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National Corvette Restorers Society



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Chairwoman's Message: Brooke Madeira

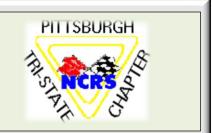
Corvettes have a funny way of driving you through life. My first ever NCRS event was in March of 2017, a tech seminar at John Kuhn's garage. Eight years later, on March 9, I attended the recent tech seminar at John Kuhn's garage as your new Chapter Chairwoman.



As mentioned, our chapter recently held a technical seminar hosted by John Kuhn at Specialty Cars Ltd. It was a beautiful spring day, and despite losing an hour of sleep, the 35 attendees were ready to go. We kicked off with an insightful presentation by Mark Madeira on C4 drivetrain evolution—thank you, Mark, for your hard work. Norm Neffield and Don Geary organized a successful parts and tools auction to benefit Pat Whipkey, the wife of our late member George. We were all amazed at the number of items that came from George's garage. Following a delicious lunch, which included some famous macaroni salad, Mike Bucheit gave a concise presentation on matching numbers for our judging school, earning us one judging point. It was a fantastic event from start to finish, and I want to extend my gratitude to everyone involved.

If you missed out on this event, don't worry, we have more exciting events coming up. In April, we'll be holding a mini-meet at Dylan Stahl's All Collector's Auto on Sunday, April 27th. This event is a great opportunity to earn judging points and learn about the judging process. Additionally, we have a Road Tour planned on May 18th, with member Tom Bell organizing a great itinerary. By the time we connect again, we'll also have had our chapter meet at B&D on June 6th and 7th. If you've attended before, you know how wonderful it is. I also want to remind everyone that, although it's early in 2025, next year's Regional in Altoona will be here before we know it.

As I close this message, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our board members, both past and present. There have been some other changes to our board I want to acknowledge. Mike Bucheit is our new Vice-Chair, and Dave Kitch is taking the lead as the Family and Youth Coordinator. Dana Smith graciously took on the Secretary position, previously held by Jim Wainwright, who did a remarkable job—I cannot express enough gratitude for his service. Another position with a large briefcase to fill was that of our Treasurer, long held by Norm Neffield. Mark Madeira volunteered to take up that position, though there is no replacing Norm. A huge thank you to all the board members who continue to serve year after year. I personally appreciate their support as I navigate my new role and want to acknowledge all the hard work they do in their positions; they make it look effortless. I encourage everyone to attend our board meetings to see them in action; it's also a fun time. I look forward to seeing everyone at our meetings and events throughout the year. **Brooke**



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We made Top Flight in 2024 too!



Judging Chairman's Message: Bill Bryan



Wow! What a nice event we just had a John Kuhn's Garage on March 9th. As always, it's one of the best events of the year. If you missed it, you missed an interesting and informative event.

I want to thank everyone involved, especially Mark Madeira and Mike Bucheit. There will be a full write-up on the event later on in this newsletter.

Up next, will be a judging school at Dylan Stahl's "All Collector's Auto" in Bedford, Pa. on April 27th. This event is intended to further educate the newer NCRS judges on the judging process. I encourage everyone that has not judged or has little exposure to our judging system to attend. We will explain condition and originality deductions, along with CDCIF and standard deductions. To accomplish this, I will also need more experienced judges to assist in the training. Two cars will be available for complete flight judging and that will make this a 3-point event for those that attend and participate in the judging.

Also, as a suggestion, anytime you attend an event where you will be judging, I would advise you to get in the habit of bringing a flashlight and even a small extension mirror. I know with my eyes the extra light helps me focus on small numbers and details in the darker places under the hood, interior and chassis.

The next judged event will be at the B&D event center in Latrobe. Please plan on attending. It's June 6th and 7th. Last year we had a great turnout and we will need plenty of judges. We are still registering cars. Then, in October we have our annual event at Greenwood's Hubbard Chevrolet in Hubbard. Ohio.

