

# High Plains Shifter

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## RMC Schedule of Events

### March

**16 Shelby American Museum 10am**

**23 Regional Committees Meeting at the Embassy 11am**

### April

**20 Annual General Meeting, Elections & Swap Meet at Corvette City 11am**



**Chairman's Report**  
By Eckhard Pobuda

Greetings Fellow Corvette Enthusiasts, Good news. Dan Termeer has selflessly volunteered for the position of Merchandise Chairman. which saves the board from resorting to the dreaded rack and thumb screw search method, and likewise saves the membership from invasive interrogation. Be sure to let Dan know you value his services and order lots of new items @ [drvtermeer@yahoo.com](mailto:drvtermeer@yahoo.com) . If you have ideas for new merchandise, be in touch.

While on the subject of new board members, elections will be held on April 20 meeting. The following positions are open for the years 2014 and 2015: Treasurer, Vice Chairman, Judging Chairman. To date, Chuck Banks is running for Judging Chairman. Chuck's expertise is well known in our chapter and at national. Steve Beatty is back in town and enjoys serving as Treasurer.. Given this information, please choose a vacant position that is of your calling and let me know you are interested in being on the ballot. The board must publish a ballot by March 20th. We will be voting at the April 20th meeting.

Our chapter will host a Regional Convention in 2014 and a National Convention in 2015. These conventions will be attended by NCRS members from around the world and give depth and weight to our activities and awards. Ponder how you might share your expertise and energy to making these events unique. We live in an amazing place. Let's make these occasions memorable for all. For information or to enlist as a volunteer contact John Marsico @ [jmarsico@frii.com](mailto:jmarsico@frii.com) or Ralph Ridge @ [Rockymntnridge@aol.com](mailto:Rockymntnridge@aol.com) For the 2014 Regional or Jack Humphrey @ [jackhumphreyh@gmail.com](mailto:jackhumphreyh@gmail.com) or myself for the 2015 National.

Look forward to seeing you in March at our museum visit.



**Vice Chairman's Report**  
by Fred Koenig

Hi Gang, Well if you missed the February 16 meeting you missed a GREAT presentation for the 2014 Regional by my good friend Tom Di Rito and myself. Tom and I volunteered to procure money ( Tom ) from SPONSORS, for judges lunches, tables, banners, supplies, etc.:. Myself from VENDORS, for gifts, door prizes, silent auction stuff, "Goodies" for the upcoming 2014 Loveland Regional.

