



**MASON DIXON Blue and Gray
Winter / 2024**

- ~Member ~ National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS)
- ~ NCRS CHAPTER TOP FLIGHT AWARD ~ Former Winners for Twenty
Consecutive Years
- ~ NCRS & Mason Dixon Activities ~ Judging Events – Rallyes – Drags –
Cruisin' Nights – Day Trips - Banquets – Weekend Outings -
- ~ *Charities ~ Support numerous Charities throughout the Great State of
Maryland*

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Chairman's Report
Mel Lorden

Hello Fellow Mason Dixon Chapter Members!

It's hard to believe another year has come and gone and we are now in 2025.

Plans are being made for a variety of events from judging to social activities for the coming year. As details become available we will forward to the membership.

The annual Chapter judging event will be held March 23, 2025 at Ron Adam's Chevrolet. Anyone interested in having their car NCRS judged can sign up on the NCRS website and click current events and register. If you have any questions regarding the judging please contact the Chapter Judging Chairman, Gus Tsamouras at 410-456-0966. Please note, registration fills up early so don't delay if you are thinking of entering your car.

I hope everyone has a safe and healthy New Year.

Thanks to all of you for your continued support of the Chapter.

Sincerely,
Mel Lorden, Chapter Chairman
Mason Dixon Chapter, NCRS

Vice Chairman's Report
Rick Aleshire

Dear Fellow Chapter Members,

Well, a big old howdy to the Mason Dixon family from your vice chairman! I hope everyone continues to provide support to the BoD. We really do need the Mason Dixon family to really dig deep within yourself and step forward to help the social activities committee continue to plan new and exciting social activities!

Well, keep those Corvettes safe and warm for the time being, and tune them or whatever may need to be done.
PLEASE REMEMBER – we always need TECH ARTICLES!!!!

REMEMBER – this is your Chapter and only succeeds with each and everyone providing the support!

Hope everyone has a Healthy and Happy New Year!!! Hope to see you soon! Thank you, Vice Chairman, Rick

Treasurer's Report
Ed Ranier

The current, adjusted balance, as of 12/31/2024 we had \$12,556.09 in the bank account (minus any written checks not cashed) and there's the \$10,000 CD that was rolled over for 3 months. Thanks, Ed

Recording Secretary's Report
Rosemary Ranier

Minutes of the Board Meeting
Berkshire Hathaway Office, 53 Aylesbury Road,
Timonium, MD 21093 at 6pm
Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Present were: Mel Lorden, Chairman, Rick Aleshire Vice Chairman, Ed Ranier, Treasurer, Rosemary Ranier, Secretary, Ira Katz, apparel & merchandise, Elana Katz, social activities coordinator, and Jim Buckley, past Chairman, by phone.

Call to Order: 6:30pm

Mel Lorden, Chairman: He will be leaving for Florida and will be there for the next 3 months. He wanted this meeting so we could plan events for next year.

It was announced that Gus Tsamourus, the Judging Chairman, is in the hospital with on going back issues and that's why he isn't at the meeting.

Rick Aleshire, Vice Chairman: Announced the judging date will be March 23, 2025.

Elana Katz, Social Activities Chairman: Announced our Spring member's Business meeting and dinner will be at the Olive Grove either Saturday, March 29 or Saturday, April 5, 2025. Watch for further information!

Proposed activities for 2025:

March 23	Judging
April	Spring member's business dinner
June 22	Joining Freestone Corvette Chapter at Penman Park in Washington County.
`	Music, food, etc.
July	Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital donation followed by lunch
August	Booth at Corvettes at Carlisle
September	Cruise to Gettysburg and lunch at Hases or Kecko's
October	Cruise to a winery

Consider a member's night at McGooby's

It was decided to end the member's paid up luncheon.

Mason Dixon Corvette Board Minutes **November 14, 2024**

Present: Mel Lorden, Chairman, Rick Aleshire Vice Chairman, Ed Ranier, Treasurer, Rosemary Ranier, Secretary, Glenn Gitschier, Membership, Rocky Baldino, Social Media, Jerry Blumenthal, Historian.

Meeting called to order at 6:20pm by Chairman, Mel Lorden

Glenn Gitscher, Membership: Reported that we still have 26 members who haven't paid the local dues. He also reported that Metzger, Schulkoff & Stern have dropped out.

