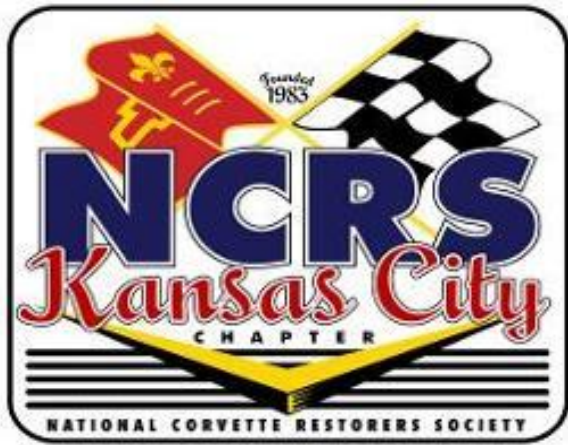


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### Chairman's Message

My column will be short this time:

KC NCRS Chapter Members, I'm writing this a few hours before our beloved Chiefs take the field against the Bengals. Hoping they will prevail and make it to the Superbowl!

We had a great time at Tony's Chassis Judging School on Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup>. For those of you who made it---WoW---Tony is a perfectionist when it comes to his restorations. I hope it sparked interest for many in our Chapter who have a project waiting in the wings. These events truly inspire me to want to strive to achieve the same results on one of our restorations. Besides the camaraderie and friendships that we form during these types of events---there is not a single person who left Herb's shop not learning something they didn't know before!

Our next Chapter meeting is coming up the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in February (Feb 7<sup>th</sup>) (yes the 1st this month as the 2<sup>nd</sup> falls on Valentines Day) at Smokehouse BBQ in Independence. More info will be out in a blast this week. Also a reminder to get your Valentine's Day reservations made NOW!

Later in February is Lakeland, FL Regional Judging Event----I have counted 10 so far from our Chapter going so KC Chapter will be in full force!

Looking forward to finalizing plans on our Chapter Flight Judging 2-Day Event April 21-22. We will need assistance from everyone to plan and put on an exceptional event at Jack's Vintage Vettes!

Mark your Calendars now for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chapter Picnic on Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>!!!

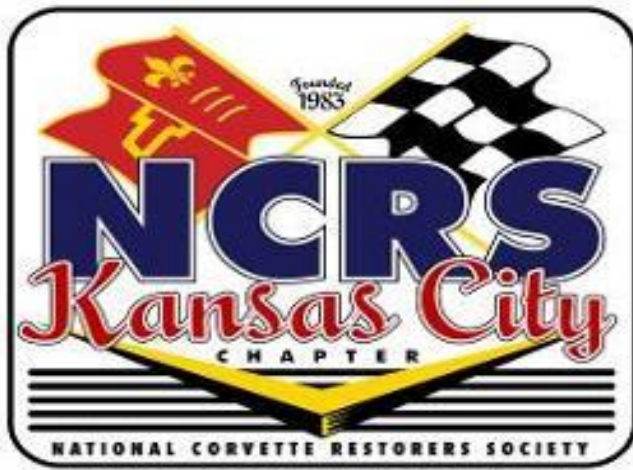
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### **Vice Chairman's Message**

It's hard to believe 2023 is here. Last year was another great year, several of us attended area Chapter events along with several Regional events and the National event. There were several members that also attended local and some out-of-town car shows.

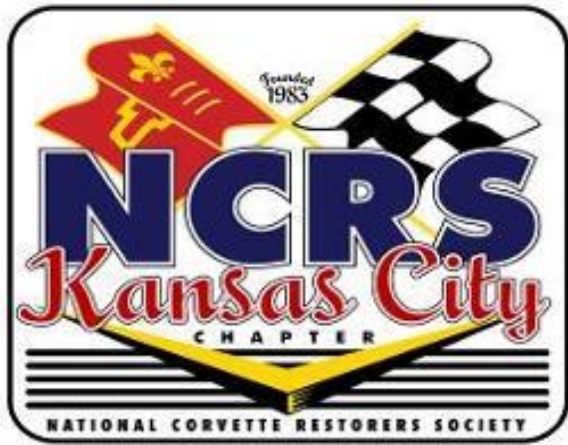
This year looks like another great year with some new Regional event locations we can look forward to attending. The first event is the Florida Regional in late February. Check the NCRS event website to Register for any of the new events.

This month Tony put together a great judging school at Herb's shop. Tony covered the Frame of his car he is restoring in detail. It was great to see several members attending the event.

