



Heart of Ohio Chapter Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS Members we are still in the winter doldrums but, there still is work to be done tours to keep us occupied and seminars to kill the winter boredoms. Coming up this month is the our own Paint expert Steve Steffensen and multi Master Judge, giving a presentation at the Dayton Technical Seminar, the well announced Mid Year parts auction in Cincinnati, the Glass Society's Lima Swap Meet and Mason Dixon Chapter Judging Meet. See Calendar events for details.

This past February 24th the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS Members toured the Trim Parts manufacturing plant in Lebanon, Ohio. As in the past the Heart of Ohio Chapter members were met with a few members from the Queen City Chapter. Steve Hack, the Queen City Chapter Chair, and his son Mike Hack were among the members from Queen City that joined our group.

Our gracious host Kevin Sphar, Trim Parts' East Coast Sales Executive, personally provided our group with a fact-filled tour. Kevin's presentation led us thru a sparkling machine shop, assembly areas, plastic injection molding, and a newly added carpet molding area. Kevin took time to answer each and every question our members inquired about. And, when the tour was over we were treated to hats and shirts for a good customer relationship send off. A fortunate outcome for some of our group members was that Steve Hack was one of the tour members. This allowed our members to select and purchase parts through Steve Hack's vendor status with Trim Parts. In all, this is one of the premier tours that always gives light on Trim Parts quality and assurance of price for product received.

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Earlier this winter, my project with friends had taken the task of performing a tear down to my 65' Black Beauty's engine. With the help from Perry and Randy we removed the big block heads and I delivered them to Fast Racing, a machine shop in Grove Port, Ohio. Fast Racing was recommended to me by Jegs the large mail order racing & street rod car parts dealer in Delaware, Ohio. The heads were machine to include new stainless steel valves, new valve springs, new bronze valve guides, and seats replace with harden material to allow the use of unleaded gasoline. The assembly portion is scheduled for this March's weekend project list. As always members are invited to join, just drop me a line and we can make room.

I would like to offer to those Heart of Ohio Chapter members that are interested in a seminar on how to setup and time an engine using the "Degree Method". This method for setting up the timing is widely used for its accuracy that incorporates the use of a dial micrometer and 360⁰ degree wheel. The "Degree Method" is used by the racing industry to accurately set up the timing after an engine tear down and rebuild. The dial indicator is used to register the TDC of the number one piston coupled with the degree wheel



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to determine the crankshaft relationship to the camshaft with total accuracy.

This seminar will take place in early April, of course, on a weekend and it would be located where the Vette is housed in Pataskala. If you are interested please RSVP to an announcement that will be released this coming month.

Again, if you have a winter project you would like to share that could make an interesting article please contact us so we can feature you and your project in the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS Newsletter. We all can use a little help in the most minor of restoration projects.

A reminder to all, the Heart of Ohio Chapter 2007 Club Calendars are still available for purchase. Ask Perry Yasher; Vice President for your orders for a club calendar for 2007. The Calendar has pictures of past club events and provides members with a calendar of Heart of Ohio Chapter club events. The cost is \$15.00
If you are interested in purchasing this calendar for your workshop or office, contact Perry Yasher at pcyasher@columbus.rr.com.

As always save the wave!

Lou Zuniga

3-Month Rolling HoO Calendar

(See Pages 5-7 for other Corvette Related Events)
By Steve Steffensen, Event Chairman

MARCH

17th – The Dayton Chapter has invited us to attend a **Paint Seminar** they are having. Time is 9:00 am. Location is Caldwell Banker Heritage Realtors – 2000 Hewitt Ave – Kettering Ohio 45445. I am the presenter so will be going for

sure. Anyone interested in going and car-pooling over, please contact me -
shsteffensen@sbcglobal.net or call 614-899-0643.

25th – Lima Swap meet – 9:00 – 3:00 Allen County Fairgrounds – Lima Ohio. In the past we have had those that want to arrive early for the best part selection leaving early and a late group. If anyone is interested in meeting and car-pooling over, please let me know so I can organize. Same contact info as above.

