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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

By Rick Reiff

HAPPY NEW YEAR RMC MEMBERS!

This is my first message to the RMC membership as Chairman so I thought I'd give you a little background on how this came to be.

I first heard about the NCRS and the Rocky Mountain Chapter back in 1998 when I contacted a guy named Dennis Kazmierzak about the various aspects of restoring a Corvette. Dennis was Chairman at the time and invited me to a Chapter meeting which was held at the previous location of Corvette City on Tejon Street. I can still remember not knowing what to expect at that first meeting as it had been awhile since I had been in a Corvette Club (Corvette Club of Hawaii in the 70's). Things I remember about that first introduction to the Chapter were how friendly the members were, how they made me feel welcome, and the vast

level of experience they had with the restoration, maintenance, and preservation of Corvettes. With all these "upsides" I became hooked and joined the Chapter – it was great to be involved with Corvettes again and with people with similar interests. In 2000 I became Secretary for the Chapter and served in that position until the end of December, 2006 when my term expired.

Now with the start of the New Year, I will be serving as Chapter Chairman. I've worked with Dennis Kazmierzak, Bill Lucia, and Ralph Ridge (past Chairmen) and know I have big shoes to fill and hope to continue making the Chapter a place where Corvette folks experience the camaraderie, fun, and enjoyment I've had from being a member of the Chapter. As Dennis, Bill, and Ralph have stated in the past, this is vour club and the Board is here for you. In that regard, if you have any suggestions regarding how the Chapter is run please let me or one of the other Board members hear from you. The Board members and their respective contact information are provided at the end of the Newsletter. Please note that Jim Hilton and Bob Montgomery are also starting new terms this January as Secretary and Membership Chairman, respectively. This is Jim's first involvement with the Board and we welcome him to this new position.

Looking forward, we have the annual Holiday Party taking place on January 6th at Ralph and Sharon Ridge's home. As in the past we will be having the gift exchange (white elephant version) which is always fun and entertaining. If you have participated in the past you know what I am talking about, if you have not, I encourage you to participate. Details regarding the party can be found on the Chapter web-

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site. Please RSVP so Ralph and Sharon know you are coming. We will also be having a General Membership Meeting later in the month and a Tech Session in February. Details regarding these scheduled activities can be found in the Activities Section of the Newsletter.

In closing, as incoming Chairman I would like to thank Ralph Ridge for his contribution, service, and leadership as the past Chapter Chairman. Ralph has played an important part in keeping the Chapter headed in the right direction as well as taking on a lot of things that took a considerable amount of his time. He was instrumental in helping the Chapter get the '04 Regional in Breckenridge, the '08 Regional we are hosting in Denver, and in maintaining our relationship with Bozarth Chevrolet, one of the Chapter's sponsors. This is just a small sampling of some of the things he has done for the Chapter. Ralph has been a great ambassador for the Chapter and I encourage you to tell him thanks when you get a chance.

It looks like we have a great year ahead of us and I hope to see you at the Holiday Party or at one of the other Chapter activities in the near future.

Happy New Year!

Rick Reiff Chairman

Vice Chairman's Desk

By D.J. Kazmierzak

Since I missed the deadline on the last newsletter I thought I'd better get up to date for this one.

Fall Judging Meet results:

<u>63-67 Flight</u>		
Richard Davison	1963	Top
Jim Hilton	1966	Top
John Pringle	1967	Top
Dan Termeer	1964	Top
Jim Hilton	1965	2nd
John Peterson	1966	2nd
Ted Smathers	1963	2nd
Dean Stevinson	1967	2nd

Steve Jacques	1967	3rd
<u>Sportsman</u>		
Fred Koenig	1962	
Wayne Pendley	1962	

Thanks to all that participated in this very successful event. Thanks to all the judges and Tabs ladies for making this happen. Gary Steffens did a fantastic job of getting his shop read for us also. It turned out larger that I expected and in fact we had to turn some folks away. We had a slight problem with the weather as it snowed on the scheduled day of the event and tried to get us again on the rescheduled day by dumping 2 feet on my area the Thursday before the meet. As it turned out we got the meet in but that's the last October meet you'll see me handle.

The calendar has come together with several new Corvettes to grace the pages for 2007. I think you'll enjoy this years offering. Make sure you get you order in for one of these soon.

9HealthFair is again our charity for 2007. I attended a social for Anne Cosby this past November. She is retiring after 8 years CEO & President of the organization. 9HealthFair has grown 100% under her watch and has doubled the number of people served throughout Colorado and surrounding areas. This is a great achievement and I'm glad to say NCRS RMC and Bozarth Chevrolet have been apart of it.

