

# The Front Bumper

### CHAIRMEN'S MESSAGE

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I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season that included family & friends.

#### **Past Events**

Stewart conducted a "tech session" on November 18th with GM & Corvette expert Larry Webb. Larry has been working on GM & Corvette all his life and an expert on Fuel Injection & carburetors. Larry's presentation brought back good memories for all of the attendees. (racing & working on old cars). John Paul Nelson III brought his '64 FI coupe and Larry demonstrated how to use a Monometer to fine tune the fuel injector unit.

After the tech session...we were allowed to view an expansive collection of his neighbor that included; race cars, old motorcycles, gas pumps, signs & stuff. I was amazing...Thanks to John Hopkins for setting it up.

Stewart is hoping to bring Larry back this year for another tech session specific to carburetors. (more info to follow) The Holiday Brunch was held on December 3<sup>rd</sup> in Olympia. There was a good turnout and a good time was had by all.

The Chairman's award for 2017 was presented at the Holiday Brunch to Bob Johansen...Bob has been the event chairman & point person for the last two regional events our chapter put on (2016 & 2017).He has been an invaluable mentor to me for any & all issues that relate to guiding our chapter.

**February 10-11** / Swap meet in Puyallup (Saturday & Sunday this year, make sure you check times for the event) **February 10 @ 7:30PM** / NW Chapter dinner & membership meeting. Please plan to get involved with discussions or ideas to help out your chapter. (RSVP to me, if you already have not done so)

See the events schedule for more activities (it is always being updated on our chapter website). <a href="https://www.nwncrs.org">www.nwncrs.org</a>

### **2018 Chapter Judging Meet**

We have started discussions for upcoming chapter judging meet and are looking for ideas you would like to see & if you have a car you would like judged. Contact Stewart Lowe with suggestions or to put your car on the waiting list to be judged.

If you have questions or concerns regarding National Issue...please contact our Regional Director –Bob Johansen. He is you contact to the National Board and he can address your questions.

Thanks, Dan Johnson / Chapter Chairman

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### NCRS NORTHWEST ROAD TOUR HOTELS 2018

This year the North West Road Tour will be connecting with members from Pennsylvania and New York Chapters. Those road tours plan to visit Mount Rainier, LeMay Museum and Mary Mount the LeMay private collection before heading down south. Nice opportunity to make some new friends and drive to Vegas with a fun group.

#### July 11, 2018

Best Western Plus Newberry Station, 16515 Reed Rd & Hwy 97, La Pine, OR. Phone # (541) 536-5130. \$126.89 + tax. MEET UP WITH THE

PA. ROAD TOUR. For reservations use: Group Name NCRS Pa. Road Tour. 247 miles from Yakima to La Pine Oregon

### July 12, 2018

Best Western Topaz Lake Inn, 3410 Sandy Bowers Ave, Gardnerville, NV 89410. Phone # (775) 266-4661. King \$89.99 + tax, 2 Queen \$98.98 + tax. Group Name NCRS Pa. Road Tour. 507 Miles 8 Hours

#### July 13, 2018

New York, -New York Hotel Casino – 3790 Las Vegas BlvdS, Las Vegas, NV, 89109 #(702) 740-6822. Book through Expedia, 1 king bed @ 129.80 – there will be a resort fee at time of check in. approx \$39.68 415 miles, 7 hrs

#### July 14, 2018

Tropicana Laughlin, 2121 South Casino Drive, Laughlin, NV 89029. Phone # (800) 343-4533. Group Code 3892. \$65.99 + tax 98 miles , 1 ½ hrs

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### Observations from the Florida Regional

A fair amount of "noise" was made over the possibility of this being the last Florida Regional unless a new location was secured and a fair amount of gripping on the Forum and Facebook was stirred up by a long term Ohio member. Our Mike Doty who serves as a moderator on the NCRS Facebook site was pretty close to deleting the post. I learned of Mike's role after I commented that I thought the leadership of the NCRS had been doing a pretty good job in my opinion and if you don't like it get involved and run for local and regional leadership positions and try to change it. Complaining doesn't do much for bringing a group together and if Leadership thinks the Florida meet is in trouble there is probably a good reason.

Obviously sunshine is never a bad thing in the dead of a Seattle winter; although it rained each day I was down there. It was however a little warmer and as expected a strong showing from many east coast members and vendors. The swap meet like many these days are pretty picked over as much of the best items end up on eBay unless the seller doesn't want to fool around with shipping larger items. Bairs, Lone Star, Al Knock, Corvette America and a handful of other vendors were on site and selling parts and it was nice to put names with faces we talk to on the phone.