Start thinking about our local Chapter Judging event coming up in April. We will need help judging the cars that register for the event. I know Tony will send out more information on the upcoming Judging event. This will be our second year to have the Sportsman award available. So, plan on entering and driving your car.

Hope to see you at upcoming events.

John



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### Region VII Director Message

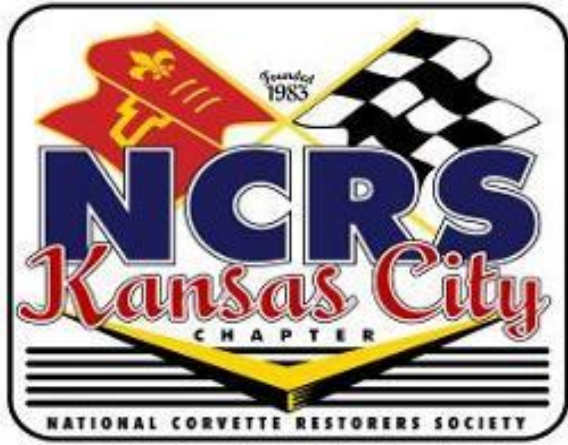
**Kansas City Chapter Members,**

**I hope this finds everyone Safe and Healthy, ready for the upcoming New Year. Needless to say that 2022 has been a real adventure, but we seem to be getting back closer to normal times.**

**I am sure that by now most folks are aware of the recent changes in NCRS leadership. Without any notice Shannon made an overnight decision to resign her position both as President and Region Director. It came as a total surprise to all on the Board of Directors. Most agreed that she had provided some positive energy and ideas. We were disappointed to see her leave, and wish her the best. Mark Tulley, the Vice President became the immediate President much to his surprise. Mark is taking the challenge in stride and is planning to maintain and improve the transparency that was developed over the past. Mark appointed Mike Ingham as Vice-President and also two new Region Directors. The BOD is committed to working to improve the membership experience and draw new members wherever possible.**

**With that said, First up right after the Holidays will be the Florida Regional on February 23 thru 25, 2023 in Lakeland. After all of the surrounding confusion, the Florida Chapter is on track to host another great Warm Weather Regional event. There is already about 55 cars registered and no doubt more to come. If you are looking for a Hotel nearby, the Hilton Garden Inn has several rooms available for those dates. You can call 863-647-0066 and ask for the NCRS Rate of \$180 for a Double Bed room.**





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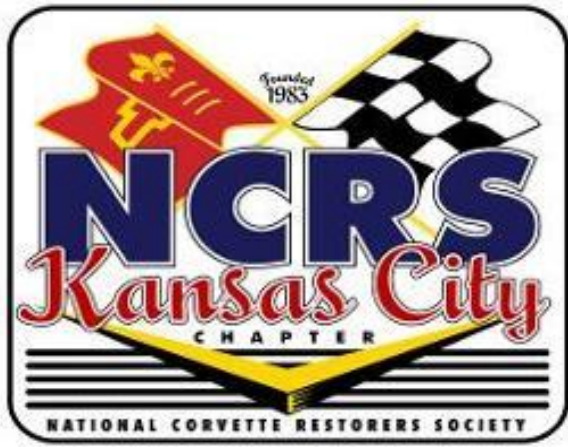
**Region VII Director Message Continued**

**The slate of Regional Events continue with newly scheduled Tuscon, Arizona on the calendar for March 23-24-25, 2023. Next up after that is the Pittsburg Tri-State Regional in Altoona, PA on June 1-2-3. This has been a well attended meet and promises to not disappoint. Right after that will be the North Central Regional Meet in Rochester, Minnesota on June 8-9-10. This was a good meet when it was held just a few years ago.**

**All of those should give everyone lots of reasons to get involved and come to the NCRS Regionals where you will find lots of Friends and Great cars. This year's National Event should be a great event at a very nice resort in French Lick, Indiana. We hope to see you there in July.**

**In closing I want to Thank all of the Kansas City Chapter folks for their support in making your Chapter one of the best organized and supported Chapters in the NCRS Organization. Be sure to tell your friends who may not be members, they don't know how much Fun and Friendship they may be missing. We appreciate your involvement and continued membership to help make the NCRS one of the best Car Organizations going.**

**Best Wishes and Hope to See You Soon at an NCRS Event,  
Harry Ledgerwood  
Region VII Director  
816-863-3420**



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### Editor's Message

It's a New Year and a fresh start,

First I want to thank those who sent articles and pictures. Jim Cianciolo, Harry Ledgerwood, John Schafer, Kent Schoneman and John Hecker,. It is much appreciated.

Next I want to let you know what I am thinking for the newsletter for this year.

