance to get more active life out of the Heart of Ohio Chapter members. And, THANK YOU PAST OFFICERS for your continued assistance.

The new Board Officers and I met in mid November to identify calendar events for 2006. The board has agreed on many activities for 2006. Beginning the new year January was decided that due to holidays and Florida regional this left very little time for Heart of Ohio Chapter activities. So, February 4th was the best starting time for Chapter activities. Please mark your calendars for two electrical technical seminars February and March

The first seminar with demystify the operations of the Corvette ignition system, February 4th. Perry Yasher, perhaps others and I will present how the Corvette ignition systems operates, trouble shooting the ignition and how to test various parts of the ignition system.

The second electrical technical seminar will deal with wiring and trouble shooting electrical problems. The second seminar



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will be presented by Mike Hack from Eastern Corvettes. Mike's father is Steve Hack the owner of Eastern Corvettes and long time NCRS member. Eastern Corvettes is known for restoring mid year Corvette head light assemblies, wiper motors and other services. Eastern Corvettes is located south east of Cincinnati.

Let me once again remind all to pay your dues for 2006 fiscal year. Pam Matejovic will be looking for your respond to dues for the up coming year. Please see the attached renewal application. Please remit with Pam.

Lou Zuniga  
Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS  
President/Chair

### December Events

Dec 10th – Heart of Ohio Chapter  
NCRS Christmas Party – CBBC  
(See attached flyer)

Dec 31<sup>st</sup> – HoO Chapter Dues Due,  
See attached Form

### Chapter Meeting Notes

**November Technical Seminar**  
– On Saturday November 5th our Chapter hosted a Technical Seminar featuring Al Greening speaking about Corvette

Documentation. Al is a well known historian on this subject and has compiled a substantial collection of factory build records, reproductions of Corvette Production Documents and photographs of engine serial number pads and body trim tags.

Our meeting was hosted by Garry Brown at the Highlights for Children corporate offices near downtown Columbus. Garry graciously offered us their conference room which was more than large enough to accommodate our group. It is a great facility. Lou and Randy provided donuts and coffee to get us started.

About 40 NCRS Members and guests attended. The one who came from furthest away was a gentleman from Utah who was in town on business; the person who drove the farthest for the day came from an NCRS Chapter in Maryland. Other chapters represented, in addition to HoO, were Cincinnati, Dayton, Lake Erie, Pittsburgh and Detroit. It was a great turnout.

Al's presentation was titled **“Originality – How Typical Is It?”**. It was divided into two parts. The first part, before lunch, concentrated on

documents that were generated during the Corvette ordering, building and sales stages. His presentation in the afternoon was on Corvette engine stamps and engine stamp abnormalities. Both presentations were overwhelming in the amount of information presented and in Al's familiarity with his material.

“The Corvette Production Order” was the title of Al's morning presentation. There was a tremendous amount of paperwork produced when a Corvette was manufactured. There were at least nine separate documents required to build each car and many of them filed in quadruplicate and sent to multiple locations. While most of this paperwork has been destroyed, a surprising amount is still available for Corvette authentication purposes. These documents contain a tremendous amount of information about every car built.

Al talked about each document that was created in the production order process and passed around, or showed on his two screens, samples of many of them. He also explained how they flowed through General Motors production process. One very interesting topic Al



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discussed during this document presentation was GM's use of Exception Letters and how they could be deciphered. Designed as an inventory control measure these codes today are a powerful authentication tool.

Al's presentation after lunch was titled "Corvette Engine Pads". Once again he presented a tremendous amount of information. He began by showing us pictures of about 20 different engine pads and asked us to verify which we thought were the work of the UAW (i.e. official) and which were not (i.e. they were done by somebody else). He then told us to hold on to these "quiz" papers for later.

For the next hour Al explained the process of how engine stamp pads were created in the factory and showed us many examples of both normal and abnormal pads that were perfectly legitimate. He also mixed in a few examples whose authenticity was questionable. Once again the amount of information he presented was overwhelming. It was also very enlightening. Just as in many of the steps in the creation of the production documents, the stamping of engine stamp pad serial numbers was done by

humans and subject to human error.

At the end of this presentation Al once again gave us his quiz and asked us to reevaluate our earlier decision of an engine pads authenticity. He then told us the correct answers. It was most interesting.

