

**MASON DIXON Blue and Gray  
Spring / 2023**

- ~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 -
- ~ *Charities ~ Support numerous Charities throughout the Great State of Maryland*

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**Chairman's Report**  
**Gus Tsamouras**

Hello Mason Dixon Chapter Members!

I hope everyone is dusting off their cars and getting ready for Spring. I think we had a great year last year with many enjoyable events. We raised money for various charities, had judging events, lunches, dinners, caravans, and many more events.

Please stay tuned for our upcoming schedule. The schedule will be posted on our website and Chapter Facebook page.

I would like to personally thank our volunteers and members who brought their cars to the indoor show in Timonium in December, A very special Thanks to Ira Katz for putting this event together. As always I want to thank our members and volunteers who make this a great organization.

I want to announce to the Chapter that I will not be running for reelection. While I love the Chapter and I am a devoted NCRS member I feel that I currently have too many personal and professional obligations at the moment. I plan on being active with the Chapter and volunteering.

If you are interested in running for our open positions please contact Rosemary or myself. We will be getting out an email with the positions and other details shortly.

It has been an an honor and a pleasure to work with this Chapter. I hope to see many of you soon.

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

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

Dear Fellow Chapter Members,

Well, we sure had a "Weird Winter" as far as weather is concerned. There were plenty of days to take our Corvettes out for a spin. The worst thing to do is leave them sit for a long period of time and expect everything to work properly after months of idleness.

So now that Spring time is almost upon us, we can participate in our new and exciting events this year. Steve Lesser has a lot of upcoming things planned for our group. So please come out and join us.

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

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

The current, adjusted balance, as of February 28, 2023 according to the bank is \$19,847.86. There aren't any outstanding checks I am aware of. Thanks, Ed

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

**Minutes of the Board Meeting**  
**Berkshire Hathaway Office, 53 Aylesbury Road, Timonium, MD 21093 at 6pm**  
**Wednesday, January 24, 2023**

**Present:** Jim Buckley, Vice Chair, Edward Ranier, Treasurer, Rosemary Ranier, Secretary  
Glenn Gitschier, Membership Chair, Steve Lesser, Social Activities Chair, Rocky Baldino, Social Media, Rick  
Aleshire, Judging Chair, Ira Katz, member

**Reports:**

***Gus Tsamouris, Chairman***

- General Elections are due this year. Notice will be sent out to the membership to see if anyone is interested in running for an office or a committee chair position.
- The Paypal account, as required by NCRS, has been set up. Gus Tsamouris, Glenn Gitschier and Ed Ranier are the administrators. Some training needs to be done to understand how this operates and how to use it. Also to ensure that the Administrators get notice of activity.
- Member of the Year Committee was formed made up of Jerry Blumenthal, Steve Lesser and Jim Buckley.
- The Chapter participated, by showing a Corvette for each C1 - C8 model, in the Motorama Car show at the Timonium Fairgrounds in December. NCRS applications were handed out and the Chapter got a few new members. More help is needed and we need a new banner with our new logo for next year!

***Jim Buckley, Vice Chair***

- All required paper work to National is up to date.

***Edward Ranier, Treasurer***

- As of December 31, 2022 the bank shows a balance of \$18,789.15.
- There was some discussion about putting up to \$10,000 in a short term, interest bearing certificate or money market account.

***Rosemary Ranier, Secretary***

- Minutes from October 12, 2022 were previously e-mailed to all Board members.
- A blank sign in sheet for events was handed out to everyone to bring to events so we always have one.

***Glenn Gitschier, Membership Chair***

- Announced we have some new members and 2 members dropped out. We now have 101 members.
- Checks were given to the treasurer tonight for 8 more dues checks for NCRS.
- Ira Katz asked the Chapter to consider how we can recruit new members; perhaps ask the membership for their thoughts

***Rick Aleshire, Judging Chair***

- Reported that there was judging of Charlie Elek's '57 and '63. 2d flight was received for both.
- Reported that we have done the number of cars required to be judged and that the Chapter should receive top flight again.
- Gus will be talking to Ron Adams about our spring judging on March 26, 2023.
- Rick said that information was needed for the December Driveline.

**Social Media:** Rocky Baldino said he keeps the website and calendar updated and posts photos there too. PLEASE send any photos to post on any of the Chapter media to Rocky - [rbaldinojr@gmail.com](mailto:rbaldinojr@gmail.com)

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 3-14-23, we have 102 members in the Chapter. Our newest members are Stephen and Karen Veneziaie, Richard and Sandy McKenzie, Randall Ruth, and Steven and Maggie Gray. 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

Mason Dixon members ventured to Greg & Dolores Connelly garage in Essex to help pre-judge their 1963 after some extensive work - very beautiful car!



### **Social Activities Report**

Steve Lesser

Spring and Summer are right around the corner so get that Corvette tuned up and waxed. We have several events planned for the upcoming season. Our annual Spring dinner is at Liberatore's on Saturday April 22, so mark your calendar.