- 1) I want to do the newsletter every other month (if the fates allow). That would mean the next newsletter will be the end of March. Plan ahead.
- 2) I will still be doing wanted and sale ad's. They will be put in for one month. If you want to run them again, you will need to let me know.
- 3) I want articles and pictures from where you have been that is Corvette related. (not necessarily NCRS). If you take your Corvette on a vacation, let us know
- 4) I need technical articles. We have to have at least 4 to maintain our status as a TOP FLIGHT CLUB!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I know you are working on your cars. Take pictures, write an article. Share your knowledge.
- 5) I will try and have a series on NCRS programs such as Top Flight Judging, having your car judged, Sportsman, etc. I want everyone to know what there is in NCRS so they can find what they are interested in. This month there is an article of Sportsman. So write those articles and share your knowledge.

You should see a recurring theme here. Sharing. That is what NCRS is to me. The sharing of a love for Corvettes.

## Editor's Message Continued

I will get off my soap box now . Hope to see you all at events and hoping to hear from you soon.

Cindy

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## Important Upcoming Events

- 1) First and foremost our chapter meeting on Tuesday, February 7th at Smoke-house BBQ in Independence. Email blast to come
- 2) February 1st is the first day you can make room reservations and sign up for the Nation Event in French Lick, Indiana. Details are in the NCRS driveline. I encourage everyone to register early because rooms run out quickly. Also register early for the convention if there are activities you are interested in. Those also fill up. The phone number for the hotel is 888-936-9360, the hotel website : <https://www.frenchlick.com> and the url for reservations on line is <https://book.passkey.com/e/49814631>. Be sure to reference the group rate code (0720NCR) when making reservations by phone.
- 3) Regional event in Lakeland Florida is February 23
- 4) March 25 is Tucson Chapter Regional
- 5) April 1 is Indiana Chapter Flight Judging
- 6) April 14 is Heartland Chapter Judging meet in Stuart, Iowa
- 7) THE KANSAS CITY CHAPTER JUDGING MEET IS APRIL 22
- 8) April 28 is the Minnesota Chapter Flight Judging Meet.



## Chapter Chassis Judging School Pictures





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## Barrett Jackson 2023 by Jim Cianciolo

When Dana Forrester invited me to assist him at the Barrett Jackson Collector Car Auction I jumped at the chance. But first, my wife Gail made me promise I would not bring another car home!

Dana has been selling his automotive art at B-J for 23 years and it's one of his most important shows. So on January 17, Dana and I headed west to Scottsdale with a van FULL of his wonderful artwork. When we finally reached WestWorld we set up his display in the vendors Exhibition Hall. We had to have everything in place before the event officially began on Thursday January 20<sup>th</sup>. This gave us plenty of time to explore the venue, the cars and the automobilia.

There were over 1900 auction cars and 6000 bidders. The exhibit hall housed not only artwork and automotive accessories for sale but also mattresses, hot tubs and even a helicopter. I had ample time to explore the cars for sale. There were classics like a 1939 Mercedes 540K cabriolet, exotics like Lamborghinis and Ferraris, muscle cars like Superbirds and Boss 429s and there were CORVETTES and more CORVETTES.

Many Vettes had been transformed into restomods. The engineering and craftsmanship is nearly indescribable. But there were also a lot of restored originals, many which had attained the NCRS Top Flight and even the Duntov awards. Among my favorites was a 1965 Big Tank coupe, a 1953 Vette and a 1958 Charcoal Fuelie. There was even a 1961 Fawn Beige roadster that is a twin to my own car.

Dana had a successful event with lots of sales and several prospects for future commissions. We had some tasty dinners and consumed a few beers and enjoyed a great time. Being on the road for two weeks is exhausting but the memories will last a lifetime.



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## Sportsman Award by John Hecker

What is a Sportsman Award? The Sportsman award encourages members to drive their corvette to judging events. The award is used to recognize a member who actively attends and participates in local Chapter, Regional and National meets. The award is presented by a Chapter officer at the event. It's a great way to attend an event and enjoy driving your car.

There are some requirements for the award. You must be a NCRS member. You must drive and own a 1953 thru 2023 Corvette. At the event, park your car in the parking area for the Sportsman cars or on the judging field. The car is not judged. The car must remain in this area during the event. Like in any judging event you must have proof of liability insurance and a current registration.

Points are earned at each event you attend. The car earns 2 for Chapter, 3 for Regional and 5 for National. If you drive your car to several events, you can earn a Sportsman plaque. This is after you earn 20 points which includes 2 Regionals within a 3-year period. The Sportsman plaque is awarded by the National to be presented at a local chapter.

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