



## *THE FRONT BUMPER*



September 2014

### **Chairman's Message**

Thank you to all members for a wonderful regional meet. We received a lot of compliments in the last 24 hours. Some of us spent many hours on preparing for the event and the results showed our chapter could and did impress the participants.

At the chapter meeting on 8/28, we discussed events for the rest of the year and part of 2015. Tammy and I will host the terminator party at our home at 11:00 on 9/20. We will BBQ hamburgers and dogs and supply refreshments, please bring a side dish. Please RSVP so we can gauge how many people are attending. Directions are when you get to Yakima from all directions. Address is 11810 Marble Road Yakima, WA 98908. Take Highway 12W to the 40th Ave exit and travel South to Summitview Avenue. Turn west/right onto Summitview Avenue and travel for about 4 miles. Turn left onto Marble Road and you will see an apple orchard on the left hand side. Follow the driveway through the apples trees and drive through the gate. Any questions, please call 509-480-0790.

The Christmas brunch will be 12/7 at 11 AM at the Bud Bay Cafe in Olympia. The food has been excellent the last few years for our brunch, as has been the turnout of our chapter.

At the chapter meeting, we asked for nominations for officers and area coordinators for 2015. If anyone is interested in serving the chapter as a board member, let Dave Artz know as he will monitor the ballots if a vote is required. Deadline for nominations will be September 30th.

We will hold a chapter meet June 6th, 2015 in Kennewick as part of their corvettes on the river corvette weekend. We have 2 cars committed with another 3 showing strong interest. Anyone wanting a car judged at this venue, let us know.

Tammy and I will be leading the road tour to Denver for the national convention in July and will coordinate the routes from Canada, the Seattle area, Oregon, and probably picking up a couple cars around Boise. Depending on participants, we may divide the group into the newer cars, and the older cars/trailered cars. This worked well for the Colorado road tour to Kansas City.

We have a volunteer to lead the Portland group, which The Washington/Canadian groups will probably meet up with between Hermiston and Pendleton.

At this early date, we are planning on spending a night in Twin Falls, Idaho.

The next road tour of 2015 will be to Elmira, Oregon for the terminator party, hosted by Karl Hallstrom. The date will be sometime in September of 2015. Any questions or concerns, let me know. ~ Mike

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## This Day in History

Courtesy of History Channel

On September 1, 1998 the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 finally goes into effect. The law required that all cars and light trucks sold in the United States have air bags on both sides of the front seat.

Inspired by the inflatable protective covers on Navy torpedoes, an industrial engineering technician from Pennsylvania named John Hetrick patented a design for a "safety cushion assembly for automotive vehicles" in 1953. The next year, Hetrick sent sketches of his device to Ford, General Motors, and Chrysler, but the automakers never responded. Inflatable-safety-cushion technology languished until 1965, when Ralph Nader's book "Unsafe at Any Speed" speculated that seat belts and air bags together could prevent thousands of deaths in car accidents.

In 1966, Congress passed the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Act, which required automakers to put seat belts, but not air bags, in every car they built. Unfortunately, the law did not require people to use their seat belts, and only about 25 percent did. Air bags seemed like the perfect solution to this problem: They could protect drivers and passengers in car crashes whether they chose to buckle up or not.

While Ford and GM began to install air bags in some vehicles during the 1970s, some experts began to wonder if they caused more problems than they solved. When air bags inflated, they could hit people of smaller stature--and children in particular--so hard that they could be seriously hurt or even killed. A 1973 study suggested that three-point (lap and shoulder) seat belts were more effective and less risky than air bags anyway. But as air-bag technology improved, automakers began to install them in more and more vehicles, and by the time the 1991 law was passed, they were a fairly common feature in many cars. Still, the law gave carmakers time to overhaul their factories if necessary: It did not require passenger cars to have air bags until after September 1, 1997. (Truck manufacturers got an extra year to comply with the law).

Researchers estimate that air bags reduce the risk of dying in a head-on collision by 30 percent, and they agree that the bags have saved more than 10,000 lives since the late 1980s. (Many of those people were not wearing seat belts, which experts believe have saved more than 211,000 lives since 1975.) Today, they are standard equipment in almost 100 million cars and trucks

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## A look back to 1953

### Cost of living:

Average Automobile = \$1,850, Avg. Income = \$4,000, Gal. Gasoline = \$.21, New Home = \$16,000

### Top Headlines :

Joseph Stalin dies and Georgi Malenkov becomes Soviet Premier, Egypt becomes a Republic  
Korean War ends, Alleged Communist Charlie Chaplin leaves U.S., Tito becomes President of Yugoslavia  
Mt. Everest ascended first by Edmund Hillary

### Sporting Events :

World Series Yankees defeat Brooklyn Dodgers 4-2, NBA Minneapolis Lakers Defeat New York 4-1, Stanley Cup Montreal defeats Boston 4-1, Dark Star wins the Kentucky Derby

There has been on-going research on the “origin” of Day/Night Non-Glare mirror installation on 1966 Corvettes. The objective data/research compiled by the membership has determined that the Day/ Night mirror was NOT a factory RPO installed option. It was a Dealer offered/installed item. With that in mind, now that the Nationals are over and a “new” NCRS “season” is about to begin, the only mirrors that will be considered typical and appropriate for 1966 production cars for Flight Judging etc. are the two Standard Mirrors, which were supplied by Donnelly Mirror Inc. and Guide. Only Donnelly Mirrors are dated.

