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Thoughts from the Chairperson

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are enjoying the Summer. It was great to see many of you at the ILNCRS Pontiac Chapter Meet. I will have to say what a successful event! Thanks to Scott & Carol Lindee and Gary Bosselman for arranging it! Our new friends at Driscoll Chevrolet, are great people and so accommodating. We all had a great time, so much, we will be back again next year! I hope those of you that missed it, will join us?

The Bloomington Gold Event was also a fun time this year. It was nice to be back to the location where it all started. Great memories!

Next up, our ILNCRS Kickoff party is July 17, at Moretti's in Bartlett. You should have received the email! Please register soon. The menu will include pizza, chicken strips, and salads as we have in the past. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Fall Event – Don't forget our annual Meadowdale Judging Meet – September 10, 2022. Registration for judged Corvettes fill up quickly, so please register soon.

Reminder:

Please note we have 2 positions open for elections this year in June, Chairman and Membership. So far, it looks like Eddie and I are running unopposed. Please contact the board if you would like to run. Nominations will be running in June & July, voting in August.

Hope to see all of you soon!

Bill Braun- ILNCRS Chairman

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2022 ILNCRS Calendar of Events

July 17 (NEW!)	IL Chapter Kickoff Party – Moretti's, Bartlett
August 13	Charity Event – Road Tour to Morris - Cruise Night and Dinner SEE INFO THIS NEWSLETTER!!!!
September 10	Meadowdale Judging Meet
October 23	Fall Color Drive to Technical Session Location TBD
December 4	Holiday Party Location TBD

Other Events

July 24-28	NCRS National - Mobile, Alabama
August 26-28	Corvettes at Carlisle
November 19-20	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Brad Hillhouse

Matthew Trotta

Ronnie Matrisciano

Mike McFarland

Mark Portman



Several IL Chapter members attended, swapped, judged, got judged, and/or displayed their cars at Bloomington Gold this year in June. It was great to be back in Bloomington! It will be there again next year! June 2 & 3, 2023

ILLINOIS CHAPTER CHARITY EVENT AND CRUISE NIGHT

SATURDAY AUGUST 13th.

Meet at Thornton's Gas Station 4:30 for road tour.

4:45 Tour begins, don't be late if you want to park together!!!

24144 W Eames St, Channahon, IL 60410

Route 6 west of Interstate 55

\$10.00 per vehicle. Pay at Morris.

Our charity donations will be separate!!!



2022 SCHEDULE

June 11 • 6 PM - 9 PM

July 9 • 6 PM - 9 PM

← August 13 • 6 PM - 9 PM →

September 10 • 6 PM - 9 PM

October 8 • 4 PM - 7 PM

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APPRECIATION

Every once in a while, my light bulb illuminates, this time it is... APPRECIATION.

Just this first week of May, our NCRS Illinois Chapter Board and Officers met to finalize the numerous details relating to our upcoming Illinois Chapter Spring/Judging Meet in Pontiac, IL.

I believe this was our first “live meeting” of the year, which turned out to be rather enjoyable as we were able to discuss and finalize details via live interactions with each other. It felt good to observe the live enthusiasm, the numerous details being discussed and finalized. It was all coming together.

As the new member, I saw first hand and realized, all the thought, enjoyment, concern, time and effort put forward by all the board and officers present, and even a few on line.....summarized in a word, “APPRECIATION” ...for all that they do for us.

The “they” is your, ..our NCRS IL Chapter Board and Officers. Do you know who they are?...do you care? Well, Yes you should. A list is provided on the ILNCRS chapter website, and included with every OFF ROAD newsletter, ...did you read the April 2022 issue?

You can never really see and appreciate all that they do until you are involved, sitting at the table, contributing their most valuable assets of TIME and KNOWLEDGE.

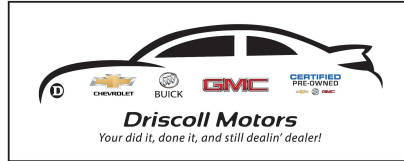
When having your corvette top flight judged for example, you see and intermingle with judges arriving from all parts of our free America, volunteering their expense, knowledge, love of corvettes and TIME. Hopefully you appreciate their talents, and tell them so.

The same can be said for your IL NCRS Chapter Board and Officers, plus numerous behind the scene Volunteers. There are meetings to attend, both in person and online, numerous bits of information to obtain, look up, interview, travel, meeting location check out, people interactions, phone calls, emails, flyers to layout, graphics, food, ice, projectors, chairs, tables, dates to confirm, hotels, ease of travel, study, NCRS commitment regulations to follow, insurance, shirts, ribbon awards, appreciation awards, scheduling judges, weather, and the list goes on and on and on,....all brought together for a successful meet. It all takes TIME and commitment for you.

And their Award, ..a smile, a thumbs up, a note, a thank you,...a sign of APPRECIATION, is what it takes for your Board, Officers and Volunteers to gladly, ...do it all again for YOU.

