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Chairman's Message

..... *Tom James*

Well, it's that time of year when our Chapter is getting busy with plans for our annual swap meet and charity raffle. This year we have a new sponsor which poses a new challenge to setting up the swap area with vendors, food, etc. The service area is slightly smaller than we had at Columbia Chevrolet, but we also have the option of using another building should we need the space. We need to have all hands-on-deck when we have this event to ensure that we are prepared, and everything runs smoothly. Since we are moving this event, we need to get the word out to as many people as we can about the change in venue. If anyone needs fliers for the event you can pick them up at our next monthly meeting, or we will be having a **swap meet planning session on February 7th at 6:00 PM at Kelsey Chevrolet to finalize some of the details** at which time you can pick up fliers. If you can attend this planning session, please do so.

Sadly, raffle tickets are not going well. As of last month's meeting, we have not sold enough tickets to cover the amount we are giving away. At last month's meeting we made a Goal Barometer to show where we are and how far we have to go. Our goal is \$6,000.00

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February Meeting Information

Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Trim Parts
2175 Deerfield Road
Lebanon, Ohio 45036

Website: <https://rpui.com/trim-parts/>

Come see what new GM Parts are being manufactured at their facility. Please remember to bring a chair.

QCNCRS Website Information

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

Webmaster: George Denman gc@ncrs.org

NOTICE!

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

total.; this leaves us with a \$4,000.00 donation to the Shriner's. Right now, we are only around \$1,200.00 but in that total two members have sold \$400.00 each so the remaining Club members have sold only \$400.00 total. If you can start selling some raffle tickets to your friends and family, please do so now. I know that most of you have bought tickets but what about those people you bought chances from in the past; you need their help now.

We have sold about 24 spaces for the swap meet. It looks like we will have about 55 total so if you have extra parts just sitting around, dig them out and turn that clutter into cash.

Our website has a new look. George Denman has taken over as Webmaster. If you are on the Internet, check out our website at qc.ncrs.org and let George know how it looks. Special thanks to John Waggoner for designing the new look and getting us up and running. We could not have done it without your help. Thanks John!

Speaking of the Internet, another kudos to Bob Unkel for the handling of our Facebook presence. Bob has put photos of our meetings and events as well as fliers for our swap meet which really helps to get the word out.

Next month's meeting will be held on February 21st at 6:30 PM at Trim Parts, 2175 Deerfield Road, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

Well, that is enough of my rambling. I hope everyone is having a great start to 2023. It looks to be a great year for the Queen City NCRS.

Save The Wave!

Tom

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Fun Facts Tom James

It has come to light that between 43 and 47 C4 Corvettes were indeed produced with 1983 VIN tags, some appearing at the 1982 Riverside press preview. At least one of them still exists. It carries VIN sequence number 23 and lives at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Interestingly, this car was among the Corvettes under the museum's Sky Dome when the infamous February 13, 2014, sinkhole struck. Luckily, 1983 C4 Number 23 escaped serious harm and was soon returned to the museum display fleet. This car is owned by General Motors.

History has proven that General Motors (as with most car makers) is not particularly nostalgic about its past. Sure, it preserves major-league show and concept cars, but considering that the constant process of upgrading next year's model produced hundreds of "mule cars", it would have been impossible to save them all for prosperity. Most were crushed. Rumor is that the fleet of 1983 C4s were scrapped, and their remains buried somewhere inside the former GM Proving Grounds in Mesa, Arizona. C4 Corvette Number 23 only survived thanks to a series of hasty relocations and body-color changes to throw would-be scrappers off its scent until the threat subsided. Today, the Mesa site is privately owned and is being developed into housing units. You have to wonder what bizarre automotive treasures bulldozers have excavated during the process.

Newsletter Advertising Rates

Business Card – 2x3.5

\$25.00 / month or \$275.00 / year

Quarter Page

\$40.00 / month or \$350.00 / year

Half Page

\$75.00 / month or \$600.00 / year

Full Page

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

Sponsor

\$500.00 / year with direct website link

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

TERRIE'S CORVETTE TRIVIA Ans. on Last Page

1. What was the first year for a fan shroud to increase engine cooling? 1953, 1955 or 1963.
2. Of the '63-'67 series, the 1963, 1965 or 1966 model year produced the highest number of units?
3. 1975 Corvettes featured headlamp warning buzzers. True or False.
4. Gold striped tires first became available on 1965 Corvettes. True or False.
5. When did the shifter mounted overdrive appear? 1978, 1982 or 1986.
6. All 1955 Corvettes were equipped with a 12-volt electrical system. True or False.