## Bad things often happen to good cars in the movies. Here's a list of 5 scenes that still make car guys cringe. By: Rob Sass Hagerty Website

1. **1970 Dodge Challenger (“Vanishing Point”)**: The '70 Dodge Challenger (one of about five used for the film) meets a fiery end when the protagonist of the film (played by Barry Newman) drives it into a bulldozer being used as a police road block.
2. **1967 Lamborghini Miura P400 (“The Italian Job”)**: The Miura is probably the most beautiful mid-engine sports cars of all time. And that's what makes this scene so hard to watch. In the opening scene of the movie, mobsters destroy heist-plotter Roger Beckerman's (Rossano Brazzi) Miura with a backhoe and push it over a cliff. A small consolation is the fact that an actual intact Miura wasn't destroyed. Just body panels over an empty accident-bent chassis. Interestingly, when the producers went to clean up the mess the next day, the remains had disappeared. Neither the chassis tag nor any of the pieces have surfaced to this day.
3. **1979 Porsche 930 (“Caddyshack”)**: This scene is an object lesson as to why you should never park your car with the sunroof open within a half-mile radius of where alcohol is being served: Young Spalding Smalls, suffering from a case of affluenza combined with Johnny Walker, staggers up to Dr. Beeper's parked 930 and empties the contents of his upper GI tract into the open sunroof. The squishy sound-effect of Beeper sliding into the seat never fails to make one cringe.
4. **1964 Aston DB5 Martin (“Skyfall”)**: In the rebooted James Bond world of Daniel Craig, Bond is seen to have won the DB5 in a card game in the movie Casino Royale. Its nose-mounted machine guns are put to good use in an attempt to repel an assault by the film's villain, played by Javier Bardem. Sadly, the car is strafed into Swiss cheese. Happily, the car was actually a prop that was convincingly made to look like a real DB5.
5. **1961 Ferrari 250 GT California Spyder (“Ferris Bueller's Day Off”)**: This scene is perhaps the most famous bit of classic car mayhem in all of moviedom. In it, the Ferrari is seen placed on jack stands running in reverse in a hilariously stupid attempt to remove the miles that had been put on the car during the day's class-cutting good fun in Chicago. In a fit of frustration directed at his misplaced-priorities jerk of a father, Cameron kicks it off jack stands.

## Northwest Regional Award Recipients

Sportsman Award Dan and Lisa Johnson 1957 Fuel Injected



Sportsman Award John Paul Nelson III 1964 Fuel injected Coupe 375 Horse Power



Sportsman Award David Berger 1999 Coupe. A special thanks to David who could not be at the event, but was kind enough to bring his car so that it could be used for practice judging for the upcoming C5 manual.



Sportsman Award Mike Doty 2000 Convertible



Sportsman Award Glorie McNay 2014 Stingray Coupe



Bob and Doris Hodge  
1959 Duntov Display



Bill and Nancy Hirning  
1963 Coupe Duntov Display





**Stewart and Teri Lowe  
1965 Coupe Duntov Display**



**Jim and Marlene Lucia  
1966 Duntov Display**



**Brett and Carla Morrison 68 Convertible Bowtie**



**Jim Shepherd 1957**



**2nd Flight**







**Ken and Sandi Gratteri**  
**1962**  
**Top Flight**

**Wayne and Sandy Parkin**  
**1963 Coupe**  
**2nd Flight**



**John and Shelly 1965 Convertible**

**Top Flight**





**Dave and Carlene Artz 1966 Coupe**



**Top Flight**



**Sean and Melissa Donnelly 1968 Convertible**



**Top Flight**



**Don Walker 1969 coupe**



**2nd Flight**





**Karl and Sue Hallstrom 1968**



**Top Flight**



**Karl and Sue Hallstrom 1969 & 1975**



**Top Flight**



**Dean and Traci Sprecher 1971    Top Flight & Accepted for Bowtie Judging**





## Bob and Valerie Johansen 1989 Convertible

## Top Flight



## Membership Report

Submitted by Tammy Shirley Membership Chair

The Northwest Chapter would like to welcome 3 new members: Justin Roberts from Portland Oregon Michael Roush from Kent WA, and Kevin Vankoten from Hoodriver Oregon. We are currently at 131 members for the Northwest Chapter.

