



**MASON DIXON Blue and Gray  
Summer & Fall / 2022**

- ~Member ~ National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS)
- ~ NCRS TOP FLIGHT CHAPTER OF THE YEAR ~ Former Winners for Sixteen Consecutive Years
- ~ NCRS & Mason Dixon Activities ~ Judging Events – Rallyes – Drags – Cruisin’ Nights – Day Trips - Banquets – Weekend Outings - Annual Atlantic City Bus Tour
- ~ *Charities ~ Support numerous Charities throughout the Great State of Maryland*

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**Gus Tsamouras**

Hello Fellow Mason Dixon Chapter Members!

I hope this finds you well. It was great seeing many of you this summer at various events including Corvettes at Carlisle, cars and coffee, the Bunting Museum tour, the Children's hospital, and Practice Judging of a newer members car. I was sorry I couldn't make the Children's hospital this year but I had new grandson visiting from Colorado.

It was great seeing many of our members in Carlisle and seeing several of our members cars in various displays.

I would like to Thank all our board members and volunteers who play a tremendous role in making this Chapter successful. Please take a look at our website and Facebook page for upcoming events and some great pictures and content that is shared by others.

As the leaves are falling and temperatures begin to drop I'm hoping many of you seize the opportunity to get our cars out and enjoy them.

Sincerely,  
Gus Tsamouras, Chapter Chairman  
Mason Dixon Chapter, NCRS

**Vice Chairman's Report**  
**Jim Buckley**

Dear Fellow Chapter Members,

What a year it has been so far to enjoy our Corvettes! Some days were nice and some so awfully HOT!

Anyway, we still were able to have Chapter events as usual. As the year winds down, we have plenty of time to get around and participate in the Chapter events planned by Steve Lesser. Please consult the Mason Dixon web site calendar for the latest information.

And please remember to sign in on the Chapter sign in sheet for our submission to the National.

We'll want to keep this short and sweet, so hope to see you at our upcoming gatherings.

Hope to see you soon. Thank you, Vice Chairman, Jim

**Treasurer's Report**  
**Ed Ranier**

The current, adjusted balance, as of July 31, 2022, is \$ 20,159.37 according to the checkbook. There is one outstanding check from May, 2022 to the Pediatric hospital. Thanks, Ed

**Recording Secretary's Report**  
**Rosemary Ranier**

**Minutes of the Board Meeting**  
**Virtual by Zoom at 6pm**  
**Wednesday, August 17, 2022**

**Attendees:**

Gus Tsamourus, Ed Ranier, Rosemary Ranier, Steve Lesser, Ira Katz, Jerry Blumenthal

**Treasurer:** Edward Ranier reported M&T Bank shows, as of July 31, 2022, \$ 20,159.37. There is one outstanding check from May, 2022 to the Pediatric hospital.

**Social Chairman:** Steve Lesser

1. Garage crawl was moved from August to September because of so many people being away in August. Steve confirmed the garage crawl for Saturday, September 17. He has 2 garages lined up. It was discussed that everyone would meet first at 10:30am at Ira Katz's garage and then maybe go to Chip Richart's garage. Afterwards everyone could go to Serpico for lunch. Each person pays his own lunch.

2. The paid up members' lunch is now set for Saturday, October 29, 2022. Jerry Blumenthal is looking into the availability of the Green Turtle in Hunt Valley. This way, members can go to Cars & Coffee in Hunt Valley and then to the lunch.

It was discussed and agreed that each household membership number, who attends, would receive \$20 toward their lunch as opposed to each member and their spouse each receiving \$20.

**Member Updates:**

Our Chairman, Gus Tsamouras, was recently in the hospital and our Treasurer, Ed Ranier, had hip replacement surgery in July.

**New Business:**

1. It was discussed that maybe we should consider having an orientation meeting for new members.

2. Gus said that he will hold a General Meeting at Libertore's Restaurant at our fall dinner on November 12.

3. The Motorama East Coast Indoor Nationals 2022 car show will be at the Timonium Fairgrounds on December 3rd & 4th. It was discussed that we should look into having a space at the car show.