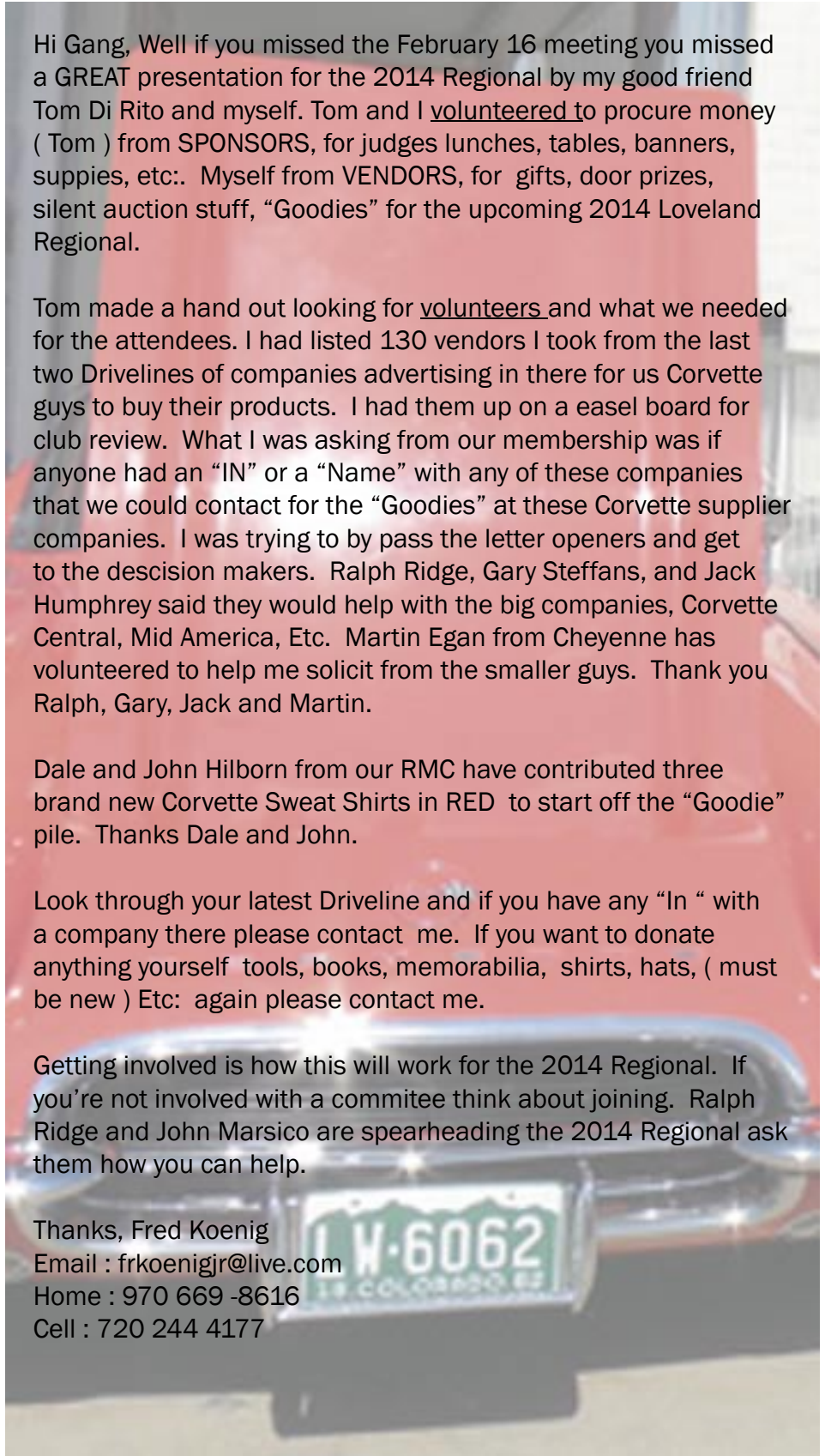
Tom made a hand out looking for volunteers and what we needed for the attendees. I had listed 130 vendors I took from the last two Drivelines of companies advertising in there for us Corvette guys to buy their products. I had them up on a easel board for club review. What I was asking from our membership was if anyone had an "IN" or a "Name" with any of these companies that we could contact for the "Goodies" at these Corvette supplier companies. I was trying to by pass the letter openers and get to the descision makers. Ralph Ridge, Gary Steffans, and Jack Humphrey said they would help with the big companies, Corvette Central, Mid America, Etc. Martin Egan from Cheyenne has volunteered to help me solicit from the smaller guys. Thank you Ralph, Gary, Jack and Martin.

Dale and John Hilborn from our RMC have contributed three brand new Corvette Sweat Shirts in RED to start off the "Goodie" pile. Thanks Dale and John.

Look through your latest Driveline and if you have any "In " with a company there please contact me. If you want to donate anything yourself tools, books, memorabilia, shirts, hats, ( must be new ) Etc: again please contact me.

Getting involved is how this will work for the 2014 Regional. If you're not involved with a commitee think about joining. Ralph Ridge and John Marsico are spearheading the 2014 Regional ask them how you can help.

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**Activities**  
by Bill Barcus

Coming activities in the next few months include:

**March 16 Shelby American Museum, Boulder**

We'll be visiting the Shelby American Museum in Boulder at 10:00 March 16, with lunch to follow. The museum is at 5020 Chaparral Ct., phone 303 516-9565 Entry fee is \$5.00 per person. To caravan to the museum, we'll meet at 9:15 at the AMC 24 Theaters at US 36 and Church Ranch Blvd. (NW corner of the exit). We will depart here PROMPTLY at 9:30 am for the museum to arrive for their 10 am opening. If others go directly to the museum, we'll meet outside (weather permitting) at the museum to go in as a group at 10:00.

After visiting the museum, we will caravan to the Quaker Steak and Lube Restaurant at US 36 and Church Ranch Blvd. (SE corner 10392 Reed St., Westminster)) for lunch. They will have a separate room available for us.

**April 20 Corvette City Annual Meeting/ Elections and Chapter Swap Meet**

Annual Meeting and election of new RMC officers will be held at Corvette City at 11:00 AM, April 20. Also, instead of a tech session, we will have a chapter swap meet to start off the spring season. Swap meet will run from after the meeting to 1:00 PM (or so). Bring any leftover/unneeded parts for your Corvette to raise the cash for the other parts you need!! Please identify your parts with your name and price. You will be responsible for selling your own parts. Gary Steffens indicated he would have several tables available and floor space! Please let me know via e-mail any specific parts you need and I'll send out an e-mail blast to all letting everyone know what parts people need a few weeks before, in case someone has what you're looking for. Any additional suggestions on this will be appreciated, since this will be a first-time event!