As most of you know I am restoring a '63 split window. One of the hardest things to do is get the correct gaps in a coupe door to the body. You actually have four sides to align. There's lots of work involved and you can spend days on one door. I always make the fiberglass corrections to the body, but never to the door. The door edges are too fragile. Before the car has any paint, alignment is a lot easier to accomplish.

I mention this because I get many calls from members having trouble aligning doors after the car is painted. As I mentioned, it is always best to align before any painting is done. On this coupe door we actually had to cut an original weld and make the repair. Once the car is painted that is not possible.

If you're looking at a freshly restored car it's not just the paint on a car it's the attention to detail and the body gaps are one place I always look for and pay attention to. I am attaching a picture of my coupe door here as an example. Thanks for reading and hope to see everyone at our next event. **Bill**



Chapter Membership News: Judy Geary

The 2025 Membership booklets have been completed and mailed out to all members. As of our March board meeting, we have 121 members and two new members joined the club in January.

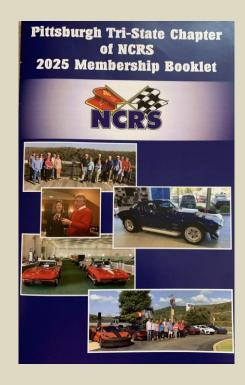
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Toys: 1967



"Thank you to Don & Judy Geary for their hard work in putting together the booklet each year. Next time you see them please show your appreciation and say thank you!" JP



PTSC Members in attendance at the Florida Regional: (Photo: Brian McIntyre)

"Here is a list of PTSC members in attendance at the 46th Florida Winter Regional. There were 12 members in total that I met at the event"... Bob Stokes (PTSC Outside Coordinator).

Tom Barr (C4 Team Leader)

Tom Bell

Ken Jelley

John Kuhns

Brian McIntyre

John Rogers

Dean Schaffer

Ray Shaffer

Richard Small (Region IV Director &

Florida Chapter Chairman)

Bob Stokes

Sandi Stokes

K.C. Strawmyre (1965 Team Leader)



Remembering Ron Booher, PTSC Charter Member by: Don Geary & Barry Holmes

Obituary:

Ronald L. Booher (Born: April 28, 1940, Died December 27, 2024)

Ron was preceded in death by his daughter, Cindy Booher and his stepdaughter, Kimberly Sessa. He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Josie (Baine) Booher and his stepson, Robert Sessa. Ron was a gifted auto restoration body man and mechanic. His accomplishments included vintage automobile and special auto projects. His trade name was "The Shock King" as he collected and sold vintage car shock absorbers. He was a member of the National Corvette Restorer's Society and a Charter member of the Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter. He was also a member of the Solid Axle Corvette Club and the Pittsburgh Street Rod Club. A memorial service was held on Jan. 18, 2025 at the Slickville Civic Center that was attended by family and his many friends.



"On Jan 18th, several members of our chapter attended a memorial for Ron Booher. Ron was a charter member of PTSC and was living in Parish, Fl. when he passed away on 12/27/24. Ron was a very talented guy who worked on many restorations of Corvettes and other vintage cars. His most famous restoration, in my opinion, was the '57 Corvette/Nomad. Ron worked for 4 years on combining the front of a '57 Corvette to the back of a Chevy Nomad. He brought that masterpiece to many of our events and eventually sold it at a Barrett Jackson Auction in 2006. Rest in Peace Ron, you will be missed." **Dow Geary**

<u>Remembering my friend Ron</u>, by: Barry Holmes (PTSC Historian)