Overall I had a great time mostly because of the people. Sadly there were not a lot of cars to be judged, but I do believe the Florida Chapter did a nice job with execution and of the Florida leadership I met they seem like pretty decent people. The judging field looked much different than what we see in the North West as there was only a handful of Mid Years and C1s on the judging field, but a really strong showing for later C 3 cars, a couple C 4s and a C 5. As you can see in upcoming events we are heading back to Florida and we can only hope that we find a way to attract more cars and people.





### Photos from the Florida Regional



A very original 67 Big Block made a debut at the Florida Regional. This former Seattle resident now owned by Top Flight Corvettes in Indiana surprised me because I thought John Paul, Bob, Carl and Stewart knew where every desirable car in Seattle was. Somehow this one last registered in 1978 escaped the state.







As mentioned previously a decent turnout of C3s and the 81 and 82 were both very low mile examples and in fabulous shape. While my first ride was in a 65 396 side pipe roadster as a 6 year old the C3 body style will always be one of my favorites and it was nice to see so many nice examples on the judging floor.

### Photos from the Florida Regional





As mentioned earlier lot of decent parts available that people may not be willing to ship were on site. Shelly wasn't amused when I sent back the Mid Year cockpit and told her I bought a project car. As far as the Sun N Fun complex as an active airport user it was really nice to see an airport embrace car people . Granted this site is larger than Gig Harbor's, but they did coexist very well all week.





### This Day in History

On January 28th, 2009, country singer/songwriter John Rich releases a song about the plight of autoworkers titled "Shuttin' Detroit Down." The song, which featured such lyrics as "While they're living it up on Wall Street in that New York City town, here in the real world they're shuttin' Detroit down," quickly became a hit in Michigan, where the U.S. auto industry began, as well as across America. Rich wrote the song after becoming frustrated by news reports of government bailouts for Wall Street companies whose CEOs received stratospheric paychecks while autoworkers struggled to keep their jobs amidst widespread layoffs. Rich, one-half of the country duo Big & Rich, whose hits include "Save a Horse (Ride a Cowboy)" and "Comin' to Your City," recorded "Shuttin' Down Detroit" for his 2009 solo album "Son of a Preacher Man." In January 2009, Michigan-based mlive.com reported that Rich said "Shuttin' Detroit Down" was about: "the working men and women of America, and how Washington and New York City are slinging billions of dollars over the tops of our heads, while hard working people are going down the drain." The song became a working-class anthem and had some fans calling up radio stations in tears after they heard it played.

The economic health of Detroit has long been linked to the auto industry. Nicknamed the "Motor City," Detroit was the world's fastest-growing city between 1900 and 1930, according to an April 2009 report in the National Review Online, which noted that: "Detroit's population currently stands at around 900,000 inhabitants—half of what it was in 1950. The U.S. Census reports that in 2000, Detroit became the first American city with a population formerly more than 1 million to dip below the million mark."

In 2008, the American auto industry was hard hit by the global economic crisis and vehicle sales were slumping. Both General Motors and Chrysler were forced to ask the federal government for multi-billion-dollar bailout loans in order to remain in business. Despite these loans, Chrysler filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on April 30, 2009, and announced it would enter into a partnership with Italian carmaker Fiat. A little over a month later, on June 1, GM also announced it was filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. GM, which from the early 1930s to 2008 was the world's top-selling maker of cars and trucks, planned to shutter dealerships and plants and shed its Hummer, Pontiac, Saab and Saturn brands.

### NW CHAPTER NCRS / EVENTS CALENDAR 2017

### 2018

February 10-11 / Puyallup Swap Meet (Puyallup, WA)

February 10 / NW Chapter Dinner & Membership Meeting (Puyallup, WA) 7:30PM

April 12 - 14 / Carolinas Regional - Greenville, South Carolina

May 16 – 19 / Arizona Regional – Scottsdale, AZ

June 7 – 9 / Michigan Regional – Dearborn, MI

July 15 – 20 / NCRS National Convention (Northern California Chapter) – Las Vegas, Nevada

### August 26 / XXX All Corvette Show - Issaquah

September 20 – 22 / Mid Atlantic Regional – Altoona, Pennsylvania

## September 8 / NW Chapter Terminator Party-Post Falls, Idaho (only 5.5 hours from Seattle)

October 25 – 28 / Texas Regional – Frisco, TX

December (tbd) / NW Chapter Holiday Brunch - (location - tbd)

### <u>2019</u>

January 16 - 19 / Florida Regional - Lakeland, FL

May 16 – 18 / New England Regional – Marlborough, MA.

