

# **The Flag Bearer**

A Publication of the Southeast Chapter of the NCRS (National Corvette Restorers Society) Fall 2024



We have just returned from the Vintage Corvette Judging Meet and again it was great. We had the opportunity to judge 7 excellent cars, had a large turnout of membership and had a very experienced group of judges. I would like to thank the Carolinas and Florida Chapter Members who were there to help judge. Special thanks to Greg and Dee Wyatt who were great hosts and provided their support and wonderful facility to the chapter. If you have not seen Vintage Corvette, you must put this on your to-do list. Great cars and a museum of wonderful things.

We also held our Annual Meeting and elections for 2025. The current officers have agreed to serve another year and were reelected. Our 2025 show schedule is set and starts with Corvette Expo in the Spring, Buyavette in June, and back to Vintage Corvette in October.

Under new business, I expressed our concern for all of those severely impacted by hurricane Helene (and now Milton). The Chapter was authorized by vote to donate all available funds in priority order to:

Impacted members Impacted member families Samaritan's Purse Red Cross

We will distribute grants in the name of the S. E. Chapter in the amount of \$1,000 each. PLEASE CONTACT ANY OFFICER IF YOU KNOW OF A MEMBER OR MEMBERS FAMILY WHO HAS SUFFERED SERIOUS INJURY DUE TO THE STORMS.

We know our small amount of funds cannot offset the loss of many, but hopefully will provide some small comfort.

Thanks, Tom Beuglas

## Vice Chairman's Report

Summer is now behind us and cooler fall colors will be arriving soon.

Both the NCRS National Convention and our Fall Color Tour meet provided excellent Corvette activities with our December Christmas party fast approaching. Pictures of the NCRS Convention in Hampton, VA can be found at: <u>https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipN4ULQIT-</u> <u>WRzLd1Xz3nBgKXjLtbrAw1Y2DsStamS6Vxy5EwdwvdpYxZSvMYntD7tQ?key=eGdGQ</u> 1FCWE05ODBxS1BENHRIWVd5QUIyNzZsWEZB

One of the exciting features of the convention was the appearance of the new 1,064 HP ZR1 driven in by Josh Holder and Tadge Juechter.





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Rich Mauser details the Fall meet at Greg Wyatt's Vintage Corvette dealership along with pictures of the award winners.

Rich also provided a picture below of what Greg's dealership may have looked like when it opened in 1953 as Davis Chevrolet.



A quick reminder that our annual Christmas party and charity raffle will be on December 7 at The 57<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group restaurant in Atlanta. Please refer to Marianne's email notifications for further details. We hope to see you there.

Jim Krakau

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## **Judging Chairman's Report**

Our SE NCRS Fall Event was held at Greg Wyatt's Vintage Corvettes in Summerville, Ga. on Friday and Saturday, October 4 and 5. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Greg Wyatt for once again accommodating our event. He even went out of his way to arrange additional trailer parking with his friendly neighbor's back lot. The feedback received from attendees has been more than positive.

On Friday, all our Flight-judged cars arrived, operations judging was completed and the cars placed inside the building. Flight Judging took place on Saturday. This was a two-day, five-point event.

Our judging school was on CDCIF and was presented by Dave DelVecchio. John Ballard also supplemented with photo examples of many VIN & trim tags as well as motor stamp examples (good and not typical) and displayed all for comment and questions. Thank you, Dave and John, for your presentations.

Greg and Dee surprised us on Friday with gourmet donuts, apple fritters and honeybuns. Naturally, they were warmly received by our group. Thank you, Greg and Dee.

Eighteen to twenty members/attendees gathered Friday evening at Thatcher's BBQ for a delicious dinner. Almost all were seated at two tables, which gave us the opportunity to visit with each other.

Mark Donnally sponsored our Papa John's pizza lunch on Saturday, including sodas and a tasty assortment of desserts. No one left hungry! Thank you, Mark, for your generosity to the SE NCRS Chapter.



We had two categories of vehicles at our event.

