PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR MAY 2017



Dave Heinemann NCCC President

April 8th and 9th 2017 Windy City Corvettes hosted a 14 Low Speed event at the Tire Rack facility in South Bend, IN. The participation was more than the club had expected for an early April event which could have been cold and snowing. With fewer than 30 pre-register entrants, the event had 68 drivers which make for a busy day. The weather was cool in the morning warming up to 65 by noon. It was beautiful week end to play. On Sunday it warmed up to 70 degrees for a spring event in the Midwest. We were lucky!

I have been to many NCCC events over the years where entrants have helped with all the event tasks that need to be done for the event to happen. Many times NCCC members have to jump in to help out the hosting club with the event, working corners, posting times, running for knocked down cones, tech, clean up a spill, to all the other requirements. Some even stay at the end to pick up cones.

Sunday the second day of the event Windy City was without enough workers. Timing was covered by Dale Samuelson, however corners and stagers were needed. This is the best part of NCCC as members from the Midwest Region, Ohio, Texas, Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, Missouri, and Indiana all stepped up to help where needed. They were not asked, just stepped up to help. They saw a need and just did it!

I read a story last year I would like to share with everyone. It impressed me due to the message hidden within the story. The story goes like this:

A man asked, Lord, I would like to know what Heaven and Hell are like. He led me to two doors. He opened one of the doors and the man looked in. In the middle of the room was a large table. In the middle of the table was a large pot of stew, which smelled delicious and made the man's mouth water. The people sitting around the table were thin and sickly. They appeared to be famished. They were holding spoons with a very long handles that were strapped to their arms and each found it possible to reach into the pot of stew and take a spoonful. But because the handle was longer than their arms, they could not get the spoons back into their mouths. The man shuddered at the sight of their misery and suffering. The Lord said: "You have seen Hell."

They went to the next room and opened the door. It was exactly the same as the first one. There was the large round table with the large pot of stew which made the man's mouth water again. The people were equipped with the same long-handled spoon, but here the people were well nourished and plump, laughing and talking. The man said "I don't understand?" "It is simple" said the Lord. "It requires but one skill." "You see, they have learned to feed each other. The greedy think only of themselves."

This is what is great about NCCC. The Officers, Governors, and the Members give of themselves that others can enjoy all that NCCC offers. I am so proud to be a member of this group of people who give and support others where ever there is a need. This applies not only to competition events but to all the social events clubs are doing today and everything NCCC clubs do around the country. NCCC people are some of the most giving I have ever seen!

Enjoy the spring weather and summer is just around the corner. We all belong to NCCC. Make the most of your membership by getting involved. I promise you will not regret helping out. You might even feel nourished, laughing, and having a good time.

God Bless! Dave Heinemann President NCCC

Director of Information Technology Report, May 2017



Walt Jenkins NCCC Director of Information Technology

Corvette Season is here!

For the Rocky Mountain Region, Winter has finally gone back to the North Pole and we are starting to warm up. For everyone in NCCC, that means that Corvette Activities, if not in full swing by now, soon will be. To help with event planning and calculating results for those events, we have the Online Registration programs (See the Members Only webpage for documentation on

how to set it up for your events) as well as the Competition programs that are now in the 6^{th} year of use.

This Fall, during the Membership renewal period, a small change will be coming in the form of the NCCC Membership Card. This year and for the years going forward, the NCCC card will be emailed to each member along with instructions on how to print it out. Smart phones allow capturing of screen information via a screenshot or picture and can be saved to the phone so the membership card will always be available when attending NCCC events.

However, receiving the Membership Card depends on everyone having a correct email address listed in the Membership Database. If a member doesn't have an email address, the Membership Card message will go to the club Governor and he/she will be responsible for getting the card to each of their club members. So it would be really great if everyone could review their Membership record and update it with the correct information. Also, everyone should be configuring their email client so that all messages

coming from $\underline{*@corvettesnccc.org}$ or $\underline{*@corvettesnccc.com}$ are accepted and not flagged as spam or otherwise blocked.

With the advent of the various databases, and the certainty that more automated programs and new databases will be coming along, it really is so very important that our membership database has the most current, up-to-date information. We save a ton of money and thus don't need to raise dues because we are saving a whole lot on the operational costs of NCCC due to the computer programs that have been developed.

I wish you all a very good Corvette Season, have fun and be happy that you are part of the best Corvette organization in the world!

Walt Jenkins NCCC Director of Information Technology