January QCNCRS Meeting Minutes

..... Terrie James -

Kelsey Chevrolet
1105 E. Eads Parkway
Greendale, Indiana 47025

Tom James, Chairman, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2023 held at Kelsey Chevrolet in Greendale, Indiana.

Tom opened the meeting with a discussion of our upcoming swap meet to be held at Kelsey in March. Volunteers will be needed the day of the event to man the doors, help with the food, split the pot and set up. If you are interested or able to provide assistance, please contact Tom at 513-377-8182. Tom also reported that the member who was to undertake the silent auction for our 2023 swap meet had to step down due to family circumstances. Therefore, there will not be a silent auction at this year's swap meet. If anyone is interested in assuming this responsibility for 2024, please contact Terrie James at tmjames7329@gmail.com.

Tom has created a "Goal Barometer" showing our current raffle ticket standings and members were reminded that ticket sales are not where they have been in past years. Members are strongly encouraged to either buy or sell tickets so that we can meet our Chapter goal to help support our Chapter charity, the Shriner's Children's Hospital of Ohio.

Shannon Urton recently resigned her position as President of the NCRS as well as her position of our Region II Director. Mike Tulley has been named interim President with Andy Goodman being named interim Region II Director. Tom thanked Shannon for her service and wished her well in her future endeavors.

Tom announced that Dale Maris resigned his position as Webmaster on January 1, 2023, and will not be renewing his NCRS nor Queen City NCRS membership dues due to personal commitments. Tom wished Dale well and thanked him for his many years of dedicated service to the Queen City Chapter. George Denman has assumed the responsibilities of Webmaster and with John Waggoner's help the new Queen City NCRS website is up and running. Tom thanked both gentlemen for their dedicated efforts.

January QCNCRS Meeting Minutes

..... Terrie James - continued

Barb Hilbert, Treasurer, gave the financial report and a motion was passed to accept it.

Terrie James, Membership Chairman, updated members on contacts which have been made for publishing swap meet information. Bob Unkel has posted our information on Facebook; George Denman has posted our information on the Chapter website; Bill Hetzer has posted our information in our monthly newsletter; Vinnie Peters has posted the information on the NCRS website; the Corvette Museum has posted our information on their website under the calendar of events section; Cumulus Radio/WGRR of Cincinnati is to make public radio announcements beginning in February. Terrie asked members if they have any additional ideas on how to spread the word about our event to please contact her so that she may follow up.

Terrie reminded members that 2023 Queen City NCRS dues are now due. If you have not paid your yearly membership dues please mail a check in the amount of \$20.00 made payable to QCNCRS and mail to Terrie James at 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233 as soon as possible.

Split the pot was drawn and the meeting was adjourned. Jerry Hilbert and Tom James proceeded to give a tour of the Kelsey facility which will be used for our upcoming swap meet.

PLEASE NOTE: A swap meet planning meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Kelsey Chevrolet, 1105 E. Eads Parkway, Greendale, Indiana 47025. All members are invited to attend.

INDOOR SWAP MEET AND CAR EXPO

WHEN:

Sunday, March 19, 2023
8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHERE:

Kelsey Chevrolet
1105 E. Eads Parkway
Greendale, IN 47025

GATE ADMISSION \$5.00

Proudly donating over
\$68,000 from this event to:



HOSTED BY:

Queen City Chapter
Of The National Corvette
Restorers Society

WHAT TO KNOW:

- Swap spaces sold out the last 12 years!
- Many classic GM parts.
- Car corral, food, bid-and-buy; all on-site at this event.

COME VEND WITH US:

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

HOW TO REGISTER:

Registration form on the
reverse side.

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

E-mail completed forms:

tmjames@fuse.net

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

NAME: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE AND ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

CELL PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

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

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

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

QCNCRS January Meeting Photos



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New 2024 E-Ray Corvette Announcement



The first-ever electrified and AWD Corvette E-Ray delivers all-season performance and 0-60 mph in 2.5 seconds ...