The following cars were presented for Flight judging, and awards were as follows:

1953 owned by John Thornton 1964 owned by David Roosevelt 1966 owned by Mike Ingrassia 1978 owned by Roman Jaskin 1990 owned by John Thornton 2003 owned by Ralph Goode 2004 owned by Ed Dacus Top Flight Top Flight Top Flight Top Flight Top Flight Top Flight Top Flight









And, finally, we had our Sportsman cars: 1967 owned by Chris Henry 2008 owned by Mickey Archer 2018 owned by Bob Kinstrey

A very special congratulations to all!

Judges and tabulators--thank you all for volunteering your hard work. We had an excellent turnout from the entire region--with judges from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, South Carolina and Tennessee. Without your efforts, none of this would be possible. Again, your time, effort and knowledge are appreciated by all.

We also had an additional award, the Women's/People's choice award. All Flight and Sportsman cars were eligible. The award went to John Thornton with his #143, 1953. Congratulations, John!

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Hope to see all of you at our Spring Meet in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. in March at the Corvette EXPO on March 13, 14 & 15. Again, this will be a two-day (Friday & Saturday), five-point event for SE NCRS. Details for the event will be announced soon. Also, details for lodging will follow, once registration is made available.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any judging questions or concerns.

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## Secretary / Membership / Event Administrator Report

I am happy to report we have added four new members to our chapter since the last edition of the Flagbearer! Please join me in welcoming all our new members to the Southeast Chapter!

August 2024:2648 – Jeffrey Priluck, Atlanta, GA72124 – Jerry Smalley, Alpharetta, GA

September 2024: 51408 – Gary James, Tampa, FL 72160 – William Walters, Clarksdale, MS

As of September 30, 2024, we have a total membership of 116 members, which has remained unchanged since June 2024. Unfortunately, we had 4 members whose Southeast Chapter memberships expired during the third quarter of the year and

decided to let their memberships lapse so they were removed from the active chapter membership list.

I continue to get reports from the NCRS on new members who have joined NCRS National and who live in our region. There have been a total of 9 new NCRS National members in our region this past quarter whom I have invited to join our Chapter. Hopefully follow-up with these contacts will continue to result in adding new members to our Chapter.

Dues help to ensure the Chapter's continued success in fulfilling its purpose of preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of early Corvettes and to conduct meetings, tours, and programs of any sort relating to the development and history of Corvettes.

Dues may be paid online at NCRS.org, services, renewal membership, or by mail to the address below. Chapter dues are \$30 per year. I am sending out dues notices on a monthly basis. However, you may contact me at any time if you are unsure about the status of your dues.

NCRS SE Chapter Annual Meeting Minutes October 4, 2024

Opening statements by: Tom Beuglas, Chairman

### Judging Chairman Report

- Report given by Rich Mauser
  - 2025 Southeast Chapter will hold 3 Judging Events (all being 5-point, 2day events)
  - Corvette EXPO, Pigeon Forge, TN. March 13, 14 & 15
    - Southeast Chapter will have a presence at the event on Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> but judging will continue to be a two-day event (Fridayoperations and judging school and Saturday-balance of judging
    - Weekend passes will no longer be distributed by Southeast Chapter but will be purchased daily at the Corvette Expo at a cost of \$15 per day. Southeast Chapter registration fee will go down a bit because our fee used to include a portion of the pass fee in our registration fee.
    - Host hotel is The Black Fox Lodge and a second hotel is Willow Brook Lodge. When requesting a room, mention that it is for the Corvette Expo Group to receive the discounted rate.
    - Corvette Expo website is currently advertising on their website for Southeast Chapter NCRS. They don't have the actual registration form to click on yet but they will have it shortly. The registration form will also be available in the NCRS Driveline, the NCRS website, as well as will be emailed to all Southeast Chapter members soon.
  - Buyavette, Atlanta, GA. TBD.
  - Greg Wyatt's Vintage Corvettes, Summerville, GA. TBD--A fall weekend in October

