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January 2025 Newsletter

## Monthly Meeting — Saturday, January 4th

Ollie's Station Restaurant, 4070 Southwest Blvd, Tulsa, OK 74107 7:30 AM to 08:00 AM—Parking Lot Gathering; 08:30 AM meeting starts indoors!

**Dues Reminder**—Your 2025 Chapter Dues are due on January 1, 2025. (See last page of newsletter for Membership Application.)



### **BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS**

## President's Comments—Happy New Year everyone!

I begin the new year very thankful for our chapter and looking forward to 2025 being another year full of NCRS events for us to enjoy together.

The big news from our December chapter meeting is that we elected some new officers. I'd like to thank John Wuchter for taking over as secretary and Kenn Sparks for becoming our Webmaster. I'm excited to share that between our Christmas party and writing this month's commentary, we filled our vacant newsletter editor position. Michael Aichele has renewed his membership and will continue on as newsletter editor in 2025!! Thank you Mr. Aichele!!

At our December board meeting, our primary topic was the 2025 chapter calendar, which is published in this month's Side Pipe. You will notice that it looks very similar to our 2024 calendar, with some adjustments to the timing of each event. Our garage tour at Garage Condos of Tulsa is scheduled for April 12 and our first chapter judging event is May 16-17. We are still looking for a June road tour to replace our Paragon visit from last June. If you have any suggestions, please bring it up during the new business discussion at our January 4th breakfast meeting at Ollie's Station. Or if you can't make it to Ollie's, send me an email at ncrsokcontact@gmail.com.

Please check out the 2025 calendar ahead of our January 4th meeting and make plans to attend as many of our events as you can. If you have any feedback on any of the dates or events, please share them at Ollie's on January 4th. I'll see you there!

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## Judging Chairman's Comments—2025

With the new year we have a new list of Chapter, Regional and National events. Below is a list of the Region VII actives that are not far from home that you may want to attend, so get the Corvette ready for judging that you have been putting off or sign up to judge and get more judging points. Either way you will be with friends and have a great time doing it.

April 5th is the Enid Corvette Expo that is said to be the largest indoor Corvette show in Oklahoma. If you do not want to enter you Corvette the chapter is planning a cruise to Enid after the Chapter Breakfast Meeting.

May 3rd we will be holding a hands on Judging School to get ready for our Spring Chapter Judging Event.

May 16 - 17 the Oklahoma Chapter will be hosting our Spring Judging Event. It will be a 2 day event in Tulsa. I will have registration open on March 1st and looking for 4 Corvettes to judge.

July 16 - 19 is the Kansas City / St. Louis Regional in Springfield, Missouri. This is a very close Regional that we all need to attend.

September 7 - 11 is the NCRS National Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. With it moved to September is should not be as hot as in the past. If you are not taking a Corvette to have judged the flights are cheep and the hotel rooms are resealable and with all the things to do in Vegas it will make a fun vacation.

October 23 - 25 in the Texas Regional is another close Regional that is within driving distance and well attended.

This is what I have on my calendar at this time. I know more Chapter Judging Events will be held in our Region and I will

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update you when I find out the dates. Look for the monthly updates from Tony Stein our Regional Rep. If you are not getting his email, contact anthonystein@att.net to get on his list.

NCRS Oklahoma Chapter Judging Chairman Gene Holtz (NCRS #10606)

email blue65L84@aol.com or 405-317-3919

### Membership Chairman's Comments—We

currently have 73 chapter members of which 49 have paid their 2025 dues. 2025 dues may be paid on-line through PayPal, you can mail me a check, or I will accept your payments at the January meeting, (reminder you must be a current member of NCRS National to be a member of the NCRS Oklahoma Chapter).

NCRS Oklahoma Chapter Membership Chairman Kelley Bolton (NCRS #20451)

#### Newsletter Editor's Comments—Ok I paid

my Chapter dues, so I will be staying for a while longer. It does't mean that I not still frustrated with National, but I'll put National out of my mind and concentrate on the Chapter.

I was reminded by a very smart lady that "we came for the cars, but stayed for the people". I Think have heard that saying or something like it for the past 37 years, but never really put much thought to it.

That very smart lady (my lovely wife of 53 years) reminded me that no matter how frustrated or angry I am at National, it has nothing to do with the friendships I have developed locally. So, I'm staying for the friendships (people), besides as I was reminded, by that very smart lady, that I didn't have her permission to quit the Oklahoma Chapter. I was told to check with her before I make any more dumb decisions. Gotta love them!

#### NCRS Oklahoma Chapter Newsletter Editor Michael Aichele (NCRS #11685)

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## **NCRS Chapter Merchandise**

NCRS Oklahoma Chapter Store on the NCRS Apparel Store web page at <a href="https://www.ncrsapparel.com/">https://www.ncrsapparel.com/</a>





Thank you to all those who provide contributions to the Sidepipe Newsletter.