Exactly 70 years ago to date, on Jan. 17, 1953, Chevrolet unveiled the very first Corvette at Motorama in New York City. Today, Chevrolet introduces the first-ever electrified and AWD Corvette, the 2024 E-Ray.

The E-Ray was developed to be the Corvette owners can arrive in anywhere, no matter the road conditions, thanks to its eAWD capability that ensures all-weather confidence.

E-Ray is the only sports car that pairs naturally aspirated V-8 power with electrified responsiveness, making it “one like none.” This allows the E-Ray to clock a 2.5-second 0-60 mph time, making it the quickest production Corvette in history.

The vehicle offers a combined 655 horsepower and 470 lb-ft of torque from the 6.2L LT2 Small Block V-8. The E-Ray’s 6.2L LT2 V-8 engine is complemented by an electric motor that provides an additional 125 lb-ft of torque from the front wheels via a 1.9 kWh battery pack located in the structural tunnel between the seats.

Electrified propulsion

The E-Ray’s electrified propulsion system can provide limited all-electric propulsion at the driver’s discretion upon startup. A standard Active Fuel Management system also helps to reduce fuel consumption.

The amount of electric assist is tailored within each of the Corvette E-Ray’s six driver-selectable modes: Tour, Sport, Track, Weather, My Mode and Z-Mode. Drivers can also select the Charge+ feature, which maximizes the battery’s state of charge.

Additional features and technologies of the all-new E-Ray include:

- **Stealth Mode**, an electric drive mode for the street

- **New lightweight lithium-ion 12-volt battery** that supports the LT2 V-8 engine's stop/start functionality
- **Standard Brembo Carbon Ceramic brake system** for optimal braking performance
- **Visceral sound experience** that embodies the car's dominating presence. The electric front motor works in harmony with the LT2 engine to create an invigorating sound
- **eAWD system** that applies additional power to the front wheels during spirited driving in low traction environments, enhancing vehicle stability
- **Regenerative battery charging system** means there is no need for plug-in charging. The system is charged mostly via regenerative energy from coasting, braking, and during normal driving

Stealth Mode and tracking the E-Ray

The Corvette E-Ray's two driver-initiated electric modes enable the car to travel under electric propulsion in certain conditions.

Stealth Mode enables all-electric driving, when selected at start-up, for a period of time before the engine turns on for normal driving. It is designed for quietly exiting a neighborhood, with a maximum speed of 45 mph. The engine automatically turns on if the vehicle's speed exceeds the limit, additional torque is requested by the driver, or the E-Ray's battery pack is depleted.

The custom-designed Performance Traction Management (PTM) modes are optimized in concert with the eAWD propulsion system.

Distinguished design

The E-Ray introduces the all-new Artemis Dipped interior, which features complementary deep green tones on nearly every interior surface and will only be available on 2024 Corvettes. Additionally, there are fourteen exterior color choices, including new-for-2024 Riptide Blue, Seawolf and Cacti.

Coming later this year

The 2024 Corvette E-Ray goes on sale in 2023, with an MSRP of \$104,295 for the 1LZ coupe and \$111,295 for the 1LZ convertible model. Production will take place at GM's Bowling Green Assembly facility in Kentucky, from US and globally sourced parts. Go to chevrolet.com for more information.

The E-Ray was introduced on the NBC TODAY Show at the Rockefeller Center Ice Rink in New York City.

[Click here](#) to watch the vehicle's first public appearance.

Source: <https://gmauthority.com/blog/2023/01/here-is-the-2024-corvette-e-ray/>

A fun video of the E-Ray first drive with Emelia Hartford, actress and Corvette builder and driver, can be watched here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iJf194ci4IA>

QCNCRS Club Shirt Ordering



Pricing and shirt options are changing.

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



QUEEN CITY CHAPTER 2023 CHAPTER REGISTRATION FORM

Annual Chapter Dues \$20.00

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

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

National NCRS Number: _____

Options for membership renewal:

1. Renew Queen City Chapter Membership online at:
<https://www.ncrs.org/forums/register/chapter-membership.php>
2. Complete the above form and send payment of \$20.00 (payable to QCNCRS) to: Terrie James, 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233.

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

Trivia Answers: 1. 1955. 2. 1966. 3. True. 4. True. 5. 1986. 6. False.