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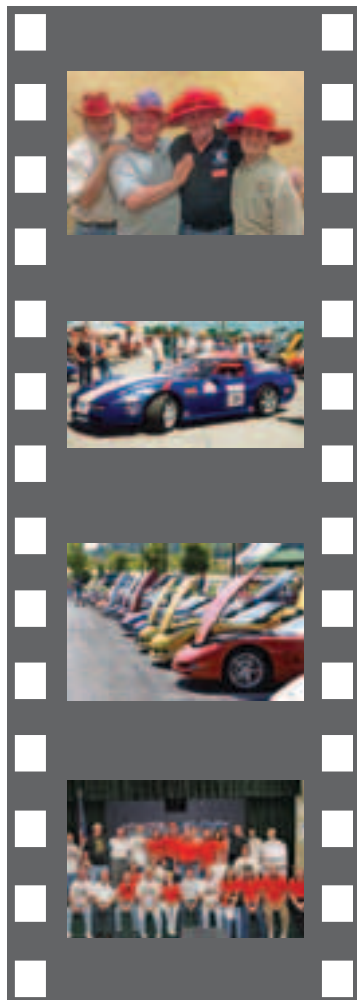
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# From the President



Time is running out. That guy down the street is going to be tuned up and shined to the max before you. Not a good thing. Get it out and get it going.

The NCCC annual Convention is in Bowling Green, KY. All the best Corvette attractions are there. GM has allocated a 2014 for us to look over. I am sure there will be a lot more. The program will be a little different with more time for telling stories. There will be a lot to do in a very interesting part of the world. It would be shame to miss it. Check the NCCC web site for more details.

In January, I was very privileged to attend the Reveal of the 2014 Stingray in Detroit. The car is exceptional. It is every bit a Corvette. I was there as part of the National Corvette Museum Board of Directors team. All the important people were there and they were very accommodating. GM really put on the party of the year. It was very exciting.

Check the schedule. There will be all sorts of adventures for your motoring pleasure. Reward yourself and look good while you have a great time.

I have to compliment the Board of Governors and the NCCC officers for handling my recent absence from the February Governors' Meeting in the best possible manner.

Thank you. I will see you out there.

*Hal*



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# ***NCCC NEWSLETTER CONTEST RULES***

1. Each NCCC Club entering the Newsletter contest must submit three (3) issues covering the period From January through May 2013. Each newsletter should be clearly marked "Contest Entry."
2. We highly recommend that you place your newsletter in an envelope as several past entries have been damaged in mailing.
3. All entries must be sent by standard mail. No registered, certified, return receipt, postage due type mailing will be accepted.
4. Addresses of Judges are listed below.
5. The entries should be sent out one issue at a time as they are published.
6. Please include your email address and the judges will notify you that your entry has been received.
7. The first issue must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2013. The final issue must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2013.
8. Awards will be presented at the 2013 Convention in Bowling Green, KY.
9. A list of the Winner and all Entrants will appear on the NCCC Web Site and in *Blue Bars*.

## WHAT THE JUDGES WILL BE LOOKING FOR

Entries will be judged on content and completeness in the following categories:

<b>Local News:</b>	News of your club
<b>Technical News:</b>	Repair, Replacement, Restoration, Technical Information
<b>Charity News:</b>	Any and all contributions to Charity
<b>NCCC News:</b>	Items concerning National Council (NCCC)
<b>Regional News:</b>	Your Region news or other Regional news
<b>Composition:</b>	Structure and content of your magazine

Scoring will be on a 10-point scale with 10 being the highest.

The 2013 Judges are:

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**June 24 to June 28, 2013**

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**We hope you are planning on attending this year's Convention. There will be a lot of activities and parties for you to enjoy and take part in. There are bus tours to Nashville Mammoth Cave and Bourbon Country, along with a party in Lost River Cave. All of the usual competitive events will be held or you can choose to relax and see some sites of local interest in Southern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee.**

**It's still not too late; check us out at [www.corvettesnccc.org](http://www.corvettesnccc.org) under the Conventions tab.**

**TOP 15 COMPETITORS -- MEN, LADIES AND CLUBS -- FOR 2012**

<b>PLACE</b>	<b>LADIES' NAME</b>	<b>NCCC NO.</b>	<b>POINTS</b>	<b>EVENTS</b>
1	<b>PARKS, BETTY</b>	<b>SE-142-0232L</b>	<b>2860</b>	<b>295</b>
2	GOEBEL, LINDA J	SE-253-0461L	2422	245
3	REITZ, CHRISTINE S.	MW-470-0013L	2244	228
4	SAMUELSON, CAROLYN K.	MW-167-0311L	2088	196
5	RICHMOND, KARLA	MW-155-0229L	2068	232
6	MURPHY, DEBORAH K.	FL-058-0663L	1859	184
7	THOMAS, JOAN	MW-465-0303L	1838	199
8	WAY, TERESA V.	FL-058-0452L	1768	211
9	WILSON, JANET	MW-167-0481L	1740	229
10	GAU, KATHY	WR-095-0733L	1735	197
11	WENTZEL, MARY A.	MI-006-0212L	1564	158
12	HEINEMANN, JOAN A.	MW-351-0004L	1506	178
13	ANTHONY, CATHY	SW-055-0626L	1372	143
14	PHILLIPS, KAREN	MI-006-1241L	1310	148
15	FAIRLAMB, LINDA	MW-135-0347L	1297	127

<b>PLACE</b>	<b>MEN'S NAME</b>	<b>NCCC NO.</b>	<b>POINTS</b>	<b>EVENTS</b>
1	<b>LICHTENWALD, LARRY L.</b>	<b>WR-151-0037</b>	<b>3192</b>	<b>369</b>
2	CURTIS, HOWARD J.	IN-072-0243	2972	333
3	RICHMOND, FRANCIS E.	MW-155-0142	2505	278
4	PARKS, DON	SE-142-0231	2415	295
5	GOEBEL, DAVID E	SE-253-0460	2146	238
6	REITZ, THOMAS C.	MW-470-0014	2120	228
7	WAY, HARRY V.	FL-058-0404	2085	211
8	WILSON, JACK C.	MW-167-0470	2008	229
9	SAMUELSON, DALE P.	MW-167-0253	1916	195
10	HEINEMANN, DAVE	MW-351-0003	1868	202
11	THOMAS, JIM	MW-465-0304	1841	209
12	MURPHY, DENNIS G.	FL-058-0662	1782	184
13	PHILLIPS, JOHN	MI-006-1240	1675	176
14	GAU, GENE	WR-095-0732	1629	193
15	ELLER, JOE	WR-095-1086	1597	159

<b>PLACE</b>	<b>CLUB NAME</b>	<b>CLUB NO.</b>	<b>POINTS</b>	<b>EVENTS</b>
1	<b>CORNHUSKER CORVETTE CLUB</b>	<b>WR-095</b>	<b>21762</b>	<b>10</b>
2	WINDY CITY CORVETTES, INC.	MW-351	14298	10
3	OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB	SW-131	13892	10
4	CORVETTE CLUB OF MICHIGAN	MI-006	11400	10
5	NORTH FLORIDA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	FL-058	10720	10
6	NASHVILLE CORVETTE CLUB	SE-073	10662	10
7	COWTOWN VETTES	SW-055	9622	10
8	EAST TENNESSEE CORVETTE CLUB	SE-253	9012	10
9	NORTHERN ILLINOIS CORVETTE CLUB	MW-167	8756	10
10	BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.	EO-010	8618	10
11	BADGER STATE VETTES	MW-246	8228	10
12	GREAT RIVER CORVETTE CLUB	MW-155	7955	10
13	CORVETTE CLUB OF IOWA	WR-022	7872	10



# *NCCC's Top 15 Ladies*

## **#1**

### **Betty Parks Corvette Atlanta, Southeast Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1974 and competing since 1975.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was:

2012 found us in all our usual competition places (generally in the Southeast, Florida, Carolina and Indiana Regions). We ventured out for some events in the Midwest – in Quincy, IL – great fun at the Richmond's house! Every weekend was like coming home again – with all the extended family that we have on the road!

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would change:

Absolutely nothing! As usual, we weren't running for number one, attended everything that we wanted to . . . and surprise, surprise – I was fortunate to earn the top spot!!

My plans for the future are:

Well – yet again we talk more than act on finishing the remodeling in the house – BUT – that work is not near as much fun as spending the weekends with friends on the road. So look for us out in all our usual places! It's in our blood. The house will wait . . . until we think about moving!



## **#2**

### **Linda Goebel East Tennessee CC, Southeast Region**

I first joined NCCC in 1971 and this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row I have been in the top 15 Ladies.

2012 was a year that many of our old friends were not able to travel and compete. I certainly missed being with them at the events. Unfortunately, it was a year we have to remember friends and family we will never see again. Time has come to slow down a bit and enjoy them when we can. To Jim, your smile will never be forgotten.

It was also a year that some old friends dusted off their autocross skills and joined us for a few weekends. We also got to bring along some “newbies” and got to watch them develop into really good competitors. I will be looking for their top 15 stories next year!

When our race car fell victim to computer woes, we used that opportunity to drive our new 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Z06 to six different regions. What a great time we had traveling in this fantastic car and competing with our friends!

I didn't start out running for a championship but somehow ended up with my best finish ever. Congratulations “5 time” – couldn't have lost to a better friend and competitor. I also want to take the time to thank all those who put on the events and especially all the course workers who made the events possible.



What would I do different? Don't hit so many pylons! Workers – I promise!

In the future, we plan to go to as many events as we can to enjoy our NCCC friendships and to continue our support ETCC.

## #3

**Christine Reitz**

**Route 66 CC, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1999 and competing since 2000.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was and always is as much about enjoying the social aspects of the weekends with great friends as it is the competition. Spending one week at the top of the national point standings at the end of October was pretty cool too!

If I had to do it all over again, I cannot think of one thing I would change; well, maybe a little less mechanical troubles.

My plans for the future include Tom and me attending and competing at our third NCCC Convention in Bowling Green, KY this June and to continue traveling and racing with all of our racing friends.

Congratulations to Betty Parks and Larry Lichtenwald on being our 2012 National Champions!

We really do appreciate all of the volunteers who work so hard to put on fantastic events all over the country. Without the hard work and dedication of NCCC clubs and their members, we would not be able to enjoy all of the competition and friendships we treasure.

We lost a very close friend and dear member of our racing family, Jim Thomas, in January 2013 and, if it did one thing, it reminded us to cherish all of these events with our NCCC family.



## #4

**Carolyn Samuelson**

**Northern Illinois CC, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1980 and competing since 1980 after watching my husband at his first autocross, and have won several regional championships and three national championships, as well as many top fifteen finishes, in my 32 years of racing.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was: Running the high and low speed events at the Topeka convention and, of course, winning a trophy for Best of Show in the concourse. I finished #1 in the Midwest Region and 4<sup>th</sup> in the national points standings. What a fun year! I also enjoyed running at my two favorite tracks –Roebing Road in Savannah and Grissom in Indiana.

My plans for the future: I plan to continue racing and attend as many conventions as possible. I am planning on going to Bowling Green and socializing with all my NCCC friends. The competition is always great and I look forward to renewing old friendships and having another fun year. I also plan to spend LOTS OF TIME with my two grandchildren!!!!



# #5

## **Karla Richmond** **Great River CC, Midwest Region**

I have been a NCCC member since 2004 and a Midwest Member of the Great River CC. This is the second year I have gotten into the Top 15. We did not start off going for Top 1; it is something that just happened. Going into the year, we wanted to attend events we had not experienced before ( within a decent driving distance), hence, the Journey began. Francis ventured out more and a lot farther than my job would allow, but overall it was an exciting adventure.

Some highlights of the year were:

- Topeka Convention-first time for Drags, first time doing a rallye without Francis, (Thanks, Linda, for recruiting me, nice plaque!)
- No complaints about rain, but we sure experienced some really COLD and HOT Days, Thank Goodness for the AC and Heat in the Toter.
- Parking Lot barbecues with #1 Larry and anyone else brave enough to hang out with us.
- Turnarounds and Side Trips with our GRCC club's newest racers, Bill & Debbie Esicar.
- Bourbon Tasting night was quite the experience.
- Of course, cannot forget the Queen Bee bowling ball, a gift from the New Young Guns from the Springfield area.
- Workers, timers and event chairs always did a great job and, without them, we would not have had successful events. They were and Always Will Be Priceless!

If I could have changed anything from 2012 season, two things come to mind, a few more Hugs from Jim Thomas and I should have checked the Dial-In time, before I crept up to the line at Convention. Fun times at the Drag strip, Tough Lesson.

Plans for the Future are to stay Healthy and Enjoy Each and Every Weekend with our Race Family.



# #6

## **Deb Murphy** **North Florida Corvette Assn, Florida Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1974 and competed since 1974.

As for what I enjoyed most about competing in 2012, you know me,,,I am always up for a tailgate party. I do like to compete, especially against Betty Parks...she is such a great competitor. She will tell you we have a lot more horsepower, but you do not want to get up against her in the '89!

Given the opportunity to do it again, I wish I could have retired so we had more time to travel out-of-region. Work just gets in the way. Soon!!

As for my plans for the future, see the comment above...RETIRE and enjoy some time with friends and competition, maybe!

It would be great to see more women out competing. Maybe it would help get attendance at events up again. The point is not only the competition, it is the social part too. Come on out and try it!



# #7

**Joan Thomas**

**Mad City Vettes, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1994 and competing since 1995.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was hanging out with two great groups, my family during family function weekends and my NCCC family during competition weekends. I got the most enjoyment of the whole year watching my husband Jim set the Men's 2G Drag Record and being the Men's Top Eliminator at the 2012 Convention in Topeka, KS.

With the 2012 Competition season in the books, I have the privilege of being honored as a Top 15 NCCC Competitor for 16 years straight including my 1998, 1999 and 2010 National Championships along the way. Starting with the 2013 Competition season, I do not plan to compete anymore. I do plan to stay involved with NCCC and the Midwest Region, and plan to attend some events and go to the Conventions, just not compete. The NCCC Membership gives me strength and I know that I will need all of the hugs I can get.

Thanks for the great run! I will never forget the many miles, smiles and great competition over the last 18 years.



# #8

**Teresa Way**

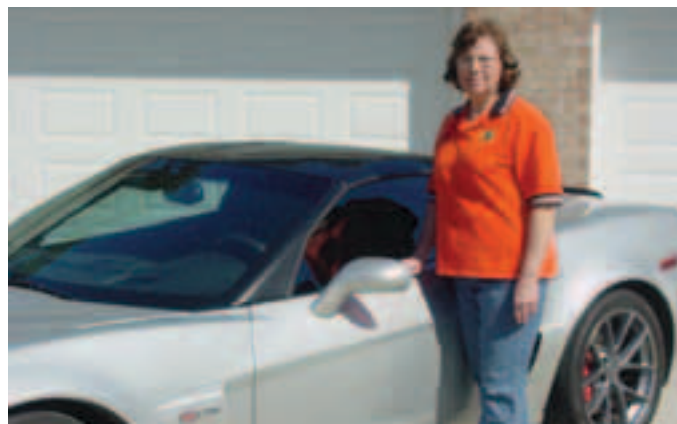
**North Florida Corvette Assn, Florida Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1986 and competing since 1989.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was the traveling, parking lot "pizza banquets," pool parties, watching NASCAR and GATOR/Dawg games, oh, and AUTO-X!! I also enjoyed the new venues for auto-x and getting to know new people. It is great to see new people auto-xing.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would like to have done more auto-xing and less car shows. (Sorry, waxers!)

As for the future, I plan to have hip surgery so I can go auto-xing again!! Going to the Bowling Green Convention, 2013 (enjoyed the last one there) and the 2014 Savannah, GA Convention are in my future. See you there!



# #9

**Janet Wilson**

**Northern Illinois CC, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1991 and am starting my 21st year competing since 1992.

What did I enjoy most about competing in 2012? I enjoy the weekend "road trips" with Jack to the events in various regions and look forward to seeing the many friendships we have made and continue to make.

If I had it to do all over again, what would I change? We have had very enjoyable competition years and find it hard to pick



any one thing to change.

As for the future, I plan to fully recover from a March 2013 knee replacement, stay healthy and do it all over again in 2013, minus another knee replacement.

## #10

**Kathy Gau**

**Cornhusker CC, West Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1999 and competing since 2000.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012...traveling to all of the other regions and seeing friends we've made in the past.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have traveled more.

My plans for the future are to keep on racing as long as I can.

Glad we have NCCC -- we would not have met so many "Great" people.



## #11

**Mary Wentzel**

**CC of Michigan, Michigan Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1979 and competing since 1980.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was traveling to the different regions, making new friends and renewing old friendships. A special thanks to all the corner workers who make it possible for us to compete. The great competition that is in NCCC and girls that make it so enjoyable to compete against. Enjoyed meeting Mary Quine at the Topeka Convention. A special thanks to Steve Cronberg for letting me race his Corvette in Huntsville and Sam Cappello for loaning me his Corvette in Brooksville. Also, a special thanks to Betty Parks for her help. Plus, thanks to Bruce for working so hard on the Corvette.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have made time to compete in more events.