\*\*\* Please think about writing an article or contributing an item of interest for the newsletter. This can be a tech tip you've found, an article to reprint from another publication that would be of interest, a personal experience that would interest other members, or

an item of news about the chapter or its members. Remember, include pictures if you can. Your Corvette classified ads are welcome, too. You can mail, e-mail, text, or loan me a flash drive. **Remember!!** Your help is needed to make this newsletter a voice of our chapter!

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#### NCRS Communication

To keep up to date with the latest news from your Oklahoma Chapter NCRS, your Region VII Director, and National NCRS be sure to advise National of any email changes. This also applies to phone numbers and new mailing addresses. If your contact information is not current, then you will not receive the latest news and information

#### "What old is new and what new is old"

By Michael Aichele (NCRS # 11685)

During my 23 years in the United States Marine Corps, I was always told "don't volunteer for anything", but I never listened to that advice. I seem to volunteer for a lot of different things and once again I volunteered to scan all the old Newsletters/Side Pipes.

Our Chapter Officers wanted an electronic record of all, currently 41 years, newsletters, By-Laws, Article of Incorporation and Financial reports. I currently have about 90% of them scanned, but while scanning them I was also reading some of the old articles. Interesting stuff, like the 50 years of information in the current edition of "The Corvette Restorer.

Interestingly many of the articles are still relevant and some secret information was revealed. (See Page 7)

What issue did our publication go from a "Newsletter" to "The Side Pipe"?

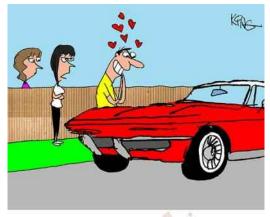
Who started the "Attitude Adjustment Night", what was it originally called and when did it start?

Want a good read on frame restoration? Go to the January 1994 Side Pipe and read Kelly Bolton's article "DeFrame Boss! DeFrame!". It is still relevant and a great article, however, most of the vendors listed in the article are no longer in business. Which brings us to the current day, where many of the traditional Corvette parts suppliers are being purchased by a holding company called Legendary Companies. Legendary recently rebranded it self as "Coker Group". Coker Group is comprised of Coker Tire Company, Corvette Central, Zip Products, Inc., Wheel Vintiques, Specialty Wheel, Roadster Wire Wheel, Universal Vintage Tire and Great Race, as well as German tire distributor MOR (Munchner Oldtimer Reifen). Paragon Reproductions was also purchased and then integrated in to Corvette Central, so Paragon Reproductions is gone.

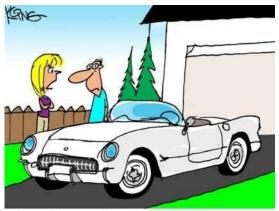
Kelly Bolton and Wayne Eggerman co-wrote a great article called "Just Riveting" in the November 1998 Side Pipe. I tell you this, because at the last meeting Kelly reminded us that he has the Chapters riveting equipment. Need to rivet a set of ball joints in a Corvette A-Frame or replace some of the aluminum rivets in your Corvette body, see Kelly "The Expert" riveter.

John Neas submitted and article for the April 1990 "Newsletter" called "Rock Chips Are Good For You" from the Ferrari Owner's Club Newsletter. It about a guy to decided to restore his daily driver Ferrari. In the end his moral of the story is: rock chips are good for you because rock chips allow you to be carefree about where you drive and how you drive your car. They demonstrate that you have used the car for the purpose for which Enzo built it, and they should be preserved and displayed with some pride. I'm sure that Zora Arkus-Duntov would agree with this Ferrari owner, in the aspect of driving the car as it was intended to be driven. It's a good article, you should ready once I make all the edition of the Newsletter/Side Pipe available.

