

# CROSSED FLAGS

The Official Newsletter of the  
Louisiana Chapter  
National Corvette Restorers Society



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## Event Calendar

- Florida 45th Winter Regional - January 18 - 20, 2024, Melbourne, FL
- Chapter Judging Meet - March 2, 2024
- NCRS National Convention - August 4 - 8, 2024, Hampton, VA

### Editor's Note:

Please email articles, event photos, personal interest stories, and other items of interest to me anytime:

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[www.ncrs-louisiana.org](http://www.ncrs-louisiana.org)

## *Our Chairman's Message*

This is our last newsletter of 2023 and I have to say it has been an exciting and busy year for us. Starting in February with the Florida Regional. In April, with our Chapter Judging Meet in Metairie. In July, with the NCRS Convention in French Lick, Indiana. In August, with Corvettes at Carlisle in Pennsylvania. In September, our Chapter Judging Meet in Broussard, LA. And, in October, with the Lone Star Regional in Frisco, Texas. I hope you were able to go to any or all of these events and participate in NCRS and stay active.

2024 will be an active year as well. We head to Florida in January for Bloomington Gold in Kissimmee and the next week is the NCRS Florida Regional with a new date and new location in Melbourne, FL. This looks like a great venue and hopefully with the addition of lots of vendor spaces, it will bring back new vendors and buyers. This is what Florida was always known for and who doesn't love a big swap space to find those hard to find NOS parts or repro parts.

March 2, 2024 will be our next Chapter Judging Meet at the shop of Jason Gristina in Covington, LA. We held a meet at that site in September 2022. A nice facility that we can hold our 1 day judging event. Details about the event are included in this newsletter, and you can now register online.

I hope everyone reads the Driveline and stays current with upcoming shows and makes plans to attend something in 2024.

On October 1st, I sent out a chapter message about chapter elections and nominations that would be accepted through November 1st, and then I would post the names of nominees for chapter officers. Unfortunately there was no response for nominees. The officers that have been in office, agree to stay with the current status quo for another year. We are hoping to get more activities this year and complete the requirements for the Top Flight Chapter award that has escaped us for the last year as well as this year. The requirements to achieve this goal have been increased and we have missed a couple of requirements that I hope we can achieve in 2024, such as a road tour and a social event and technical articles published. If you can help with any of these items, let us know and we will start working on that immediately after the first of the year.

We are celebrating 25 years as a Chapter of NCRS and have decided to have shirts printed with our logo and a 25 year banner announcement. We are working on pricing and availability at this time but, hope to keep the cost under \$20. We have a page with an order form with copy of the logo. If you are interested please copy it and send back to [cindyrodriguez677@gmail.com](mailto:cindyrodriguez677@gmail.com) with your information. I will post this order form on the website also.

As your Chairman, I want to say thank you for being a member of the Louisiana Chapter of NCRS. If you ever have anything you need to say to better the chapter, feel free to contact me. I am working for you.

We have also included a page for dues renewal as a reminder to pay \$20 for 2024. You can go online and pay or you can print and mail the form in with a check to our treasurer, John Maggiore.

Happy Holidays ahead for us all!!

Cindy Rodriguez  
Chairman, Louisiana Chapter

## LA Chapter Fall Judging Meet & School By Cindy Rodriguez

Well we are rounding out 2023 with a Fall Judging Meet to Flight Judge a 66 and a 67 that are headed to Regional Meets in Texas and Florida to get their PV and Top Flight awards. We were able to have a great team of judges and attendees for this event at Brady Como's shop in Broussard, LA again. As always, he is a gracious host and gives us a great air conditioned shop to hold our judging and membership meeting. We had 25 NCRS members in attendance. Special thanks to those from New Mexico, Oregon, and Arkansas, that's a long way to come for a chapter meet and it was appreciated. We had several guests from Delkin Motor Sports that came to learn about NCRS and how it relates to the work they do in restoring cars at Delkin. They were impressed with the thoroughness of the judging process and we may be seeing some of these guys in our chapter in the coming months. Delkin Motor Sports provided the lunch of Pastalaya for everyone. We appreciate Delkin and Brady Como for their hospitality.

We had a judging school to cover the finer points of CDCIF, again!!! Never can say enough about how to judge using those guidelines. We also had a membership meeting to discuss upcoming elections for our Regional Director as well as nominees for our chapter for 2024.

We had 6 Sportsman awards given out to Gerald Avery, Brady Como, Paul Dogali, Michael Johnson, Bob Leeds and Alton Rivero. Thank you guys for driving your Corvette to the meet and a special thanks to Michael Johnson, who drove all the way from New Mexico in his C8!!

Our 2 Flight Judged cars did great and both received a Top Flight Award. They were Rob and Beth Wright from Sunriver, Oregon with a Red 66 Coupe and Maxie and Cindy Rodriguez from Lafayette, LA with a Green 67 435 Convertible. This was the first judging meet for both of these cars and we are both on our way to more events in 2023 and 2024. Wish us luck!!

Thanks to all who attended this meet.