"Ron graduated high school in 1958. He had various odd jobs for 2 years, then in 1960, he was worried about getting drafted so he joined the Navy. After basic training he was assigned to the Navy air base in Pensacola, Florida and worked on jet fighter planes. After 14 years he returned back to Pittsburgh and got a job as a mechanic and shop foreman at Baierl Chevrolet in Turtle Creek, until it became Day Chevrolet in Plum Boro on Rt. 286 at Rt. 22. While living in Plum Boro he started restoring Corvettes. Later, he moved his workshop to an old Texaco Gas Station on the corner of Mamont, Rd. and Rt. 286. Finally, he moved to Saltsburg where he built a 40' x 80' garage and where he got serious about restoring Corvettes. It was here where he built his 1957 Corvette/Nomad. In 2006 I went with Ron to Barrett Jackson's Scottsdale, Arizona Auction where he sold the Nomad. Following the sale, he eventually sold his place in Saltsburg and moved to Parrish, Florida with his wife Josie, until his passing in December.

Not only was Ron a Charter member of our Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter, he was also a good person and a great friend. We had a lot of great times together. Rest in peace my friend"....**Barry Holmes**

Ron's '57 Corvette/Nomad (Photo: Barry Holmes)





Changing Oil in My C7 Z06 By Don Geary #29217

Those of us who are familiar with changing the oil in our Corvettes and daily drivers are in for a big surprise when you want to change oil in a C7 with either a Z51, Grand Sport, Z06 or ZR1 with a dry sump oil system. This is my experience with changing my oil for the first time.

First of all, my current floor jacks would not fit under the car because of its low profile. I needed a new jack anyway so I ordered a jack that had a low profile with a lift of 3"-20" and a reach of 14". DNA Motoring tools-00235, 3 ton from Amazon. This has a twin hydraulic pump as well for additional safety. Next, I needed a set of 4 lifting pads that fit into the bottom of the frame and serve as a buffer between the jack and the frame. I ordered Korop Lifting Jack pads for a C7 from Amazon (Fig. 2) and they twist into the frame holes easily. Note: these need to be removed after you are done.

I worked my way around the frame jacking the front first, then back, then other side front, then back by the lift points and placing jack stands under the car on the cross members. (Fig.1) The car should be level when you're done jacking. Safety first!

Fig. 1





I use Mobile 1 synthetic super car oil 0W40 and the AC Delco filter PF64. The car needs 9.5 quarts of oil. I buy the 5 qt containers from Walmart and Mobile 1 runs a big rebate several times a year so watch for those savings.

Next place your oil catch pan in position to catch the oil from the first drain plug in front. A 15mm wrench is needed and I keep the filler cap on top of the engine on, so the oil drains out slower. Next remove the second oil plug and let that drain. (Fig. 3) Check both plugs to make sure the threads are fine and the gasket is in good shape. Next remove the filter making sure the gasket is still on the filter and not stuck on the engine. Clean

the engine where the filter attaches (Fig. 4) and replace the filter that has been partially filled with new oil and the gasket has a layer of new oil applied. Replace the plugs and tighten to 18 ft lbs. The filter should be hand tightened or to 22 ft lbs.

Fig. 3 Draining



Fig. 4 Oil Filter Mount



Now after you replace the oil, start the car and look for oil leaks while it is warming to operating temp, approx. 170 degrees. Shut off engine and allow to cool for 10 minutes, THEN check the oil as usual with the dip stick. This method is unique to the dry sump operation of these racing cars.

Now you can slowly remove the jack stands AND the lifting pads until your Z06 in on the ground again. Don't forget to reset the oil indicator on the dash by going thru the menu using: settings, info, oil light, press and hold to reset to 100%.

All Done!!! Please recycle oil responsibly.

Respectfully, Don Geary



PTSC Annual Spring Tech Seminar and Judging School at John Kuhn's Garage

Write up & photos: Jimmy Patitucci

On Sunday March 9, our chapter held its first event of the year. It was our annual Tech Seminar and Judging School at John Kuhn's garage in Latrobe. "Specialty Cars Limited".



There were 35 members in attendance including a few guests. This being our first event each year, this one always seems to bring everyone out. Especially, after the harsh winter we had in our area this year. Our judging chairman Bill Bryan put together another great agenda. After coffee and donuts our new Chairwoman, Brooke Madeira welcomed everyone, followed then by Bill going over the day's agenda with everyone.

