

Pittsburgh Tri State



Chapter NCRS

Restoration
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Third Quarter

Fall 2017

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Chairman's Message

By Don Geary

Fall 2017 Chairman's message:

Can you believe it is the first day of fall, as I write this letter, and where did the summer go? We are having a great year for the Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter. We just completed our 6th NCRS Regional Meet in August and had a wonderful picnic in September. The weather for both events was very accommodating and all who attended had a good time. See website and this newsletter for a summary of the regional and pictures from both events.

The next two events to finish off the year are shown below. Please visit our website for the registration forms or print off the flyer from this newsletter and send them in ASAP.

- Fall technical seminar on October 14 at Mike Bucheit's garage in Norvelt
- Annual Christmas banquet on Dec 3 at Rizzo's restaurant in Crabtree.

This fall we will be planning our activities and events for 2018 and I am once again soliciting your input into what we should plan for next year.

We have a preliminary list of events: Let me know if you have any suggestions. Your board is trying hard to schedule events that will draw more members to participate.

- Technical Seminar/Judging School in March
- Chapter Judged meet at B&D center in Latrobe in June
- Summer/Fall Road tour to Falling Water (Date TBD)
- Annual Picnic in September
- Fall Restoration Tech seminar in Oct
- Annual Banquet is December

We are also planning changes to the Chapter By-laws so stay tuned for news in that area. We will need a membership vote to approve the changes.

Hope to see you all at our next events.

Don Geary

Chairman

Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter NCRS

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The Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter of NCRS was founded in August of 1990. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at designated and published times and locations. All members are welcome to attend the board meetings.

The newsletter is published quarterly. All articles for publication must be submitted no later than 15 days prior to the end of the calendar quarter. Ads from PTSC members are free of charge. Any car related news is appreciated.

Applications for membership and annual dues should be sent to Judy Geary, 117 Caldwell Dr, Jeannette, PA 15644, or gearyjt@comcast.net. Membership dues are \$20 per year and payable from June 1 thru June 30.

For current year events, see inside back cover.



PITTSBURGH TRI-STATE CHAPTER NCRS
27th Annual Membership Meeting
Holiday Banquet & Corvette Party
Sunday, December 3, 2017
2:00 P.M.



Rizzo's Malabar Inn
126 Rizzo Rd, Crabtree, PA 15624
(724) 836-4323

Directions from Route 22: Take 119 S. to Crabtree, right on Rizzo Rd. Restaurant on right.

Menu: Hors d'oeuvres: Hand Breaded Zucchini, Polenta, Pizza
Dinner buffet: Chicken Romano, Eggplant Parmigiana, Homemade Lasagna, Beef Bracirole
Salad, vegetables and Dessert Included. Soft Drinks not included @ \$2.35 Cash bar

Contact John DeGregory or Paul DiSanto to arrange for special dietary menu, if needed.

John DeGregory johndegreg@aol.com 724-832-3786

Paul DiSanto pdisanto1950@gmail.com 412-751-5579

2:00 PM — Cocktail Hour (Cash bar & Hors d-oeuvres)

3:00 PM — Dinner

4:30 PM — General Membership Meeting

Dress Code: Smart Casual or Holiday Attire

PLEASE BRING A GIFT FOR THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM

Name: _____ NCRS # _____

Dinner for ____ Person(s) @ \$35.00 each. Total enclosed \$ _____

Our Chapter is subsidizing part of the dinner & appetizers.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: November 23, 2017

Make Check Payable to: Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter NCRS & mail to:

John DeGregory
649 Humphrey Rd, Greensburg, PA 15601

**Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter
Membership Application
Please Print**



Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

NCRS Membership #: _____ Home Phone: _____

NCRS Member Since: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Jr member #1's Name: _____ **Jr member #2's Name:** _____

Corvettes (additional on back) 1. _____

2. _____ 3. _____

List additional on back

How did you hear about the Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter?

Would you be willing to assist in any of these events? Please check box:

Judging	Newsletter	Events	Membership	Other
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Please describe any talents or abilities that you may contribute to the success of our chapter.