My plans for the future are to run as many as events as our schedule will allow. We are limited in competing due to other business and family commitments.

We experienced a big loss this year when our good friend Ted Godett passed away. He drove his Corvette everyday and had 248,500 miles on it. Just want to thank everyone who donated to the large brick that we purchased at the National Corvette Museum. He would be very proud of it.



## #12

**Joan Heinemann**

**Windy City Corvettes, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1976. I've been competing since Dave and I did our first rallye in 1977; we thought we did badly, so we didn't turn it in to the Rallye Master. We would have won if



we had turned it in; a lesson learned. I have been competing ever since, in every type of event.

The best part of competing is seeing so many good friends and making new friends where ever we travel, whether it is an hour from home or we are traveling with great friends a long way from home. We always have a good time at all of the events, all of the clubs and regions are such amazing hosts and always plan great parties! The competition is a small part of it (most of the time). Again this year we are reminded to make sure you let all those you have become great friends with know you enjoy their company and look forward to the next time you see them!

There really isn't anything I can think of that I would change, except the gas prices so we could travel more. It would also be great to have some more quality places where we are able to autocross.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I look forward to 2013 and all the exciting events we already have on our schedule. I pray everyone has a safe healthy year! God Bless!

## #13

### **Cathy Anthony** **Cowtown Vettes, Southwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 2001 and been competing since 2004.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was the social part of the racing experience. The great people we compete with and the friends we have made keep us coming back year after year. I do have to say that the highlight of the 2012 racing season was that my husband (and mechanic), Kevin, and I both placed first in our Region -- the first time for each of us. First place in the Region is something I always aspired to but have never achieved. To accomplish this the same year as my husband makes it that much more special.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I wish I could have run some out-of-region races. Due to helping my mother and sister with health problems in 2012, I was not able to compete nationally. National racing can be a little intimidating, since you are competing with the Top 15 racers in National Council. It's also heartwarming, because you are treated like "one of the family."

As for the future, I plan to keep on racing with NCCC. I truly enjoy it. After raising six children and becoming "empty nesters" shortly after we joined NCCC, it is nice to have a hobby that my husband and I can share.



## #14

### **Karen Phillips** **CC of Michigan, Michigan Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 2009 and competed in a few events in 2009, missed 2010 and 2011 due to health and my husband's military deployment, and 2012 was my first full year of participating.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was sharing this interest with my husband. I also enjoyed traveling to the different venues in which we participated and meeting the other racing ladies.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have more gas, less brake!

My plans for the future are: We plan to continue competing as we grow older and into our retirement down the road. Our youngest daughter is reaching the age where her extracurricular activities will need to be factored into our schedules, but we plan to compete as much as we can for these next few years and then more and more as our nest empties



# #15

**Linda Fairlamb**

**Northern Rays, Ltd., Midwest Region**

Crazy luck but two years in a row in 15<sup>th</sup> place, this year making it into the top 15 by only seven (7) points!

In 2011 when asked what I would do differently in 2012, I said “nothing” and sure enough it was another stellar year of racing. What I enjoyed most was not having a job for most of the racing season, so I could really enjoy the weekends! But alas all good things must come

to an end and near the end of the season I went back to work. Also enjoyable in 2012 was relishing my MWR “Queen” status. Racing with my tiara duck taped to my helmet and having the red carpet (i.e. towel) rolled out at the start line for me at Rantoul were hilarious. Bourbon tasting gala after the MWR Fundraiser event was memorable. (Can’t wait for same at Bowling Green convention this year, but hope it’s not the night before racing...)

Probably won’t change anything again in 2013, because when you have so much fun, what’s the point of changing it? Thanks to all the workers and chair people who ensure that we always have these many many fun and safe weekends of racing each year.

Although I won’t change anything in 2013, things will be different without Team Thomas every weekend. Jim was a great friend and we’ll continue to think of him and miss him.

As for the future, saw the C7 up close at the Chicago Auto Show. Wow! If only I could fit one more car in the garage.



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# *NCCC's Top 15 Men*

## **#1**

**Larry Lichtenwald**  
**Muscatine CC, West Region**

I have been a member of NCCC and the Muscatine Corvette Club since 1984. At that time, I started out as a Car Show person, mostly Concourse with some Rallyes. As time passed, I was driving less and cleaning the car more. This may have saved me from speeding tickets, but I wanted to drive. So, in 1995 I got another Corvette to drive and have some fun with. I now had one for Show and one for Go. I started autocrossing and I have been competing ever since.

At the start of the 2012 season, I was so bored looking at all the snow here in Iowa and being cold. I said I'm going south to race. I decided to see how many points I could get and still run all of the West Region Speed Events. By mid summer, people started pushing me to run for National Points Championship. At the end of the West Region season, I still had the points lead, so I said YES! I will try. The rest, as they say, is history.

While competing so much to get the points, you don't see your local family. Your Corvette Competitors become your extended family and friends. We are blessed with a great group of people to be around and compete with. I would not change it for anything.

As far as this next season goes, I hope to see more and different places to run. Who knows, maybe top 15 again?



## **#2**

**Howard Curtis**  
**Elkhart Vette Set, Indiana Region**

I been competing since 1998.

What I enjoyed most about Competing in 2012...Everything, Everyone, Spending time with my NCCC family.

I would have changed my Socks and Shorts more often and bought a new hat.

I think more of the same and just keep on doing it until I can get it right.

Comments. I would like to spend more time helping and encouraging new competitors and young people to enjoy Life as it is and maybe share an occasional GO FAST tip.



# #3

## **Francis Richmond** **Great River CC, Midwest Region**

I have been a NCCC Member since 1979 in the MidWest Region with the Great River CC . In 2004, we started racing more. 2012 was my second time in Top 15.

2012's goal was to attend fast tracks and High Speed Events. Well, I was able to attain that goal and had a Great Time at all the Big & Fast Tracks: Topeka, Oklahoma, Texas, Nashville and Savannah.

I had a great time traveling and spending time with many of the racers and enjoyed the tours at Savannah.

It would not have been half the adventure without all the strategizing with our Travel Friends. I never knew who or what I was hauling: Z06 tires, Continentals, Karla, Debbie, Bill, Warren, or one, two or three cars. What an adventure!!!

If I could do it all again, I would have asked Jim Thomas more mechanical questions; Karla's C4 is still a mystery.

This year, I'm looking forward to less breakdowns, more parking lot barbecues and a lot more French Fries. Thanks to all the workers, timers, racers and event hosts for your enthusiasm to this amazing sport.



# #4

## **Don Parks** **Corvette Atlanta, Southeast Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1974 and competing since 1975.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was:

Went to 22 weekends of events plus convention – 295 events – no regrets! Favorites – Roebing Road Raceway (GA) and Putnam Park (IN) High Speed.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would change:

Nothing; ok, maybe not taking the summer off. . .

My plans for the future are:

SOS...no, not what you think...Somemore Opportunities Somewhere!



# #5

## **David Goebel** **East Tennessee CC, Southeast Region**

I am a member of the East Tennessee CC sponsored by Reeder Chevrolet in Knoxville TN. I am also a member of the Southeast Region.

I have been a member of NCCC since 1971 (with 20 years off) and have competed every year.

It was not our intent to “run for points,” but we had the time to re-visit our friends at many events we previously enjoyed and



several new venues! 2012 was a year when the RP was plagued by computer problems for most of the competition season. We relied on our street car to provide us with our need for speed. It was fun competing on street tires for most of the year, but they sure cost more than race tires when you drive a Z06 with Z07 option! It was also fun to travel in our street Vette to six Regions to compete with our NCCC family. With the RP's problems solved later in the year, the additional adrenalin was back!

2012 allowed us to enjoy driving both of our Corvettes as they were intended. It reminded us of just how much fun it is to travel in our Corvette. The problems with the race car were frustrating at the time but, looking back on the whole experience, I would not change a thing!

Our plans for the future include HPDE's at new tracks and competing with our NCCC friends at autocrosses in many Regions. We will also continue to support all ETCC activities.

## #6

**Thomas Reitz**

**Route 66 CC, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1999 and competing since 2000.

During the 2012 competition year, I enjoyed spending time with my extended NCCC family, along with the many parking lot parties and interesting hotels and, of course, being able to travel with my wife. Every weekend away from home was like a "mini-vacation." The NCCC Convention in Topeka was GREAT! The West Region did an awesome job.

If I had it to do all over again, I would not change much. I had a GREAT time all year long. Few minor mechanical breakdowns, but nothing too big to hold me back.

In the future, I would like to try places I have not raced at yet and do more drag racing. I would also like to have more members of my club participate in events outside of our home town area. They are really missing out on a ton of fun on these race weekends.

I would like to thank all of the workers at all the events for volunteering their time to put on these events. Without their hard work and effort, none of this would take place. NCCC workers are the BEST!



## #7

**Harry Way**

**North Florida Corvette Assn, Florida Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1985 and competed since 1988.

Of course, I love driving fast on a challenging course, but I think the thing we remember the most looking back is the fun we had gathering at the hotels after the events. After a few adult beverages, the stories get real good about how fast we went. We logged so many hours during the year in the pool at the hotel in Oakridge TN, that we probably left a ring around it. The Roebling Road events were probably one of my favorites from 2012. Running the Z06 on sticky tires this year was exciting and the best times I have ever run in the 20+ years of going there. Hope to see you there in 2013.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have changed...Donnie probably already said this but "pack more beer!"

As to the future, I'm going to take it easy this year. Maybe try to do some high speed lapping days at tracks I have never been to before, or some of the ones I liked the best.



# #8

**Jack Wilson**

**Northern Illinois CC, Midwest Region**

I have been a member of NCCC since 1991 and I will begin my 21<sup>st</sup> year of competition since 1992.

What did I enjoy most about competing in 2012? Janet & I again have been blessed with the opportunity to both enjoy the same hobby, travel to various places, and enjoy our friends. As I have said in the past, memories of “Living the Dream” continue to be the most enjoyable!

If I had to do it all over again, what would I change? Other than more power, stickier tires, smoother roads to travel on, it has been a great time. Don't need to change what's working.

As for future plans, I'd like to go faster, lose weight, stay healthy and keep smiling. Well, three out of the four isn't bad.



# #9

**Dale Samuelson**

**Northern Illinois CC, Midwest Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1979 and competing since 1980.

I've always enjoyed competition and 2012 was no exception. Good tracks, good competition and, most importantly, good friends. I've come to value the camaraderie and friendships more than anything.

My plans for the future are do it all again. I'm having too much fun to change anything.



# #10

**Dave Heinemann**

**Windy City Corvettes, Inc., Midwest Region**

I've been a member of NCCC since 1976 and began competing in rallies and car shows around 1977 and autocrossing in 1978.

The best part of belonging to NCCC is the people/friends you meet attending events. It doesn't matter what kind of event it is, we all have something in common, the Corvette. Car shows are fun, rallies are challenging, drags are too short, icekhana's are too risky, but there is nothing like a good run in your Corvette at an autocross event.

What would I change if I could? Good question! More time to spend with our family, our NCCC friends, more time to travel, more money, some more time, and cheaper fuel. It's pretty hard to improve on something like NCCC when it is so good already!

Plans for the future are to take every day as a blessing, be kind to everyone, tell everyone you meet how glad you are to see them, never forget to say good bye to friends, and be thankful for everything I have. I want to thank all the event chairpersons, workers, and clubs that hosted events in 2012 that allowed Joan and I to have such a good time with new and old friends we have made along the journey to the Top 15. Please remember all the friends we have lost along the way as they pave a place for us in Corvette Heaven. The memories we have made cannot be replaced by anything else. Thank you all!



# #11

**Jim Thomas**

**Mad City Vettes, Midwest Region**

Jim Thomas, Good Guy, joined NCCC in 1994 through the Northern Illinois Corvette Club and, since 2012, his NCCC membership has been through Mad City Vettes. He was an avid NCCC Competitor since 1995 starting with his first participation at a Midwest Region Concours event on May 6, 1995 where he received his first trophy. His first Speed Events were on Labor Day 1995.

Jim enjoyed MANY Speed Events since 1995 and, through the years, Jim came to be known as a great competitor no matter which of his Corvettes he ran. He loved traveling around the country to compete at events in all of the Regions with his many NCCC friends. Along with being the 2010 National Champion, over the years he earned a spot on the Top 15 List nine (9) times including 2nd Place in 1998 and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in 1999. He was most proud of setting the Men's 2G Drag Record and being the Men's Top Eliminator at the 2012 Convention in Topeka, KS. He also earned Midwest Region Championships in 1997 and 2005 and served as their Regional Competition Director in 2001 and 2002.

Jim was well known at events as the "Guy To Go To" no matter what part anyone needed for their Corvette or for whatever problem they were having with their Corvette, their Trailer or their Tow Vehicle...no matter what year. He was also well known for his love of French Fries, his gentle manner and his dry wit.

Jim crossed his last finish line on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013. His wife, Joan, and his children: Katy, Sandi and Duffy (James II), his grandchildren: Ashley, Johnny, Erik, Karl, Fox (James III) and Roark and his great-granddaughter Brynlee thank the NCCC family for all of their prayers and support.

Jim's Traveling Parts Shop is now closed!



# #12

**Denny Murphy**

**North Florida Corvette Assn, Florida Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1971 and competed since 1971.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was the racing, tailgate parties and friends.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have moved to Florida sooner!!

My plans for the future? Catch more fish!



# #13

**John Phillips**

**CC of Michigan, Michigan Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1995-1998 and 2008-present.

I competed on and off in the mid-1990s as a member of the Thunder Vette Set from the Road Runner Region. I started competing



again in 2008 as a member of the Corvette Club of Michigan achieving moderate consistency due to business and military obligations; however, following my deployment to Afghanistan and subsequent military retirement in 2011, I was able to participate in many more competitive events.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was traveling with my wife and daughter, the challenge of competition, meeting new friends, improving and challenging my driving skills.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have changed my unbridled appetite for the “go peddle” so I could focus a bit more on smooth technique...of course it is much more fun to give in to the primal urge and excitement of full throttle acceleration!

My plans for the future are to continue to compete and travel with my wife, rebuild my 88 Coupe with my youngest daughter, spend more time on road race courses – in other words... live fast, love hard, embrace challenges and have fun!

# #14

**Gene Gau**

**Cornhusker CC, West Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 1999 and competing since 2000.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was traveling out of region and meeting and making new friends.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would have gotten 16” tires sooner for my trailer to prevent our blowouts.

My plans for the future...to do more of the same.



# #15

**Joe Eller**

**Cornhusker CC, West Region**

I've been an NCCC member since 2004 and been competing since 2004.

What I enjoyed most about competing in 2012 was that it's always fun enjoying our Corvette; but, it's the people who we enjoy most.

Given the opportunity to do it again, I would change nothing.

My plans for the future are to continue to enjoy time with our friends & family as much as we can.