Brooke's welcome!



Bill getting things started!



Mark Madeira of *Mirrock Corvettes* held the Tech Session focusing on C4 engine drivetrain configurations through the years, titled "C4 Drivetrain Evolution". His power point presentation led the group through the various engine packages, both standard and specialty high performance packages throughout the C4

generation.

Mark presenting!



C4 Cut-a-way Car



Just to note a couple of the special/high performance options mentioned were the Calloway C4 Corvettes as well as the LT5 Engine packages. Mark discussed the various transmissions available in the C4 generation as well. Mark and Brooke also brought their C4 cut-a-way car as an added attraction and awesome example of C4 technology inside and out. Mark culminated his presentation by showing a video of him and Brooke tearing down a C4 at their business to part out. Mark mentioned to everyone that if everything goes as planned with few interruptions, it takes them about 8 hours to complete the process. (Of course, the video was sped up for our benefit and to save time...the video is out there on YouTube). Here is the link. https://youtu.be/4DildVjPMOM

Following a great catered lunch of most everybody's favorite "meat loaf" and Brooke's "famous macaroni salad" Don Geary and Norm Neffield held a brief auction of a few Corvette parts/tools from the late chapter member George

Whipkey's collection as a favor and benefit to his wife Pat. (*Photo at right*.) Thanks to everyone for their generous and spirited participation during the auction which made \$530.00 for Pat. Oh yes, and by the way, Bill Bryan may have found a new profession to fall back on after he retires as judging chairman, that would be as an Auctioneer!

After the auction Vice Chairman, Mike Bucheit held the one point Judging school that focused on "Matching Numbers". He went over the process of where to look for them as well as what the term matching numbers actually mean. He provided everyone with a detailed packet of information as he always does, and provided time for questions.

Finally, a special thank you to John Kuhns for opening up his beautiful garage to our chapter once again. He provided the coffee, donuts and ordered the catered lunch. There was plenty of food for everyone. His hospitality was once again second to none. Thanks to Mark and Mike for presenting and to Bill for organizing the event. It was certainly nice to see some new members, as well as a few non-member guests. Hopefully, they will decide to join the NCRS and our PTSC. Thanks to all who came!



More photos from the event!

Mike Bucheit presenting!



Brooke (lower right corner) addresses the packed house!



Our host John Kuhns



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C4 Interior Cut-a-way!





RPM Technically Speaking II

Replacing a Late Model Corvette (C4-8) OEM Spoiler

As submitted by: Dave Kitch #33108

"My 2022 Corvette coupe had the OEM low profile spoiler installed when I purchased the Car. I preferred to replace the OEM spoiler with a Z-51 spoiler. I purchased an aftermarket spoiler off eBay and was advised that the mounting template would be the same as my OEM one. The three major steps:"

1. Remove the rear bumper

- a. Jack up rear of car and remove the wheels.
- b. Remove six major fasteners (3 three ea. side).
- c. Remove the mud flaps and many 7mm and clutch head screws.
- d. Carefully disconnect three electrical connections (each. tail lamp) and the rear camera.
- e. Remove the bumper.

2. Remove the OEM spoiler

- a. The OEM spoiler is typically both bolted and glued to the rear bumper with double sided tape making removal difficult!
- b. Following bolt removal, I used both *Goo Be Gone* and heat to soften the double-sided tape but the tape removal damaged my rear fascia fiberglass at the four mounting points.

3. Rear fascia fiberglass repair

- a. Removed the remaining double-sided tape from the fascia.
- b. Prepared the damaged area by carefully grinding and sanding the fiberglass.
- c. Applied *Evercoat* fiberglass strand filler, filled, sanded and applied glazing putty, while block sanding between applications.
- d. Primed the rear fascia with primer filler.
- e. Spray painted on the base coat with a small gravity feed spray gun.
- f. Applied *U Top* clear coat.
- g. Color sanded and buffed clear coat.
- 4. My grandson and I lifted rear bumper into place and I finished the job.