This year again we will use the proceeds from the calendar to support the 9HealthFair a long with our volunteers for the phone bank in April. If you know of other donation which could benefit this cause please contact me with their name.

Coming up this month will be the Polar Bear SWAP meet at Adams County Fair Ground. The date for the event is January 27th. We follow the same procedures as in past years by collecting the items at Corvette City on the 26th. Mark your items with your name and price. 10% of the proceeds will benefit the Chapter. Higher dollar items are negotiable as in the past. I'll be looking for helpers with this as it's

more than a one man deal as you all know that have been there. Just call me.

D.J. Kazmierzak VP/Asst. Judging Chairman

Editors Notes

By Dennis Dalton

One of the up sides of editing this newsletter is to take a long look at the overview before I hand it off to Bob Davis for posting. This gives me a chance to tie in upcoming events of importance that might have been overlooked since none of the other board members really know what the other has submitted. A couple items worth noting:

The most immediate event is the general meeting at Corvette City Saturday January 20 at 11am. Our quarterly board meeting starts at 9am and ALL MEMBERS are invited to attend. One important topic will be the two chapter event at Gateway Resort. If you are thinking of attending call reservations at 866-671-4733 or 970-931-2458. You will need to have a credit card on hand to confirm the room reservation. Mention the Corvette Gateway Meet to get your discount (15%) for your room and all other activities.

Lastly, I would like to welcome all the new board members.

Dennis Dalton, Editor



MEMBERSHIP

By Bob Montgomery

Membership renewals for 2007 have been coming in at a steady rate and hopefully everyone has renewed by December 31st. We have had several new members join since the last newsletter as well!

Welcome to our newest members:

Graham & Veronica McDonald, Auckland, New Zealand

Ron and Linda Berggren, Littleton, CO, '63 Coupe

James and Denise Smyth, Westminster, CO, '96 Coupe

Chapter Award

The 4th quarter report has been submitted to the national association that should qualify RMC for the 2006 Top Flight Chapter award. Thanks to all the members and their families that participated in events in 2006. It is your support that makes it possible.

For the 2007 award, now is the time to start writing technical articles. We need to publish 6 articles in our newsletter for 2007. If you have an idea for one but aren't sure how to put it together feel free to contact anyone on the board of directors for help.

Thanks in advance for your participation to help the chapter continue to be a Top Flight Chapter!

Bob Montgomery Chapter Liaison milehiview@yahoo.com

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ACTIVITIES

By Mike Bird

January 6

Holiday party 5PM Ralph and Sharon Ridge's Home

January 20

Jan 20 1st quarter Board Meeting 9 AM General Meeting 11 AM *Corvette City*

February 17

Judging school 11 AM Corvette City

March 17

Annual meeting/elections 11 AM Corvette City

Mike Bird, Activities

JUDGING CHAIRMAN

By Jim Lennartz

Here we are at the close of another year. You were a very busy person if you attended all the functions on the schedule throughout these past months. The up and coming year is just as exciting with the calendar set for each function listed on the NEW RMC calendar available now for a small fee used to support our contribution to a worthy cause. The calendar is your road map to events you don't want to miss this coming year. The event I am striving to be ready for is, the spring Judging Meet on March the 17th. This will be my first offering of my 1963 Corvette to you judges to do what you all do best JUDGE. It has been almost 15 years since I started this long daunting task but well worth the effort. This meet will be filled with never before seen cars to scrutinize. We will see if they measure up to the criteria set by NCRS for that ultimate prize of TOP FLIGHT or somewhere in between.

I will be asking for all judges to mark the spring judging event as a MUST to be there.

After seeing how well you judges were able to adapt at the fall judging meet, nothing but mid-year Corvettes, I envision the spring meet to yield an even better group of friends getting together for this experience.

There will be a judging school in February to get the latest in new judging information as it applies to us as a chapter. Please e-mail me with a particular area of judging you feel needs to be emphasized for the benefit of everyone.

Thanks for letting me serve you as your Judging Chairman this past year.

Jim Lennartz RMC Judging Chairman

CUSTOM PAINT SOURCE

By D. J. Kasmierzak

In a recent article in Auto Restorer, December 2006 issue, Tower Paint & Decorating is mentioned as a source for all kinds of paint matching for the restorer. Their data base on DuPont and PPG paint colors goes back to the '30's in some cases. If you need a match color for your Corvette they can supply you with as little as a half pint to as much as five gallons. Spray cans are also available (16 oz.). Tower Paint & Decorating is located at 922 Oregon St., P.O. Box 2345, Oshkosh, WI 54903-2345. Call 800/799-6520, visit http://www.towerpaint.com or e-mail: info@towerpaint.com.

