



The Side Draft

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Chairman's Message

..... Tom James

Well, Old Man Winter has not been too bad this year. We have had some cold days but last week we had a 65° Sunday to at least uncover and start our cars.

Last month we held a planning meeting that attracted almost 25 members. A terrific turnout to gather ideas for our Swap Meet and Regional Event. A lot of details were finalized for the concessions and gate workers to name a few. We still need ticket sales, so if you have not hit your friends up yet, let's get that done. We need volunteers to move cars at Columbia Chevrolet on March 16th starting at approximately 2:00 PM. It takes us about 1 ½ hours to move everything down to the school parking lot, which is ¼ mile down the road.

We still have a few swap spaces left. If you are a returning swapper from previous years and want your same space, please sent your request in before February 28th or we will sell it to another person. Terrie James is heading up the Silent Auction for the Shriner's donation. Please help her with solicitation of

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February Meeting Info

.... Trim Parts

Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Time: 6:30PM

Location: Trim Parts, Inc., 2175 Deerfield Road, Lebanon, OH 45036

Phone: 513-934-0815

Directions: Take I-71 North of I-275 11.6 miles to exit 28, OH 48. Go toward Lebanon on OH 48 1.5 miles, right onto ramp, and turn left on E. Turtle Creek Union Rd. Turn left onto Deerfield Road. Trim Parts is on the right.

Food: As always there will be a gourmet delight. After all, this is a dinner club, we just happen to like Corvettes.

Website: www.trimparts.com

Email: sales@trimparts.com

NOTICE!

Newsletter Deadlines

The deadline for getting information, into the newsletter is the 6th of each month. If it isn't here we will publish without you.

Website Information

Queen City Chapter Web Site: <http://www.ncrs.org/qc/>

Webmaster: Dale Maris qc@ncrs.org

local businesses or restaurants in your area for gift certificates or services they provide. Anything you think will bring a bid is appreciated. Her phone numbers is 513-941-6909. Last year we topped \$2,100.00; let's do it again.

Our meeting this month is at Trim Parts in Lebanon, Ohio on February 19th at 6:30 p.m. They always have an interesting display for us to see how they produce the items we all use on our restorations. Next month's meeting will be held at Keen Parts in Miamitown, Ohio. Tom has a new warehouse that was recently completed. Make plans to attend and see what he is making now.

This month I would like to welcome four (4) new members to our Chapter: Brad Hillhouse, Eric Patty, Mike Hartman, and Dave Heitzman. We invite them to our next meeting at Trim parts and encourage them to bring a friend. We welcome the chance to meet fellow corvette enthusiasts.

On a restoration note, Keith Eve has his '63 split window fuelie running again after a 20+ year slumber. We hope to see it in person at one of our meetings. Great job Keith! Another member bringing one back from the dead is Charlie Browning. Charlie has a '54 that has been waiting it's turn to be restored for 23 years. Charlie had pictures at the last meeting showing the small parts painted. WOW, this is going to be a dynamite car when done. Charlie has scoured the swap meets for years getting those correct 1954 parts. If you have a project that you are working on, let me know so your friends at QCNCRS can root you on to getting it back on the road again. Send your pictures of your project to Rod for publication in our newsletter.

Lastly, our Regional has been moving ahead at a brisk pace. Car judging reservations are ahead of schedule. We are at 18 cars so far with 50 judges registered. Shannon Urton, our resident judging pro, says that most regionals do not start receiving cars or judges

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Lastly, our Regional has been moving ahead at a brisk pace. Car judging reservations are ahead of schedule. We are at 18 cars so far with 50 judges registered. Shannon Urton, our resident judging pro, says that most regional do not start receiving cars or judges until about two (2) months before the event. So if you are thinking about entering your car, do not wait; you may be left out as we can only judge 50 cars.

Stay tuned. We will have one last meeting to finalize the details for the Swap Meeting and Regional before March 17th. Details to follow.

