

PRAIRIE CORVETTE GAZETTE

September 2019

Newsletter

**National Corvette
Restorers Society**

Next Meeting

**September 22, 2019 at
the Nebraska Corvette
Association All Corvette
Show in Lincoln.**

Chairman's Message

On August 24th., we had the Judging Tech session at my place on the process of activating the front headlights on my '65 coupe. After about an hour and one-half, it was apparent that my fifteen-year-old headlight motors were not powerful enough to move the headlight buckets. We adjourned for lunch at that point and to consider what our next step

Nebraska Chapter



would be. A day or two later, Brad suggested that we pull the covers off the units to check the condition of the internal grease. In headlight motors that have set for a long time, the grease can harden and really affect the motors' power. If that is not the solution, then I will have to send out the motors for rebuild.... At our meeting, Craig Stephan gave a presentation on our upcoming 2020 program to Top Flight the chapter. Craig provide a handout on all of the goals and objectives that the club will have to accomplish in 2020. Craig, myself, and Brad will be meeting next month to assign time lines for meeting the requirements of the program. As I have mentioned in the past, we are already performing most of the requisites and just have to fill out the proper forms and send them into National....

Our next event is in Lincoln on Sunday, August 22 at the NCA Nebraska Corvette Association 26th. Annual All Corvette Show. This is a fun event with good camaraderie and good friends. You can register at www.Nebraka Corvette.com.

Please RSVP at BradHillhouse@yahoo.com so he can plan to have enough space for the cars...

Brad Hillhouse has aptly named our Fall Flight & Concurs Judging Event on October 18-19, the "Last Blast 2019." It is a two-day event with judging four cars and several tech sessions. It will be held at The Gathering Room @ McCoy's in Council Bluffs. We will have more room, several cars to judge, and catered meals on Friday and Saturday nights. Brad will have more details. **Regards, Gene**

Judging Chairman's Message

I am excited to announce our upcoming NCRS Nebraska fall judging event on October 18-19, 2019. In years past we have been fortunate to have Don Peers host us in his shop for this event and we are very grateful to him for all his continued support for our chapter. This

year we have more Corvettes and judges coming to the event which gives us the need for a larger location that can have seating for 30+ people, a big screen A/V system for judging schools and onsite food service.

The 2019 judging event will be held over two days – Friday October 18 from 3pm – 8pm and Saturday from 8am to 2pm. The new location is: The Gathering Room @ McCoy's, 1900 Madison Avenue, Council Bluffs, IA. Fortunately, this is a "bye week" for Husker football and we are expecting a great turnout from NCRS members in Nebraska and adjacent chapters. Having operations judging on Friday allows us to do a thorough job of OPS evaluation and then place the cars inside on the judging floor. Following car placement, the judging school will be a presentation from the National Convention by a 400+ level judge and you will not want to miss. Friday evening, we have a social hour and dinner right on the judging floor which provides a great opportunity to socialize with other local and regional NCRS members. Saturday we will jump right into judging and

we will end our day with lunch followed by the awards presentation. Having a two-day event gives all NCRS members an expanded opportunity for learning, teaching, and socializing both on and off the judging field.

All the specific details of the event are on the NCRS National page under the “Coming Events” tab and you can register for the event there. I have also listed the details on our new www.NCRSNebraska.com website under the “Last Blast 2019” tab. There is also a registration form listed in this newsletter and you can fill it out and mail it to me.

Cost for the event is only \$45 for both days of judging, schools and all meals. If you are unable to attend on Friday or join us for the Friday night and Saturday noon meals, it will just be a \$20 registration fee. Currently we do not have a PayPal account, so please mail your registration to my address on the registration form below. For NCRS members that would like overnight lodging, I have arranged a block of rooms for us at a discounted rate listed on

the registration form. This event has been modeled on other successful Chapter and Regional events where the hands-on learning and judging experience will be something you won’t want to miss. As with any event we host, we will need your help with judging, registration, parking, tabulation, and a host of other things. As a chapter, lets pull together and help make this a successful event and another step toward being recognized as a Top Flight chapter.

**Brad Hillhouse
NCRS Nebraska Judging
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**The Gathering Room @ McCoy's,
1900 Madison Avenue, Council
Bluffs, IA. The sight of our
NCRS Nebraska “Last Blast
2019” Fall Flight & Concours
Judging Event Friday – Saturday
October 18 – 19, 2019**

NCRS Nebraska at NCA Corvette Show 2019

The next NCRS Nebraska Chapter event will be at the NCA Nebraska Corvette Association 26th Annual All Corvette Show. The show is Sunday, September 22, 2019. They will start parking Corvettes at 8am. The show has moved this year to a larger location at Ameritas Life Insurance located at Cotner Blvd & "O" Street. The show will be in their parking lot that is to the north of Ameritas. You will need to enter the lot from "O" Street going north on Cotner and turn into the parking lot by following the signs.

I have arranged to have a NCRS table set up at the event and we will be using that as a recruiting tool to show people what NCRS is all about and hopefully gain a few new members. We are going to be able to all park together if we want to, but I need to make arrangements for dedicated parking spots and I will need a car count from our NCRS members. You will also need to register your car with NCA to participate with your Corvette in the show. You can choose to have it judged, or just bring it for display with no judging and have fun. This is

the biggest all Corvette show of the year and you will see everything from 1953 to 2019s. We would love to have a big turnout of NCRS members. The link to online registration is at www.NebraskaCorvette.com and then click on the tab for "All Corvette Show". From the NCA Website: *"Registration is \$30, cars registered after 9/12/19 will be display only, a show t-shirt is included with registration until 9/12/19 and extra shirts can be ordered. The show will go on rain or shine, no registration refunds, and it is assumed you will pick up your shirt at the show, shipping may incur an additional fee."*

PLEASE RSVP ME at BradHillhouse@yahoo.com and let me know that you are coming and what car you are bringing so I can reserve the right amount of spaces. You can also join the show and not park with the NCRS group or drive your regular car and park in the spectator parking if you choose.

This looks to be a great day of Corvettes and fun!

[Brad Hillhouse](#)

**Pictures from the NCRS
Nebraska Chapter Meeting on
August 24th at Gene Walker's
House.**



Pictures from the Peter Fink Collection in Omaha.





**Pictures from the Museum
of American Speed Museum
in Lincoln, Nebraska.**



LAST CALL for NCRS Nebraska Name Badges

I am in the final ordering process for new name badges for NCRS Nebraska Chapter members that may have lost theirs or never ordered one.

Do you have one, do you want one? They are a great way to help other members know your name and get to know you.

The cost is \$9 and I would be happy to order one for you with the next batch so it is done before our judging meet in October. They are red in the shape of the state of Nebraska and have your name and NCRS number on them with a magnetic back so it doesn't damage your shirt.

Please let me know ASAP

Thank you

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**2019 - NCRS
Nebraska Chapter
Meetings, Activities,
Functions and
Upcoming Events**

Nebraska Chapter Meetings &
Events are listed below in **BLUE**.

**September 19 -21, 2019
NCRS Lake Tahoe Regional
in Lake Tahoe, CA.**

**September 22, 2019
Nebraska Corvette
Association – All Corvette
Show on “O” Street in
Lincoln, NE**

**October 18 & 19, 2019 NCRS
Nebraska Chapter Judging
Event at The Gathering
Room @ McCoy’s, 1900
Madison Avenue, Council
Bluffs, IA.**

**October 24 – 26, 2019
Texas Regional in Frisco, TX.**

See You on the Road.....