Several other NCR events are on the drawing board:

- Friendly Farm - road tour
- 70th anniversary morning TV and brunch
- Garage crawl
- Paid up member lunch -road tour

Remember to check out Coffee & Cars at 8:00 am at Hunt Valley Mall every Saturday morning (near Iron Rooster). There are many unique cars, trucks, etc. that show up for all to enjoy!

Bills Car Barn in Intercourse, PA was a good time with lots of VETTES from all different years; as well as a nice collection of other unique cars, motorcycles, trucks and signage. A nice lunch and time at a local Amish eatery was had by all that attended.

Any suggestions for events please call me 443-506-1360 so we can put it on the calendar.

If you have any idea's or fun things you would like to do or any place you would like to go let me know.

REMEMBER IT'S YOUR CLUB!

**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.

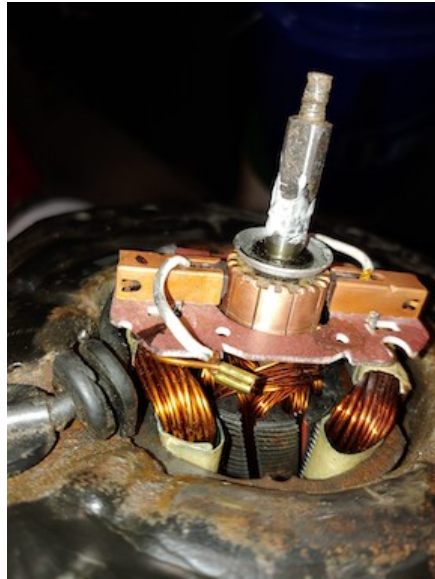
**Social Media Coordinator's Report**  
**Rocco Baldino**

Folks, as the social media coordinator I would like to get any comments, suggestions, etc. on the layout of the Facebook, website, etc. Send everything to me at - [rbaldinojr@gmail.com](mailto:rbaldinojr@gmail.com)

Again, as other BoD members have stated, this is your Chapter and our social media presence is no different. I will work to provide the information you need / want, but need to know. Thanks, Rocky

## Restore an Original 1967 Heater Fan Steve Bertling - NCRS 65340

I had ordered a new reproduction fan from one of the well-known vendors to replace the original but it looked nothing like the original so I ground off the factory tack welds on the housing and cleaned the motor and armature and re-welded the case back on and painted it. Now I have the original fan motor that works!



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## KOMEDY CORNER

### Church Bulletin Bloopers!

- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- The Honeymooners are now having bible studies each Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m.
- The rosebud on the altar this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belzer.
- Please join us as we show our support for Amy and Alan who are preparing for the birth of their first child.
- Thursday at 5:00 pm, there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All ladies wishing to be "Little Mothers" will meet with the Pastor in his private study.
- (For the group of ladies called Moms Who Care and pray for the children in school). When their meeting was cancelled one week: "There will be no Moms who care this week."

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### Little Johnny's Confession!

The children were all lined up for their first confession when Little Johnny's turn came.

The priest asked him to confess his sins, and the boy promptly replied, "Father, I threw a stone at Jimmy."

"That was a very misguided thing to do, my son," said the priest patiently.

"It wasn't misguided at all," said Little Johnny. "I hit him."

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### Bibles to Boats!

A young man from Nebraska moves to Florida and goes to a big "everything under one roof" department store looking for a job. The manager asks, "Do you have any sales experience?"

The kid replies, "Yeah, I was one of the best Bible salesman back in Omaha."

The boss liked the kid and gave him the job. "You can start tomorrow. I'll come down after we close and see how you did." His first day on the job was rough, but he got through it.

After the store was locked up, the boss came down. "How many customers bought something from you today?"

The kid responds, "One."

The boss says, "Just one? Our sales people average 20 to 30 customers a day. How much was the sale for?"

"\$101,237.65."

"\$101,237.65? Holy Mother Mary! What did you sell to him?"



"First, I sold him a small fish hook. Then, I sold him a medium fish hook. Then, I sold him a larger fish hook. Then, I sold him a new fishing rod. Then, I asked him where he was going fishing and he said down the coast. I told him he was going to need a boat, so we went down to the boat department, and I sold him a twin engine Boston Whaler. Then, he said he didn't think his car would pull it, so I took him down to the automobile department and sold him a 4x4 truck with all the bells and whistles."

"A guy came in here to buy a fish hook, and you sold him a boat and a truck?!"

"No, the guy came in here to buy feminine products for his wife, and I said, "Dude, your weekend's shot. You should go fishing."

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**Knock Knock.....**

Q: HOW MANY ZEN BUDDHISTS DOES IT TAKE TO CHANGE A LIGHTBULB?

A: Three. One to change the lightbulb, one NOT to change the lightbulb, and one to neither change nor not change the lightbulb.