It was nice to meet new members and put names to faces at the Regional meet in August. I would like to personally thank the ladies that volunteer to handle the Registration Desk, during the Regional meet. They are Melissa Donnelly, Diane Somers, Emmy Loren, Val Johanson, and Marc Kramer. Also a personal thank you to Lisa Johnson and Val Johansen for putting the Ladies luncheon together - there were a lot of good paintings from the ladies.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our house for the Terminator party, please RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

## Regional Meet Painting Workshop



During the regional meet in Tacoma some of the ladies participated in a fun event and produced some awesome paintings.

Arts-n-Carafes a Renton based company brings the party and all of the supplies including the wine to your event.

For more information about Arts-n-Carafes a painting and sipping experience contact [info@arts-n-carafes.com](mailto:info@arts-n-carafes.com).

## Regional Meet Painting Workshop



## Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by David Artz Secretary

Northwest Chapter NCRS  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tacoma, Washington

Board of directors meeting held at the Murano Hotel Tacoma. Other chapter members were present.  
Meeting called to Order by Chairman Mike Doty August 28th, 2014 at 7:00 pm

Members present:

- Bob Johansen—Judging Chairman
- David Artz—Secretary
- Valerie Johansen—Treasurer
- Mike Doty—Chairman
- Tammy Shirley—Membership Chairperson
- John Paul Nelson III —Assistant Chairman
- John Hopkins—Newsletter Editor
- Marc Kramer—Webmaster
- Dan Johnson—Assistant Judging Chairman
- Approximately 15 other members in attendance

Mike asked how the meet was going and if there were any issues that needed to be addressed. Everything going well and no issues were brought up.

Terminator Party 2014—Mike asked for volunteers to host in September. With no volunteers Mike and Tammy agreed to host the “get together” in Yakima. Date was set for September 20th

# Board Meeting Minutes

Christmas Brunch 2014 :

It will be held at the same restaurant as last year. Everyone seemed to like the location and food. Bud Bay café in Olympia waterfront. December 7th, 2014 at 11:00 am.

Board Nominations 2015:

Mike made a call for board nominations for 2015. He said any nominations should be submitted to David Artz and a ballot would be issued. Also, any volunteers should call David.

Kennewick WA Chapter meet:

Three Rivers Corvette Club has invited us back to their event on June 6th, 2015. Event will be held at Columbia Park. Eric Falk offered to bring his "54" for judging. Jim from Spokane offered to bring his "65" for judging. There was discussion as to what a great venue and exposure this event has been in the past and several members are looking forward to the event.

British Columbia Chapter:

There was discussion as to how to help the British Columbia Chapter to be successful. We are planning to help them at their next meeting. They are a great group and everyone wanted to help if they can.

Events 2015:

Wayne suggested two judging schools per year. One in the spring and one in the fall. Discussion on how to do these and everyone was in agreement that these should happen.

Portland Area Members:

Question was asked about how we can get Portland area members more involved with the chapter. There was a lengthy discussion about this matter with no resolution, but some ideas were brought forward.

2016 Regional at Riverhouse, Bend OR:

It is approved for June 2nd– 4th, 2016 and the contract is signed with the hotel and convention center.

Judging Chair:

Mike Doty asked Bob Johansen if he would continue the position through the Bend Regional. Bob said maybe.

2015 Terminator Party:

Karl Hallstrom invited the Chapter to his shop for 2015. Details and times to come later. Thanks Karl.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Artz - Secretary



## **Upcoming Events**

### **2014**

September 20 Terminator Party Hosted by Mike and Tammy

Address: 11810 Marble Road Yakima, WA 98908

September 25-28 NCRS New England Regional Marlborough, MA

October 23-25 NCRS Texas Regional Frisco, TX

November 1 Arizona Chapter Fall Judging Meet Surprise, AZ

December 7 The Christmas brunch will be at 11 AM at the Bud Bay café in Olympia

### **2015**

January 21-24 NCRS Winter Regional Lakeland, FL

March 19-21 NCRS Arizona Regional Tucson, AZ

April 17/18 NCC Spring Judging Meet Suisun, CA

April 23-25 NCRS Carolinas Regional Concord, NC

May 14-17 NCRS Joplin Regional Joplin, MO

June 6th, 2015 Chapter Meet in Kennewick

July 19-24 NCRS National Convention Denver, CO

September 10-12 NCRS Wisconsin Regional Delafield, WI

October 22-24 NCRS Texas Regional Frisco, TX

***Northwest Chapter of the***

***National Corvette Restorers Society***

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## For Sale / Wanted

Wanted: 1965, 1966 or 1967 Corvette Convertible. Looking for 350hp or higher motor with 4-speed. Must be a real car in excellent condition so I can have it judged. NCRS Top Flight is a bonus. Call Marc [\(425\)357-9240](tel:(425)357-9240) or email [mail@kramermail.net](mailto:mail@kramermail.net)

Wanted: 9 Leaf rear spring for 65. Also looking for a 65 Jack. John 360.620.5633

For Sale Firestone Deluxe Champion 15" x 7 75 Bias Ply Gold line tires. Used for Recent Flight Judging 750 dollars. John 360.620.5633