30th – Indiana Chapter Meet – Auburn Indiana. I am going to this meet. It is important for us to support those chapters around us so that they show support for our meet. I am leaving at 4:00 am on that day. If anyone is interest again in touring over/car pooling please elt me know. The info on this meet is in your latest Driveline. You will need to pre-register for this meet. They will need judges and this is a great opportunity to start judging.

APRIL

21st – I am proposing a visit to **the Packard Museum in Dayton, Ohio**. The Dayton Chapter might well want to attend with us, so I will keep them informed of our intentions. The website for this museum is:
www.americaspackardmuseum.org. Please visit that sight to see the attractions. We visited this museum a few years ago and a very interesting time was had by all. Before I officially set it up, I would like a head count on those interested in attending. Please contact me by the 1st of April so we can get the ball rolling.

MAY

13th – Visit to the **old Mansfield Prison** – This is the sight of many prison movies. They have 3



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different tours that they run. Please visit their website for more information see www.mrps.org
Again – I would like to officially set this up, if we have enough interest. Let me know by the 1st of May.

JUNE

I am also including June since there are several chapter meets in June and pre-registration is needed.

1st-2nd – Michigan Chapter Meet – see **Driveline** for details.

10th – Pittsburgh Chapter Meet – see **Driveline** for details.

16th – Lake Erie Chapter Meet – see **Driveline** for details.

Heart of Ohio Picnic – date to be determined.

Chapter Board Meeting Notes

MINUTES OF THE HEART OF OHIO CHAPTER BOARD MEETING ON 2/10/2007

By Randy Rink, Chapter Secretary

Attendees: Lou Zuniga, Perry Yasher, Randy Rink, Steve Steffensen, Lisa Smith, Jim Salvino, Herb Harlton and Garry Brown. (Sorry if I forgot anyone)

Lou Zuniga called the board meeting to order at 9:00 am. Lou indicated HoO had a balance of \$2,374 as of 2/10/2007. This includes \$300 dues from the 15 members who paid.

The following topics were discussed:

Membership Chairman- Garry Brown

Garry created a letter to encourage renewed membership and request dues from past and non-current members. The letter explains what HoO can do for them and will include our calendar of events. Letters will go out on Monday 2/12/06 to 48 people. We will keep an on-line membership database and avoid the use of the numerous spreadsheets that are circulating with generally out dated information.

Membership drive status - Jim Salvino

A procedure was discussed for “cold” calling local NCRS National members who are not members of our chapter. The calls will occur between 6 and 9 pm. We will ask them if they would like to receive our newsletter to see if what we are doing would be of interest to them. Jim will create a script and email it out to the board for comments and suggestions. Caller ID may cause an issue so a different short “leave a message” script will also be created.

Heart of Ohio NCRS Website: Lisa Smith will see if she can obtain Ohio University student help in redesigning our website. It will be Front Page based so we can easily modify and update it ourselves, in the future. The content should be similar to what we currently have online.

Marketing Committee: Steve Steffensen

indicated that his Judging Seminar is 99% complete and plans for it to be presented at the 2007 Corvette Alliance Gathering IV in the morning and again in the afternoon. Steve will give us a “dry run” at the next board meeting.

Sponsor Search: We are searching for a place for the board to meet and perhaps hold future Chapter Meets. A Chevy dealership would be preferable. Possible choices are, Byers and Coughlin. Perry will check out Coughlin.



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Jim Salvino-indicated that the following dates are good 10/13, 10/20 and 10/27. This will be an issue that will need further discussion.

The next Board Meeting will be TBA.

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 your article into our Newsletter. you can reach me at Herb@harltons.com or (614) 847-0774.

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 Garry Brown** our acting **Membership Chairman:**

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Calendar Of Corvette Events

Dates in Bold are Heart of Ohio Chapter events

Note – Many of our 2007 Events are still in the early planning stages – for further information please contact our new Event Chairman Steve Steffensen.