Save The Wave, Tom

FUN FACT: Tom James

In an official GM new-product press release dated January 16, 1953, the name Corvette is spelled Courvette. Had the odd spelling occurred once, we might chalk it up to a simple typographical error. But the Courvette nomenclature appeared several more times in the same document. Interestingly, 26 years earlier, on January 23, 1927, the General Motors Art and Colour Section was established, with creative genius Harley Earl in charge. The British spelling of the word “color” was intentional and added exotic flair. Although officially renamed the General Motors Styling Section in 1937, the memorable Art and Colour moniker is still used informally.

The man responsible for naming Corvette was a Chevrolet public relations executive named Myron C. Scott. Despite his significant contribution to automotive history, Mr. Scott wasn't compensated beyond his normal salary. By contrast, over at Ford, division manager L.D. Cruso initiated an in-house name-storming contest which Ford designer Alden Gilberson won when he suggested the name Thunderbird. Initially a new suit worth \$250 was at stake but records show Gilberson accepted \$95 cash and a pair of trousers from Saks Fifth Avenue instead.

January QCNCRS Meeting

Minutes Tom Smith

January 15, 2019

QCNCRS Meeting minutes from Columbia Chevrolet

Tom James, Chairman, began by welcoming everyone to the new year, and our first meeting. Next month's meeting will be at Trim Parts in Lebanon, Ohio.

The Christmas party had close to record attendance this year. We did forget to give out the best attendance award, and it goes to Gary Conger.

Wayne McKee, Treasurer, went over the financial statements for November and December of 2018; a motion was passed to accept. We also have a lot of people registering for the regional, the financial statement is starting to show this.

Tom James took over again, and we discussed where we wanted next year's Christmas party. We voted to stay at Aston Oaks. The date will be December 8, 2019.

Bloomington Gold is going on again this year, and it was determined we need to book another suite for this year, so Wayne go ahead and book it.

"Entertainment Tonight" is willing to bring his trailer, and DJ to our regional event for \$325. A motion was passed to hire "Entertainment Tonight".

Tom James got a quote of \$1500 for the fencing at the convention center, including sand bags, and putting it up, and taking it down. It was put to a vote, and the motion passed.

Police officers for security for the event, are \$52 an hour, it was discussed, and agreed, to have security at the event from 6PM to 6AM. Tom was going to ask Sharonville to put a police cruiser out front.

We have 750 brochures to distribute to your friends, etc. Also please share, our show and shine event will be handing out awards to the top 20 cars. There will be seminars, some by the NCRS and some by our club

We have several specialty Corvettes coming to the event, Ed Foss is letting us use 2 of his cars, and Harry Yeager is letting us use one of his cars.

Next we need to sell tickets for the March swap meet. If every member sold \$50 worth of tickets, we would be doing well. Gary Griever has been doing his share, but cannot do it alone, so let's help out.

QCNCRS has joined facebook for 2019. There are pictures of old cars, and events we are hosting. It is a private group, so don't hesitate to join in the fun.

Sponsorship for the regional is still available, let Tom James know if you have someone who might be interested. An idea, next time you're out to dinner, ask the restaurant if they would make a donation to the silent auction at our swap meet. 100% of the proceeds go to Shriners hospital for children.

We need people to put up decorations, and set up tables and chairs, at our regional. We will be supplying lunch.

We also are going to need someone to assemble the lift that is coming, if anyone has any connections, possibly with KOI, please call them.

We have 25 cars registered for the regional, the facility can handle up to 50 cars inside.

Terri James, Membership Chair reminded anyone who has not sent in their dues to please get us your check or cash as soon as possible. Also we are looking for donations or gift baskets for the silent auction at our swap meet in March.

Tom thanked Gary Grever for having us, and the meeting was adjourned.

Columbia Chevrolet Jan. Mtg.

