



The Side Draft

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Chairman's Message..... Tom James

Welcome to the February edition of the Side Draft Newsletter. This month we are well on our way to planning the swap meet. Tickets sales have begun, and early totals look good. It would be nice to stay ahead and not have to play catch up near the end.

At our January meeting at Kelsey Chevrolet, we discussed volunteers for door duty and cooking the hot dogs and brats. If you were not able to attend and would like to help out on the swap day, please contact me as to how long you can be there and what you would like to help with, i.e. door admission, ticket sales, food preparation and sales. Last year we had a great group of people volunteer and a good time was had by all. If you would like a swap space to clean out those unwanted parts, please do so now so we can plan out how the floor will be set up. The cost of one space is \$25.00 for a 10 x 10 area. The ladies in the food booth are looking for help to set up and sell the food so if this is something you would be interested in helping with, please contact Barb Hilbert at b.hilbert@zoomtown.com for times and duties. Again, ticket sales are huge part of this event. I would again ask every member to try and sell at least \$50.00 worth of tickets or purchase them yourself. We all know what a valuable service this hospital provides and who knows,

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February Meeting Information

Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: RPUI (Trim Parts)
2175 Deerfield Road
Lebanon, Ohio 45036

Phone: 1-888-936-1119
1-513-934-0815

Website: rpui.com

Come and see all of the restoration parts they offer for your Corvette, i.e., Soft Seal, Trim Parts, Right Stuff and more, all under one roof.

We will be collecting items to be donated for the Shriners Silent Auction to be held at our swap meet, so do your spring cleaning early and clean out your home and/or garage.

Please remember to bring a chair and drive your Corvette.

QCNCRS Website Information

<https://qc.ncrs.org/>

Webmaster: George Denman gc@ncrs.org

NOTICE!

Newsletter Deadlines

The deadline for getting information, into the newsletter is the 2nd of each month. If it isn't here, we will publish without you.

Chairman's message – continued

you might end up walking away with one of the cash prizes.

On to our next order of business. Jerry Hilbert informed me at the last meeting that our Chapter has attained Top Flight status again for 2024. This award would not be possible but for the hard work and dedication of Jerry Hilbert, Joe Eyl, and Chris Rockenfield, for their painstaking judging school and tech sessions which they provide throughout the year. Great job guys!

Chapter membership dues are in good standing as of the writing of this report. We have eight (8) unpaid members, so if you are one of the eight (8) please remit your payment promptly to Terrie James at 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233 or go online to ncrs.org to submit your payment. We would like to have payment from everyone completed by February 15th so that we can concentrate on Club activities for the rest of the year.

We need photos of your Corvette(s) for the Chapter website. George Denman has run out of new cars to show each month, so take a photo of your car, old or new, and text it to me at 513-377-8182 so that other members can enjoy them also.

Welcome to our newest Club member, Don Gallagher. I hope to see you at an upcoming meeting.

Our February 18, 2025, meeting will be held at RPUI (Trim Parts), 2175 Deerfield Road, Lebanon, Ohio 45036. We have a lot to discuss at this meeting. I hope to see you there, and please bring any sold tickets to this meeting so that we can gauge where we stand. Also, if you have any items to donate for the Shriner's silent auction, please bring them to this meeting.

Save The Wave!

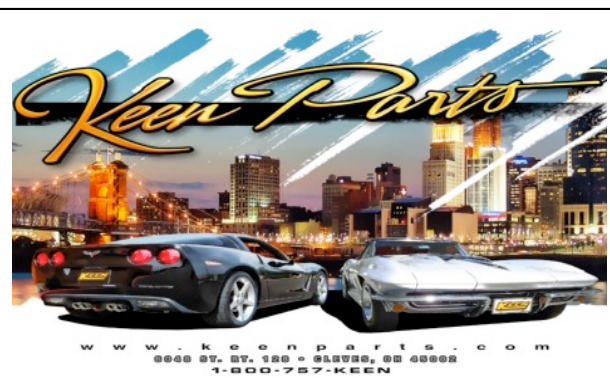
Tom

Visit our Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/www.qc.ncrs.org/>

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Fun Facts Tom James

Detroit had a long tradition of applying exciting military names to road-going vehicles including the Ford Mustang, Buick Wildcat, Dodge Hellcat, and many others, so when GM ad man Myron C. Scott suggested the Corvette nameplate public awareness of the name was strong. Less than a decade earlier, corvette-class warships made worldwide headlines stalking enemy submarines and surface vessels. Tapping into this gung-ho reputation was a natural move calculated to attract young, male customers, many of whom either likely served on corvette-class vessels not long before or knew someone who did. Today, nobody remembers the oceangoing version; the tail that wags the dog.