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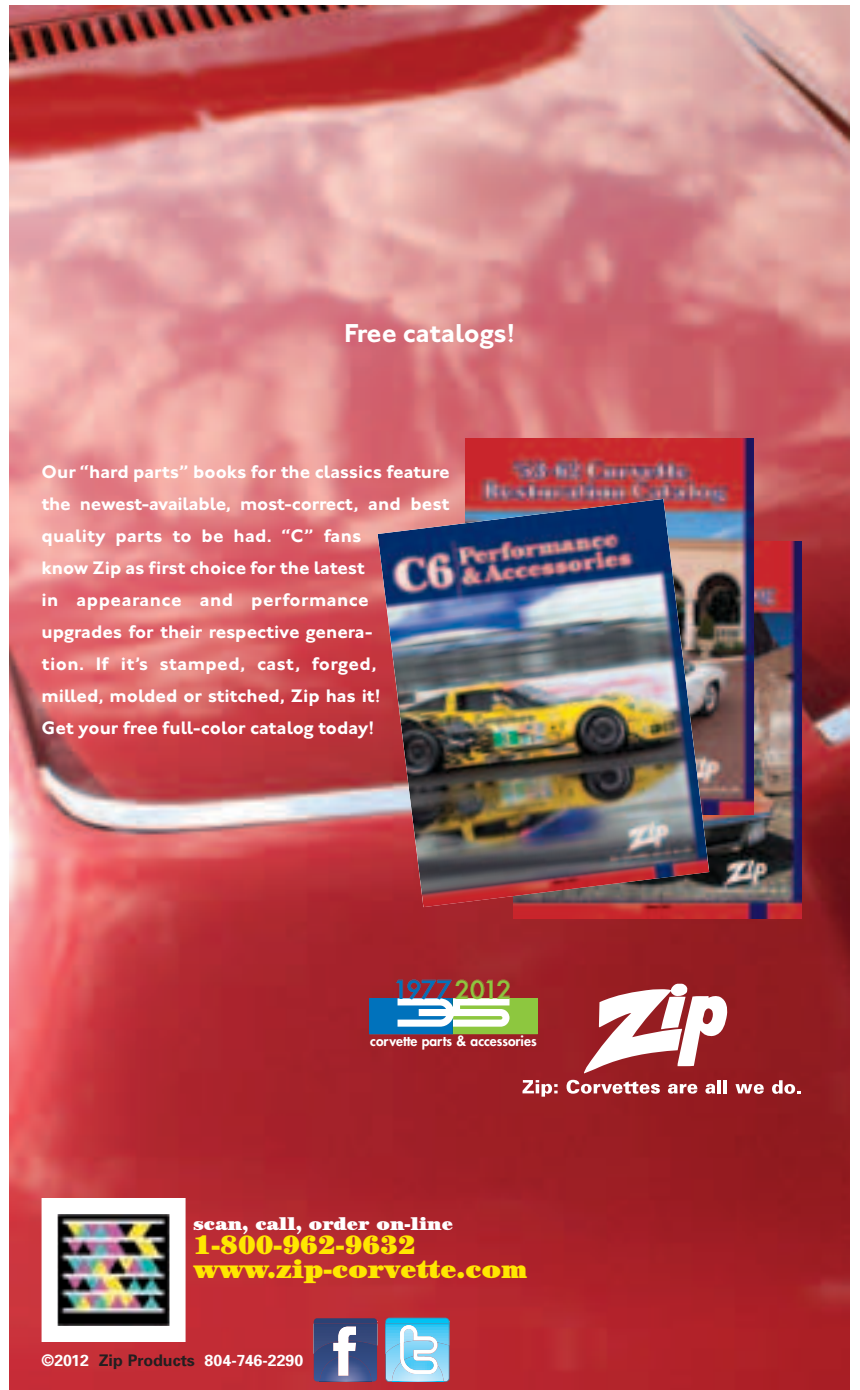
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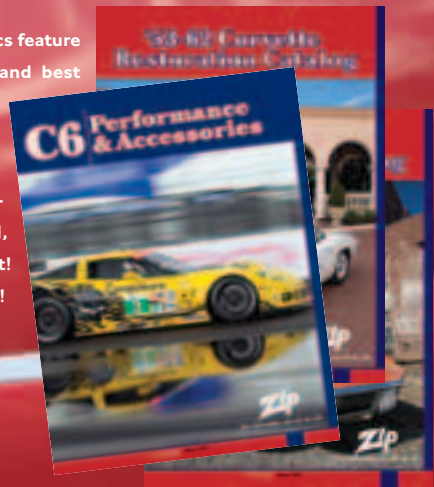
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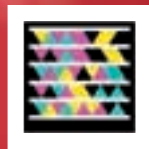
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The MVCC is a very active club, hosting great social events such as cruises, a weekly car show at the Boardman Quaker Steak and Lube. Our premier event is our NCCC sanctioned car show, which is held at Greenwood Chevrolet in Austintown, Ohio in July, which most of the proceeds go to various needy families in the Mahoning Valley.

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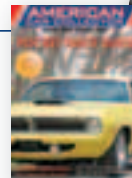
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# Vegas Vettes & the Silver State Classic Challenge



While most Corvette Clubs are familiar with and/or participated in an SCCA (Sports Car Club of America)



driving event there is one driving event that the Las Vegas Corvettes Association, aka Vegas Vettes, has been participating in for the past 15 years. This event is the Silver State Classic Challenge (SSCC) open road race, which is held twice a year on a 90-mile stretch of public highway, Nevada State



Route 318 from Lund to Hiko, Nevada.



In May the event is called the Nevada Open Road Challenge (NORC) and in September it is the SSCC.

Silver State Classic Challenge, Inc, a non-profit corporation, has been putting on the races since 1988 and this September's SSCC will be the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. This is going to be a milestone event, not just because it is the 25<sup>th</sup> running, but because during the NORC on May 20, 2012 the 12-year old world record was broken. Joe Peruto, driving a 2006 NASCAR chassis, Dodge Charger averaged 217.557 MPH for the 90-mile course in the Unlimited Category. Can you imagine covering 90 miles on a public highway in 25 minutes? Additionally, the State of Nevada has decided to name Highway 318, the Silver State Classic Challenge Highway.

The goal is to average as close to your selected miles per hour as possible. The cars are run in classes at five mile per hour increments to 150 mph, then 10 MPH separation to the 180 MPH class. The class is determined by the vehicles



safety equipment, the driver's experience and the driver/navigator comfort level. There is also an Unlimited Division, where the goal is to go as fast as possible, for very experienced drivers, over 21 years of age, with full race-equipped cars. Vehicles are started at one minute intervals, beginning with the 150 mph class and working down to the 95 mph class. Once the last 95 mph class vehicle clears the course, the Unlimited Division and the higher speed brackets over 150 MPH, at five or more minute intervals, are run as the final group.

Since the very beginning, Corvettes have been the most popular car to run in the events. Any where from 28 to 77 Corvettes per event have done either the NORC or SSCC. In 2000 a 1984 Corvette set the record with an average speed of 201.96 MPH. Corvettes have participated in all speed divisions, from 95 to 180 MPH plus the Unlimited Division. There is also the Team Challenge competitions, where teams are formed that have between seven and ten cars. Some teams are formed up in Ely during registration or at the car show, while some teams are from car clubs. Vegas Vettes usually has two teams and in the past race one team was from Canada.

While a couple of members had run in early SSCCs, large scale Vegas Vettes participation began in 1997 when a 1984 Corvette was race



prepared by several members, and entered along with three other Vegas Vettes members cars. Besides running in the 1997 SSCC race, then



Club president Larry Duis became club chairman for the SSCC events and thus started the association with SSCC that continues to this day.

Over the years, the SSCC has grown, from the single driving event on Sunday to a 4-day event starting in Las Vegas on Thursday with tech inspections, a driving school for first timers, a press luncheon, followed by a cocktail party up in Ely, Nevada. Ely, a small Nevada town of 4255 folks becomes the center of SSCC activities for the next three days. Two additional driving events, the half-mile and one-mile shootouts



are held on a 1.9 mile portion of Nevada Highway 490 on Friday and Saturday respectively. A parade of all race cars through downtown Ely is held on Friday afternoon. You'll see some of the race cars have guest riders –



young children from Ely. After the parade there is a welcome party in the Ely Community Center. On Saturday morning there is a car show



of all the race cars in the City Park with the winners selected by a group of Ely residents. Tech inspections are also conducted in the City Park on Saturday.

As you can imagine, it takes a lot of people, mostly volunteers, and resources to put on these two events each year. Securing a 90-mile section of highway that goes through three Nevada counties requires many course workers, communications and emergency personnel and equipment. Every access to Highway 318 must be secured and every portion of the highway must be in sight of a course worker who can relay information via radio to emergency personnel. Marshalling cars for the shootouts and car show; administrative duties; and most importantly, car safety inspections just before the events near the starting line are all done by volunteers.

In 1997, in addition to participating in the SSCC driving events, the Las Vegas Corvettes Association began volunteering to assist in race operations, running the Saturday car show and added safety enhancements. Ten



years ago, after a club member's car ran off the highway due to a tire failure, LVCA stepped up and began performing cockpit and tire safety checks just before the starting line. For the cockpit check, one person on either side of the car opens the doors and checks for and removes any



loose articles and makes sure the driver's and navigator's safety belts and helmet straps are adjusted properly. After the cockpit check, the car moves forward to where four members perform the tire

check. With one inspector at each wheel, the car is slowly moved forward one complete tire rotation. Additionally the inspectors look for any problems underneath the car, such as leaking fluids or a loose part. If nails or screws are found, and result in a leak when pulled out, it eliminates the entry - you do not want a tire failure at 100+ MPH. After the tire check, the car moves up to the starting line where they leave, in one minute intervals.

Racers are competing against the clock – attempting to cross the finish line with an average speed that exactly matches the entrants speed class. You've got to be close. For example, the winning entry in the 145 MPH class this May, finished the race with an average speed of 144.9995 MPH, 6<sup>th</sup> place's average was 144.9768 MPH!

During this May's NORC there were nine Vegas Vettes cars in the race and 24 volunteers in Ely for the Thursday through Sunday events. Of the 108 entries, 39 were Corvettes. Out of the 11 classes, from 100 to 170 MPH, in which there were Corvettes competing, Corvettes took 20 of the 33 possible top 3 awards, five of the 20 were Vegas Vettes. The 130 MPH class consisted entirely of Corvettes! Although the half-mile shootout was won by a Lamborghini and followed by a couple of Vipers, the highest speed for a Corvette in this event was 149.3 MPH.



The one-mile shootout was won by a Viper followed by the record breaking Charger, but in 3<sup>rd</sup> place was a 2010 Corvette at 164.7 MPH. The fastest Corvette in the 90-mile open road rally was a 2002 Z06 with an average speed of 174.3143 MPH!



Come join Vegas Vettes at the next Silver State Classic Challenge event – you'll love all the activities culminating with the road race on Sunday. All the

information regarding the events can be found at [www.sccc.us](http://www.sccc.us). To view Vegas Vettes results and pictures go to [www.vegasvettes.com](http://www.vegasvettes.com).

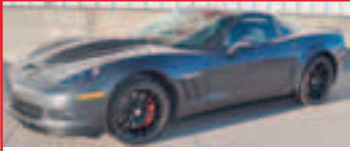
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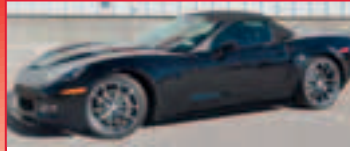


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**New 2013 427 Convertible**, 505 HP, 60th Anniversary Stripe Package, Head-Up Display, Diamond Blue Interior.

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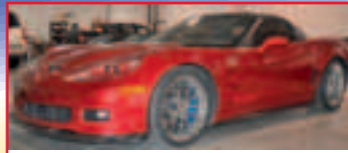
**2012 Grand Sport Coupe**, 430 HP, Manual, Carlisle Blue, Ebony Leather. Clear Bra, 3LT.

8620A **\$56,950**



**2012 Grand Sport Coupe**, Velocity Yellow, Ebony Leather with Yellow Stitching, Head-Up Display, 4LT.

8686A **\$58,500**



**2011 ZR1**, Crystal Red Metallic w/Dark Titanium Leather, 5,000 Miles, Selective Ride Control, 3ZR.

8612A **\$91,900**



**2011 ZR1**, Jetstream Blue w/Dark Titanium Leather, 2500 Miles, Selective Ride Control, 3ZR.

8611A **\$105,900**



**2010 Grand Sport Convertible**, w/Cashmere & Ebony Leather, Black Power Top, 6 spd. Manual, 3LT.

8718A **\$52,900**



**2009 Z06**, Red w/Ebony Leather, White Striping, Head-Up Display, Tinted Windows, 2LZ, 7K Miles.

8748B **\$59,900**



**2007 Z06**, Red w/Ebony and Red Leather, 2ZL, Mild to Wild Exhaust Switch, 17K Miles.

8782A **\$45,900**



**2003 Z06**, Millennium Yellow, Full Cage Race Car (Track Only), Supercharged, Callaway Exhaust, 3100 Miles.

7581A **\$30,000**



**2000 Coupe**, Pewter w/Tan Leather, Chrome Wheels, 6 spd. Manual, C6 Shift Knob, Custom Exhaust.

8230A **\$17,500**



**1994 ZR1**, Admiral Blue w/Ebony Leather, RARE, New Tires, Chrome Wheels, Dual Roof Package, 28K Miles.

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# Carlisle Concours Corvette Show History by Stu Jones



The York County Corvette Club (YCCC) was founded in 1968. During the 1970's it became a member of the NCCC. Chip and Judy Miller joined our club in the early 1970's. Both were active members and held numerous offices including President. While living in York they built a house which included a garage which would hold 13 of Chip's cars. He was car crazy from an early age.

By the 1970's, anyone interested in restoring or showing 1950's or 1960's era cars had few options. There was a belief that the only cars deemed worthy to collect were pre-WWII automobiles. The largest local car venue @ Hershey did not include post war cars. By the mid-1970's, Chip Miller and Bill Miller, Jr. had become friends through their love of cars and realized there was an obvious need for recognition of post war cars. They started renting and subsequently purchased the Carlisle Fair Grounds. On September 26, 1974, on the rented Carlisle Fairgrounds, "Post War '74" took place. It was the very first car event promoted by the two Miller's. In a year still remembered for gas lines and inflation, nearly 600 vendors set up in more than 800 spaces, and 13,000 spectators paid the \$1 admission to sample their wares.



The first Corvette Show found in our records is a "Clean 'n Shine Concours for Corvettes, October 3, 1976. YCCC assisted with running this annual Concours Corvette show. In 1982, the show became the NCCC Concours showfield within Corvettes @ Carlisle and CVCC and CPCC joined with us to work the show. Subsequently, YCCC has administrated this NCCC show for a couple decades.

The early passing of Chip Miller affected us all and a portion of the proceeds from all of YCCC shows is passed on the Chip Miller Foundation, which seeks a cure for Amyloidosis.

In the early days, YCCC members set up tents adjacent to the show field. this was a convenient location for running the show and taking care of their cars. As the event expanded, there was not much room for camping on the grounds.

For those of you who may not have attended this event before, and there must be a few, at least beyond the east coast and eastern Canada, this is one of the premier Corvette events in the United States. Corvettes @ Carlisle draws visitors from all over the world. Central PA is a great place to spend a weekend. Gettysburg and the Amish Country and Washington, DC are a few nearby attractions. This event should be on every Corvette lovers must attend list.



The NCCC show is limited to the 1st 175 entrants. Registration gives you entrance to the grounds for three days and parking on the NCCC show field. There are wash and show, street and show, custom, modified, race prepared, and concours events for C1's thru C7's with trophies for class winners and cash prizes Best of Show, Best of Concours Prepared, Best Modified, Best Street Prepared, Best Wash & Show, and Best Custom/Race Prepared.

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Register early, before July 22, go to:

<http://store.carlisleevents.com/SearchResults.asp?Cat=29>.

Scroll down to Corvettes @ Carlisle 2012 NCCC Judged Show, add to your cart and pay \$67.50 (\$75 after 22 July). Discount will be applied at check-out. Fee includes 3-days entry to grounds for two - plus Judged show entry.



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## **40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MIDWEST EARLY CORVETTE CLUB OF OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

Midwest Early Corvette Club of Omaha, NE was established in 1972 by 3 gentlemen who wanted to share their knowledge, expertise and resources to preserve, restore and enjoy Corvettes. These three men put an ad in the local newspaper that resulted in nine original members and today we have 82 members whose goals and ambitions are the same. Our vettes range from 1954 to 2013. We are dedicated to the maintenance, preservation and restoration of Corvettes. Two of the original members continue to be active in 2013, one which is 93 years young. Today, we continue to host three sanctioned community car shows, and a

sanctioned gimmick Halloween rally, swap meets and attend several parades, and events in the area. For the Second year in a row we were awarded the “Best of Display” at World of Wheels in Omaha, NE. We are also members of the National Council of Corvette Clubs. Many of our members have traveled to the Bloomington Gold Corvette Show, as well as the Corvette Bowling Green Plant. Our members have taken part in many state wide Corvette Shows as well as our local communities events over the 40 years. We have made generous donations to our local communities through their Chamber of Commerce or Councils, as well as food banks, Cancer Society of NE., Heart Association of NE., and the Kidney Foundation of NE. We celebrated 40 years of MECC with a parade, and a banquet honoring our founders and members. We enjoy cruising with our Corvettes and the friendships that we have made along the way.

Save the wave!


*Presented by Helen Gladfelter, President, and Harlen Kittrell, Ambassador.*



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His/Her relationship to the applicant

His/Her NCCC Member Number

That He/She will be the Applicant's Sponsor

That He/She has been closely involved with NCCC for a period of three or more years.

All scholarship applications must be completed correctly and mailed to:

**NCCC Scholarship Committee  
9741 Sunny Pointe Drive  
Laingsburg, MI 48848**

All application must be received at the above address no later than the deadline date for the year. The deadline changes from year to year depending upon the date of the Annual NCCC Convention. The 2013 **Received Deadline Date** is April 27, 2013.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The deadline date is not a mailing date but a date in which the completed application must be received. Applicants submitting forms after the deadline date will be asked to have their application considered for the following year. This delay for late applications has been in effect for a number of years.

Scholarship Application Forms may be obtained at the Governors' Meetings. The Forms are also available on the NCCC website. Be sure to **copy all of the forms** as they are all necessary for application.

**Form No. 1 ~ [NCCC Requirements/Rules for Scholarship](#)** ~ This Form should be used as a Guideline to be sure all of the requirements are met.

**Form No. 2 ~ [NCCC Scholarship Application Form](#)** ~ This is the four-page application that will need to be filled out in its entirety.

**Form No. 3 ~ [Letter of Recommendation for NCCC Scholarship Form](#)** ~ Be sure to print 3 copies of this form. This NCCC Form is to accompany each of the three required letters of recommendation.

## PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING:

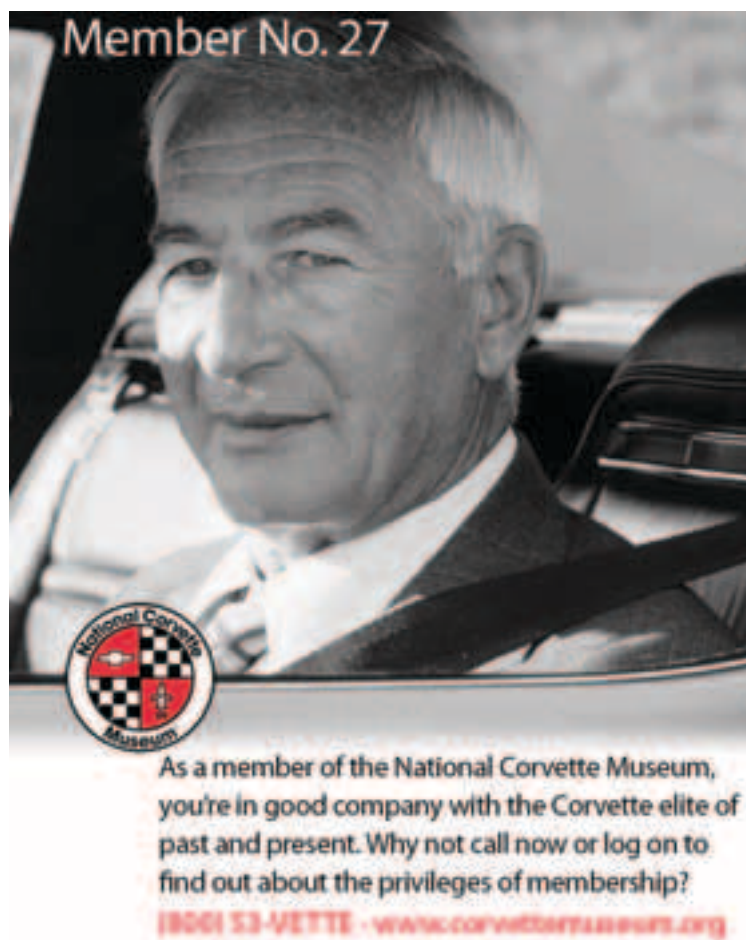
1. The applicant should complete all items that are asked for and, in particular, the items regarding the applicant's high school performance even though the applicant may be in college or elsewhere at the time.

2. Item (g) of the Requirements/Rules of the Scholarship reads: (g) three Letters of Recommendation from persons WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO EVALUATE the applicant's potential. The applicant should select three from his/her teachers, principals, academic advisors or similar persons who KNOW of the applicant's academic record and potential.

**Note of Explanation:** A person completing a Letter of Recommendation for NCCC Scholarship Form should not be a Relative, Government Official, NCCC Friend, Family Friend, Current/Past Employer, etc. **UNLESS** they also have the qualifications to complete the part of the Letter of Recommendation Form asking them to "rate the applicant on each characteristic in comparison with other students at the same level." The only persons qualified to properly and honestly answer the questions about the Applicant's academic capability are High School or College Teachers/Advisors/Academicians who have evaluated the Applicant regarding the Applicant's enrollment and participation in one or more of their classes. Thus, the only VALID person to complete the Letter of Recommendation for NCCC Scholarship Form is such a Teacher/Academician. The awarding of an NCCC Scholarship is to be based upon the prospects of success based on the academic capability of the Applicant.

3. All items, (a) through (g), of the Requirements/Rules of the Scholarship must be satisfied for any application to be considered. The applicant will be notified by phone of an incomplete application. If not made completed by the deadline, it will be discarded.

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**NCCC Official Drag Records as of  
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Index Times last updated on 10/16/12

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Class	Time	Index	Mens Record Holder	Club	Event	Date Record Set	Class	Time	Index	Ladies Record Holder	Club	Event	Date Record Set
<b>Group 3</b>													
DPA	9.01	9.28	John Sharp	Comp Corvettes of OK	SW-2 Oklahoma City, OK	10/19/03	LDDA	9.83	10.13	Delores Bamcood	Cornhusker CC	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01
DPB	9.73	9.93	Ron Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	NCCC Convention	08/13/09	LDPB	10.05	10.25	Vicki Burgess	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC-2008	05/25/08
DPC	7.66	7.89	Carl Moyer	CC of Iowa	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-1990	09/03/93	LDPC	11.30	11.30				01/01/93
DPAF	9.52	9.81	Pancho Thompson	N.E. Ohio Yette Club	NCCC Convention	06/28/01	LRPAF	10.20	10.20				01/01/97
RPA	9.78	10.08	Fred Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01	LRPA	10.26	10.57	Linda Garvin	Mid Texas Cust CC	SW-03 San Jacinto CC-1997	11/02/00
RPB	9.97	10.27	James Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	SW-03 C.O.A.S.T. 2006	09/24/06	LRPB	10.57	10.78	Sylvia Hoaldrige	Cowtown Vettes	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC-2008	05/25/08
A	9.98	10.28	Fred Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	NCCC Convention	06/28/01	LA	10.60	10.92	Loretta Spinrad	Capital City CC	MI-051 Capital City CC-2000	05/20/02
B	10.10	10.40	James Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	NCCC Convention	08/10/06	LB	10.31	10.63	Linda Williams	San Jacinto CC	SW-37 Oklahoma City CC-1993	06/12/96
E	11.05	11.16	Scott Matthesen	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10	LE	11.09	11.42	Kathryn Pennington	Cowtown Vettes	SW-01 Oklahoma City CC-1997	06/07/00
H		11.42				01/01/97	LH		11.42				01/01/97
K		11.42				12/10/05	LK		11.42				12/10/05
N	11.23		David Ocker	Top of the Rockies Corvette Club	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2012	05/29/12	LN		11.57				05/01/09
CLM	10.12	10.42	Steve Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-88 Crossroads CC-2005	10/15/05	LCLM	10.99	11.32	Abby Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-095 Archway Corvette Club	06/24/06
<b>Group 2</b>													
A	10.90	11.23	Stan Dedrickson	Cornhusker CC	NCCC Convention	07/11/02	LA	10.61	10.93	Liz Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	WR-06 Cornhusker CC-1994	09/05/97
B	11.34	11.45	Larry Walker	Boone Trail CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10	LB	11.70	12.06	Patty Wilson	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00
C	11.81	12.17	Jim Benedict	Cornhusker CC	MI-153 Royal Corvettes-1999	09/25/01	LC	12.65	13.03	Linda Benedict	Cornhusker CC	WR-39 Cornhusker CC-1997	09/01/00
D	11.76	12.12	Dick Smith	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC-1999	09/06/01	LD	11.92	12.28	Sharon Smith	Cornhusker CC	NCCC Convention	07/16/00
E	12.69	13.08	Dale Acker	Comp Corvettes of OK	SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2005	05/29/05	LE	12.69	13.08	Amanda Acker	Comp Corvettes of OK	SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2005	05/29/05
F		12.24				01/01/93	LF		12.24				01/01/93
G	13.04		Jim Thomas	Maid City Vettes	NCCC Convention	06/28/12	LG		13.26				01/01/93
H	12.29	12.54	Johnny Gann	Oklahoma City CC	SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009	05/24/09	LH	12.34		Christine Gann	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2011	05/30/11
J	12.22		Johnny Gann	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2012	05/29/12	LJ	12.60		Christine Gann	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2012	05/29/12
K	11.84	11.96	Joe Szjarto	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10	LK	12.36	12.61	Janet Szjarto	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC-2008	05/25/08
M	11.01	11.12	Travis Loethhead	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10	LM		11.42				12/10/05
N		10.92				05/01/09	LN		10.92				05/01/09
CLA	12.92	13.31	Steve Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00	LCLA	14.28	14.72	Joan Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00
CL	13.42	13.83	Ron Ruston	Oklahoma City CC	SW-43 Oklahoma City CC-1996	06/08/99	LCL	13.67	14.08	Jennie Ruston	Oklahoma City CC	SW-43 Oklahoma City CC-1996	06/08/99
<b>Group 1</b>													
A	12.43	12.68	Ron Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	Kearney Raceway Park, Kearney, NE	09/20/08	LA	12.75	13.01	Liz Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	Kearney Raceway Park, Kearney, NE	09/20/08
AA	13.13	13.52	Bob Holiday	Tiretown CC	MI-100 Royal Corvettes-1997	09/20/00	LAA	14.73	15.18	Merrilyn Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00
B	13.45	13.86	Doug Shilen	Cowtown Vettes	SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2004	05/30/04	LB	14.10	14.52	Joan Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-15 Boone Trail CC-1999	05/15/01
C	13.20	13.33	Paul Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-095 Archway Corvette Club 2010	10/09/10	LC	14.11	14.53	Joan Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-89 Cornhusker CC 2004	10/09/04
D	13.96	14.38	Ron Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999	11/14/01	LD	14.08	14.50	Liz Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999	11/14/01
E	13.45	13.86	Dale Acker	Competition Conv OK	SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999	11/14/01	LE	13.75	14.17	Sharon Messerman	Michigan Autocross Group	NCCC Convention	06/18/07
F		12.75				01/01/93	LF		12.75				01/01/93
G	13.43	13.70	Paul Stewart	Oklahoma City CC	SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009	05/24/09	LG	13.41	13.54	Jennie Stewart	Oklahoma City CC	SW-001 Oklahoma City CC 2010	05/30/10
H	12.78	13.04	Chris Cantell	Oklahoma City CC	SW-038 Oklahoma City CC 2009	05/24/09	LH	13.17	13.30	Mary Anne Kolb	Tin Hall Toys	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10
J	12.50	12.63	Dave Hawks	Cornhusker CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10	LJ	12.64	12.89	Glenda Brown	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008	05/25/08
K	12.18	12.30	Fred Molenda	Tin Hall Toys	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10	LK	12.26	12.38	Bernyce Molenda	Tin Hall Toys	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2010	10/17/10
M		11.73				12/10/05	LM		11.73				12/10/05
N		11.22				05/01/09	LN		11.22				05/01/09
CLA	14.65	15.09	Jim Schwent	Boone Trail CC	NCCC Convention	07/16/00	LCLA	15.44	15.91	Sue Schwent	Boone Trail CC	WR-05 Cornhusker CC-1991	09/02/94
CL	14.81	15.26	Fred Schneider	Platte Valley CC	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01	LCL	15.31	15.78	Terri Schneider	Platte Valley CC	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01

## FROM THE VP MEMBERSHIP



I am writing my first article for Blue Bars as Vice-President of Membership as the waning days of winter are upon us. The winter snows that hit many parts of the country and the cold temperatures we have had to endure these past few months will

all be a fading memory when we again start driving our Corvettes more regularly as the warmth and sunshine return. Our members in the upper Midwest and Northeast are real ready for summer to arrive.

As we head into the opening months of 2013 our membership numbers are starting to increase after the fall renewals. Many of our clubs experienced decreases with their club membership at the end of 2013 but new members and late renewing members are helping those clubs once more. Maybe we can attribute the decreases, in part, to our sluggish national economy and uncertainty about what lies ahead. However, by the looks of the new 2014 Corvette and the appeal of the recent generations of Corvettes, it's hard to imagine anyone not wanting to own and drive a Corvette.

We want to extend special recognition to a few of our largest clubs in National Council: Tulsa Vette Set (SW-248), Cornhusker Corvette Club (WR-095), Cumberland Valley Corvette Club (ER-098), East Tennessee Corvette Club (SE-253), Suburban Corvette Club of Minnesota (MW-051), Corvettes of Naples (FL-276, and Buckeye Corvettes (EO-010). All of our clubs, from smallest to largest, make up the Corvette Family and that is what makes us unique among car enthusiast clubs. Whether it's a cruise-in that brings together Corvette friends to a local restaurant or the large weekend extravaganzas, we always know that we are among friends. At the beginning of March 2013, our membership is approaching almost 17,000.

An idea I shared at our recent national governor's meeting is what I like to call a "10-10-10 Plan." By this I mean that our clubs, depending on the size of current membership, could recruit **ten** new members who will join their club; actively have **ten** additional members in the process of showing interest in becoming members but are "not quite there"; and, to retain at least **ten** members we'd like to call our "Legacy members", those who have been long-time members and who may have lost a little interest in our club and regional activities. Some clubs may end up adding far more members than the "10" and that would be great. Some smaller clubs might almost be there in achieving the "10". But the interesting thing about the "10-10-10 Plan" is that we have 265 clubs. If we come close to bringing in and retaining those new members and legacy members, we will certainly be enroute to a new burst of membership numbers in NCCC.

We hope that many of our members are making plans for the 2013 Convention in Bowling Green from June 24 to June 28. Lots of activities and events will keep everyone very busy as we gather at the Home of the Corvette. The Southeast Region is working very hard to ensure that everything will be perfect and that we will have the experience of attending one of the best Conventions. I look forward to seeing a lot of friends from all across the country in Bowling Green and I'll probably even be seeing the results of the speed events with their names above mine. But that is okay, we are all part of the big Corvette Family.

All the best,

*Steve Johnson*

**For up-to-date information about  
NCCC news and events, be sure  
to CLICK on the NCCC website,  
[www.corvettesnccc.org](http://www.corvettesnccc.org).**

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS, INC.

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT ~ February 23, 2013

REGION	CLUBS	MEMBERS	MAL	FCOA	LARGEST CLUB IN REGION	MEMBERS
Carolina Region	13	276	15	21	CORVETTES INTERNATIONAL	61
East Ohio Region	17	934	26	178	BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.	190
East Region	25	2086	56	299	CUMBERLAND VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB	226
Florida Region	21	1231	34	257	CORVETTES OF NAPLES	211
Indiana Region	19	1057	16	131	FORT WAYNE CORVETTE CLUB	138
Michigan Region	15	1039	21	270	AMERICA'S CORVETTE CLUB OF MICHIGAN	215
Midwest Region	31	2207	30	508	SUBURBAN CORVETTE CLUB OF MINNESOTA	159
Northeast Region	6	258	10	49	CORVETTE CLUB OF VERMONT	76
Northwest Region	1	113	0	1	TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB	112
Rocky Mountain Region	10	529	16	64	COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB	150
Roadrunner Region	13	750	14	78	DESERT CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	125
Southeast Region	17	1190	13	136	EAST TENNESSEE CORVETTE CLUB	242
Southwest Region	19	1300	35	138	TULSA VETTE SET	358
West Coast Region	26	1854	27	145	LAS VEGAS CORVETTES ASSOCIATION	177
West Ohio Region	7	317	16	63	CORVETTE TROY	108
West Region	25	1615	13	416	CORNHUSKER CORVETTE CLUB	323
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>16799</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>2754</b>		
		(as of 21 Feb) 16809				
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS NUMBER INCLUDES MAL'S AND 8 HONORARY MEMBERS</b>						
<b>NCCC HAS 315 LIFETIME MEMBERS</b>						
					<b>Steve Johnson, VP Membership</b>	

### Carolina Region

CORVETTES INTERNATIONAL	CA-174	61
CAROLINA CORVETTES	CA-014	53
CARO-VETTES, INC.	CA-356	28

### East Ohio Region

BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.	EO-010	190
KANAWHA VALLEY CORVETTE, INC.	EO-223	90
CENTRAL WEST VIRGINIA CORVETTE CLUB	EO-147	59
COMPETITION CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	EO-257	102

### East Region

CUMBERLAND VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB	ER-098	226
BEL AIR CORVETTE CLUB	ER-263	193
CORVETTE CLUB OF AMERICA	ER-001	193
FREE STATE CORVETTE CLUB	ER-038	162
YORK COUNTY CORVETTE CLUB	ER-108	163
LANCASTER COUNTY CORVETTE CLUB	ER-266	153
KEYSTONE STATE CORVETTE CLUB	ER-093	91
BEACHCOMBER CORVETTE CLUB	ER-366	93

### Florida Region

CORVETTES OF NAPLES	FL-276	211
CAPE KENNEDY CORVETTE CLUB	FL-032	146
CORVETTES ON THE GULF	FL-515	126

### Indiana Region

FORT WAYNE CORVETTE CLUB	IN-115	138
HOOSIER CORVETTE CLUB	IN-513	110
CIRCLE CITY CORVETTE CLUB	IN-281	106
CORVETTE INDY	IN-342	113
TRI-STATE CORVETTE CLUB	IN-133	110

### Michigan Region

AMERICA'S CORVETTE CLUB OF MICHIGAN	MI-488	215
CORVETTE CLUB OF MICHIGAN	MI-006	171
GRAND VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	MI-041	126

### Midwest Region

WINDY CITY CORVETTES, INC.	MW-351	151
SUBURBAN CORVETTE CLUB OF MINNESOTA	MW-051	159
MIDWEST CORVETTES	MW-054	143
NORTHERN ILLINOIS CORVETTE CLUB	MW-167	117
CORVETTE CLUB OF ILLINOIS	MW-109	152
MAD CITY VETTES	MW-465	122
CHICAGO CORVETTE CLUB	MW-004	107
WISCONSIN CORVETTE CLUB	MW-075	126
SUNBURST CORVETTE CLUB	MW-277	108
ROUTE 66 CORVETTE CLUB	MW-470	116

Listed are the clubs with 100+ members or the top 3 clubs of that region

### Northeast Region

CORVETTE CLUB OF VERMONT	NE-585	76
CORVETTES OF BUFFALO	NE-030	75
ADIRONDACK CORVETTES	NE-373	34

### Northwest Region

TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB	NW-483	112
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### Rocky Mountain Region

COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB	RM-183	150
TOP OF THE ROCKIES CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	RM-176	122
SOUTHERN COLORADO CORVETTE CLUB	RM-217	49

### Roadrunner Region

DESERT CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	RR-303	125
TUCSON CORVETTE CLUB, Inc.	RR-331	120
SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB	RR-452	91

### Southeast Region

EAST TENNESSEE CORVETTE CLUB	SE-253	242
NASHVILLE CORVETTE CLUB	SE-073	223
CORVETTE CRUISERS OF ATLANTA, INC	SE-551	90

### Southwest Region

TULSA VETTE SET	SW-248	358
SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB	SW-063	164
COWTOWN VETTES	SW-055	153
LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB	SW-207	128
OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB	SW-131	98

### West Coast Region

LAS VEGAS CORVETTES ASSOCIATION	WC-202	177
CORVETTES OF TEMECULA VALLEY	WC-500	119
CORVETTES LIMITED	WC-447	122
PACIFIC COAST CORVETTES	WC-336	128
O.C. VETTES, INC	WC-325	111
CORVETTES WEST	WC-302	112
POMONA VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	WC-434	111
PALM SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB	WC-340	106

### West Ohio

CORVETTE TROY	WO-027	108
GLASS CITY CORVETTE CLUB	WO-039	87
FOUNTAIN CITY CORVETTE CLUB	WO-132	29

### West Region

CORNHUSKER CORVETTE CLUB	WR-095	323
CEDAR RAPIDS CORVETTE CLUB	WR-015	168
CORVETTE CLUB OF IOWA	WR-022	102
SIOUX FALLS CORVETTE CLUB	WR-126	104
NEBRASKA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	WR-192	108

# FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER



It is again my privilege to serve the NCCC organization for 2013 as your Business Manager to serve out the balance of Hal Tumbleson's term. Hal has done an outstanding job over the past for NCCC and we will miss his professionalism

and wish Hal the best.