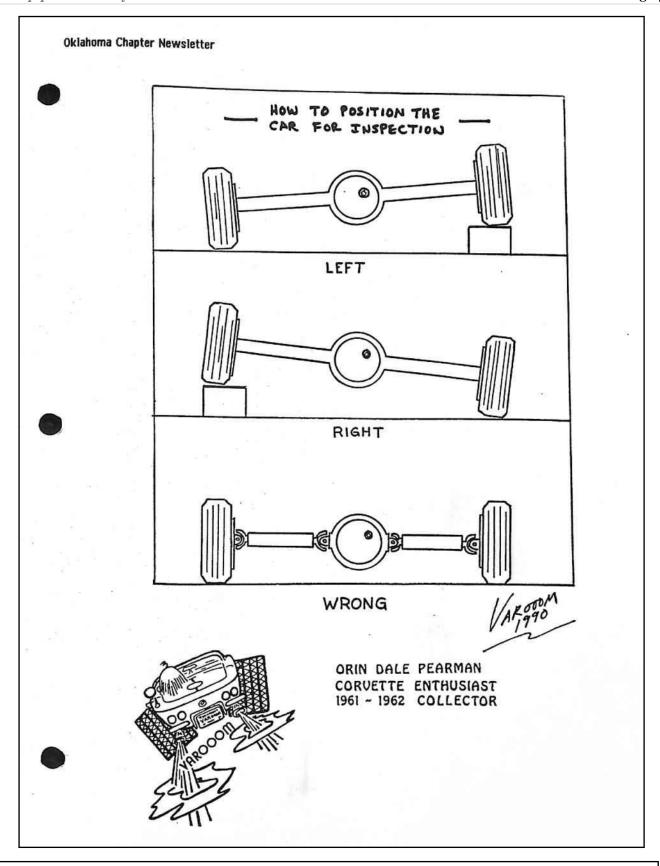
A lot can be gleaned from our past, so when you get a chance you should read some of the past edition of our Chapter history. Hopefully I'll be done with the scanning by the next meeting. If you want a copy of all the newsletters give me a thumb drive and I'll load it up for you.



"I remember when he looked at me



"I realize you love driving your Corvette, but quit driving it to the end of the driveway to check the mail!"



This wonderful bit of history came from the August 1990 Side Pipe. For those of you who may not have met or known Dale "Varoom" Pearman, you missed a really great individual who loved this 61-62 Corvettes. Every seen a Corvette secured to a tree with a logging chain, you might have if you ever attended a Regional or National event that Dale attended. He was also known to put bolt is the slots of brake rotors, so the wheel couldn't rotate complete around. Dale's theft protection ideas were revolutionary.

## 2025 OKLAHOMA CHAPTER LOOK AHEAD

January 4th - Breakfast

January 21st - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

January 28th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

February 1st - Breakfast

February 18th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

February 25th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

March 1st - Breakfast

March 1st - Board Meeting

March 18th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

March 25th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

April 5th - Breakfast

April 5th - Road Tour to Corvette Expo in Enid

April 12th - Garage Condo Cookout/Garage Tours

April 15th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

April 22nd - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

May 3rd - Breakfast

May 3rd - Hands on Judging School

May 16th-17th - Chapter Judging Event

May 20th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

May 27th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

June 7th - Breakfast

June 7th - Board Meeting

June 14th (tentative) - Road Tour to ?? (Suggestions?)

June 17th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

June 24th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

July 5th - Breakfast

July 15th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

July 16th-19th - KC/St. Louis Regional

July 22nd - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

August 2nd - Breakfast

August 19th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

August 26th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

September 6th - Breakfast

September 6th - Board Meeting

September 7th-11th - National Convention

September 16th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

September 21st (tentative) - Chapter Judging Event

September 23rd - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

October 4th - Breakfast

October 11th or 18th (tentative) - Picnic at Aichele's

October 15th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

October 23rd-25th - Texas Regional

October 28th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

November 1st - Breakfast

November 18th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

November 25th - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City

December 6th - Breakfast

December 6th - Board Meeting

December 13th (tentative) - Christmas Party

December 16th - Attitude Adjustment Tulsa

December 23rd - Attitude Adjustment Oklahoma City



The Mother of All Road Fests!

In 2026, Route 66 will celebrate its 100th birthday. To celebrate, AAA has created the AAA Route 66 Road Fest. With the highway winding through over 400 miles within its borders, Oklahoma is the perfect place to host this celebration.

Join us June 21 & 22, 2025 in Tulsa, Oklahoma – the Capital of Route 66!

https://route66roadfest.com/

## **Upcoming Events**

#### **OKLAHOMA NCRS CHAPTER EVENTS:**

- January 4th—NCRS Chapter Breakfast Meeting, Tulsa (See Front Page)
- January 9th, —Ladies Night Out (see Tulsa Happenings—Ladies Night below)
- January 21st—Tulsa Attitude Adjustment Night (see Tulsa Happenings below)
- January 28th—OKC Attitude Adjustment Night (see Oklahoma City Happenings below)

#### NCRS NATIONAL/REGIONAL/CHAPTER EVENTS:

- January 15-18, 2025—Regional, Melbourne, FL
- April 3-5, 2025—Regional, Pendleton, SC
- May 1-3, 2025—Regional, Glendale, AZ
- May 29-31, 2025—Regional, Lacrosse, WI
- September 7-11, 2025—NCRS National Convention, Las Vegas, NV
- October 23-25, 2025—Regional, Frisco, TX