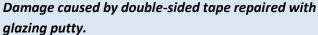
Lesson learned:

- Be aware of the double- sided tape when removing OEM spoiler.
- Rear camera connection is an HDMI very short cable that I damaged while removing rear bumper. GM makes a longer cable replacement that I purchased.



Comparison of OEM spoiler mounting holes to the aftermarket holes. Difference required me to drill two inner holes.











Finished product!



Hope this tech article proved to be helpful for anyone who might want to attempt this project! Dave Kitch, Dave's Corvette Corner

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NCRS News Headlines

To be added to Bowtie Judging: Certain C1,C2,and C3 Corvette Convertibles offered an Auxiliary Hardtop Option. 1956 through 1962 models offered Regular Production Option(RPO) 419 for Auxiliary Hardtop. No definite factory information exists to confirm that every 1956-62 Corvette that has a deck lid drilled for an Auxiliary Hardtop was actually built with an Auxiliary Hardtop. For that reason, Judges will judge the top in place on 1956-62 model, and will not attempt to determine if that car was, in fact, built with RPO 419. 1963 through 1975 Convertibles presented with the deck lid drilled for an Auxiliary Hardtop will be assumed to have been originally built with an Auxiliary Hardtop. 1966 and 1967 convertibles built in St. Louis may include an ECL code that will definitely confirm or deny the factory installation of an Auxiliary Hardtop. 1963 through 1975 Corvette Convertibles that were originally manufactured with RPO CO7, Auxiliary Hardtop, must be presented with both tops in place. The hardtop will be judged: the soft top will not be judged. If a 1963 through 1975 convertible originally equipped with RPO CO7 is not presented with both tops in place, all line items related to Convertible Top must be marked as a Failure. In order to evaluate certain items that are hidden by the soft top, it may be necessary to temporarily remove the Auxiliary Hardtop and raise the soft top to allow for the evaluation of the hidden items. (From: National Judging Chairman's message, page 3 Spring 2025 Restorer, same applies to article below.)

To be added to Crossed Flags Judging: 1989 through 1996 Corvette Convertibles that were originally manufactured with RPO CC2, Auxiliary Hardtop must be presented with both tops in place. The hardtop will be judged; the soft top will not be judged. If a 1989-1996 Convertible originally equipped with RPO CC2 is not presented with both tops in place, all items related to Convertible Top must be marked as a Failure. 1986 through 2007 Corvette Convertibles that were originally manufactured with RPO C21, Dual Removable Roof Panels, must be presented with both panels present. The installed panel will be judged; the stored will not be judged. If a 1986-2007 Coupe originally equipped with RPO C2L is not presented with both roof panels present, all line items related to Coupe Roof Panels must be marked as a Failure.



Help Wanted;

After nearly 30 years of creating, evolving, and administering the NCRS website, ncrs.org, John Waggoner has made the decision that it is time to retire in order to provide more time for a long list of neglected projects at home. If you are interested in this salaried position, please respond to the following email address with your resume, statement of interest, and contact information. (You may request the job requirements!)

Rdsqd2003@qmail.com

If you know someone who you believe may have the skills and interest in this position, please share this email with them.

Mike Ingham, NCRS President

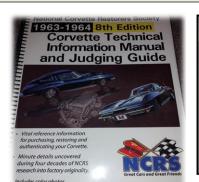
National Judging Chairman resigns:

David Brigham has chosen to step down as the NCRS National Judging Chairman. David cites his need to care for his beloved wife who is experiencing declining health issues. If you have an opportunity, feel free to reach out to Dave and express your appreciation for his long and devoted service to the NCRS. <u>Joe Scafidi has been unanimously named to replace Dave by the NCRS Board of Directors during the March 20th meeting.</u>

*The PTSC would like to welcome Joe and wish him good luck in his new position and we would also like to thank Dave for all his years of dedicated service to the NCRS. We wish him well in retirement. The same well wishes to John Waggoner!