Legacy Insurance Company is again our carrier for 2013. The 2013 Certificate, forms, waivers, FAQ's, and contacts are provided on the NCCC Website for your access.

Please make sure incidents requiring NCCC insurance coverage involvement are communicated immediately to Legacy and me. You can contact me at home: 815-885-2700 or cell: 815-978-4830. You may leave a message on either number. However, if it is an emergency, you should call both numbers as I will be at either or will be available to reply quickly thereafter.

Have a safe and enjoyable year traveling and participating at our NCCC events.

*Jack Wilson*

## MEETING DATES

Listed below are the meeting dates for the 2013 and 2014 National Governors' Meetings at the Sheraton WestPort (not the Chalet) in St. Louis, MO. This will allow you to plan ahead. For reservations, call (314) 878-1500.

National Meeting Hotel Reservation Form  
Is available on the NCCC website.

April 26-27, 2013  
Annual Meeting during Convention Week  
September 13-14, 2013  
November 8-9, 2013

February 21-22, 2014  
April 25-26, 2014  
Annual Meeting during Convention Week  
September 12-13, 2014  
November 7-8, 2014

# Blue Bars

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES LIKE NONE OTHER!  
(revised 2/8/13)

The National Council of Corvette Clubs is offering advertising opportunities in its quarterly publication, *Blue Bars*, to Corvette-related businesses, clubs, and NCCC Regions. Why should you consider advertising in this publication?

- Favorable rates
- Official publication of the largest single car club of its kind in the world
- Average circulation in excess of 11,500 copies

The interests of our membership are varied – competition, car shows, parades, charitable events and numerous social events, all of which are sponsored by our clubs. As the interest of our membership is so varied, so are their needs for Corvette-related products, services and activities.

Don't miss this great opportunity to market your products, services or events to Corvette enthusiasts across the country.

### Advertising Rates

Size	4/Color	Black/White
Inside Front Cover	\$900	n/a
Inside Back Cover	\$900	n/a
Full Page (7-3/4 x 9-3/4)	\$725*	\$625
Half Page (7-3/4 x 4-7/8)	\$400	\$350
Third Page (5 x 4-7/8)	\$375	\$325
Quarter Page (3-7/8 x 4-7/8)	\$350	\$300
Sixth Page (2-1/4 x 4-7/8)	\$325	\$275
Business Card (3-1/2 x 2)	\$200	\$150
• Full Page Bleed (8-3/4 x 11-1/4)		

Effective April 1, 2008, a 15% discount will be given when four (4) ads are purchased as a package. These ads can either be 4-color or black/white, but they must be half-page or larger.

NCCC Clubs that wish to publicize their clubs' activities and special events by placing a flyer in *Blue Bars*, may do so by purchasing ad space at 50% of the Advertising Rate shown above for the page size desired. Allow 4-6 months lead time.

### Advertising Deadlines

February 28 for Spring issue	Published in late April
May 31 for Summer issue	Published in late July
Aug 31 for Fall/Convention issue	Published in late-October
November 30 for Winter issue	Published in late-January

### Copy and Inquiries

Sylvia Hoaldrige  
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### Check Must Accompany Advertisement

Payable to:  
NATIONAL COUNCIL of  
CORVETTE CLUBS

Email: [BlueBars@corvettesnccc.org](mailto:BlueBars@corvettesnccc.org)

All ads must be CAMERA READY and may be sent via email or CD.



# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS



The New Year has kicked off for Corvette with a big bang; not only as Corvette's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. It also started with the 2014 C7 Corvette reveal, which was held on 1-13-13 – an invitation-only event at a private location in Chicago, IL. NCCC was represented at the event by Hal Bellamy (as our President and NCM Board

Member), along with Paul Haack (VP Competition) and his wife Diane. They provided me with numerous photos from the two-day reveal event, which was turned into a slideshow that was playing during the National Governor's February Meeting.



We would like to re-iterate that NCCC, your regions and/or your clubs **DO NOT** have authority from GM to utilize the new C7 Corvette logo and/or the new Stingray logo for any purpose at this time. Sponsorship is working with GM to obtain the approval for NCCC to use these new logos in the future. At this time, NCCC only has approval to utilize the C1 thru C6 logos for use on our club's not-for-profit needs for print, newsletters, etc.

Our public relations activities will continue heavy among several areas again this year; not just with the promotional display use. We are working ads with clubs, with dealerships, large events, etc. utilizing multiple forms of media. NCCC does need more visibility out there, especially at the larger events and in numerous Corvette publications; do you know a publication or event we should be at? If so, contact me.

**PR Offerings:** promoting NCCC isn't just one person's job within NCCC, it belongs to all of us. It starts with leveraging the many tools you have available to you, not only the displays but other options we offer.



•If your sponsoring dealership is willing to provide a promotional handout to new Corvette owners, please contact me so we can work together to promote the dealership, your club and NCCC. I am offering my

time to create the joint flyer for this use; the printing cost is up to you and the dealership to work out. This is just one more way that we can show the benefits of your club and NCCC; with, hopefully, fewer new Corvette owners heading towards non-NCCC clubs or no club at all.

David Goebel of the *East Tennessee Corvette Club* was the first to take me up on this offer; their dealership is now providing the joint brochure to every new Corvette Owner. There is a sample of this on the NCCC website; see the PR page.



- Is there a fairly large Corvette event in your area in which NCCC doesn't have a promotional presence? While NCCC's two promotional displays are good mediums to utilize at your events, they may not be the best tool for every event. As we have been working with some potential new clubs and smaller events, we are starting to see a need for sending only the promotional materials; some also utilized only the DVD. Not only is this more economical for NCCC, but it also allows us to focus the information for your club's individual situations. Think about some of the times you have utilized the promotional displays and what might make them better, or what might have even worked better than the display itself – I would like to hear about it.
- The "Why NCCC" documents have been updated and are available for you to use for your club's needs. You will now find two versions of each document; one is the "print version" that is setup for printing at your local copy shop (bi-fold). The other version (by popular request) is a "presentation / readable version" that enables you to link, use it in your newsletter, email it to your members, etc. Again, all of these can be found on our national website, located on the Public Relations and the Membership pages.

We would invite you to also use these documents, especially the promo flyer, within your clubs and regions. We have found it useful within our club to distribute promo flyers at our membership meetings and especially at the new member orientations. The PR page has these linked, which will allow you to print them for any of your needs. As an NCCC member, you are part of the NCCC promotional team because it isn't just the responsibility of Public Relations, a National or Regional officer, nor even just the Club Governor's job; it is something that every NCCC member should be actively doing all the time. The truth is that most people join our Corvette clubs because we are a Corvette Club, not because we are NCCC. So, unless you help to promote the benefits, most will never know the real benefits of why our clubs are affiliated with NCCC and why we should remain members.

**Social Media:** *Facebook & Linked-In* will continue to be utilized to promote NCCC around the world. We do utilize a separate page to promote each Convention, which is focusing on 2013 at the current time. This allows us to post periodic reminders and news splashes around Convention and the events being planned. If you see a post on *Facebook* or *Linked-In* for NCCC, we would invite you to help in the public relations efforts by simply “liking” and/or commenting on the event. Each new like and comment keeps our visibility higher to everyone around the world.



**Current ADs and Event Promotions:** We are continuing ADs in several of the large publications, such as NCRS, NCM, Carlisle, Funfest, etc. However, we are always looking for new and other advertising opportunities. If you have one that you feel would be a potential benefit to NCCC, contact me. The ADs for this year have a distant and different look; trying to keep them fresh, modern, new and appealing to potential members. Samples of these (and others) can be viewed on the NCCC website – the PR Page.

- American Car Collector: AD trade
- Corvette and Chevy Expo: flyers
- National Corvette Homecoming: flyers and AD in program book
- National Corvette Museum: ADs in each of the Café Tablet Tops, in the “*American Sports Car*” magazine and our Kiosk Display in the Museum.
- National Corvette Restorer’s Society (NCRS): AD trade
- Sponsorship promotion brochure for Convention 2013
- Vette Vues Magazine: AD trade

**Promotional Displays & Care Packages:** The displays are offered on a first-come basis. There are only a limited number of units, so make your reservation early or they will already be booked for the date you need.



- The two large Promotional Displays are the full units that sit on a tabletop, complete with a DVD and promotional materials. These units are expensive to ship out, so please request and fully utilize them when they are shipped out.
- We have one new Promotional Banner Display that was on display at the February National Governors’ Meeting; its focus is ONLY for INDOOR events. The display contents (still being assembled) will consist of the vertical banner and promotional materials only; no table display, DVD player, etc. This display is perfect for your indoor club car show display where you don’t have room for the larger table display.
- We also offer “Care Packages” for events

that only contain promotional materials for events where you cannot use either of the displays mentioned above. These are relatively inexpensive to ship out and it saves our organization money to not send the displays when they won’t be used.

Public Relations will continue to look to you to be our eyes, ears and salesperson in search of new markets, of events and opportunities to promote and grow NCCC. I welcome the opportunity to partner with you to help your club, your region and NCCC at these events. It might even need to be a visit to your region to talk and promote NCCC to the clubs that do not attend National Meetings. If so, contact me.

In closing, please remember that NCCC is YOUR organization and finding solutions to grow and benefit membership must be of high importance to all of us. There is no single individual or single group that can do this alone, so let’s put our heads together and make it happen. If you have constructive ideas or opportunities around how to better our NCCC organization, please feel free to contact the Vision Committee, the eBoard or me directly.

We hope that you and your club have a fun, healthy, safe and prosperous 2013; and, regardless what your Corvette passion is, continue to get out and ENJOY “*America’s Sports Car*”!

Regards,

*Douglas McMahan*



## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS



Happy Spring, everyone!! NCCC members in some parts of the country are still counting the days until their Corvette, is released from its winter home, while members in other parts of the country have been taking full advantage of their spring-like weather with their

Corvette. Which one are you?

### REMINDER to Governors and Newsletter Editors...

Please arrange for hardcopies of your club's newsletters to be mailed to PAT CLARK (Michiana CC) at [50866 Country Knolls Drive, Granger, IN 46530](mailto:50866CountryKnollsDriveGrangerIN46530). Electronic copies of club newsletters should be emailed to PATSY SHEARER (CKCC) at [wshearer001@cfl.rr.com](mailto:wshearer001@cfl.rr.com). Pat and Patsy will then peruse the newsletters they receive for articles of interest for *Blue Bars*. Articles and photos are always needed. Your submissions and input are vital to the success of *Blue Bars*.

All photos in *Blue Bars* should be hi-resolution. The front and back cover photos MUST be hi-resolution in order to retain their 'crisp, clear' quality. The FRONT COVER should fit an 8-1/2" wide x 11" long area (portrait style). Because of the current layout of the front cover with the blue bars at the top and bottom of the page, the actual focus of the photo should fit in an 8-1/2" wide x 7-1/4" long area (in the center of the page).

The BACK COVER photo has no obstructions like the front cover; therefore, the back cover photo should be landscape style and fit 8-1/2" wide x 6" long. All front and back cover photos must be in full color.

Remember, change is good for everyone...even NCCC members. However, when it comes to NCCC members changing addresses, it is very important that ALL members keep your mailing addresses up-to-date

in the NCCC membership database at all times, because the NCCC membership database generates the mailing list for each issue *Blue Bars*. Governors, please remind your club members of the following deadlines for updating the NCCC membership database with their address changes prior to printing and distributing each issue of *Blue Bars*:

**June 21, 2013** (for the Summer 2013 issue)

**September 21, 2013** (for the Fall 2013 issue)

**December 21, 2013** (for the Winter 2014 issue)

**March 21, 2014** (for the Spring 2014 issue)

If you have an interest in writing Corvette-related technical articles for *Blue Bars*, either on an issue-by-issue basis or on a full-time basis, please contact me at [BlueBars@corvettesnccc.org](mailto:BlueBars@corvettesnccc.org).

The deadline for submitting items for each issue of *Blue Bars* is shown in each issue of *Blue Bars*. Please keep in mind that submitting items by the deadline does not guarantee placement in the next issue of *Blue Bars*. I use a continuous checklist where I add items in chronological order (as I receive them) for items such as articles, front and back cover photos, etc. I continue to stress that all emails sent to me for *Blue Bars* should have **BLUE BARS** in the subject line. I strive to email everyone who has submitted an item for inclusion in *Blue Bars*; however, if you have sent me something and you do not receive a confirmation email in a timely manner from me, please call me at 817-561-9314 and leave me a message.

Have a question about *Blue Bars*? I'm only a phone call or mouse click away. Contact me.

*Sylvia Hoaldridge*

## **2013 Blue Bars Staff**

Pat Clark

John Tyler Gibson

Patsy Shearer

# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SPONSORSHIP



Sponsorship Views  
Spring 2013

Wikipedia defines loyalty as a faithfulness and/or devotion to a person, country, group, or cause. We, as NCCC members, can be considered as a persons, group, or cause when considering this definition and are lucky to have

the loyal sponsors that we have providing support to NCCC. Our sponsors for 2013 range in tenure with our organization from 2-23 years and much positive can be said for that. It is the customer loyalty that they hope to build within our group to sell their items but we also, as a group, aspire to have their support of our organization.

For 2013, we have sponsorship support from Michelin North America, Mid America Motorworks, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Zip Products, Corvette America, Paragon Corvette Reproductions, Hagerty Insurance, Southerncarparts.com, Insure Zone, Excel Credit Union, Hubcap and Wheel Warehouse, Auto Anything, and Eyecandywraps.com. As of this time, at the 2013 convention in Bowling Green, Michelin will be providing a tech talk, Goodyear will be sponsoring the low speed event, Zip Products will sponsor the rally, Corvette Central will be the Concours sponsor, Paragon Corvette Reproductions will sponsor the registration packets, Insure Zone will sponsor the Valve Cover Race, and Corvette America, Hagerty Insurance, and Southerncarparts.com will be general sponsors of the convention. By the time you arrive in Bowling Green, there may be a few additions or changes but I know all of these companies will be doing their best to make sure we have a great event. The National Corvette Museum will be hosting a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at the end of the week and Chevrolet will be displaying a new C7 at the museum as well as sending some special edition posters to convention attendees. We will have the opportunity to visit with some special GM representatives, as well, so sounds like a great opportunity.

We do plan to participate in the Corvettes of Carlisle event again this year. York County Corvette Club hosts a concours that is one of the largest on the NCCC calendar for the year and they have many beautiful Corvettes at this event. Cumberland Valley Corvette Club also hosts a low speed autocross and participation in this event is growing each year. Preliminary talks are underway to participate with the Corvettes of Carlisle "Family" on ways to increase participation among the younger

generations so our display that normally promotes membership and our Charity program make take on an additional promotion to create more interest in the younger age groups. The Corvette hobby needs to live on FOREVER!!

One of our new web site sponsors, Eyecandywraps.com has some very interesting windshield wraps that serve as covers. They are GM licensed and have a variety of choices. You may have seen their "Jake" design on the C6R race team cars. What an awesome look! They offer the wraps with the NCCC logo as well and have a special pricing for members. They will work with you on custom designs as well.

If you have not made your plans to attend the convention in Bowling Green, you need to rethink your decision as this will be a great event. They have shortened the fun by one day but packed in many unique, fun activities that you will not want to miss. Show your loyalty to convention, to NCCC, and to our sponsors by making the trip to Bowling Green. See you there!