4. Corvettes at Carlisle is August 25 – 27, 2022. Our chapter paid for a space there. A number of our members are planning on attending.

Respectfully submitted, Rosemary Ranier  
Recording Secretary

**Web site:** [www.NCRS.org/masondixon](http://www.NCRS.org/masondixon)

## Membership Chairman's Report Glenn Gitschier

As of 9-19-2022, we have 101 members in the Chapter. Our newest members are David and Ellen Schwab, Dirk and Patte Hoffman, Mel Mossovitz and Phyllis Hotchkiss, and Brett Stevens. Welcome to all!

It is very **IMPORTANT** that you notify the National and our Chapter if you change your email address. The National NCRS sends out reminder emails several months before the expiration date, so **PLEASE** don't ignore these reminders. I have also been sending emails and calling members if I see your National NCRS membership is going to expire within one month. Contact me (410-688-7329) if you want to know when your National NCRS membership expires. You must be a current member of National NCRS to remain a member of Mason Dixon. Also, if anyone is ever interested in knowing how many judging points you have, well I can now check that for you - just ask. Thanks, Glenn

## Judging Chairman's Report Rick Aleshire

**Congratulations!** Mason Dixon Member Robert (Bob) and Gail Veitch was awarded the Crossed Flags Award with their 1991 Corvette ZR1 at the NCRS National Convention in Mobile AL.

Mason Dixon members ventured to Larry & Terry Goren house in Westminster to help determine how ready their 2004 Corvette was for flight judging. As you can see by a couple of pictures, a very beautiful car!



On September 17<sup>th</sup>, Mason Dixon members Ira and Elana Katz invited Chapter members to visit their new home and see the cars!



## Social Activities Report Steve Lesser

Corvettes at Carlisle was packed this year. We had many members come to the Mason Dixon tent. "If you could not find that Corvette part at Carlisle YOU DON'T NEED IT!"

Our Garage Crawl was terrific - we went to Ira Katz's New garage which was outstanding and saw everything from a Corvette to a RoadRunner. We thank Ira for his hospitality. Then off to Gerry Yursis' garage where we saw many outstanding cars including his rare L88 1968 with 4000 miles.

Our next event will be the PAID UP MEMBERSHIP LUNCH. Mark your calendar's for October 29. Look for a flyer with all the details!

In November we will have our annual Fall Dinner Meeting. You never know what you will come home with!?

**Historian's Report**  
**Jerry Blumenthal**

Folks, we really do need everyone's help here! If you have any pictures, stories, etc. to share with us all, please let Jerry or any of the BoD know.

**Website Coordinator's Report**  
**Jim Cella**

Folks, as the webmaster, I would like to get any comments, suggestions, etc. on the layout of the website. Again, this is your Chapter website and I will work to provide the information you need / want, but need to know. Thanks, Jim

## Let's Improve the Braking Power of our C1 Corvettes Brian and Justin Whitehead - NCRS 34378

Our 1953-1962 Corvette front disc brake conversion kit includes all the necessary parts to give your C1 Corvette late model braking power! The drum to disc brake conversion kit includes (2) OEM style cast-iron single piston calipers, hi-performance brake pads, caliper mount brackets, 11" drilled slotted rotors with hubs, new bearings, races, mounting hardware and stainless caliper hoses. Your front brakes provide 70% to 90% of your stopping power –now you can have confidence in your brakes to stop you! Installation is a one day project that will pay dividends for years to come. Sure, it would be nice to have disc brakes all the way around, but for a budget build, do you really need four-wheel disc brakes to provide a safe ride? The answer is no.

We also modify a new vintage looking dual master cylinder to bolt to the existing firewall mounts, it fits cleanly under the hood, and looks period correct...if GM offered this option.