You must be an active member of the NCRS, Inc. to qualify for chapter membership and please include NCRS number on this application.

Chapter dues are \$20 payable upon application and renewed each June 1.

Make checks payable to: Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter, NCRS
Mail to: Judy Geary
117 Caldwell Dr
Jeannette, PA 15644

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Direct any questions to Judy Geary at 724-834-5586 or email at gearyjt@comcast.net

EARLY PRODUCTION C4 DONATED

August 17, 2017



On Friday, August 4 the Museum received a special gift – a 1984 Corvette donated as a tribute to the late Don Oliverio of West Virginia. Approximately 40 family members and friends gathered at the Museum to make the presentation and celebrate his life.

“He was thoughtful and would visit people in the nursing home, even if he didn’t know them. That’s how kind and good he was to everyone,” said Linda Kolisky, Don’s sister. “We’re so honored that this is going to be here, the thing he loved so

much, we're so pleased."

The Corvette was built at the GM Bowling Green Assembly Plant in March of 1983. "It's a spectacular car to have in the collection, especially to be such an early production car of the C4s," said Derek Moore, Curator. "We're really grateful to have it."

Don's granddaughters, Cassidy Oliverio and Kayla Means, had the honor of driving the car into the Museum. "Last year I was in the homecoming court and he drove me in the parade," said Kayla. "He liked any chance he could to show off his car. He would love to see it be in the Museum. He would feel very honored to have it here," she said. "He would love to take it to car shows and this would be considered the ultimate car show!"

Daughter Jamie Oliverio smiles when she shares her favorite memory of her dad's Corvette. "I drove the car once by myself in 1987. I never told him, but I took it up on I-79 and I floored it. He never found out, I don't think," she said. "It's emotional – it's a tribute. He loved the car almost as much as he loved anything, so now I feel like he's going to live on forever."

"It would make him very happy to know that we did this," added daughter Johnna Oliverio. "This is the best place for it."

Don's brother, Jim, has worked with the Museum staff since February, 2017 to coordinate the donation. As Don's sidekick at car shows and events, Jim said it has racked up numerous awards and accolades including NCRS, Bloomington Gold, Triple Crown in Chicago, Gold Spinner, numerous displays at Corvettes at Carlisle, Five Star Crossed Flags, numerous Top Flight Awards, Dave McClellan Marque of Excellence Award, and has passed the PV (performance verification) for NCRS indicating that everything operates as new. The body and paint are all original, it is a true survivor.

"This is something that I think Don is looking down and really pleased with it. I don't think he ever thought he'd have a car here," said Jim. "I hope the Corvette world comes here and enjoys the car. It's a wonderful car that was owned by a wonderful person."

2017 Pittsburgh Tri-State Annual Picnic

Sunday Sept 10, 2017 dawned bright and cool. Our annual picnic started at 11 AM at the Monroeville Community Park, EAST, and 35 members were scheduled to attend. The caterer was scheduled to bring the great food that we have enjoyed in the past and most members were driving their corvettes to the event including me.

But on the way to the event my brakes locked up in our '94 ZR1 and I it was all I could do to get the car off the road on busy RT 22 in Murrysville, into a parking lot. The brakes were locked and the car couldn't be moved. Now Judy and I were stuck, because we were bringing some things for all to enjoy at the picnic like refreshments, chips and a dessert that needed to stay cool. Luckily we were only a few miles from the park, so I called and Paul DiSanto came to the parking lot, picked up Judy and me along with the food and refreshments, and drove us to the park. We would deal with the '94 later.

The picnic turned out great with plenty of food, good weather and a plethora of friendship and good discussion. We totally forgot that there was a Steelers Game going on because we were just having such a good time, well some of us anyway. The Chapter heavily subsidized the meal and the desserts were out of this world, as always. There was lots of food to take home as well.

Now for the rest of the story: We got back to the parking lot where the '94 was parked and called for a tow truck. In the meantime, I started the car and the brakes had released and were functioning normally. What a surprise! But I didn't trust it so we waited in the parking lot with good friends the Neffields and John DeGregory for the tow truck. I was able to drive the car onto the truck and off the truck and into our garage with no further problems. Subsequent work on the car revealed the parking brake cables both had torn boots which might have caused the lockup but more research is needed.