### Vice Chairman and Newsletter Report

• Report given by Jim Krakau

- Looking for help with technical articles for the quarterly Newsletter, social activity ideas, road tours and tech sessions. Please contact Jim with your ideas.
- Discussion regarding the annual Southeast Chapter Top Flight Award and the requirements for achieving it.
  - There are 8 requirements and 6 variables needed to achieve Chapter Top Flight
  - Judging meets are one of the possible requirements
  - Annual Charity Auction for Gary Sinise Foundation. Raffle tickets are sold at all meets and at the Holiday Social in December
  - NCRS display at Pigeon Forge Corvette Expo to gain new members
  - Technical articles for our Newsletter (6 needed per year since we exceed 100 members)
  - Road Tours (Difficult due to the large geographic area the Southeast Chapter encompasses)
- Metro Ambassadors are needed in major metropolitan areas so that a smaller group within a metro area can host social events throughout the year. Events can include Road Tours, Tech Sessions, Picnics, Socials, etc.
  - David DelVecchio (Ambassador for Knoxville area) recently hosted a Road Tour and lunch meeting
  - Richard Brodeur (Ambassador for Nashville area)
  - Ralph Goode (Ambassador for the Huntsville area)
  - Ambassadors still needed in the Birmingham, Macon, Louisville, Lexington, and Memphis areas. If interested, please contact Jim Krakau

### Membership Report

- Report given by Marianne Landis
  - Membership as of 12/31/2023 102 members
  - Membership as of 9/30/2024
    115 members
  - There have been 27 new members through 9/30/2024 (We gained 10 new members in just two days during the Corvette Expo in Pigeon Forge last March)
  - o 13 non-renewed members through 9/30/2024
  - Deceased member
    - Kenneth Jones (Marietta, GA)
  - There have been 54 new National NCRS members in our geographic region during the first nine months of 2024 whom I email to invite them to our local Chapter. (Seven have joined Southeast Chapter per my invitation which is around 13%)
  - Holiday Social will be hosted on Saturday, December 7, 2024 from 2:00 to 5:00 PM at The 57<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group in Atlanta, GA. A formal invitation will be emailed out around mid to late October. Please rsvp as soon as possible so that food arrangements can be made with the restaurant.

### **Treasurer Report**

- Report given by Dave DelVecchio
  - Beginning Balance 12/31/2023 \$16,188
  - Balance in account 9/30/2024 \$20,000

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- With estimated expenses, new memberships and early registration for the Corvette Expo, we are anticipating a balance on 12/31/2024 of around \$19,300
- Because, of the anticipated additional income and expenses through the end of the year, the final calendar year financial summary will be included in our January newsletter.
- Our chapter donated \$1,000 to the Gary Sinise Foundation already this year and have filed for matching funds from NCRS.

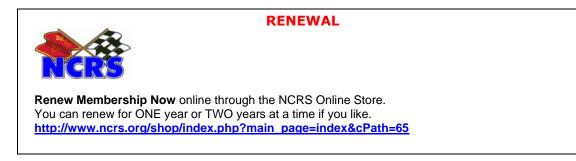
### **New Business**

- Discussion regarding a donation be made to Southeast Chapter members who might have been badly affected by Hurricane Helene or to one of the relief organizations. Tom Beuglas proposed Samaritan's Purse and/or the American Red Cross.
- The Carolinas Chapter is sending a \$3,000 each to Samaritan's Purse and American Red Cross.
- A request was made to mention any Southeast Chapter members who might have been affected by the Hurricane. A mention that Rich Kaleta's house has been destroyed.
- A motion was made to send some funds to Southeast members affected and then the balance to Samaritan's Purse and American Red Cross. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

#### Election

- Introduction of Candidates (All current year officers are willing to hold office for another year)
  - Invitation for any further nominees from the floor
    - 1. No additional nominations
    - 2. Motion was made to close nominations and accept the slate as presented by the Nominating Committee
    - 3. Motion was seconded
    - 4. The motion was approved unanimously.