Chet Kumm, (New be) Vice Chairman

Illinois NCRS Chapter Meet May 13-14, 2022, Pontiac Illinois



Pontiac showed us great hospitality for our event. Several of the ladies went to town on the Pontiac Trolley for a tour, shopping and lunch. *Teaser for next year's Chapter Meet Saturday:* The old mansions will be open! Several participants stayed over to Sunday to see the Pontiac/Trans-Am Car Show and Pontiac-Oakland Museum! Great sights to see in Pontiac and great restaurants! Hope you will join us next year!





We plan to return to Pontiac in 2023! *Expected Date: May 19-20, 2023*



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Illinois NCRS 2022 May Chapter Meet.**

IL NCRS Chapter Meet Road Tour

Friday May 13th, Pontiac, IL.

It was a bluesky sunny day, just perfect for a drive in the country along America's historic Route 66.

Seven Corvette owners (Steve Alexander 2020 Corvette, Linda Dunlap 2007, John Heidt 2005, Chet Kumm 2003, Randy Merzdorf 2015, Ken Monroe 1993, Jay Stahl 2008) arrived at the designated starting location, The Blues Brothers Copmobile in Joliet, IL.

Starting the tour, all was fine heading south on Rt 53, for about 30 minutes as the tour leader, yours truly, me, Chet, got lost, ...just one wrong turn and I was lost. We all pulled over to discuss our options, and found a jewel in our group. Randy Merzdorf in his 2015, a long time IL Chapter member, volunteered to lead the tour. Come to find out that Randy has quite a bit of experience riding and driving the road tour course since his childhood. What a life saver.

Starting out again, Randy lead us on down the historic Route 66, driving by the Gemini Giant in Wilmington, on to the Ambler-Becker Texaco Station in Dwight, and via another wrong turn, to the Old 66 Family Restaurant in Dwight, right up the street from the Texaco Station.

A well deserved and hardy lunch was enjoyed by all at the Old 66 Family Restaurant. Would definitely stop back there for lunch or dinner again.

Heading back out on the road, right down the street was the Original Standard Oil Gas Station in Odell. We stopped in to take some pictures and check out this bit of road history with bits of old tools, repair equipment, souvenirs, and a well used pot belly stove that I am sure, was very welcome in the cold winters. Those bay doors were not your typical overhead garage doors, but another bit of history, a three piece door that opened to the right or left as needed.

Back on the road, Randy lead us further south past some real, historical sections of the actual Route 66 roadway, on our way to Pontiac, to participate in the IL Chapter Judging Meet hosted at Driscoll Chevrolet, by some really nice people.

Now rumor has it, that this road tour will be even better next year, with no exciting lost sections or confusing turn abouts, as our experienced tour guide, Randy has agreed to lead the 2023 road tour to Pontiac.

If you were not THERE, you really missed out on a Great Time!See you THERE in 2023?

Chet Kumm

Newbie

Illinois NCRS Spring Judging School May 2022, Pontiac Illinois

Chris Sherman gave an excellent presentation on the differences of various components and fiberglass construction between the 1953, 1954 & 1955 Corvettes. Many parts handed out for examination as well as a visual slide presentation. Thank you, Chris!





NOT part of the Judging School!



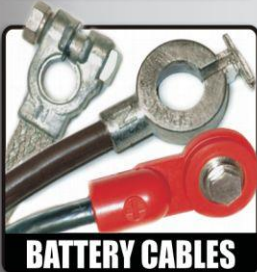
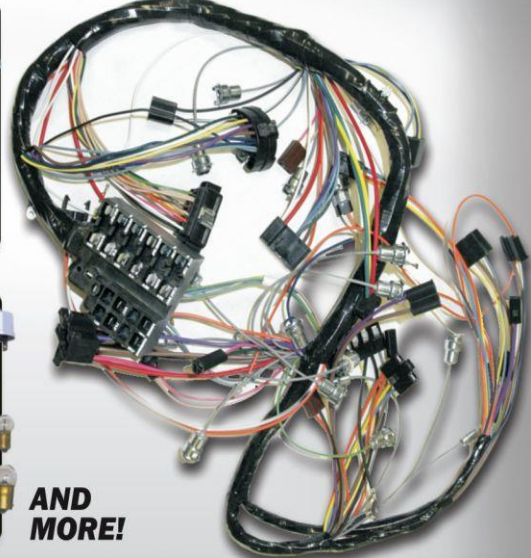
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INDIANA NCRS REGIONAL MEET

April 28-30, 2022 Auburn, Indiana
Great job, Indiana Chapter!!!





**CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL!!!!**

A LITTLE TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE



Check out these photos! Did you know that these and MANY other photographs and old Newsletters are available on our website? Check it out: <https://ilncrs.org/Newsletter.html>

Many thanks to Randy Merzdorf (Historian) and Fritz Goetz (Webmaster) for making this happen!