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**Knock Knock at the Convent!**

Did you hear the one about the man who opened a dry cleaning business next door to the convent? He knocked on the door and asked the Mother Superior if she had any dirty habits.

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**Shalom Race.....**

As you may know, in a slalom race the skier must pass through about 20 "gates" in the fastest time. Well, it happened that Israel had the fastest slalom skier in the world and had great expectations for an Olympic gold medal. Came the day of the final, the crowd waited in anticipation. The French champion sped down the course in 38 seconds. The Swiss in 38.7 seconds, the German in 37.8 seconds and the Italian in 38.1 seconds. Next came the Israeli's turn ... the crowd waited, and waited...six minutes!

"What happened to you?" screamed his trainer when the Israeli finally arrived.

Replied the exhausted Israeli: "Which of those idiots put a mezuzah on each gate?"

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**Getting Rid of the Bats**

Three pastors were having lunch in a diner.

One said, "You know, since summer started I've been having trouble with bats in my loft and attic at church. I've tried everything--noise, spray, cats--nothing seems to scare them away."

Another said, "Me too. I've got hundreds living in my belfry and in the attic. I've even had the place fumigated, and they won't go away."

The third said, "I baptized all mine, and made them members of the church. Haven't seen one back since!"

## **A Silent Bomb in Church**

An elderly couple were in church. The wife leaned over and whispered to her husband, "I just let out a long silent fart... what should I do?"

The husband replied, "Replace the batteries in your hearing aid."

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## **Shack it to Me.....in Heaven!**

A wealthy man died and went to heaven. He was met at the Pearly Gates by Saint Peter who led him down the streets of gold. They passed mansion after mansion until they came to the very end of the street. Saint Peter stopped the rich man in front of a little shack. "This belongs to you," said Saint Peter.

"Why do I get this ugly thing when there are so many mansions I could live in?" the man demanded.

"We did the best we could with the money you sent us!" Saint Peter replied.

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## **Passover Miracles for Moses!**

Moses was sitting in the Egyptian ghetto. Things were terrible. Pharaoh wouldn't even speak to him. The rest of the Israelites were mad at him and making the overseers even more irritable than usual, etc. He was about ready to give up.

Suddenly a booming, sonorous voice spoke from above: "You, Moses, heed me! I have good news, and bad news." Moses was staggered.

The voice continued: "You, Moses, will lead the People of Israel from bondage. If Pharaoh refuses to release your bonds, I will smite Egypt with a rain of frogs." "You, Moses, will lead the People of Israel to the Promised Land. If Pharaoh blocks your way, I will smite Egypt with a plague of Locust." "You, Moses, will lead the People of Israel to freedom and safety. If Pharaoh's army pursues you, I will part the waters of the Red Sea to open your path to the Promised Land."

Moses was stunned. He stammered, "That's...that's fantastic. I can't believe it! But what's the bad news?"

"You, Moses, must write the Environmental Impact Statement."

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## **Three Jewish Mothers Compare Sons**

Three Jewish mothers are sitting on a bench talking about how much their sons love them.

Sadie says, "You know the Chagall painting hanging in my living room? My son, Arnold, bought that for me for my 75th birthday. What a good boy he is; he loves his mother."

Minnie says, "You call that love? You know the Mercedes I just got for Mother's Day? That's from my son Bernie. What a doll."

Shirley says "That's nothing. You know my son Stanley? He's in analysis with a psychoanalyst in Harley Street. Five session a week. And what does he talk about? Me."

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## **Praying for Coffee Cake**

An overweight business associate of mine decided it was time to shed some excess pounds. He took his new diet seriously, even changing his driving route to avoid his favorite bakery. One morning, however, he arrived at work carrying a gigantic coffee cake. We all scolded him, but his smile remained cherubic.

"This is a very special coffee cake," he explained. "I accidentally drove by the bakery this morning, and there in the window was a host of goodies. I felt this was no accident, so I prayed, 'Lord, if you want me to have one of those delicious coffee cakes, let me have a parking place directly in front of the bakery. And sure enough,'" he continued, "the eighth time around the block, there it was!"

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## **Putting out a Fire With Fire**

During an ecumenical assembly, a secretary rushed in shouting, "The building is on fire!"

- The Methodists prayed in a corner.
- The Baptists wondered where they could find water.
- The Quakers quietly praised God for the blessings that fire brings.
- The Lutherans posted a notice on the door announcing the fire was evil.
- The Roman Catholics passed the plate to cover the cost of the damage.
- The Jews posted symbols on the door in hopes the fire would pass.
- The Congregationalists shouted, "Every man for himself!"
- The Fundamentalists proclaimed, "It's the vengeance of God!"
- The Episcopalians formed a procession and protested.
- The Christian Scientists denied that there was a fire.
- The Presbyterians appointed a chairperson to form a committee to look into the matter and submit a written report.
- The secretary grabbed the fire extinguisher and put the fire out.