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## **Treasurer's Report**

#### Southeast Chapter of NCRS, Inc. Quarterly Financial Summary June 30, 2024 to Oct 8, 2024

Beginning Balance	June 30, 2024	\$ 19,767.90
Income	Membership Dues	\$ 617.64
	Fall Judging Meet Registrations	\$ 1.607.02
	Charity Raffle Ticket Sales	\$ 90.00
	Donation to chapter for Fall Meet Luncheon	\$ 346.48
	Total Income	\$ 2,661.14
Expenses	Judging Expenses	\$ 1,289.87
	Deposit for Holiday Gathering	\$ 300.00
	Donation to Gary Sinise Foundation	\$ 1,000.00
	Total Expenses	\$ 2,589.87
Ending Balance	October 8, 2024	\$ 19,839.17

Submitted by: Dave Del Vecchio – Treasurer

## **NCM / Communications**

### **National Corvette Museum**

2024 has one event on tap at the museum:

- Nov 7 Vets & Vettes

Current Exhibits include:

- Pop Culture & Corvette An American Love Affair, celebrates America's Sports Car as more than just a car—it's a cultural phenomenon that has captivated hearts and imaginations for generations. This immersive exhibition showcases over a dozen legendary Corvettes that have left their mark on popular culture. From the sleek 1959 Stingray Racer driven by Elvis Presley in Clambake, to Corvette-based characters like "Sideswipe" and "Crosshairs" in the *Transformers* film series, *Pop Culture and Corvette* explores how this iconic car has shaped—and been shaped by—entertainment. Get your tickets now and be part of this pop culture celebration!
- Luster, With the emergence of photo-realism in the 1960's, motor vehicles assumed a special place of distinction as subject matter in the iconography of American art. 'LUSTER: Realism and Hyperrealism in Contemporary Automobile and Motorcycle Painting', is a traveling museum exhibition comprised of over 55 paintings by nearly 15 of today's realists and hyperrealists who specialize in automobiles and motorcycles as their primary subject of choice.

Current Raffles: 2025 Build Your Own Corvette drawing on October 25th 2025 Sea Wolf Gray Corvette drawing on November 21 2025 Arctic White Corvette drawing on April 26, 2025

Details can be found at: https://www.corvettemuseum.org

### NCRS Board Minutes for the March 21st meeting are at:

https://www.ncrs.org/docs/032124.pdf

## **Technical Articles**

## C6 Visor Mirror Cover Failures

If you own or have owned a C6 Corvette you probably have heard, seen or experienced the failure of the visor vanity mirror cover. The resolution to this involves a couple choices. The cheapest is the replacement of the cover itself as the failure is usually related to the breaking of one or both plastic pivot pins on the cover. The covers can be purchased online cheaply, \$12.00 to \$20.00 for a pair of reproduction covers. The flaw in this choice is the actual replacement of the cover. If you are one of the many who have tried this, you probably have found the weak point in this process.





This repair involves using a hook tool to pry the metal hinge up and away from the visor and to pull it over the plastic pivot pin on the new cover. The problem lies with the amount resistance the metal hinge has and the amount of effort it takes to pull it back, combined with the poor design attachment of the mirror assembly to the visor.

The failure occurs when the mirror assembly becomes detached from the fiber backing inside the visor which now creates a damaged and unrepairable visor.

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I have done a few of these and learned early on a trick to support the mirror and light portion while still having enough leverage to move the metal hinge. Here are the items you will need. I use the smaller piece of wood as a backer on the visor wrapped with a cloth to prevent snagging. The longer piece is then clamped over the mirror assembly. Now when you are prying on the metal hinge, the mirror is supported to the visor.



Using the support items, you are ready. Use the hook tool and start pulling the metal hinge away from the visor, you will need to push the new cover down hard against the visor while pulling up on the metal hinge to engage the hinge and the pin one side at a time. It usually takes me a few tries before I'm successful. The end result is worth the work and will save money. I should also note that if your choice is to use a replacement visor assembly, they have LED mirror lights which contrast to the original more yellow glow.



After completion I use a small brush and apply GM silicone paste to the hinge areas for lubrication. Good luck with your choices.



Steven Heck #47456

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### **Member's Awards & Recognitions**

### Heartland Regional – Cedar Rapids, IA – May 2024

Alan Dieterle (2007) Mickey Archer (1967) Kirk Turner (2007) Top Flight Performance Verification Performance Verification

### NCRS National Hampton, VA – August 2024

Todd Reynolds (1963) J Brian Whitaker (1967) Ralph Goode (2003) Kirk Turner (2007) Donald Ghareeb (1963) Mickey Archer (1967) Mark Wiley (1954) Wes Schrom (2001) August 2024 Top Flight Top Flight Top Flight Duntov Award Duntov Award Duntov Display Crossed Flags Award

Please let me know if you want your award or recognition listed in a future newsletter.