NCRS Membership Dues to Increase!

After careful consideration the NCRS Board has elected to <u>raise the</u>
<u>membership dues to \$80</u>. Since the last increase in dues the cost of paper
that the Restorer and Driveline magazines are published on has increased
multiple times, as have the costs charged by our publisher, and the
postage charged by the USPS to distribute the magazines. The increase to
\$80. Will go into effect beginning April 1, 2025. Dues to members in
Canada will increase to \$87. And dues to international members will
increase to \$95. Mike Ingham, NCRS President



The new 8th Edition of the 1963-64 Corvette Technical Information Manual and Judging Guide is now released and available in the NCRS store!

REMAINING 2025 PITTSBURGH TRI-STATE CHAPTER EVENTS SCHEDULE



April 27th (Sunday) Annual Mini Meet/Judging School at All Collector Autos Bedford, Pa. Coordinators: Bill Bryan/Dylan Stahl

May 10th (Sat.) Spring Road Tour/ Linesville, Pa. Area, Cherry Valley Amish Store, MFG Fiberglass Body Panel Shop, Bell's Car Collection, Bair's Corvettes Coordinators: Tom Bell, Ray Shaffer

June 6th & 7th (Friday & Saturday) Annual PTSC Judged Meet at B&D Creekside

Latrobe, Pa. Coordinators: Bill Bryan/Brooke Madeira

August 10th (Sunday) Annual PTSC Picnic/General Membership Meeting

Indian Lake Park, North Huntingdon, Pa.

Coordinators: Paul DiSanto/Frank Gavron

September 19th & 20th (Fri./Sat.) Fall Road Trip (2 day) to Lancaster, Pa.

Coordinators: Mike Bucheit/John Kuhns

October 19th & 20th (Friday & Saturday) Annual Judged Meet at Greenwood's Hubbard Chevrolet, Hubbard, Ohio. Coordinators: Bill Bryan/Ken Jelley

December 7th (Sunday) Annual Holiday Banquet/Membership Meeting at Rizzo's Malabar Restaurant, Crabtree, Pa.

Coordinator: Don Geary

^{*}All dates subject to change at the discretion of the board.

^{*}Registration Forms & Flyers for Upcoming Events can be found on our website and in the Newsletters.



NCRS Regionals & National Events



2025

	April 3-5	Carolinas Regional	Clemson Univ., South Carolina		
May 1-3		Arizona Regional	Glendale, Arizona		
	July 16-19	Show Me Regional	Springfield, Missouri		
	Sept. 7-11	National Convention	Las Vegas, Nevada		
	Oct. 23-25	Texas Regional	Frisco, Texas		



Jan. 14-17	Winter Regional	Melbourne, Florida			
April 16-18	K.C./St. Louis Regional	Springfield, MO			
*June 4-6	PTSC Regional	Altoona, Pennsylvania			
July 26-30	National Convention	Charleston, South Carolina			
Oct. 22-24	Texas Regional	Frisco, Texas			





2025...The 1975 Corvette Turns 50 years old./ Below are some '75 Fun Facts

- *Last year for the Corvette Convertible until 1986
- *First year for the Catalytic Converter
- *Honeycomb inner core front bumper/added rubber front & rear bumperettes
- *Solid rear rubber bumper replaced the "split" rear bumper on 1974's.
- *High Energy Ignition (HEI) first appeared/tachometers now electronically driven.
- *The base engine L48 only rated at 165hp.
- *Only one other engine option available L82 rated at 285hp.
- *First year for kilometers to also appear on the speedometer.
- *First year for a headlight warning buzzer.
- *Last year for "Astro Ventilation".
- *First year to use an internal bladder in the fuel tank.