Dates underlined are NCRS chapter events

Dates in italics and underlined are **Corvette Alliance** events

Dates in plain type are other Corvette related events

March 2007

- March 11 Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Swap Meet – Tom Henry Chevrolet – Bakerstown Chevrolet
- March 17** **Dayton NCRS Paint Seminar - 9:00 am @Caldwell Banker/Heritage Realtors - 2000 Hewitt Ave - Kettering Ohio 45440**
- March 24 Corvette Parts Auction, Cincinnati, Ohio. (For more information, call VanDerBrink Auctions at 605-201-7005 or 507-673-2517 or visit www.vanderbrinkauctions.com)
- March 25 Glass Society Corvette Associations – Corvette Parts Swap ‘n Sell – Allen County Fairgrounds, Lima Ohio – 9am-3:00pm
- March 25 Mason Dixon NCRS Chapter – Spring Indoor Judging Meet. Fox-Timonium Chevrolet, Maryland. For more details & registration visit:
<http://www.ncrs.org/masondixon/spring2007.pdf> or
<http://www.ncrs.org/masondixon>
- March 30-31 Indiana NCRS Chapter Meet – Kruse Museum – Auburn. Indiana

April 2007

- April 21 HoO Group Trip – Packard Museum Tour – See their website @ www.americaspackardmuseum.org. Additional details to be announced

May 2007

- May 6 Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Tom Henry Pennies for Patience Charity- Bakerstown, Pa.
- May 13** **HoO Spring Road Tour – Old Mansfield Prison Tour – See their website at www.mrps.org. Additional details to be announced.**
- May 17-19 Garden State Regional, Edison New Jersey



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June 2007

<u>June 1-2</u>	<u>Michigan NCRS Chapter – Judging Meet – Cauley Chevrolet – West Bloomfield Mi.</u>
<u>June 7-9</u>	<u>North Central Regional – Rochester, Minnesota</u>
<u>June 10</u>	<u>Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Chapter Meet – Kenny Ross Chevrolet – Irwin, Pa</u>
<u>June ??</u>	<u>Corvettes at Roscoe Village (Alliance Event)</u>
<u>June 14 -16</u>	<u>Bloomington Gold – Pheasant Run Golf Club – St. Charles, IL</u>
<u>June 16</u>	<u>Lake Erie Chapter NCRS – Chapter Meet – Hudson, Ohio</u>
June ??	Chapter Picnic (Date TBA)
<u>June 30</u>	<u>Miami Valley Chapter NCRS – Chapter Meet – Dayton, Ohio</u>

July 2007

<u>July 14 - 16</u>	<u>Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Summer Road Tour</u>
<u>July 22-26</u>	<u>NCRS National Convention – Boston (Marlborough), Massachusetts</u>
<u>July 28</u>	<u>Alliance Gathering IV – Lancaster Ohio</u>

August 2007

August 4	HoO Judging School
<u>August 10-12</u>	<u>Illinois Chapter Meet – Galena, Illinois</u>
<u>August 18</u>	<u>Woodward Dream Cruise – Detroit, Michigan</u>
<u>August 19</u>	<u>Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Road Tour/Johnstown Cruise-In</u>
<u>August 24-26</u>	<u>NCRS Gallery at Carlisle – Carlisle, Pennsylvania</u>
	(Possible Unofficial HoO Road Trip)

September 2007

September ??	HoO Fall Tour (Date, etc. TBA)
<u>September 7-8</u>	<u>Cincinnati Chapter NCRS – Chapter Meet – Cincinnati, Ohio</u>
<u>September 9</u>	<u>Corvettes at Ohiopyle</u>
<u>September 16</u>	<u>Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Picnic at Cedar Creek</u>

October 2007

October ??	HoO Chapter Judging Meet, Lancaster Ohio (Date TBA)
<u>October 14</u>	<u>Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Fall Tour</u>



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November 2007

November ?? **HoO Chapter Elections and 2008 Planning Meeting (Date TBA)**
November 18 **Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Judging School at Dennis Mitchell's**

December 2007

December ?? **HoO Christmas Party (Date, etc TBA)**

January 2008

January 17-20 **NCRS Florida Winter Regional Meet – Kissimmee, Florida**

April 2008

April 17-19 **Southwest Regional, Chattanooga, Tennessee**

May 2008

May 15-18 **NCRS Michigan Regional Meet – Novi, Michigan**

June 2008

June 12-14 **NCRS Pennsylvania Regional Meet – Seven Springs, Pennsylvania**

July 2008

TBA **NCRS National Convention – St. Charles, Missouri**



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