I think of the all of the "take away" messages this seminar provided me, the most important one was about the buzz words "numbers matching" which seem to appear frequently in the descriptions of used Corvettes. I quote from Al's notes:

**"In addition, there is a trap waiting to snatch the uninitiated into thinking somehow the words "numbers matching" relate to originality. THESE WORDS – "NUMBERS MATCHING" HAVE NO ORIGINALITY RELATIONSHIP TO ANY COMPONENT OF A CLASSIC CORVETTE. In fact, to the initiated these are the words of direct warning to be skeptical."**

If anyone left this presentation thinking otherwise they were asleep.

Al's presentation was excellent. He had a tremendous amount of pictures he showed us simultaneously on two screens as he spoke and he gladly stopped to answer questions. In addition, he provided us all with a 19-page handout summarizing much of the material he presented. It also including topics he did not have time to present such as Trim Tags. Copies of this document are available from Lou Zuniga.

We would like to thank Dave Borrer and Jim Salvino for hosting Al while he was in Columbus, Randy Rink for the excellent job of catering breakfast, lunch and beverages, Lou Zuniga and Jim Salvino for organizing and overseeing the seminar and Priscilla Rink and Pam Matejovic for staffing the registration desk. And we especially would like to thank Garry Brown for providing us with a great venue.

Herb Harlton

### 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



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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](mailto: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:**

Pam Matejovic  
1003 Urana Ave.  
Columbus, OH. 43224  
[pmatejovi@cas.org](mailto:pmatejovi@cas.org)



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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)

### Corvette Parts & Instrument Restorations

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  
[sales@trimparts.com](mailto:sales@trimparts.com)

Long Island Corvette Supply Inc.  
1445 Strong Avenue S.  
Copiague, NY. 11726  
Phone 800 466-6367

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

### 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**

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

### **Powder Coating**

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

### **Window Sticker Reproductions**

Triple A Enterprises  
P.O. Box 8463  
Bloomington, IN 47408  
Phone 812 245 8252  
<http://www.window-sticker.com>





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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

#### December 2005

**Dec 10**                      **Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS Christmas Party – CBBC (See attached flyer)**

#### January 2006

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

#### February 2006

**Feb 4**                      **HoO Technical Seminar – Ignition Systems – Lou Zuniga (Tentative)**

Feb 10-12                      NCRS Judges Training Retreat – Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas

Feb. 19                      Queen City NCRS Chapter Annual Winter Corvette and Chevy Swap Meet.

Location:

Joseph Chevrolet

8733 Colerain Avenue

Cincinnati, Ohio

(3 miles south of I-275; ½ mile north of Ronald Regan Highway)

Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

General Admission: \$3.00

Food and Drinks Available

#### March 2006

**March 4**                      **HoO Technical Seminar – Electrical Troubleshooting – Mike Hack (Tentative)**

#### April 2006

**April 1**                      **HoO Technical Seminar – Repairing Paint Chips – Randy Rink (Tentative)**



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### **May 2006**

**May 1**                      **HoO Judging School – Judging Corvette Parts – Stew Van Kirk (Tentative)**  
**May 18-20**                **NCRS Indiana Regional – Auburn, IN (Kruse Auction Park)**  
                                 **HoO Organized Road Trip to Event (Tentative)**

### **June 2006**

**June 4**                    **HoO Road Trip & Chapter Meeting – Corvettes at Roscoe Village (Tentative)**  
                                 (This show might also be the following Sunday June 11th)  
**June 19-18**               **HoO Organized Road Trip – Bloomington Gold (Tentative)**

### **July 2006**

**July 9**                    **HoO Picnic at Yasher's (Tentative)**

### **August 2006**

**August 1-5**               **NCRS National Convention – San Antonio**  
**August 19**               **HoO Judging School – CBBC (Tentative)**

### **September 2006**

**September 9**        **HoO Chapter Meet – McDorman Chevrolet (Tentative)**

### **October 2006**

**October 8**              **Corvette Alliance Meet (Tentative)**

### **November 2006**

**November 4**        **HoO Fall Color Tour (Tentative)**

### **December 2006**

**December 9**        **HoO Holiday Party (Tentative)**





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## **HEART OF OHIO CHAPTER**

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**Heart of Ohio Chapter Members:**

You are invited to the annual Heart of Ohio Chapter Christmas Party. This year's Party will be held at Bob Patrella's Service Center (yes it will be decorated for Christmas).