Cindy Rodriguez

LA Chapter Chairman





# LA Chapter Fall Judging Meet & School (continued) By Cindy Rodriguez





## 2023 Texas Chapter NCRS Lone Star Regional By Bill Folse

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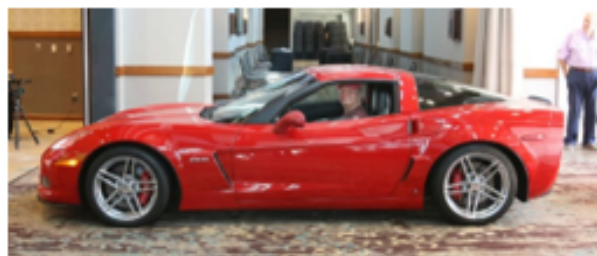
On October 18, 2023, my wife Candy and I departed for Frisco Texas with our 2006 ZO6 in tow.

Our Victory Red ZO6 has been cared for as a candidate for flight judging since it was acquired in 2010. Nevertheless, it still took months to prepare. Original parts needed to be reinstalled; the chassis needed detailing etc. Despite our preservation efforts, it was a challenge to locate "obsolete" brochures, instructional DVDs, and other items. But, in the end, the ZO6 was ready for its debut...and I became a Hoarder of C6 small parts and pieces.

Thursday morning, we were greeted and directed to park. There was more than adequate and easily accessible parking available. When instructed, we rolled the ZO6 off of the trailer and completed the Cold Start portion of the Operations Judging.

We then proceeded to the Convention Center parking building where the Operations Judging was completed. On leaving, the ZO6 seemed to defiantly "kick up its heels".

We completed a "Kodak Moment" then proceeded into the Convention Center – it was amazing to drive and park among this incredible roster of Corvettes parked within. The quiet time that followed was invaluable for unpacking the numerous items and parts and preparing the ZO6 for judging.



Friday morning started very early for a retiree. The ZO6 was ready. Following the Judges' Meeting and the Owners' meeting, the judging team appeared on the floor. The teams were very articulate and cautious while working around the ZO6. I was pleased to see that the judges made every effort to avoid touching the ZO6. I was impressed with the judges' skill in judging the service replacement items. I could tell that the ZO6 scored very well...hopefully well enough for Top Flight!!



The banquet was enjoyable visiting with many NCRS folks that we have not seen for some time. In addition to seeing folks from Louisiana, we also visited with many others...a reunion of old friends...and a couple of new friends!

In the end, we heard the words we wanted to hear:

**"TOP FLIGHT"!!**

The trip went very well through Louisiana and most of Texas – except for Interstate 635. Frisco has a great Convention Center complex with numerous top shelf hotels in the immediate area. A large shopping center and numerous restaurants are located steps away from the Convention Center.

**Bill Folse**  
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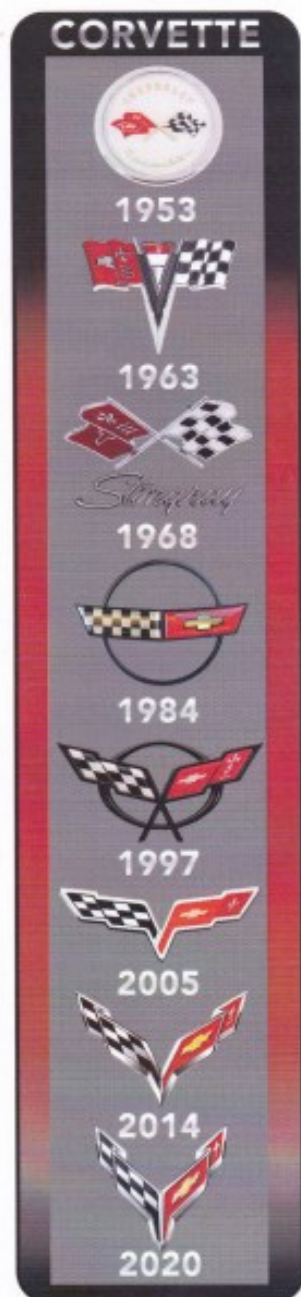
## 2023 Texas Chapter NCRS Lone Star Regional By Bill Folse





# 45th Florida Winter Regional Event

**Melbourne, Florida**



Host Facility:



[AmericanMuscleCarMuseum.com](http://AmericanMuscleCarMuseum.com)

## January 18-20, 2024

Major Judging Event - Vendors - Food Trucks - Covered Dining tables - Indoor Bathrooms  
Includes one evening access to museum with 300+ amazing muscle cars

## LA Chapter Judging Meet Details

The Louisiana Chapter of the NCRS is conducting a Chapter Judging Meet on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at the shop of Jason Gristina in Covington, LA. A Judging School will be held that morning also. Meet will start promptly at 9am. We will be having a general membership meeting.