Ed Ranier, Treasurer: Reported we have \$13,076.04 in the bank as of November 12, 2024. The CD of \$10,000 with M&T bank is up for renewal. Mel & Ed will go to the bank to renew. Discussion was we would renew for 6 months. If it is not available we would renew for 1 year.

Rick Aleshire, Vice Chairman: We are again receiving the Chapter Flight Award this year from NCRS. Judging date will be either March 23 or March 30, 2025.

Other news: At Motorama at the Timonium Fairgrounds in December we need volunteers to stay for 1 or 2 hours at our booth. Those who volunteer will get a free ticket and lunch.

- Elana Katz will be the new Social Activities coordinator.
- Ira Katz will be in charge of apparel & merchandise. He has also been handling the new member's packet which includes the name badges.
- It was noted that the Mid Atlantic Corvette Chapter got 12 new members and the Delaware Valley Corvette Chapter got 7 new members at the Corvettes at Carlisle show in August. Discussion centered around how our Chapter needs to have volunteers for our booth and we need chatkes to hand out promoting our Chapter.
- The Board decided to return Dennis Miedushiewski's \$50 check he gave for the Fall member's and business dinner at Olive Grove. He is dealing with medical issues and cannot eat most of what is on our dinner choices.

Respectfully submitted, Rosemary Ranier

Recording Secretary

Web site: www.NCRS.org/masondixon

Membership Chairman's Report

Glenn Gitschier

As of 1-2-2025, we have 102 Chapter members in good standing. Our newest members are George and Claudia Nemphos 10-15-24; Marvin Burock 11-14-24; Steve and Janine Karabelas 12-1-24; Robert and Kim Altenburger 12-8-24; Reto Weber 12-16-24; KC and Sue Strawmyre 12-27-24. Welcome to all!!!!

It is very **IMPORTANT** that you notify the National and our Chapter if you change your email address. The National NCRS sends out reminder emails several months before the expiration date, so **PLEASE** don't ignore these reminders. Update ALL of your NCRS contact information online at:

<https://www.ncrs.org/forums/register/change-address.php>

I have also been sending emails and calling members if I see your National NCRS membership is going to expire within one month. Contact me (410-688-7329) if you want to know when your National NCRS membership expires. You must be a current member of National NCRS to remain a member of Mason Dixon. Also, if anyone is ever interested in knowing how many judging points you have, well I can now check that for you - just ask. Thanks, Glenn

Judging Chairman's Report

Gus Tsamouras

Hello Chapter Members,

Well where do I start?

Our chapter had a fabulous judging year! The participation and achievements we had as a group was monumental. Our annual Spring judging event and judging school was a huge success, We had a recent record amount of cars and participants from at least six states that I know of. We had some very special cars come to our event. There were L88 cars, L71 cars, LS6 cars, L89 cars, original paint cars, and many others just to name a few.

In July we had our summer event at Tony's Corvette shop. This event was the last qualifying event for the National event in Hampton Roads. We also had a few special cars at this event, a 63 split window, a 61 owned by a national team leader that is a benchmark car, along with an early unrestored C5 owned by one of our board members.

The National event was very special this year. There were many social activities, excursions, and speakers! I particularly enjoyed speaking to the chief engineers that worked on the new ZR1! Attendees were given the opportunity to see and hear the new ZR1, which would be an understatement by the way has 1024 Horsepower! The Mason Dixon Chapter was awarded the Top Flight Chapter award once again and I was honored to receive the award on behalf of our Chapter.

To say that our Chapter was well represented at the event would be an understatement. Everywhere I turned I saw one of our members. We had approximately 25 members attend and 11 members receive awards for their cars or other achievements. We had multiple members achieve and receive Master Judge levels including yours truly. It was great socializing and going to dinner with many of you.

I have done a lot of traveling with NCRS this past year and it has been enjoyable. I urge you to take a trip and enjoy the cars and the activities at these events.

The National event is in Vegas this year and it would be great if we could have a good showing.

I would like to wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Gus Tsamouras Mason Dixon NCRS Chapter Judging Chairman

Social Activities Committee Report **Elana Katz**

Mason Dixon family, hope everyone has a Healthy and Happy New Year!!!!