*Debbie Lindsey*

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# In Memoriam

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Gerry Tumia, Tacoma CC, NW

Jeannine Whitford, Mid-Ohio CC, EO

*The above list consists of members who have died since the Summer 2012 issue of Blue Bars.*

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Donald Granzin, MW-004-0004, passed away suddenly in August 2012. Don was an NCCC member and one of the earliest members of the Chicago CC. Through the years, Don served on nearly every club committee and was the "go-to" guy for technical and historical information.

Although Don had a slight flirtation with Ford Mustangs, his true love was the Corvette. When, given the opportunity, he would talk about Corvettes for as long as his audience would allow.

He and his wife, Janet, were unofficial ambassadors of the Chicago CC, who stayed in touch with old time members who had sold their Corvettes or moved away. Quite naturally they also brought many new members into the Club.

More recently, NCCC members may have met Don and Janet at the NCCC Conventions in Colorado Springs, CO, and Tinley Park, IL.

In his honor, Janet and Don's friends have donated funds toward the National Corvette Museum racetrack.

Don was a lifetime member of the Chicago CC, the National Council of Corvette Clubs and the National Corvette Museum.

*Submitted by Donald Schmitt and photo by Janet Granzin.*



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## FCOA MEMBER #4900 ~~ ANGELO

When Angelo's grandpa mailed in the FCOA membership application for him, little did he suspect that Angelo would be assigned FCOA #4900! In the same envelope, there was also one for his younger sister Julia who is FCOA #4899. His grandpa, Ron, has been a member of NCCC for four (4) years and Corvettes on the Gulf in the Florida Region for a year. Ron bought his first Corvette in 2002, a new Millennium Yellow convertible. He enjoys taking trips in it, as well as going to club events, cruise-ins and car shows where he has already won 13 trophies.

Angelo will celebrate his 5th birthday in April and, like most kids his age, he has made up his mind already about what he likes and doesn't like! This active pre-schooler ranks dinosaurs among his favorite things and green might be his favorite color, but don't suggest that he eat those brussel sprouts! When he's not playing with Legos, his favorite thing to do is driving his battery-powered C5 Corvette. His dad spends a lot of time switching batteries all summer. From this picture, it looks like he's about to challenge 18-month old Julia to a race in her C4 Vette! Angelo has a full fiberglass Corvette go-kart waiting for him when he outgrows his yellow C5!



Angelo's already talking about getting a Corvette of his own when he's old enough to drive. He really likes to help wash his dad's 1969 LeMans Blue 427 tri-power convertible. His dad did a frame-off restoration on it himself and is now in the process of restoring a '72 t-top for Angelo's mom. Between his grandpa and his parents, it looks like there will be a lot of very cool Corvettes for Angelo to enjoy for many years to come!

**Congratulations, Angelo, for being FCOA member #4900!**

### 2013 FCOA Membership Count by Region as of February 28, 2013

REGION	# MEMBERS 01-01-2013	ADD NEW MEMBERS	SUBTOTAL	LESS 16 YR. OLDS	# MEMBERS 02-28-2013	# MEMBERS 02-28-2012	% INCREASE 02-13/02-12	CLUB WITH THE MOST FCOA MEMBERS IN EACH REGION	# FCOA MEMBERS
MIDWEST	513	7	520	-9	<b>511</b>	525	-2.67%	MW-351 WINDY CITY CORVETTES	203
WEST	420	1	421	-4	<b>417</b>	436	-4.36%	WR-015 CEDAR RAPIDS CORVETTE CLUB	139
EAST	299	3	302	-2	<b>300</b>	301	-0.33%	ER-108 YORK CTY C C & ER-263 BEL AIR C C	44 each
MICHIGAN	276	0	276	-6	<b>270</b>	286	-5.59%	MI-003 CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB	56
FLORIDA	261	1	262	-5	<b>257</b>	269	-4.46%	FL-276 CORVETTES OF NAPLES	99
EAST OHIO	179	2	181	-2	<b>179</b>	175	2.29%	EO-005 CORVETTE CLEVELAND	40
WEST COAST	147	2	149	-4	<b>145</b>	149	-2.68%	WC-326 CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS	27
SOUTHWEST	141	4	145	-5	<b>140</b>	152	-7.89%	SW-131 OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB	42
SOUTHEAST	138	3	141	-2	<b>139</b>	125	11.20%	SE-073 NASHVILLE CORVETTE CLUB	70
INDIANA	131	2	133	0	<b>133</b>	126	5.56%	IN-382 CENTRAL INDIANA CC & IN-513 HOOSIER CC	24 each
ROADRUNNER	82	0	82	-4	<b>78</b>	92	-15.22%	RR-303 DESERT CORVETTE ASSN.	41
ROCKY MTN	64	0	64	0	<b>64</b>	64	0.00%	RM-183 COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB	26
WEST OHIO	65	0	65	-2	<b>63</b>	74	-14.86%	WO-027 CORVETTE TROY	34
NORTHEAST	47	2	49	0	<b>49</b>	43	13.95%	NE-254 SOUTHERN TIER CC & NE-585 CC of VERMONT	6 each
CAROLINA	21	0	21	0	<b>21</b>	21	0.00%	CA-014 CAROLINA CORVETTES	9
NORTHWEST	1	0	1	0	<b>1</b>	1	0.00%	NW-483 TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2785</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2812</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>2767</b>	<b>2839</b>	<b>-2.54%</b>		

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See FCOA's website for membership applications & address change forms.

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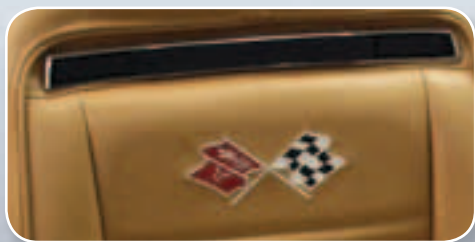
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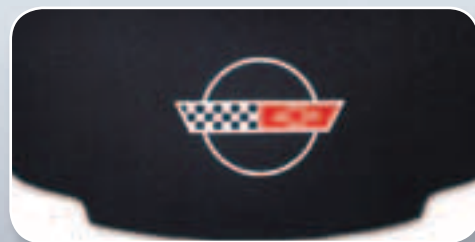
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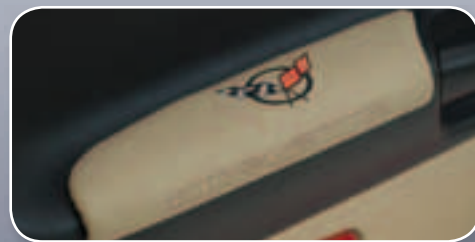
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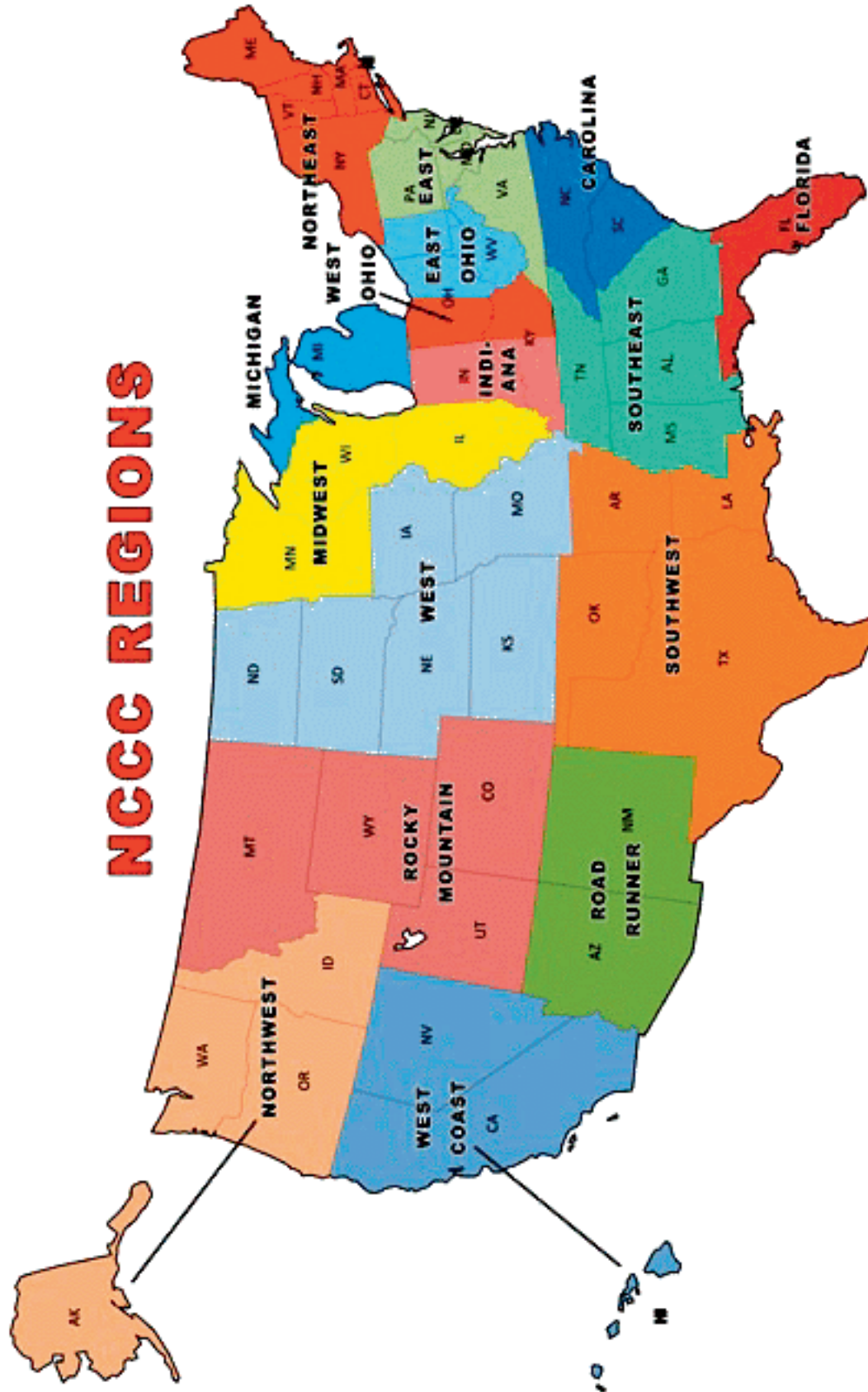
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By the time you read this, our competition season will be in full swing. Autocrosses, concours and people's choice car shows are already on the books for early May 2013. Come out and be a part of what's happening. Be sure to join us at the governors' meetings to share ideas on how to develop activities and events that will appeal to more of our members. New thoughts are ALWAYS appreciated.

On a serious note, we desperately need volunteers to hold Regional offices. The duties are not that difficult and new people bring new and fresh ideas and approaches to problem solving.

Don't forget to sign up your kids, grandkids, etc., in the FCOA (Future Corvette Owners of America). Think about it, how better to share our enthusiasm for our favorite car and continue its legacy. It's a great deal, too, one small entry fee from birth until they turn 16 years old.

Also, it is not too late to sign up for NCCC's annual Convention in Bowling Green, KY. It's sure to be a fun week and an opportunity to visit the National Corvette Museum.

Save the wave and see you in Kentucky.

Submitted by: Margaret Bohannon, Carolina Region RE



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Around the turn of the millennium, the East Region of NCCC developed an automated system for maintaining the competition standings, replacing the paper and pencil systems that previously existed. The system was integrated to the membership database so member names and NCCC numbers were maintained in sync. It was an advanced system at the time it was developed. However, it was based

on batch inputs. Results had to be entered into a spreadsheet, and then the spreadsheet was transferred into other software to update points. Finally, the results were transferred to a PDF, which was posted on the web page. The system developed for the East Region did not match the requirements of the national competition system, so the Regional Competition Director (RCD) had to modify the inputs for the East Region reporting to the same format required by the national system, requiring significant work by the RCD. As good as this was when it was developed, it did not take advantage of current technology.

During 2010 and 2011, Walt Jenkins developed an online application to support the membership database processing for the national organization. With this foundation in place, he developed a competition application (app) in 2012 that provided most of the functionality of the previous system, but took advantage of current technology. Now, events can be entered online by the event chair. When the chair completes the entry, an e-mail is sent to the club governor to approve the event. After the governor approves the event, an e-mail is sent to the RCD requesting his approval, and so on. The results of the event can be entered by the event chair at the conclusion of the event followed by similar hierarchical approvals. In theory (and if all approvals are made through Wi-Fi, it is theoretically possible to have the results of an event posted by the time the entrant gets home! Cumulative points are updated and available to members as soon as results are entered and approved. Your governor received training on the new competition app at the March regional meeting. The links to the new app are on the East Region web site ([www.ernccc.org](http://www.ernccc.org)). If you have any questions about the new app, please contact your club governor.

Time is running out to register for the 2013 NCCC Convention in Bowling Green, KY. The Convention starts on Monday this year, so people will have to take less time off from work to attend the full convention program. In addition to the Convention activities, this is also a good time to make a pilgrimage to the National Corvette Museum. The GM Plant will be shut down to prepare for the manufacturing of the C7 model. However, a special static tour is available at extra cost through the Museum. (Check the NCM web site if it is not already sold out.)



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In the East Region, we are embarking on a program to get youngsters more involved in Corvette activities. This has at least two significant benefits. First, it will permit them to understand the enthusiasm we have for events centered on the vehicle. Second, and arguably more important, it fosters the ability to have more family events. It seems that kids grow up much faster than we would like them to. We can remember the day they were born as if it were yesterday and it seems like they begin making their own way in the world tomorrow. This year, we would like to build more family memories between these two dates by involving our children and grandchildren in more East Region events. Watch the East Region web site for more family events.

Debbie Lindsey, Director of Sponsorship, will again make her annual trek to Corvettes of Carlisle this year to sell tickets for the raffle car for the National Kidney Foundation (NKF). Last year, members from the Bel Air, Lancaster County and Revolution Corvette Clubs assisted Debbie in selling tickets. I again thank them for their assistance. Please contact me if you would like to help Debbie this year. A large number of volunteers will reduce the load for everyone.

Submitted by: Joe Vasta, East Region RE

Winter is the cruelest of seasons, but the late fall across the East Region was not much better. Super Storm Sandy made us all wonder if we'd ever drive our Corvettes again. All of our East Region members have probably felt the "need for speed" or at least some forward motion in our Corvettes over the wintertime, but spring and summer bring hope. The hope we can get out and enjoy the club events and competitive events hosted by our clubs.

Concours shows, rallies, autocross events and two High Performance Driving Events will keep us busy as we head into the summer. These events will also bring out Corvette owners and enthusiasts who are interested in joining our clubs and hanging out with a bunch of "cool Corvette people". The attraction of being a member of a Corvette club, the competitive events and all of the available activities we hope will help us increase of club memberships. As of early March 2013, the East Region has 2090 members.

The East Region clubs were able to almost retain their membership numbers from the level of last fall. As we head into spring and look on towards summer, we hope to grow our club memberships and Member-at-Large membership. Many of our MALs are able to enjoy the regional events and we especially extend a warm welcome to our MALs to come out and join us for the fun at the events. The East Region has the most MALs of any region in the NCCC, 56. From Roanoke, VA, to Florida, to northern Pennsylvania, our MALs are spread out across the Region and the East coast. They may not belong to a club, but they are always among Corvette friends.

As our clubs plan their events throughout the year, whether it's a fun show or cruise night, be sure to include the Future Corvette Owners of America in your events. Even some of our FCOA members are second generation members and they just might enjoy Corvette events as much as their parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. When the FCOA members turn 16, they can become "Youth members" and that can help us attract at the next generation of Corvette owners and Corvette club members.

Spring and summer are on the way. It's time to drive. Be sure to wave.

Submitted by: Steve Johnson, East Region RMD

2012 is part of history. However, the snow is melting, days are getting longer and we are again thinking of revving up our engines. We set a new record last year topping 230 events. Hopefully, 2013 will be as competitive and fun as last year.

Our top club for 2012 is G-Burg Vettes, followed by the Bel Air, Cumberland Valley, Central Pennsylvania and Corvette Annapolis Corvette clubs. In the men's and ladies' division top 5, we have:

The determination of folks like these shows you the true spirit of competition. It is sad to think such a small percentage of our members compete. But then, we all have our reasons for being a member of NCCC and, as members, we share that one common denominator - our Corvette!

Take "Save the Wave" one step farther and actually shake a hand.

Our website has all the information you need to have some fun in the East. [www.ernccc.org](http://www.ernccc.org).

Submitted by: Brian Gallagher, East Region RCD

2012 EAST REGION POINTS CHAMPIONSHIP		
PLACE	NAME	CLUB
MEN		
1	Peter Grau	GBV
2	Alvin Brown	GBV
3	Albert Wojciechowski	CPCC
4	Ken Golden	RCC
5	James Wynne, Jr.	GBV
WOMEN		
1	Darlis Coble	CPCC
2	Terry Pearl-Grau	GBV
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4	Michelle Wynne	GBV
5	Rosey Poole	BACC

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## **EAST OHIO REGION:**

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The 2013 Competition Season has already started. We are working toward our goal of being in enough sanction events to get in the top Team 200, at least, but why not work for the top 10 or the top 5...But wait, what about being the first place man or woman in the Region, but let's not stop there! What about the top 15 in the Nation or even first in the Nation.