Modern restorers of 1953 Corvettes seeking high-quality photographs of obscure details and unseen nooks and crannies owe a huge debt of gratitude to....*Chrysler Corporation*. The engineering division of Chrysler's Technical Information Section acquired Corvette number E53F001076 (the 76h car from the 300-car run) and performed a deep-dive phytophagic investigation of its many unique details. Dated March 1954, Chrysler's report contained 50 high quality photos depicting overall views, panel fit irregularities, VIN locations, hinge design, trunk-compartment layout, convertible-top mechanism, and more. No doubt Chrysler was curious about Corvette's novel fiberglass body construction.

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Quarter Page
\$40.00 / month or \$350.00 / year

Half Page
\$75.00 / month or \$600.00 / year

Full Page
\$150.00 / month or \$1,200.00 / year

Sponsor
\$500.00 / year with direct website link

QCNCRS Corvette related classified “wanted and parts for sale” are free; however, they cannot be carried over to the next issue unless requested before the issue deadline.

TERRIE'S CORVETTE TRIVIA Ans. on Last Page

1. What was the first year Holly carburetors were used on Corvettes? 1964, 1967, or 1969.
2. A low restriction, off-road exhaust system was available in 1957. True or False.
3. Corvette's new LT1 engine for 1992 employed reverse flow cooling, a first for Chevrolet. True or False.
4. How many Corvettes were made in 1972? 26,555, 27,000 or 27,004.
5. 350 and 454 cu. in were the only engine options available in 1974. True or False.
6. The new 1987 roller valve lifters resulted in friction reduction as well as a power increase. True or False.



January QCNCRS Meeting Minutes

...Kenn Bragg

Kelsey Chevrolet
Greendale, Indiana

Tom James, President, called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for attending in the freezing conditions. He also thanked Kelsey Chevrolet for hosting the meeting.

Tom stated that the current Queen City Chapter membership count was at 80; the number is up only a by a few. We need to increase our membership. Our current goal is at 100. He stated that we were trending with the National average. The current National number is just under 11K and is trending down 20%, similar to our numbers.

John Waggoner brought up the topic that the National has retained a marketing company working to help with membership. Several of our members suggested working with the National Corvette Museum to help increase our membership. They have a large annual draw of patrons interested in Corvettes from all over the country.

Tom James again took the floor and stated that the National Judging Event is in Las Vegas this year. The National is asking for \$300 from each chapter to offset the cost of judges. He then asked for a count and a motion to donate \$300. This motion was unanimously turned down by a vote of 22 against and 0 for. The membership discussed getting more sponsors to contribute to the National Convention.

Steve Barrett suggested we work on attracting more C5 to C8 owners to our club. Several members made suggestions to attract the owners of these model years. We, as a Corvette club, need to possibly work with dealers to disseminate information to new and younger Corvette owners.

Skip Polowy asked about the National Board meetings. He wanted to know if they are opened to all members to attend. We were not sure of the answer. It will be researched, and we will have an answer at the next meeting.

January QCNCRS Meeting Minutes

...Kenn Bragg (continued...)

Tom James then moved on to the annual swap meet to benefit the Shriner's Hospital for Children. The date is Sunday, March 16, 2025, from 8:00am to 2:00PM. It will be held at Kelsey Chevrolet in Greendale, Indiana again this year. Kelsey is our Chapter sponsor and generously donated their facility for our indoor event. With only about two months left, we need to really push raffle ticket sales to achieve our goal of \$4K. We are still in need of a few more vendors to maximize our booth rentals.

Terrie James, Membership Chairperson, reiterated the need to sell raffle tickets for the swap meet. Terrie asked for volunteers for Split the Pot during the event. We as a club need to solicit companies for donations for the silent raffle baskets. She asked for a volunteer to take over this spot in 2026 and Skip Polowy has agreed. Terrie thanked the members that are donating the meat, buns and donuts to sell at the meet. The Shriner's will bring the Fez hat to put by the road the day of the event. Our event is adverted in the Show and Shine Calendar, on Facebook and on our Chapter website. The event will be broadcast on Eagle 99.3, all Cumulus stations and WDJO. Terrie also reported that 11 members still need to pay their 2025 annual Chapter dues. Terrie will send out notices to members to help keep them in good standing.