### NCRS 2024 Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	
Nov 8-9, 2024	FL Chapter Fall Meet	Howey-in-the -Hills, FL	
Nov. 23	Carolinas Chapter Tech Session – 1967 Chassis	Clover, SC	
Jan. 15-18, 2025	Florida Regional	Melbourne, FL	
Mar. 14-15	Corvette Expo – SE Chapter Spring Meet *	Pigeon Forge, TN	
Apr. 3-6	Carolinas Chapter Regional	Pendelton, SC	
May 1-3	Arizona Chapter Regional	Glendale, AZ	
June	SE Chapter Summer Judging Meet *	Atlanta, GA	
Jul. 16-19	Kansas City/St. Louis Regional	Springfield, MO	
Sep. 7-11	NCRS National Convention	Las Vegas NV	
Oct. 23-25	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX	

\* NCRS – SE Chapter Event

Refer to the NCRS for updated event information: https://www.ncrs.org/services/coming-events.php

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### **2023 NCRS Southeast Chapter Officers**

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### **CARS FOR SALE**

**1984 Corvette** Red exterior / grey interior, 4 speed w/overdrive and 33k original miles. I have owned it for 2 1/2 years. Purchased from original owner. Don't want to sell on open market, reason I'm contacting y'all. If anyone is interested e-mail or call me. <u>larryrochester@att.net</u> 864-325-4016

FOR SALE – Parts & Items

1967 Lee Bumb / formerly Sermersheim front end. There is a current nine month to a year wait, \$8,500. Pick up only. Call Gary Jaynes 864-710-7448

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1968 wheels.

water pump 3782609 1961-63 core;

hubcaps 1963, 1964, 1966, PO2; 1971 original spare Firestone wide oval w/ dealer sales albums

1975, 1976, 1977, 1978; alternators 1100628 3B4, 1100693 5G30, 6J20;

Holley Carbs: 1966 427/425 33886101 Core, 1965 327/365 #3849804 Reissue no date, 1966 327/300 – 350 h.p. #3884505 Service Replacement; 1963 WCFB #3826005

1963 original windshield; 1963 -1967 replacement windshield;

3 1966 restored and dated 390HP Holley carbs;

set of 5 1967 rally wheels.

Original 1971 white letter spare tire and wheel;

3 1965 - 1966 power brake master cylinders – restored.

sets of hubcaps 1963, 1964, 1966, PO2; 1967 trim rings - restored.

Contact: Tom Beuglas (404) 456-3711 or email beuglast@gmail.com

1964 Starter 1107320 Date Code 3 K 29 (October 29, 1963) \$75.00 Contact: Stephen H. Byrd (865) 250-1968 or email <u>bunkybyrd@gmail.com</u>



870 small block for 63 car. Casting 3782870, A293. Great 327cu bare block. Std bore, never decked. Has original bearing caps. Block will need to go to the machine shop as it has been in my basement for 31 yrs.

AndyJordan NCRS #12924 678-576-4418 ajvet@comcast.net

#### WANTED – Parts & Items

2 Original or NOS 1965 Corvette hubcap spinners 1965 Fuel Injection Air Cleaner that needs restoring. Any condition is considered. **Stephen H. Byrd (865) 250-1968** <u>bunkybyrd@gmail.com</u>

WANTED – Corvette

**Wanted** Need your HELP Looking for First Corvette 1967 Blue Convertible 350HP Small Block 4 speed Black interior low option



VIN 104677S1 14501 Still have Bill of Sale Purchased @ Martin Burk Chev Forest Park, Ga. Chris Henry (61744) Southeast Chapter

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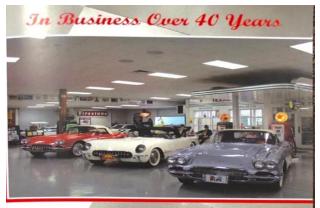
I am interested in **ANY** Corvette, any type vehicle (hot rods, antiques, estates, trucks, etc.) and Corvette related parts!

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