Bottom line, we have some really good friends who saved the day for us, to have a good picnic and get home safely. Thanks a bunch.

Don and Judy Geary

PITTSBURGH TRI-STATE CHAPTER NCRS TECHNICAL SEMINAR



SATURDAY
October 14, 2017
9:00AM-3:00 PM



Location: **Mike Bucheit's Garage**
 2298 Brinkerton Road
 Greensburg, PA 15601
 (724) 771-4275

Directions: If travelling East on Route 30, take the Mt. Pleasant exit, go past Westmoreland County Fairgrounds and turn right on Brinkerton Road, make the first left into the parking lot.

If travelling West on Route 30, turn left at SR 981 and follow SR 981 to SR 130 to SR 2017 past the Westmoreland County Fairgrounds, turn right on Brinkerton Road, make the first left into the parking lot.

Cost: \$10.00/person, we need a head count for caterer.
Includes Coffee, Donuts, Lunch

AGENDA:

PRESENTERS: BOB BAIRD, MIKE BUCHEIT

9:00	Coffee/Donuts
9:30	What does "matching Numbers" really mean??
11:00	Secret of "P" sandpaper and the real "Hobby Horse" fuel injection
12:00	Lunch
12:45	Corvette factory photos and sample parts to display and discuss
3:00	Adjourn

Mail forms and Check payable to: Pittsburgh Tri--State Chapter NCRS

Mike Bucheit
2800 Rt. 982

Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666
724-423-3080 mbucheit@wpa.com

REGISTER NO LATER THAN October 10, 2017

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ NCRS#

2017 PA REGIONAL SUMMARY:

On August 10-12, 2017, two years of planning, scheduling, and registration came to fruition with our NCRS PA Regional meet at the Blair County Convention Center in Altoona, PA. The regional team consisted of 23 members of the Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter and 5 members of the MAC chapter.

Planning began in 2015 with our chapter's proposal to the National to hold a regional meet in Altoona and the subsequent approval for our regional in November 2015. The team of volunteers formed a cohesive and dedicated team. Our first challenge was to establish the Paypal process and utilize the new NCRS Online Registration process, which meant new bank accounts and reapplying for our non-profit status from the IRS. With that accomplished, we moved on to organization and tweaking the team roles based on our 2012 regional at the same location. We had multiple meetings to work on Fundraising, Trailer parking, Registration, Training scheduling, Menus, Judging, Tabulation, Event Hall car layouts, entertainment, Hotel reservations and a host of other items.

The team Leaders from our chapter who need to be recognized individually are:

- Don Geary – Chairman
- Bill Bryan – Judging Chairman
- Judy Geary – Tabulation
- Mike Bucheit – Fundraising
- Norm Neffield – Treasurer, Flight Judging parking
- Frank Gavron – Trailer Parking
- Dave Kitch – Technical Seminars
- Jim Wainwright – Registration
- Paul DiSanto – Venue Entrance
- John DeGregory – Meals and Event Entrance
- Jim Patitucci – Apparel
- John Kuhns – Signs and Banners
- Gene Castrovillo – Photography

In the end we pulled it off with flying colors, and everybody from the National organization, to the attendees, car owners and judges have recognized our chapter for a great regional. Here are some stats from the Regional.

Number of Registrants: 160 Total Attendees: 222

Flight Cars registered: 48 Flight cars judged: 43 Top Flight: 34 Second Flight: 9

Performance Verification: Registered: 7 Passed: 3 Failed: 4

Duntov Display: 2 American Heritage: 1 Sportsman: 10 Special Display: 1 Concours Judging: 1

2000-2002 Test Flight Judging: 3

PTSC Chapter Awards presented at the Regional:

NCRS President's Award: John DeGregory (for years of service to the NCRS)