So Let's get started! Once you get all of the old drum assembly and brake lines removed and boxed up for a future project, you get to work using the original axle spindle. Installing the new bearing races requires some patience. You'll need to remove the old races, then heat the rotors in a conventional oven to 400 degrees for 30 minutes to expand the rotor and install the room temp bearings before the rotors cool. This requires heavy oven mittens. While the rotors cool, install the new caliper brackets and the caliper with bolts loose. Once the rotors cool, grease the bearings heavily with a good water-resistant bearing grease. We use a marine grade trailer bearing grease from West Marine. Then install the grease seals and set the rotors on the axle spindle. Install the axle washer, castle nut, and tighten the nut by Hand while spinning the rotor until there is no play between the rotor and spindle then install the cotter pin.



Once you have both the new rotor and caliper assemblies installed torque all the bolts to 50 ft-lbs. The installation of the new brake lines on both calipers just mimics the original brake lines, the only difference is the length of the new lines and they are flexible stainless braid. If you don't plan to modify and install a new dual master cylinder at this point, you'll just need to complete the install by adding DOT 4 brake fluid and bleeding the brake system. I would suggest if you finish here, to remove all of the old brake fluid from the rear brakes also before introducing new DOT 4 to the system. Either use a one-man bottle bleeder (Amazon) or get a buddy to help the process. You'd need to purchase 2 large bottles of brake fluid to insure all of the brake system fluid is new. Fill the master cylinder reservoir and start bleeding starting with the furthest wheel (Right Rear) and move around the car ending with the closest wheel (Left Front). Moving on... the replacement master cylinder is a little more complicated. In our install I did not want to use a proportioning valve so it takes some machining modifications of the new master cylinder and adjustment to the internal valves.

Once our Machining and valve adjustments are complete the new Master Cylinder bolts up directly to the C1 firewall without the need of an external proportioning valve. There is a new brake line needed to connect the new second fluid cylinder to the rear brake system which is easily made. Everything can be done at the front of the car where the front and rear brake lines meet in a tee. So, a relatively handy DIY C1 owner can complete this in one day with jackstands, and we are always available and willing to help!

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## **KOMEDY CORNER**

**Hymns for all professions!**

**Dentist's Hymn: *Crown Him with Many Crowns***

**Weatherman's Hymn: *There Shall Be Showers of Blessings***

**Contractor's Hymn: *The Church's One Foundation***

**Tailor's Hymn: *Holy, Holy, Holy***

**Golfer's Hymn: *There's a Green Hill Far Away***

**Politician's Hymn: *Standing on the Promises***

**Optometrist's Hymn: *Open My Eyes That I Might See***

**IRS Agent's Hymn: *I Surrender All***

**Gossip's Hymn: *Pass It On***

**Electrician's Hymn: *Send The Light***

**Shopper's Hymn: *Sweet By and By***

**Realtor's Hymn: *I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop***

**Massage Therapist's Hymn: *He Touched Me***

**Doctor's Hymn: *The Great Physician***

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## **If Noah Built an Ark in 2022**

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And lo, in the year 2022, the Lord came unto Noah, who was now living in the United States, and said: "Once again, the earth has become wicked and over-populated, and I see the end of all flesh before me." "Build another Ark and save two of every living thing along with a few good humans." He gave Noah the blueprints, saying, "You have 6 months to build the ark before I will start the unending rain for 40 days and 40 nights."

Six months later, the Lord looked down and saw Noah weeping in his yard, but there was no ark.

"Noah! I'm about to start the rain! Where is the ark?"

"Forgive me, Lord," begged Noah, "but things have changed."



"I needed a building permit."

"I've been arguing with the inspector about the need for a sprinkler system."

"My neighbors claim that I've violated the neighborhood zoning laws by building the ark in my yard and exceeding the height limitations. We had to go to the Development Appeal Board for a decision."

"Then the Department of Transportation demanded a bond be posted for the future costs of moving power lines and other overhead obstructions, to clear the passage for the ark's move to the sea. I told them that the sea would be coming to us, but they would hear nothing of it."

"Getting the wood was another problem. There's a ban on cutting local trees in order to save the spotted owl." "I tried to convince the environmentalists that I needed the wood to save the owls, but no go!"