#### CAR STUFF: (Stuff for Car Guy's and Gal's)

- February 14-16, 2025—61st Annual Darryl Starbird's Rod & Custom Car Show, Safenet Center (Expo), Tulsa, OK
- April, 2025—Tulsa Auto Show, Expo, Tulsa, OK
- June 21, 2025—17th Annual NCCO (Non Club Club of Oklahoma) All Corvette Show, Shawnee, OK

#### OKLAHOMA HALLETT MOTOR RACING CIRCUIT: https://www.hallettracing.net/

59901 E. 5500 Rd., Jennings, OK 74038; Phone (918) 356-4814; eMail: jennifer@hallettracing.net

• September 12-14, 2025—Supercar Experience, Hallett Motor Raceway Park, Jennings, OK

#### OSAGE CASINO TULSA RACEWAY PARK: https://www.tulsaracewaypark.com/

3101 N Garnett Rd., Tulsa, OK 74116; Phone (918) 437-7223; eMail: megan@tulsaracewaypark.com

• May 9-10, 2025—Mid-West Drag Racing Series, Throwdown in T-Town, Tulsa Raceway Park, Tulsa, OK

#### CRUISE NIGHTS AND SWAP MEETS: (Stuff for Car Guy's and Gal's)

- Tuesday Cruise Night, McAlister's Deli, 91st & Memorial, Tulsa, OK; 4:00 PM-Sunset (March Oct)
- Wednesday Cruise Night, Between McAlister's Deli & Quiktrip, 86th St and 129th E Ave, Owasso, OK; 6:00 PM-Sunset (March Oct)
- Cars & Coffee, 1 Remington Place NE 50th and MLK, Oklahoma City, OK; First Saturday monthly, 8:30AM-11:00AM
- Cars & Coffee, Kicker Facility, 3100 N Husband St, Stillwater, OK; Last Saturday monthly, 8:30AM-12:00PM

### TULSA HAPPENINGS-LADIES NIGHT

(2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month)

**PLEASE RSVP**—to Nancy Phillips! Contact her at 918-770-1043 or nancy.phillips@isocentric.com.

**Monthly Dinner**—Everyone is welcome—Chapter Member's, spouses, partners, or singles to get together and mingle. It is a good time for all! Please come join us.

Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 diner location will be at Red Lobster 4525 E 51st St. Tulsa, OK. Gathering time is 4:00 PM, dinner at 4:30. We hope to see you there!!!

Future dates: February 13th, 2025

## TULSA HAPPENINGS

(3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month)

ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT Night TULSA, OK

**Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>; 5:00 pm** at Bravos Mexican Grill, 6104 E 71st Street, Tulsa, OK. Hope to see you there.

#### OKLAHOMA CITY HAPPENINGS

(4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month)

**ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT NIGHT OKLAHOMA CITY—January 28<sup>th</sup>**, at RUDY'S "Country Store" and Bar-B-Q located at 3437 W Memorial Dr. Oklahoma City, OK. Arrival time is 5:30 with dinner at 6:00. Hope to see you there.

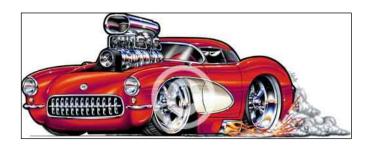
### MEMBERS CLASSIFIED PAGE (Wanted, For Sale or Service)

For sale or a service you can provide Chapter Members? eMail me and I'll put it in the newsletter! - mjikelee@gmail.com

FOR SALE - Corvette "Body Dolly" and "Rotisserie" located in Wichita, Kansas \$3,000. Contact Dallas Keller at (316) 200-4125.

FOR SALE (*Price Reduction*) - 4 NOS Goodyear Eagle GS-CR Radial Tires for C4 Corvette; 2 are P255/45ZR17 both dated 2201; and 2 are P285/40ZR17 dated 4500 and 4400. Pick up in Wichita, Kansas \$700 or best offer. Contact Dallas Keller at (316) 200-4125.

FOR SALE - 1965 Close ratio Muncie 4 speed transmission. Main-case # 3851325, mid-plate #3857584, side cover #3831707. Date P0312 (March 12th) NO V.I.N. ON CASE. 7,000 miles on rebuild by Tom Parsons with upgrade to 1" cluster shaft and 26 spline input. Comes with new power torque pressure plate and good clutch disc and rear yoke. \$800.00 Contact Gene Holtz (405) 317-3919.



A perfectly resorted to "NCRS Standards" straight axle Corvette.

around October, 1987.

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#### NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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## CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

# OKLAHOMA CHAPTER NCRS, INC. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Annual Dues are \$30.00 with membership expiring on December 31<sup>st</sup>. You must be an active member of the National Corvette Restorers Society before you can be a member of the Oklahoma Chapter N.C.R.S., Inc. Make checks payable to **Oklahoma Chapter NCRS, Inc.** 

Mail to: Kelly Bolton, Membership Chairman

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