**When:** Saturday - December 10, 2005

**Where:** Bob Patrella's Service Center

6661 Huntley Road

(N.W. corner of Schrock and Huntley Rds.)

**Time :** Social Hour - 5:30PM to 6:30PM

Festivities - 6:30PM to ?

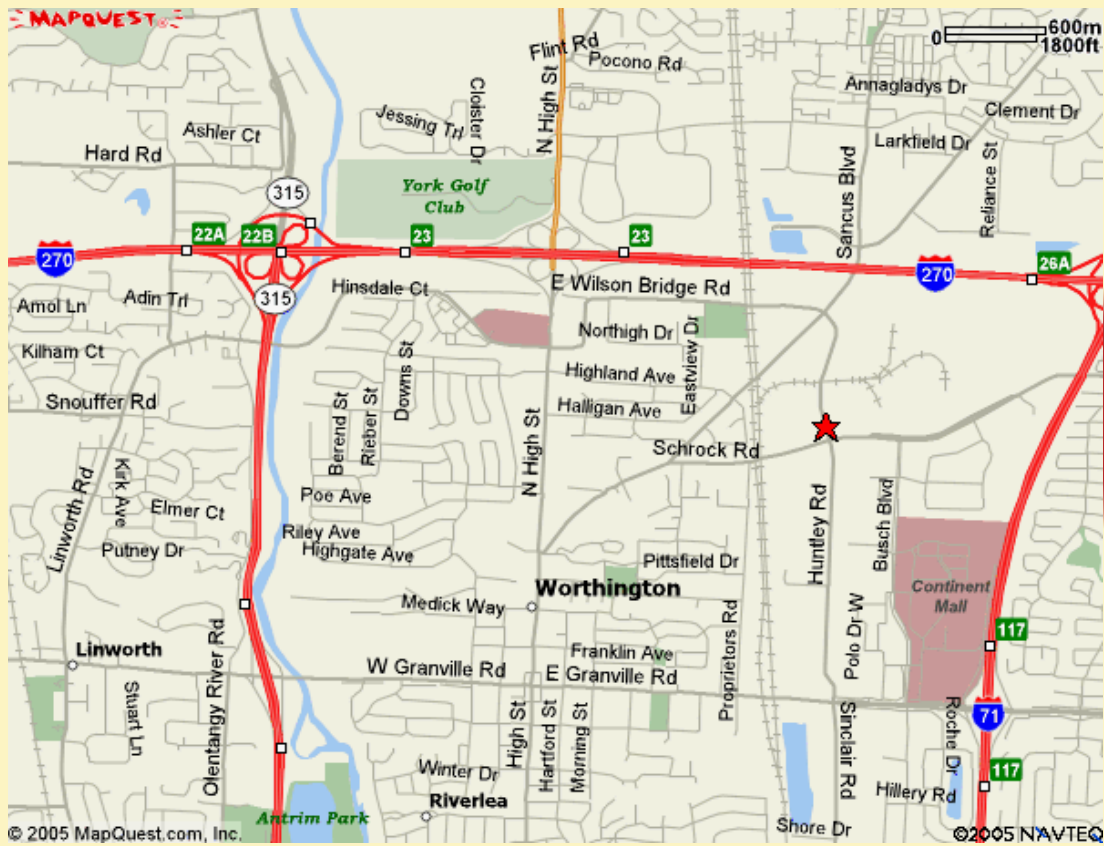
As in past years, the Chapter will provide the main meat course. Members are asked to bring entrees to share. Bob has graciously offered to supply beverages, Members are asked to bring your own bouquet of hard liquor or beer.

Please bring a wrapped **Corvette** gift (one per couple or individual). A gift exchange will spread the Christmas Spirit.

**Please RSVP to Jim Salvino as a courtesy to obtain an attendee count.**

E-mail: [jsalvino@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jsalvino@columbus.rr.com)

Phone: (614)766-0077



Address: 6661 Huntley Road N.W. corner of Schrock and Huntley Rds

Bob Patrella's Service Center is in the north west quadrant of Columbus metro, in the Worthington area.

If you need assistance call Lou Z. at: (614)507-6894



## CHAPTER REGISTRATION

### HEART OF OHIO CHAPTER NCRS

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

National NCRS Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Corvettes Owned:

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Body: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ HP: \_\_\_\_\_

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Complete this form and enclose check or money order in the amount of \$20.00, made payable to "Heart of Ohio Chapter — NCRS" and send the completed form to:

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