- We enjoyed our Fall Dinner Meeting at Olive Grove Restaurant. Save the date, April 5, 2025 for our Spring Dinner Meeting. More information to follow. We need donations of gift cards, liquor, and other items at the Spring dinner. Please contact Elana Katz or Rona Blumenthal if you are able to donate.
- May, 2025 – Cruising to a winery! Please let Elana Katz know if you have a favorite place or know of a location.
- June 22, 2025 – Cruise to Pen Mar Park for lunch and live music under Pavilion 1. 14600 Pen Mar High Rock Road, Cascade, MD 21719. More information will be provided in May.
- Looking forward to meeting up at Coffee & Cars-Hunt Valley, Mikey & Mel's in Maple Lawn, Annapolis Corvette Car Show, Corvette's at Carlisle, Friday night concerts at Hunt Valley, Lurman Woodland Theater, and more.

Have any ideas/suggestions? Please contact Elana Katz (elanakatz121@gmail.com) 410-382-3791 or Rona Blumenthal (ronablumenthal@hotmail.com).

So PLEASE come to the next dinner or event and help support the Chapter!

REMEMBER IT'S YOUR CLUB!

Historian's Report
Jerry Blumenthal

Folks, we really do need everyone's help here! If you have any pictures, stories, etc. to share with us all, please let Jerry or any of the BoD know.

Social Media Coordinator's Report
Rocco Baldino

Folks, as the social media coordinator I would like to get any comments, suggestions, etc. on the layout of the Facebook, website, etc. Send everything to me at - rbaldinojr@gmail.com

Again, as other BoD members have stated, this is your Chapter and our social media presence is no different. I will work to provide the information you need / want, but need to know. Thanks, Rocky

Restoration of My 1963 Split-Window Coupe Rich McKenzie, NCRS#69969

Im into my 5th year on the restoration of my 63' split window. Here's some before and after pictures. All the parts are in for reassembly and body is at the paint shop now. Completion should be in about a year.



KOMEDY CORNER

Some Short Funny Jokes.....

Which country's capital has the fastest-growing population.
Ireland. Every day it's Dublin.

I saw an ad for burial plots, and I thought: "That's the last thing I need!"

Will glass coffins be a success?
Remains to be seen!

Need an ark?
I Noah guy!

How does an attorney sleep?
First, he lies on one side, then he lies on the other side!

I have a few jokes about unemployed people, but none of them work.

How do you make holy water?
You boil the hell out of it!

What's the difference between a hippo and a zipper?
One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter!

Two windmills are standing in a wind farm.

One asks, "What's your favorite kind of music?"

The other says, "I'm a big metal fan."

Hear about the new restaurant called Karma?
There's no menu - you get what you deserve!

I went to buy some camouflage trousers yesterday but couldn't find any!

What do you call a bee that can't make up its mind?
A maybe!

I tried to sue the airline for losing my luggage.
I lost my case!

When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane!

She had a photographic memory but never developed it!

Is it ignorance or apathy that's destroying the world today?
I don't know and don't really care!

I wasn't originally going to get a brain transplant, but then I changed my mind!

The guy who invented the door knocker got a no-bell prize!

I used to think I was indecisive; now I'm not so sure!

Sleeping comes so naturally to me, I do it with my eyes closed!

What did the grape say when it got stepped on?

Nothing - but it let out a little whine!

Some More Short Funny Jokes.....

1. I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes. She gave me a hug.

2. Parallel lines have so much in common. It's a shame they'll never meet,

3. I'm reading a book on anti-gravity. It's impossible to put down!

4. Why don't skeletons fight each other? They don't have the guts.

5. I used to play piano by ear, but now I use my hands.

6. I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. It's really uplifting!

7. Why did the scarecrow win an award? Because he was outstanding in his field!

8. I told my computer I needed a break and now it won't stop giving me Kit Kats.

9. Why was the math book sad? Because it had too many problems.

10. I used to be a baker, but I couldn't make enough dough.

Golf Wake up and laugh





When I was young I sucked at golf but now after years of dedication, practice and coaching, I'm no longer young.

DEAR SANTA, I'D LIKE A LARGE BANK ACCOUNT AND A LOW GOLF SCORE.



PLEASE DONT MIX THEM UP LIKE LAST YEAR.