Barb Hilbert, Treasurer, gave the treasure report. She itemized club expenses and receivables. A motion was made to accept the report and was passed 22 for and 0 against.

Tom James asked if there was any new business or questions. There was none. Split-the-pot was drawn and the meeting was closed.

QCNCRS January Meeting Photos



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Upcoming Events

QUEEN CITY NCRS CHAPTER EVENTS:

- *February 18, 2025 - Queen City NCRS Chapter Meeting, RPUI (Trim Parts), 2175 Deerfield Road, Lebanon, Ohio 45036, 6:30 PM*
- *March 16, 2025 – Queen City NCRS Swap Meet and Shriner’s fundraiser - Kelsey Chevrolet, 1105 E. Eads Parkway, Greendale, Indiana, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM*

NCRS NATIONAL EVENTS:

- *April 3-5, 2025— Carolina Regional, Pendleton, SC*
- *May 1-3, 2025— Arizona Regional, Glendale, AZ*
- *July 16-19, 2025 – Missouri “Show-Me” Regional, Springfield, MO*
- *September 7-11, 2025 - NCRS National, South Pointe Casino, Las Vegas, NV*
- *October 23-25, 2025 – Texas Regional, Frisco, TX*

CAR SHOWS AND SWAP MEETS:

- *February 15, 2025 - Springfield Swap Meet & Car Show, Clark County Fairgrounds, Saturday only, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM*
- *March 13-15, 2025 - Corvette Expo, LeConte Center, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM*
- *August 22-23 Corvettes at Carlisle, Carlisle, PA*
- *More Ohio local events: <https://www.olderide.com/events/state/ohio>*



INDOOR SWAP MEET AND CAR EXPO



WHEN:

Sunday, March 16, 2025

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

WHERE:

Kelsey Chevrolet

1105 E. Eads Parkway

Greendale (Lawrenceburg), IN 47025

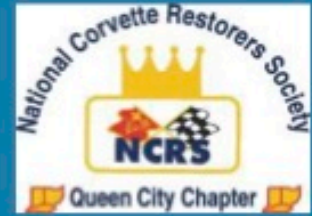


GATE ADMISSION: \$5.00

Proudly donating over \$82,000 from this event to:



**Shriners
Children's
Ohio**



HOSTED BY:

**Queen City Chapter Of
The National Corvette
Restorers Society**

WHAT TO KNOW:

**Swap spaces sold
out the last 13 years!
Many classic GM
parts.**

**Food, split-the-pot,
major award; all on-
site at this event.**

COME VEND WITH US:

**\$25.00 for 100 sq/ft
space but you must
register in advance.**

HOW TO REGISTER:

**Registration form on the
reverse side.**

**Call Tom James at
513-377-8182 for more
information.**

**E-mail completed forms:
tmjames@fuse.net**

Vending Space(s) [100 sq ft.] _____ (quantity) X \$25.00 = \$ _____
Indoor Car Corral: _____ (number of cars for sale) X \$50.00 = \$ _____
Outdoor Car Corral: _____ (number of cars for sale) X \$25.00 = \$ _____

NAME: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE AND ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

CELL PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Contact Tom James with the Queen City NCRS with any questions at 513-377-8182 or e-mail twj@fuse.net.

Completed registrations should be mailed to 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233. Checks should be made payable to "QCNCRS".

Registration confirmations will be sent to the above e-mail address with further event details.

QCNCRS Club Shirt Ordering



Pricing and shirt options are changing.

For information on Club Shirt pricing, colors and sizing as well as to place an order please contact Terrie James at tmjames7329@gmail.com or 513-300-6411



QUEEN CITY CHAPTER 2025 CHAPTER REGISTRATION FORM

Annual Chapter Dues \$20.00

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

You must be an active member of NCRS to join a chapter.

National NCRS Number: _____

Options for membership renewal:

1. Renew Queen City Chapter Membership online at:

<https://www.ncrs.org/forums/register/chapter-membership.php>

2. Complete the above form and send payment of \$20.00 (payable to QCNCRS) to: Terrie James, 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233.

Questions, please call Terrie James at 513-300-6411 or email at tmjames7329@gmail.com.

Trivia Answers: 1. 1964. 2. False. 3. True. 4. 27,004. 5. True. 6. True.