We make many plans as we proceed in our lives, we have plans and ideas of where we want our lives to go whether it be in our homes, work, travel, errands, vacations or attending a fun event. But, how many times do things not go as we have planned? Lots, even though we want everything to be smooth sailing with no issues!! Do we let this get us down? No, we pick ourselves up, say a little prayer and proceed on because life is full of bumps and curves. Some of the bumps are for our own good and others we really feel we could have done without, but eventually we realize the ones we felt we could have done without turned out to be what was best for us...in one way or another. So we need to keep our heads held high and proceed on with what God has planned for us. If you ever have or could someday attend the meetings in St. Louis, and you take a look around the room, you will notice the age of most people there. I'm sure each of you have noticed that we need to get some young blood into this organization. We have an opportunity to encourage our own children (for those who are young enough to have young ones still at home) grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and their friends to join the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC). Yes, I know most young children cannot afford a Corvette...especially a new one, but there are still some older models out there that can be purchased at a reasonable price or they can drive Dad & Mom's or the Grandparents' cars to get their hearts pumping in some events to get the Corvette blood flowing in their veins. Once this happens, hand them an application into your Club and NCCC. Any place you go, where there are Corvettes, ask the owners if they belong to a Club and NCCC. If the answer is no, talk to them and encourage them to sign up because we want NCCC to grow. NCCC actually grew in 2012. It was stronger by 595 members and seven (7) Clubs compared to 2011. We are headed in the right direction...let's all keep it going in the right direction.

Keep your wheels on the blacktop and SAVE THE WAVE~~~ !!

Submitted by: Peggy Stephens, East Ohio Region RMD

## **SPORTSMANSHIP, ATTITUDE AND HONESTY**

**SPORTSMANSHIP:** Sportsmanship means being honest with yourself and respectful to your opponents and wanting to participate in sports because you love to do so, not just so that you can win. It also means being mature enough to know sometimes it's not that you lost, it's just that the other person won. It means that you do NOT cheat because it cheapens your victory and ruins the experience for everyone else. You need to sincerely congratulate your opponent after they have just defeated you, especially after a close competition. It means that you realize there are more important things in life than sports and not giving into the temptation of cheating in order to pursue your own personal glory of victory. It means we treat our teammates and opponents the same way as we would want to be treated. A true sportsman never glorifies himself or embarrasses his opponent. It is doing your absolute best to compete within the rules and never breaking the rule even if it is a bad one or unclear. Being honest and caring at every moment, and gracious in either victory or defeat. No one wants to enter into an event and compete in a hostile environment. When tempers flare, it kills the sense of fair competition and ruins the events for everyone.

**ATTITUDE:** As we start a new Competition season, I would like to remind everyone that our events are planned and ran by VOLUNTEERS. Yes, most of us have a certain degree of experience in running an event, but we, as well as the entrants of the event, will still make mistakes.... No event is being professionally ran. The attitude and understanding should and must be foremost in all of our minds.

**HONESTY:** Is being truthful and sincere. I especially feel that as an officer, whether Club, Regional or National, when we attend events and enter as an entrant in those events, we have to realize that we are looked upon as an officer within this organization. Our sportsmanship, attitude and honesty will be judged accordingly. Remember, we are officers first then an entrant/competitor second. We MUST be truthful in all matter and sincere in the decisions we make.

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Our Competition Season is just getting started so we are off to a good start...let's keep it that way!! Go out, enter into as many sanctioned events as you can, have a GREAT time and save the WAVE ~ ~ ~!!

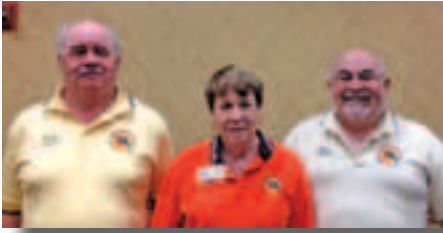
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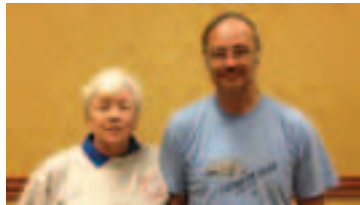


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With a new season underway there's no shortage of opportunities for you to make use of your Corvette, no matter what your favorite activity may be. Our Regional Competition calendar was pretty much completed at the February Regional meeting with a full menu of events. I'd like to make special mention of one of those upcoming events, 2012 Michigan Region Awards Banquet. The banquet will be hosted by Corvette Club of Battle Creek and take place at the Gilmore Car Museum – Hickory Corners,

Michigan on May 5, 2013. The museum will provide an interesting setting for the banquet and the date should give us a chance for better weather, contact your Governor for more details. Some other notable activities, 2013 NCCC Convention – Bowling Green, KY, by the time you read this you should still be able to register, however, some events were filling-up early. There are a couple of activities in the Flint, Michigan area, one being a 60<sup>th</sup> Corvette Anniversary program with a show in Flint and caravan to the Detroit area on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Also in Flint is the Back to the Bricks car show in August, downtown Flint streets are blocked off



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and filled with hundreds cars of all types including several hundred Corvettes in a special parking area. I have to mention our annual pilgrimage to the tip of the mitt in late August, Mackinaw City Corvettes Crossroads car show, great location, great people, great fudge and sometimes great weather. If you would like more information on any of these activities, please feel free to contact me.

During the last few years, NCCC progressed into the electronic age with Membership Database, Electronic balloting and, most recently, the Competition Database. While in each of these areas there have been challenges and most likely more to come, the task of performing the required duty is more efficient in reducing time and paperwork. Since a lot of us are "old school" and have been doing things the "old" way for years, this is a big change. I would like to encourage everyone to at least give it a try. I see more advantages than disadvantages in the direction we're headed with one exception. As I know it, we have one key person overseeing these various programs and, if something should happen to take them out of the picture, where are we?

The three current Regional officers (RE, RMD and RCD) have expressed their intentions of retiring at the end of their term in 2013. The Region will need and could possibly use some new blood in these positions for 2014 and forward. Should anyone have an interest in becoming involved on a Regional/National level, I would suggest attending future Governor meetings and sitting in on a committee meeting of your choice.

Submitted by: Jim Harris, Michigan Region RE

2013 MICHIGAN REGION EVENT CALENDAR			
DATE		HOST CLUB	TYPE OF EVENT
4/14/2013		CCM	Low Speed
5/4/2013		Lakeshore CC	Rallye X5
5/5/2013			Region Party
5/11/2013	Non Sanction	CCM	Test & Tune
5/12/2013		CCM	Low Speed
5/18/2013	Non Sanction	CCCC	Driver School
5/19/2013		BCCC	Car Show
5/26/2013		RCWM	Car Show
6/1/2013		SCC	PC Show & Rallye X2
6/8/2013		CCCC	PC Show & Rallye X2
6/9/2013		KCC	Low Speed X7
6/15/2013		GVCA	PC Show & Rallye
6/16/2013	Non Sanction	CCM	Low Speed
7/4/2013	Non Sanction	CCM	Low Speed
7/20/2013		FCC	Low Speed X7
7/20/2013		GVCA	Rallye
7/21/2013		CCM	Low Speed X
7/27/2013		CCCC	Low Speed X7
7/28/2013		JCC	Low Speed X7

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### Prolog

Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow on Ground Hog Day so we all know that means an early Spring. In the Midwest Region, that is great news. Our first sanctioned events start the last weekend of March and we need all of the weather help that we can get. I can recall an April Autocross in the snow at the Tire Rack in South Bend, Indiana some years ago. Just goes



to show you what a hearty and dedicated group of members we have in the Midwest Region as the snow did little to hamper attendance. We are just so anxious to cure ourselves of Cabin Fever. Dr. Phil, Punxsutawney Phil that is, sent great news to our region this year.

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I want to welcome Jeff Craig as the new Governor of the Saint Louis Corvette Club and thank Rich Luebecke for his contributions over these past years. Rich introduced Jeff at our February Governors meeting in Saint Louis. The Governors also approved a number of needed region Bylaw updates at this meeting. The majority of these updates were required, as a matter of documentation, for changes that have been previously approved or implemented. Examples are the sunset of the Regional Championship series and elimination of the wording for the former regional newsletter that was replaced by our region website. There were a few additions, for example, a process for removing region officers. Check out the regions website for these changes. At the April regional Governors meeting a Nominating committee will be formed to identify candidates for 2014 regional offices. If you are interested in pursuing a regional officer position, please contact your club Governor.

### 2013 Convention in Bowling Green, KY

We learned this weekend that many events for the 2013 Convention in Bowling Green have already met their entry limits. This is very positive news with the expectation that this year's convention will be not only a fun-filled week but also a financial success. There are a

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number of interesting tours planned as well as traditional competition events and the nightly parties. We will have access to the National Corvette Museum and a number of C7's will be on display. Windy City Corvettes will be hosting Game Night on Thursday with a Corvette version of Family Feud being planned. This should be a lot of fun as many of us contributed to the "Survey Says" input at the February National Governors meeting. We are also expecting a return of Valve Cover racing which has been a very popular "competitive" event at past conventions. Wine tasting is also on schedule with regions being asked to contribute to the array of wines that will be available. I hope that you all can join us in Bowling Green.

## Electronic Age Growing Fast Within the Region

I reported last time that our Governors used the new NCCC electronic voting system for national Officer elections and rule changes last year. NCCC agreed to fund an upgrade of the system for regional use and our Governors tested the system over the winter with good success. We had 17 of the 31 club Governors test the system. At our February meeting, the Governors agreed to begin using the system within the region. We will be establishing procedures for its use not only for regional officer elections, eliminating paper ballots, and associated mailing expenses, but also to gather information on a variety of topics where club input is essential. This can be a huge benefit for clubs whose Governors cannot easily attend regional Governors meetings. I would hope that all club Governors would participate in using the system to help guide and direct the region.

## Epilog

At each National Governors meeting members who have passed on are honored with a moment of silence. The list seems to grow longer with each meeting and at the February meeting our region list was the largest read. I share this not to be a downer but a reality-check. As we start the 2013 Corvette season we should ensure that we do not miss an opportunity to cherish each other's company. Paul Haack chaired the February National Governors meeting due to Hal Bellamy's absence and Paul made a comment that vividly supports my closing thoughts to you. He stated, "We join NCCC for the car and we stay in NCCC for the people." As we start the season, remember those who are no longer with us and use their memory as a reminder to enjoy every encounter that you have with NCCC members wherever we gather. That is what it is all about.

Submitted by: Larry Pagliaro, Midwest Region RE

## Competition News

I am writing this Spring article while it is snowing outside, and I am looking forward to the upcoming competition season. Additional Autocross events in Rantoul during July and our October Fundraiser will bring the total events to 205. A Workers program will reward those non-competitors who come out to help run events and chairpersons for the first time in the region. Competition and Worker awards will be presented at our March Awards Banquet. For 2012, 53 Men and 29 Ladies received awards, and the top five clubs were recognized. Congratulations to Dale and Carolyn Samuelson – 2012 Men's and Ladies Champions; and Windy City Corvettes – 2012 Club Champions.

## Competition Database

The new Competition database has been a challenge in its first year, but all events have been entered. Once members become familiar with it, tracking and looking up event information will be much easier. The error checking and mileage calculations should make event results more consistent and accurate. Mileage will now be calculated by postal code from an entrant's residence to the event site.

## Revised Standard Operating Procedures

As a region, we must continue to move forward with the changing times. In reviewing our SOP's there were rules that were inconsistent with the way we currently operate. Approved changes include setting the head tax at the Sanctioning meeting for the following year, closing the sanctioning period December 15<sup>th</sup> instead of January 15<sup>th</sup>, renaming the Permanent Number program to the Assigned number program and reducing the requested competition number charge of \$10 per event to \$10 per day for Region Members. New rules defining our Workers program were defined.

Submitted by: Bill Docherty, Midwest Region RCD

## **ATTENTION NCCC MEMBERS!!**

Have you moved? Has your name or address information changed?

If you can answer "YES" to any of these questions, it is important that you notify NCCC of these changes. You can do that two ways: by going to the NCCC website and clicking on Address Change Form and making your changes directly online or by notifying your Regional Membership Director or, in the case of members-at-large, the Vice President Membership, Steve Johnson. (Steve's contact information can be found on Page 2 and RMD contact information can be found in the "Regional News" section of this magazine.)

It is important that the NCCC membership database be kept as up-to-date as possible, because this database is used to generate labels for each issue of *Blue Bars*, as well as for mailing membership packets and other pertinent information that NCCC mails out to the membership.

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Hello from the sleepy North East! Mother nature is starting to wake up with Daylight Savings Time and a break in the weather. All of our clubs are getting their calendars staged with events including autocrosses, caravans, charity events, drive and dines, funkhanas, poker runs and shows. There is a member who is traveling to Florida to teach hi-speed driving skills!

The convention numbers are growing rapidly; register soon so you don't miss a fantastic time! Check the National website for more information that is added every day.

Save The Wave and be safe.



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Valentine's Day weekend was the time for Desert Corvette Association's annual Judged Concours and People's Choice shows in Tempe AZ, coupled with their highly attended all-Chevy car show. We saw a lot of highly detailed Corvettes, plus superbly prepared Chevrolets from all years and a host of spectacular Chevy-powered street rods.

A quick look ahead for the first half of 2013 shows a wide variety of sanctioned events on the horizon for our region's Corvette enthusiasts. The show crowd will have events in Chandler, Tucson, Cottonwood and Sierra Vista AZ. The rally aficionados will have their opportunities in Chandler, Phoenix, Tucson, Sierra Vista and Cottonwood. For the autocrossers, there are scheduled competitions in Tucson, Sierra Vista and Taylor.

For all of Roadrunner's members, please remember that this variety of competitive events is one of the reasons we belong to NCCC and our local clubs – There truly is "something for everyone" through the diversity in types of events we have available. Check the Region calendar for more event information here:

<http://www.ncccroadrunner.com/calendar.html>

As always, as your RCD, I seek your input for ways that I can help to improve the NCCC Competition Program. I again challenge every NCCC member to participate in a variety of events hosted by each of the clubs in our Region this year. I hope to see each of you out there, making new friends and having fun driving your Corvettes in many different types of events.

Save the wave...

Submitted by: Paul Hamersly, Roadrunner Region RCD

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Here in the Rocky Mountain Region the snowstorms are just about all finished for the year and we can get the Corvettes out and enjoy the warm weather. Last year with the draught and the wild fires in the Rocky Mountain Region, we had a rough time. All we can hope for is a better time for our region. We are ready for all the car shows, rallyes and autocrosses planned for our region this summer. I hope we will have other regions participating with us. We need to grow as a region and treat people to the great events that I know we can put on.



An invitation to all: Come to the Rocky Mountain Region and enjoy the people and some great events. See you soon.

Submitted by: Pete Urenda, Rocky Mountain Region RE

Ellouise Morrison has served the Rocky Mountain Region as the RMD for 13 and ½ years. It seems appropriate to say a few words recognizing her accomplishments.

Ellouise was asked by Sue Crumb, the Region's RE at the time, to take over the RMD position in July 1998 after Randy Neilson had resigned. She was then elected at the next regional election and held the RMD position through 2012 when she retired. During this time period, she only missed one (1) National Governors' Meeting and that was due to her husband's illness.

She has served on the Teller Committee numerous times and on the Nomination Committee at the National Governors' Meetings. In 2002, she received a region growth award from NCCC and was recognized with a jacket.

When Ellouise started, all of the RMD paperwork was either handwritten or typed. Everything was mailed to wherever it needed to go. There was neither computer nor Internet. Ellouise has brought the RMD from the "horse and buggy" days into the modern electronic era.

In July 1998, when Ellouise started, the Region had 10 clubs and 225 members. 2010 was the year for the largest number of clubs and members with 14 clubs and 736 members. She finished out 2012 with 12 clubs and 620 members. She has seen quite a bit of growth.

When the Region hosted the 1999 National Convention, Ellouise chaired the Decorations committee. In addition, she was assisting the Convention Chairman with a lot of "behind the scenes" jobs for which she is famous.

Ellouise has been a member of NCCC since 1984 and is a charter member of CWCC. In her earlier years when she was competing and running for Region points, Ellouise was the ladies champion at least twice. She has jackets from '93 & '97 and one more that does not have a year on it. Ellouise competed in autocross, drags speed, car shows and rallye events. She even ran the low speed and the record drags finishing second in 1993 at Topeka Convention.

Ellouise, the Region appreciates and recognizes your contributions over the years. Thank you.