Photo: Bob Stokes' Silver 1975 Coupe



Take Note!



From the RPM Editor:

"I want to thank all those members who contributed to this edition of the RPM by submitting tech articles, event write-ups, the memorial write-up, photos and classified ads. Please keep these items coming in the future!"

Annual Cost for Newsletter Business Ads

Currently
\$20.00 for a Business Card
\$40.00 for ¼ page ad
\$60.00 for ½ page ad
\$100.00 for full page ad
Charges are due each quarter.
Ads should be emailed to the editor
Jimmy Patitucci at jippat@breezeline.net
Checks should be mailed to the following
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NCRS Family Membership

Dave Kitch, PTSC Family Membership

Coordinator

PTSC members are permitted to register their spouse, partner, children, step children, and grandchildren under their NCRS membership at no additional cost. This is a benefit seldom used by our membership. The PTSC Board wants to recruit new and younger members and this is an excellent method to accomplish this. The benefit ceases when the family member reaches 23 years old. The family member will gain judging points in the same manner as the sponsoring member for judging and tabulating. They can register to have their Corvette Flight judged and participate in all of the other chapter activities.

For any help using this NCRS form visit the NCRS Helpdesk

Don't Forget:

Chapter dues are \$20.00 and renewed each June 1st. Make checks payable to: Pittsburgh Tri State Chapter, NCRS. Mail to: Judy Geary 117 Caldwell Drive, Jeanette, Pa. 154644. Dues can also be paid using PayPal. See our website for the link. www.ncrspitt.com

Keep in mind: You must be an active paid -up member of the NCRS, Inc. to qualify for chapter membership. Please include your NCRS number when joining or renewing your chapter membership. Also make sure you update your email address with us and the National NCRS so you can continue to receive important emails and the Newsletter!

The Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter of NCRS was founded in August 1990. Meetings are held on the second **Thursday** of each month at designated and published times and locations. **All members are welcome to attend the board meetings.** In 2025 the board meetings will be held at the Lamplighter Restaurant in Delmont, Pa. at 6:30 pm.

Mark our calendars!

Our chapter will be hosting the <u>PTSC Regional</u> at the <u>Blair County Convention Center in Altoona in 2026.</u> The dates: June 4th -6th, 2026.

Volunteers will certainly be needed to make it a success once again. More info/updates to follow.

Don Geary, Regional Chairman



DTSC Apparel:
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RPM classifieds:

For Sale: A set of brand new 1999 tires and rims: If interested contact: John Maher (724)-882-1833 or jw.maher@yahoo.com.

For Sale: Sun Table Top distributor machine, includes a complete set of Sun specification sheets and some specific Sun tools. In working order. \$1000.00

Assorted NOS tail light housings for 62-67, total of 4 (1 set) \$450. OBO.

NOS, N11, GM off road exhaust pipes 2 ½ in. diameter. \$1000.00 OBO.

4 DC coded rally wheels, currently mounted with P215/70R15 goodyear tires with 1/32 tread. Set includes one non-DC rally wheel and tire. \$1000.00 OBO.

Folding engine hoist(crane). \$175. OBO. Custom Engine Stand \$175. OBO.

PHOTOS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST. Contact: Denis Mitchell (Text: 724-493-3196) /sdmitch@zoominternet.net

For Sale: 1964/66 Corvette steering wheel with hub, excellent condition. \$450., NOS AC fuel pump PN40083 \$250., 1963 Steering Knuckle NOS \$125., 1965/67 Wiper Motor PN 5044602 restored \$450., 1963/64 Non-DOT General Jet Air 11 Wheel and tire \$500. Contact: Howard Baker (330)-638-2264 or HBAKER1@aol.com

For Sale: Taken off of my 45,000-mile 1972 LT-1, Original Firestone Wide Oval F70-15 mint condition, never been on the ground or seen daylight... Make a reasonable offer- I am clueless here! Also: 4 original (but flat) Delco Shock absorbers, proper dates but need rebuilding/ make a reasonable offer and we'll both be happy.