D.J. Kazmierzak VP/Asst. Judging Chairman

SEASONS GREETINGS FROM ENGLAND!

By Trevor Rogers

Jack Humphrey asked me to write a brief article for the RMC Newsletter. I have been a member of RMC for 8 years. I am also the Chairman and Newsletter Editor of the UK Chapter of NCRS, the first Chapter outside North America. I have known Jack for 10 years, I remember one night having a few glasses of red wine and asking Jack & Jim Lennartz to come over and see the UK Chapter. Strangely having asked two men I had never met to come and stay with us was received OK... especially as we had an 18 month old baby along with a 9 stone monster Labrador! We bonded instantly and keep in touch on a very regular basis along with the occasional call to discuss irony, politics, women and cars!! I asked 'Uncle Jack' to make a PowerPoint presentation to RMC members of last year's UK trip to France. I trust you have seen or will get to see this presentation as it has some great pictures not only of the LeMans race, but of our European countryside, our sights and our people.

This is my invitation to you to attend our 2007 event. Again, we'll start with a road tour from England to France with a stunning drive through the English and French countryside. Again, we'll stay in a rural French farm community, perform NCRS Flight Judging, and attend the world's greatest endurance race, the 24 Heures Du Mans, with Chevrolet's C6R race team attempting another Le Mans track win. Can you ask for more thrill and excitement than that? THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY to attend an NCRS event outside North America and see Europe... Feel free to contact to confirm your attendance and allow us to help with your trip. Space is limited, so please act now and join us this summer!

I would finally like to take this opportunity to say a big "hi" to all RMC members and especially the following for all their help and assistance over the years: Jim Lennartz, Ralph Ridge, Gary Steffens, Dennis Kazmierzak, Eckhard Puboda, Reed Merrit... that's it... oh, and yes-Uncle Jack...

24 Heures Du Mans 16th-17th June 2007

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MERCHANDISE

By Bill Pearson

MERCHANDISE - IN STOCK

ITEM	PRICE
Golf CapsRed, White, Gray, Maroon,	\$11.00
Natural/Green, and Natural/Blue	
T- ShirtsSilk screen Front & Back	\$10.00
SweatshirtsSilk screen Front & Back	\$20.00
Short Sleeved PoloWhite, Red, Blue &	\$30.00
Gray (RMC Embroidered)	
Long Sleeved PoloDark Gray & Blue	\$35.00
(RMC Embroidered)	
Light Weight PoloShort Sleeved (Teal)	\$20.00
Shop CoatsGray (RMC Embroidered)	\$35.00
Chambray Shirt (RMC Embroidered)	\$30.00
RMC Embroidered Jacket (special order)	\$50.00
Steamboat Hat Pins	\$1.00
RMC Hat Pins	\$3.00
Name Tags	\$5.00

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For Sale

Ad 01/01/07

For Sale

'98 Corvette Conv. VIN 1GYY32G9W5109116 6 Spd, Torch red, Tan top, Z51, CD changer,

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Magnesium wheels. 46K miles \$28K w/Mag wheels, \$26K w/Aluminum wheels. Contact D.J. Kazmierzak (303) 748-8235 for owner info.

Ad 01/01/07

For Sale:

1967 Corvette convertible, 327/350 original engine matching numbers car. Body on restored. Goodwood green with black interior and tan top. Side pipes. Very clean. Car is in Summit County. \$68,000.00. Call John at 970-389-0645

Ad 11/01/06

C-2 Items For Sale:

Cleartastic lower rear fender protection (2-behind rear wheel wells) \$17.50; Clear acrylic splashguards (2-frt & 2-rear) held on by Clipsno drilling \$20.00; Dash Sun Cover w/Logoblack \$30.00; Car dust cover-indoor, premium flannel (tan) \$99.00; Front Lic plate - black w/"CORVETTE" in silver block letters, incl ss frame \$15.00 OR \$165.00 for all. Contact Gary Armentrout at 303-663-2084.

Ad 9/01/06

For Sale:

1972 Coupe, VIN #Z37W2S507699, 454, A/C, TH400, Elkhart green, deluxe saddle leather, NCRS Top-Flight, tank sticker, PWR/strng/brks/wndws, tilt-tele, restoration tires and battery, good owner's kit. Car's a driver, and A/C works great! Will email pictures, complete spreadsheet summary of stampings and date codes. \$39,500 negotiable, jefuller@msn.com or 303/706-1111. At least last ten years under NCRS member ownership. Thanks, John Fuller Member #37361

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Appointed position

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