MCRS Master Judges hats: Don Geary, Norm Neffield, John DeGregory

NCRS National Support Pins: Don Geary, Judy Geary, Bill Bryan

Top Flight Awards: 6 (Bill Bryan, Phil Gardner, Art Colussy, James Sabia, Chris Steimer)

Second Flight Awards: 3 (Dave Stahl, Ed Dare)

Sportsman: 3 (John Jeffries, Brian McIntyre, Rick Alshire) American Heritage: 1 (CJ Titterington) Duntov: 1 (Gene Castrovillo)

2000-2002 Flight Test Judging and Top Flight: 1 (John Jeffries)

Overall I would like to thank all the PTSC team who participated and worked this event, for without them we would have not been able to accomplish such a significant event. And we made a profit and had fun doing it!

THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART

Don Geary



Friday Night dinner



Thank You

**John DeGregory for all the
Years of dedicated, Technical
And Honest Service.**

















The 2017 Regional Shirts are
FOR SALE in limited quantity
And size.

Interested . Please contact Jim Patitucci at:
412-582-0951



“T” Shirt

\$10.00

“Polo”
Shirt
\$25.00



1982 Collector Edition For Sale:

I've owned the car since Oct 1992. Original mileage purchased was 28,761. Car now has 38K on it.

1982 Collector Edition Stingray Silver Beige Metallic

Always garaged.

2006 NCRS Local Top Flight

2006 NCRS Seven Springs Regional Top Flight Two sets of tires Two sets of Collection Edition wheel rims. (Only the original set of Center Caps however) Original drive belts plus aftermarket pulley belts.

Original Air Cleaner units still in the box Original CPU chip with additional Performance CPU chip (I have both) Original Walker mufflers Original GM Build Sheet Original purchase order information.

Complete history of car since new. History of previous owners with telephone numbers.

Zora Duntov Autographed Owner's Manual

New Battery.

Very High #2 condition car.

Simply needs to be driven. My schedule has precluded me from enjoying the car as it should be.

Home Phone 724-947-0969 after 5:00

Work Phone 412-921-7112 Tetra Tech (any time)

I have just decided to put this car up for sale. It has not yet been advertised anywhere else.

I purchased this car in Oct of 1992 and have cared for it ever since. Both Roger Clark and Mark Francis know the car.

Ricky DePaul

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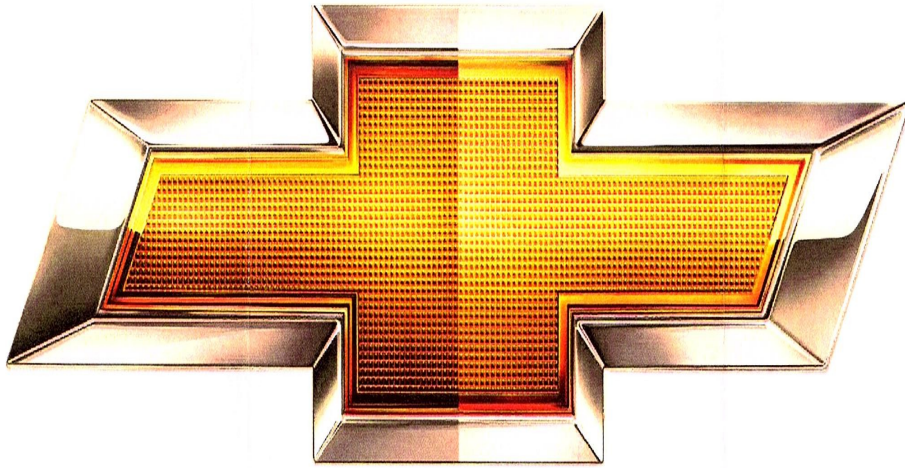
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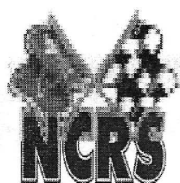
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UPCOMING NCRS EVENTS



Check the Events Calendar on Our Web Site for Complete Event Schedules for the year.

<http://www.ncrs.org/>

December 3, 2017 2:00 PM

PTSC General Meeting
And Christmas Party

RIZZO's
Crabtree, PA

See enclosed flyer