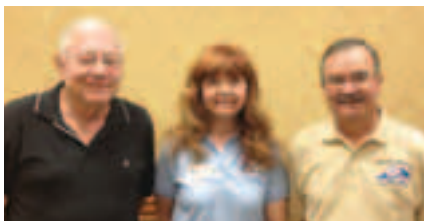
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Coming off a record setting number of events (133), the Southeast Region started the 2013 competition with 14 low speed autocrosses in Nashville (sponsored by Nashville Corvette Club & Miracle Strip Corvette Club). Following the Saturday events, the 2012 regional awards were presented to the 31 competitors who earned 200+ points during 2012 as well as the top 3 workers and clubs. Top honors went to Betty Parks - CA (Ladies' Champion), Metts Hardy - NCC (Men's Champion), Stephanie Strauss - CA (Top Worker) and Nashville Corvette Club (Top Club).



At the Awards Banquet, the Region started a new tradition by presenting Rookie of the Year awards to Steve Cronberg – ETCC and Julie Ryder - NCC. While in their first full year of campaigning for points, they actively participated in the competition program. Steve earned 969

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points over 119 events while Julie earned 375 points over 53 events.

As we go to press – we're trying to host 21 fund raising events during Memorial weekend. Remember, Bowling Green, KY will be the site of the NCCC Convention June 24-28. Make your plans to join us there. It will be a fun packed week!!

At this time – there are no regional events sanctioned for the summer. Mark your calendar and plan to be busy in the fall! Events are sanctioned for August 31 – September 2 (21 low speed autocrosses in Knoxville, TN), September 28 (3 rallyes starting in Knoxville, TN), November 2 & 3 (14 low speed autocrosses in Huntsville, AL), November 29 thru December 1 (4 high speed autocrosses in conjunction with 6 high speed autocrosses from Florida Region at Roebing Road Raceway near Savannah, GA), and finally December 7 & 8 (14 low speed autocrosses in Huntsville, AL). October plans are still under development – perhaps back to Knoxville and Nashville. Remember – check the web...

Again this year - special thanks goes out the clubs that donated their sanctions to the Region so that we could host all these events!! We continue to look for venues for holding our events. If you know of a facility that will work for low speed autocrosses, please let us know.

Save the Wave!!

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With this column you see two pictures, one of our SWR Banquet Attendees and the other of our SWR Competition Workers only. Thanks to Doug and Sylvia for putting these together for us!

The Southwest Region Officers and Governors were the hosts of the 2012 Awards Banquet at the Radisson in Fort Worth, TX. As you see from our picture, we had a great time! This year, as well as recognizing our Top Competitors and Clubs, we also thanked our SWR NCCC



members who worked behind the scenes at their Club competition weekends. As a competitor, I know many times our members compete and work their club events. With that recognized and said, there are members who don't

compete but support our strong belief that it takes that we have here in the forward to traveling and

Each year we From Cowtown Vettes, Webmaster. He is always sit down and brainstorm an idea with him and know he'll work thru to a positive solution. He



shows a strong belief in NCCC and the Corvette Lifestyle!! Our SWR Rookie of the 2012 Year is MARK REICHARDT, OCCC member. With the smile Mark always has, you know he's having a good time! This year's Top Women and Top Men Competitors are KEVIN and CATHY ANTHONY, Cowtown Vettes. Both Kevin and Cathy are great competitors! They treat their competitors with friendship and respect. At the same time, watch out when they get behind the wheel and push the gas!! Congratulations to each of you!

Currently, our Region is 19 clubs strong. With 17 returning Governors, we have two new Governors this year joining our ranks --

visiting Region Competitors by working their club events. I have a everyone working together to have the quality of competition events Southwest Region. So, thank you for a great 2012 and I'm looking competing across the Region during this 2013 season.

recognize one member for our SWR Member of the Year Award. DOUG McMAHAN is our 2012 recipient. Doug is our SW Region one of the first members to volunteer within our Region; you can



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Dave Hemphill representing Longhor CC and a familiar face, Ron Ruston, representing Oklahoma City CC.

2013 Club Calendars are full and Corvettes are moving toward their individual destinations. Whether it's Region competition events, Local Club events or our National Convention in Bowling Green, KY, may each member of NCCC enjoy their travels and the friendships they develop along the way.

Submitted by: Jeannie Ruston, Southwest Region RE

The 2012 Competition Season is over in the Southwest Region and the Southwest Region is looking forward to a new season in 2013. I would like to thank the Southwest region's membership and past RCDs for help in my second year as RCD of the Southwest Region. And after re-election in 2012, I have a couple more years as RCD. The Southwest region enjoyed Drag Racing, Low Speed Autocrosses, High Speed Autocrosses, and some Car Shows this year as NCCC events. This past year some Ralleyes were added to schedule for a nice change of pace and to add some different events to the regional calendar. Regional events included weekends in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Waco, Texas, and Houston, Texas along with weekends at Texas Motor Speedway, Hallet Motor Speedway, and the Dallas Fort Worth area.

The latest and greatest information for competition events in 2013 is available at the Southwest region home page and please feel free to check it anytime for released flyers and schedules later in 2012 at [www.nccswregion.org](http://www.nccswregion.org). The attached tables show the top 15 Men and Women and top 10 clubs for 2012 in the Southwest Region.

Submitted by: Craig Kamradt, Southwest Region RCD

2012 SOUTHWEST REGION POINTS		
PLACE	MEN	LADIES
1	Kevin Anthony	Cathy Anthony
2	Robert Pattillo	Marlene Pattillo
3	Chris Gann	Mary Anne Kolb
4	Jonathan Bradford	Bonnie Goodson
5	Johnny Gann	Bernyce Molenda
6	Craig Kamradt	Jean Ruston
7	Doc Lambert	Christine Gann
8	Theodore Molenda	Suzanne Ansley
9	Ronald Ruston	Colleen Kamradt
10	Lewis Crowder	Donna Forsythe
11	Douglas Shilen	Ann Bailey
12	Ken Bakenhus	Selena Condit
13	David Musgrave	Carlanne Hickman
14	Tim Bradford	Glenda Brown
15	Patrick Pierre	Brenda Ferguson
PLACE	CLUB	
1	Oklahoma City CC	
2	Cowtown Vettes	
3	Tin Hall Toys	
4	San Jacinto CC	
5	Corvette Motorsports Club of Texas, Inc.	
6	Cen-Tex CC	
7	Texas Outlaws CC	
8	Tejas Vettes, Inc.	
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10	Mid Coast CC	

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Hello to everyone from the West Region! By now spring should be in full bloom. The West Region started off the season by celebrating the accomplishments of the 2012 competition year at the Machine Shed in Urbandale, Iowa. This year's banquet was hosted by the Corvette Club of Iowa. They did an outstanding job, and it was good to see everyone after a long winter. In the West Region, there were 49 members in the 200 point club. This is outstanding! Congratulations to everyone that received an award. On behalf of everyone in the West Region, a big congratulations goes to Larry Lichtenwald for the first place position in the nation for the men with 3192



Larry Lichtenwald for the first place position in the nation for the men with 3192 points, and 369 events. If you have ever competed for points, you know what a daunting task this can be. I can only imagine that earning the first place position makes all the hard work and expense, the ultimate in bragging rights. If you have not already done so, get those Bowling Green convention registrations in, so we can show Larry a lot of West Region support. Congratulations Larry, we are so proud of you.

I would like to welcome Heartland Corvette Club of Leonardville, Kansas to the West Region. It is nice to have you as a part of our region. We hope to see many of you at our 2013 events. This brings the club count in the region to 25.

Again this year, the competition calendar is full with many events. There is something for everyone to enjoy. Get out and enjoy the beautiful weather in those beautiful cars. Take in an event out of your region. See what others clubs are doing, and integrate positive changes to your clubs. Continue to grow, and spread benefits of NCCC.

Submitted by: Jon Manz, West Region RE

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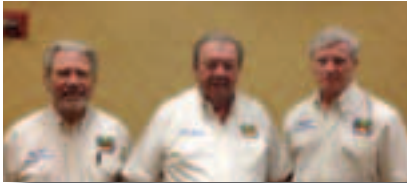
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2013 will be an even bigger year for the Region than last year with all the events that are already on the calendar. There is a variety of things to do, and something for everybody. If you wish to enter the competition events, get with your governor to find out if you need to do anything to meet the entry requirements. For example, to enter the high-speed autocross you need a high-speed license and a fire extinguisher for stock class. Low speed classes have less stringent requirements. View the NCCC handbook



on line for help. Our RCD, Joe Orrico, will be at a lot of event. If you have any questions, Joe will be the man to go too for answers.

Unfortunately, in the last *Blue Bars* we reported the 2011 results instead of 2012. Congratulations to the winners. It was down to a very close finish for the men within one (1) point. We should now have links on our Regional website to the new National database to "Create Events," list regional point by categories and a Google calendar. You will also be able to view all flyers and event results.

Last year we had some very competitive battles and we are looking for more action in 2013. Check out the regional calendar on the web page at <http://www.nccwcregion.org>. Expand your circle of friends and have more fun. Ask your club to host an event in 2013. Your Regional Officers are willing to help your club put on an event.

Cliff Harris, our RMD, has noted that clubs are growing in membership and the reason seems to be the clubs are doing events, going on trips and in general having a good time making new friendships. Clubs that are dropping out are the ones you never see at events and then they seem to fail. Help your club grow by getting involved.

For the time and place of Regional Meetings ask your Governor, as they have all the information on events within the region. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings.

If you would like your club flyers on the web site, just send or email to Cliff Harris our Web Master.

All of your Regional officers look forward to seeing you at future events. Save the Wave,

Your regional officers,

Allen Morris, RE

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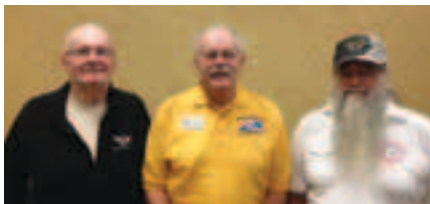
2012 WEST COAST REGION POINTS		
PLACE	NAME	POINTS
CLUBS		
1	Corvette Super Sports (CSS)	1833
2	Vapor Trails Vettes (VTV)	1117
3	Corvettes West (CW)	513
4	Wild West Corvettes (WWC)	488
5	Antelope Valley Corvettes (AVC)	463
WOMEN		
1	Jennifer Spencer (CSS)	175
2	Cindy Orrico (CSS)	99
3	Jackie Lyon (CSS)	70
4	Nancy Erickson (PVCA)	65
5	Nelly Schiller (AVC)	48
MEN		
1	Dave Alciatore (CSS)	176
2	Joe Orrico (CSS)	175
3	Ed Norris (CSS)	114
4	Jim Gregorio (LVCA)	82
5	Tom Dobyms (VRU)	75

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For more information about West Ohio Region activities, please contact the RE, RCD or RMD show above, or go to [www.corvettesnccc.org](http://www.corvettesnccc.org) and click on West Ohio Region.



# ***Corvette Funfest 2013: A Milestone Celebration!***

In addition to the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of America's Sports Car, 2013 is also a big year for Mid America Motorworks. We are celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvette Funfest and kicking off the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of business. With so much to celebrate this year, we are planning the biggest and best Funfest yet! From an exclusive display of significant Corvettes to scheduled diagnostic reviews with GM world class service technician, Paul Koerner, you won't want to miss Funfest, Sept. 19-22!

This year we have also listened to you, our guests, and moved our seminar location to a quieter and more accessible location. With that change, we are already working on an exciting schedule of brand new seminars featuring celebrities from the Corvette industry. We are also welcoming more vendors and suppliers than ever before, giving Funfest attendees access to the experts for products and advice for you and your Corvette!

Another new addition that allows guests to become part of the show is our Funfest Family Cookbook. Everyone knows that two of Mike's favorite things are cooking and Corvettes. This year we want to bring the two together with a fun cookbook featuring recipes from you, our Funfest Family! We are encouraging all of our fans to submit an automotive inspired recipe – or a classic recipe with a fun new title – on our Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/mamotorworks](http://www.facebook.com/mamotorworks), for the chance to be included in our first ever cookbook. All entries that are included in the book will receive a complimentary copy at Corvette Funfest.

Make sure to put Sept. 19-22 on your calendar and pre-register at [www.funfestevents.com](http://www.funfestevents.com), to join us for a Milestone Celebration in Mid America Motorworks and Corvette's history!

## **CCKC Sets New Record at Zona Rosa Corvette Event**

The promise of triple-digit temperatures didn't deter these Corvette enthusiasts: By mid-morning, 77 sparkling and shining Corvettes were registered in the Corvette Club of Kansas City's first Corvette Midsummer Classic! CCKC president Ray Kaspar enthusiastically announced that the 77 registered vehicles set a new record for a CCKC car show.



CCKC's own Ed and Ellen Rose won Best of Show with their 1961 Sateen Silver beauty. Best of Class awards went to Ed and Ellen Rose for Category A (1953-1962); Gary and Ginny Hemphill for Category B (1963-1967); Robert Rauscher of Kansas City Corvette Association (KCCA) for Category C (1968-1982); Bob and Pat Saultz of KCCA for Category D (1984-1996); Richard and Brenda Bridges of Touch of Glass for Category E (1997-2000); Jim and Sue Schaefer of KCCA for Category F (2001-2004); Gary and Pat Martin of National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) for Category G (2005-2009); and David and Susanne Lovercheck of Nebraska Corvette Association for Category H (2010-2012).

The show-and-shine event featured independent judges who were not affiliated with any Corvette club. Judging sheets were anonymous and available to partici-

pants after the awards presentation.

Lee and Janice Burkhead served as event coordinators for this first Corvette Midsummer Classic, staging it at the Zona Rosa shopping center in the Northland. Lee and Janice recruited Roland and Patti Norris and Jerry and Dianne Keith as key helpers for various areas of the show.

Participants in the show complimented the choice of venue, which offered shopping, dining and entertainment in addition to the show – as well as many places to escape the heat. In addition to entrants from the Kansas City area, registrations came from Arkansas; Nebraska; St. Joseph, Columbia and Linn Creek, Missouri; and Wichita, Kansas.



The car show also included a silent auction, raffle prizes and a 50-50 drawing. Many companies, individuals and CCKC members offered their wholehearted support by donating raffle prizes and silent auction items. CCKC's club sponsor, McCarthy Chevrolet, generously donated a much-prized detail job as well as two complete Corvette oil changes for the raffle. The show's net proceeds will go to CCKC's 2012 charity, the local chapter of Heart of America Stand Down, which assists needy American veterans.

Lee and Janice express their appreciation not only to their committee – the Keiths and the Norrises – but also to all of the CCKC members who helped the effort in any way.

*Submitted by Jim Cahill, CCKC Governor, West Region.*

## **Route 66 CC Donates to the USO of Missouri**

For the third year in a row, the Route 66 CC has donated a total of \$8,500 to Kathy O'Connor, Executive Director, and Christine Trotter, Development Director for the USO of Missouri. Each year the Route 66 CC holds a Car Show at Jim Trenary Chevrolet, the club's sponsor, to earn money that goes towards the charity of their choice. This money is earned by entry fees, raffles, various drawings and a 50/50 drawing. "As a club, we chose the USO of Missouri because of the good we all know it does. Especially at times like these when many military men and women travel through St. Louis on their way to destinations around the world," says Bob Isermann, Treasurer and Membership Chairman of the Club.

Here is why the Route 66 CC has picked the USO of Missouri for three years in a row.

*The USO of Missouri, Inc's mission is to lift the spirits of America's troops and their families by providing a "touch of home" through our facilities, a shoulder when needed and fun family events. The USO of Missouri, Inc. relies entirely on the support and generosity of the American people to serve our troops each and every day.*

*In 2011, the USO of Missouri served over 276,000 military and their families through our two Lambert Airport facilities, our Ft. Leonard Wood USO Club and our Mobile USO. All of our services are FREE of charge to the military and their families. We offer cyber cafes, media rooms, a sleep area, nursery, reading/music area, gaming station, luggage storage and our Canteen with the best chili-cheese dogs in the world!*

*For more information about, or to contact, the USO of Missouri, Inc. visit them online at [www.usomissouri.org](http://www.usomissouri.org).*

For information about the Route 66 CC, check them out on their website, [www.route66corvetteclub.com](http://www.route66corvetteclub.com) or email Bob Isermann at [bobisermann@me.com](mailto:bobisermann@me.com).



## ***Mid-Ohio CC Annual Fundraiser for Christian Children's Home of Ohio***

Mid-Ohio Corvette Club's annual fundraiser held on August 25 for Christian Children's Home of Ohio was a successful event. Ninety-five Corvettes began their day at Wayne County Fairgrounds where a Continental breakfast was served with music provided by Jeff Linder, DJ and MOCC member.

With many contributions donated for a Chinese raffle and dollars donated by many individuals and businesses, MOCC will be giving CCHO a check for \$9,000 on September 11. As a side note, Brian

Spears of Landscape Solutions of Noblesville, IN was so impressed with MOCC goals that he matched the first \$5,000 raised by MOCC and already has sent a check.

This day generated a total of \$14,000 to CCHO.

President Jim Morrison expressed his thanks to everyone as this is the best of three years MOCC fundraiser to CCHO.

Kevin Hewitt, CCHO Executive Director, and Gary Porter, Advisory consultant, expressed their thanks to MOCC members Tuesday, September 11 when members met at the home for their monthly meeting and check presentation.

*Article and photo submitted by Darlene Morrison, MOCC Secretary.*





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