Note for the following events, I will be out of town the 4<sup>th</sup> of July for a family reunion basking in the sun (or sweltering in the humidity) of Buckeyeland – Can anyone volunteer to host or coordinate this event? ASSISTANCE WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!!! Please let me know if you can do this the 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

May 18 – Bozarth Dealer Appreciation Show

June 15 – Road Tour

July 4 – NCRS Picnic? Location TBD

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2014 ROCKY MOUNTAIN  
REGIONAL UPDATE  
John Marsico and Ralph  
Ridge Co-Chairs



Believe it or not, in just 15 short months the Rocky Mountain Chapter of NCRS will be hosting the 2014 Regional in Loveland, Colorado. Now is the time for us to get started with planning and fund raising for this exciting event.

At the Chapter Meet held on Saturday February 16, Fred Koenig (Chairman of the Vendor/Door Prize/Silent Auction Committee) and Tom Di Rito (Chairman of the Sponsor Committee) made a brief presentation to the membership (see a copy of the flyer issued at the meeting found in this issue of the High Plains Shifter). (see page 5 ED)

We need help from our membership to make this Regional successful. Please get involved by:

- 1) Volunteering to serve on one of the committees and/or
- 2) Provide Fred or Tom with contact information of your friends and business associates who might be interested in donating prizes or sponsoring all or a portion of a judges breakfast or judges lunch at the Regional.

Please contact Fred or Tom if you can help.

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# W A N T E D

**WHAT:** Volunteers to help with our 2014 Rocky Mountain Regional Event

**WHEN:** NOW for June 5-7, 2014 Regional Event

**WHERE:** Loveland, Colorado

**EXCUSES:** If you don't have time to be on a committee, instead of feeling guilty, you could:

- 1) Contribute cash or prizes to the Club.  
and/or
- 2) Help us with contact information on any of the following groups:
- 3) Provide us with other companies to solicit cash or prizes.

Ed Bozarth Chevrolet

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## New Judging Guide Books

Since our last newsletter aired, four new Technical Information Manual and Judging Guide books have gone to press. We knew about the long awaited 1968-69 JG since a ‘trickle’ of these 4<sup>th</sup> Edition books went out to those on back order and team members received their courtesy copies. But, shortly after those books shipped, a hold was applied. Contributors noted photographs weren’t up to snuff in terms of clarity and there were a handful of other areas where edits were submitted but somehow missed being included. Anyway, I’m told those ‘oops’ issues have been fixed and the full update is once again available although I’ve not yet received the RMC copy.

### RMC Judging Chairman Report

by Jack Humphrey

Next, the on again/off again 1963-64 JG book has been re-released with the revision rolled up to the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition. Moving on to C3 and C4 lands, there’s a new 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the 1980-82 book and a 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the 1984-86 Judging Guide. So, if what I’ve sketched lands close to home, it’s probably time to order newly updated books for your support library!

## First 2013 Judging School Is Behind Us

As ‘threatened’ in my last column, I did execute a judging school in February. This was DARN well attended last Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> at Corvette City. The subject was using the Standard Deduction Tables of the NCRS Judging Reference Manual. Sample parts (or pictures of parts) were laid out in five categories. The class was broken into 2-man teams specifically pairing more experienced judges with less experienced judges to level the playing field and share knowledge. Each team was given a sheet of questions to answer about the parts that were provided and supplied a working copy of the Standard Deduction Tables. Since there’s often an interaction between the Flight Score Sheets for a given Corvette, the applicable Judging Guide covering that model year and the Standard Deduction Tables, Ralph Ridge graciously played librarian controlling access to the Chapter’s judging support library.

The competing teams worked for just over two hours on the questions provided and roughly mid-way through the working session lunch arrived in the form of hot fresh pizza pies. Folks found they could grab a slice or two and continue to work on the questions without hardship. When time was up, we adjourned to chairs and I passed out answer sheets. An interactive lecture ran for roughly another hour where we discussed the ‘why’ factor(s) that stood behind the answers to the questions.

My hat goes off and I bow/salute Messrs Rick Reiff and John Marsico! Yep, they caught a legitimate error in one of the questions I posed (how to apply the deduction tables to an engine block and stamp pad). But, that only enhanced the school since the objective was to get up close and personal with how to correctly interpret and apply our club judging rules!