Free:

Starter core 1108430, fuel pump 40018 (fist numbers are illegible), 4.25in. pulley 25503831, windshield washer reservoir bracket for C2 (probably a repro), clutch fork, alternator 1100693 5K26 37A. CALL FOR PHOTOS AND MORE DETAILS. Contact: Gary Schisler 412-716-0833.

For Sale: If interested 1963 Corvette pipes, original, removed by the original owner to put side pipes on his car. He still has the car, but doesn't want the pipes. No reasonable offer refused. I will ship them at buyers' expense. They are currently in Orchard Park, NY 14127. Contact: Mike Horrigan, 716-912-0941







Members: Don't forget all classified ads are free of charge to PTSC members in good standing. *JP*



PITTSBURGH TRI-STATE CHAPTER JUDGING SCHOOL

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Sunday April 27, 2025 - Two Car Limit

All Collector Autos LLC (formally Valley Auto) 5624 Business 220, Bedford Pa 15522

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PITTSBURGH TRI-STATE CHAPTER NCRS SPRING ROAD TOUR



SATURDAY May 10, 2025 8:15am-5:00pm









Location: LINESVILLE, PA AREA

From Delmont, PA, we will be traveling west on Rt 22, then north on Rt I79, and meet Tom Bell off exit 121, Mercer, PA. We will then stop at Tom Bell's garage for a tour and a break.

AGENDA: SAT 5/10

8:15	Depart from Lamplighter Restaurant in Delmont, PA.
9:30	Meet Tom Bell off I79 exit 121, Mercer, PA
10:00	Tour Tom Bell's collection at Bell Built Garage
12:00	Tour Bair's Corvettes and enjoy light lunch
1:30	Tour MFG Fiberglass in Linesville, PA
2:30	Visit Cherry Valley Amish Store in Andover, OH
4:00	Dinner at Bylers Restaurant, Jamestown, PA
5:30	Leave for home

We will have a private tour of Bair's Corvettes, MFG Fiberglas.

Just send Tom Bell a note that you will be coming so we know where you will be joining the tour. tombell2805@icloud.com 724-967-2805, 2489 Leesburg - Grove City Rd, Mercer, PA 16137.

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PITTSBURGH TRI-STATE CHAPTER MEET

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Fri June 6 & Sat June 7, 2025 – ALL CORVETTES INDOORS B & D Creekside Activity Center, 501 Avenue B, Latrobe, PA 15650

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I AGREE to insure my vehicle and property against loss, damage and liability and to provide proof of such insurance to the NCRS at the time of registration. I AGREE to assume the risk of any and all damages or injury and to indemnify and hold harmless, NCRS, its officers, directors, agents, employees and Chapters for any acts or omissions which may result in the theft or destruction of my property or injury to me or others occurring, during or as a consequence of this meet. I AGREE to abide by the NCRS Policy on Drugs and Alcohol. The use of illegal drugs is prohibited by anyone attending an NCRS event. The use of alcohol is prohibited by anyone participating in an NCRS event (includes while on the judging field, participating in driving tests and/or road tours), except during social events. Your signature below signifies that you have read and agree to all individual meet requirements. Proof of insurance must be presented at the meet. I have read and agree to comply with the COVID-19 update published by NCRS in the Driveline.										
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Make checks payable to: Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter NCRS, Registration and must be postmarked by June 1, 2025 to avoid a late fee. REGISTER ONLINE at WWW.NCRS.ORG or Send to: Bill Bryan, 410 Mile Hill Rd, Duncansville, PA 16635 PTSC Chairman: Brooke Madeira Phone: 724-875-4903 or brooke@mirrockcorvette.com Phone: 814-931-9101 or crosskevsty@vahoo.com Note: "NCRS" in subject line when e-mailing										

Pittsburgh Tri-State Chapter Membership Application Please Print



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