..... Joe Eyl & Gerry Hilbert



Swap Meet Meeting

..... Joe Eyl



My 1957 Corvette Project

..... Jamie Wheeldon

This car belonged to Mrs Joyce Nickoson, a very close friend of mine . She was the second owner of the car . She purchased it from a friend of hers in the early 60's . Her husband and her decided to redo the car in 1971 .



They pulled it apart removing almost every piece down to frame off . The frame and all components were refurbished or replaced and painted. Completed rolling chassis made new . Body was put back on chassis in prep for paint. Me Nickoson actually built race engines for NASCAR , so in 1971 he went to the Norwood GM plant and purchased a LT1 crate engine , then tore it down and machined and built it to his liking. According to information I have it's dyno is pushing 500hp .



The 4spd Muncie trans has been custom built along with the rear diff. Engine and trans were never put in the car and the paint and

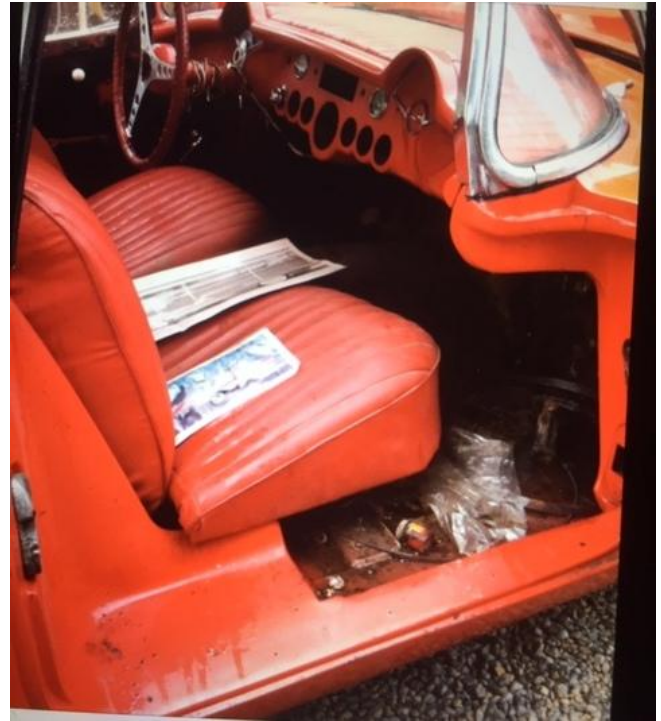
1957 Corvette Project (Cont.)

assembly was never completed. This all stopped in the early 70's . The engine remained on the test stand were he ran it in . As time went by they acquired lots of new part to reassemble. FYI these were my neighbors. They were my wife's neighbors all through childhood. Mr Nickoson passed late 90's he collected Corvettes. He had around 10 ranging from 1965 to 1999 , the 57 belonged to Joyce. Joyce had a Arabian stallion horse that I helped care for, one day she fell in the barn breaking her leg from the knee down in several places before her husband died, she was in nursing home when he passed, I cared for her for about 2 years to the point of her getting it amputated and passed 2 days later . .All of Bobs cars were sold while she was living. Before passing she had made me a co executor of her Will . Soon after her death I found out she left me her car (The 57) .



It took me 2yrs in probate court to actually get it . In the meantime Bob's side of the family had been stealing stuff from the farm and by time I was allowed to collect the car and, whatever I could find of it's disassembled parts, they had gotten away with the grill, bumpers , lights , side trim,

coil, hub caps, clutch , horn button and probably much more . There's much more details to the story I tried to keep it short.



We can talk more if you want to . Oh yeah he also had a like new 1966 GTO 389 tri power 4speed

So as for me owning it , you know I'm disabled with Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy aka RSD , I spent time with the car trying to inventory what's there and what's not.

I'm capable of the paint and reassembly, but over the last few years life and family has taken front seat to my time but most of all is not having the financing to put towards it.

This is very near and dear to me for she has a special place in my heart as I held her hand until her dying breath. I'd like to get the car back together in her dedication , she loved that car and had told me many stories of her with it in her youth .

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

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