"When I started gathering the animals, an animal rights group sued me. They insisted that I was confining wild animals against their will. They argued the accommodations were too restrictive, and it was cruel and inhumane to put so many animals in a confined space."

"Then the EPA ruled that I couldn't build the ark until they'd conducted an environmental impact study on your proposed flood."

"I'm still trying to resolve a complaint with the Human Rights Commission on how many minorities I'm supposed to hire for my building crew." "Immigration and Naturalization are checking the green-card status of most of the people who want to work." "The trades unions say I can't use my sons. They insist I have to hire only Union workers with ark-building experience."

"To make matters worse, the IRS seized all my assets, claiming I'm trying to leave the country illegally with endangered species."

"So, forgive me, Lord, but it would take at least 10 years for me to finish this Ark."

Suddenly, the skies cleared, the sun began to shine, and a rainbow stretched across the sky. Noah looked up in wonder and asked, "You mean you're not going to destroy the world?"

"No," said the Lord. "The government beat me to it."

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### **If College Students Wrote The Bible**

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The Last Supper would have been eaten the next morning -- cold.

The Ten Commandments would actually be only five -- double-spaced and written in a large font. A new edition would be published every two years in order to limit reselling.

Forbidden fruit would have been eaten because it wasn't cafeteria food.

Paul's letter to the Romans would become Paul's email to [abuse@romans.gov](mailto:abuse@romans.gov).

Reason Cain killed Abel: they were roommates.

Reason why Moses and followers walked in the desert for 40 years: they didn't want to ask directions and look like freshmen.

Instead of God creating the world in six days and resting on the seventh, he would have put it off until the night before to get it done.

## American-Yiddish Dictionary

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**JEWBILATION** - Pride in finding out that one's favorite celebrity is Jewish.

**TORAHFIED** - Inability to remember one's lines at one's Bar or Bat mitzvah.

**CHUTZPAPA** - A father who wakes his wife at 4:00 AM so she can change the baby's diaper.

**DISORIYENTA** - When Aunt Sadie gets lost in a department store and strikes up a conversation with everyone she passes.

**MISHPOCHAMARKS** - The assorted lipstick and make-up stains found on one's face and collar after kissing all one's aunts and cousins at a reception.

**ROSH HASHANANA** - A rock 'n roll band from Brooklyn.

**FEELAWFUL** - Indigestion from eating Israeli street food.

**KINDERSCHLEP** - To transport other kids in your car besides yours.

**OYVAYSMEAR** - What one says when the cream cheese squeezes out of the bagel and falls on your clean pants.

**JEWDO** - A traditional form of self-defense based on talking one's way out of a tight spot.

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### **Bloopers: Peace and Pancakes**

1. Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8 PM in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King.
2. Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
3. The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.
4. The Lutheran men's group will meet at 6 pm. Steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread, and dessert will be served for a nominal fee.
5. Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
6. This afternoon, there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.
7. Tuesday at 4:00 pm there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.

8. Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.
9. The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
10. Due to weather conditions, there will not be any "Women Worth Watching" this week.
11. The church is glad to have with us today as our guest minister the Rev. Shirley Green, who has Mrs. Green with him. After the service, we request that all remain in the sanctuary for the Hanging of the Greens.
12. Don't miss this Saturday's exhibit by Christian Martian Arts.

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### **Religion as Baseball**

1. Calvinists believe the game is fixed.
2. Lutherans believe they can't win, but trust the Scorekeeper.
3. Quakers won't swing.
4. Unitarians can catch anything.
5. Amish walk a lot. Pagans sacrifice.
6. Jehovah's Witnesses are thrown out often.
7. Televangelists get caught stealing.
8. Episcopalians pass the plate.
9. Evangelicals make effective pitches.
10. Fundamentalists balk.
11. Adventists have a seventh-inning stretch.
12. Atheists refuse to have an Umpire.
13. Baptists want to play hardball.
14. Premillennialists expect the game to be called soon on account of darkness.
5. The Pope claims never to have committed an error.