Jason Gristina  
116 Pear Street  
Covington, LA 70433

Directions from Baton Rouge:

Take I-12E to Exit 63 for US 190E toward Mandeville

Take Judge Tanner Blvd. exit, Left at fork

Left onto Fairway Dr/Judge Tanner Blvd, Turn Left on 190E service road

Turn Right on Pear Street, 116 Pear Street is on the Right

From Slidell head West on I-12 and exit at 63A, Follow same directions above to get to Pear Street

This is a maximum 3 point meet, 2 for judging, 1 for school. Be sure to pre-register online for both. Club will provide coffee, donuts and water, soft drinks and lunch. Please bring your chairs. We will judge 2 cars at this event, which will include flight and concourse cars. Remember, cars must be titled in your name and all registration and insurance must be up to date through the date of the meet. Drive your Corvette to the meet and register for a Sportsman Award. Any questions, please contact Maxie Rodriguez, 281-414-5049.

Hope to see you there!

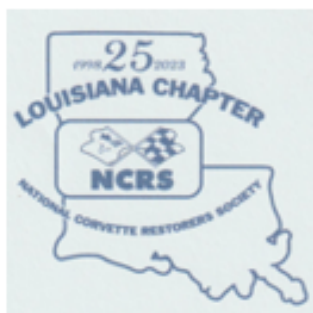
Maxie Rodriguez

LA Chapter Judging Chairman



## 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shirt Order Form

Please complete the below info and E-mail form to  
[cindyrodriguez677@gmail.com](mailto:cindyrodriguez677@gmail.com)



Pocket Logo - Front



Design to go on Back of Shirt

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate size and quantities below:

SIZE	QUANTITY
Small	
Medium	
Large	
X-Large	
XX-Large	
XXX-Large	
XXXX-Large	



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**LOUISIANA CHAPTER**  
**2024 DUES \$20.00**

JOIN OTHERS WHO SHARE YOUR INTEREST IN CORVETTES  
 LOUISIANA CHAPTER NCRS, A PART OF AND SANCTIONED BY  
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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**NCRS National Membership Number (Required):** \_\_\_\_\_

Note: National NCRS Membership is required. If you do not know your number, enter "yes" but submit the number as soon as available to complete application.

CORVETTES YOU OWN			
Year	Body Style & Special Options	Color	Engine & Transmission

MAIL THIS FORM WITH DUES ENCLOSED TO:

LOUISIANA CHAPTER NCRS  
 C/O JOHN MAGGIORE  
 47133 MONTICELLO DRIVE  
 HAMMOND, LA 70401



## NCRS Chapter Award Program

The NCRS Chapter Award Program was developed to promote involvement and participation by members in their chapter events while encouraging the sharing of knowledge in the restoration and preservation of the Corvette. The program measures the performance of each chapter against standard award criteria similar to the principal used in NCRS judging. Each chapter is eligible to receive an award every year after submitting the required quarterly reports and fulfilling the required criteria. The Award Program is based on the calendar year January 1 to December 31. Recognition Certificates are issued in February, and the award is presented to the

TOP FLIGHT	SECOND FLIGHT	THIRD FLIGHT
Complete all eight <b>required activities</b> and six or more <b>variable activities</b>	Complete seven <b>required activities</b> and five <b>variable activities</b>	Complete six <b>required activities</b> and four <b>variable activities</b>

### Required Activities for the year

- **1R** Host a Chapter Judging Meet
- **2R** Conduct a Chapter Technical Seminar
- **3R** Conduct a Chapter Judging School
- **4R** Conduct a Chapter Membership Meeting
- **5R** Conduct a Chapter Charitable Event (does not have to be Corvette related)
- **6R** Conduct a Chapter Road Tour
- **7R** Have a Chapter Social Event
- **8R** Maintain a Chapter Website linked to [www.ncrs.org](http://www.ncrs.org)

### Variable Activities for the year

- **1V** Judging Meet must include cars registered for Flight Judging from at least 5% of the Chapter membership
- **2V** Six technical articles must be published in the Chapter Newsletter
- **3V** A total of 15% or more of the Chapter members and/or family members must judge or tabulate at the Judging Meet(s). Each person can only be counted once during the year
- **4V** A total of 15% of Chapter members must drive their Corvette(s) to a Chapter meeting or Chapter event during the year. The Chapter Road Tour is not included. Each person can only be counted once during the year
- **5V** Chapter Road Tour must include at least 5% of the members cars
- **6V** At least 20% of the Chapter members must attend one or more Chapter meetings or events
- **7V** Set up NCRS display at a Non-NCRS event
- **8V** A charitable donation of \$100 or more is donated to a 501-3C qualified charity



# Classifieds



Looking for mid year parts?  
Check with me first!

Maxie Rodriguez

281-414-5049

[maxierod@aol.com](mailto:maxierod@aol.com)

1957 Corvette windshield

July-Aug-Sept build

Asking \$350

Contact Jason Gristina

985-869-0259

[carjh00@gmail.com](mailto:carjh00@gmail.com)

Set of 15x6 American Racing  
V505 Torque Thrust II, polished,  
2 piece, made in the USA.

Tires are BF Goodrich Radial  
T/A 215/70R15

Wheels are in great condition.  
Summit has the wheels for  
\$405 each. \$1,450 obo

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