July 13 - 18 / NCRS National Convention (Carolinas Chapter) - Greenville, SC

September 18 – 20 / Lake Tahoe Regional (Northern California Chapter) – Lake Tahoe, CA

October 24 - 26 / Texas Regional - Frisco, TX

### 2020

July 19 – 24 / NCRS National Convention () – French Lick, Indiana

(bold items denotes revised information from the previous list) Updated on 01-20-2018



VENDORS: Saturday, February 10, 11AM to 7PM\*
"SNEAK PREVIEW FOR PUBLIC SATURDAY AFTERNOON
GENERAL ADMISSION: Sunday, February 11, 8AM to 3PM



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### For Sale & Wanted Items

## PARTS FOR SALE LEFT OVER FROM MY '71 BASE ENGINE AUTOMATIC COUPE:

Rochester Q-Jet 7041212 DL dated 0221 (1/22/71), rebuilt & unused \$475;

kick panels, black, original, unused, cut for A/C \$50/pr;

fan clutch dated 9-15-70 SC \$50; t

wo 3846559A dr side ram horn exhaust manifolds dated E13 & I8 \$50/ea:

3989036 psngr side ram horn exhaust manifold dated A28 \$50;

vent grills on body behind rear window, chrome plated \$25/pr;

sealed gas cap, new fits 70-74 \$15; gas cap gaskets (3) \$2/ea; '

68 coupe only rear window tray, restored \$150.

Have several other minor parts and pieces. Email Randy C. at <u>rkcorrigan51@gmail.com</u> for questions, detailed list and pics if desired."

Need for 1954 corvette left door sill plate, shifter knob, and any other 54 parts. Bert Lukens 541 306 9958

### For Sale (Dan Johnson);

- Radiator Core support FI cars 1964 & 1965 / GM # 3858963 (NOS) \$ 490.00 (OBO)
- Fan Shroud (small block) 1963 ~ 1965 original & restored, very good condition \$ 375.00 (OBO)
- 1965 FI emblems-pair / GM 3857572 (NOS in box) \$65.00 (OBO)
- 1957 FI emblems-pair / GM 3742212 (NOS in box) \$75.00(OBO)
- 1960 Carpet complete set (red) / reproduction \$ 150.00 (OBO)
- 1964 Rocker Moldings (NOS?? or very good reproduction)
   \$450.00 (OBO)
- 1957, 1958 Master cylinder /used original #5456022(small 022) with cap
   boot \$250

Dan Johnson / contact at 425-864-4068 or email danj@johnsonelect.com

### For Sale & Wanted Items

### **Seat Belts**

NOS 1958 6-web seat belt
Pair of 1958 hammertone 810 buckles
Pair of red 6-web seat belts for 1959
Pair of black 4-web seat belts for mid 1962
Pair of black 4-web seat belts for late 1962
Two Pair of 810 buckles-primer
Pair of 810 buckles-hammertone
5 lengths of blue/gray 3-web (1964?)
Pair of 810 buckles, one painted, one not
6 pair of hambones
Pair of 62-63 IC 5000 buckles-satin

### **Speedometer assemblies**

Two 1958 assemblies One 1959-62 assembly

### Power soft top

Base for pump and valves
Siring harness w/2 micro-switches
2 control switches, one for 56-57, one 58-62
2 control valves
Hydraulic pump
Brackets for switches
Arm that goes behind seat
4 cylinders

Contact Wayne at <u>206-930-9370</u>.

### For Sale & Wanted Items

**1965 Tar Top Battery** with March Date Code from Restoration Battery. Long story short was getting the run around on a warranty claim and purchased another when this one finally arrived. Don't need two of them. 275 dollars. John Hopkins 360.620.5633

Carburetors, dual fours, AFBs and others. Cylinder heads, 461X, 461s, blocks some 283, some 327, (pass.). Intakes, 283, 300HP, '62 340 HP, '64-65 4461, 350-365HP,

Powerglide, complete Corvette with shifter from my '59 VIN 3747.

56-57 New one piece front end.

Gary Hodges, 503.588.3883, or fuelishgary@live.com

Frame off 10 year total restoration with 15 miles driven. Mechanics and final set-up performed and documented as an authentic factory "big brake fuelie" by legendary Corvette mechanic Larry Webb. Can be seen on the Acura of Lynnwood website or contact Bruce Green (425-220-4428) regarding restoration process. Priced at \$149,000 or best reasonable offer.



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