## The Judging Retreat

As I write, RMC is well represented down south in Dallas, Texas at the National Judging Retreat. Specifically, I know Eckhard Pobuda, John Marsico, and John Hilborn made the trip and my recollection is they were NOT alone.

The retreat is a special school that’s conducted every now and then by the National Judging Chairman. It’s a multi-day affair that pairs younger judges with more experience Master level judges. The school combines classroom lecture(s) with role playing in an atmosphere backed with bona fide examples of historically significant sample Corvettes. wThis is the FASTEST way for a novice judge to earn judging points and garner a significant learning experience. The retreat is VERY helpful for those who reside outside of North America as it packs a LOT of information into a few days of intensive schooling.



## Looking Ahead

As the weather warms, we'll be looking ahead to the driving and judging season. Our judging 'action' here goes on 'hold' until the next judging school in August. That's followed by our traditional annual judging meet in September.

In between, there are seven of us who are planning on attending the 2013 British/Dutch judging meet at the 24 Hours du Mans endurance race in LeMans France this June. Visiting Europe and driving in a Corvette caravan across the continent is a REAL HOOT! I'll be thinking of you...

Also, once again Ralph Ridge is running an RMC leg of the National Road Tour from Denver to the NCRS National Convention in Hampton, Virginia. I've heard our friends and fellow RMC members Wendy and Murray Forman from Australia will be back to enjoy summer weather with us in July. So, the big warm world of NCRS and Corvette is just waiting to break out on us!



### **Membership Chairman Report** by Gerry Phillips

Hi everyone, I have taken over the membership director responsibilities from Bob Montgomery. I'm still learning the ropes, so if you encounter membership issues, please be patient and I will work to get them resolved.

By now, most members have renewed their 2013 Rocky Mountain Chapter membership. Presently, the Chapter has 101 members paying members which includes two members who are new to the Chapter for 2013, Kevin Bayliss, and Kevin Murnane. By comparison, there were 117 dues paying members in 2012 of which 18 have not renewed their membership for 2013 (as of the last week of February). Renewal notices were sent out via email, so if you are reading this and did not receive a 2013 renewal notice, please contact me (gphil460@gmail.com) or renew online at:

[www.ncrs.org/shop/index.php?main\\_page=index&cPath=65\\_66](http://www.ncrs.org/shop/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=65_66).

Since we rely heavily on the National NCRS website for emailing chapter activities to members, I encourage all members to go onto the national site to make sure their contact information, especially their email address. Here is the url: <http://www.ncrs.org/membership/address.html>.

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On a final note, one of Bob's final acts was to send to National the paperwork which should earn us a Chapter the Top Flight award for 2012.

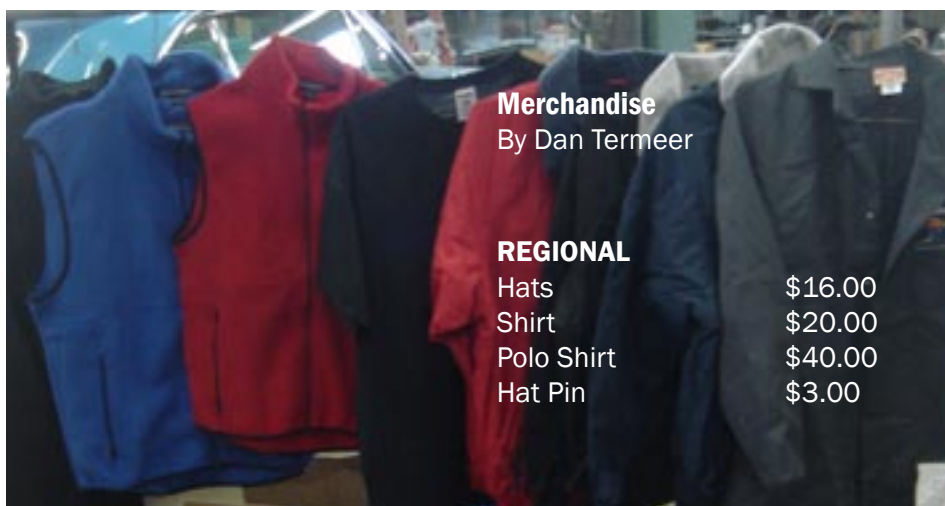


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- Window Sticker \$3.00

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### Sept. 2012

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A61565, B71465, B81665, G72065. Spinners marked with 229RH, 229RH, 230LH, 230LH. Price \$6,000  
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### Mar 2013

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